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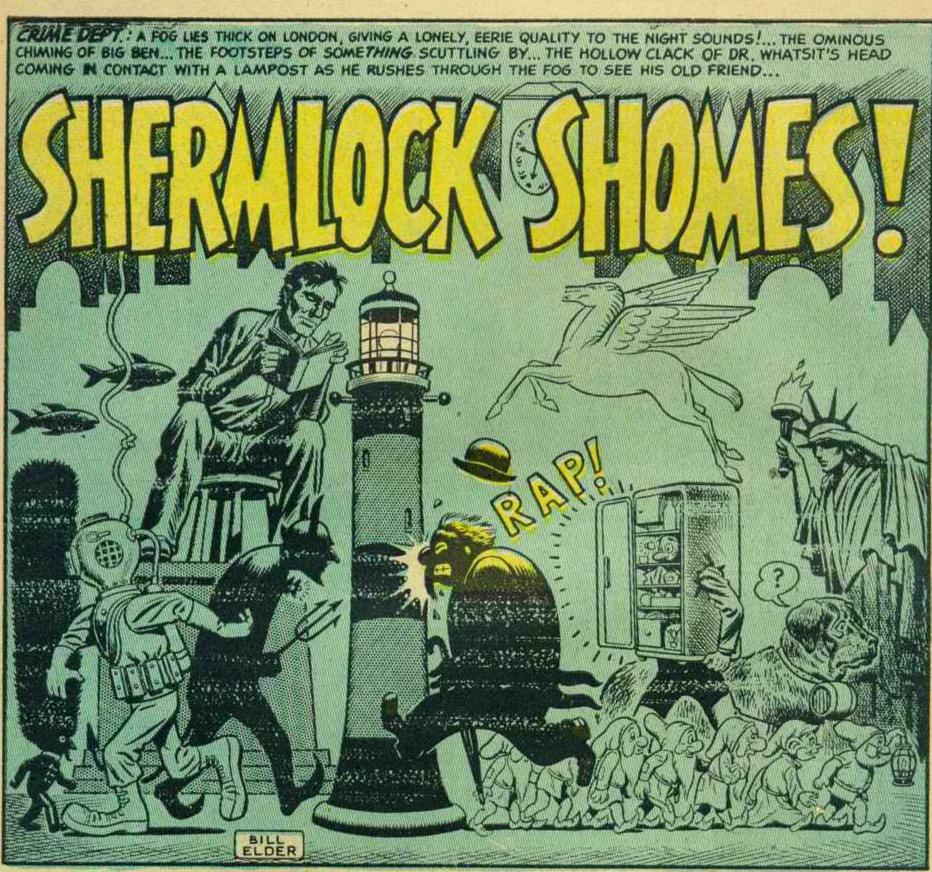
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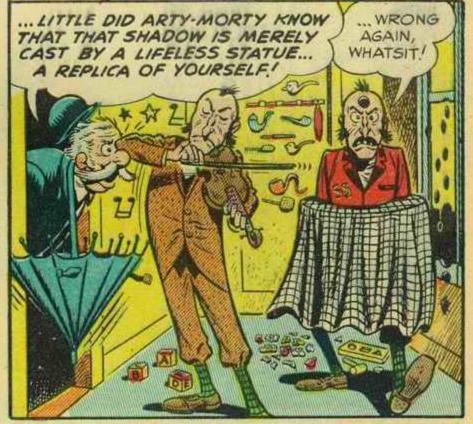


