

A PATH TO PARADISE

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SYNOPSIS: For weeks Santa has seemed a restless, unquiet spirit. He is now anxious to settle down to normal life after their hasty marriage following Santa's divorce from Dicky. But meanwhile she has rented an expensive apartment and furnished it with the things she and Dicky had used. When her mother gives her a secret survey Santa wonders almost in terror, what Clive will say.

Chapter 32
THE FIRST QUARREL

HAVING escorted his in-laws as far as their automobile, Clive loitered on the pavement. He was thinking unusual thoughts for a bridegroom. There was one person who could have understood them—Dicky Dak. Dicky could have put him wise. Dicky could have told him a lot. It takes a man who's been divorced from a woman to know the truth about her.

If Santa had employed these high-handed methods with Dicky, he would have required to be a worm to endure them. She seemed to think that a wedding ring was something you slipped through a husband's nose. And yet here he was committed to her plans by the trick of including her parents in her impromptu house-warming.

As he stepped from the elevator, he saw the door down the passage gaily opened. There she stood in the robe of benefactress.



Clive listened to her sob.

She leaned against him, exercising all her charm.

"I did it for you, Clive. To save you trouble. Tell me that you adore it."

He held his peace till they had reached the drawing room; then gently disentangled himself from her embrace.

"Apart from having made me a laughing-stock and a probable bankrupt, I find your choice of apartment delightful. There isn't a thing wrong with the apartment; the trouble is how to pay for it."

"But my lover," she replied with angelic forbearance, "this is my present to you."

"Unfortunately," he smiled, imitating her sniveling, "it isn't. It's the present as far as the furnishings are concerned, of friends who wished you well at your first wedding."

"Come to earth, Clive." She was prepared to reason with him as a mother with a wayward child. "Why get sore about the furnishings? I divided everything scrupulously; I brought on from Chicago only the things that were mine. And as regards the apartment, I don't expect you to support it; I leave you free to contribute whatever you feel you can afford. But I hate to bargain and I'm not bargaining. As I've told you before, anything that I possess is yours."

It was as though she'd stuffed a bomb in his mouth. She'd boomed him, yet insisted that her motive had been generosity. Shrugging his shoulders, he turned away, and stared down into the Park.

Her quivering voice pursued him. She was losing her assurance.

"I did it to help you—to make you look important."

"I never want to look what I'm not." To say what his dignity demanded, it was necessary to steel his heart. It was impossible to do that if he looked at her. "We've been married how long, Santa? Not three weeks. Don't take a step off on the wrong foot at the start. I hate to appear ungracious. I'm allowing your good intentions every ounce of credit."

"But surely when it came to our home, I had the right to be consulted. If I live on you, I forfeit your respect. You despised Dak because he thought no shame of living on you; yet you're attempting to—"

"Don't drag Dicky in," she implored. "It's such bad taste."

"But my dear girl, he's here; he's all about us. Every blessed stick, the carpet on the floor, the pictures on the wall are reminders of him. At what I'm now earning, it would take me years to replace them. Any friend who visits me will appreciate their origin. You've transplanted yours and his from Chicago."

Silence. He listened to hear her sob. Peered across his shoulder dreadful of what might be happening. On the couch, behind the disheveled tea-tray over which she had presided so proudly as hostess she was sitting little and deflated.

"Can't you see at what I'm driving?" He sank his voice.

"When you put it that way."

"Then let's have yours."

She dabbed her eyes with an absurdly inadequate handkerchief—

PROCLAMATION BY GOVERNOR URGES RED CROSS HELP

Proclamation issued by Governor Julia L. Meier, urging a generous support of the Red Cross this year, was received yesterday by the Medford headquarters and reads as follows:

TO THE PEOPLE OF OREGON:

The American Red Cross will conduct its annual membership campaign between Armistice Day and Thanksgiving.

The Red Cross, along with all other relief agencies, has been subjected to heavy demands during recent months when unemployment has brought distress and suffering in its wake. Demands for its services have exceeded those of any period since the World War. The organization has been tireless in its efforts to provide unemployment relief and to furnish food, shelter, clothing, garden seed, medical and nursing care to those in distress.

