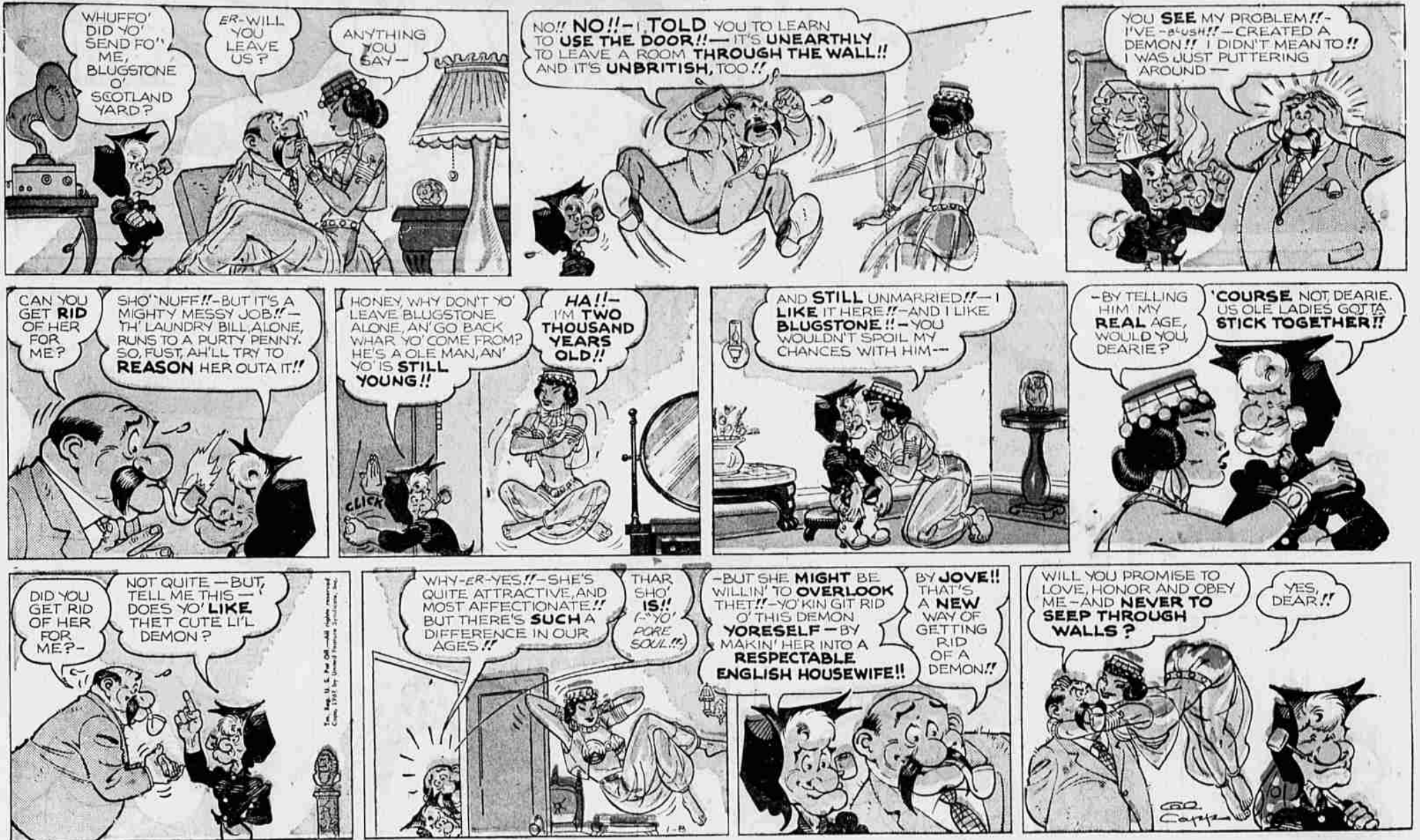


LIL' ABNER *One Way to Get Rid of a Demon -* by **AL CAPP**



Prince Valiant
IN THE DAYS OF KING ARTHUR
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Our Story: A SERVANT ROUSES PRINCE VALIANT FROM HIS WEARY STUPOR. THE LADIES IN WAITING HAVE GONE, THE CORRIDOR IS EMPTY AND MORNING HAS COME.

THE WASHBASIN AND COMB RESTORE VAL'S VANITY (NO SMALL THING AMONG YOUNG MEN OF HIS AGE).

ALETA, QUEEN OF THE MISTY ISLES, CALLS IN HER HANDMAIDENS TO DO THEIR BEST, FOR HER MAN MUST NOT KNOW OF THE ORDEAL THAT HAD TAKEN HER SO CLOSE TO THE EDGE OF THE SHADOWS.

VAL ENTERS AND FEELS THAT OLD FAMILIAR CATCH AT HIS HEART. BUT ALL THE COSMETICS IN THE WORLD COULD NOT DISGUISE THE FACT THAT THE WING OF DEATH HAS BRUSHED HIS BELOVED DANGEROUSLY CLOSE.

AND NOW ALETA HAS TWO BABIES TO COMFORT. "THE SHOCK OF THIRASOS' ATTACK ALMOST ACCOMPLISHED WHAT HIS SWORD COULD NOT," MURMURS VAL. "HIS DEATH WAS LIKE DIVINE JUSTICE!"

REERALS GO OUT INTO THE CITY AND PROCLAIM THE GOOD NEWS. "THIS DAY A PRINCE IS BORN TO THE ROYAL FAMILY OF THE MISTY ISLES!"

IT IS NICE TO BE LOVED, BUT WITH A BABY ON ONE ARM AND A HUSBAND HOLDING TIGHTLY ON THE OTHER FOR HOURS, WHAT IS A QUEEN TO DO IF HER NOSE ITCHES? SHE SENDS VAL BACK TO WORK.

OUT IN THE SUNSHINE, WITH HIS HEAD IN THE CLOUDS, STANDS THE MOST USELESS THING IN THE WORLD, A PROUD NEW FATHER!

NEXT WEEK **Prince Arn Abbicates.**