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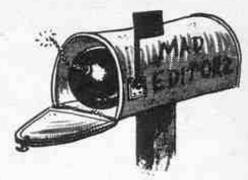
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JAMES BOMB-007

I have, I am sorry to say, been reading your ridiculous magazine for four years. I have found many stupid articles which were, nevertheless, amusing. But, in your April issue (#94), you had the temerity to satirize the greatest of all fictional characters, James Bond. I hope you get thousands of letters reprimanding you for printing this absurd article.

> Andrew Dubrovsky New York City

"James Bomb-007" was the greatest musical satire you have ever done. Not only were Drucker's drawings unusually good, but Jacobs' musical adaptation of songs from "Oklahoma" were as great as the originals.

Jack Bourque Florence, Mass.

You came through! Your treatment of Ian Fleming's "character," James Bond, was truly deserved. If MAD had missed the opportunity to do a parody on such a suitable topic, I would have been disappointed.

Frank W. Tushner Winona, Minn.

Perhaps you are clairvoyant. I just read an announcement that a musical, based on the James Bond books, is going to be written by Sylvia Fine. You sure showed them how it could be done.

> Bill Williams Evanston, Ill.

As a fellow Englishman, I thoroughly enjoyed your marvelous satire on James Bond.

> John Tindall Miami, Fla.

SEASONS' GREETINGS



We love reading MAD! It adds "spice" to our life.

> The Four Seasons On Tour, U.S.A.

PLAYING FAVORITES



When I arrived at their hotel suite to interview Ray and Dave Davies, two of the "Kinks," this is what I saw! Boy, was I mad!

Gloria Stavers Editor-In-Chief 16 Magazine New York City

MORE MAD E.S.P.?



Are you guys some sort of prophets? Enclosed is a news photo of Ringo Starr and his bride, which appeared in every newspaper across the country on Feb. 11.



It bears a striking resemblance to the photo you envisioned he carries in his wallet (MAD #91). In fact, most of the newspapers carried the same gag line for the caption, mainly: "Find Ringo's New Bride. Hint: He's on the right."

Joan Darcy Jersey City, N. J.

MARGINAL THINKING

Those little picture-gags you stick in the margins to take up space are funnier than the rest of your magazine!

> Ricky Zamarchi Greenlawn, N. Y.

NEUROTIC MAIL

Thank you so very much for "Neurotic Magazine" in issue #94. It really hit home. Incidentally, I'm not acquainted with the writer, Stan Hart. Who told him so much about me?

Don Z. Block Brooklyn, N. Y.

I was always under the impression that there already was a magazine for Neurotics...namely MAD! However, I really enjoyed the article. In fact, I read it over and over and over and over and over and over and ...

> Steve Salo Burbank, Calif.

DEAR "JOHN" LETTER

Just a note of thanks in grateful appreciation, and a recommendation for MAD. I await each issue eagerly. In fact, it was only their "Alfred" that held my children's interest long enough to accomplish toilet training. As a Pediatrician's wife, this victory was imperative in support of my husband's reputation.

Mrs. Ruth Weimer Randolph, Mass.

Yeah, but what about our reputation?—Ed.

GOOD TO LAUGH AT ONE'S SELF

Your unique ability to reduce all phases of human endeavor to sparkling satire makes your publication a real milestone in literary achievement. It's good to laugh at one's self. Life is too short to spend in a state of worry or constant anxiety. Perhaps the world would be a better place if Mao and Kosygin would read and heed the philosophy of MAD.

Charles T. Joyner Chesapeake, Va.

That'll be the day—when Mao and Kosygin can laugh at themselves!—Ed.

THAT ABOUT COVERS IT

I don't expect you to print this, because I know that the last thing you'd want to be called in public is "sentimental," but I want you to know that I think it was nice of you to change the cover on your "MAD Frontier" paperback book from one of Alfie on a rocking chair to one of him on a covered wagon. Not many magazines would go to that much trouble out of respect for the late President Kennedy.

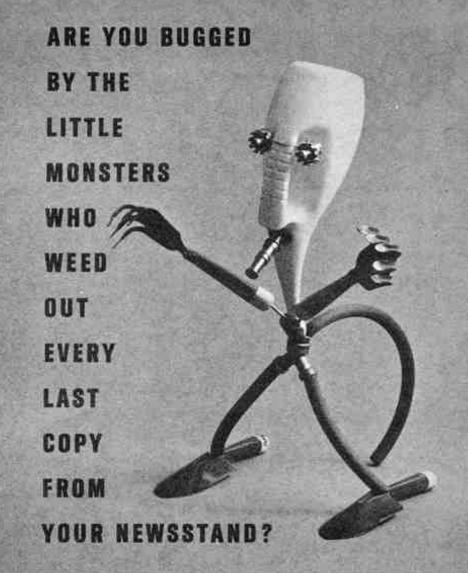
Edith Assaff Detroit, Michigan

PERSONNA NON GRATA

I've tried (Coo-coo) magazine and (Coo-coo) magazine, but I find that MAD gets me 25 to 30 more kicks per issue. Mainly, when I buy a copy, my Mom kicks me around the house.

Gary Eldridge Battle Creek, Mich.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INFERIOR DEPT.

Boy, are we sick and tired of manufacturers who keep on bragging about their dubious wares. Mainly, their products are either "the purest" or "the finest" or "the best" or some other such similar falsehood! And besides, what makes these blowhards think that the public always wants

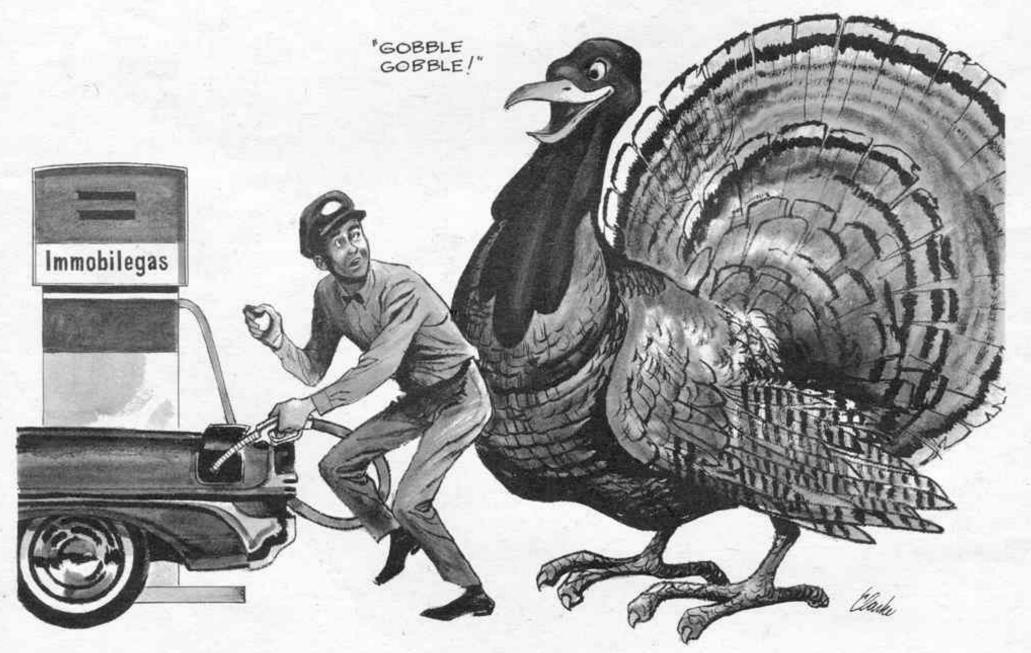
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for smooth,
carefree
car
performance
are missing from
IMMOBILEGAS!"

quality? Don't they realize that there's a vast, untapped market in this country for out-and-out junk? After exhaustive research, we've discovered that there are lots of times when people merely want to buy the cheapest possible product, regardless of quality. And so, MAD hereby launches . . .



BRANDS, INC.

ap...if it's Substandard!"

ARTIST: BOB CLARKE

WRITERS:
RONALD AXE & SOL WEINSTEIN

IS YOUR HOUSE THE "COMMUNITY CENTER" OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD? DOES IT OVERFLOW WITH HUNGRY BRATS WHO ROB YOUR CUPBOARD AND YOUR POCKETBOOK, EATING BAG AFTER BAG OF HIGH-PRICED ADDICTIVE POTATO CHIPS? MOTHER—IT'S HIGH TIME THAT YOU SWICHED TO

LOU'S POTATO CHIPS

"The only chip fried in crude oil—a bagful is a year's supply!"



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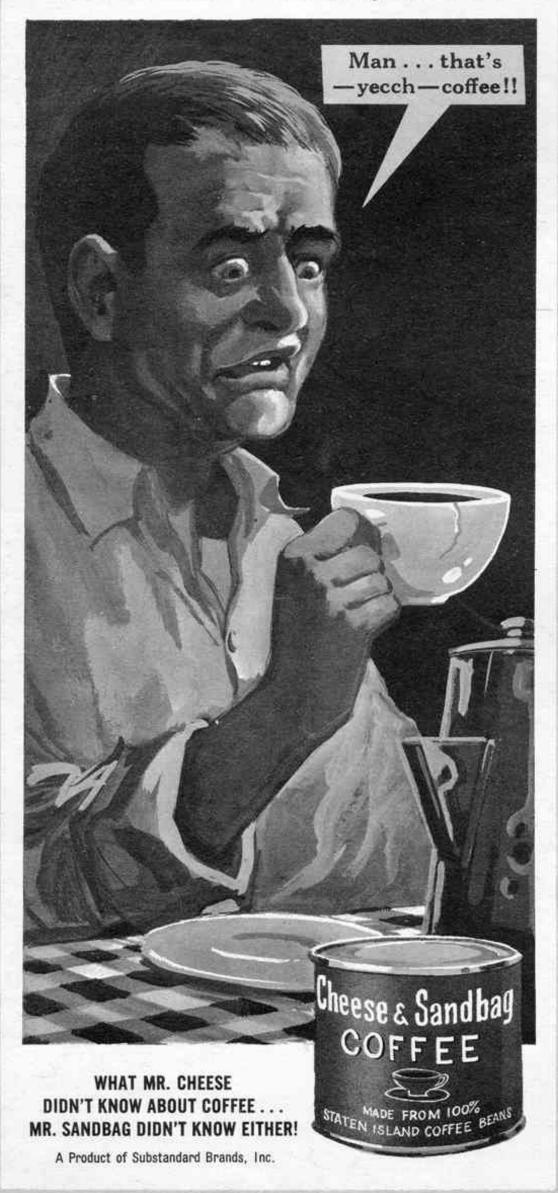
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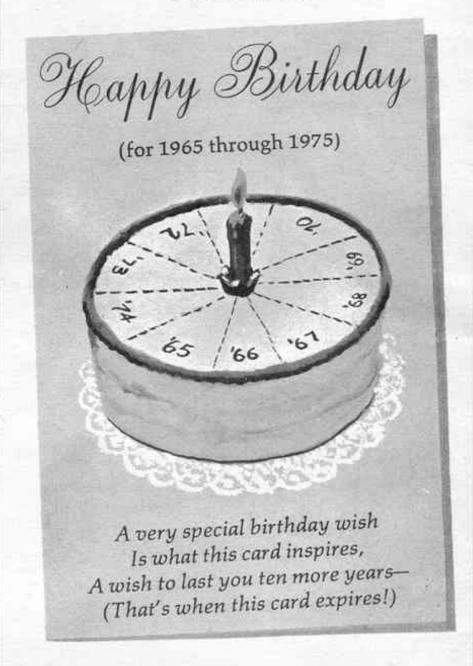
THE COFFEE SERVED AT THE BOWERY FLOPHOUSE HOTEL

"It costs a lot less-because you get a lot less!"



Do you hate being socially obligated to send greeting cards to all kinds of people who are totally meaningless in your life? Is this an annoying expense? Then you should be sending

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We've had preposterous "Private Eye" characters in literature (Mickey Spillane's "Mike Hammer")! And we've had preposterous "Secret Agent" characters in movies (Ian Fleming's "James Bond")! But now we've got the most preposterous "Private Eye-Secret Agent" character of them all—on the most preposterous medium of them all—television! We're talking about the guy on the weekly NBC-TV show called

THE MANN FROM



A.W.R.H.E.

On a street in the East 50's in New York City, there is an ordinary Tailor Shop! We entered through the Agent's Entrance . . . Isn't this a clever concept having an ordinary Tailor Shop as the secret entrance to our secret Headquarters Building? So . . . if it's so clever, why is our "Nielsen Rating" only 16.8??

We passed the ordinary-looking tailor pressing ordinary-looking dresses—crossed to the back room—and pulled open the drapes!



