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# MAD

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**What?** You say I'm not covered? Are you sure you're from my insurance company? The one that only insures safe drivers so that it can charge ridiculously low premiums? Are you the man from "Safe Form Insurance"? You are? Then you must be kidding about not paying for the accident I just had! You're not! Whaddayamean I should read the small print in my policy, mainly Paragraph A, Column 7, Sub-paragraph 1, Micro-line 2, where it says: "The company charges low premiums by insuring safe drivers, and anyone who has an accident is obviously not a safe driver, which cancels the policy!" Bu-but, if you don't pay I'll lose my car, my home, my family... everything! I'll DIE!" What's that? You want to remind me that my Life Insurance policy with you says that I must die of natural causes or else it's cancelled, and dying of bankruptcy is not a natural cause! No wonder it's called **SAFE FORM MUTUAL Insurance Company**! It's safe for you... not me! Home Office: Sneaky Wording, O.



*Based on Mental Case # 34532, sickening details on request.*

*In some states (where we can), we pull even niftier dodges than the one you just read.*

# MAD

"In the old days on radio, you used to wonder what the studio audience was laughing at. Nowadays on TV, you wonder why!"

Alfred E. Neuman

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The Usual Gang of Idiots

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Sid Caesar contributes his version of a typical Hollywood success movie, and we promptly make it a typical **MAD** failure.

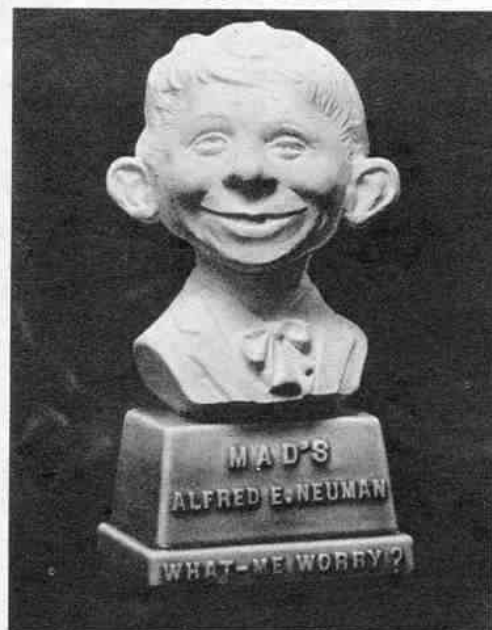
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This "hip" translation of a popular poem by Edgar Allan Poe struck us as a good idea originally, but ended up "for the birds."

# HAVE YOUR OWN MAD SHOW with this HALF-BAKED CAST

A LIFE-LIKE, 3 DIMENSIONAL  
BISQUE CHINA REPLICA OF  
**ALFRED E.  
NEUMAN**



Yes, this delightful chalk-white bisque china bust of Alfred E. Neuman, our "What-Me Worry?" kid, is a show all it's own, and the minute you raise the curtain on it for your friends, you'll know it's a hit. Mainly because it's-a hit with-a tomatoes and-a eggs and-a anything else they can get their hands on. So act today! Have a big "Opening" soon. Namely, when it comes wrapped up!

use coupon or duplicate

## MAD BUST

225 LAFAYETTE STREET  
NEW YORK 12, NEW YORK

Please rush my bust(s) of Alfred E. Neuman. I want to have my own MAD show... an "Idiot's Delight".

I ENCLOSE \$\_\_\_\_\_ FOR:

- ☐ 5½" Bust(s) at \$2.00 each  
☐ 3¾" Bust(s) at \$1.00 each

INDICATE  
AMOUNT AND  
NUMBER OF  
BUSTS

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ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ ZONE \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_

## LETTERS DEPT.



### POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION

Recently, this company published a book titled "A Pictorial History of the Marine Corps." Among other photographs used on the jacket was the enclosed picture of a combat Marine being relieved from front-line duty. This photograph generated so much public interest that we offered a free copy of the book to anyone who could identify him. The story was picked up by newspapers throughout the country, and the identification of this Marine has now taken on the proportions of a national search. According to letters we have received, he is undoubtedly Alfred E. Neuman. We would very much appreciate your running the picture so that your readers may confirm our belief that we have at last ended our search.

