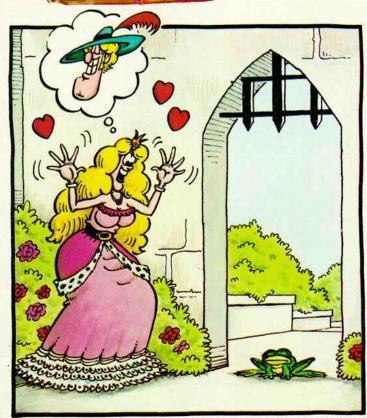
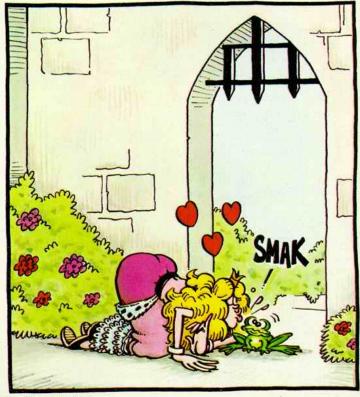
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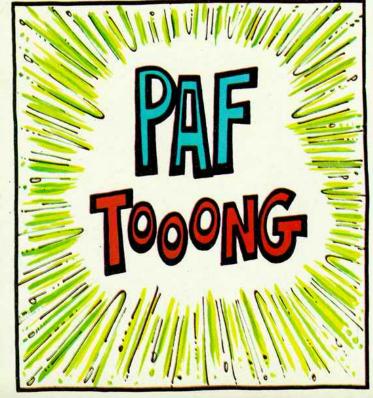
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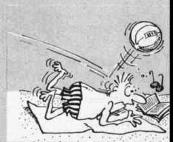
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NORMAN MINGO'S PIZZA COVER

Norman Mingo's pizza shop cover made me laugh and gave me heartburn at the same time.

> Scott L. Kafka Queens, N.Y.

When I first saw Mingo's Delivery Boy cover I figured it could never happen. I ordered a pizza and when it arrived it looked like a retread. I believe!

Robert Canipe Hickory, N.C.

I showed your June cover to my local pizza-maker, thinking no one could be as stupid as Alfred E. Neuman. But the pizza-maker said a guy came in one bitter-cold winter day and ordered two sizzling slices which he promptly stuck onto his head as earflaps!

Mike Lombard Chicago, Ill.

DUM-DUM AFTERNOON

Your satire on "Dog Day Afternoon" was a howling success!

Douglas Shatzer St. Thomas, Pa.

Drucker's likenesses of Al Pacino and John Cazale and Charles Durning are something you can bank on!

Seth Jakel West Orange, N.J.

Your take-off on "Dog Day Afternoon" was long, dragged out, dreary, dull and predictable, but so was the movie itself.

David Hubbard Norwalk, Conn.

Who should know more about holdups than MAD?

Mike Gavin Greensboro, N.C.

MIND POWER MAGAZINE

Your magazine-within-the-magazine articles are the last I get to and "Mind Power" is mind-over-reading-matter, but very rewarding. Stan Hart is your most perceptive, informed and funniest writer.

Timothy O. Lane

Baldwin Park, Calif.

What's so mystic about "Mind Power"? I knew what Hart was going to write, even before he sat down at the type-writer!

Julian "ESP" Blake Rumson, N.J.

THE LIGHTER SIDE OF GROOMING

Dave Berg's "Lighter Side Of Grooming" made a bad appearance.

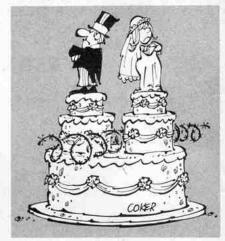
Peter Robustelli Bronx, N.Y.

UNWEDDINGS OF THE FUTURE

In "Unweddings Of The Future", Doud and Coker could have included the concept of the Unwedding Cake. It lends itself to a new variety of plastic cake-top figurines such as: couple engaged in settlements, bride clawing groom, groom slugging bride, etc. And in place of the traditionally bland white cake, uncouples could opt for a more expressive flavor like "Venomous Vinegar" or "Bitter Lemon."

Karen Carbone Whitman, Mass.

Paul Coker's "Unwedding Cake"



BURPS THROUGH HISTORY

Your "Burps Through History" was a real gas!

John Ohmer Carmel, Ind.

THE PRINCESS IN THE TOWER

Tell Edwing and Coker that their "Scenes We'd Like To See (The Princess In The Tower)" was a pretty tall tale!

Gregory Sanza Bronx, N.Y.

ARAGONES GETTING INVOLVED

I really felt like commenting about Sergio Aragones's "Getting Involved" but then I decided to mind my own business. Richey Neuman Eugene, Oregon

BARFETTA

"Barfetta"...dat piece really blew me away!

Jeff Gwynne Bow, N.H.

Silverstone and Torres disguised everything but their recognizable wit!

Bruce Carpick Winnipeg, Man., Canada

ANTI-SMOKING SENSE

Congratulations on your "Winsom" back cover. This is one of the best "advertisements" against smoking I have seen and excellent material for our health teachers to use.

(Mrs.) Frances H. Fisher Learning Resource Center Abraham Levitt J.H.S. Willingboro, N.J.

BICENTENNIAL "MADDE" SUPER SPECIAL #19

As the Adjutant of a reactivated 18thcentury military organization, the XI Regiment of the Massachusetts Line of the Continental Army, I feel that duty compels me to write to congratulate you for your exceptional Bicentennial 'MADDE" issue. Of particular merit is the "Minute Man of the Year" story. Is the delineator of the article, cited as Major George Woodbridge, the same George Woodbridge who is currently commander of the Brigade of the American Revolution? I am curious to ascertain this insofar as the various accourrements and other particulars appearing in the art work reflect an artist who is more than acquainted with the odds and ends of 18th century life.

> LTC. Philip D. Paulson Adjutant, XIth Regt. Massachusetts Line Continental Army Taunton, Mass.

Yes, the same George Woodbridge, artistmilitarist-Ed.

I've been reading MAD for quite some time now but I've never written you before. This time though, I just had to com-pliment you on your "MADDE" Bicentennial insert. It was simply side-splitting and all I can add is, "I regret that I have but one life to waste reading MAD!

Dave Hunt Hamilton, Ont., Canada

Alfred Takes A "MADDE" Bow



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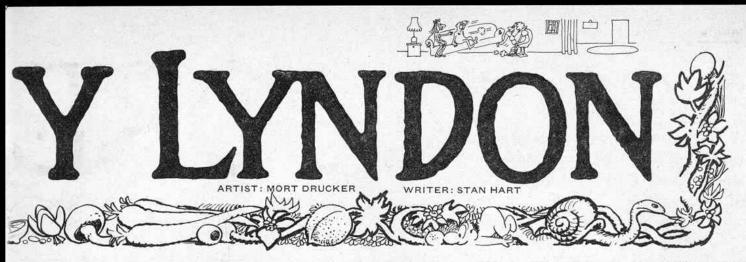
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Hello! I'm your Narrator, and throughout the film, I'll be telling you what's happening! That's in case you fall asleep and miss something! Well, now, young Borey is in love with his Cousin, who tries to seduce him! But alas, he is too young and innocent to know it . . .



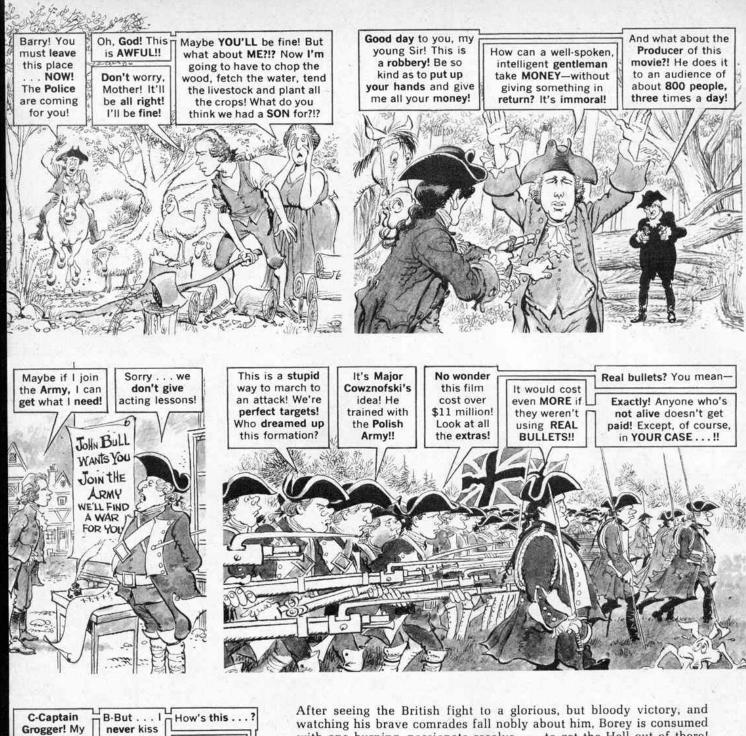
I have an announcement to make!
My pure, untouched, virginal daughter is to be MARRIED...
to Captain Quince, here...