ARTIST: MORT DRUCKER



WRITER: ARNIE KOGEN



Hey, you mashers get out of here before I call a cop! Hold it a minute, old man! My name is Napoleon Polo—and this is Illya Nutcrackin! We're Enforcement Agents for A.U.N.T.I.E.—an international organization for preserving law and order all over the civilized world!



So maybe you could help me! Mine partner absconded with all our cash and he's gambling it away in Las Vegas!

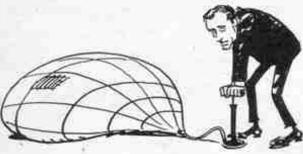
Las Vegas!? Are you kidding!? I said "the CIVILIZED world"!

We'd better hurry, Napoleon! They're waiting for us at Headquarters! Just one second! I'll be right with you!









Boy, what a rough day I had yesterday!
I was assigned the 4 P.M. to 12 shift in Asia to put down a riot and plague, and the 12 to 8 A.M. shift in Africa to put down a plot of 40,000 warped Congo scientists to blow up the world!

Stop complaining!
I had the
"Torture Shift"!

Don't tell me they assigned you to—

Yep! One Hour patrolling a Times Square movie house!

"THE SOUR GRAPES AFFAIR"

ACT ONE—
"I Think
I'll Cry!"



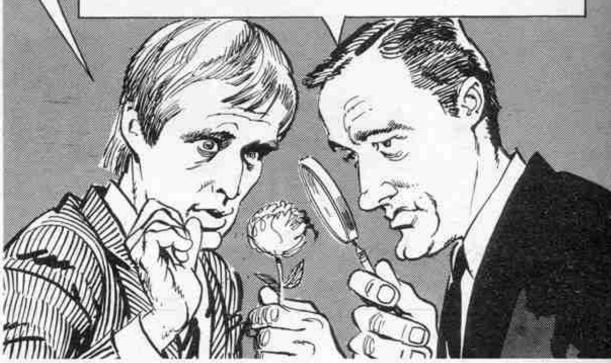
We've got to be careful, Napoleon! Our hated enemy organization "CRUSH" has

hated enemy organization "CRUSH" has agents everywhere! I don't trust anyone!
To me everyone looks suspicious! Even that innocent-looking Flower Lady!

Well, since
I thrive on
adventure,
I think I'll
take a chance!
One carnation,
please . . .

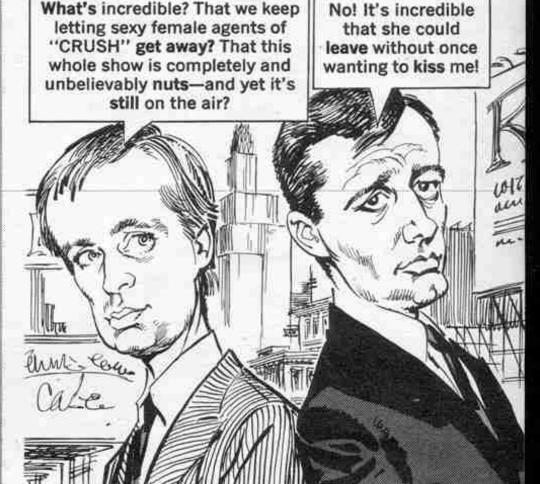


what did I wenom doesn't work, he's carrying a poison gas vial in his right foreleg, a small machine gun in his left foreleg, and a pill for committing suicide in case I try to question him in his left rear leg. There's only one thing to do in a situation like this . . .









ACT TWO-"You Really Know How To Hurt A Guy, Don't You!"

Fine, Mr.

Polo! Here's

your kiss!

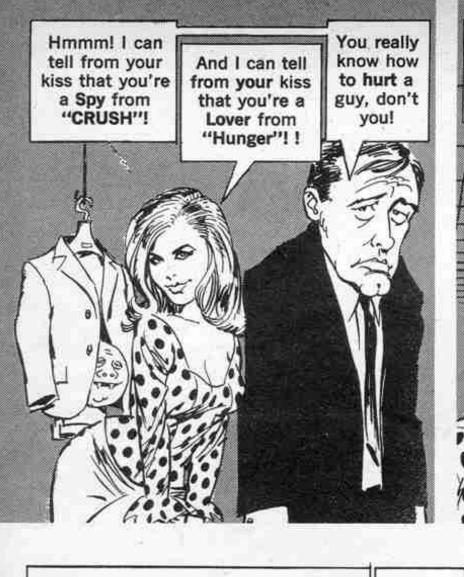


I'm Napoleon Polo

—Enforcement Agent,
Section 2—expert in
"Tactical Weapons"—
"Delivering Dry Humor
With Amused Detachment"
and "Heavy Kissing"...







Be careful, Napoleon! If she's a spy from "CRUSH," she's probably been assigned to kill you! That kiss may be a trick!

Of course it's a trick! Her lips are tipped with a deadly poison—cynthynide of curare! But I'm way ahead of her, Chief! I'm wearing the "antidote" to cynthynide of course . . .



She's the most treacherous agent they have! She's tried to kill you seven times this month! She's bombed your apartment, dynamited your car, poisoned your pizza, and shot acid in your face with a water pistol! What should we do with her, Napoleon? What else? Let her go! I'm in love with her! 

Men . . . "CRUSH" is trying to gain control of the world by poisoning its food supply! We believe the next three spots they'll strike are: A Super-Market in Yugoslavia, a Fruit Stand in Calcutta, and an Appetizer Store in Brooklyn! They have three advantages: They have weapons, they have strength, and mainly they have better acting ability than we have! Who wants to volunteer?



Napoleon!
How many women in Yugoslavia?

About nine million!
go! It'll kill an evening!

Hey, what about me?!
What should I do?
Why does he always
get the best
assignments? I'm
just as bad an actor
as he is! Why not
give me a pressing
assignment?

Nutcrackin! For you—
I have the most pressing assignment we've ever had! Go over to the machine and have these pressed by 6 o'clock!
It's Napoleon's wardrobe—and he has to look

You really know how to hurt a guy, don't you!

Forget it, Illya! We already used the sub-title in the dialogue!

No!

Take

ME!

No, me!

I'll be

Me-

ME!



ACT THREE-"Nice Day If It Don't Rain!"

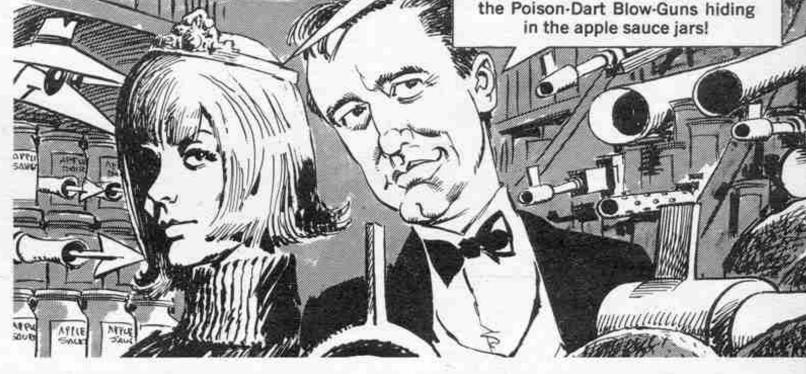


Hi, babe! Nice day if it don't rain! Boy, that's a pretty clever, suave opening line! Naturally, I'm intrigued! Who are you?



I'm Napoleon Polo of A.U.N.T.I.E.!
I've got great news! You've been
selected as this week's typical
ordinary citizen to help me in my
adventure and share the "Torture
Scene" when we're captured!

What makes you think we'll be captured? It's those subtle little things
you learn to notice when you're an
Agent! Like those nine machine guns
coming out of the cantaloupes—and
the flame-throwers aimed at us from
the Frozen Food Counter—but mainly,
it's those Communist Pygmies with
the Poison-Dart Blow-Guns hiding
in the apple sauce jars!

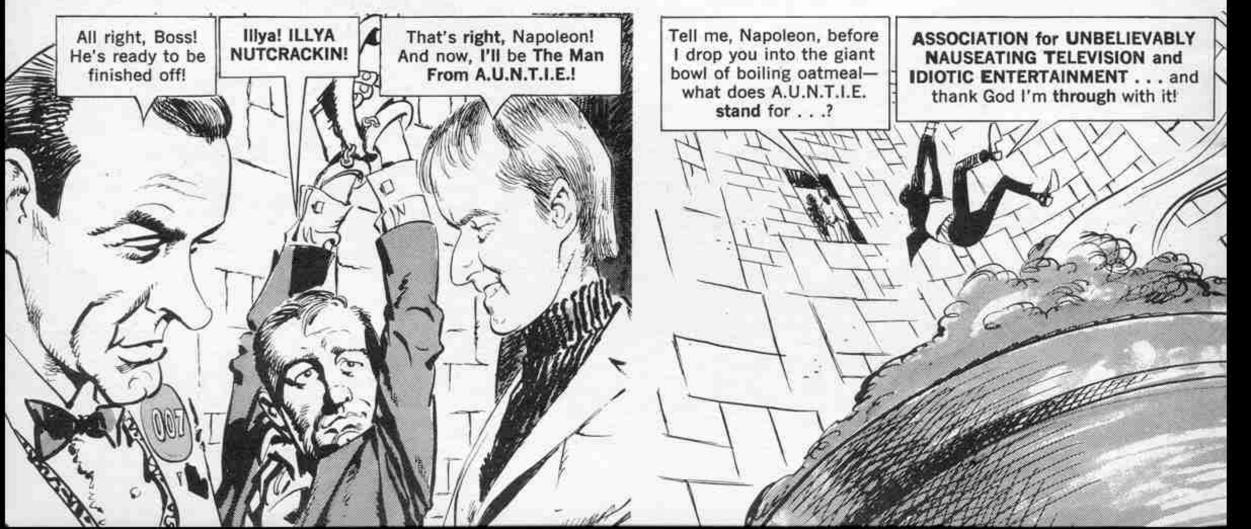


I'd better call A.U.N.T.I.E.
for instructions with my
Pinky-Ring World-Wide ShortWave Transmitter-and-Receiver!
But first, I've got to attach
the Pull-Out High-Gain Antenna
to this wall here . . .

Not on your life,
Mr. Polo! If we
open Channel "D",
the few viewers
we have will switch
to it from THIS
channel!







DON MARTIN DEPT. PART I

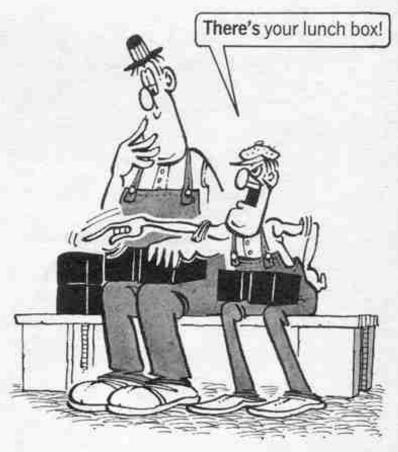
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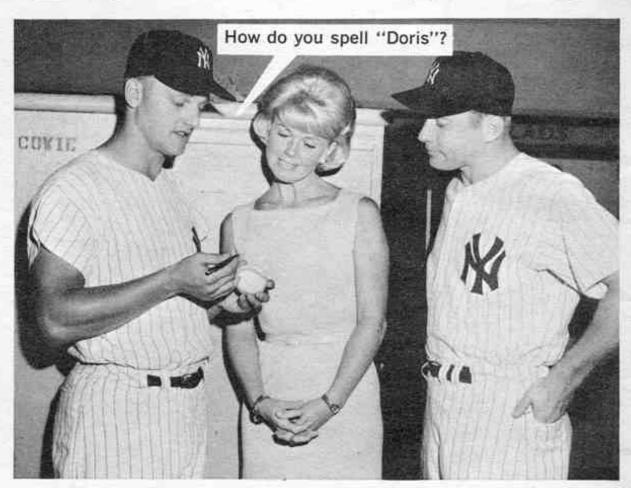


OUT OF LEFT FIELD DEPT.