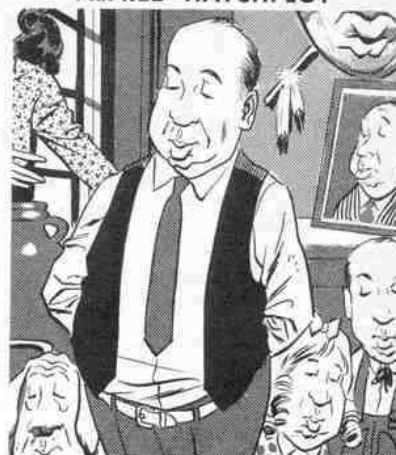
George Rinehart  
Rinehart & Co., Publishers  
New York City



Alfred E. Neuman?

Hi! Marginal Marvin again, with another session of "MAD Y'OX," the game that makes any clod into a gag cartoonist as long as he can make an "O" and an "X!"

### ALFRED HATCHPLOT



### How'd They Make The Scene?

At the end of the "Alfred Hatchplot Movie," the former Mrs. Getzoff tells Sheldon that after he was gone seven years she remarried and had children. Since Sheldon was only gone seven years, I fail to see how all them brats made the scene!

Don Schumacher  
Garden City, N. Y.

Well, that's Show Biz!—Ed.

### ILLUMINATED SIGNS

I read with amusement the article, "Hazards of Illuminated Signs" in your March issue. This actually happened here in the Oil Capital a few months ago, when the "C" burned out in the big "SINCLAIR" sign.

Henry L. Kirchner  
Oklahoma City, Okla.

So?—Ed.

### DON'T TELL ME

Who are you guys trying to impress? In your last issue, you listed four respectable names and addresses in a row on your correspondence page. You claim that you received a letter from someone at *Science Digest*, and also three from Harvard, Notre Dame and Princeton Universities, respectively. Don't tell me that any self-respecting student at these schools reads the rag!

George Hewitt  
Pottstown, Pa.

No, they're all Professors!—Ed.

## Here's The SEVENTH WONDER Of The WORLD!



### THE LATEST MAD POCKET-SIZE BOOK SON OF MAD

This collection of humor, parody, satire and garbage joins "The MAD Reader", "MAD Strikes Back", "Inside MAD", "Utterly MAD", "The Brothers MAD" and "The Bedside MAD" to make "The Seven Wonders of The World". Namely, everybody's wondering why they sell!

YOURS BY MAIL FOR 40c

THE COMPLETE COLLECTION—ALL SEVEN—FOR \$2.25  
Mail Money to: MAD, POCKET DEPT.,  
225 Lafayette St., New York 12, N. Y.





All you have to do to play "MAD Y'OX" is: Think of a gag situation, then illustrate it with "O's" and "X's"... like these...

## WITH A LITTLE WORK

As an ardent reader of MAD since its first issue in 1952, I am writing for the first time to tell you of the tremendous impression your latest issue made upon me. Never on these shores has such timely and pertinent satire been published. Your usual superior humor has been outclassed by this issue, and I feel that it has brought MAD one step closer to being a rival to *Punch*. With a little work, MAD could someday be in the pocket of every intellectual in America, as it should be right now.

Mike Brown  
Kansas City, Mo.

Instead of being in the pocket of every CLOD in America, as it is right now!—Ed.