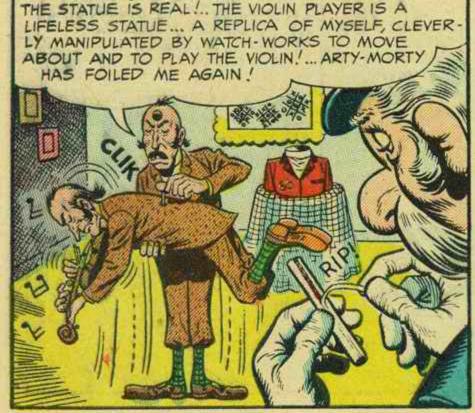






















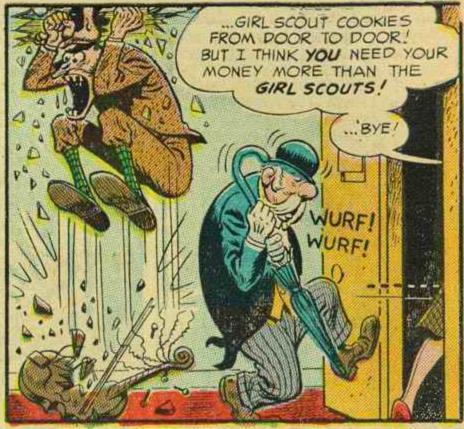


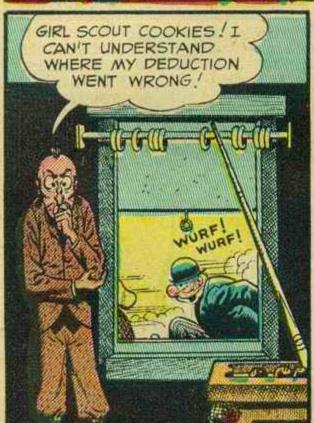




... WAIT, MADAM ... DON'T TELL ME WHY YOU CAME! LET ME MAKE A BRILLIANT DEDUCTION !... YOUR NAME IS



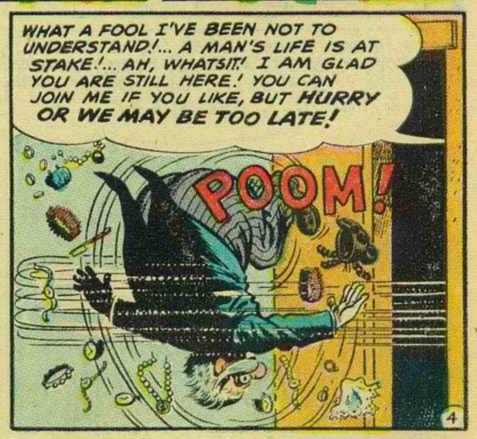


















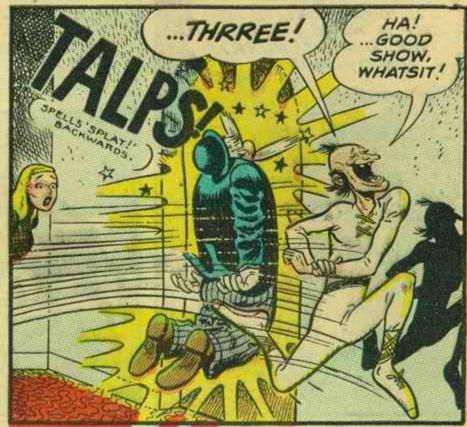


















































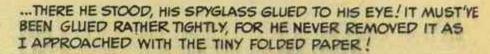


MY NAME IS MELVIN HAWKINS! MY MOTHER AND I RUN ... I HAD A MESSAGE TO DELIVER TO ONE OF OUR BOARD-A MOTEL ON THE SEA-COAST OF ENGLAND! ONE STORMY ERS... CAPTAIN ROLLEM BONES!... ALL DAY LONG CAPT. BONES DAY, I CLIMBED THE HILL BEHIND THE HOUSE ... WOULD STAND ON THE HILL LOOKING OUT OVER THE COVE!





ALL DAY LONG, LOOKING OUT OVER THE COVE! FULL WELL DID I KNOW THAT THE LADY'S DRESSING ROOM OF YE OLDE REPERTORY THEATRE LAY OUT OVER THE COVE!





I UNFOLDED THE PAPER AND WATCHED CAPT, BONES'S WAVING SPYGLASS AS IT DARTED BACK AND FORTH ACROSS THE SHEET WHICH MUST HAVE CONTAINED A LENGTHY MESSAGE!

IMAGINE MY SURPRISE WHEN I SAW THE PAPER CONTAINED ONLY A SMALL BLACK SPOT! THE BLACK SPOT! WARNING OF IMPENDING DEATH! THE MAFIA WAS AT WORK!





I COULD TELL CAPT. BONES WAS EXCITED BY THE WAY HE LEAPED OVER THE CLIFF LEAVING A FOLDED MAP BEHIND!

I UNFOLDED THE MAP! IT LOOKED LIKE A TREASURE MAP! IN ANY CASE ... ONE THING, I KNEW, WAS CERTAIN!

I COULD NEVER FOLD THAT MAP PROPERLY AGAIN !... I STOLE AWAY, DETERMINED TO SEEK THE TREASURE!