Here we go again with MAD's little game which consists of taking typical action sports shots—like the kind we've been subjected to in newspapers and magazines—and captioning them with appropriate idiotic remarks. Like f'rinstance these

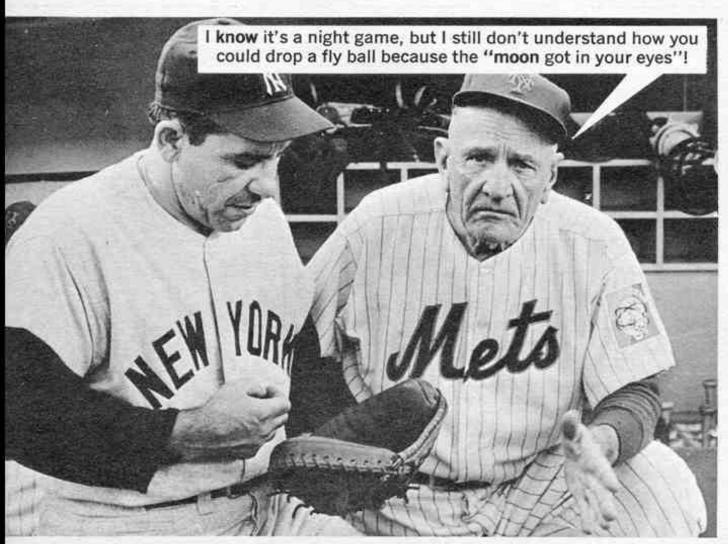
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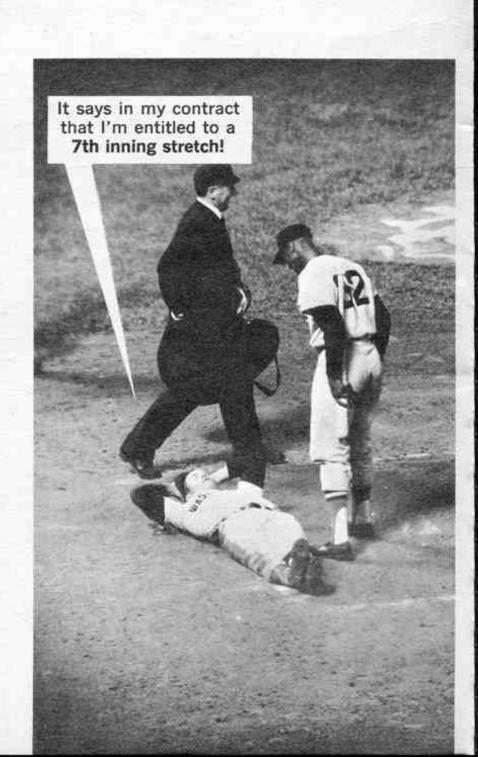




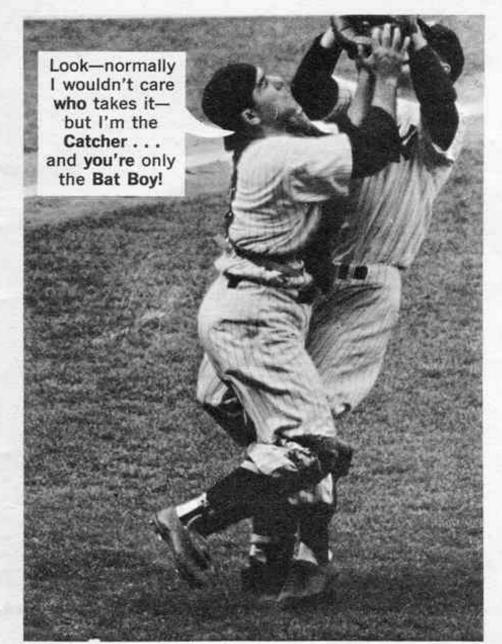
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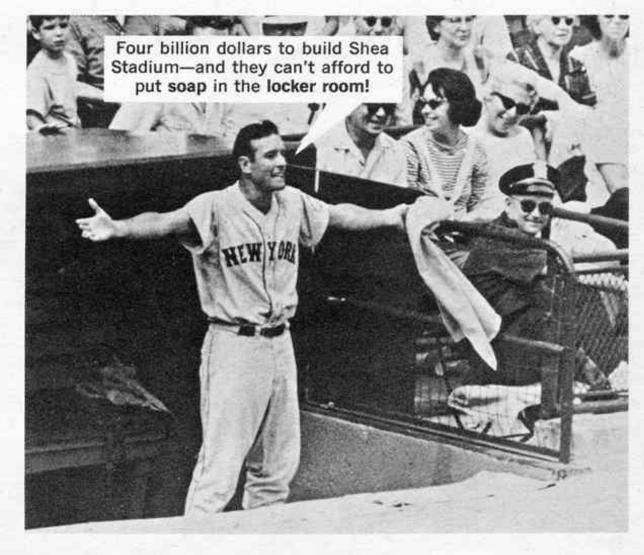
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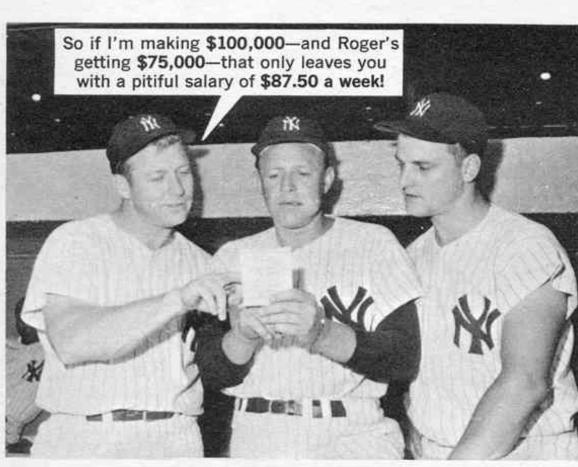




