

KLAMATH FALLS, OREGON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1962

## DICK TRACY

**CRIMSTOPPERS** TEXTBOOK

PROTECT YOUR CHRISTMAS GIFTS

- RECORD ALL SERIAL NUMBERS.
- IF NO SERIAL NUMBERS, SCRATCH SECRET IDENTIFYING MARKS ON ARTICLES.

THE RECENT SUCCESSFUL RECOVERY OPERATION BY DIET SMITH'S SPACE COUPE HAS ASSURED THE INVENTOR AND THE WORLD AT LARGE OF ITS LIMITLESS USE.

IT WAS A BENEVOLENT ACT--AND I'M GRATEFUL THAT I WAS ABLE TO WITNESS IT.

OWNER JAMISON RECOVERED FROM OUTER SPACE

WITH THIS MACHINE WE CAN REACH AND RENDER IMPOTENT ALMOST ANY ENEMY OBJECT IN SPACE.

WHAT IS TODAY'S MISSION, DIET SMITH, THAT YOU'RE SO ANXIOUS TO GET UNDER WAY?

IT'S A SECRET SURPRISE OF MINE, TRACY, AND I THINK IT'S A GOOD ONE.

WE'RE IN POSITION, MR. SMITH. VERY GOOD.

AIR-LOCK AND HATCH IN POSITION. LOWER EJECTION TUBE.

NOW, TRACY, WATCH THIS, A SELF-INFLATING GADGET I THOUGHT UP MYSELF.

FSSS-s...

IT'S MY IDEA OF SPREADING THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS AROUND THIS WORLD.

FSS-T-S FSS-S

HOW MUCH BETTER TO HAVE THAT ORBITING THE EARTH THAN SOME POTENTIAL INSTRUMENT OF TROUBLE!

MERRY CHRISTMAS, WORLD!

### Little Orphan Annie

IT IS NOT THE WEIGHT OF JEWEL OR PLATE, OR THE FONDLE OF SILK OR FUR; 'TIS THE SPIRIT IN WHICH THE GIFT IS RICH, AS THE GIFTS OF THE WISE ONES WERE, AND WE ARE NOT TOLD WHOSE GIFT WAS GOLD, AND WHOSE WAS 'THE GIFT OF MYRRH'.

—EDMUND SPENCER COOKE—

GEE! WITHOUT SNOW AN' SLEIGH BELLS IT'S HARD T'RELIZE THAT CHRISTMAS IS NEARLY HERE AGAIN!

IT IS EVEN HARDER TO REALIZE THAT, FOR MANY HERE, THIS WILL BE THEIR FIRST CHRISTMAS!

Y'MEAN KIDS DON'T HAVE CHRISTMAS, WHERE THEY CAME FROM?

OH, MOST OF THESE FOLKS BELIEVE IN WHAT CHRISTMAS IS MEANT TO CELEBRATE, BUT THEY NEVER HAD SANTA CLAUS AND CHRISTMAS TREES!

LEAPIN' LIZARDS! AND NO PRESENTS IN THEIR STOCKINGS ON CHRISTMAS MORNING?

IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME SINCE MANY OF THEM HAVE EVEN HAD STOCKINGS!

WELL, THEY'RE CATCHIN' ON QUICK T' OUR WAY O' CEL'BRATIN' CHRISTMAS! HAVE Y'NOTICED?

THE SECRET LITTLE SMILES, THE SHINING EYES, THE SMALL, HALF-HIDDEN, BRIGHTLY-WRAPPED PACKAGES? YES, ANNIE!

BUT WHEN FOLKS ARE SO AWFUL POOR WHAT CAN THEY POSSIBLY HAVE TO GIVE?

EVEN THE POOREST HAS SOME ONE POSSESSION, PRICELESS TO HIM OR HER ALONE!

A BRIGHT BUTTON, PERHAPS, A SPECIAL MARBLE, A LITTLE PICTURE; A BROKEN COMB, SET WITH COLORED GLASS! WORTHLESS? NOT TO THE CHILD WHO TREASURES IT!

Y'MEAN TO SAY THEY'D GIVE THINGS LIKE THOSE FOR PRESENTS?

GEORGE ELIOT WROTE: "ONE MUST BE POOR TO KNOW THE LUXURY OF GIVING". YES, ANNIE! THEY'LL GIVE THEIR ALL TO THOSE THEY LOVE THE MOST!

GUESS WHEN Y'VE GOT TH' MONEY T'BUY 'MOST ANYTHING, Y'DON'T THINK HOW MUCH GIVIN' CAN MEAN!

IS IT TRUE THAT EVER'BODY IS INVITED TO TH' HACIENDA FOR CHRISTMAS DINNER? EVER'BODY?

YES! IT HAS BEEN SO FOR 150 YEARS!

ALL BRING GIFTS AND ALL RECEIVE GIFTS; IT IS THE TRADITION OF THE HACIENDA SEVILLE!

WOW! EVEN LITTLE GIFTS THUNNERTS O' FOLKS MUST RUN INTO AN AWFUL LOT!

TH' WAY IT IS WITH DONA ISABEL --ER-- THAT IS-- HOW CAN SHE SWING IT?

THAT IS A SECRET ONLY A TRULY GREAT LADY OF SPAIN COULD KEEP SO WELL!

BUT ONE THING THAT IS NOT A SECRET! IT'S GOING TO BE A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS HERE AT THE HACIENDA!

Y'BET IT IS! AND WE HOPE IT'LL BE THE SAME OUT THERE AT YOUR HACIENDA, TOO!

ARF!

HAROLD GRAY  
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