Congratulations, Captain! THESE ribbons belong to YOU now!



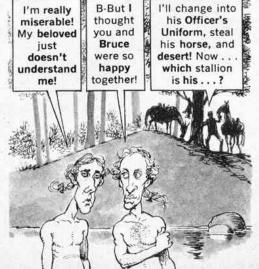
To avenge his honor, Captain Quince challenges Borey to a duel. Since our story has just begun, the suspense about who wins isn't too great.







with one burning, passionate resolve . . . to get the Hell out of there!



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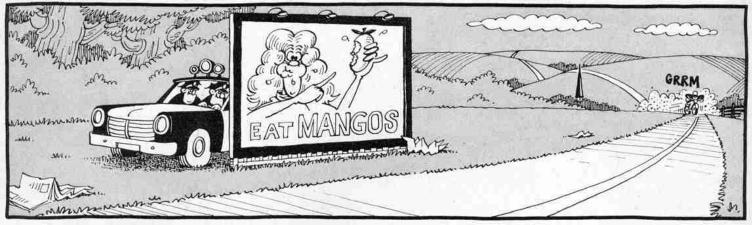




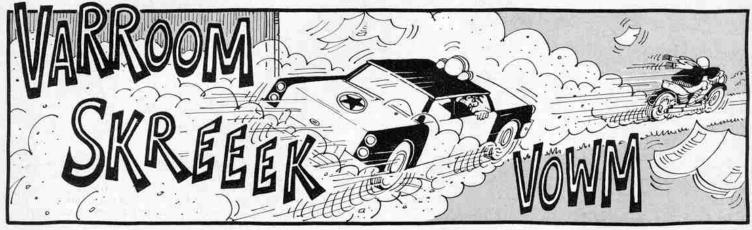


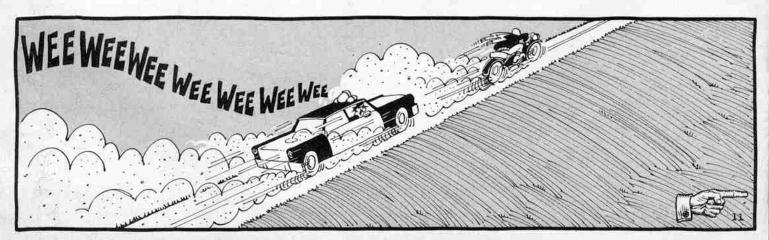


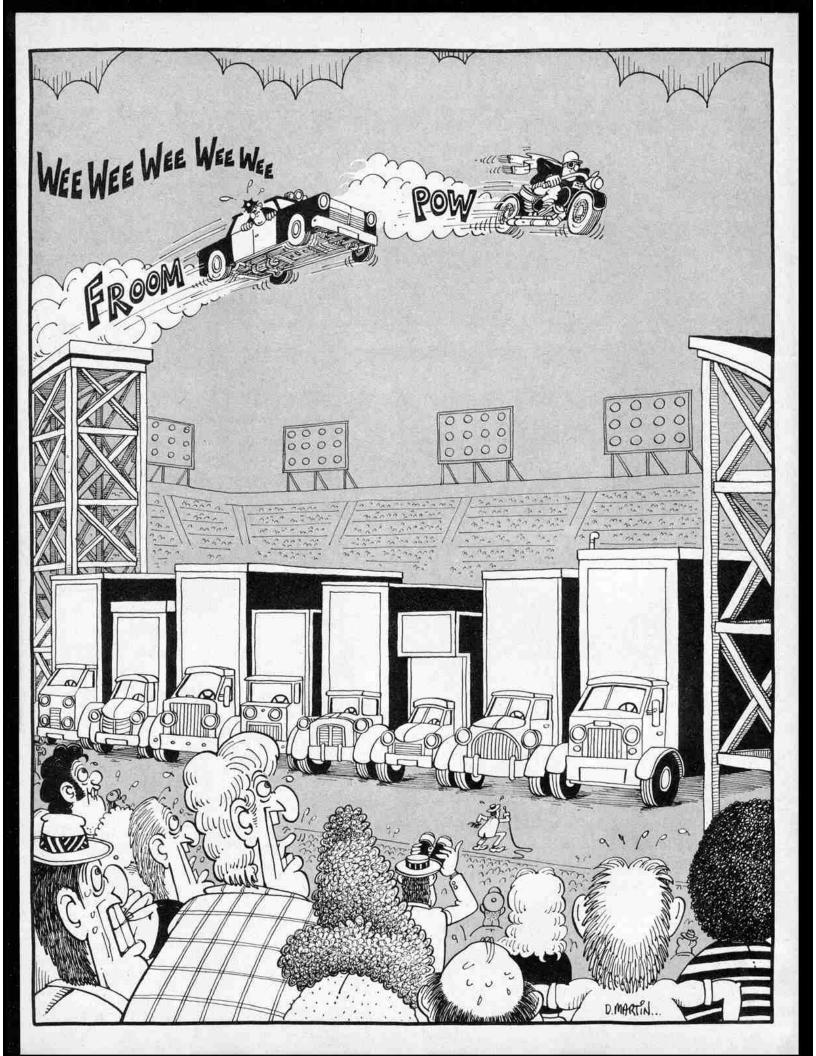
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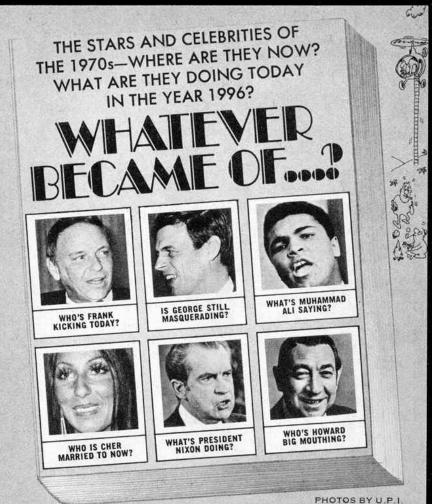




OLD FOLKS TOME DEPT.

The big craze these days is nostalgia, with so many books being written about famous people of the past and what's finally happened to them. Well, in twenty years or so, the famous people of today will become the trivia of yesterday. With this fact in mind, let us peek into the future at one of the books we'll be reading sometime in the 1990s, namely...

WRITER: FRANK JACOBS AGING BY: BOB CLARKE





FRANK SINATRA

Now eighty years of age, Frank Sinatra lives in an isolated cabin somewhere in the Mojave Desert. After his final comeback tour in 1986

during which he bit a woman newspaper reporter in Calcutta, he entered the Old Singers Home in Palm Springs, California, but was thrown out for slugging a night nurse. Except

for his long-time buddy Dean Martin (now 79 and recently recovered from a liver transplant), Sinatra refuses to see anyone, spends his days listening to his old recordings and kicking coyotes.



GEORGE PLIMPTON

George Plimpton, who first gained fame posing as a Pro Football Player, has continued to masquerade as other people. After trying his hand as a Jai-alai Player and a Yo-Yo Expert, he left sports

in the late 1970s and became, successively, a Mafia Hired Killer, an Open-Heart Surgeon, a Supreme Court Justice and, briefly in 1983, an American Airlines Stewardess. Although



Plimpton has not been heard from since 1986, it is believed he is winding up his most demanding role, living the life of a Convict doing 10 years hard labor at the Illinois State Penitentiary.

THE BEATLES

It's hard to believe that these four men, now all in their fifties, once dominated the pop music scene. George Harrison today is an Anglican Minister in the small British town of East Grivney, where he accompanies the local choir on guitar during Sunday Services. One of his neighbors is Paul McCartney, now eking out a













living as a Music Teacher, after going bankrupt when the British pound collapsed in late 1986 and Britain was taken over as a colony of Canada. Ringo Starr emigrated to Australia in 1989 and is a Sheep Farmer. John Lennon, shown here at his New Mexico commune in 1990, has vanished completely from sight.



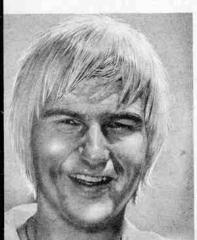


JIMMY CONNORS

Considered the top Tennis Player of the mid-1970s, Jimmy Connors was banned from tournament play in 1981 when, after a close "out" call at Wimbleton, he pulled the Line Judge down



from his seat and pummeled him in front of 15,000 spectators. Earlier, he was disqualified at Forest Hills when he lay down in mid-court and threw a 10-minute tantrum, then broke his racket over the head of a heckler. Now 48, a



Camp Counselor in the Catskills, Connors sulks a lot, is still undecided about his relationship with Chris Evert (now 45 and happily married to an Insurance Salesman in Fort Worth).



CHER BONO

Cher Bono, who recently turned 50, lives quietly in an automobile camper with her eleventh husband, none other than Sonny Bono, whom she remarried in 1983 after unsuccessful

marriages to Gregg Allman (11 days), Mick Jagger (6 weeks), Warren Beatty (9 hours), David Carradine's accountant (6 days), and five others, none of whom was around long enough to reveal his name. Cher retired after

her TV show was cancelled in 1977, but still hopes to make a comeback if she "can find the right partner." Current choice: 94-year old Will Geer, still spry after retiring last year from "The Waltons".





