

LI'L ABNER *V.I.P. - for "Very Important Pappy" -* by AL CAPP

Dear Sir:
Are you ready for Betty?
If so, I'm ready for you.
Betty
P.S. Anyone in Providence Rhode Island will tell you where I am.

SHOULD AH OF LET HIM GO? - S'GN! - IT DON'T SEEM POSSIBLE, BUT BETTY MIGHT BE MORE INTRIGUIN' THAN ME!!

MEANWHILE: IN PROVIDENCE -
Mebbe she knows whar Betty is at -
PST! - OFFICER!! I THINK THAT OLD GOAT IS ABOUT TO SHUDDER!! - SPEAK TO ME!!
JUST WALK ALONG!! I'LL NAB HIM!!

ER - MISS... YOUNG CHICKS ARE PROTECTED FROM OLD GOATS IN PROVIDENCE!!

YOU'RE UNDER ARREST!!
Y-YASSUH!! - GULP!! - HOPE AH DON'T GIT A LONG SENTENCE!!

AH WAS GONNA AX HER WHAR BETTY IS AT. AH IS READY FO' BETTY!!
Y-YOU ARE?

YOU'RE UNDER ARREST, FOR DISTURBING THE PEACE OF THIS LOVELY OLD GENTLEMAN!!

AH IS - YAWN! - TARD!! AH'LL GO IN HERE AN' HAVE A SNOOZE!!

NO LOITERING IN THIS LOBBY!!
OH, AH WARN'T LOITERIN', SUH!! AH WAS JUST HANGIN' AROUND. AH IS ON MAH WAY TO BETTY'S!!

ARE Y-YOU READY FOR BETTY?
SO THEY TELLS ME!!

THEN, PLEASE, SIR - USE THE PRESIDENTIAL SUITE!! IF THE PRESIDENT COMES - HE'LL UNDERSTAND!!

To Be Continued!

Prince Valiant

IN THE DAYS OF KING ARTHUR
WRITTEN AND ILLUSTRATED BY AROLD R. FOSTER

Our Story: PRINCE VALIANT CALLS TO HIS SQUIRES TO ARM HIM FOR THE CONTEST, FOR HE HAS BEEN CHALLENGED TO A TILT WITH.....

... RORY MAC AIN, A YOUNG IRISH KNIGHT WHO HAS DONE WELL IN THE TOURNAMENTS, BUT IS EAGER TO TEST HIS HARDHOOD AGAINST A ROUND-TABLE KNIGHT.

SIR CHET AND SIR BO, NOW REDUCED TO THE RANK OF SQUIRE, WATCH EAGERLY AS THEIR MASTER AND RORY SHATTER THEIR LANCES, BUT HOLD FIRM IN THEIR SADDLES.

TO FIGHT A DRAW WITH SUCH A CELEBRATED KNIGHT AS PRINCE VALIANT WOULD HAVE BROUGHT FAME TO RORY, BUT HE IS IRISH, AND EAGERNESS FOR COMBAT OVERCOMES HIS JUDGMENT. HE HAS CHALLENGED FOR THREE COURSES. ON THE SECOND HE IS UNHORSED.

HARDLY HAD RORY HIT THE TURF WHEN, LIKE A PAIR OF HARPES, CHET AND BO ARE UPON HIM, STRIPPING HIM OF HIS ARMOR.

THE ARMOR IS FORFEIT TO VAL, BUT THE GREED OF HIS SQUIRES IS A REFLECTION ON HIS COURTESY. VAL SEEKS OUT RORY TO APOLOGIZE. RORY IS ANGRY: "HERE IS MY PURSE. I WISH TO REDEEM MY HARNESS!!"

"YOU ARE A DARING LADY! THE ARMOR IS YOURS WITHOUT FEE," SAYS VAL. BUT IT HAS DISAPPEARED! UNDER QUESTIONING, BO POINTS SHEEPSHLY.....

... AND THERE, IN THE CHALLENGE LINE, MOUNTED ON RORY'S HORSE AND WEARING HIS ARMOR, IS SIR CHET!

NEXT WEEK - The Village Champion