

NEVER MIND THE LADY

by David Garth

Chapter Four
BITTER LOVE

WELL, what's stopping you? Tommy Speede's head nodded mechanically over his glass. An orchestra in a place down the street was flaying the air with strangled cadence.



how. How can I take her home? People wouldn't understand—my mother and sisters wouldn't. Maria's only a native.

him with eyes that seemed unable to focus. "I can't," he said doggedly. "I can't and I won't and be damned to you all."

WILLETT pushed him back into his chair. "All right," he said kindly. "I didn't know. But don't get excited. First thing you ought to do is lay off the kama. Then take your leave of absence, go home and see your family, and afterwards come back to your Maria if you want her that bad. Hell, it's perfectly simple."

"I'm afraid," he repeated jerkily. "I was at the capital just before I came here. I saw European women there, Terry, European and American too, high heels and slim waists, beautiful, laughing, and fresh."

"I know lots of girls like that

STRANGE AS IT SEEMS—By JOHN HIX

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TAILSPIN TOMMY—A Crash Landing!

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BEN WEBSTER'S CAREER—The Sheriff's Proposal

BEN, CAN I TALK TO YOU FOR A BIT?

SURE, SHERIFF—

I'LL SCREAM IF IT'S PRIVATE—

WITH LONESTAR WINNIN', YOU'RE PRETTY WELL FIXED, MY BOY—

OH, BUT THAT ISN'T MINE! I ENTERED THE RACE FOR MY OLD FRIEND, CAL PANHARD—

I SEE—AND NOW YOU AIM TO HUNT HIM UP, EH?

YOU BET I DO! I WANT HIM TO KNOW THAT IN ADDITION TO THE PRIZE MONEY, HE'S GOT HIS OLD BETSY MINE BACK, TOO—

SEARCHIN' FER CAL WILL TAKE YOU WAY BACK IN THE MOUNTAINS, SON—HOW'D YOU LIKE TO KILL TWO BIRDS WITH ONE STONE?

WHAT DO YOU MEAN, SHERIFF?

THE NEBBS—The New Chef

WHILE HER CAR IS BEING REPAIRED, EMMA COULDN'T RESIST THE TEMPTATION TO VISIT HER OLD KITCHEN

QUI ZAY EES WONDERFUL! SHE EEZ MY OWN CREATION! UN GOUT SUPERBE!

WHAT ARE YOU TALKIN' ABOUT, THAT'S NOTHING! BUT LAMB STEW ONLY YOU MAKE A RED SAUCE. I MADE IT WITH WHITE SAUCE AND WE ALWAYS HAD TO SERVE AN EXTRA PORTION OF BREAD TO DO UP THE GRAVY

HELLO EMMA, IT'S NICE TO SEE YOU'RE ENJOYING YOUR RETIREMENT

AW, I ALWAYS HAVE FUN WORKIN' OR BUMMIN'—LIFE IS A LAUGH TO ME IF I DON'T LOSE MONEY

THAT'S A GREAT COOK YOU GOT—HE'S GOT A LAMB STEW THAT'S HIS SPECIAL TODAY AND IT'S REDDER THAN A BOLSEVICK FLAG AND HE'S OUT THERE THROWIN' KISSES AT IT

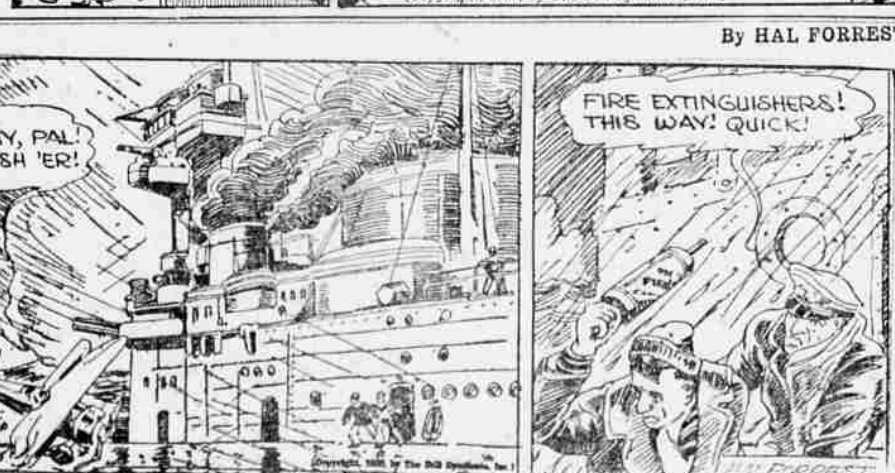
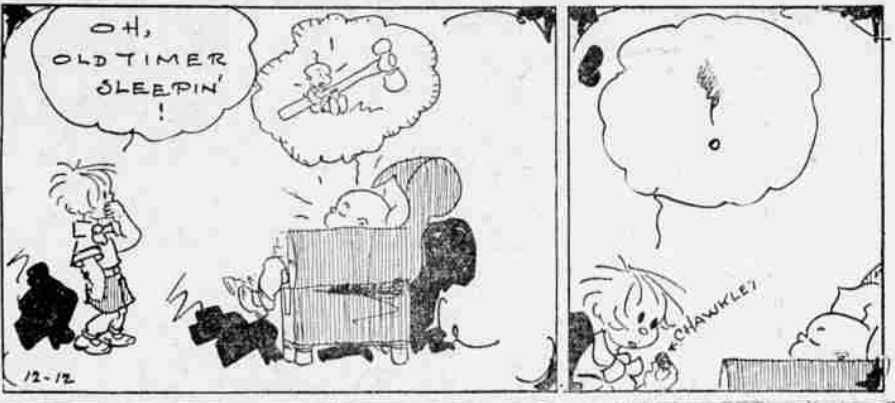
THE WORLD AT ITS WORST

By GLUYAS WILLIAMS



BROWSING IN THE DETECTIVE STORY YOU HAVE BOUGHT FOR UNCLE HORACE'S CHRISTMAS PRESENT, YOU DISCOVER, JUST BEFORE THE MYSTERY IS SOLVED, THAT THE REST OF THE PAGES ARE UN CUT

SMATTER POP—



WIFE, DOCK WAR LEADER, INJURED

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 16, (UP)—Mrs. Harry Bridges, 35, wife of the leader of left wing elements in the Pacific coast maritime unions, was injured Saturday in a fall from a window of her apartment on the second floor of a Pine street building.

ASHLAND DEPOSITORS WILL GET DIVIDENDS

ASHLAND, Dec. 16.—(Sp.)—Depositors in the commercial department of the Citizens Bank of Ashland, in process of liquidation, will receive approximately \$17,000 within the next 10 days when the sixth dividend of 10 per cent is issued.