RICHARD NIXON

Shortly after he resigned from the Presidency, it was said by many people that Richard Nixon couldn't get elected Dogcatcher. Nixon

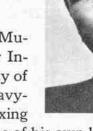
proved them wrong being voted Dogcatcher of San Clemente in 1982 by a two-to-one margin (36 votes to 18). Now 83 and in his 14th consecutive term, he intends to hold on to the post

"as long as I can carry the burden". Nixon's years as Dogcatcher have been free of scandal, despite some criticism by the press of his treatment of a fox terrier in 1991.



MUHAMMAD ALI

Now in his early fifties, Muhammad Ali is a Poetry Instructor at the University of Mississippi. The ex-heavyweight champ quit boxing



in 1976 to become emcee of his own late-night television talk show, which enjoyed a brief success until the CBS network cancelled it when Ali refused to allow any of his guests to



speak. After two losing tries at the U.S. Senate, he ran for the Presidency in 1984 as the write-in candidate of his "I Am The Greatest" Party, winding up with no electoral votes whatsoever.



HOWARD COSELL

Known as the man who told it "like it is", Howard Cosell left sportscasting in 1981 to work for the State Department. His appoint-

ment as Roving Goodwill Ambassador got off to a shaky start when his comments on table tennis broke off U.S. relations with China. Sent to South America, his remarks on bullfighting touched off anti-American riots in Brazil, Ar-

gentina and Equador. Now 78 and semi-retired, Cosell is considering a return to sportscasting to "blow the lid off," as he puts it, "corruption that permeates every area of water skiing."



AL PACINO

Al Pacino began his screen career in 1972 playing Michael Corleone in "The Godfather", ended it in 1984 playing the same role in "The



Godfather Part VI". In between, he starred in a Broadway musical based on "The Godfather", called "The Mob's All Here," in which he sang the Hit song, "I've Got A Contract



Out On You." His last acting job was in the TV comedy series, "The Crazy Corleones", since which he has been confined to his home in Beverly Hills with what doctors call "an identity crisis".

I love the smells of Summer! The smell of an ocean breeze, tinged with a fine salt spray!



The smell of a flower garden, perfumed with vivid blossoms!
The smell of city sidewalks, damp from a brief Summer rain!



The smell of a forest glade, spiced with pine needles! The smell of fresh-cut grass, sparkling with morning dew!



. . . and the smell of a Locker Room, pungent with moist sweat socks!!



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THE LIGHTER SIDE OF...

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No wonder your luggage was so heavy! You've got all those BOOKS in there! These are the books I bought myself over the Winter, but never got to!



Comes Summer vacation time, it's my chance to catch up . . .



I love to relax in the sun and enjoy a good book! When you're relaxed, you can get the MOST out of a book!





I thought we'd take a nice, inexpensive driving trip . . . but look at these GAS bills!

That's because of the "anti-pollution" devices the manufacturer has to build into the engine!

Big deal!

So I've got a car that doesn't smoke!

I'd rather have a car that doesn't DRINK!!







MMER SCENE

ARTIST & WRITER: DAVE BERG

Hey!! WATCH IT, there! The beach is no place to play Touch Football! You're disturbing people who are trying to relax! Why don't you go down to the PLAYGROUND and play there?

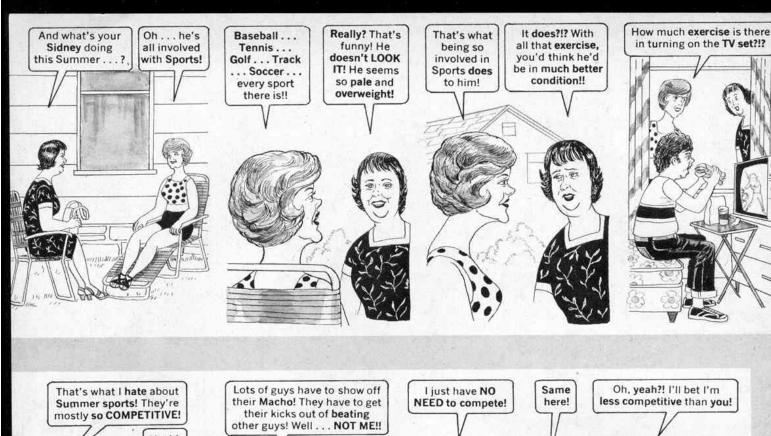
We could do that, Sir! But there are certain advantages in playing on the beach! If we fall, the sand is soft! If we get sweated up, we can take a dip in the water!

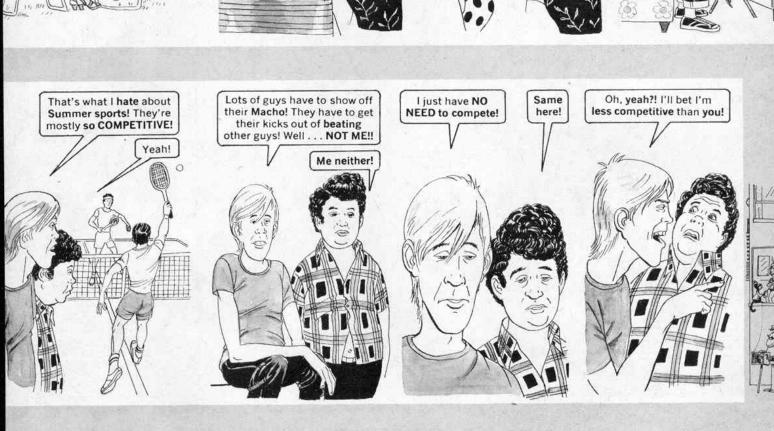


But MAINLY . . . this is

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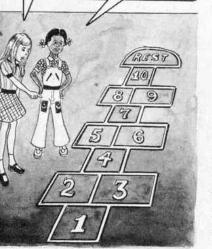








It's a Hopscotch game the adults made for us kids, all ruled and permanently painted!



I can't put my finger on it. but there's something very wrong with it!

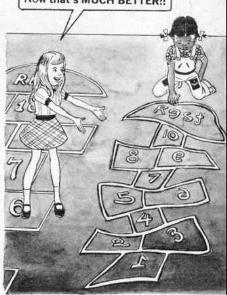
Yeah! I've got the same feeling!



Tell you what! I've got some chalk! I'll make one, and we'll compare!



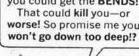
Now that's MUCH BETTER!!



Your stupid father had to get you SCUBA equipment and a Wet Suit! What's the matter with that man! Doesn't he know SCUBA Diving is dangerous?!?



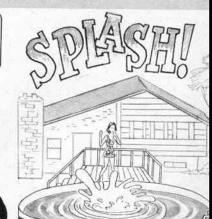
If you go down too deep, you could get the BENDS! That could kill you—or worse! So promise me you



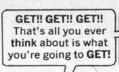


Did you hear me? I want you to promise!

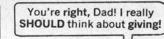


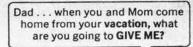






For once, can't you think about GIVING?!?











Man, you missed the fun last night! Yeah . . . the guys and the gals were sitting around with nothing to do, and somebody suggested we go "Skinny Dipping"! So a bunch of us took off for the old Swimming Hole . . .



You never heard so much laughing and giggling! Everybody was horsing around, water-wrestling COMPLETELY BARE!!



Just my luck,
I miss out on
all the fun!

Yeah, it was
one WAY OUT
SPLASH PARTY!



Of course, it would've

been much more fun if

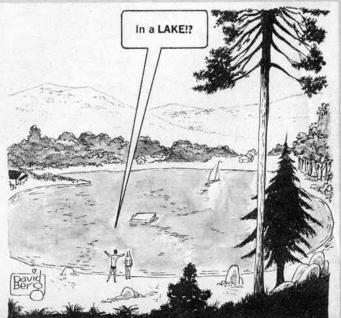
C'mon! I'll race you to the float!

Are you crazy or something?! You're not getting ME out into deep water!!



Seeing "JAWS" last Summer taught me a lesson! I don't know how many SHARKS are out there . . . waiting to tear me into tiny pieces!!







BEHIND THE SCENES AT THE MAJOR OIL COMPANIES

AND THEIR MYRIAD OPERATIONS

ARTIST: JACK RICKARD

WRITER: DICK DE BARTOLO

Gentlemen, certain Government Officials are claiming that, to keep prices high, we aren't operating our refineries at full capacity! So we're issuing a Press Release stating that we are now running our refineries night and day!

What that means is: This week, we'll run them nights . . . next week, we'll run them days, etc.

Also, some reporters are saying that the Major Oil Companies do not operate as "Independents"... but work hand-in-hand to establish "policies"! So I propose that we issue a Press Release with the statement that these claims are totally false, that the Major Oil Companies have nothing to do with each other! Is it agreed ...?

"SHILL" agrees!

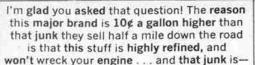
"EXXUN" agrees!

