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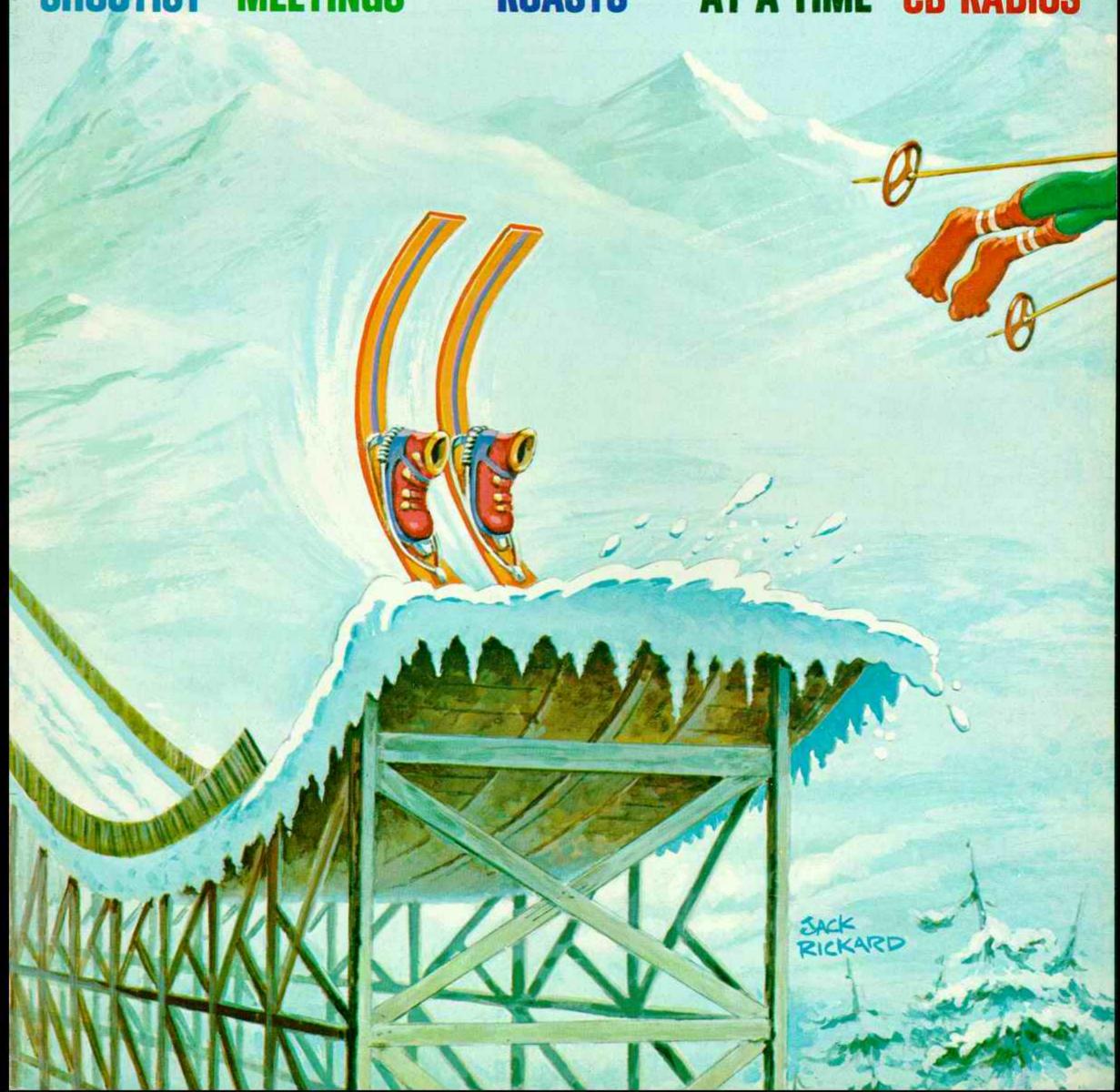
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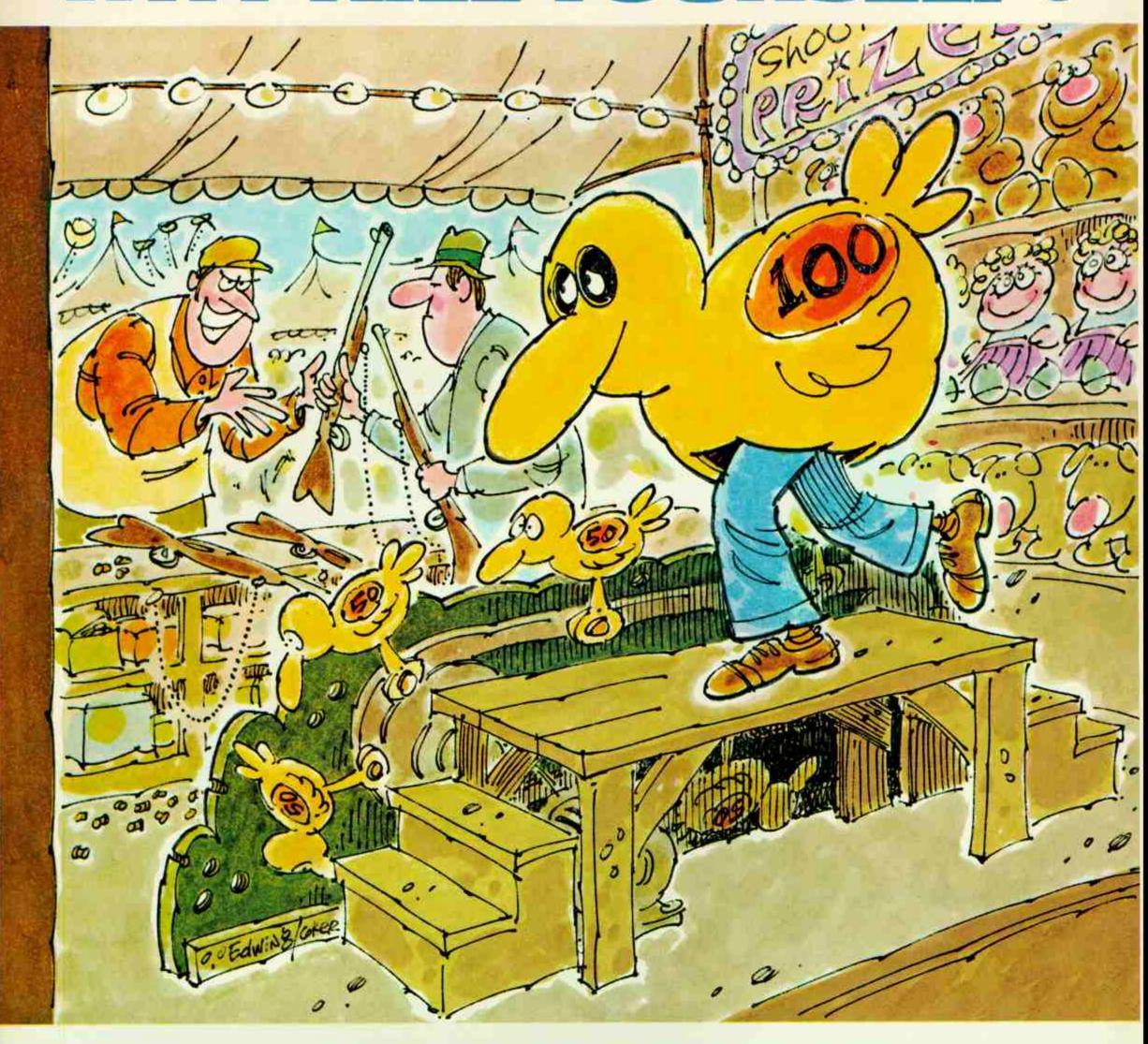
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THE MORONIC WOMAN

The chauvinism of De Bartolo and Drucker shone through clearly. They took the only decent female hero on television and turned her into a bionic Playboy bunny! The plot-line about the dictator wanting to kidnap "The Moronic Woman" so that he could make out with a superwoman (as a change of pace, y'understand) is a debasing of woman's true role on earth. Jaime Sommars has a much higher moral standard than just pleasing men, bionics or no bionics! Besides, the show is broadcast during the Family Hour. I thought I was going to read a fine satire. What I got was a crock.

R. Outlaw Starkville, Miss.

I think Mort Drucker and Dick De Bartolo blew their brain fuses and disconnected their talent charges and so created "The Moronic Woman"! I'm fused to your mag forever.

Margo Berman Livingston, N.J.

"Moronic Woman" came on strong. I got a charge out of it!

Mike Law Indian River Ont., Canada

I got six million volts of laughter out of it!

Bob Thieling St. Paul, Minn.

Drucker and De Bartolo made a bionic boo-boo!

Dan Walters Kentwood, Mi.

I thought of a new exercise for her; skipping rope with jumper cables.

> Ted Knapp Boulder, Colo.

It wasn't worth one Kubookie!

Tim Davis Tucson, Ariz.

I read it and blew a fuse!

Mike Bender Pasadena, Texas

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I take exception to your remarks about the A.M.A. and American physicians. Where else but in America can you get the top quality of medical care? It seems you are typical of many who run to a physician when you are ill and malign his profession for a laugh.

> Mrs. James Loeffler Wichita, Kansas

A "MAD History of Medicine" gave me a clean bill of laughs.

> Fred Cottrell Wilmington, Del.

I dispute Larry Siegel's antiquated notion that "medical schools carry on the fine tradition of keeping out minority groups". Today, medical schools strive to attract minority students, and women are also well represented in the medical school classes throughout the nation.

> Avery Summer Saginaw, Mich.

Would knowing your physician read MAD increase or decrease your confidence in him?

> Irma Zwan West Vancouver, B.C.

Larry Siegel's "A MAD History Of Medicine" succeeded at making me ill! Todd Kermit San Carlos, Calif.

LATE ONE AFTERNOON LAST JANUARY

That poor dog in Don Martin's "Late One Afternoon Last January". What a way to go!

> Tom Pritchard Ocean Grove, N.J.



Confucius say to Don Martin: Man who walks dog into deep snowbank come home with frozen Pupsicle.

Donna Zwerin New York, N.Y.

MAD'S CHRISTMAS CAROLS FOR 1976

Frank Jacobs's "MAD's Christmas Carols For The 1976 Holiday Scason" were so catchy, I started caroling around the house. My father threatened to take away my MAD subscription and give me voice lessons instead.

> Dennis Disberger Hutchinson, Kan.

While contemplating Frank Jacobs's wondrous "Carols", it dawned on me that I've seen Paul Coker's accompanying art style on many greeting cards in the stores. What sort of Christmas greetings does Mr. Coker send to his friends, may I ask?

Ted Poley

Ramsey, N.J.



Paul Coker's President-Elect Santa, Christmas 1976.

Frank Jacobs's "Christmas Carols" were so funny, I went door to door singing them. Somehow, they were not appreciated on Thanksgiving Day.

David Furlin Bloomingburg, N.Y.

After reading "MAD's Christmas Carols", I got to thinking that Frank Jacobs must be the wittiest poet in the U.S.A. Luckily, I live in Canada!

> Russel Dyck Winnipeg, Man. Canada

A MAD LOOK AT THE TENNIS SET

Paul Peter Porges's "A MAD Look At The Tennis Set" scored an ace with me.

> Eric Wishnie Clearwater, Fla.

Your "Tennis Set" was a smash. It was volley in-ter-es-ting!

Gordon Andersen Vancouver, B.C.

RICKARD'S BIONIC DUO COVER

I got quite a shock from Jack Rickard's bionic duo cover. I ought to sue you for assault with batteries!

Emilio Di Simone Ozone Park, N.Y.

J.R.'s cover for the Bionics was re-VOLTingly funny!

> Ray Smith DeKalb, Ill.

NO WONDER WE'RE ALL SCREWED UP!

"No Wonder We're All Screwed Up!", by Silverstone and Rickard, is MAD's uncompromising social conscience that shows kids what contradictions and hypocrisies and duplicities they must contend with, even in "the best country in the world"!

> Karen Kerns Denver, Colo.

Maybe our young people would get an insight into trust and humanity if our newspapers devoted Page One to the crying need for burn victim treatment centers and relegated the demands and rights of a convicted killer to a more remote section.

Mrs. Regis Lavinneau Fairbanks, Alaska

Silverstone and Rickard captured it beautifully with their pairings of bewildered little faces and cruel cold press headlines: Who to believe? What to believe?

> Nigel Johnson South Bend, Ind.

MAD DOUBLE FEATURE

Your "MAD Double Feature" made me barf twice as much as I usually do when I read your movie satires!

> Bruce Muni, Jr. Hazlet, N.J.

After all the "curse words" you used in Patton, The Godfather, and Dog Day Afternoon, it's a #! %&@* wonder you had any left for "Bears"!

Charles Bonnen E. Lansing, Mich.

"The Bad-Mouth Bears" was all hits and no errors!

John Edwards Belleville, Ont. Canada

Jack Davis and Stan Hart knocked "The Bad-Mouth Bears" right out of the park! Julian Flaum Canoga Park, Calif.

MAD'S MODERN MEDICINE MINI-POSTER

Your "AMA" Mini-Poster was a fairly accurate representation of what unfortunately goes on at hospitals nowadays. In order to be entirely fair, you might have depicted a medical student with money pouring out of a catheter into a bag marked "tuition", as it, like medical costs, is increasing by leaps and bounds annually. Larry Siegel's "History Of Medicine" was also a most entertaining offering. His comment on more people reading the Surgeon General's warning reminded me of the disquieting fact that all of the lecturers in my pulmonary medicine seminars chain-smoked all through their talks.