## MAD LABELS

I was really surprised when I bought the new MAD Annual (*More Trash From MAD*, #2). My mother really went "mad" over the MAD Labels. Never have I heard such shrieks of joy from this unusually reserved person. Also, shrieks of horror from my father when he saw my mother calmly opening a can of "Tuna Brand Fancy Bumble Bees." Even the baby shrieked at the sight of "Belch-Nor Strained Babies." I also got kicked out of the Supermarket for switching labels on "Retchup" bottles. And I was the life of the party when I produced a pack of "Cancer Cigarettes." Please, oh, please, how can I get more of these labels?

Ann Thomas  
Gary, Indiana

Buy another copy of "More Trash From MAD No. 2." No fools we!—Ed.

## SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

A limited number of back issues of MAD are available for those interested in completing their collections, mainly regular issues 42-52, and the Annuals: "The Worst From MAD" No's. 1 & 2, and "More Trash From MAD" No. 1. Regular issues may be had for 25¢ each (5 for \$1.00), and the Annuals may be had for 50¢ each (All 3 for \$1.25). Mail money to: MAD, Back Issue Dept., 225 Lafayette Street, New York 12, New York.

## BOWLING

It looks to me as though you guys in "Modern Sources of Untapped Energy" are working at a disadvantage, mainly in the bowling picture, you're playing with eleven pins!

John Swift  
Middletown, Conn.



## Eleven Pins?

In the past, I have found bowling (using ten pins) to be an extremely boring game. I am, however, profoundly interested in the game shown in "Modern Sources of Untapped Energy" (MAD #53), played with eleven pins. I would deeply appreciate your sending me the rules for this game.

Robert L. Davis  
Columbus, Ohio

If we knew the rules, we wouldn't be playing with eleven pins!—Ed.

## MAD INVADES TELEVISION

I quit! Everywhere I go, all I hear is MAD! The other night, while watching a perfectly normal TV show, namely "Leave it to Beaver," I heard Wally, one of the stars, mention how his English teacher reads MAD Magazine to his class because he thinks it's funny. Now you're invading television!

Mickey Olsen  
Red Bank, N. J.

By the time this letter is published, the Pontiac "Special," *Four For Tonight* featuring MAD will have demonstrated that we've not only invaded television, we've destroyed it!—Ed.

Please address all correspondence to:  
MAD, Dept. 55, Rm. 706, 225 Lafayette St.  
New York 12, New York

# FEELING LOW LATELY?

GET A BIG LIFT with

**MAD  
FOR KEEPS  
AND  
MAD  
FOREVER**



**MAD  
FOR KEEPS**



**MAD  
FOREVER**

These hard-bound de-luxe anthologies contain the best material (each different) from past issues of MAD Magazine. You get 128 pages of riotous material, many in vivid color, and a foreword by Ernie Kovacs in **MAD FOR KEEPS**. You get 136 pages of hilarious satire, also many in vivid color, with an introduction by Steve Allen in **MAD FOREVER**. And you get a big lift from both, mainly if you sit on 'em!

MAD ANTHOLOGY DEPARTMENT  
225 Lafayette Street  
New York City 12, N. Y.

I've been feeling low lately, and I want to get to the seat of my troubles. That's why I'm ordering:

☐ **MAD FOR KEEPS** ☐ **MAD FOREVER**

(Indicate number of copies of each)  
I enclose \$2.95 per copy ordered.

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CITY \_\_\_\_\_ ZONE \_\_\_\_\_

STATE \_\_\_\_\_

## THIS IS THE END OF THEM!



Yep, this is the end of them crummy ads we run on these pages, this one announcing that we're still trying to get rid of full-color pictures of our "What-Me Worry?" kid, Alfie. Mail 25c to: Dept. "What-Color?" c/o MAD, 225 Lafayette St., N.Y.C.

## YOU'LL HAVE A DEUCE OF A TIME WITH YOUR SUBSCRIPTION TO MAD

(Mainly because that's what it costs you!)

MAD SUBSCRIPTIONS  
225 LAFAYETTE ST.  
NEW YORK CITY 12, N. Y.