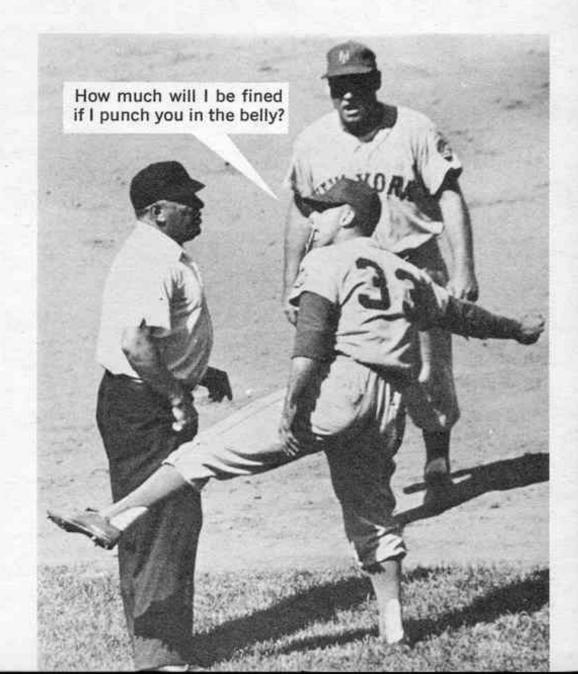


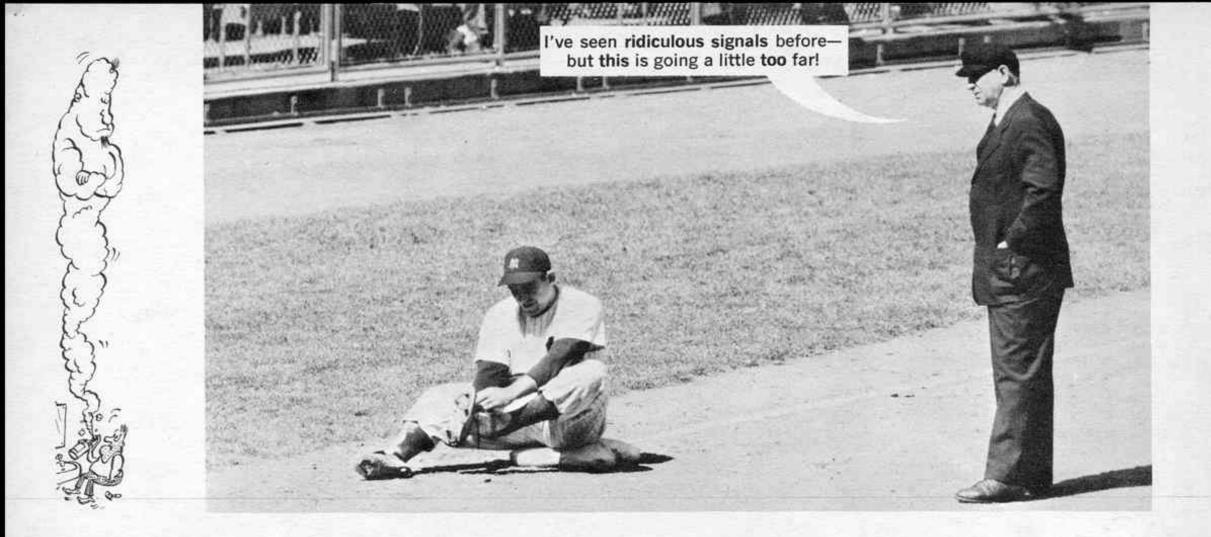


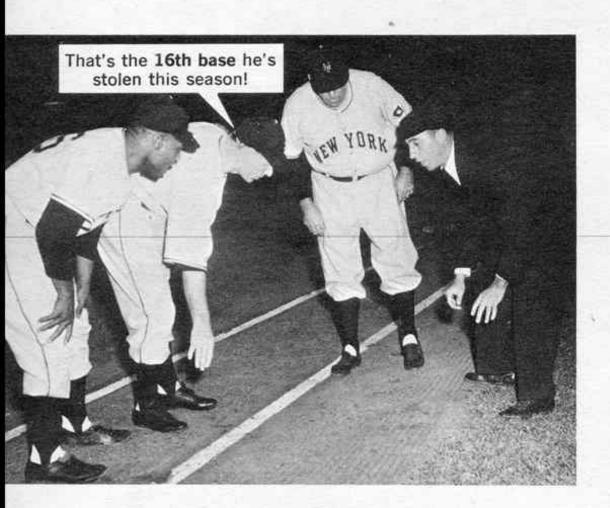


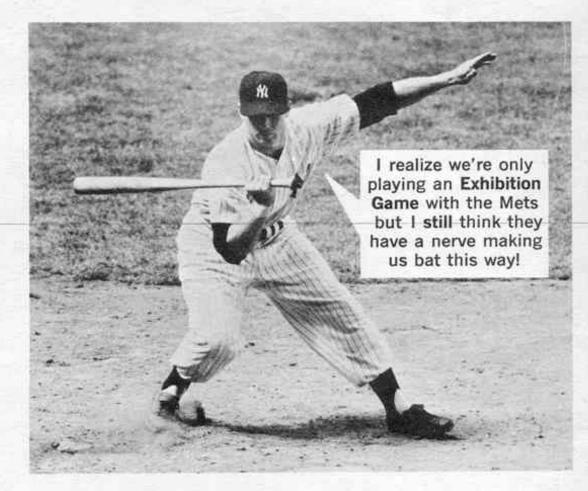


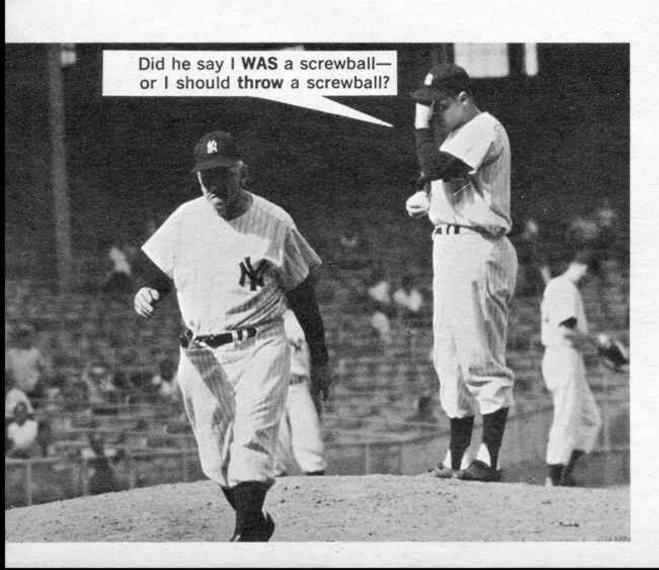


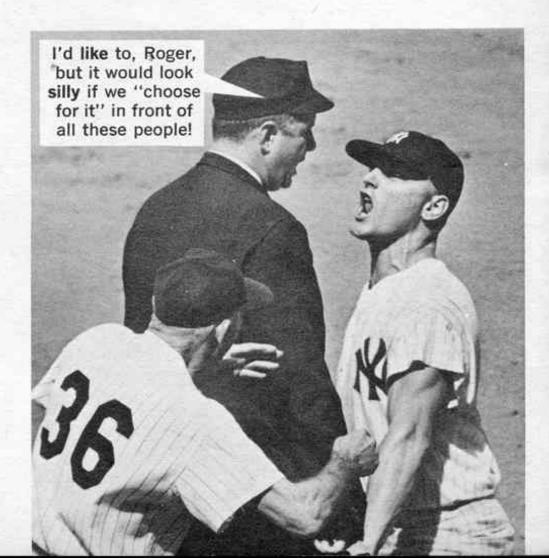




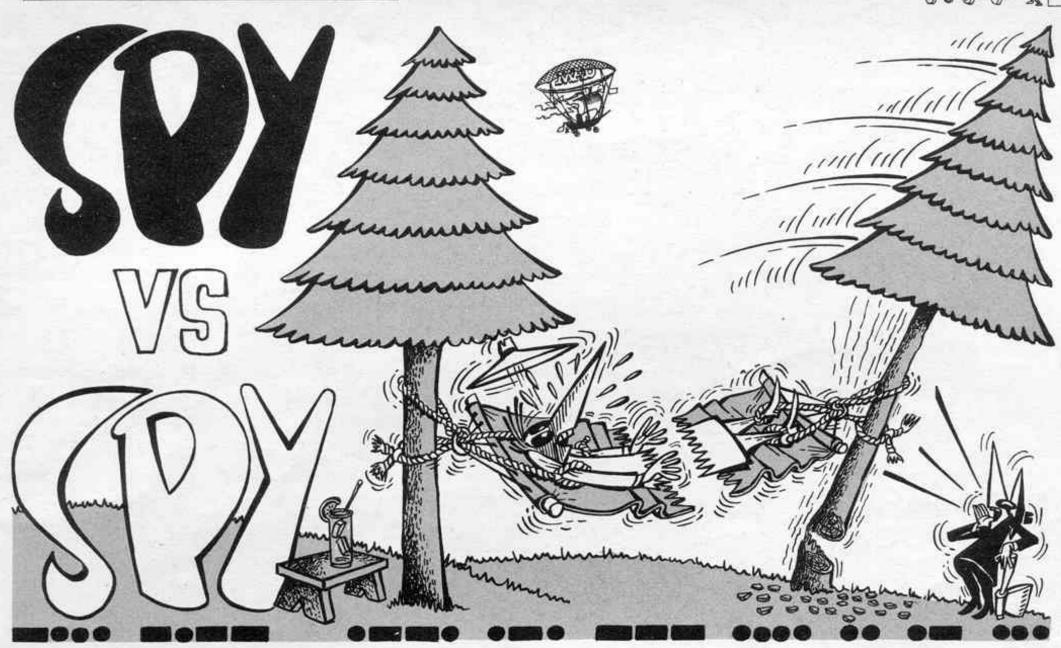












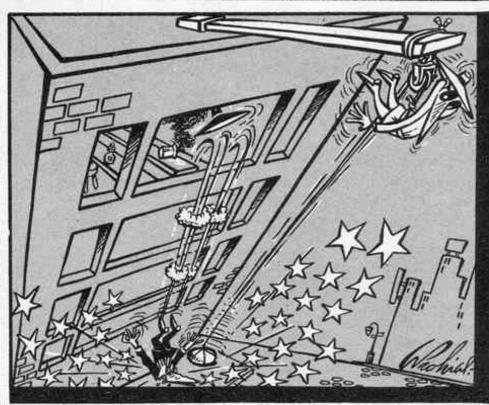








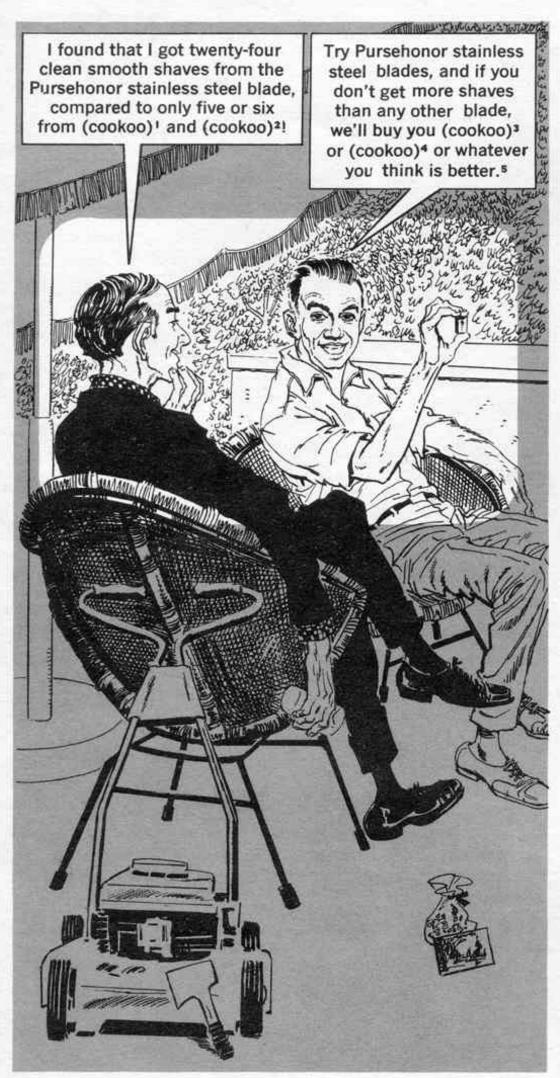




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UNSPOKEN MESSAGES

ARTIST: JOE ORLANDO



- 1-My Briggs & Stratton power lawn mower.
- 2-My oldest son's Boy Scout axe.
- 3-A picture post-card of Yellowstone Park.
- 4-A small bag of licorice jelly beans.
- 5-Just as long as whatever you think is better isn't a competitive stainless steel razor blade.



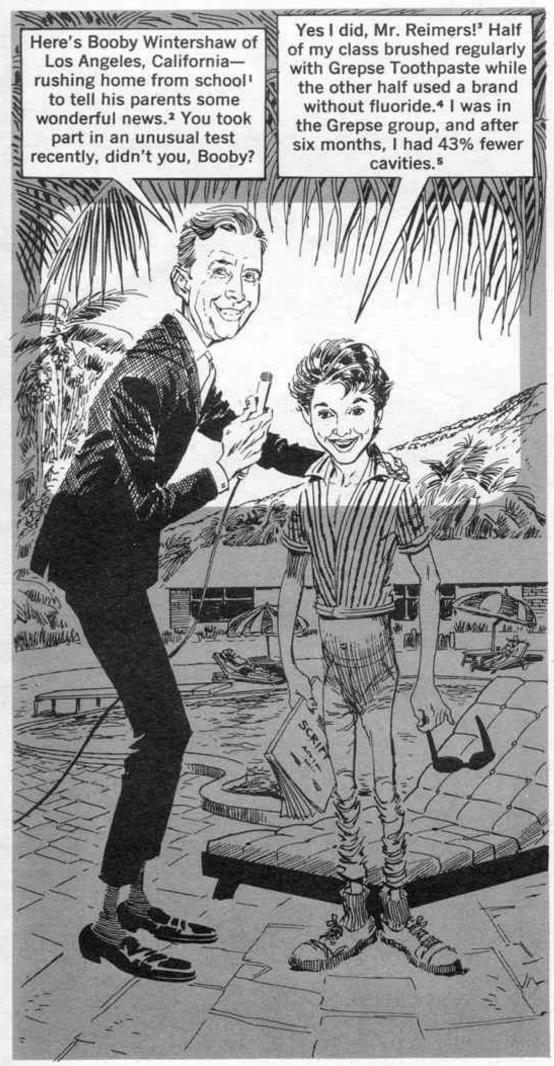
- I—Before he retired as a starting lineman with the Green Bay Packers to take up a career in accounting.
- 2—Which consisted of beating the stuff with a stick on a flat rock down by the creek behind our house.
- 3-Including the ones that were supposed to stay Navy Blue.



really be paying attention. Because they fill their sales pitches with cleverly worded phrases and facts that sound like one thing, but actually mean another. Watch now, as MAD exposes . . .

IN TV COMMERCIALS

WRITER: TOM KOCH



- 1-The Hollywood Training School for Child Actors.
- 2-He'd receive an A+ in "Product-Testimonial Sincerity".
- 3-For the usual fee, of course.
- 4—Or any other normal toothpaste ingredients. In fact, I think it was airplane glue in unmarked tubes.
- 5-Which is what was expected, since I had 43% fewer teeth.

I'm glad I sat down and had a talk with my Provincial Agent. I always assumed that the sole purpose of Life Insurance was to look after my loved ones when I was gone. Now, with the help of the man from Provincial, I'll have the flexible coverage I need to educate my children, to protect the investment I have in my homes and to free myself from financial worries in my retirement years.



- 1—Because if I'd had to stand after seeing how long he talked, my feet would've given out.
- 2—But I was wrong about that. With the fat commission the Agent collects, I've also looked after his loved ones when he's gone.
- 3-Plus the help of all the money I could borrow to take out these new policies.
- 4-If my children ever get flexible enough to be educated.
- 5—Which would've been nice, except that I had to sell my home to buy the policies to protect the investment I don't have any more.
- 6—Now the only financial worries I'll have in my retirement years is where to get money to pay my insurance premiums.



OFF BUT STILL "ON" DEPT.

After watching Show Biz Celebrities chatting on TV, after seeing them table hop at fancy restaurants, and after reading those ridiculous things about them in the gossip columns, we started to wonder: Just where does the Unreal Celebrity end, and where does the Real Person begin? And then a horrible thought occurred to us, mainly: What if one doesn't end, and what if one doesn't begin? In other words, what if Celebrities always talk and act the same, whether they're in the spotlight or out of it? Here, then, is how we at MAD picture

SHOW BIZ CELEBRITIES IN ORDINARY LIFE SITUATIONS

ARTIST: JACK RICKARD WRITER: LARRY SIEGEL

ridiculous things about them in the gossip columns, we started to wonder: Just where does the Unreal Celebrity end, and where does the Real Person begin? And then a

Hi, Bing! Welcome

so wonderful of you to drop over! Invite me here with my garbage to be a "Guest Dumper" at your great trash can! Especially since my can is all full!

The Guest Garbage Dumper

Thanks, Judy! It was swell of you to

The Table-Hopper In His Own



The Mystery Guest Relative









You've got some wonderful garbage in your bag tonight Bing! The egg shells look fabulous, and the melon rinds smell divine!

Well, I'm pretty lucky, Judy! I have some wonderful people helping me make this wonderful garbage! My wonderful wife, Kathy, and my wonderful hungry kids, Harry, Jr., Dennis, Lindsay...





Kitchen

Dad-sweetie! Great seeing you again!

Caught you shaving this morning, Pop, baby! Fabulous strokes! Try the chicken fricassee tonight, sweetheart! It's beautiful!

Look, everybody, let's see more of each other! Why don't you give me a call? I'm in the book! Oh, there's someone I know in another part of

Fido, sweetie! You look fantastic!!

Arf, Phil, baby!







I'm sorry, everybody, but you have failed to guess the Mystery Guest Relative. It's Chief Justice Earl Warren of the U.S. Supreme Court!!



Look, you know the rules in the Daly house. We wear blindfolds all day until the Mystery Guest Relative arrives—but once he reveals himself, all family members must remove them!

So who's a family member? I'm a burglar! I've been casing this joint since 8:00 AM, and you never knew it! Now, where's the money and jewelry, Mac?



A Medley Of Clichés From A Great Old Aunt

Folks, let's hear it for the pride of the Tucker family-a "living legend" in Family Biz who's visiting us tonight! She is one of the warmest, most emotional people I know! What clichés are you going to do for us tonight, Aunt Sophie?

(SOB) Well, Marvin, I'd like to start off my performance as usual by sobbing for a few hours! And then, I'd like to say ... (SOB) ... Is that my little nephew Westbrook sitting over there? I just can't get over how he's grown!



Whattya say, folks? Are we going to let her go off without doing another cliché?

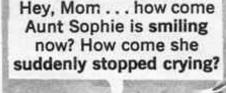


Aunt Sophie! How about your alltime favorite: "We should see more of each other!"?

Aunt Sophie, how about: "We should all live and be well!"?

Thank you! You're a wonderful, wonderful family! And now . . . for my encore, I'd like to introduce a cliché written by my own Aunt, back in 1896. I hope you like it!

Westbrook, my boy . . . remember . . . it's just as easy to marry a rich girl as a poor one!



A lamp just fell on her toe, dear . . . and she's in great pain! She only cries when she's happy!!





The Beverly Hills Mourners

Folks, we're going to have a real fun-burial today! Help yourselves to the hors d'oeuvres! The ones with the black toothpicks are for the immediate family!

How come there are two caskets, Bobby?

We're in luck, Sandra! Right after the scheduled funeral, they're throwing a Sneak Burial for a famous show biz personality!

Listen, darling . . . They're playing our song . . . "The Rock of Ages Bossa Nova"!