Mark D. Grebenau MD/PhD Candidate '78 NYU School of Medicine New York, N.Y.

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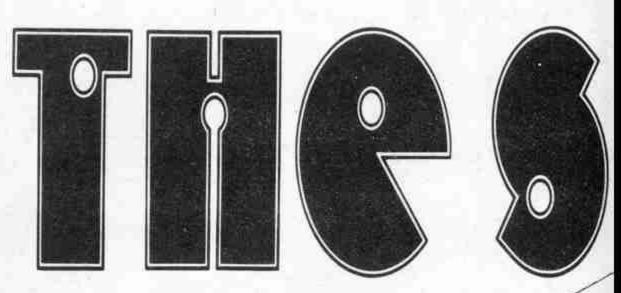
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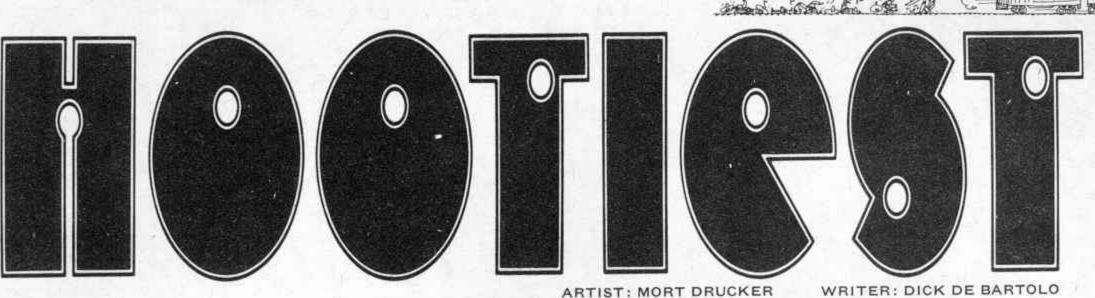
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WAYNE ON THE WANE DEPT.

There's a new "John Wayne" movie around in which John Wayne dies! Sure, he died in lots of other movies, but in this one, he dies of bullets ALONG WITH the dialogue! See what we mean in MAD's version of







ARTIST: MORT DRUCKER



Well, le'me put it this way! If you don't pay me my fee by Friday, I'm

Will I be able to carry on my normal life till then?

Sure you can! Shoot-outs . . . Hangings . . . Fist-fights . . . They're all fine! Just try not to EXERT yourself!!



Just one more thing, Doc! I took this pillow from a Bordello! Is it okay if I continue . . . you know! . . . Is it okay if . . . when I feel like it . . . well . . . Awww . . . you know what I mean, Doc . .

Sure! Sure! Keep stealin' pillows as long as you like!!



Howdy, Ma'am! Ol' Doc Horsefeathers said you might have a room for me

How long do you plan on staying?

Sorry! I only have a room available for ONE WEEK!

This is a modern house with all of the modern conveniences! Here is the telephone . . . and here is the bathroom with a tub and complete indoor plumbing . . .

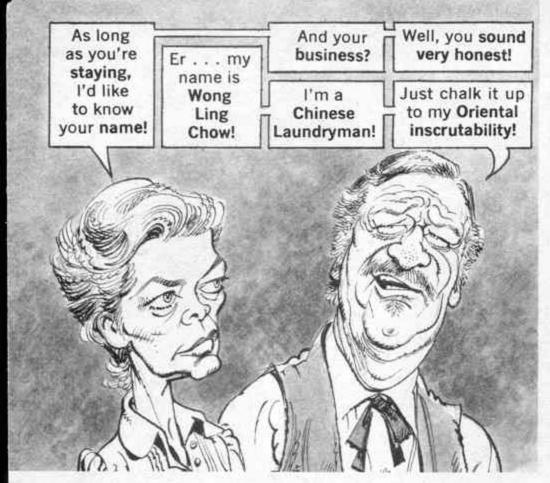
That's great! First, I'd like to make a phone call, and then I'd like to take a bath!

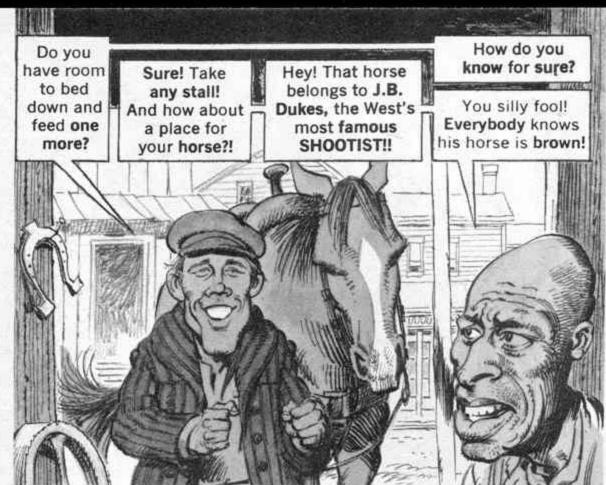
Well, the phone is out of order, and there's no more hot water!

Boy, this house really is modern!



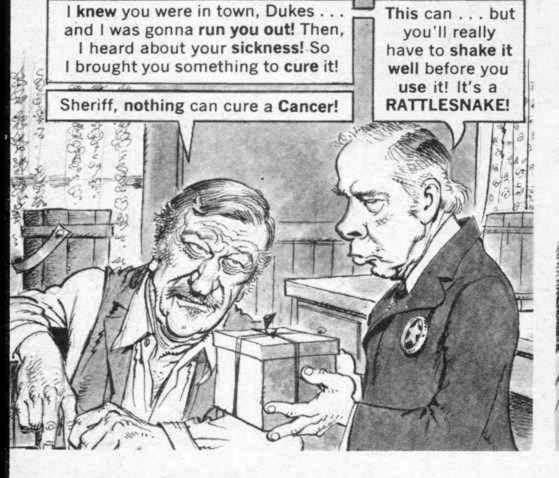












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Killem . .

In that case, I forgive you!

How would you like me to

Okay! Okay! Boy, thirty years

Not really!

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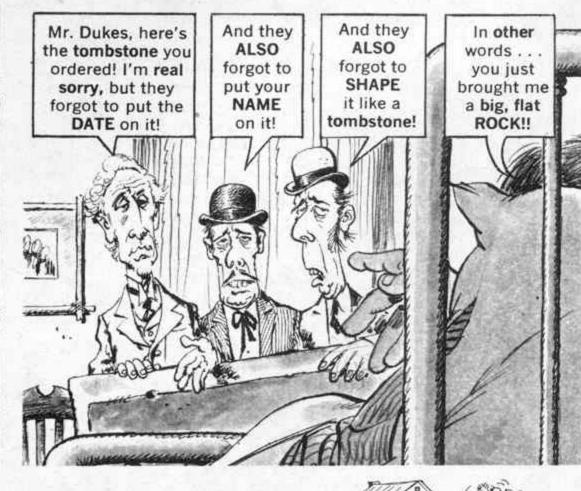
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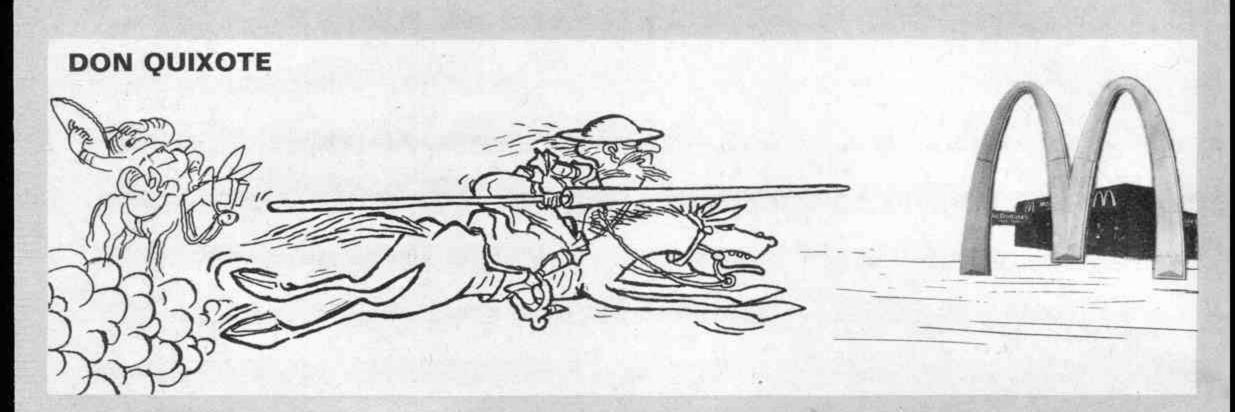






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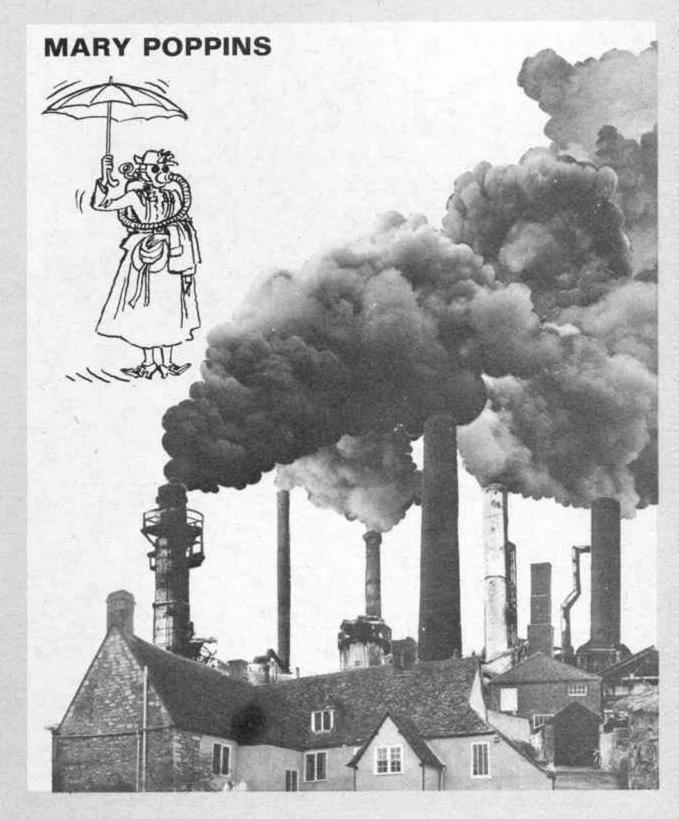
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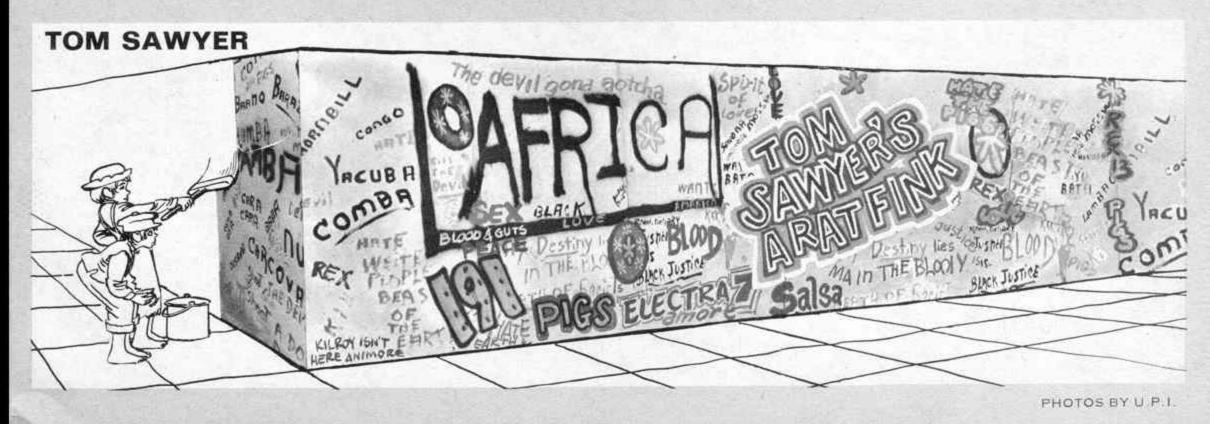


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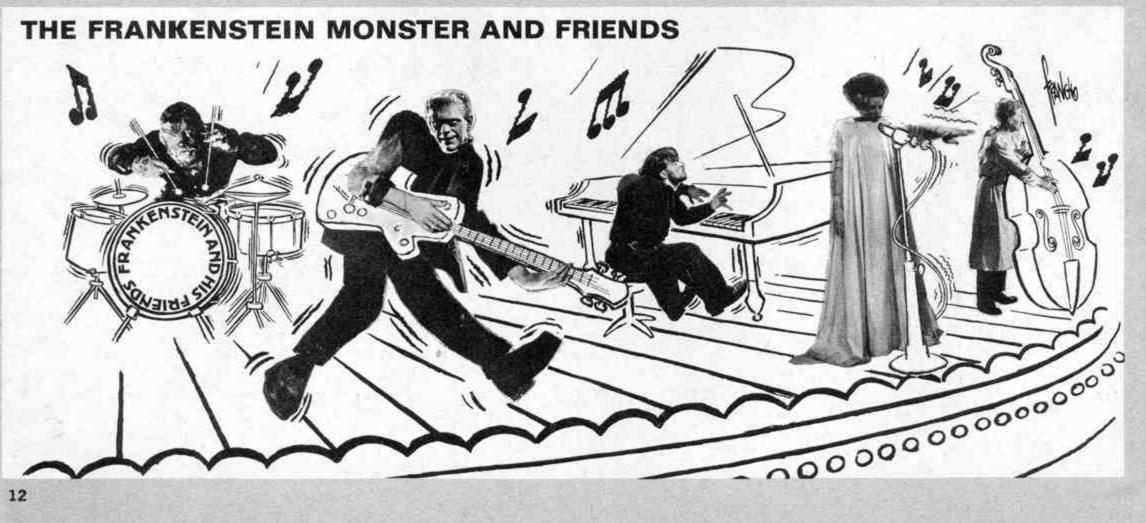