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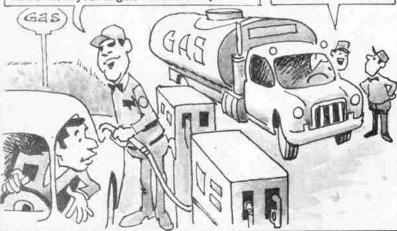




Half this tank truck load is yours . . . and the other half goes to the station half a mile down the road!

Captain, this message just came in from the Oil Company that owns us! We're to remain at sea, and we're not to dock until fifteen-thirty!

No, Sir . . they meant when oil goes to \$15.30



a barrel! 1530! Let's see! That's 3:30 P.M.!

Send out this Press Release to all the daily newspapers!

OIL COMPANIES

And run this ad in all the Sunday newspapers!



SEE AMERICA NOW!

DRIVE THROUGH THIS BEAUTIFUL MAGIC LAND OF OURS!

Can you please explain what "OLD OIL" is

Certainly! The Government has PRICE CONTROLS over an amount of oil equal to each company's production in 1972! All OTHER oil is exempt! We can charge whatever we want for it!

How much oil did YOUR company produce in 1972?

None!! We were closed for inventory that year!



I'm new on the job here! If there's a gasoline shortage, how come all these gasoline storage tanks are filled to the brim?!?

We're saving these till the emergency's over!

the price of gas hits \$1.00 a

When

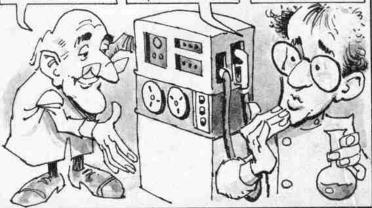
And when will the emergency



Well, Jenks, we've finally done it! It's something the Industry has needed for a long time . . . a totally UP-TO-DATE gas pump!

Will it stop that last little bit of gas from spilling on the ground when the customer fills up his tank

No, it's capable of calculating charges even when gas hits \$9.99 a gallon! This pump will be good for the next 5 years, at least!

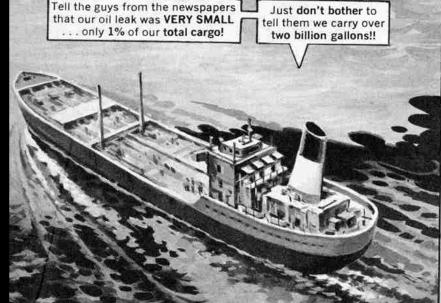














TELLY LIKE IT IS DEPT.

The most frequent criticism of television comes from those who find TV's emphasis on sex and violence to be "an unrealistic depiction of American life." Apparently these critics get so wrapped up watching all that sex and violence that they never even notice the really dumb things on TV. Whoo-boy...talk about unrealistic! MAD invites all the anti-sex and anti-violence people to tell us if they can...

WHERE ELSE

ARTIST: JACK DAVIS

WRITER: TOM KOCH

WHERE ELSE BUT ON TV...



. . . do pet dogs and their charming masters share the amazing trait of never having to go to the bathroom?

WHERE ELSE BUT ON TV...



... does a Postman always bring vitally important letters, but never any unsolicited catalogues or bills or junk mail?

WHERE ELSE BUT ON TV . . .



. . . is it unnecessary for an apartment building to have a directory or an inter-com because there are always twenty gorgeous girls lolling around the pool . . . ready to supply the information (or anything else) a person might desire?

WHERE ELSE BUT ON TV ...



. . . is there never the nuisance of taking off coats and galoshes because it's never cold or raining? (In fact, there's rarely weather of any kind on TV shows, except on Christmas Eve, when it suddenly starts snowing everywhere.)

WHERE ELSE BUT ON TV...



... do people who are eager for details of some specific news event invariably turn on their TV set at the exact moment the report they want to hear is being broadcast?

WHERE ELSE BUT ON TV...



... does a Landlady invariably have an I.Q. of 65, except when it comes to remembering the height, weight and hair color of every stranger that visited one of her tenants?

BUT

WHERE ELSE BUT ON TV...

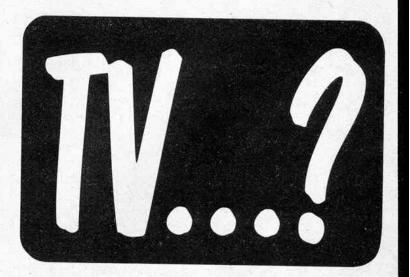


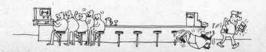
. . . can someone, breaking into a strange office in total darkness, never fail to locate that one important piece of evidence that the police couldn't find when they went over the place with a fine tooth comb in broad daylight?

WHERE ELSE BUT ON TV...



. . . can people dial so many calls in frantic haste without ever reaching a wrong number, a busy signal or a recording?





WHERE ELSE BUT ON TV...



... does every hospital maintain a complete spare staff of doctors and nurses that do nothing else but sit around and wait for the next emergency case to be brought in?

WHERE ELSE BUT ON TV...



... is a home-made time bomb expected to explode right on the split second, even though it's always attached to the type of cheap alarm clock that is notoriously inaccurate?

WHERE ELSE BUT ON TV...



... does anyone needing to make an emergency call always find himself next to a pay phone that's in working order?

WHERE ELSE BUT ON TV ...



... is the most profound wisdom dispensed by old duffers who never went to school, never held a job and never even scraped together enough money to buy some new overalls?

WHERE ELSE BUT ON TV...



. . . are planes and boats always completely serviced and ready for instant departure, just waiting for crooks to show up and steal them so they can make their getaways?

WHERE ELSE BUT ON TV...



... are all hospital patients placed in private rooms with doctors and nurses clamoring to provide service?

WHERE ELSE BUT ON TV...

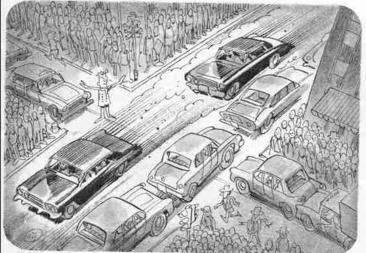
. . . is it impossible to find someone who just pumps gaswithout being the town character, and/or the hatchet man for the local Sheriff, and/or the front for a drug ring?

WHERE ELSE BUT ON TV...



. . . can a person take one quick glance into a rear-view mirror and immediately differentiate between a car that's tailing him and one that just happens to be going his way?

WHERE ELSE BUT ON TV...



. . . can two cars engage in a 75-mile-an-hour chase through heavy traffic without ever hitting an innocent bystander?

WHERE ELSE BUT ON TV...?



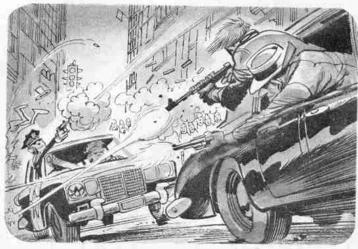
. . . do newspapers ignore things like inflation, wars and unemployment in order to devote their page one headlines to some second-rate crime that almost nobody cares about?

WHERE ELSE BUT ON TV...

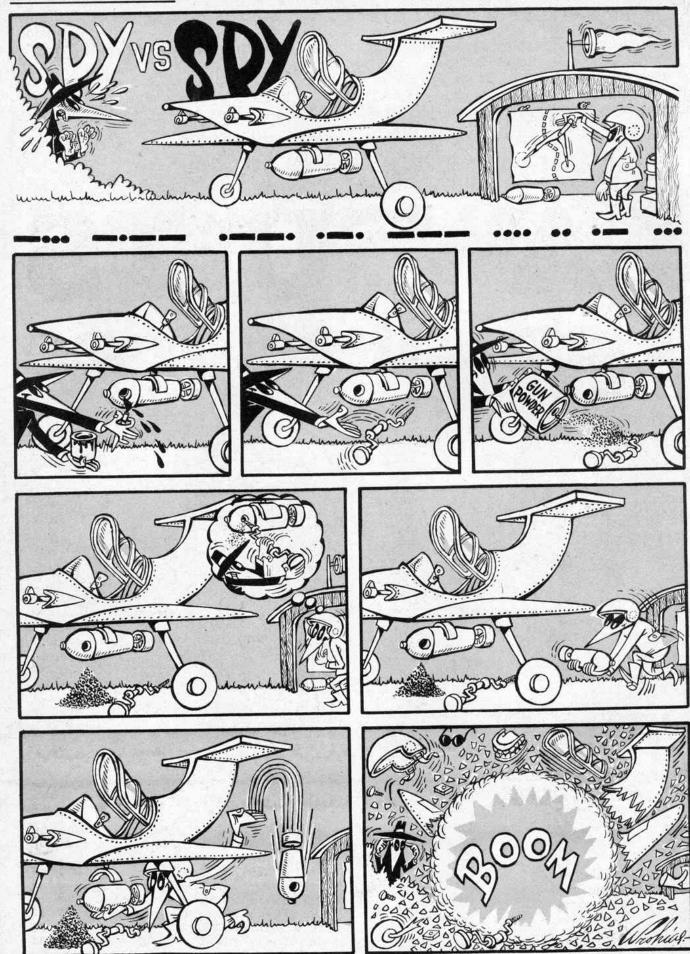


. . . are restaurants staffed with attentive waiters, all eager to run suspicious errands or fink on their closest friends or even (Hah-hah!) take a patron's dinner order?