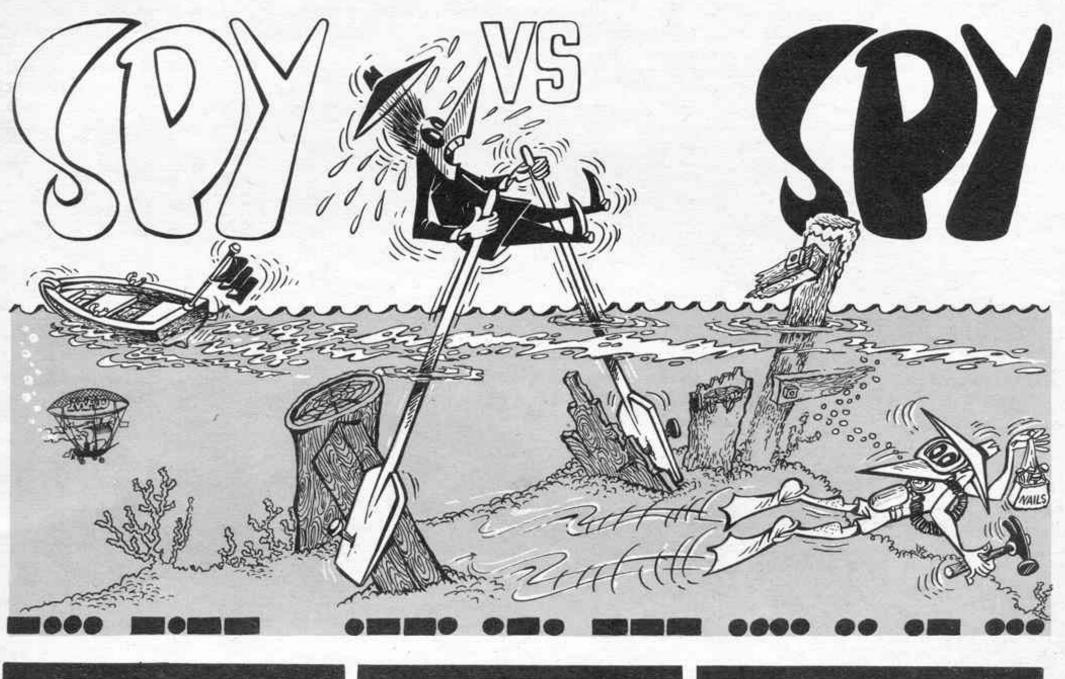
Dino is especially well-plastered today, Sammy! Who's the ugly broad he's dancing with?

George, you go on right

Almost! I need one or two

Don't you know her, Frankie? That's the deceased!





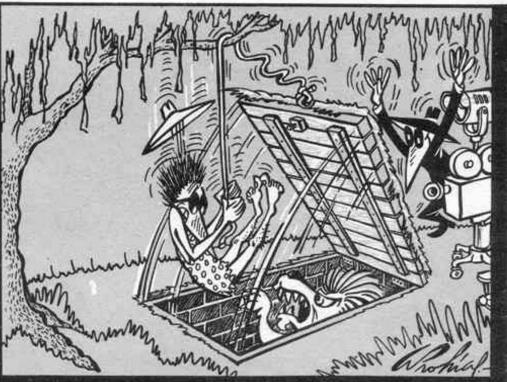












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With all the supermarkets and discount centers being erected across the country in recent years, competition among these businesses has increased to a point where they have had to resort to some

ARTIST: PAUL COKER JR.

TODAY'S TYPICAL "SALES

For "Shopping Centers"...



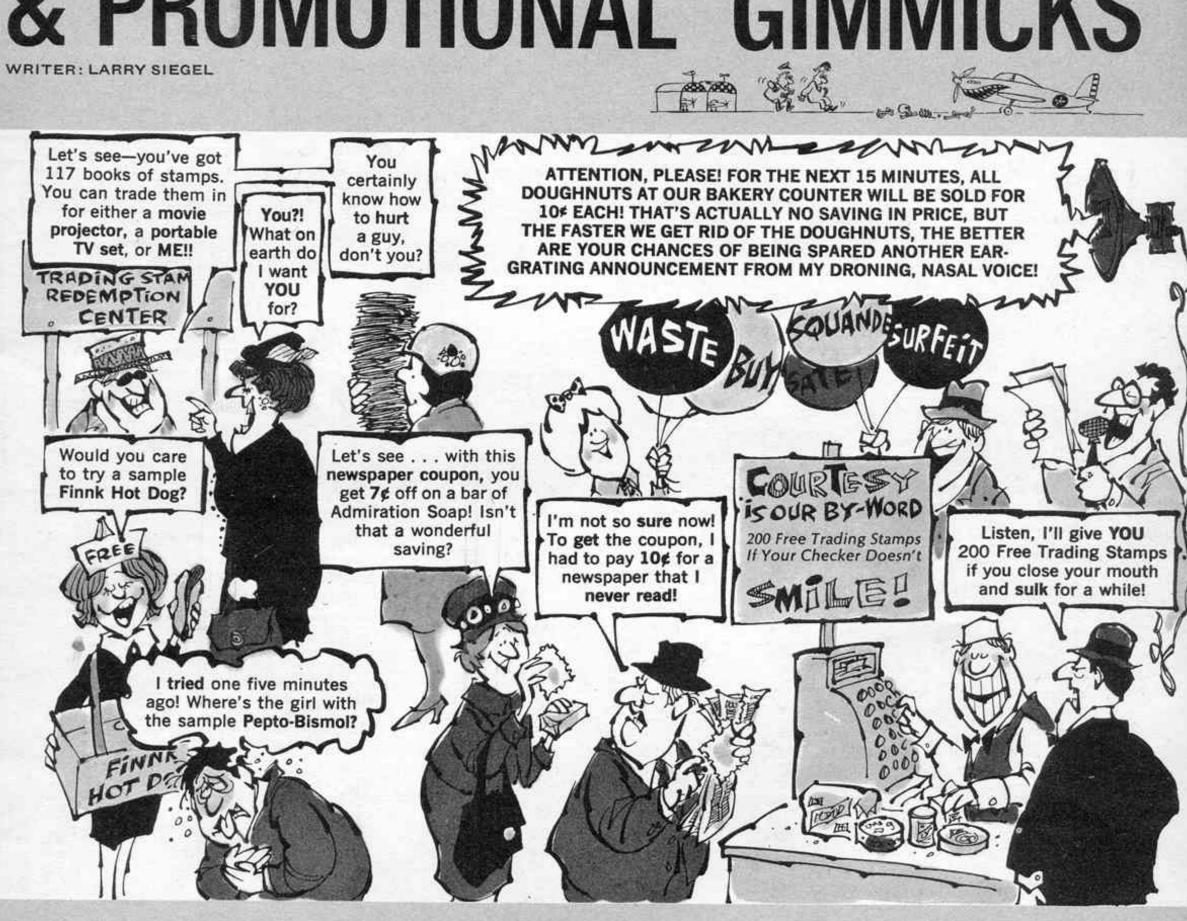
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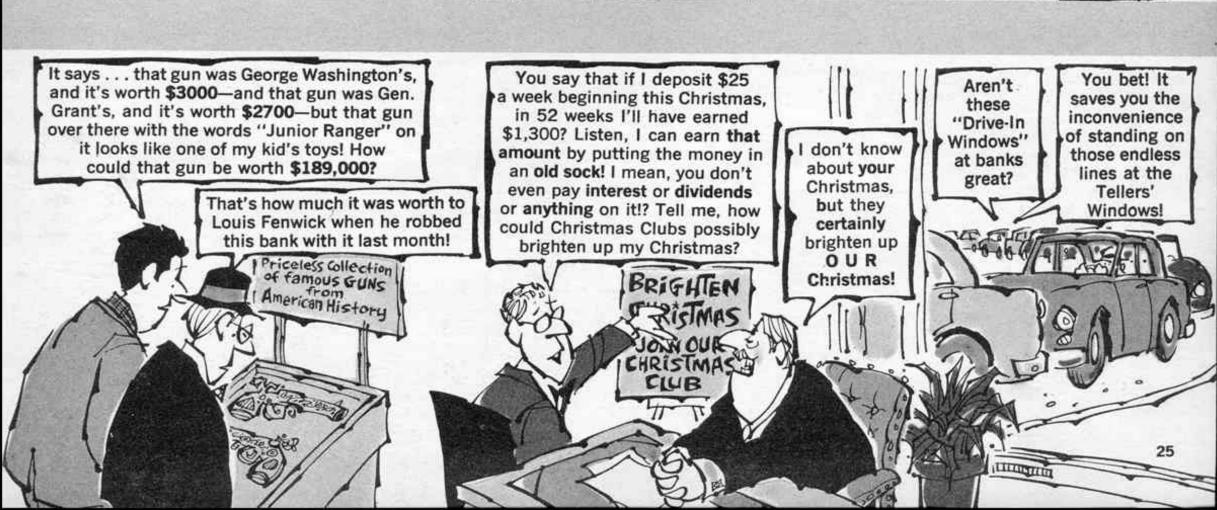


extreme measures in order to pull in customers. And now, to make matters worse, even conservative institutions like banks are following in their footsteps. For example, here are only a few of

& PROMOTIONAL" GIMMICKS







Naturally, it follows that with competition getting rougher and rougher in other fields every day, it's only a matter of time

FUTURE "SALES & PRO FOR EVEN MORE CONS

For "Hospitals"...



For "Museums"...

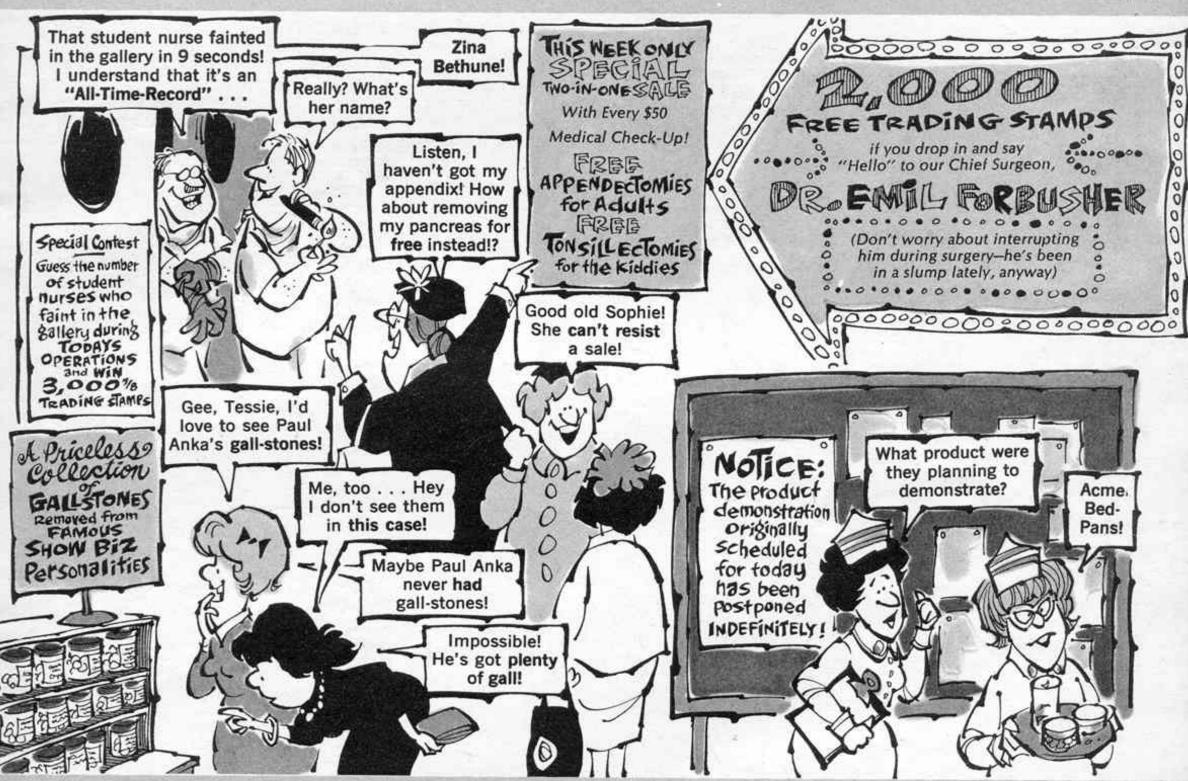


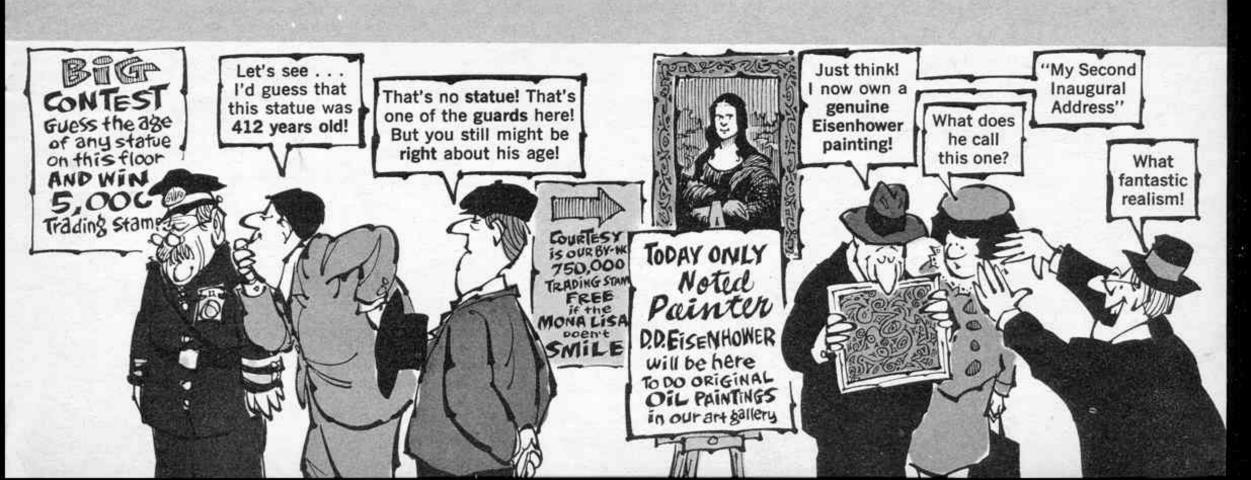
before even less likely conservative institutions like banks will start using "Shopping Center" tricks. For example, here are