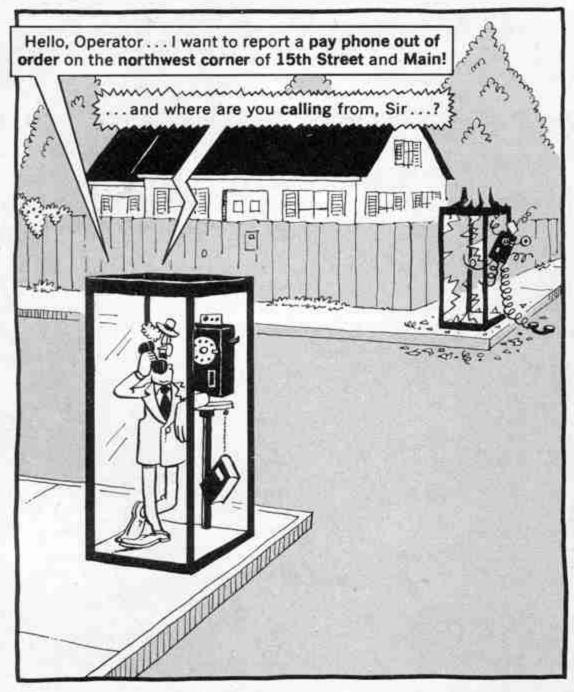


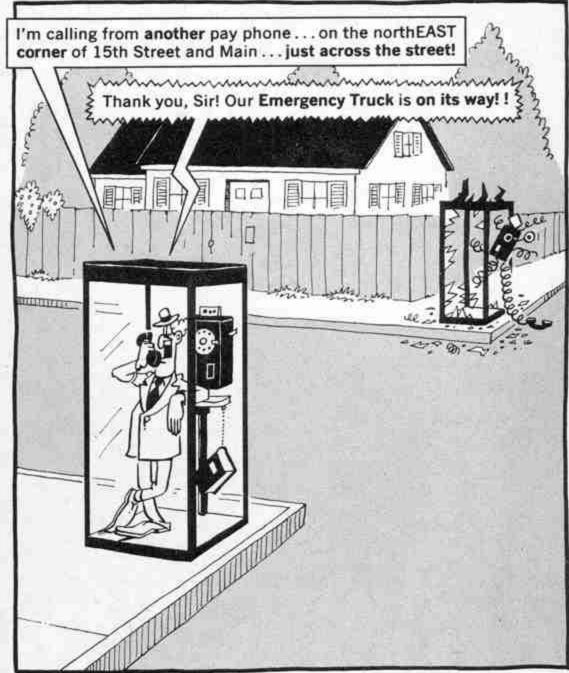




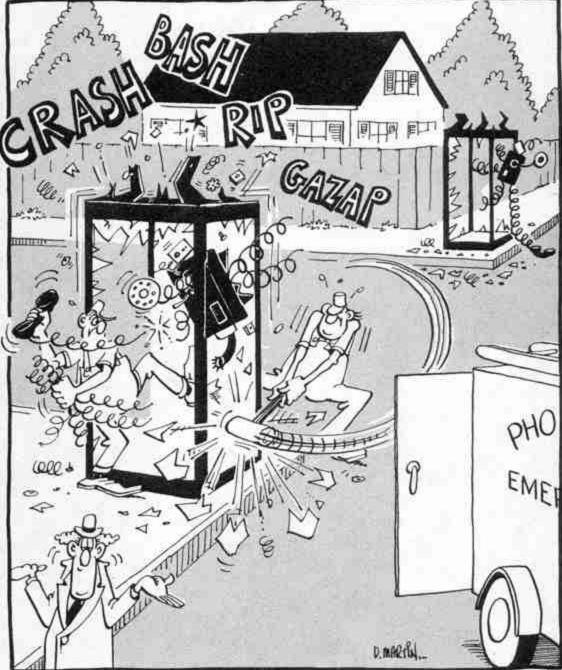


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The Death Of All Hope
And His Final Acceptance Of
The Undeniable Fact
That He Is Hopelessly Bald
As Of Thursday, The Ninth Of October
Nineteen Hundred And Seventy-Five

Melvin Melville
Following The Cancellation
Of His
Master Charge, Bank Americard
Diners Club, American Express
And TWA Get-Away Cards
Regrets To Announce
The Passing
Of His Former Life-Style
On Friday, The Third Of October
Nineteen Hundred And Seventy-Five

Wanda Latour
Following Two-And-One-Half-Years
Of Insatiable Gluttony
During Which Her Svelte-Like Figure
Has Ballooned Into A Mountain Of Fat
Sadly Announces
The End Of Her Desirability
Saturday, The First Of November
Nineteen Hundred And Seventy-Five

Monroe Moffat
Owner And Proprietor
Of Moffat's Neighborhood Grocery
Having Been Price Squeezed
Having Been Price Squeezed
By A New Food World Across The Street
And Crushed
By The Shop-A-Rama Down The Block
Mournfully Announces
The Death Of His Business
On Saturday, The Thirteenth Of September
Nineteen Hundred And Seventy-Five

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Waxrush
Following The Birth
Of Three Children
In Slightly Less Than Five Years
Have No Choice
But To Announce
Their Loss Of Faith
In Family Planning
As Of Tuesday The Eleventh Of November
Nineteen Hundred And Seventy-Five

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WRITER: FRANK JACOBS

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Conrad Blyte
Having Sustained
Considerable Pain And Anguish
Following Two Burglaries
A Sidewalk Mugging
And A Tornado
Which Leveled His Mobile Home
Outside Wichita
Announces The End
Of His Belief In God
Tuesday, The Sixteenth Of October
Nineteenth Hundred And Seventy-Five

Someone
Who Is Male, White
About Thirty Years Of Age
And Who Awoke Three Days Ago
In A Furnished Room
In Pittsburgh
Herewith Announces
The Loss Of His Memory
Sometime Around
Wednesday, The Tenth Of September
Nineteen Hundred And Seventy-Five

Mr. And Mrs. Grover Feldheim
Are Saddened To Announce
The Death
For All Intents And Purposes
Of Their Son
Sidney
Following His Elopement
With That Fortune-Hunting Slut
Of A Belly-Dancer
From San Francisco
On Tuesday, The Ninth Of September
Nineteen Hundred And Seventy-Five

Fenwich Culpepper
Is Saddened Beyond Belief
To Announce The Death
To Announce The Death
Of His Twenty-One-Inch Zenith
Picture Tube
During An Especially Exciting
Volleyball Instant Replay
Volleyball Instant Replay
On ABC's Wide World Of Sports
Saturday, The Twelfth Of July
Nineteen Hundred And Seventy-Five

Mr. And Mrs. Quincy Van Freen III

Following A Steady Influx
Of Blacks,
Jews, Italians
And Other Undesirable
Ethnic Groups
Regret To Announce
The Death Of Their Neighborhood
On Monday, The Fourth Of August
Nineteen Hundred And Seventy-Five

The Combined Television Networks
Having Noted The Commercial Appeal
Of Tasteless Shows
That Are Poorly Produced, Badly Written
And Feature Inane Plots
Cheapened By Inspid Dialogue
Announce The Final Death
Of All Plans For
Quality TV Programming
As Of Friday, The Third Of October
Nineteen Hundred And Seventy-Five



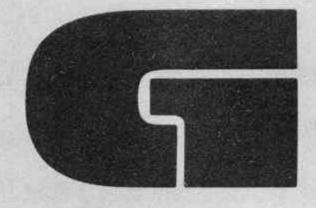
I want to thank my friends, my relatives and especially my dear sweet Husband for remembering my birthday . . .

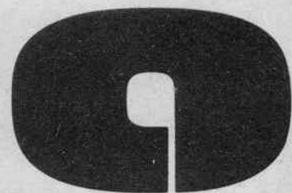




BERG'S-EYE VIEW DEPT.

THE LIGHTER SIDE OF...









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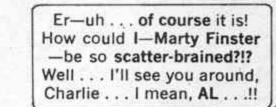






ARTIST & WRITER: DAVE BERG

Vivian, I'd like you to meet my dear old friend, Charlie McGilla! Excuse me, but this "dear old friend" of yours is NOT named Charlie McGilla! It's Al Glinker!



Wow! You ARE bad at names!
You can't even remember your
OWN name! You told him it
was Marty Finster! Your name
is Milton Blung . . . remember?

I know my own name!!

But I'd much rather he think Marty Finster is a klutz . . . instead of ME!!

"DADDY"!!