Red Cross flour milled from government wheat has gone into homes of needy and distressed people in cities, towns and villages in every state, and the organization is now engaged in the

WILBUR VAGUE ON FUTURE ACTIVITY

PALO ALTO, Calif., Nov. 11.—(AP)—Secretary of Interior Ray Lyman Wilbur was non-committal today concerning his plans after the first of the year.

His leave of absence as president of Stanford university expires Jan. 1, but he declined to indicate whether he would resign his post in the cabinet before the Hoover administration retires March 4. At his Palo Alto home Wilbur said his plans would depend on discussions with university regents and "on the outcome of events in Washington after President Hoover returns."

Prominent Dry Dies.

WASHINGTON, Pa., Nov. 11.—(AP)—The Rev. Dr. Harry Malcolm Chalfant, 64, one of the founders of the Anti-Saloon league, died of pneumonia here today.

DRY HEAD SEES ADDED WORK IN OREGON REPEAL

PORTLAND, Nov. 11.—(AP)—Repeal of the state prohibition law means only one thing to Deputy Prohibition Administrator W. K. Newell.

He said today what that one thing is—more work.

"I have 17 men to cover the state now," Newell explained. "Our appropriation was reduced so that we can't get any more men on our state staff."

He refused to talk of the effect of the repeal of the law, adding that any statement must come from the Pacific northwest office of the administrator in Seattle.

Roy C. Lyle, federal supervisor of permits, at Seattle, issued a long statement, sections from which are quoted herewith:

"The national prohibition act provides for the sale of intoxicating liquor by drug stores on medicinal prescriptions issued by physicians. . . . Prescriptions are to be issued (to physicians) on official blanks. . . . in books of 100 prescriptions; not more than one book to be issued to one physician during any 90-day period. . . . No prescription shall be issued for any person to obtain more than a pint of spirituous liquor, nor more

BETTER LIGHTING DRIVE SUCCEEDS

The "Better Light" campaign which was carried on during October by the power company and local dealers to inform their customers of the many advantages of proper lighting has been extended to November 15. This extension of time was found necessary due to the unprecedented success of this unusual sales activity which completely exhausted the stocks of "Better Light" units on the Pacific coast. However, additional stocks have now been received from the east and the campaign extended another two weeks to give everyone a chance to purchase one of these attractive new fixtures at the present low prices and terms. These modern fixtures are easily installed without any additional wiring or expense and offer an unusual opportunity for local people to modernize their homes or places of business with up-to-date lighting methods.

Demonstrations of these new "Better Light" units are being made without cost or obligation by local dealers or any paper company employee during the balance of the campaign which closes November 15.

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DISCOVER METALS INSIDE CAVERN AT CRATER RIM ROAD

Crater Lake park office announced today that word had been received from Dr. Fred Wright of the geological laboratory at Washington, D. C., passing on the metallic substances found in a newly-discovered cave at Crater Lake in the northwest shelf of Liao rock.

The new cavern was discovered in September where the new highway is now being constructed. Excavating with steam shovels and blasting for

the road brought the cave to notice. Entrance to the dark passageway is gained by going down on a rope, park officials said.

Several passageways were found by the explorers, one of them approximately two hundred feet in length. Slaggy viscous lava formation and needle-pointed rocks form the walls of the hall-ways, according to those who entered the underground space.

Flake deposits and crystals of specular hematite were found in the cave, the park's naturalist department reports. These formations are the results of hot gases emanating through the passageways, possibly at the time Mt. Mazama erupted. It was pointed out. These metallic specimens are only evident in volcanic regions, and are the first to be discovered at Crater Lake.

FREE—Pioneers and descendants photographed without charge for pioneer historical collection—SHANGLE STUDIO.