MOTIONAL" GIMMICKS ERVATIVE INSTITUTIONS













In the Spring, millions of Americans leave the comfort of their homes to rush outside and plow up tons of dirt. This peculiar season ritual is known as "Gardening". This year, in order to help these vast numbers of outdoorsmen rediscover the wonders of crab grass, Japanese beetles, weeds and fertilizer -- and also show them what ridiculous idiots they are -- we now proudly present the new Nineteen-Sixty-Five Edition of

MAD SEED & GARDEN

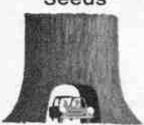


ARTIST: BOB CLARKE WRITER: FRANK JACOBS

SEEDS 25¢ Per Pack

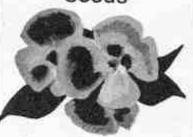
The sale of these seeds in no way expresses or implies any guarantee that something will come up once you've planted them. And try to get your money back if nothing does. We can always cop out by saying that you didn't follow the directions carefully. Some neat racket this is, eh?!

MAD's GIANT REDWOOD TREE Seeds



Plant in warm, moist soil, wait about 750 years or so, and then-stand back!

MAD's PANSY Seeds



Heavens to Betsy, plant these darling seeds carefully, and for Goodness sakes, be sure and water 'em well, Sweetie!

MAD's CHINESE CABBAGE Seeds



Plant in two rows in late May. Beginning in early August, pick one from row A, then one from row B!

MAD's STEWED TOMATO



Plant in early Spring and nourish with equal amounts of rye, scotch and bourbon!

MAD's LADY'S-SLIPPER



Plant in March, letting flowers grow until July for smaller feet; until August for larger feet!

MAD's CRISANTHAMUM CRESANTHEMILM CRUSANTHIMUM DAISY



MAD's FORGET-ME-NOT Seeds



Plant in 8 inches of-er-5 inches of dry-er-damp in late-er-early-Darn it! We've forgotten!

MAD's **BLACK-EYED** SUSAN



In order for flowers to attain desired appearance, punch each seed with fist real hard before planting!

MAD's PICKLED BEETS



Follow directions for Stewed Tomatoes above!

MAD's NIGHT-BLOOMING **SPURIOUS**

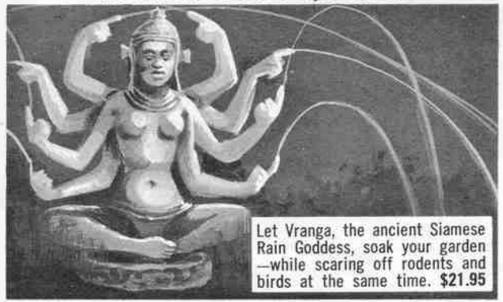
Seeds



Plant in exactly 3 inches of soil on the morning of May 17. Water every hour. Flower will bloom promptly at 11:47 P.M., August 24, and then immediately die!

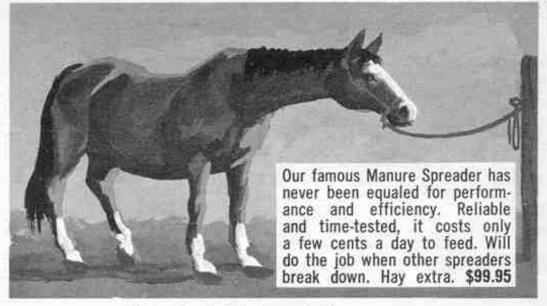
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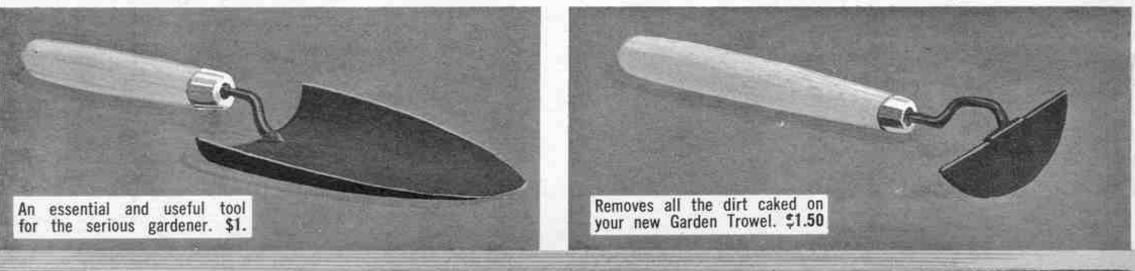


Garden Trowel

Dependable Manure Spreader



Garden Trowel Scraper



GARDEN PROVEN

The Richard Nixon



Though never a Prize-Winner, this hardy variety is always available. It will root anywhere, and change its colors to adapt to new surroundings. The Mao-Tse Tung



This rapid-growing yellow hybrid is almost guaranteed to increase its size until it dominates your entire garden. The plant must be pruned often, or it will encroach on borders of other flowers.

The Dean Martin



This cheerful variety requires a great deal of liquid nourishment. It usually has a mellow look, and performs best when it is potted.

GARDEN EQUIPMENT

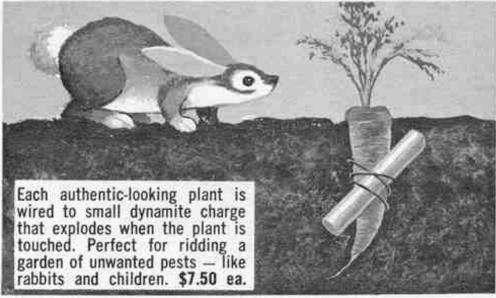
Decoy Ants



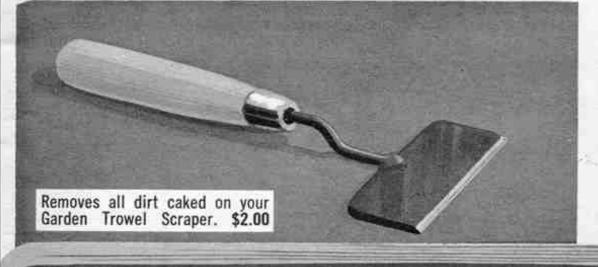
Garden Trowel Scraper-Knife



Exploding Plants And Shrubs



Garden Trowel Scraper-Knife Trowel





HYBRID ROSES

4.95 **SIX FOR \$34.95**

The Jayne Mansfield



This unusually robust variety develops attractive blossoms noted for their remarkable size. The Robert Kennedy



Because it is easily transplanted, this variety will grow in any location. However, once it has established roots, it may prove very difficult to remove. The Ringo Starr



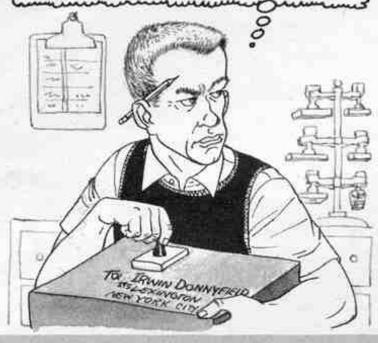
This immensely popular variety is actually a wild plant that has been domesticated. Unlike other types, thrives best when scraggly and undernourished. Caution: Should not be trimmed.

THE LIGHTER SIDE OF

I may be just a Stock Room Boy now-but one of these days, I'm gonna work my way up and grab that Shipping Clerk's job!



I may be just a Shipping Clerk now-but one of these days I'll make that Chief Clerk move over and I'll grab his job!



I swear!

Any

second,

I think

I'll throw

I may be just a Chief Clerk now-but one of these days I'm gonna show up that Office Manager and grab his job!



Gee, Boss, you look better than ever since you went on that diet!

Will you listen to that? Did you ever hear anything more disgusting!? What an apple polisher!



My kid was saying just last night, "Gee, Uncle Boss is nice! When I see him again, I'm gonna give him a big kiss!"



I love your new suit! You sure do have good taste in



to talk to the

How much longer I've had a is that "Brasslot of Bosses Kisser" going in my time, to stay in there? but you're I've been waiting the fairest and the most understanding!





Good bye, Dear!

Don't kiss me! I've got a terrible cold! You don't want your whole office to catch it, do you?

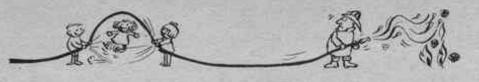


Hmmph! I didn't notice she had a cold! Who's she kidding? She just didn't want to kiss me, that's all! She rejected me, that's what she did! And I'm hurt! And when I get hurt, I get mad! Real mad!!



What's going on here!? Just what in heck do you think I pay you for . . . to drink coffee? Get back to work . . . all of you!





THE BUSS

OFFICE OF THE PUBLISHER
MEMO TO:

The Editor --

Just saw this article.
Fire Dave Berg!

Billgaines

I may be just an Office Manager now—but one of these days I'm gonna convince them I deserve the Vice President's job!



I may be just the Vice President now but one of these days, he'll make a mistake, and I'll be President of this firm!



All this responsibility and aggravation and headaches and heartaches! Who needs it! I wish I were a Stock Room Boy again!



What a day I had at the office—buying, selling, maneuvering, wheeling and dealing! Boy, my nerves are all tied up in knots!



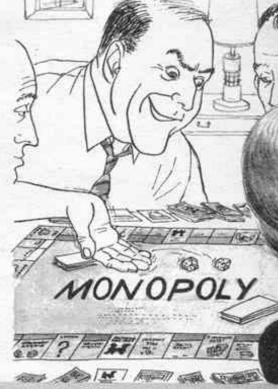
I've got to unwind! I need a change of pace! Tonight, let's have an evening of fun and games so I can get my mind off business completely!



Is everything set up?



Yes,



You call this a letter? With two erasures? Why don't you learn to type? That's not typing you're doing, that's hunt-and-pecking!



Listen, Sturdley, I'll have no more of your stupid mistakes! Remember, you can be replaced easily—by an I.B.M. machine!



Hello, dear! I've been thinking! Wasn't that considerate of me not to kiss you this morning so your office wouldn't catch?

They caught it anyhow!





I've been trying to solve a problem at the office for weeks now! All night long, I've had a troubled sleep! And just now, in sort of a half-dream, the solution came to me! Quick! Hand me a pencil and paper so I can write it down before I forget it!





When I came to this town, I only had \$23 in my pocket! So I took a job for \$15 a weekand worked 8 hours a day-5 days a week-with 2 weeks vacation!



But I was ambitious, so I struggled and saved and kept my nose to the grindstone until I finally went into business for myself!



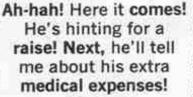
Today, I'm the Boss! I'm a big success!

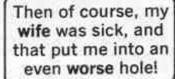


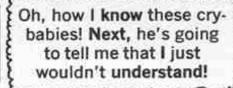
Now I work 18 hours a day-7 days a week-with no vacations-and I owe my creditors over \$50,000!



Gee, Boss-I bit off a little more than I could chew when I bought the new house!









But, of course, you wouldn't understand such problems!









WHAT'S THIS!!? FIFTY-FIVE CENTS FOR A LONG DISTANCE PHONE CALL!! ALL RIGHT-WHO'S THE BIG SPENDER WITH MY MONEY?!



But, Mr. Maxwell! I don't get it! You deal in hundreds of thousands of dollars every day! Why should such a small amount bother you!



To tell the truth, numbers baffle me! A hundred thousand dollars is beyond my comprehension . . .