WHERE ELSE BUT ON TV...



. can people continue to shoot at each other out of car windows while engaged in a 75-mile-an-hour chase through heavy traffic without ever hitting an innocent bystander? 27



A few issues back, we announced that you could now stop daydreaming about "fighting the system" and actually do something about it...mainly, drag those big, arrogant institutions into court and make them pay for all the incompetence, indifference and indignities they've heaped upon you over the years. Because the latest legal fad sweeping the country is the "Class Action Suit." All you need to file one is round up a few hundred other victims who are as hopping mad as you are, hire an attorney to file the legal briefs, and gain satisfaction and self-respect by "throwing the book" at the bums. Here then, you victims, are...

MORE LAWSUITS We'd Like To See

ARTIST: GEORGE WOODBRIDGE

WRITER: TOM KOCH

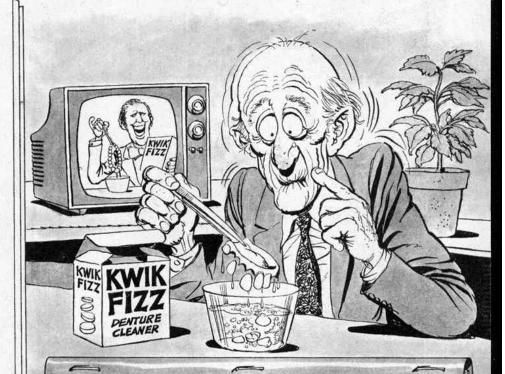


Civil Court for Uncivil Allegations District of Columbia District

THE
BAMBOOZLED CONSUMERS
OF TELEVISIONLAND

versus
THE FORKED TONGUED
ADVERTISING AGENCIES
OF AMERICA

Herein charged with: Telling baldfaced lies for fun and profit



HAVING ESTABLISHED that all aspirin is

really alike, and

HAVING ESTABLISHED that ugly men who use expensive after-shave lotion still wind up with ugly girls, and

with ugly girls, and
HAVING ESTABLISHED that results of
gasoline economy runs are never duplicated

by normal people driving normal cars,

THE PLAINTIFFS now seek redress of grievances against all named defendants in the form of (1) prompt refund of money as promised by advertising copywriters, and (2) prompt imprisonment of advertising copywriters as provided by anti-fraud laws.



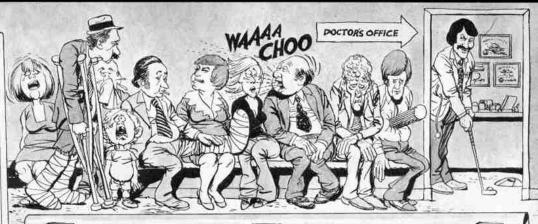
Court of Last Resort 26th District

SICKLY CITIZENS OF THE CENTRAL STATES

seeking vengeance against

THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

Summary of Charges Levied Herein: Utilizing Arrogance to reduce patients to blubbering vegetables



DETERMINING beyond all doubt that doctors arrogantly schedule office calls in a manner calculated to keep infected patients crowded together in waiting rooms for long periods of time, and

DETERMINING FURTHER that said periods of anxious waiting time are designed to stupify patients into quick acceptance of mis-diagnosis and costly treatment.

NOW, THEREFORE, said patients demand court permission to send bills to their doctors based on the following schedule of fees:

Forced waiting time beyond scheduled appointment hour—\$1.00 per minute

Contagious diseases caught from other waiting patients— -\$50.00 per illness

Receiving prescription for drug that worsens conditions-

Ego destroyed by doctor's standard office procedures-



The Fairly Unappealing Court of Appeals Northern Ohio District

THE DISCONNECTED TELEPHONE SUBSCRIBERS OF AKRON, OHIO

(As Plaintiff)

THE DISINTERESTED EMPLOYEES OF THE AKRON TELEPHONE CO.

(As Defendent)

The Charge as Detailed Herein: Behaving like a bunch of \$#%&! for no #\$%&! good reason!



THE AGGRIEVED PLAINTIFFS come now before this court to seek cash judgements from the defendants after suffering suspension of telephone service for any or all of the following invalid reasons:

 Customer refusal to pay for operator-assisted call to the right number in the wrong code area.

2. Voicing complaint about perpetual monthly charge for Princess phone that was never ordered.

Resisting acceptance of collect calls from unknown parties who were trying to reach someone else anyway.

4. Objecting to extra charge for restoration of service after it was disconnected for any of the above listed reasons.



The Superior Superior Court Superior, Wisconsin

THE
DISENCHANTED RECENT
GRADUATES OF
HOOHACK COLLEGE

vs. THE ADMINISTRATION AND FACULTY OF HOOHACK COLLEGE

General Allegations
Brought Forth:
Offering a \$12,000 education
that qualifies students for
\$6,000 jobs.



WHEREAS the plaintiffs have paid exorbitant tuition to sit through such required courses as "Introduction to French Poetry," "Intermediate Anthropology" and "Advanced Urban Problem Solving," and

WHEREAS knowledge acquired in said courses has proved utterly worthless in obtaining better jobs than those available to tenth grade drop-outs,

THE PLAINTIFFS do, therefore, each demand damage payments in the amount of \$20,000 per annum until reaching the normal age of retirement, if they could ever find a decent job to retire from, which they can't.



Overloaded Circuit Court Sault Stuck Machines, Michigan

THE ALLIANCE OF HARASSED CREDIT CARD HOLDERS

in class action against

THE COMPUTERIZED CREDIT CARD BILLING COMPANIES OF AMERICA

Summary of Charges: Lots of felonious stuff arising from defendents' refusal to admit that their computers are complete idiots.



AS PARTIAL REPAYMENT for outrages suffered by the plaintiffs at the hands of the defendants, cash awards based on the following schedule are demanded for each proven case of computerized largeny:

1. Plaintiff billed for more than 500 gallons of gasoline, all allegedly pumped into the same car on the same date-\$100.

2. Exorbitant statement presented for motel rooms in a city where the plaintiff has never been-\$150.

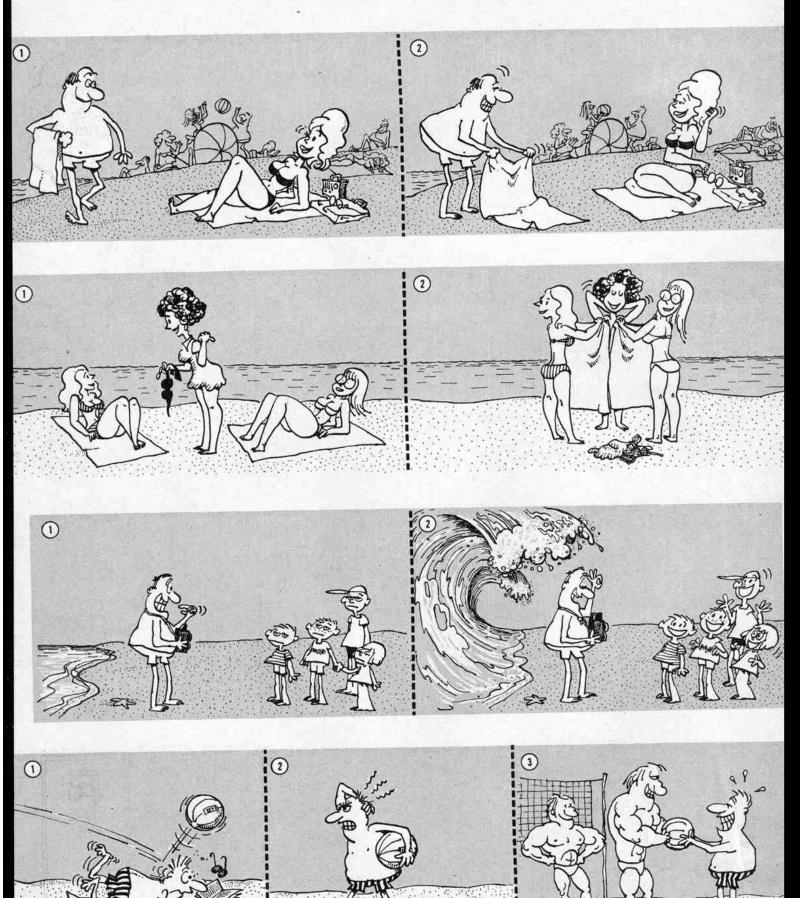
3. Automatically placing bills for several credit card holders in the same envelope, and demanding that recipient pay all of them—\$225.

4. Instance of computer adding two single digit numbers together, and getting a total of more than 1,000,000-\$400.

5. Contention that the card holder kept eating the same meal in the same restaurant on the same day until charges exceeded \$500-\$1.000.

