

LI'L ABNER *What Makes Pappy Run —* by AL CAPP



Prince Valiant

IN THE DAYS OF KING ARTHUR

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Our Story: CAMELOT! AND AS PRINCE VALIANT AND HIS SON MOUNT THE GREAT STAIRWAY HE FEELS AGAIN THE WAVE OF PRIDE AND EXCITEMENT THAT SWEEPS OVER HIM EACH TIME HE ENTERS THIS CASTLE OF MARVEL.

THE KING IS HOLDING COURT ATTENDED BY SIR LAUNCELOT AND QUEEN GUINEVERE. SIR VALIANT AND HIS STALWART SON PAY THEIR HOMAGE.

THEN COMES A SQUEAL OF DELIGHT, A PATTTER OF FEET, AND THE DIGNITY OF THE OCCASION IS RUINED AS KAREN AND VALETA GREET THEIR LONG-ABSENT SIRE.

"NEVER HAVE WE WELCOMED A FATHER WITH MORE SINCERITY. WE HAVE SCATTERED THE DANES AND CAN HOLD THE SAXONS AT BAY, BUT FROM THE EXUBERANCE OF YOUR DAUGHTERS WE HAVE NO DEFENSE."

FROM THE AUDIENCE COMES ALETA'S CALM VOICE REMINDING THE TWINS OF THEIR MANNERS. THEY CURTSY TO THE THRONE, FOR THEY HAVE LEARNED LONG SINCE THAT IN THE PRESENCE OF THEIR MOTHER IT IS WISE TO ACT LIKE LITTLE ANGELS.

SIR VALIANT IS GIVEN LEAVE TO RETIRE. FOR WELL KING ARTHUR KNOWS THAT VAL IS ANXIOUS TO BE WITH HIS FAMILY.

VAL IS ABOUT TO LEAD THE WAY TO THE SOUTH TOWER WHERE THEY HAD BEEN QUARTERED, WHEN ALETA TAKES HIS HAND. "COME," SHE SAYS EAGERLY, "WE HAVE A NEW HOME!"

NEXT WEEK—The New Home