BUT FIFTY-FIVE CENTS . THAT I UNDERSTAND!!

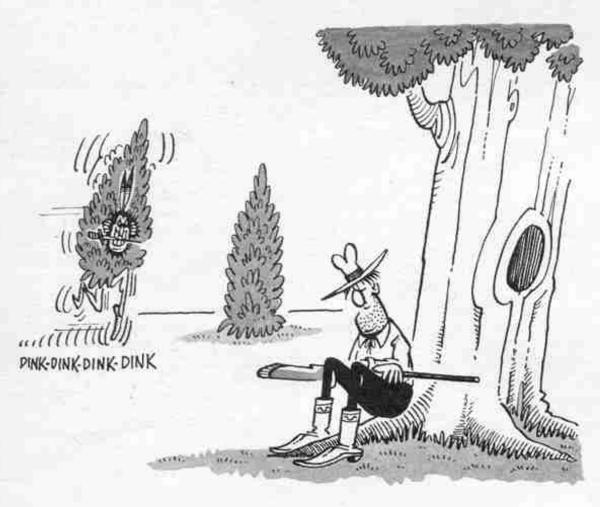




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INJUN TERRITORY











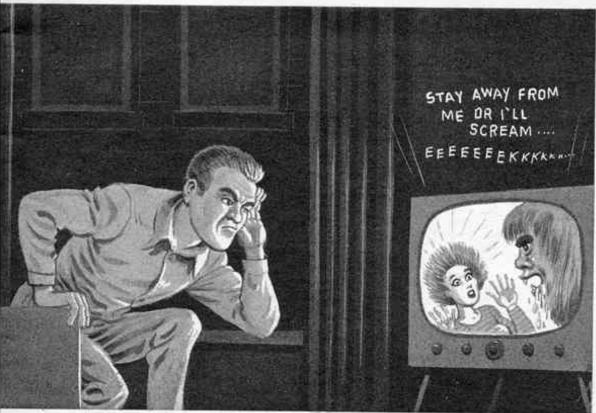


Some time back (MAD #81), we published "The MAD Plan For Beating TV Commercial Breaks" which offered suggestions and methods for effectively, productively and enjoyably filling the valuable time taken up by idiotic TV ads. Now, MAD offers the following article for those lazy slobs who just cannot bring themselves to leave their TV set for something constructive... who just sit there, enduring the pain of those ridiculous commercials. For you, MAD has created these

TV-COMMERCIAL AIDS

OR, HOW TO LIVE WITH TELEVISION COMMERCIALS—AND STILL NOT GO OUT OF YOUR EVER-LOVIN' MIND

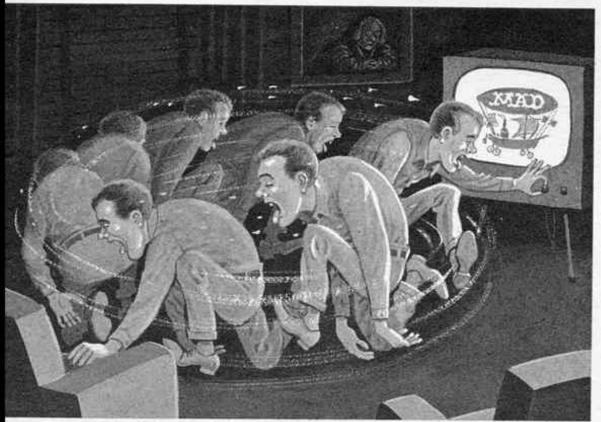
ARTIST & WRITER: AL JAFFEE



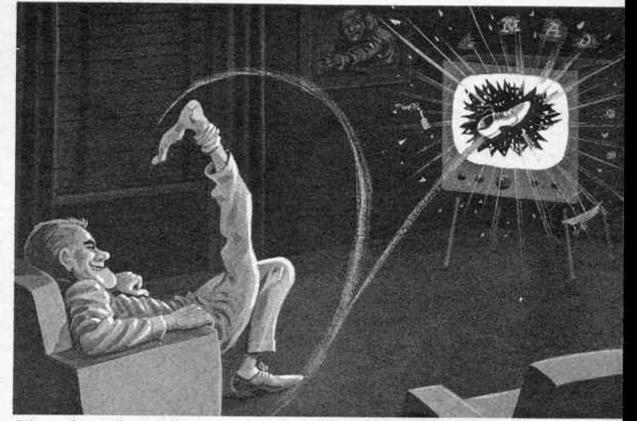
Aside from appealing to the moronic, the neurotic and the just-plain-sick, there's another irritating aspect to all TV commercials. This is especially apparent during late evening hours when the typical TV viewer is straining to catch the sound that has been purposely tuned very low so as not to disturb sleeping children or crabby neighbors.



Suddenly, the commercial comes on like a 21-gun salute—and the viewer must make a mad dash to the set in order to turn down the volume. Then he's got to stand there for three or four minutes while five or six commercials are run off and the program resumes. Only then can he dare to turn the volume up again and return wearily to his seat.

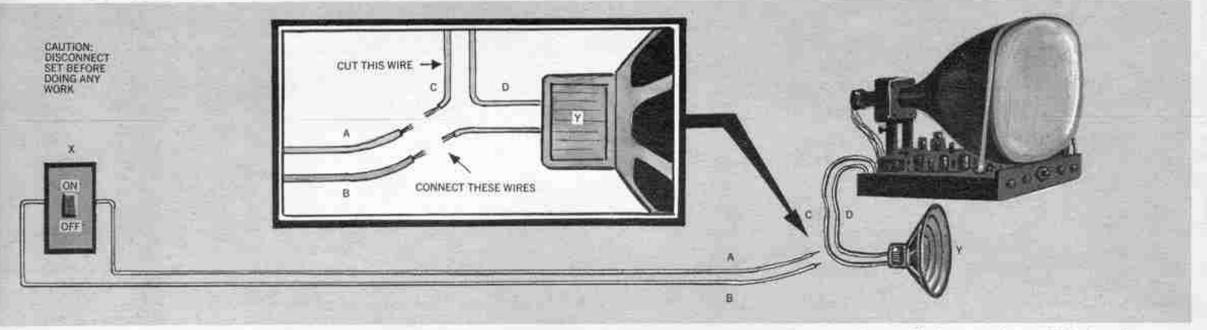


Some lucky set owners have remote control units that can turn sound down from across the room. But vast majority of viewers do not own them, and must run back and forth 20 or 30 times an hour to control commercial nuisance.



Many ingenious TV viewers, when they can no longer stand it, have spontaneously created a primitive form of remote control like the one shown above. Unfortunately, this has its limitations since it can only be used once an evening.

A SIMPLE REMOTE SOUND-CONTROL DEVICE THAT ANYONE CAN MAKE



This is a simple Remote Control unit which any idiot can assemble and install, so ask an idiot to help you. Wires A and B lead from ordinary "On-Off" switch X (purchased at any hardware store) to TV set speaker Y. Note that TV

speaker has two wires C and D which come from TV chassis. Cut one of these and connect ends of A and B to cut ends of speaker wire as shown in close-up drawing. Tape bare splices, and your Remote Control is ready for operation.

ADDITIONAL COMPONENTS THAT COULD MAKE

For the really dedicated TV-Commercial hater, the enough. So here are more sophisticated approaches simple Remote Control "Sound-Off" Unit may not be

to the problem. These can be assembled and instal-

FUNNY MOUTHINGS UNIT



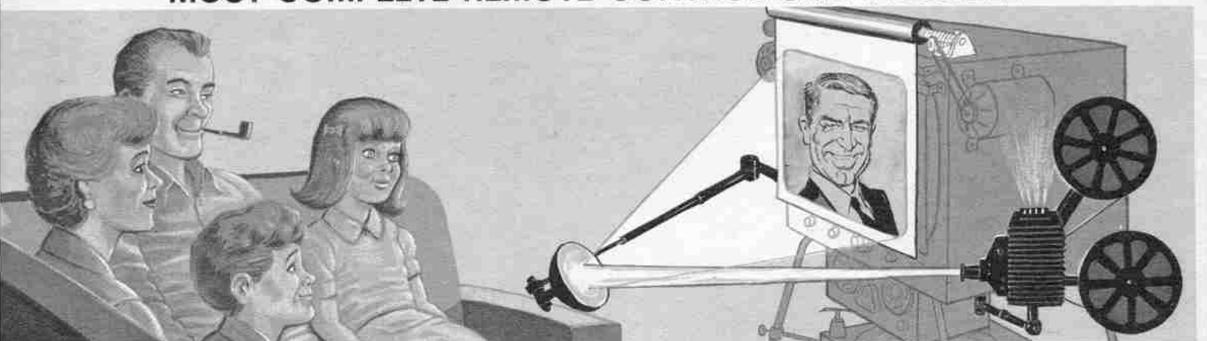
For many, a silent picture on TV may seem out of place, so this light-hearted device can be fun. It consists of pre-taped hilarious dialogue which replaces the words of the commercial announcer when his sound is knocked off, and makes his pitch even more idiotic than it actually is.

MUSICAL INTERLUDE UNIT



For those who may find ridiculous dialogue synchronized with a TV-commercial equally boring, this simple unit can be employed. It consists of recorded musical selections which start playing automatically when sound is knocked off. You listen to soothing melody while announcer mimes.

MOST COMPLETE REMOTE CONTROL UNIT POSSIBLE



Since a still picture is a poor substitute for live TV, this all-in-one unit will solve every problem. A motion picture projector unit is coupled with all the others to go on when sound is knocked off. Along with pre-selected travel pictures or action shots, the viewer can employ funny mouthings, or musical accompaniment or combination of both. In fact, when TV programs themselves are bad, it provides good uninterrupted feature-length entertainment.

VIEWER ENJOYING HOMEMADE "TV-COMMERCIAL SOUND-OFF" DEVICE



Imagine! Now-with this simple Remote Control Unit-just a flick of your finger and you've knocked off the sound and rendered ineffective an offensive TV commercial! And

what fun it is, when you realize that you're destroying a commercial that cost a sponsor maybe \$50,000 or more to produce with a switch that cost you maybe 50¢ to produce!

TELEVISION VIEWING ALMOST WORTHWHILE

time and money one wants to waste on this silly

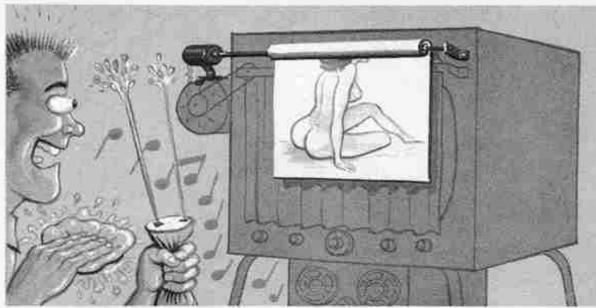
led in one or more units, depending upon how much business. Just look how much of it has been spent already just to bring you this ridiculous article.

DRAW CURTAIN UNIT



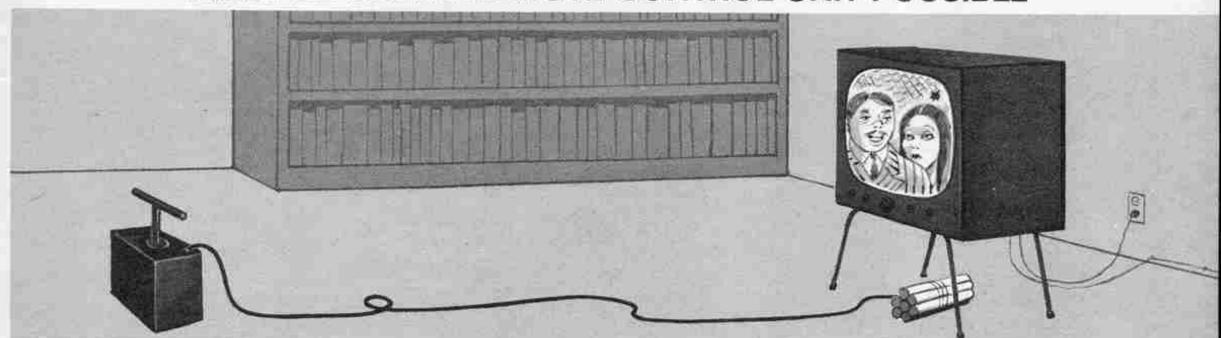
This component is designed for those viewers who prefer not to have their musical interludes marred by repugnant pictures. It automatically closes curtain over TV screen when music comes on, eliminating disgusting views of bad breath, gassy stomachs, etc., so viewer can eat a snack.