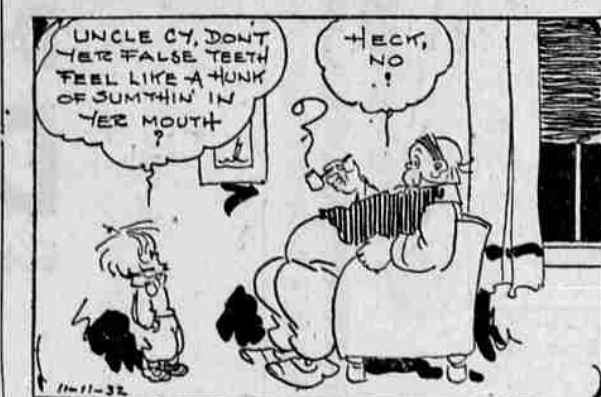
TAILSPIN TOMMY—Pigs In The Parlor!



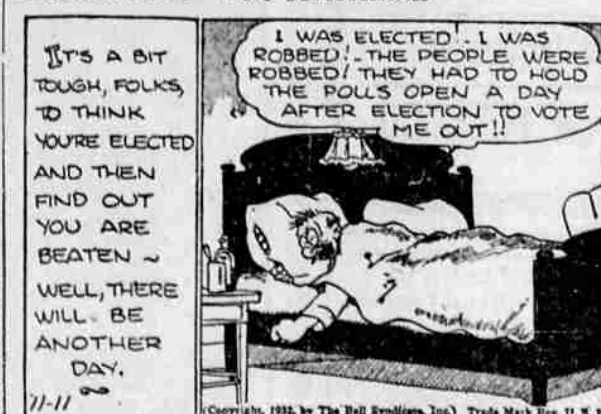
BOUND TO WIN—Jim Continues



S'MATTER POP—What's Life Without a Toothache Now and Then



THE NEBBS—The 'Aftermath



BRINGING UP FATHER



By GLENN CHAFFIN and HAL FORREST



By EDWIN ALGER



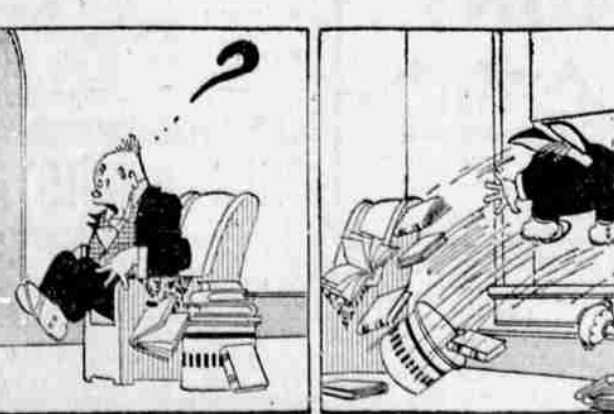
By C. M. PAYNE



By SOL HESS



By George McManus



Senator Eddy Of Douglas Beaten

ROSEBURG, Ore., Nov. 11.—(AP)—In the political upset of last Tuesday, Benjamin L. Eddy, Republican, veteran state senator from Douglas county, was defeated by his Democratic opponent, Walker B. Fisher, present representative. The vote was: Fisher, 4,262; Eddy, 3,572. Fisher's successor-elect to the lower house, however, is a Republican, A. O. Clarke whose colleague is another Republican, Ben F. Nichols, present representative.

Stallard Spent Most Is Report

SALEM, Ore., Nov. 11.—(AP)—The first influx of campaign expenditures for the general election of November 8 came into the secretary of state's office today for filing. The largest item on the initial report was that of H. H. Stallard, independent candidate for congressman from the third district, who reported he spent \$141.10.

Dramatic Samples To Whet Appetites

YERMANACH, Ireland.—(AP)—Several farmers in Pettigo whose homes are in the Free State, but most of whose land lies in northern Ireland cannot get hay across the border from their own fields to feed their stock without paying duty and have petitioned the government for relief.

Egyptian Women Fly.

ALEXANDRIA.—(AP)—Egyptian women have caught the craze for aviation which is sweeping Egypt and are learning to fly. Crowds watch every air circus and indulge in short joy rides.

Desirable houses always in first class condition for rent, lease or sale.

German Low Pay

WASHINGTON, Nov. 11.—(AP)—The treasury announced today that the payment of \$44,920 due today from the government of Greece had not been received on payment of war debts.