AM THE TANK

THE NEXT DAY, WITH THE AID OF SQUIRE TRELAWNEY, DR. LIVESY, AND A G.I. VETERAN'S LOAN, WE PURCHASED AND OUTFITTED A SMALL TRAMP STEAMER!

FIRST WE SET THE CREW TO WORK FEVERISHLY BATTENING THE HATCHES, STOWING THE GAFF FOR THE VOYAGE! THEN WE GAVE OUT PENNICILIN FOR THE FEVERISH CREW!





I DIDN'T LIKE THE CREW! THE PURPOSE OF OUR VOYAGE HAD BEEN SUPPOSEDLY KEPT A SECRET FROM ANY PIRATES!

I DIDN'T LIKE THEIR LOOKS! SOME-HOW, SOMEWHERE, THERE WAS SOME-THING VERY SUSPICIOUS ABOUT THEM!

I DIDN'T LIKE THEIR CHIEF, LONG-JOHN ALUMINUM !... I COULD SEE BY HIS LONG-JOHNS, WHY HE WAS CALLED LONG JOHN!



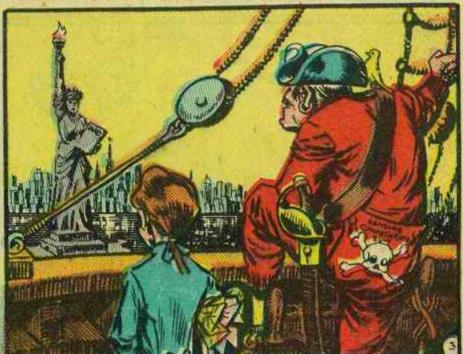




BUT DESPITE THE STRANGE NATURE OF THE CREW, WE DECIDED TO SET SAIL ... AND SO, AT SUN UP, WE KEELHAULED OF LIBERTY! AS HE LOOKED UP AT HER TORCH, I HEARD ANCHOR, AND POINTED OUR BARNACLE FOR TREASURE ISLAND! LONG-JOHN SAY IN A FERVENT WHISPER .. DIG THAT CRAZY ROMSON!

OUR SHIP SWEPT OUT OF THE HARBOR, PASSING THE STATUE





AND SO, WE HEADED FOR A TINY SPECK OF LAND IN THE VAST OCEAN! I STOOD ON THE POOP DECK ... POOPED ... DRINKING IN THE SALT AIR THAT SMELLT OF THE SEA ITSELF!



GOSH! THAT SALT AIR I WAS DRINKING IN SURE SMELLT LIKE THE SEA ITSELF! ... AND I WONDERED TO MYSELF ... WOULD WE FIND THIS TINY SPECK OF LAND IN THE VAST OCEAN?



SUDDENLY ... THE SOUND OF A TWIG CRACKING UNDERFOOT CAUSED ME TO WHIRL IN TIME TO SEE THE CREW ...



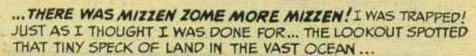
... SNEAKING UP TO STEAL MY MAP! FOR- ... BUT THEY OUTNUMBERED ME! I BACKED TUNATELY I AM A MASTER WITH THE BLADE! AWAY ALONG THE POOP ... BACK ALONG THE MY PEN-KNIFE FLASHED IN THE SUN!



STARBOARD HELM ... BACK ALONG THE JIB ...



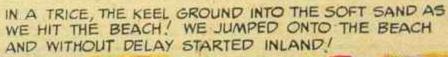
... BACK, BACK ALONG THE MIZZEN SHROUDS ... BACK ALONG THE MIZZEN MAINSAIL ... BACK ALONG THE MAIN MIZZEN-MAINSAIL! THEN SUDDENLY I KNEW SOMETHING WAS MIZZEN!

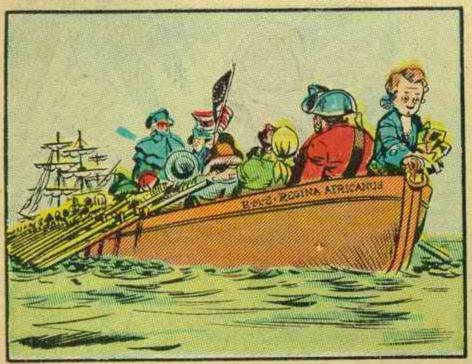






... TREASURE ISLAND! IN OUR EXCITEMENT, WE FORGOT OUR ANIMOSITY! WE ALL GRABBED OARS AND PULLED FOR THE ISLAND IN THE LONG BOAT! WOW! WAS IT LONG!





