

BOOTS

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WE WERE NOT!

YOU WERE, TOO!

YOU AND HE SAT RIGHT OVER THERE ON THE SOFA! I SAW YOU... AND IF YOU HAD BEEN ANY CLOSER TOGETHER YOU'D HAVE HAD TO CHANGE PLACES

WELL, THE HOUSE WAS RATHER CHILLY, MAYBE

AND MOST OF THE LIGHTS WERE OFF, TOO

WERE THEY? WELL, WE MUST DO ALL WE CAN TO CONSERVE

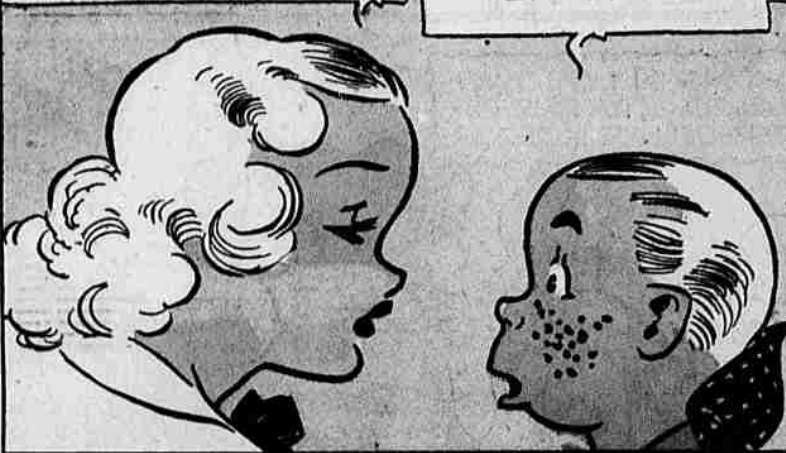


THAT'S THE LEAST WE CAN DO TO SHOW OUR PATRIOTISM

YES, YES. TELL ME MORE!

SURE! THESE ARE DAYS WHEN WE MUST THINK OF OUR COUNTRY...

SAY, YOU WEREN'T THINKING ABOUT YOUR COUNTRY, FROM WHAT I OVERHEARD...



AUNTIE CORA H-E-L-P!!

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HIYUH, HON... WHAT'S COOKING?

OH-H. THINGS HAVE BEEN RATHER QUIET ON THE HOME FRONT TODAY



UNCLE MILT SORTA LIKES THE FIRESIDE THIS KIND OF WEATHER, DOESN'T HE?



WELL, THAT HAS ITS GOOD POINTS! IT KEEPS HIM INSIDE WHERE HE CAN'T FEUD WITH MR. TUSSEY

OH, IT'S NOT AS SIMPLE AS THAT



IN FACT, IT'S MORE OF A MENTAL HOT FOOT WHEN HE'S INSIDE THAN OUT! HE HASN'T MOVED AWAY FROM THE WINDOW ALL DAY

HOW COME?



DIDN'T YOU NOTICE? HE MADE A SNOW MAN OF HIMSELF, RIGHT UNDER MR. TUSSEY'S WINDOW

OH, OH! DARING HIM, EH?



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