SIGHTS FOR SHORE EYES DEPT.

A MAD LOOK AT

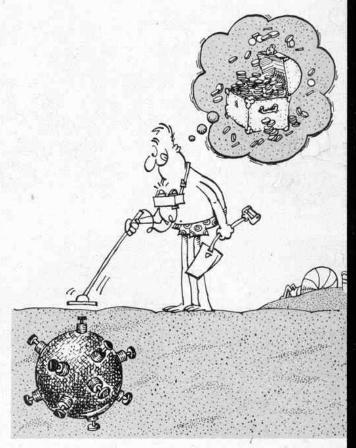


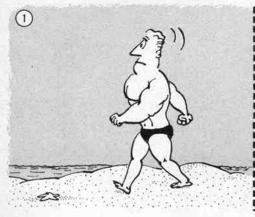
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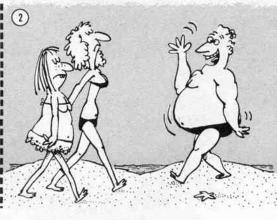
ARTIST & WRITER: SERGIO ARAGONES

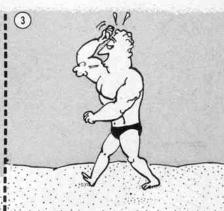


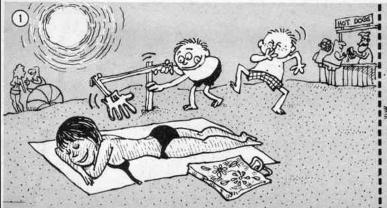




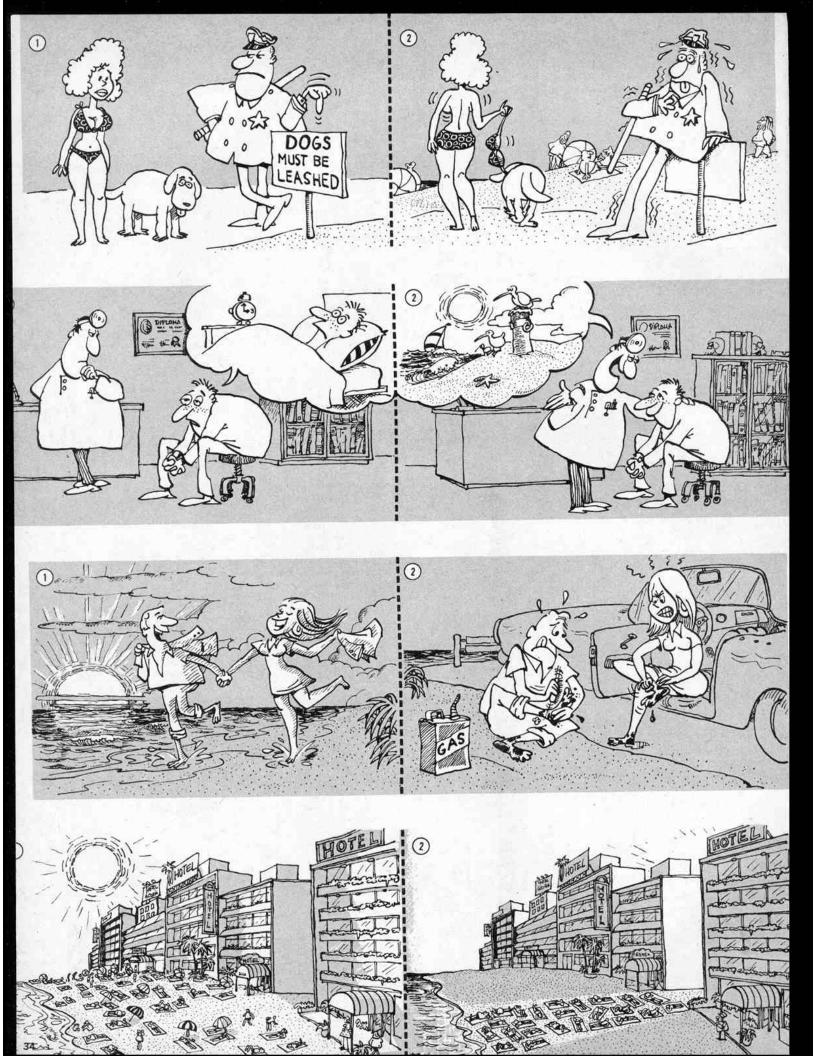


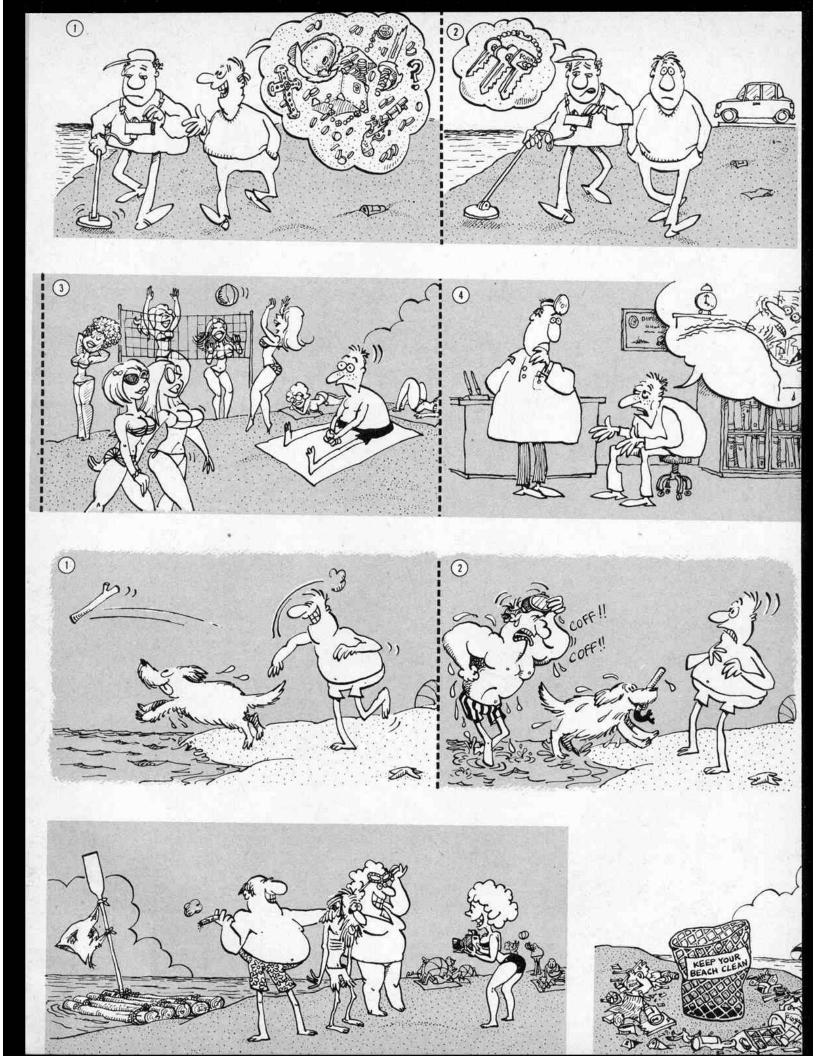








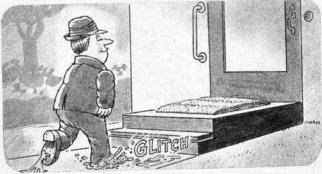




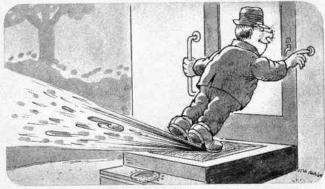
One of the most costly investments you can make is to furnish a home. But then, after you've spent all that money, along come klutzy guests who carelessly and methodically

SOME USEFUL MAD SLOB-PRO GADGETS FOR...

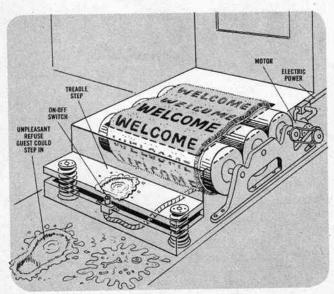
AUTOMATIC BELT DOORMAT WITH SAFETY HAND-HOLD



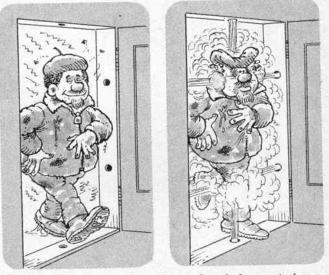
This gadget guarantees that no large quantities of outdoor fifth can ever intrude upon your lovely home.



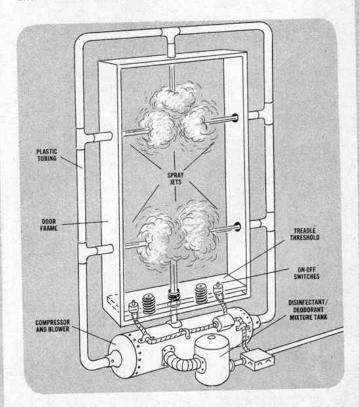
Treadle step contains switch that turns on continuous belt doormat. Safety hand-hold keeps visitors from flying across street. When door opens, belt shuts off.