THE DIRECTIONS ON THE MAP WERE EXPLICIT! NOR'- NO REAST TO SPYGLASS HILL ... SOU'- SOU' WEST I MILE! THEN EA!!

... AFTER TRAVELLING 3 MI, EA ... TURN RIGHT AT THE FILLING STATION .. GO DOWN THREE RED-LIGHTS AND TURN UPTOWN ...

... THEN, 50 PACES RIGHT, 6 FEET LEFT, 9 INCHES BACK, 1/3 OF AN INCH TO THE RIGHT, AND 16 MILLIMETERS LEFT!







...FINALLY, AFTER MUCH PAINFUL AND CAREFUL CONSULTATION WITH SLIDE RULE, LOGARITHM TABLE AND HOROSCOPE, LONG-JOHN POINTED HIS FINGER DOWN AND BID US DIG!

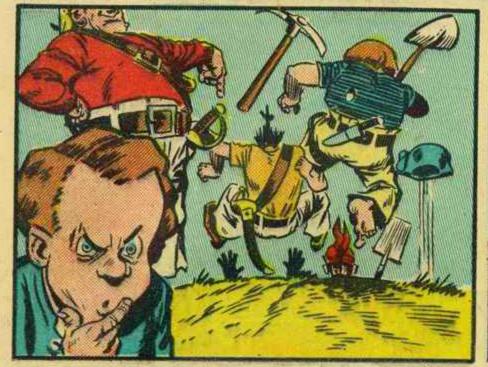
...POINTED HIS FINGER DOWN UNERRINGLY AT THE VERY CENTER PIN-POINT SPOT WHERE THE TREASURE WAS PRE-SUMABLY BURIED! NOW ALL THAT WAS LEFT WAS TO DIG IT UP!





WITH A SINGLE CRY OF JUBILATION, THE WHOLE CREW RUSHED ... I SUDDENLY REALIZED HE HAD WANTED THE TREASURE FOR HIM-FORWARD, AND BEFORE THEY COULD CHECK THEMSELVES, FELL SELF! AS HE PICKED UP OUR HEAVY EQUIPMENT IN HIS SINEWY ARMS

SELF! AS HE PICKED UP OUR HEAVY EQUIPMENT IN HIS SINEWY ARMS, TO THEIR DEATHS ON THE ROCKS BELOW! LONG-JOHN HAD FOOLED THEM! I THOUGHT, 'AHA ... HE LET ME LIVE! HE LIKES ME!



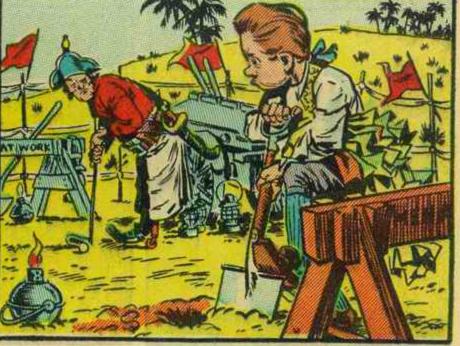
MY HEART LEAPED WITH JOY KNOWING THIS MURDEROUS MAN FAVORED ME !... A MOMENT LATER I QUESTIONED MY CONCLUSION AS I HELD OUR HEAVY EQUIPMENT IN MY SCRAWNY ARMS!



... NOW, LONG - JOHN ALUMINUM DIRECTLY LOCATED THE PLACE WHERE THE TREASURE WAS BURIED, AND WE SET-UP OUR EQUIPMENT AND PREPARED TO DIG THAT CRAZY GROUND!







I PICKED UP MY SPADE, BUT LONG-JOHN ...A... A HOLLOW KNOCKING SOUND... THE IT WAS A CHEST! MELVIN MOLE'S CHEST...
WANTED ME TO DIG... NOT PLAY CARDS! SOUND OF A SHOVEL KNOCKING ON A...A OUT OF 'MAD' #2! WHAT A RIDICULOUS THEN, MY SHOVEL KNOCKED ON SOMETHING! CHEST! THEN... SOMEONE KNOCKED BACK! STORY THIS WAS TURNING INTO!







