

LI'L ABNER

Stranger in Paradise —

BY AL CAPP



CACKLE!!-SNORT!!-
SO HELP ME, GEORGE SOKOLSKY, IF YOU, A CHEAP CHARACTER ACTOR, DON'T LOOK EXACTLY LIKE ME!!

THANK YOU, SIR —



I'LL BET MY-HO!! HO!!-OWN BODYGUARDS WOULD TAKE ORDERS FROM YOU. JUST FOR THE LAUGHS, I'LL CALL 'EM IN, AND YOU GIVE 'EM AN ORDER!!

WHAT ORDER, SIR?



OH—FIRST THING THAT COMES INTO YOUR HEAD!!



THROW THAT BUM OUT!!



YAK!! YAK!!-
BY FULTON LEWIS, JUNIOR, THIS IS CAPITAL!!-BULLY!!-



OUCH!!-HAR!!-HAR!!
I MUST CONGRATULATE THAT SPLENDID CHARACTER ACTOR ON HIS SUPERB PERFORMANCE!!



IT'S THAT BUM AGAIN, SIR!!

AGAIN?-
REALLY LACE IT INTO HIM THIS TIME, BOYS!!



CRACK!! THIS TIME, YOU'VE GONE TOO FAR!!-
WHEEEE!! YOU'RE THROUGH!!

??-WHAT'S THAT NOISE?



IT'S THE PADDY WAGON!!-I'D BETTER GET OUT OF HERE!!

WHEEEE!!



ONE GOOD THING ABOUT THIS MISERABLE FIASCO IS, THAT NOW I CAN TELL IF BAGMAR IS ATTRACTED TO ME FOR MY OWN SELF —FOR THAT—GULP!!-IS ALL I HAVE LEFT!!



I'M BAGMAR'S MOTHER, HAGMAR!! WHAT DO YA WANT, BUSTER?

TELL HER THAT A POOR BUT SINCERE EX-BUSINESSMAN WISHES TO SHARE AN INEXPENSIVE SUPPER WITH HER!!



SHE SAYS SHE'S SORRY, MAC—BUT SHE'S GOT A PREVIOUS DATE, WITH A REAL GENT!!-

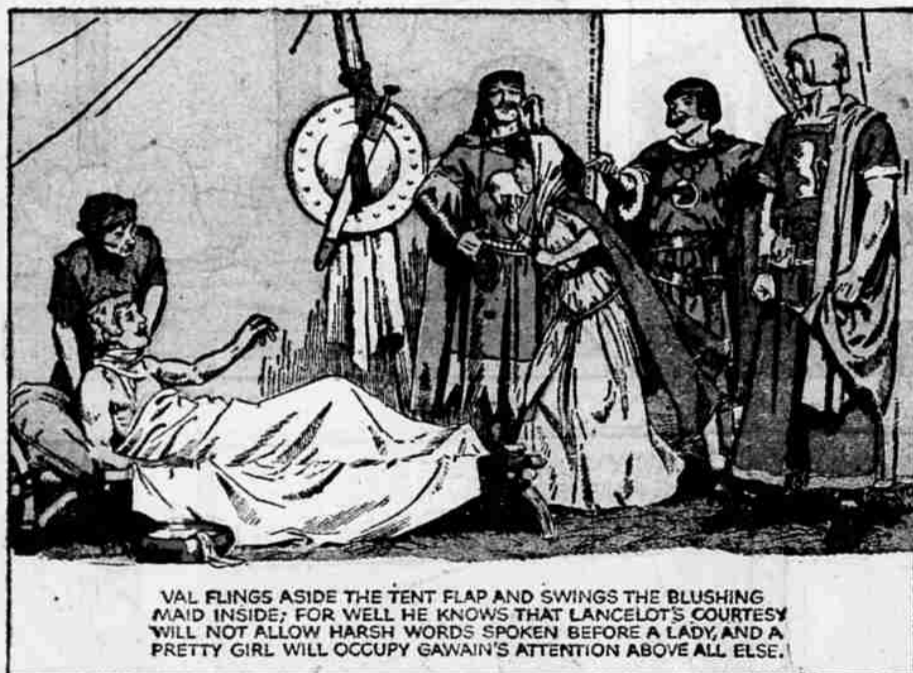
BY THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MANUFACTURERS, THAT FACE IS FAMILIAR!!-
GASP!!-IT'S MINE!!

To Be Continued



Prince Valiant
IN THE DAYS OF KING ARTHUR
BY HAL FOSTER

Our Story: PRINCE VALIANT LISTENS IN HORROR; FROM WITHIN THE TENT COMES THE SNEERING INSOLENCE OF SIR GAWAIN'S GREETING...COLD FURY IN SIR LANCELOT'S COURTLY ANSWER! UPON THEIR NEXT WORDS HANG THE UNITY OF THE ROUND TABLE AND THE WELFARE OF BRITAIN.



VAL FLINGS ASIDE THE TENT FLAP AND SWINGS THE BLUSHING MAID INSIDE; FOR WELL HE KNOWS THAT LANCELOT'S COURTESY WILL NOT ALLOW HARSH WORDS SPOKEN BEFORE A LADY, AND A PRETTY GIRL WILL OCCUPY GAWAIN'S ATTENTION ABOVE ALL ELSE.



THE LITTLE STEWARD, WHO IS EVER AT WILLIAM'S SIDE, HAS BECOME WELL AWARE OF THE DANGEROUS SITUATION. WITH GOOD-NATURED IMPUDENCE AND SUBTLE WIT HE BRINGS FORTH SMILES AND, FINALLY, LAUGHTER. AND WITH THE LAUGHTER ENMITY FADES.



THEN WILLIAM VERNON FORMALLY INTRODUCES GWENDOLYN BERKELEY. SHE IS SWEET AND SHY, BUT OF READY WIT. SO VAL SAYS: "IT IS FITTING THAT THE FAIREST MAID AT CAMELOT BE ESCORTED TO HER PARENTS BY THE HANDSOMEST KNIGHT, BUT I WISH TO REMAIN WITH WILLIAM. WILL YOU ACCEPT THE TWO NEXT BEST?"



WITH A PRETTY MAID BETWEEN THEM AND SIR GAWAIN MAKING EVERY EFFORT TO BE FASCINATING, THERE IS NO FEAR OF THEIR QUARREL BEING RENEWED.



SO THE GREAT TOURNAMENT COMES TO AN END. THE FEAST OF PENTECOST ROARS TO A FINISH, AND IT IS SAID THERE WERE MORE CASUALTIES AT THE BOARD THAN IN THE LISTS.



AND KING ARTHUR FINDS HE NEEDS A SPECIAL MAN FOR A SPECIAL QUEST, AND PRINCE VALIANT IS SUMMONED.
NEXT WEEK—Rumors of Treachery.