AUTOMATIC FRONT DOOR DEODORIZER & DISINFECTOR



Many visitors need total slob-proofing before entering a home. This gadget accomplishes that. When guest steps on treadle threshold, switch activates a compressor-blower which instantly sprays mixture of chemical disinfectants and deodorants over entire body of the offending party.

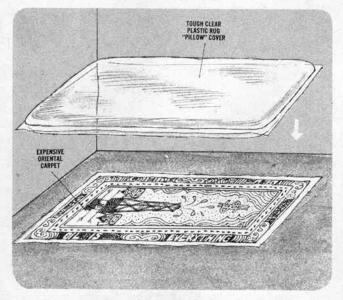


destroy it all. And so, taking a lesson from the wise Japanese who provide slippers to visitors so they don't bring outside filth into their houses, we now present . . .

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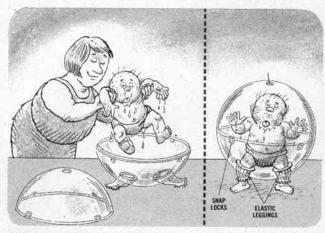
CLEAR PLASTIC "PILLOW" **RUG & CROCKERY PROTECTOR**



Inflatable clear plastic cover serves double function: (1) It protects precious rugs from spots, dirt, spills and ashes. (2) It cushions carelessly dropped glasses, dishes and expensive bric-a-brac, thereby preventing breakage . . . all this while at the same time allowing the beauty of prized rugs and carpets to show through.



CLEAR PLASTIC BABY BUBBLE MULTI-PURPOSE PROTECTOR



Visiting babies can create all sorts of havoc in a lovely home. Therefore, this gadget is a "must." Visitor's baby slips easily into romper-like leggings in bottom half of bubble. Top half with air holes then snaps on firmuly and haby is now encased except for for the history. baby is now encased, except for feet. In this position, destructive child can move around without harming things.



Baby in bubble cannot reach for and break precious items.



Baby bubble also happily muffles irritating screams.



When baby grows tired, he merely lies down and goes to sleep in baby bubble.



When baby wets or soils, odor and stains cannot escape from bubble to spoil furnishings.

THROW-AWAY PLASTIC BOOTIES

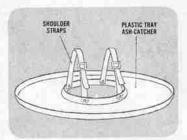


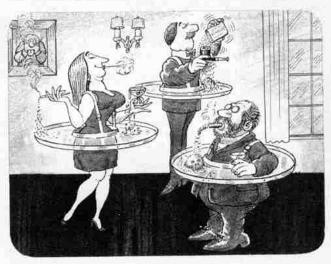
Outside filth tracked into your home can be damaging and disgusting. And since style-conscious Americans will not remove their shoes like the more practical Japanese, these clear plastic booties allow them to wear and display their precious shoes without dirtying rugs, carpets and floors.



THE SLOB-SMOKER ASH-CATCHER

A major cause of home furnishings damage is the carelessly dropped cigarette or cigar, or their equally damaging ashes. These convenient, light and easy-to-wear protective devices can be worn by your sloppy smoker guests, thereby eliminating worry over this irritating problem.





THE NOSY SLOB-GUEST DUMMY MEDICINE CABINET PROTECTOR



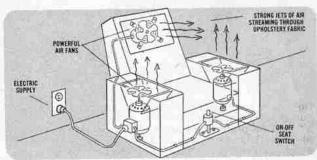
Nosy visitors love to poke around bathrooms in homes and carelessly make use of personal items like colognes, eye make-up, hair brushes and combs, tweezers, deodorants, etc. This gadget eliminates that irritating problem by safeguarding your personal things. Prior to slob guests' arrival, dummy medicine cabinet is slipped onto real one, and filled with junk you don't care what they do with.



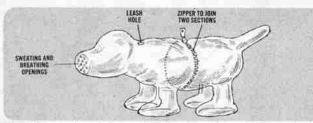
THE UPHOLSTERED FURNITURE ARM AND HEAD REST PROTECTOR



Special installation replaces old-fashioned ineffective doilies, slip-covers and other methods of protecting arms of chair from filthy, sweaty hands of careless visitors, and back of chair from oily, dandruff-laden heads. When guest sits down, fans inside arms and back of chair are switched on and powerful jets stream through the fabric and float the offending extremities on cushions of air.



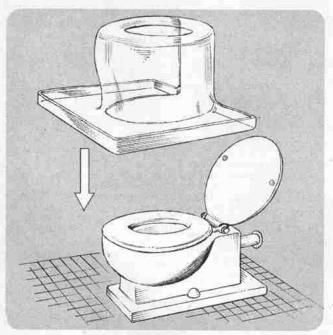
THE PET PLASTIC SAFETY BAG



Guests who insist upon bringing pets into homes should never be invited anywhere. But for those clods who arrive with their pets unannounced, this is a fine solution. A throw-away plastic bag catches everything the pet has to offer, including odor, hair, ticks, spoor, unwiped bottom and the usual yecchy accidents. If pet owner is insulted, that's even better! Maybe he or she won't ever come back!

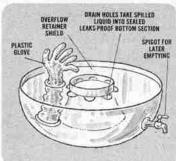


SLIP-ON DISPOSABLE PLASTIC TOILET AND FLOOR PROTECTOR



Nothing is more revolting than following careless sloppy guests into a bathroom. This simple but effective item is a 'must' for protecting your home from people like that. After guests leave, slip-on is quickly and safely removed and discarded, leaving a dry floor and a germ-free seat.

THE SLOB-DRINKER CATCH-ALL



Drinkers are notorious furnishings destroyers. Anyone who has tried to remove Bloody Mary stains from a white couch knows what we mean! But this device works perfectly. Even if drinker falls down and passes out, overflow retainer shield does not permit the liquids to spill out.



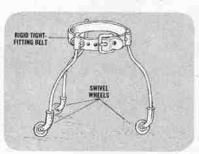
NOTE: ALSO SERVES VITAL NEED IN CASE DRINKER (YECCH) BARFS



HOW OVERFLOW RETAINER SHIELD WORKS WITH PASSED OUT DRUNK

THE "KLUMSY-KART" ACCIDENT-PRONE SLOB-GUEST PROTECTOR

This simple belt-like device easily snaps around waist of clumsy, accident-prone guest and protects your home from his destructive tendencies. The three wheeled legs form a fall-proof tripod that prevents wearer from falling and breaking precious things . . . including his own neck.





As the clumsy guest walks, cart wheels glide smoothly along with him over floor.



When clumsy guest hooks foot under the carpet and trips, cart breaks his fall.



Thus clumsy guest is prevented from going through and destroying expensive window.

STATUS QUOTIENTS DEPT.

There are people who say that the American Class System is dying out ... that America is becoming a "Classless Society." To those people, we say, "Forget it!" The Class System lives, and to help you distinguish who falls into what category, here's

A MAD GU AMERICA

WHEN YOU'RE DOWN AND OUT JUST GETTING BY

WHEN YOU'RE

WHEN YOU'RE MAKING IT

WHEN YOU'RE ON TOP OF THE HEAP



You wait in line at the clinic.



You wait in line to see your family doctor.



You're put first in line to see your family doctor.



Your family doctor waits in line to see you.



You're for Busing because you figure that any change in schools has got to help.



You're against Busing because the Down-And-Outers are for it.



You take whatever view of Busing is fashionable.



You're not for or against Busing, since your kids go to private schools anyway.



You collect matchbook covers from far-away places like The Trenton Holiday Inn and Al's Bar In Sandusky.



You collect stamps from exotic countries like Outer Mongolia and Tierra del Fuego.



You collect tropical fish from South-Sea paradises like Tahiti and American Samoa.



You collect common stock certificates from dull old companies like General Motors and U.S. Steel.



DE TO THE MODERN NCLASS SYSTEM

ARTIST: PAUL COKER, JR.

WRITER: FRANK JACOBS

IDEA BY: MARYLIN D'AMICO

WHEN YOU'RE DOWN AND OUT

OUT JUST GETTING BY

MAKING IT

WHEN YOU'RE ON TOP OF THE HEAP



You peep at X-rated movies in penny arcades.



You watch X-rated movies in theaters.



You rent X-rated movies and show them at home.



You date the star.



You vote for the politician who promises to increase Welfare.



You vote for the politician who promises to preserve neighborhoods.



You vote for the politician who promises to lower taxes.



You vote for the politician you own.



You can't afford to worry about being in fashion... and besides, nobody cares how you look anyway.



You think you're in fashion, but you're not—because the discount store you buy from is 3 years behind the times.



You wear whatever's "In" and "Now"—regardless of cost so that everyone else Making It will know you're Making It.



Whatever you wear is "In" or else!

WHEN YOU'RE DOWN AND OUT

WHEN YOU'RE JUST GETTING BY

WHEN YOU'RE MAKING IT

WHEN YOU'RE ON TOP OF THE HEAP



You own a '66 Volkswagen and you have your eye on a '71 Chevrolet.