STILL PICTURE UNIT



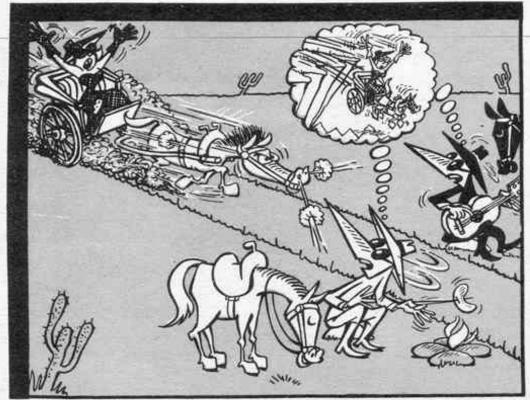
For those viewers who would not be satisfied to stare at a blank curtain while listening to a musical interlude, this component can be added. It automatically unrolls a full-color photo that is both pleasant and inspirational to look at while listening to music and eating a snack.

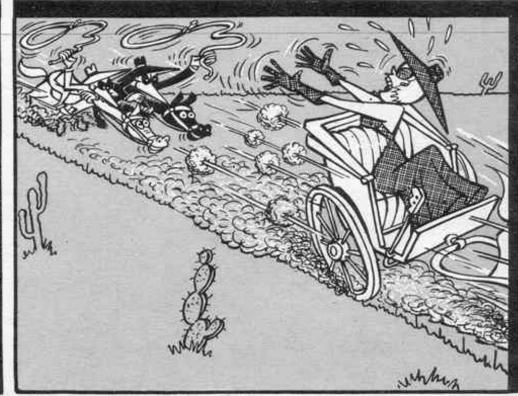
MOST EFFECTIVE REMOTE CONTROL UNIT POSSIBLE



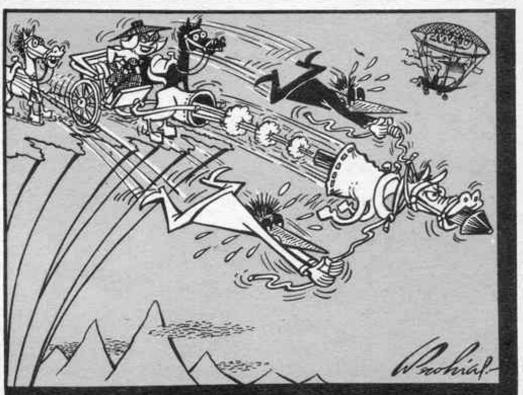
However, after carefully checking out this season's TV offerings, we've come to the conclusion that the programs are just as irritating as the commercials, and that this is the best remote control unit you can use. Now, instead of exposing yourself to television brain-rot, your mind can be elevated and nurtured by more worthwhile pursuits. Like reading, f'rinstance. And we're not talking about reading this rag, you clod! Try something constructive!













Ahh, that's better! Hey, Ma! Look what a handsome guy I grew up into while playing my Ocarina!

Oh, these "Special Effects" guys can do anything! Would you believe it-I'm really Tab Hunter!? But, NOW where are you going, Frankie? It's no use, Ma! I've made up my mind! The Ocarina isn't for me! I've gotta learn how to fight! I got CRAZY FISTS! I know it doesn't make any sense, but it's the title of this farce! I'm leavin', Ma! I'm goin' to the Gym . . . !

No, you're NOT, Frankie!





No son of mine is gonna learn to be a stumble-bumble fighter-always hitting people . . .

. and punching people! And knocking people down! How do you think I'd feel knowing my son is beating up people?

How do you think I feel!? First a girl beats me up, and now an old lady beats me up! I'm goin' to the Gym, Mom-and you can't stop me! Why should I stop you? If stopped you, the picture would end right here!







Hello, kid! The fellers in the neighborhood give you a going-over?

It's about time you learned to defend No-this yourself, kid! But my it'll take money!

Okay, let's see | got where we stand! money! Put on these gloves and spar a couple of rounds with

Gus-why are you letting a kid like that go up against the Bruiser?

Because it'll give me a chance to deliver all them clichés about the Fight Game being tough at first-and an uphill battle-and a road paved with hard knocks!









Then why didn't

your father . . .

My father was a fighter! You have

no idea what it was like-night



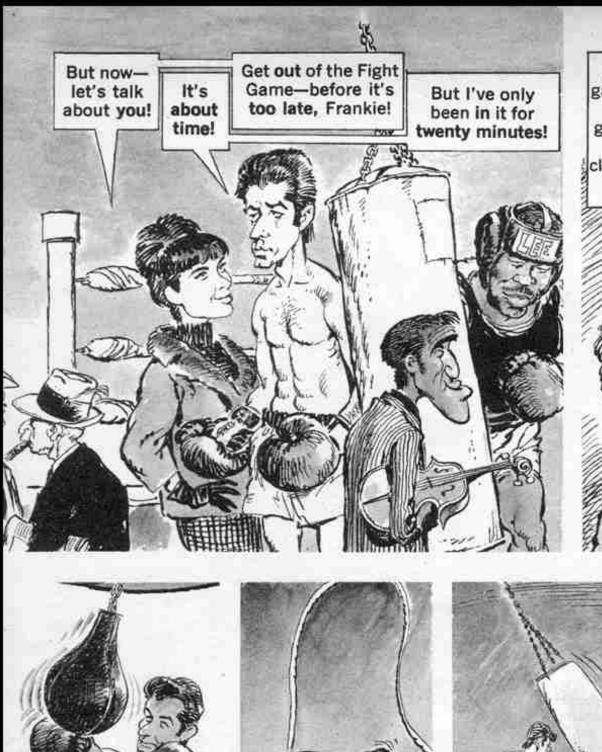
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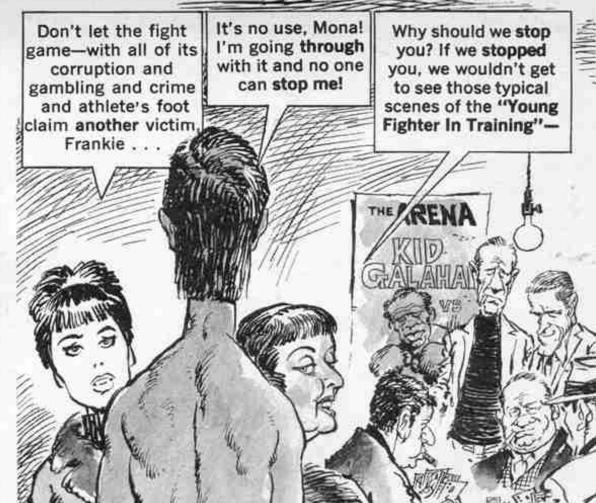
No, he was killed

in the Living Room!

Oh, he promised Mom he'd quit-but

he always wanted just one more





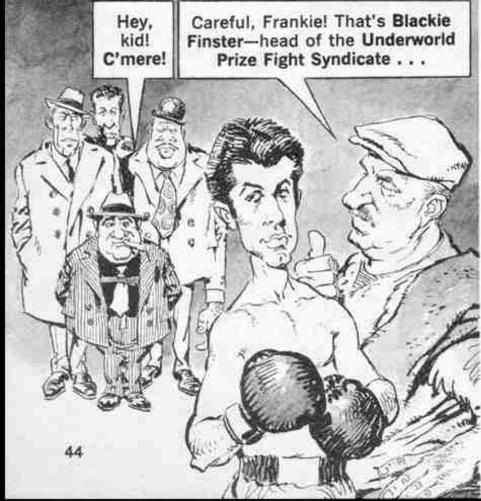






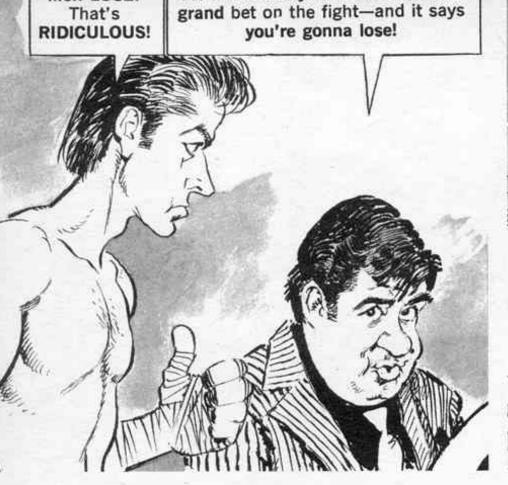












Me!? LOSE?

Me and the boys have six hundred

Just one minute, Finster! I've
lied and cheated for you! I've beaten
up innocent people for you! I've signed
phony contracts for you! I've even paid
my Mom her \$1500 in your syndicate's
counterfeit money for you!

But . . .
losing
a fight
on purpose?
That's
dishonest!

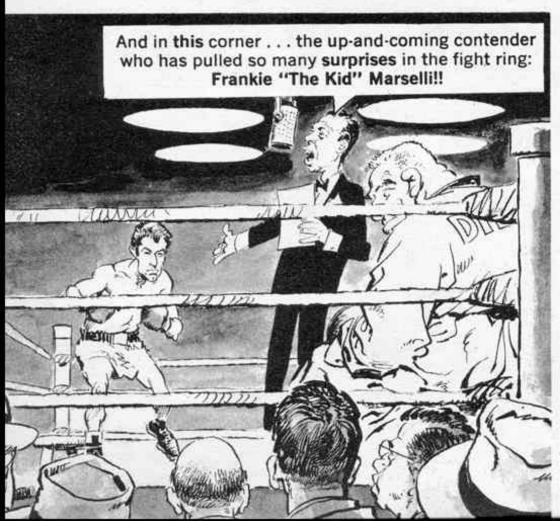
Don't cross me, Frankie! You lose that fight— OR ELSE! So long, kid!

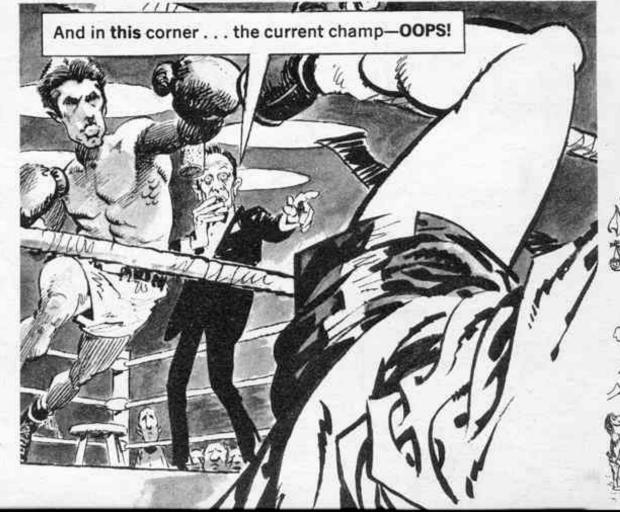


I couldn't help overhearing the conversation, Frankie! I was standing outside with my ear to the keyhole . . . What am I gonna do, Mona?



Could you ever Then you'll either | Think it over look at yourself have to play it as we fade out Gee, in a mirror again and into the big fair . . . or stop no! if you threw Ringside scene! shaving! that fight, kid? JUST GET ME A REMATCH AND I'LL SLAUGHTER YA! I KEEP TELLIN'
YA --YOU'RE NOT
TRAININ' EHOUGH!



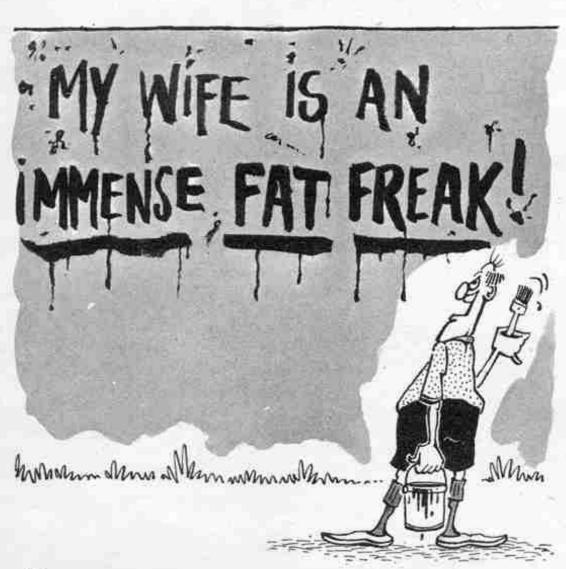




THE INDIGNANT HUSBAND









WE TAKE A STAND ON THE EXTREME RIGHT WITH THIS

MAD FOLD-IN

Super-Patriotic Groups throughout our land are warning us that America is doomed unless we take drastic measures to preserve our freedom now—before it is too late. If you fold in the page as shown (right), you will discover...



THE HARVEST WE SHALL REAP FROM THE SUPER-PATRIOTS' METHODS OF EXPOSING "COMMUNIST PLOTTERS" IN AMERICA

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