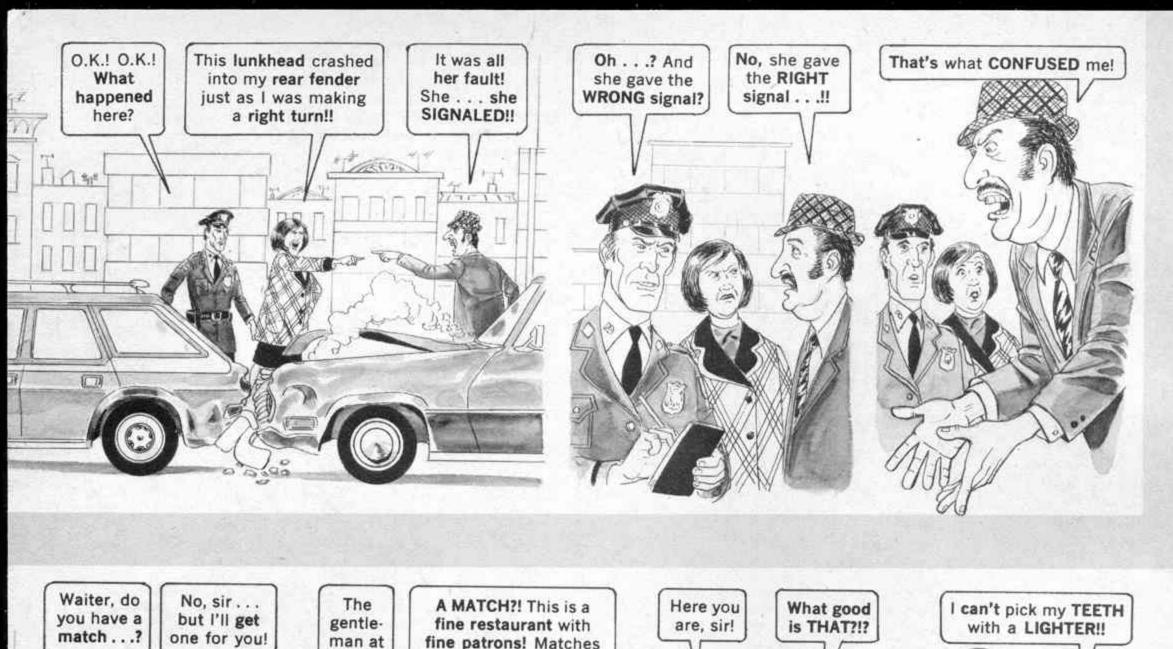




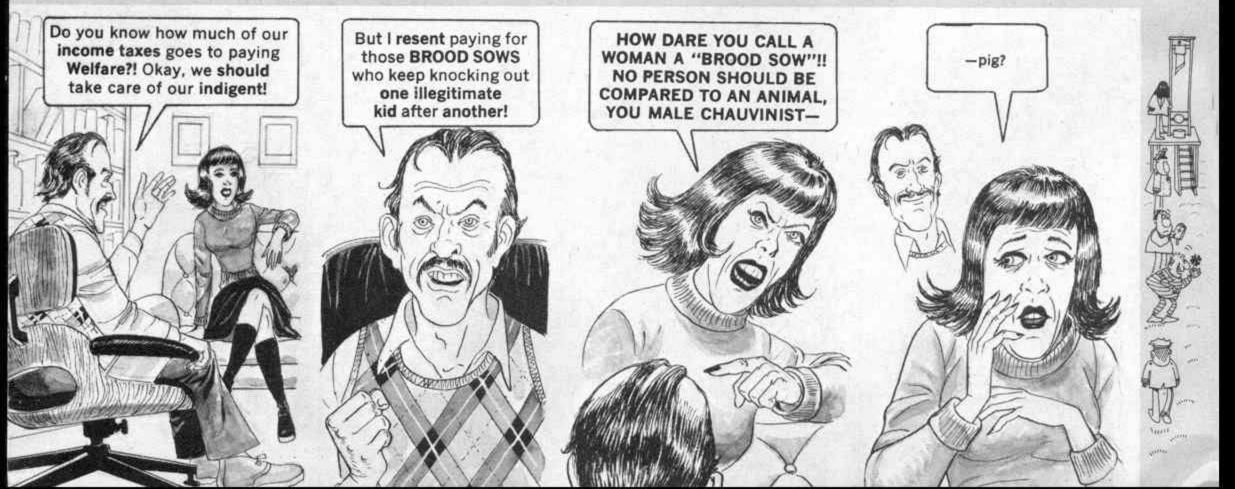


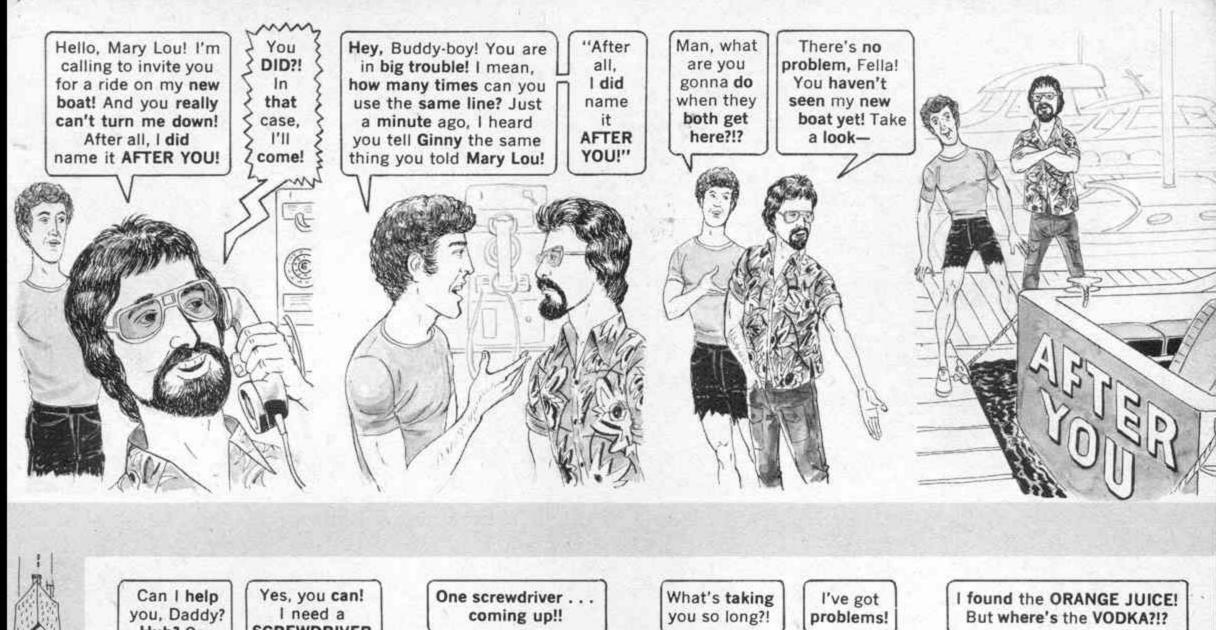




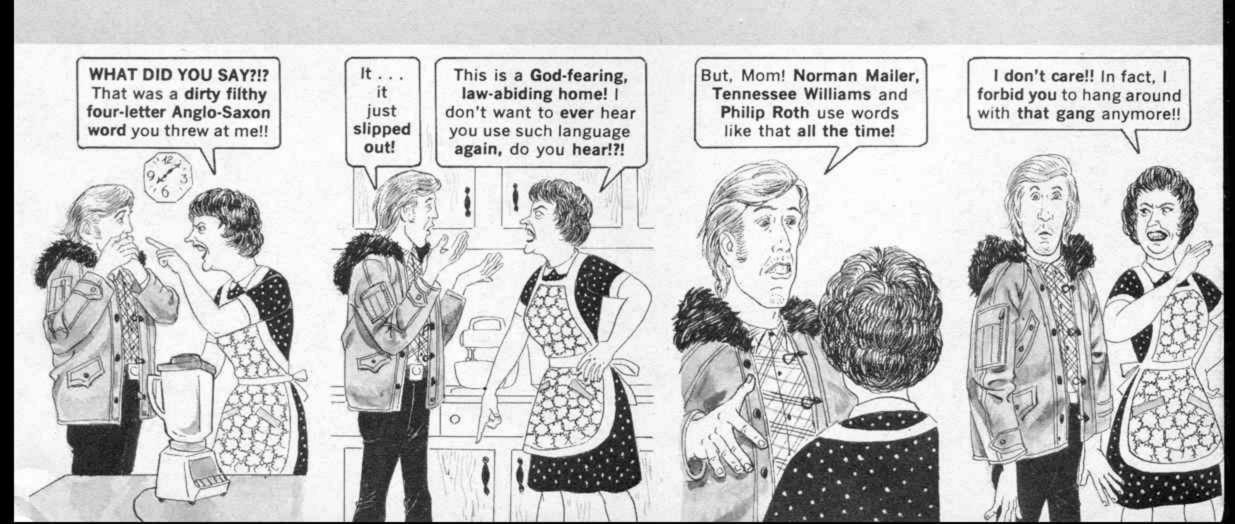




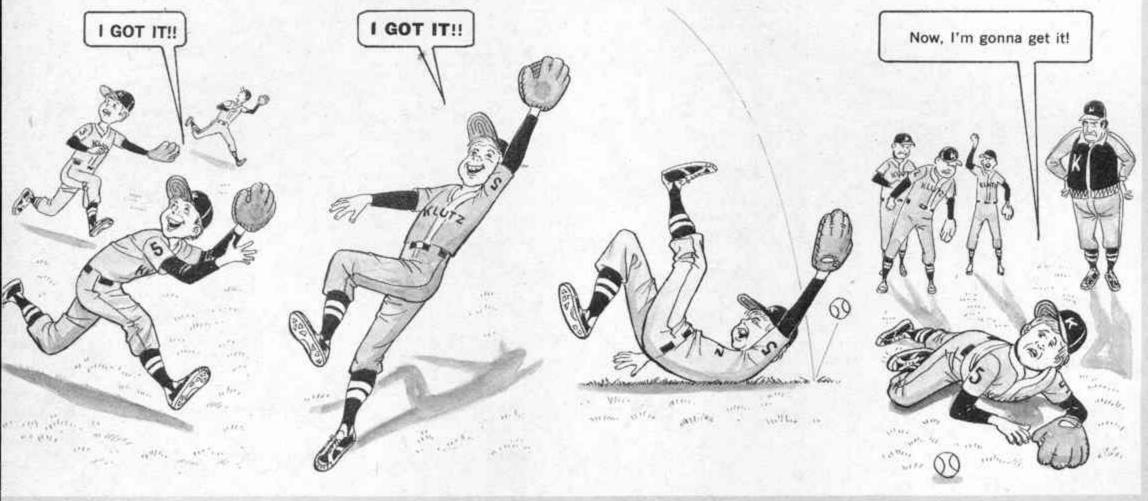


















In order to boost sagging business while cutting costs and increasing profits, a major airline recently offered "No-Frills Service" with ads that looked something like this:

THERE'S NO "PIE-IN-THE-SKY" WITH Irrational Airlines

THERE ISN'T EVEN COFFEE! IN FACT, THERE ISN'T EVEN A MEAL!

WITH "NO-FRILLS SERVICE"

You want pie and coffee? Or a meal, maybe? Go to a Diner! We're not in the Restaurant business! We fly you to where you want to go cheaper than anyone else because we charge you only for transportation! F'rinstance, we've got the ugliest Stewardesses (we pay minimum wages!), the flimsiest barf bags (you know how much plastic-lined ones cost?) and reconditioned life preservers (why pay for new equipment when we all know if the plane goes down, there's no getting out!) And all this inferior service SAVES YOU MONEY!



FLY HIGH PAY LOW...ON

Irrational Airlines

While MAD is the last to praise anything, especially advertising gimmicks, we must say there is something to this concept of stripping away the "extras" and just charging for the necessities when offering a service. In fact, here are the kind of ads we'd see . . .

IFOTHER BUSINESSES OFFERED "NO-FRILLS" SERVICE

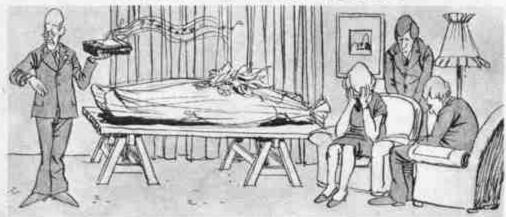
SAVE 40% ON YOUR NEXT SAD OCCASION WITH SHIVERS SIDE "NO-FRILLS" FUNERAL.

DON'T BE A "CASKET CASE"!

Why blow your hard-earned money, or dip into that inheritance (which God knows you waited long enough for!) on an expensive coffin you'll never see again? Your dear departed is in no position to care about "looks" or "style"! Shiverside lays him to rest in something far less elaborate, but even more durable...one of our ultra heavy duty king-size "Baggie-Byes." It's guaranteed to out-last wood or metal, and we'll give you a choice of twist-ties in four decorator colors.



A "HOME" IS NOT A "HOUSE"!



If his own living room was good enough for the deceased when he was alive, it's certainly good enough for him now when he isn't! The funeral services will be conducted by someone who has been certified to have completed at least two years of Sunday School, or who has been Bar Mitzvah'd. A cassette tape of some nice organ music will be played throughout the ceremony at absolutely no extra charge.

A "PLOT" TO SAVE YOU PLENTY



Forget the skyrocketing cost of cemetery plots! Thanks to recent Federal regulations, Shiverside will arrange for a place for your dear departed on United States Government property at absolutely NO COST TO YOU! We merely mail the full "Baggie-Bye" to a non-existant address, include insufficient postage with no return address, and it ends up in the "Dead Letter" office, Talk about rest in peace!

AT SHIVERSIDE. WE BURY THE HIGH COST OF FUNERALS!

WHAT HAS SHARADIN DONE FOR YOU LATELY...? THE "NO FRILLS" HOTEL PLAN! THAT'S WHAT!

OUARTERS MEAN BUCKS



Each "No-Frills" room has two closets. One is your bedroom. The other is your neighbor's bedroom. Frills like desks and bathrooms have been done away with. Our exclusive giant towel-roll eliminates expensive pilferage. VIEW WITH ECONOMY



Each "No-Frills" room has a TV set. No tube—just a set placed over a hole in your neighbor's wall so you can sit up and watch them in a real-life situation comedy. And if you're lucky, you may be able to catch an "X-rated" show.

SAVE WITH STEPS



Smart travelers agree that elevators are dumb because they only go up and down. For real economy, we offer our "Self Service Stairs". Climb your way to savings. Cripples are hauled up on our unused window-washer's scaffold.

CASH IN ON CARRY



There's no tipping because there's no one to tip. No doormen, no bellhops, no waiters, no maids. Besides, carrying your own luggage is really good exercise.

Just take it easy! "No-Frills" also means "No House Doctors"!

YOU CAN'T BEAT THE LOW LOW "SALE" PRICES ON... CONARD'S "NO-FRILLS" CRUISES

WHO really pays for a Ship Captain's \$75,000 annual salary? You do! So we've cut down on needless expenses like Captains, and instituted Conard's "No-Frills Passenger Participation Plan." Under Conard's "N.F.F.P.P.", passengers take turns running the ship. It's easy and it's fun! All you have to remember is "Port" is "left"-"Starboard" is "right" . . . or is it the other way around . . . ??





WHY bring the unnecessary luxuries of land to the high seas? You can be pampered every day of the year in hotels and restaurants. We save you money by eliminating "Table Service." Instead, our "No-Frills American Plan" offers Buffet-Style, meals to passengers and crew at the same time. Get the feel of the "Bounding Main" as you battle for food morsels with our hunger-crazed Moroccan crews.

WHERE should you go-where everyone else goes? The more popular the port, the less popular the price! From Argentina to Angola . . . from Lebanon to Portugal . . . there are always exotic places where political unrest and rioting are dragging prices way, way, down. And that's where Conard will be sailing to! You'll get to understand the lives of the natives while trying to keep your own!



CONARD

THE ONLY WORLD WAR II TROOPSHIP FLEET AFLOAT "Getting Half-Way There Can Be Almost As Much Fun!"

NOW YOU CAN FIGHT THE SPIRALING COSTS OF MEDICAL CARE WITH OUR NO-FRILLS SURGICAL PLAN

WE ELIMINATE UNNECESSARY EXTRAS ... LIKE ANESTHESIA



By eliminating such unnecessary extras as anesthesia, our "No Frills Surgical Plan" lets you really experience your operation while permitting you to keep an eye on your Surgeon so he doesn't remove something he's not supposed to! HOSPITAL ROOM EXPENSES ARE SLASHED, SLASHED, SLASHED



After your operation, we don't baby you with a hospital bed. You bring a bridge chair from home, and we set it up where you're comfortable-without paying for a private or semi-private room-like out in the hall corridor where the "action" is. WE CUT DOWN THE HIGH COST OF UNEATEN HOSPITAL FOOD



Yes, we know how awful hospital food can be! So why pay for it if you don't eat it? With "No Frills," you pay only for the food on the tray you eat. The rest is returned to the kitchen, and it is re-served to you for your next meal.

DOCTORS'

MINE HOSPITAL

"We cut costs down . . . while we cut you up!"