NOW WE GOT TO WORK IN EARNEST! I ROLLED UP MY SLEEVES ... SPIT ON MY PALMS ...

... SPIT ON MY PALMS? ... THEN I TOOK A HITCH ON MY OOOGH ... HOW DISGUSTING! I BELT... FLEXED MY MUSCLES ... RAN TO WASH OFF MY PALMS! SQUARED MY SHOULDERS ...

BE FANTASTIC! WHO WANTS TO DIGE THEN WE FOUND IT!









THE TREASURE CHEST !... WE TORE OPEN THE COVER ... TORE THROUGH THE WAX PAPER AND FOUND DOUBLOONS ... TRIPLOONS ... FOURPLOONS .. AND A COUPON TO SEND AWAY FOR SILVERWARE !

... I WATCHED LONG-JOHN BITE INTO A GOLD PIECE TO TEST IT! I WATCHED HIS LOWER JAW FLAP OPEN! I WATCHED HIS EYE BALLS FLAP OUT! I WATCHED HIS TONGUE FLAP DOWN!





I DON'T KNOW WHICH CAUSED THE FOLLOWING CONVULSIONS ... THE HORRIBLE DISCOVERY HE HAD MADE ABOUT THE COINS, OR THE HOT FOOT I GAVE HIM ON HIS WOODEN LEG!

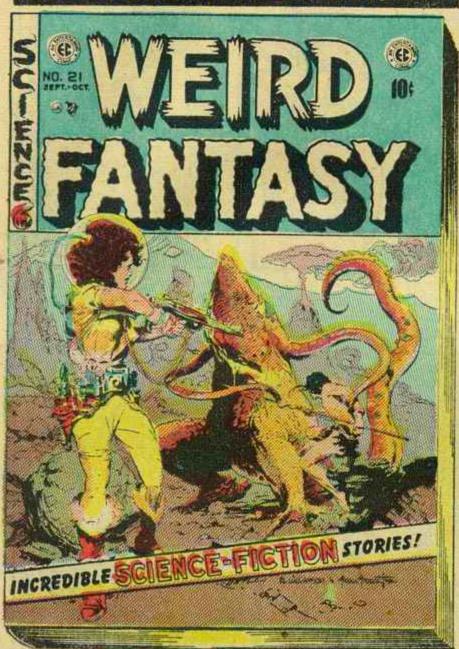
... IN ANY CASE, HE WAS GONE ... AND THE TREASURE WAS MINE! ALL MINE! A WHOLE CHEST OF THOSE MARVELOUS ROUND





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Secret Under-Manhole-Cover Agent Five (count 'em) Fingers Jones' home gives us a hint that he is a cautious man. Every door is double-bolted, barred, padlocked, and made of massive steel. The few windows are mere slits in the two yard thick walls. There is a very elaborate mechanism over the only door in the room. Through a system of levers, wires, push-buttons, etc., as the door opens, an axe beheads the interloper, a cannon ventilates him, and a trap-door disposes of the remains.

In various places around the room are: a drinking glass with an eye in it marked SPY GLASS, a ring labeled SPY RING, a picture of a bloodhound affectionately labeled DAD, and a bottle on a table with a shriveled up old man in it labeled OLD GRANDDAD.

But where is our dauntless hero, Five Fingers Jones? In the center of the floor sits a tiny steel chest out of which stretches an arm holding the remains of what was labeled SOFT DRINK. The bottle was so soft that it seeped through the fingers. A straw from

the bottle goes back into the trunk through a little hole, and slurping sounds are heard from the trunk.

A telephone rings and the trunk creaks slowly open. Out of it crawls Jones, all six feet five inches of him. One wonders how even his foot fit into the trunk. He is very nervous... and as soon as he is out of the trunk, he dons a suit of armor. Then, sweeping a mine-detector in front of him as he advances, he heads for the phone. He picks it up with tweezers and immediately immerses it in a pail of water and listens to see if it ticks. Then, when he is satisfied, he whispers hoarsely into the phone.

"Hello?"

At the end of the line is Jones' chief in Washington. In his office is a sign reading ABSOLUTELY POSITIVELY NO SMOK-ING. The room is full of smoke, and there are butts everywhere.