I enclose \$2.00. Add my name to your subscription list and send me the next nine issues of MAD. This means I'll get laughs by mail regularly, from my postman when he delivers it.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_

STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZONE \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: Allow 8 weeks for subscription to be processed

The most important part of running a publication is the job of editing it, which simply means knowing what to **put in**, and what to **leave out**! But most big-time magazine editors are chicken, and often, so as not to offend anybody, they leave out the juiciest parts of an article. On this theory, we looked into some recent articles that appeared in well-known picture magazines, and discovered these . . .

# PICTURES THE EDITORS LEFT OUT

OF THAT PICTURE-MAGAZINE ARTICLE

FOR INSTANCE, HERE IS A CAREFULLY-EDITED  
ARTICLE THAT APPEARED IN A  
PICTURE-MAGAZINE  
RECENTLY . . .

**LICE** is there . . . as . . .

*Mary Lou Va Voom*  
WINS

"MISS ENTIRE SOLAR SYSTEM"  
TITLE

We follow her through a day hectic with excitement, and we take simply marvelous pictures that reveal her every thought, her every inner conflict, her every mood, her every emotion, and her every curve.



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2:00 P.M. During competition, Mary Lou displays talent by reciting carefully rehearsed speech on "Kindness and Clean Living," hoping judges will respond warmly to it.



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5:00 P.M. Mary Lou's childhood sweetheart, the boy next door, Melvin Goodslab, proposes marriage right after the contest, and tears well up in Mary Lou's beautiful eyes.



ARTIST: JOE ORLANDO

WRITER: AL JAFFEE

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"Getting out, please!  
Getting out . . ."



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"Miss, I tell you that  
left engine's on fire!"

## Pictures Deliberately Edited Out



**11:04 A.M.** Mary Lou sneaks down to drool at the prizes and dream of how all her friends will just die of envy if she wins them . . . and how she'll just die if she doesn't!



**2:12 P.M.** Contest judges respond warmly to Mary Lou's recitation, mainly because she punctuates delivery with enchanting movements which she also carefully rehearsed.



**4:16 P.M.** Wild frenzy gets wilder as other contestants' congratulations show they feel far more regally qualified.

**5:05 P.M.** Tears subside in Mary Lou's beautiful eyes as Melvin gets off her foot. She then informs him that she's accepting Hollywood offer, and leaves with a big producer.



# SPORTS ILLUSIONS

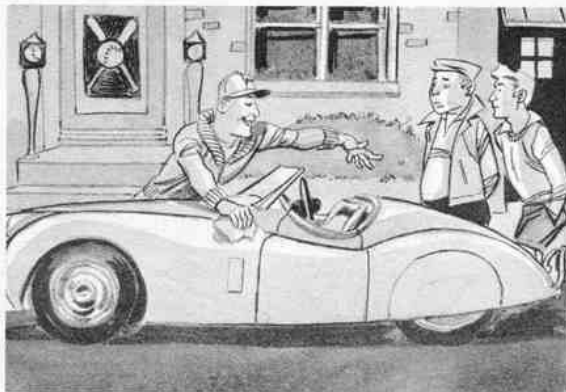
honors  
THE IDOL  
OF THE  
NATION'S  
YOUTH

## "HOME-RUN" HARNEY



By his exemplary actions, both on the field and off, HOLBROOK "HOME-RUN" HARNEY is inspiring our youth to greater athletic achievements.

### Pictures That Appeared in Article



9:00 A.M. "Home-Run" Harney starts off day working around house, polishes up his Jaguar, claims it's "the greatest car made anywhere."



1:15 P.M. Appears on pre-game TV program, tells youth of America that he values playing clean, showing good sportsmanship, above all.



4:00 P.M. As guest speaker at a meeting of National Safety Council, advises America's teen drivers of "safety first" responsibility.

4:31 P.M. Harney receives "Elsie" award at Milk Fund show after he advises clean living, and swears he never drinks anything but milk.