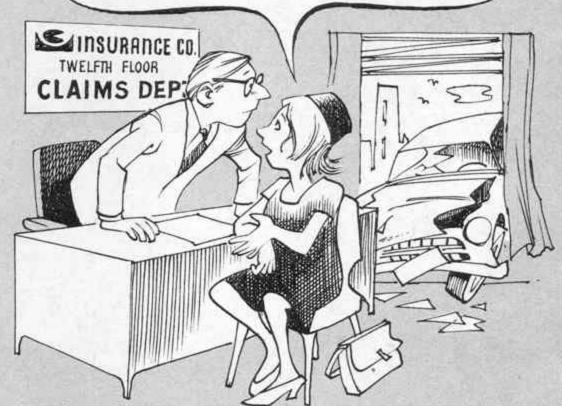
INCIDENT REPLAY DEPT.

STILL WHAT'S

ARTIST: BOB CLARKE

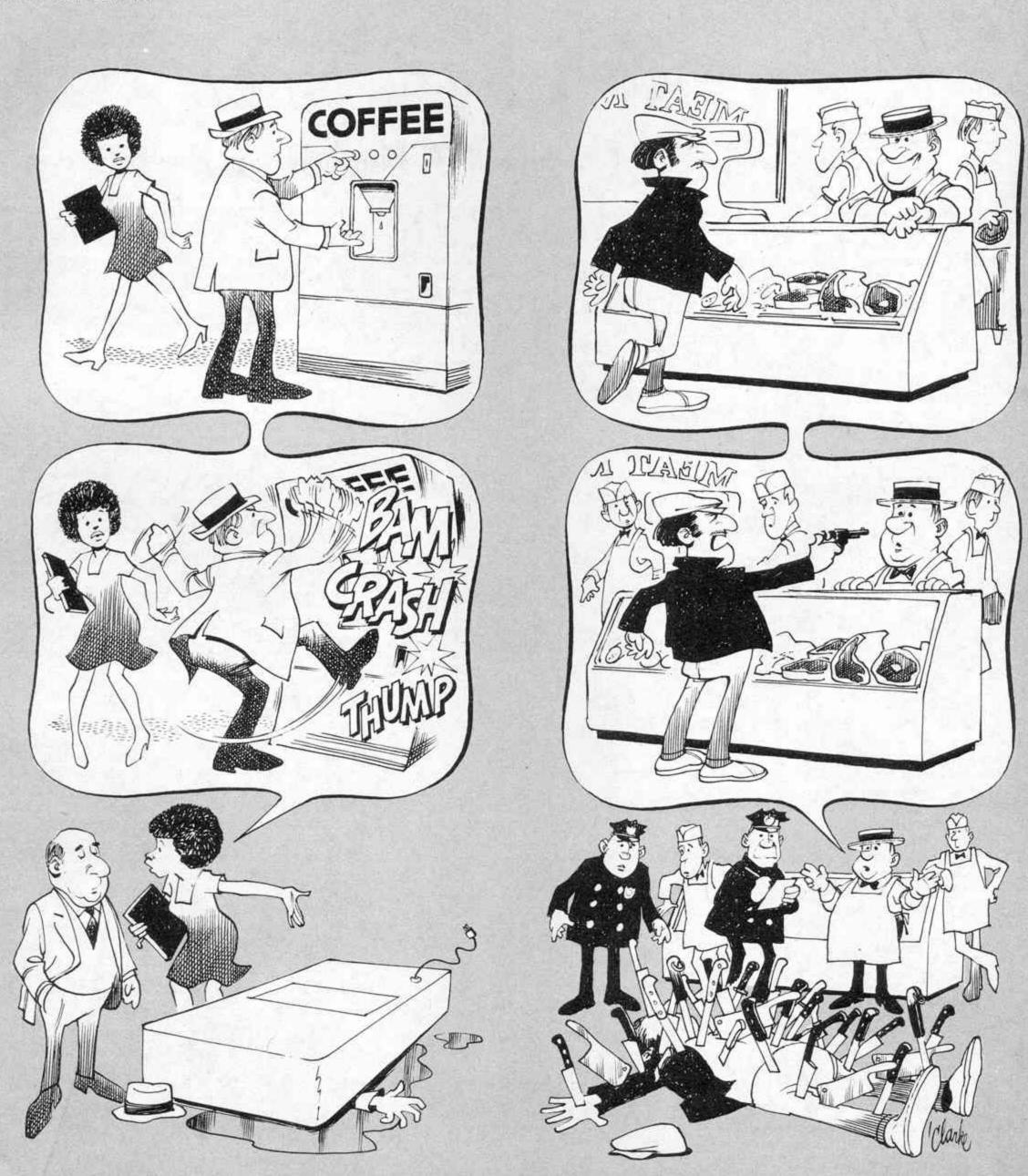






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WRITER: DON EDWING



CLOD-BOPPERS DEPT.

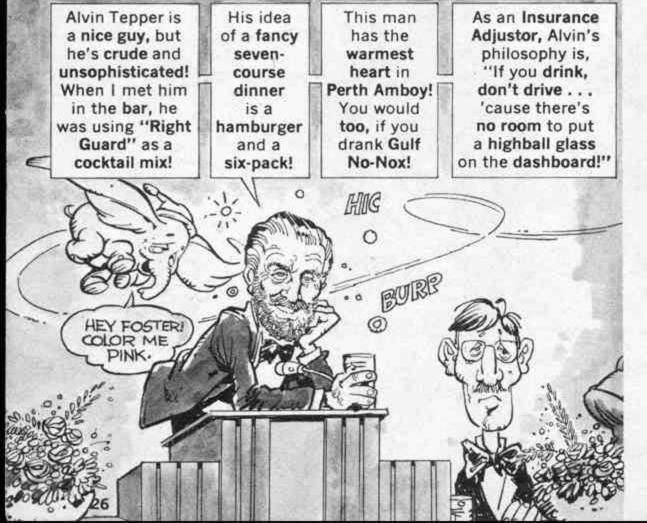
If there's one thing that Television has done to death, it's those idiotic "Celebrity Roasts." We mean those shows where "Big Names" are insulted and humiliated . . . all in the name of fellowship, fun, and mainly, high ratings. The problem is that over the past years, there have been so many "Celebrity

TESTIMONIAL FOR ORDI

ROAST OF ALVIN TEPPER, INSURANCE ADJUSTOR, FROM



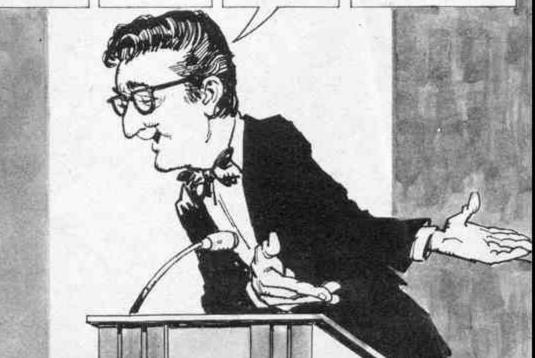
ARTIST: BOB JONES



There have been many exciting nights in my career! This . . . is NOT one of them!

It's hard for me to praise a man who once had a part-time job as a Lifeguard at a water bed! A man who once sent his wife on a luxury cruise . . . through The Bermuda Triangle!

Let me just say to the people in Perth Amboy who want to know the secret of Alvin's success... there IS NO secret ... because Alvin is NO SUCCESS!!



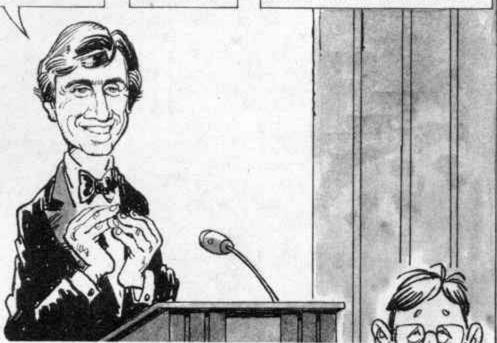
Roasts" that they're running out of celebrities to roast! Like, you know... Those shows are in trouble when they start roasting people like Peter Lupis and Abbe Lane. They'd be much better off roasting ordinary, unknown people with non-glamorous jobs! In fact, here's what it would be like if they had



PERTH AMBOY, N.J.

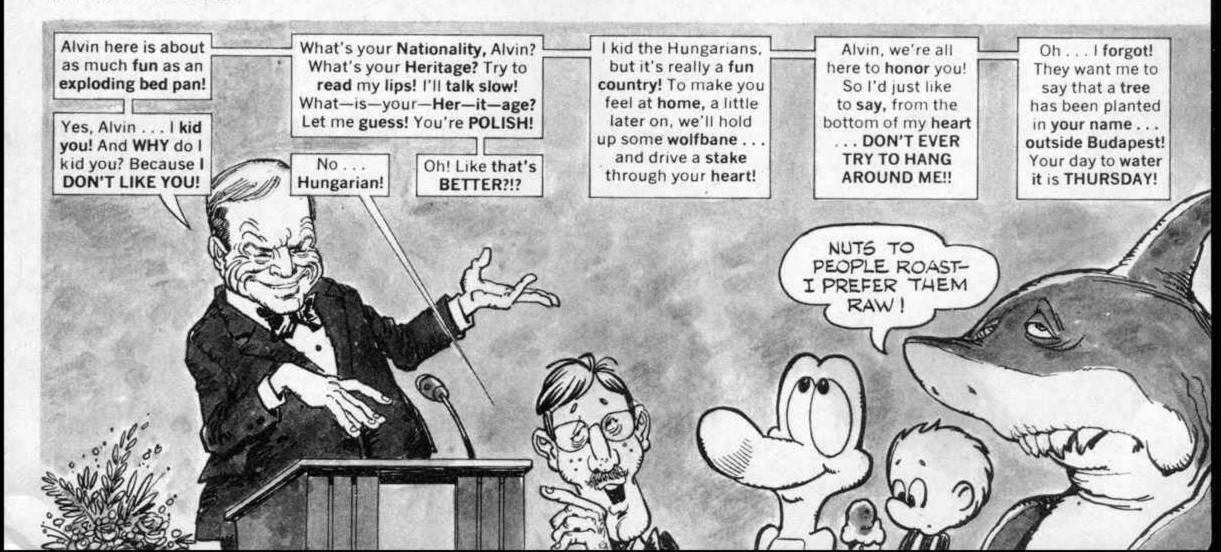
I met Alvin Tepper tonight for the first time, but I formed an immediate impression! What can you say about a man who not only wears a clip-on bow-tie, but a clip-on suit?! Alvin thinks an intellectual is anyone who understands a Clint Eastwood movie!

Alvin is supposed to be a respected businessman, but he's made some rather strange investments! In the past few years, he's bought shares in a Lettuce Mine, a chain of Kentucky Fried Chow Mein Stands, and a Talcum Powder Farm!



Do you know what Then the Sexual When he was a thrill it is young, Alvin's Revolution came for me to be here family MOVED along . . . and do tonight? I needed a great deal! you know where this dinner like But they Alvin ended Vincent Van Gogh up? On the would never needed ear muffs! tell Alvin! Casualty List!

WRITER: ARNIE KOGEN



ROAST OF DR. MELVIN W. OGELTHORPE, PHYSICIAN, FROM MU

We are here tonight to honor a distinguished, dedicated member of the Medical Profession! Unfortunately . . . we couldn't FIND one . . . so we're stuck with Melvin Ogelthorpe!

Melvin had all the makings of a Doctor at an early age! He only attended school four days a week . . . and took off every Wednesday to play Miniature Golf!

Over the years, he treated thousands of patients in this community! It's a shame that not one of them is alive today to pay tribute to him!

I wouldn't say Melvin is a clumsy Doctor, but vultures constantly make lazy circles over his office!

I don't know what kind of Surgeon Dr. Ogelthorpe is, but while he was cutting his meat, his knife slipped three times!

that was with his Nurse helping him eat!!

Melvin is the only Doctor know who specializes in "Side Effects"!







ROAST OF MRS. ELMIRA BITTLE, HOUSEWIFE, FROM VICKSBU

Y'know how-at roasts-we always MAKE UP insulting things about the Guest of Honor?! Well ... tonight, we don't have to make up a THING!

Because tonight we are honoring Mrs. Elmira Bittle, the Candice Bergen of the Geritol set!

I wouldn't say Elmira is FAT ... but I took one look at her and ordered a "DOUBLE!"

But she's patriotic! Once, to honor the Bicentennial, she wore a red, white and blue outfit! When she yawned, people started mailing LETTERS down her mouth!

Seeing Elmira here tonight reminds me of the old adage, "A Woman's Place is in The Stove!"

Before she became a Housewife, she worked in a Hospitalposing as a MALE NURSE!

I don't know why I kid Elmira like this! She doesn't know me from Adam! Er-he was ALSO famous for running around in the nude!





ROAST OF WALTER ZWILLMAN, HARDWARE STORE MANAGER,

We're here tonight to As a child, Walt Walter is now a honor Walter Zwillman! This is the SECOND biggest thrill of my life! My FIRST was getting undressed . . . and then running full speed into a CACTUS!

wasn't sure what he wanted to do. He made up his mind after he graduated "The Yale School For The Uncertain!"

respected member of his profession! He is to Hardware what Cher is to marital instability . . and Abe Beame is to height!

Walt isn't the most stimulating guy in the world! In fact, whenever there's a dull party in town, they immediately call Walter over . . . and he blends right in!

Thanks, Johnny, for getting us off to a flying STOP!

