

FINNEY OF THE FORCE

By F. O. Alexander



MICKIE, THE PRINTER'S DEVIL

By Charles Sughroe



Events in the Lives of Little Men

Our Pet Peeve



THE FEATHERHEADS

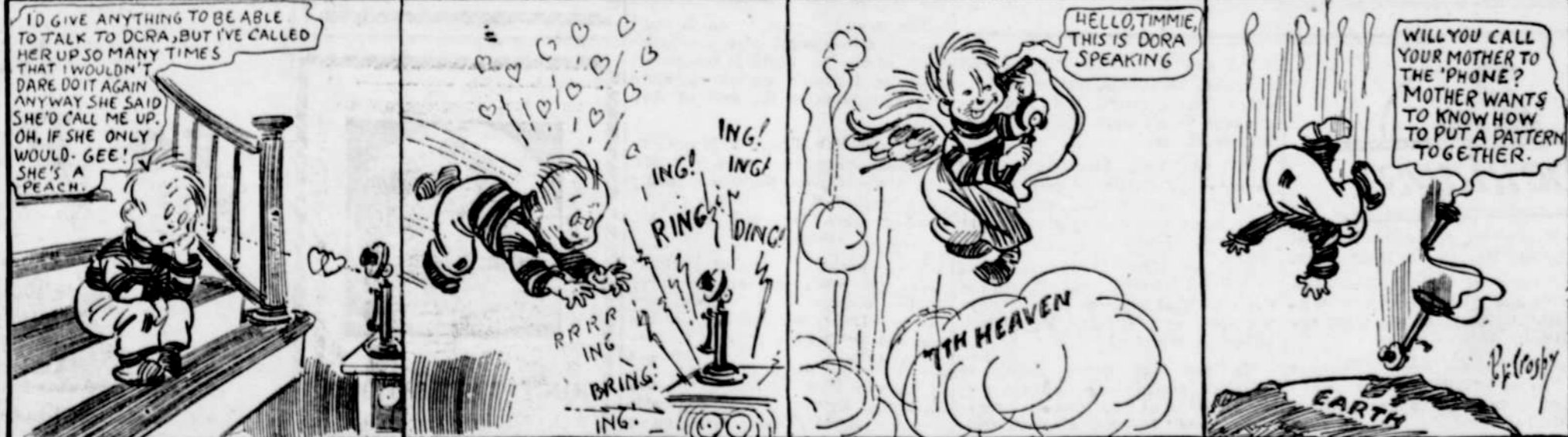
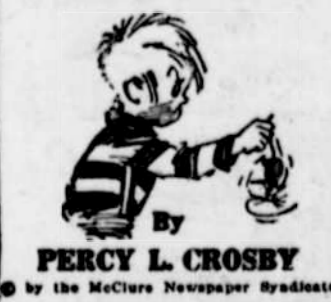
By Osborne



One of Those Affairs

The Clancy Kids

The Only Way to Win Her, Timmie, Is to Give Her a "Ring"



And She Did

Wig—How do you mean you married her for money? She hasn't a cent. Wag—I know that, but a fellow bet me \$1,000 the other day that she wouldn't say yes when I proposed.

Cruelty to Animals

"He was bitten by his own dawg." "Was 'e now? How was that?" "He forgot himself and spoke to the dawg like he does to his wife."

ANIMAL CHARACTERISTICS



Warned in Time

Mrs. Shriekmore—They've given me a part in the charity concert. I'm going to sing "An Hour Before the Dawn." Her Husband—An hour before the dawn, eh? Then I'll leave town that night. I won't be disturbed at that time in the morning.

Obliging

She—I'm wild about everything that is even remotely associated with aviation. He—Fine. I'll get a pair of balloon pants.

Regular Catechism

Horace—Am I the only man you have ever kissed? Helen—Why will every man ask a girl that question? Of course you are!

EVER FORGETTING



Terms of War

Bobby (to his sister's beau)—Say, Mr. Hangoff, ain't you afraid o' LI? Mr. Hangoff—Why, no. Whatever put such an idea in your head? Bobby—Pa did. I heard him say to ma a little while ago, "I guess LI'll get his scalp tonight. She's gone up t' put her war paint on."

Oil Under Ocean?
Geologists say that the source beds of most oilfields are marine in origin, deposited millions of years ago. Through the ages oil of these sea deposits was concentrated into pools that are now being drained. Therefore there seems no reason why the bed of the ocean should not be a source of future oil supply.

Traced to Real Skeleton
The precise origin of the phrase, "skeleton in the closet," is not known. It is supposed to have originated with a college professor who secretly conducted investigations in anatomy, and for this purpose keeping a skeleton concealed, since public opinion at that time was opposed to any desecration of a dead body.

Based on Actual Event
R. W. Gordon of Cambridge, Mass., one of the best authorities on "old songs that men have sung," says that "it seems pretty clear that the song 'Old Ninety-Seven' was composed on an actual event and that it is the work of a single author, though touched up a bit by other hands."

Chemistry Popular Study
Since the war there are more persons engaged in the pursuit of chemistry than any other science. This is due in particular to the rapid establishment of chemical industries in the United States to supply materials which had formerly been imported entirely.

First Use of Parachute
The invention of the parachute is accredited to Sebastian Lenormand and the device was used by him in 1784 in making a descent from an upper window from a house in Lyon. The first descent from a balloon was made by Garnerin in Paris in 1797.

Without a Doubt
When one reads in the paper that Miss Sonia Ivanoff and Miss Gabrielle de Montmorency are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Smith, one knows that a couple of movie girls are home for the holidays.—Arkansas Gazette.

Importance of Todays
Today is a king of disguise. Today always looks mean to the thoughtless—in the face of a uniform experience that all good and great and happy actions are made up precisely of these blank todays.—Ralph Waldo Emerson.

Lucky Has-Beens
The Hungarians have a process for making a fair grade of cloth from bean pods. It is a fine thing if a man can raise his own overcoats in his garden. A has-been is lucky.—Los Angeles Times.

Try It, Men
One woman writes that her husband is a model because when he is wrong he says so in plain English instead of hiding behind a bunch of roses or a box of candy.—Woman's Home Companion.

Need an Object Lesson
People who have no children but are positive in their theories that they know how to train them, should be given one to train for the purpose of changing their minds.—Exchange.

Custom Too Strong
Cromwell, and those associated with him, endeavored to prohibit the use of wedding rings of any sort—even those of iron—but the "hethenish practice" could not be put down.

Robes of Office
"Public officials," says a civil service paper, "should wear good-looking clothes." Being clothed with authority isn't enough, you see.—Farm and Fireside.

Two Varieties of Flax
The cultivation of flax for fiber and the cultivation of flax for seed or oil are two distinct industries. Flax is a variety distinct from seed flax.

Uncle Eben
"George Washington couldn't tell a lie," said Uncle Eben, "which shows to me dat politics was different in dem days."—Washington Star.

Good Ideas
When a man has a "good idea," he likes to tell his friends about it. And usually a "good idea" is a fool idea.—Aitchison Globe.

Suffering Love
A Lake View (Ill.) high school pupil defined a passive verb as "used when the subject is the sufferer, as 'I am loved.'"

Character in Handwriting
The belief that handwriting reveals an individual's character was advanced in Italy in the Seventeenth century.

Success Came Late
Ralph Waldo Emerson was fifty-seven years old before any of his books made a popular success.