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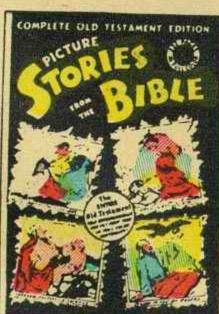
"Listen, Jones, while I tell you the details of the most terrifying news to enter this country from behind the Iron Curtain. Highest authority in the Hexagon has it that the Russians have developed a process for the manufacture of artificial DIRT!"

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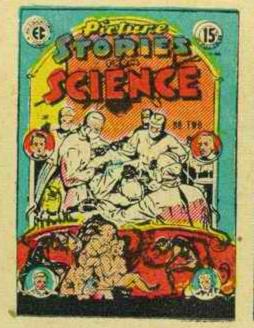
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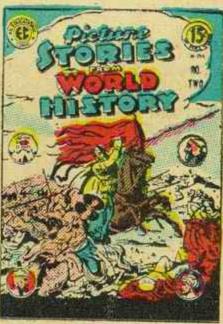


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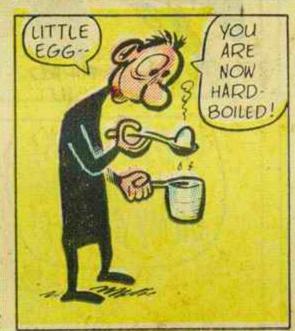












































































































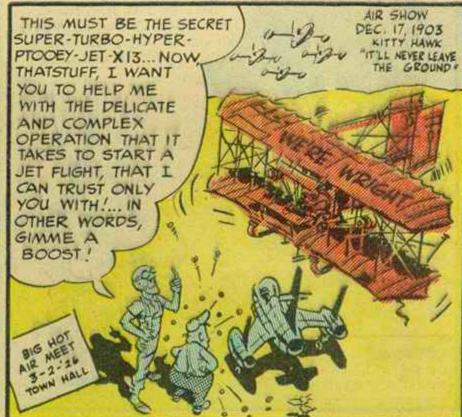
















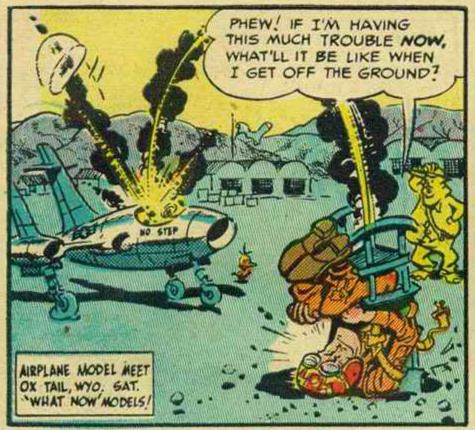






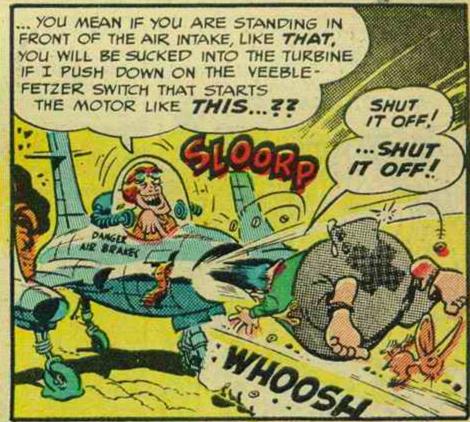
















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#### GUARANTEED AGAINST Runs, Wear and Even Snags!

Why is it so easy for Wil-knit Salespeople to get orders? I'll tell you —It's because we stand back of Wil-knit Nylons with the most amazing guarantee you have ever heard of. Your customers can wear out their hose. They can develop runs. They can even snag them. No matter what happens to make Wil-knit Nylons unwearable...within 9 months, depending on quantity . . . we replace them free of charge under terms of our guarantee. No wonder women are anxious to buy Wil-knit! And no wonder it is easy to quickly build up a fine and STEADY year around income. Earnings start immediately. Look at these exceptional figures-Lillian A. Bronson of Georgia made \$80.60 first week spare time. Ethel Cameron of Michigan, \$64:14. Sabine Fisher, New York, reports earnings of \$70.10 under our unusual plan just for spare time in her first week. Mrs. Edward Leo of Minn., in writing to thank us for the new Plymouth she received, also reports: "I actually earned \$12.00 in twenty minutes by the clock. I actually couldn't believe I earned that much until I re-checked my figures.

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