But I know what you mean about Walter Zwillman being dull! They say he has all the excitement of a torn pocket!

That's because Walter had a very difficult childhood! He came up from nothing . . . and brought it with him!





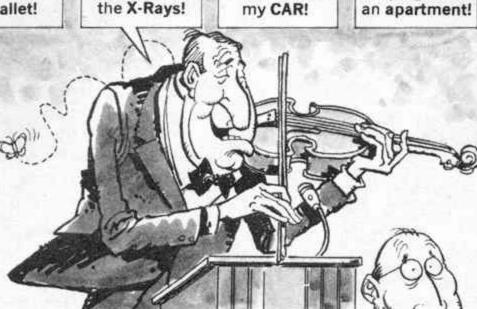
NCIE, INDIANA

Melvin is an accomplished Surgeon! I once saw him remove a lump from a man's side! It was his wallet!

And he's really very considerate! if you can't afford the operation, he touches up

I went to him with a sore foot! He said, "I'll have you walking in an hour!" And he did! He stole

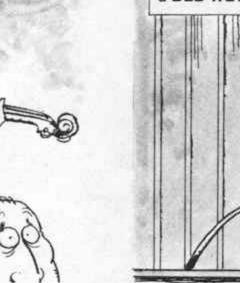
But he stays in shape! He's a 50-year-old man with the body of a 20year-old! He's keeping her in



M H H Once, I had the misfortune of actually being one of Melvin Ogelthorpe's patients! He gave me a kidney transplant from a BED WETTER!

Then he started treating me with Acupuncture! One night I was in a lot of pain, so I called him up! He told me, "Take two needles and call me in the morning!"

All kidding aside, it must be great to be a Doctor! In what other job can you ask a girl to take her clothes off, look her over, then send a bill to her Husband?!?





RG, MISSISSIPPI

I don't know why they kid you about your appearance, Elmira! I happen to know that you made the list of the Ten Best Dressed Women-of Mississippi! You were the first 9!

Elmira is the only woman I know who wears a formfitting PONCHO!

But I understand that Elmira's an incredible cook! You've heard of people who can't boil water! Well. Elmira CAN! She calls it SOUP!



Don't let them say you're fat, Elmira! You're just TOO SHORT! According to the charts, for your weight, you should be 12 feet, 4 inches tall!

Elmira went on the Water Diet! Most people lose ten pounds! She gained seventeen gallons!

Every night, she had to sleep in "Pampers!" And she slept in a Water Bed! Not intentionallyit just came out that way!

But I loved doing this testimonial for you . . . because next to you, I look like Ali MacGraw!



FROM POTTSVILLE, PA.

I thought that What can I don't get no respect! Then, I met Walter Zwillman! Now I feel really fantastic!

you say about a guy who still wears Nehru

He's the only guy I know who failed "FIRE DRILL"

Walter's idea of an exciting evening is to go down to the Supermarket and fool with the electric doors!

I'm MRS. Walter Zwillman, and I've been asked to say a few words about my Husband! How's about "cheap" . . . or "boring" . . . ?!

Walter dull? Let me put it this way: I collected his Life Insurance three times!

But Walter has worked hard all his life! He was no overnight success . . . as I discovered on our Honeymoon! So what say? Let's all give Walter what he deserves! A 'CROUCHING OVATION!"





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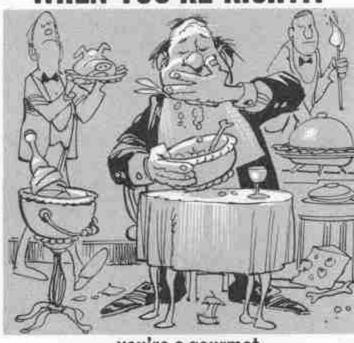
RTIST: JACK DAVIS

WHEN YOU'RE POOR...



... you're a glutton.

WHEN YOU'RE RICH...



... you're a gourmet.

WHEN YOU'RE POOR...



... you breed kids like rabbits.

WHEN YOU'RE POOR...



WHEN YOU'RE RICH...



... you have a well-stocked bar.

WHEN YOU'RE POOR...



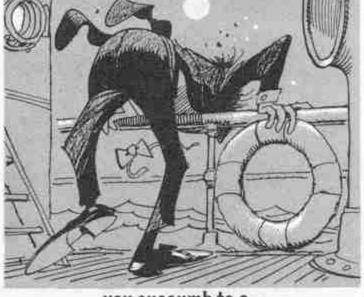
... you're the town weirdo.

WHEN YOU'RE POOR...



...you vomit.

WHEN YOU'RE RICH.



... you succumb to a sudden attack of nausea.

WHEN YOU'RE POOR...



... you gamble away your salary at the track.

ND...WHEN YOU'RE RICH

WRITER: FRANK JACOBS

WHEN YOU'RE RICH...



... you're blessed with a large family.

WHEN YOU'RE POOR...



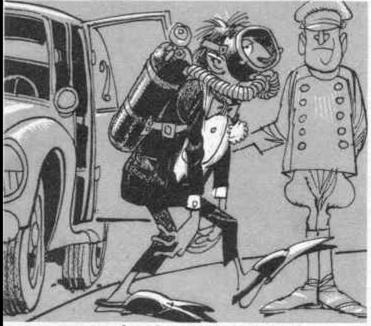
... you gossip.

WHEN YOU'RE RICH...



... you bring each other up to date.

WHEN YOU'RE RICH...



... you're the local eccentric.

WHEN YOU'RE POOR...



... you own a mutt.

WHEN YOU'RE RICH...



... you possess a mixed breed.

WHEN YOU'RE RICH.



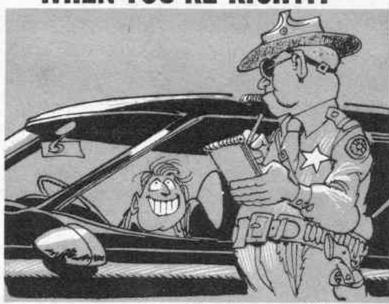
... you have a bad day, handicapping.

WHEN YOU'RE POOR...



... you're a punk who's a menace on the highway, and should be locked up.

WHEN YOU'RE RICH...



... you're sowing wild oats and getting some devilishness out of your system.

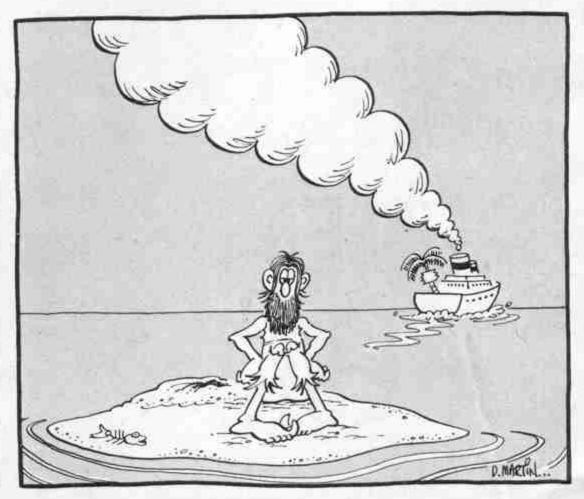
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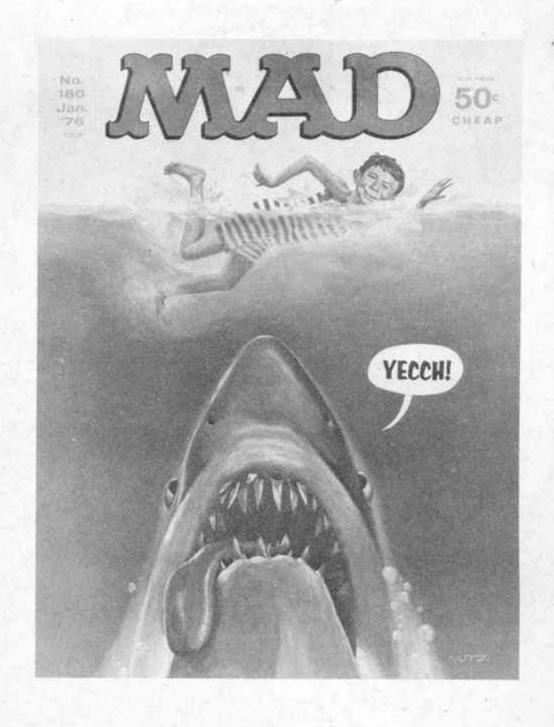






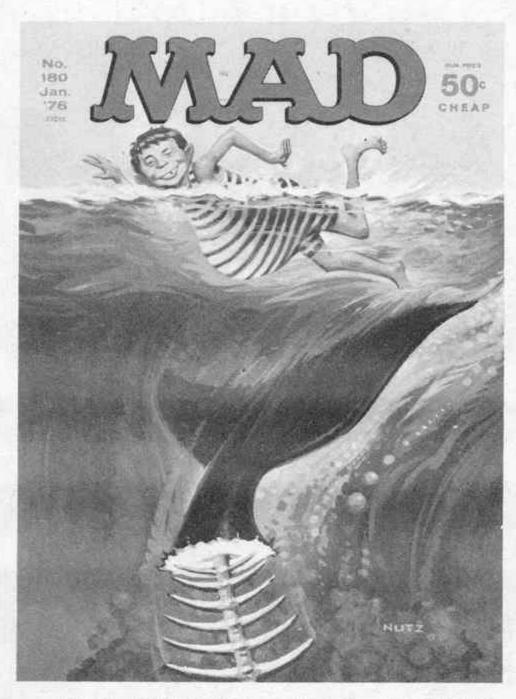


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ARTIST: JACK RICKARD

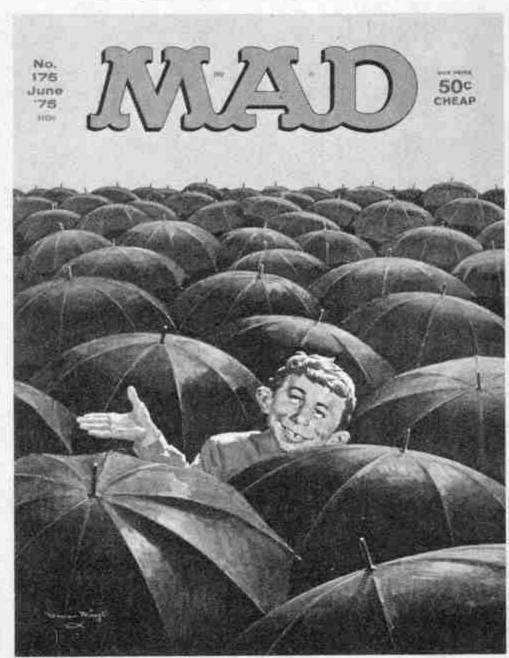
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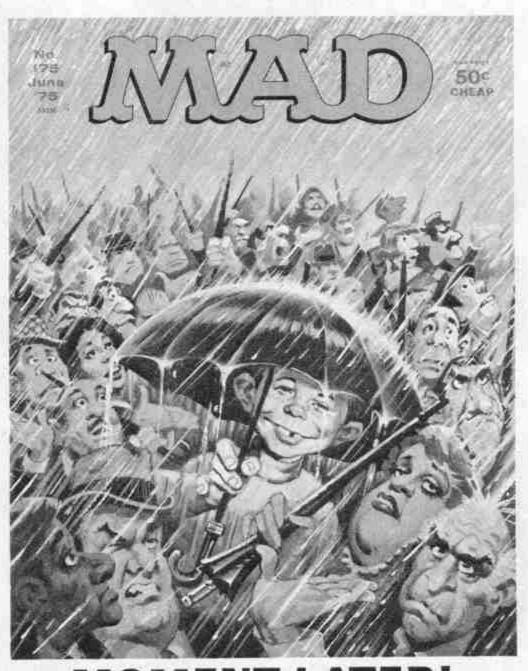
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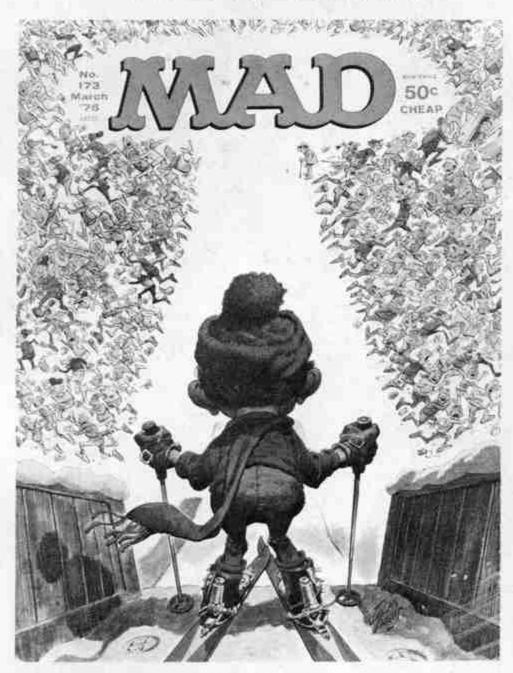
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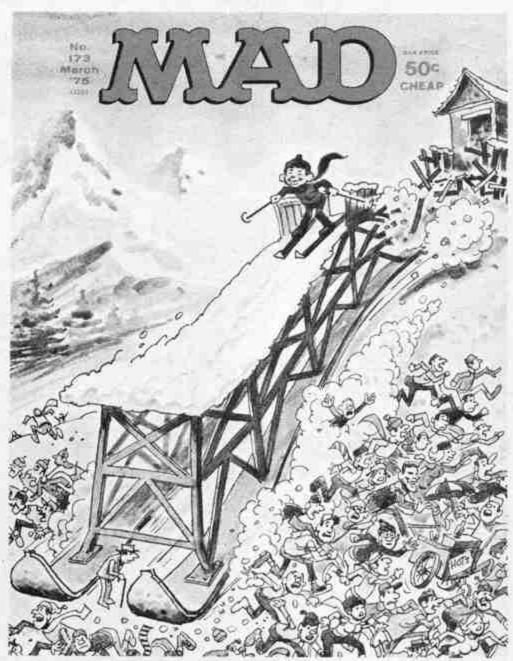
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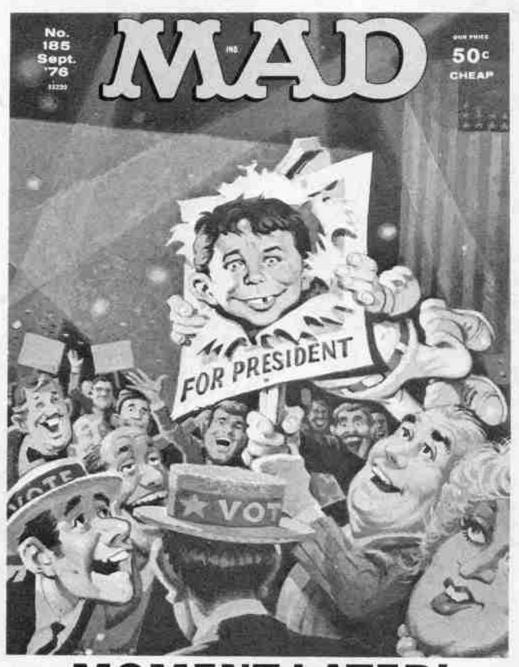
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MOMENT LATER!