You own a '71 Chevrolet and you have your eye on a '76 Gremlin.



You own a '76 Oldmobile and you have your eye on a '77 Mercedes.



You own a '21 Pierce-Arrow and you have your eye on a '06 Reo.



You let your daughter hear the Rolling Stones on the radio for her 16th Birthday ... after you're through listening to the ball game.



You give your daughter a Rolling Stones record album for her 16th Birthday.



You buy your daughter front-row seats for a Rolling Stones live concert for her 16th Birthday.



You hire the Rolling Stones to entertain at your daughter's Sweet Sixteen Birthday Party.



You don't think about the past or the future, being too worried about the present.



You wonder what you could have done in the past to improve the present that's been giving you so many worries about the future.



You hope the future will be as much of an improvement on the present as the present has been on the past.



You couldn't care less about the whole thing.



You scream at your wife for overspending.



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You scream at your wife for overspending.

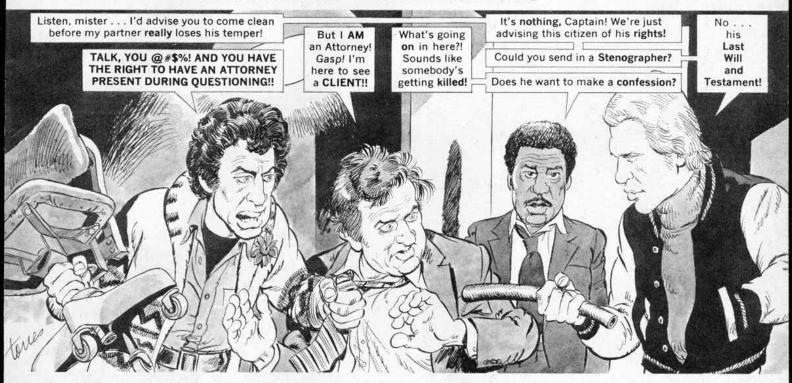
BLUNDER-COVER DEPT.

Here we go with MAD's version of TV's latest Hit Show in which two guys develop a close relationship while driving around in a car, fighting crime. It's sort of an up-dated, realistic rip-off of "Batman and Robin" called . . .

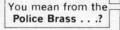
STUTCH STUTCH

ARTIST: ANGELO TORRES

WRITER: LOU SILVERSTONE







No, from the TV Critics! Better go easy on the violence, or you might find yourselves transferred! You mean back to pounding a beat . . .?!

Even worse!
They might switch you to the
Family Hour!

The Family Hour!?! That would mean no more bloody fights or fatal shootouts or wild car chases!

We'd end up with only a fifteen-minute program!!

We'll try to be good boys, Captain!! Right, Harsky . . .? You bet, Captain! Hey . . . smell my flower! Harsky, that gag is older than the Crime Plots we use on this show! But if it'll make you happy...







I filled it with MACE! Funny, eh?

> It sounds like Captain Dopey is losing his sense of humor!



Here . . . Captain!
Sit on
this!
You'll
be more
comfortable!

Man, that "Whoopee Cushion" gets em every time! Hah-hah! The D.A. here has a special job for you clowns! Anthony Saluggi, the ex-Mafia boss, is turning State's evidence, and you two will have to escort him from the hotel room where we've got him stashed, to the Courthouse!

But that's only across the street! Why us?! We ain't no School Crossing Guards! Because this is a Key Witness . . . and you're my best men!

These are your best men? The Police Dept. is in worse shape than I thought!!



Man . . . you call that PO-LICE work?! Escortin' some jive dude to a Courthouse?!

Like, I call that "Baby Sittin' "!



Hello, Boss!
I just got
the word . . .!
Saluggi is
gonna testify
TODAY!

I'll arrange for the "Hit"!

Why do you think I EAT

in this dump?! Harsky

and Stutch always tell

Buggy Hair what their

assignments are!

I'd like a room with a fantastic view, please!

Sorry . . . but all the rooms that overlook the Massage Parlor are full! The only vacancy we have overlooks the Courthouse!

By a very strange coincidence, that is exactly the view I want . . .!

That makes you a Courthouse freak, or a Hit Man! How long will you stay?

Just a few hours!
Hey!! Be careful
with that luggage!
It might go off!

That cinches it!! You're a COURT-HOUSE FREAK!! No fool, I . . . !!



C'mon, Turkey! Get in the car! We're going bye-bye! But . . . the Courthouse is only just across the street! Why not walk him? We figure maybe a little drive will lend some excitement to this nursemaid job you saddled us with! What's so
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a ride
around
the
block?!?







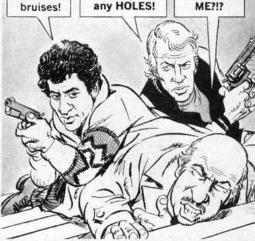






Harsky, we're

Gag . . .





What do I hear? I'll tell you what I hear, Man! I hear all the foxy ladies sayin' "Buggy Hair, you are the greatest!" We mean about the "Hit"!

I'm gonna lay the straight dope on you! The shots came from that hotel! See that window up there? The one with the rifle barrel protudin' from it?

Yeah! What about it?!

Well, that's where the Mechanic did his thing, Man!





Hey, Buggy! There ain't nobody here! How could he have escaped? The dude walked right out the front door while you two cats were makin' like King Kong climbin' up the jivin' Umpire State!!



Saluggi was only wounded, so he was rushed to the Hospital! But we're sure that they'll try to finish him off there .

Yeah, I know what you mean! Hospitals ain't what they used to be! My Aunt went in, just to have her tonsils out-and they wiped HER out, instead!

Captain means the Hit Man will try to finish the job at the Hospital!



Harsky, I think the

Right! And you two are elected to see that it doesn't come off!

We already DID our Guard Duty bit! Get someone ELSE to handle it!

Sorry! If I send some other Cops to the Hospital, they might forget why they're there and start foolin' around with the Nurses! With you two guys, I



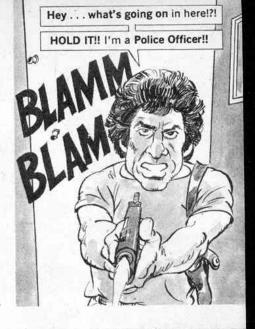
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Forget it! Let's try to find our Hit Man! Spread out and scout around! Look for anybody acting suspicious!

No, with each other!









I spotted this guy wearing a mask and carrying a knife! I identified myself as a Cop, and then I blew him away!

Harsky, this is an Operating Room! ALL Doctors wear masks when they operate! You just burned the Chief Surgeon!

Ooops! Sorry about that! Okay . . . the rest of you can put down your hands!



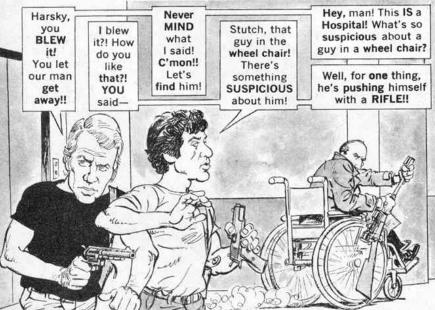
What are you getting uptight about!? I went according to the book!! Er . . . Stutch . . . I think I see our guy! He's wearing a mask . . . and he's doing a knife act!

It's just another operation!

Okay, have it your way! But it sure is a strange place to have an operation . . . out here in the HALL! And the PATIENT is the COP that's guarding Saluggi's ROOM!!



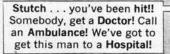












.. this IS a Hospital!

You puttin' me ON, Lady?! You call this SHOOTING **GALLERY** a HOSPITAL?!?



Well . . . how's our patient doing, Nurse?

He'll live! Luckily he was hit in the thick of his head!



Don't you think you're carrying this "Buddy" stuff too far, Harsky?!

What's "Rectal" mean . . . ?

YECCHH!!

I've got great news, guys! At this very moment, Saluggi is spilling his guts for the Jury!

I don't blame him! You should TASTE the food in this place!

He's not in the Hospital! That man you were allegedly protecting was a "DECOY"... to draw the Mob's attention while we smuggled the REAL Saluggi into the Courthouse!



You forgot one little detail! We COULD have been KILLED!!

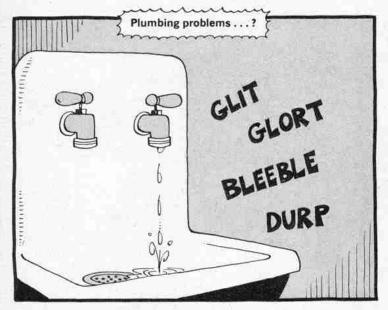
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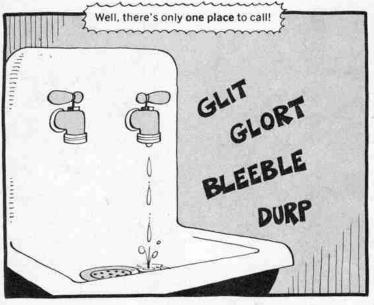
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