EXPOSED NERDS DEPT.

Members of every club and organization from the Camp Fire Girls to the Spanish-American War Vets agree on one point: There is nothing duller than the Minutes of the last meeting. That's because dull groups that hold dull meetings have dull Minutes. However, the people who have all the controversial discussions and

TOP SECRET MINUTES

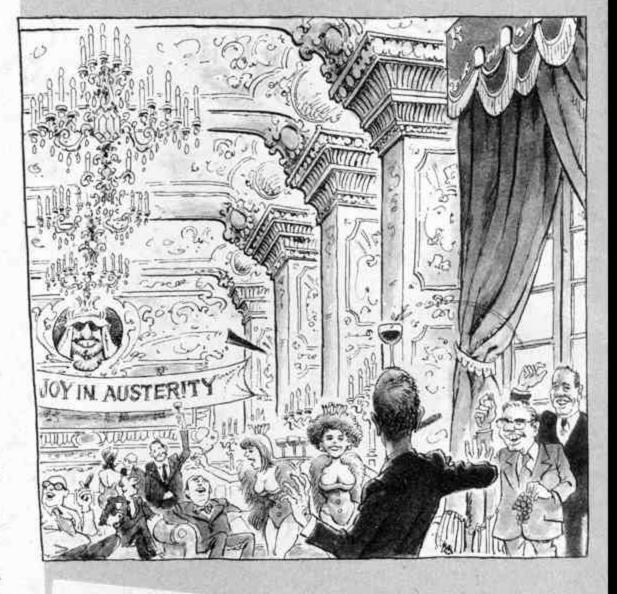
ARTIST: HARRY NORTH, ESQ.

THE OIL IMPORTERS OF AMERICA

Energy Conservation Committee

Winter Meeting

- A. The minutes of the previous meeting were thrown into the waste basket and burned, thus allowing news photographers to take pictures that show how eager we are to find alternate sources of energy to heat our Conference Room.
- B. The news photographers were led out, and the thermostat in the Conference Room was turned back up to 78.
- C. Mr. Tidwell of Eastern Utilities proposed that we hand Israel over to the Arabs as a gesture to indicate that we want to be nice.
- D. Mr. Tidwell was criticized for failing to lower his voice when he offers barbaric suggestions that we'll later want to deny endorsing.
- E. Mr. Spielrite of Pan-Sand Dune Oil laughed off rumors that gasoline may hit \$1 a gallon by next fall. He said it will have to hit \$1 a lot sooner than that if his company is to double its profits again this year.
- F. Mr. Cosgrove of Geological Projection Systems reminded the Committee that we still haven't proposed a comprehensive energy program, even though the nation is now down to a 121/2-year supply of proven oil reserves.
- G. The Committee cheered Mr. Cosgrove's statement, since this puts our oil reserves at six whole months more than previously esti-
- H. The meeting was adjourned, and the thermostat was turned back down to 65 for the benefit of the press.



BROTHERHOOD OF INDUSTRIAL DRUDGES LOCAL No. 1239

Being as how the Brotherhood makes all its big decisions by a democratic vote, the Executive Council April 18, 1975 first voted democratically to exclude the general membership from this meeting and all future ones.

The Treasurer announced that we turned a neat \$3,000,000 profit by docking the members \$3,000,000 for somewhat voluntary contributions to the Strike Fund, just before we sold out to Management and canceled the strike. A motion was passed to spend this surplus on recruiting new members, such as Congressmen who might join the Brotherhood if our offer is high enough.

A final count of ballots from last month's voting showed that all Executive Council members got reelected, 14,267-to-0. It was decided to announce this figure as 14,265-to-2, so people won't think there might have been some shenanigans in the vote count.

The meeting got adjourned nine minutes after it began, on account of some of the guys still had to go shopping for beach wear to take with them to the





who make all the vital decisions meet behind closed doors in strict sneaky privacy. And if we ever read what the Minutes of those meetings contained, our customary boredom would quickly be replaced by enraged frothing at the mouth. Well, prepare to froth, because we here at MAD have just come into possession of these

F TOP SECRET MEETINGS

WRITER: TOM KOCH

CYCLOPS TV & ELECTRONICS CORP. Service Representatives' Emergency Meeting

1A. Board Chairman Meriweather opened the discussion by pointing out that 97% of all Cyclops TV sets sold this year have been Cyclops TV sets sold this year have been found defective while still under warranty. He urged service reps to act more surly, in the hope of discouraging buyers from bringing back the shoddy junk we sold

1B. Mr. Bertram of the Chicago office suggested that it might also help if future wargested that it might also help in the second second

1C. Mr. Solotkin of the Corporate Spying Dept. said that some competitors have cut down on unprofitable warranty work by requiring customers to state their complaints in writing, without misspelling any words.

1D. Mr. Mosely of Quality Control suggested that we reduce the number of defective sets we make by eliminating those cheap plastic parts that don't fit together propplastic parts that don't fit together parts that don't fit toge

erly.

A. Mr. Mosely was fired on the spot, while the proposals of Mr. Bertram and Mr. Solotkin were taken under serious advisement.





COUNCIL OF TV NETWORK DECISION MAKERS

The March meeting began at 7:15 P.M., to allow ample time for completion of business before the good Sex and Violence programs come on at 9 o'clock.

Best wishes were extended to ABC on its Third Season, launched in February to replace all the Second Season clinkers that went on in January to replace the flops that went on last September.

The Industry Committee for Better Programming offered the following recommendations: (1) Upgrade "The \$25,000 Pyramid" by making it "The \$30,000 Pyramid;" (2) Stop confusing the audience by televising a ball game at the same time Curt Gowdy is doing his weekly reminiscence of his boyhood in Wyoming, and (3) Put Sher's revealing costumes on someone who has more to reveal.

These proposals were all rejected after our accountants stated that network profits are too good to risk horsing around making needless changes.

A motion to begin summer re-runs next season immediately after the Christmas Specials was referred to a sub-committee for study. The sub-committee was instructed never to report back, as this might require the full Council to make a decision about something.

A motion to adjourn was approved, on the assumption that its passage probably wouldn't offend anybody.





RETAIL GROCERS' ASSOCIATION

Price Fixing Conference

The regular weekly meeting to discuss Thursday's newspaper ads was opened by Chairman Hofstedt of Cornucopia Markets, who reminded the group that it was his company's turn to feature a special on 5 lb. bags of sugar, while quietly jacking up the price of coffee and fresh corn.

Delegate Furbler of Dandy Discount Stores interrupted to accuse Cornucopia of violating the Association charter last week by offering both hamburger buns and watermelon at lower prices than competing chains. Furbler charged that such widespread price cutting might soon enable consumers to do all their shopping at one store without getting swindled.

Chairman Hofstedt denied this charge, pointing out that the special on hamburger buns was merely a trap designed to sell more onions and ketchup at new higher prices. Also, he claimed that Cornucopia didn't even stock any of the watermelon it

advertised on sale. Delegate Pringle of Barney's Bargain Mart received permission to cut Grade A eggs by 4c a dozen, with the understanding that bacon be increased by 15c a pound.

After exchanging proposed ad copy, the delegates adjourned for lunch to Vito's Steak House, which features the type of prime sirloin you just can't find in the markets anymore.

B.I.G. M.A.M.A.

(Board of Innovative Guidance, Midwest Auto Manufacturers' Association)

The April meeting was held in the Intensive Care Unit of the Little Sisters of Detroit Hospital at the request of Board President Frobisher, who was recuperating there following a highly unusual brake failure on his 1976 Wildfire Mark XIV Grand de Ville sedan.

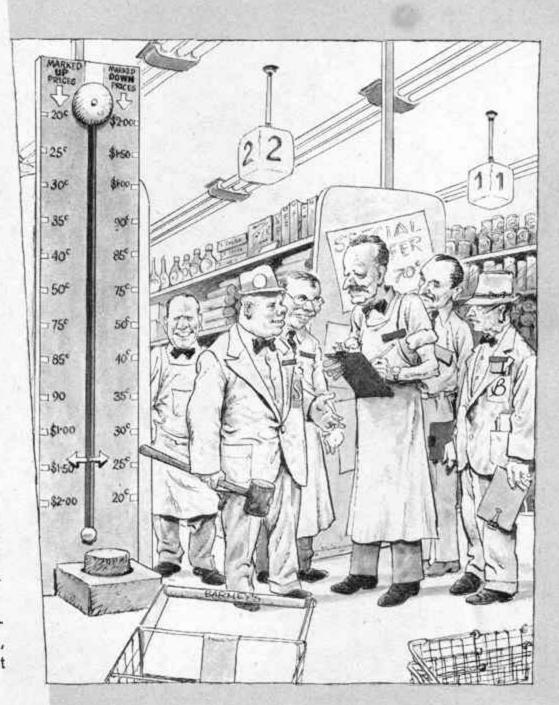
Members discussed the frequency of such highly unusual mishaps on 1976 Americanmade cars, and then voted unanimously to provide themselves with Mercedes limousines as a

safety precaution.

The Chairman of the Sales Committee suggested that the advertising theme for the 1977 model year be "The greatest new design of the decade," referring, of course, to the Association's great new design for bilking the public out of millions with an across-the-board 28% price increase.

.The Committee on Future Development reported that the rotary engine continues to show promise for 1979. It still gets only ten miles to the gallon, but this disadvantage is more than offset by recent indications that a rotary engine powered car can be sold for \$2,000 more than current models.

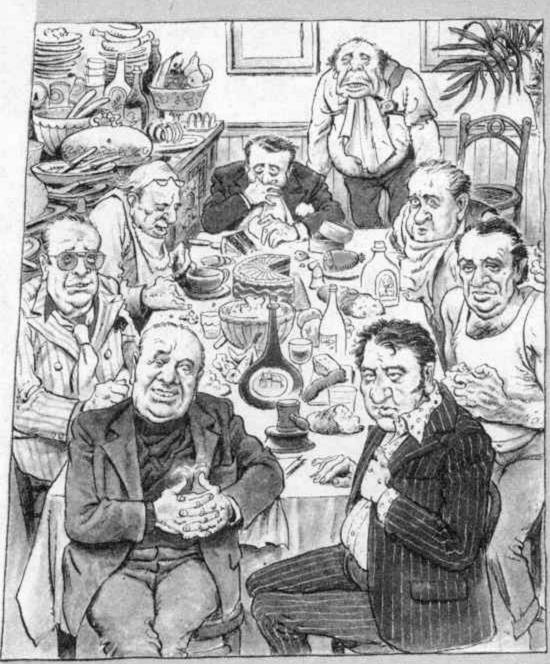
The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 P.M. in memory of Board President Frobisher, who was pronounced dead after a mention of Ralph Nader's name failed to make him scream in outrage.

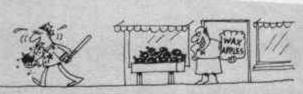


THE FOUR SEASONS IMPORTING CO. OF LONG ISLAND CITY

(Formerly the Four Ruling Families of Palermo, Sicily)

Don Luigi called the business associates and foot soldiers to order at 2:35 P.M. by banging his gavel. It was noted by all knee caps, which may mean he's getting too old and soft to manage the organization. Anyhow, out of respect to Don Luigi, the listened. Don Luigi recited the 1975 of that's the only safe place to put it. He said the net take from the importing that she net take from the importing lasiness had been either 40-billion or pressed him to remember better. Don Luigi said the 1375 profits had A.T. & T. Union Carbide and Gulf Oil. We may be able to buy a franchise in the Don Luigi then said there was no other discuss any.







CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY WEEKLY BRIEFING SESSION

16 February 1976

138.1 - Agent Blue Fox (Eddie Schwartz) brought the guys up to date on the situation in Yemen. He said the Prime Minister there refused to break diplomatic relations with the Commies, even after receiving our generous payment. Therefore, Blue Fox erous payment. Therefore, Blue Fox will shoot the Prime Minister at 2:30 P.M. next Thursday.

138.2 - Agent Wart Hog 5 (Frank Coslow) suggested that the cash squandered in Yemen be stolen back, and redistributed to the loonies who are rebeling in Paraguay. Agent Blue Fox nixed this idea on the grounds that stealing our money back might cause our friends in Yemen to distrust us. 138.3 - The Director read coded cables from agents in Cuba, Syria and Albania, all stating that sabotage work is progressing satisfactorily. He also read a post card from our agent in Tahiti, stating that he is having a wonderful time on his vacation, and wishes we could all be there.

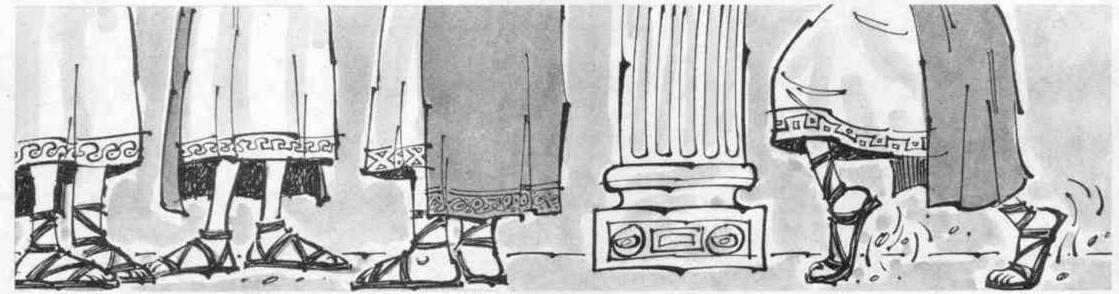
wishes we could all be adjourned at 138.4 - The session was adjourned at 9:15, and everyone left by the back door.

FOOTNOTES*TO

ARTIST: PAUL COKER, JR.



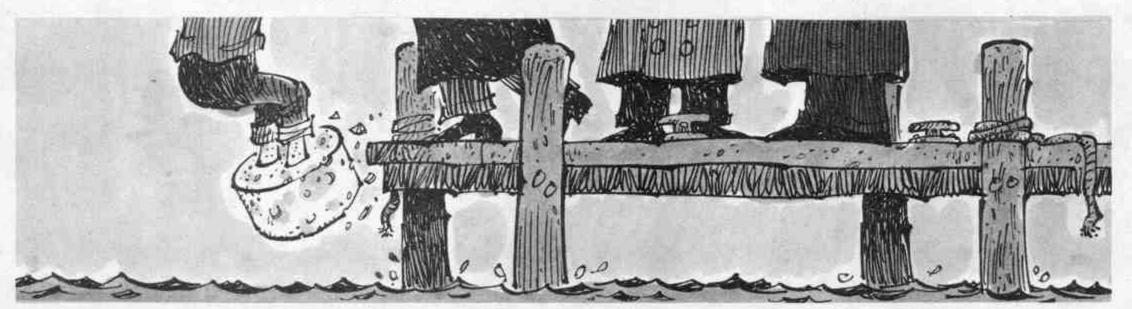
*"Damn you, Moby Dick! Damn you, knotty pine!"



*"Where's Brutus . . . ?"



*"It may be agile, but it certainly isn't ARTFUL dodging!"



*"Don Corleone sends his compliments and says you don' owe him no more favors!"

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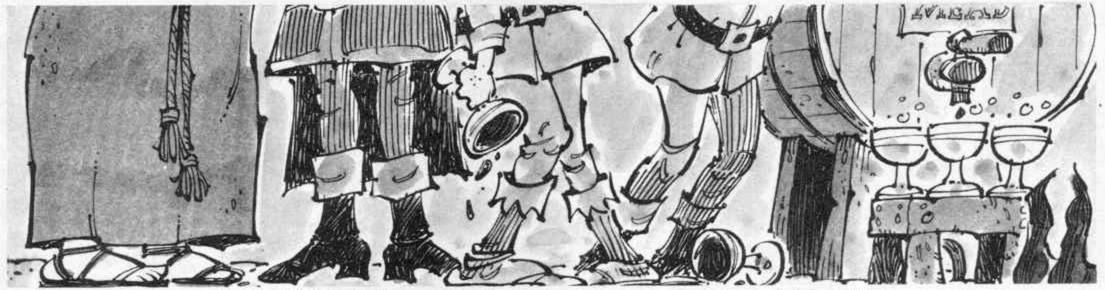
WRITER: PAUL PETER PORGES



*"Hey! One for all . . . remember!?"



*"Alexander Portnoy! We're still waiting! What are you DOING in there?"



*"So THAT's how you keep your men so merry, Robin!"

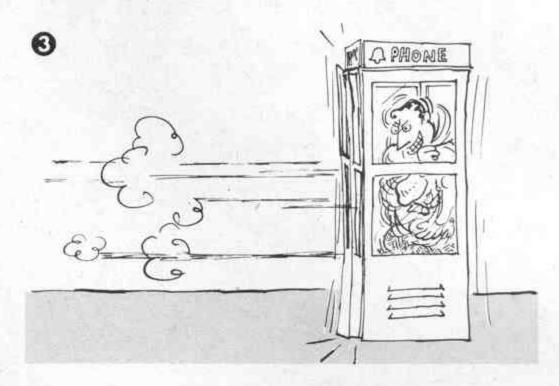


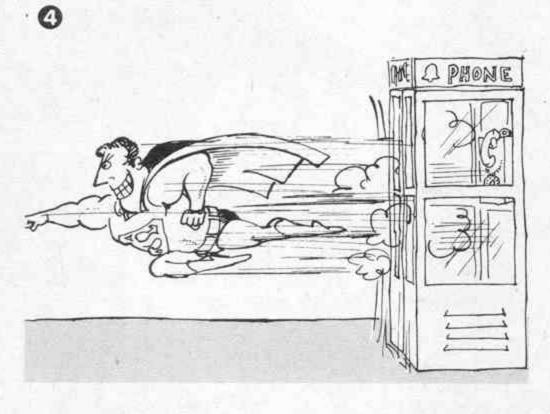
*"Number Eleven...! Thou shalt not throw temper tantrums!"

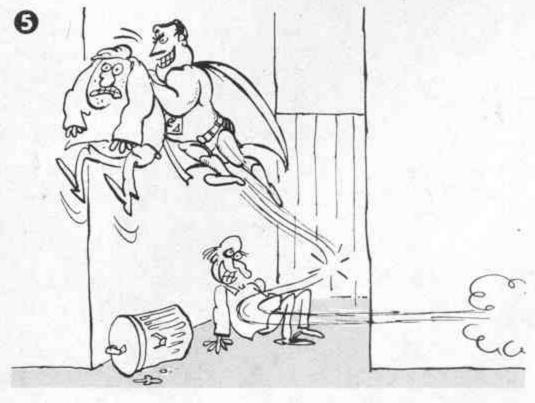
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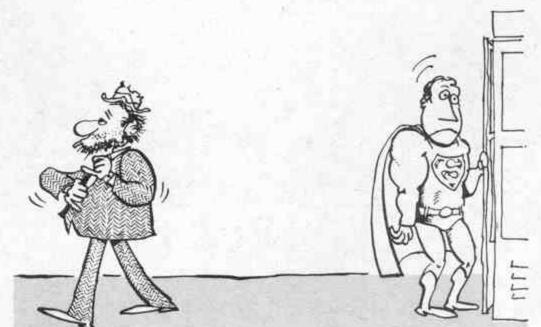












With women making enormous strides toward freedom in recent years, everyone seems to have gotten on the bandwagon, including Television. However, one thing puzzles us: If they must give us all of those "Female-Oriented Situation Comedies," why does TV insist upon making their women characters so damn obnoxious? Take Maude, f'rinstance! Or Rhoda! Or, if you've got an exceptionally strong stomach, Phyllis! And now, the King of the Sit-Coms, Norman Lear, has given us not one, but THREE nauseating females to swallow in one gulp. Namely, a Divorcee and her two daughters. We don't know about you, but we can't digest them all at once. In fact, we can't even take them . . .

ONE DAME AT A TIME





But enough about me! Bobka, what's your typical, relevant sitcom-type problem this week? Wait! Let me guess! You tried pot! Even better! You skipped pot and went to heroin! You can level with me! Remember, I want to help you! I love you! You mean more to me than life!

Okay! My problem is: I don't have anything to wear! None of my jeans have holes in them, and all the kids will laugh

YOU DIRTY ROTTEN KID! YOU'RE NOT MY DAUGHTER! YOU'RE ONE OF THE BRADY BUNCH!

me out of school!



You call THAT a problem

for a growing girl on a

post-Family Hour show?!?

Tonight, I'm going to lock

Ghoulie, your sister really disappointed me! I hope you can make up for it! So tell me . . . what's new with you, and it better be something REALLY GOOD!!

Mom, you remember Herbie, who took me to the Prom a few months ago, and we stayed out almost all night?! Well . . . I'm expecting-

Thank God! You're PREGNANT!!

Let me finish! I'm expecting him over tonight to watch "Little House On The Prairie". . .



Yecch! What you said! Where did you get such a clean mouth all of a sudden?!?

One of the kids smuggled a Donny and Marie record into Amy's "Sweet

Ahah! That explains it!

The HALL CLOSET?!? Mom,

if you lock me in there

with all your sick PORNO

MAGAZINES, there's no

I've noticed that you girls have been acting mighty strange lately! You're just not yourselves these days! Now, what's bothering you?





Okay . . . you wanna know what's bugging us? I'll tell you! It's this apartment! We have no privacy! We can't breathe! There just isn't enough room in here for the four of us!

What do you mean, FOUR of us?!? You're one . . . I'm two . . . Bobka is three . . . WHO'S FOUR??



Why, it's . . . chuckle, chuckle . . . Drain Sniper, our swinging, sex-starved Building Super, who always shows up out of nowhere and has complete run of our home and our lives! Drain, you silly goose . . . chuckle, chuckle! What's the idea of practicing your golf swing in my apartment?!?

Stop complaining! Just be thankful my **POLO PONY** is sick!!

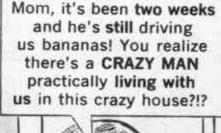












I've tried everything, but he still keeps coming out of the woodwork! I'm at the end of my rope! Girls! I'm afraid there's only one thing to do! No, Mom . . you CAN'T kill him!!

Yes you can! Yes you can!!





MARRY HIM?!? Mom, that is total idiocy! Why?? Tell me WHY?!? Don't ask questions! Just trust me! Of course, I don't even know if Drain WANTS to marry me! And I really don't know how to ASK him . . .! Don't worry, Mom! Somehow, I've got a sneaky feeling he already got your message!



What did you have in mind . . .? A catered affair . . . or something intimate for just the immediate family . . .?







Awww, look . . .! How nice! He's carrying her across the threshold!

Isn't that a warm, familiar sight!

It's the same way he carries out the garbage!



And that's usually what happens to the garbage, too!!





Girls, you've just learned a valuable lesson! Don't ever forget it! Namely—there is only ONE WAY to get rid of a sex-starved letch and have him out of your life forever . . .





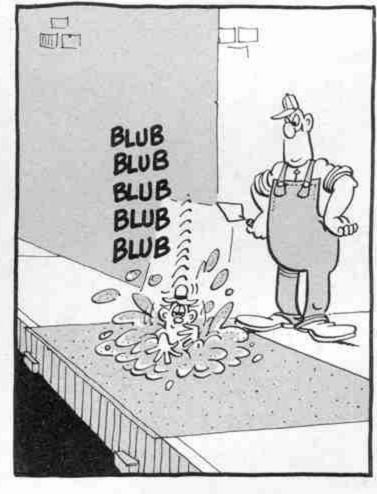
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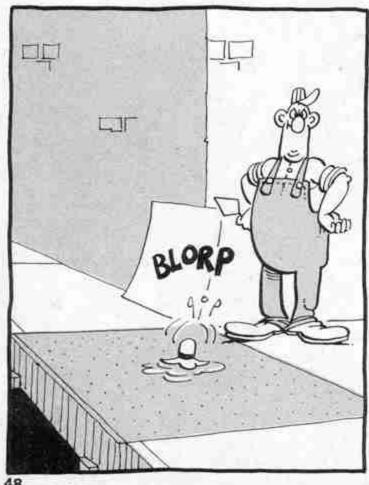


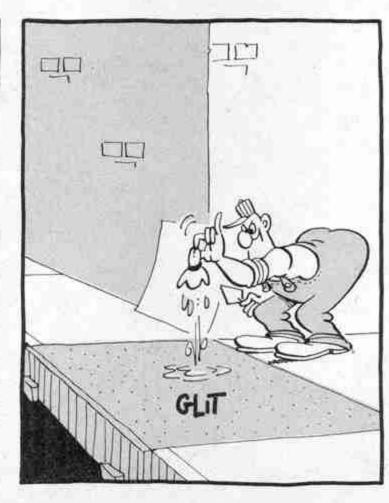














MORES

SCENES WE'D LIKE TO SEE

(THE FROG PRINCE)