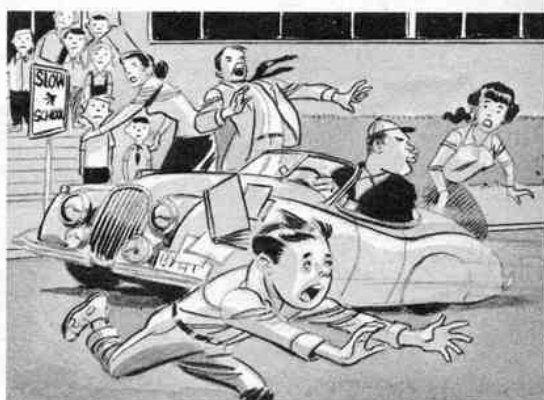
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10:00 A.M. "Home-Run" visits an Advertising Agency, poses for Ford testimonial ad which claims it's "the greatest car made anywhere."



1:30 P.M. Gets thrown out of game by umpire for using obscene language, gleefully spiking the second baseman, and starting a fist fight.



4:22 P.M. Rushes from meeting of National Safety Council, across town, to TV studio to do benefit for Children's Milk Fund campaign.

6:00 P.M. (and into the wee hours), Harney drinks dinner, entertains other sport-lovers at a friendly neighborhood recreation center.



"Gentlemen of the jury,  
have you reached a verdict?"

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# GOOK MAGAZINE

presents  
THE  
HONORABLE  
VERNON  
T.  
BALOTSTUFER  
STORY

## Pictures That Appeared in Article



11:00 A.M. Sen. Balotstuffer appears before Congress, makes impassioned plea for his slum-clearance bill to help poor in hometown area.



2:15 P.M. As chairman of investigating subcommittee, he chastizes labor leader for such abuses as featherbedding and payroll-padding.



4:00 P.M. Makes TV appearance for taxpayer group, reaffirms his dedication to fight for economies, less waste in government spending.

6:00 P.M. Tells Gook reporter that Nation's most important freedom, which he would defend to his last drop of blood, is freedom of press.



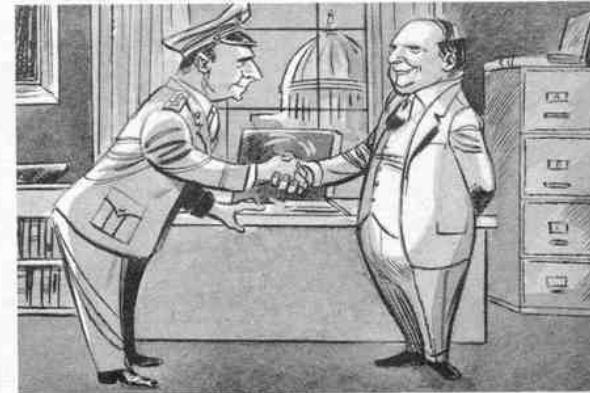
## Pictures Deliberately Edited Out



11:20 A.M. He drops in to see how Dad and brothers are doing with new construction company they recently purchased in hometown area.



2:45 P.M. Rushes over to office to disburse own payroll to wife (secretary), uncle (legal adviser), baby (assistant), and dog (typist).



5:00 P.M. Visits friend, Air-Force General Klod, arranges round-the-world investigation tour for self and family in new B-58 bomber.

12:00 Midnight: Leads a group of supporters as they tar and feather MAD reporter who dug up these photos the magazine editors left out.



"I said my name is Gulliver!"



HONESTY  
INTEGRITY  
FAIR PLAY

"There is no more noble cause than to answer the call to public service!"  
—Plato

# DON MARTIN DEPT. PART I

Don Martin, MAD's maddest artist, who hasn't been to a symphony since he got married because now he faces the music at home, recalls for us his last experience at—

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Stop worrying! These grandstands have been standing for 50 years!

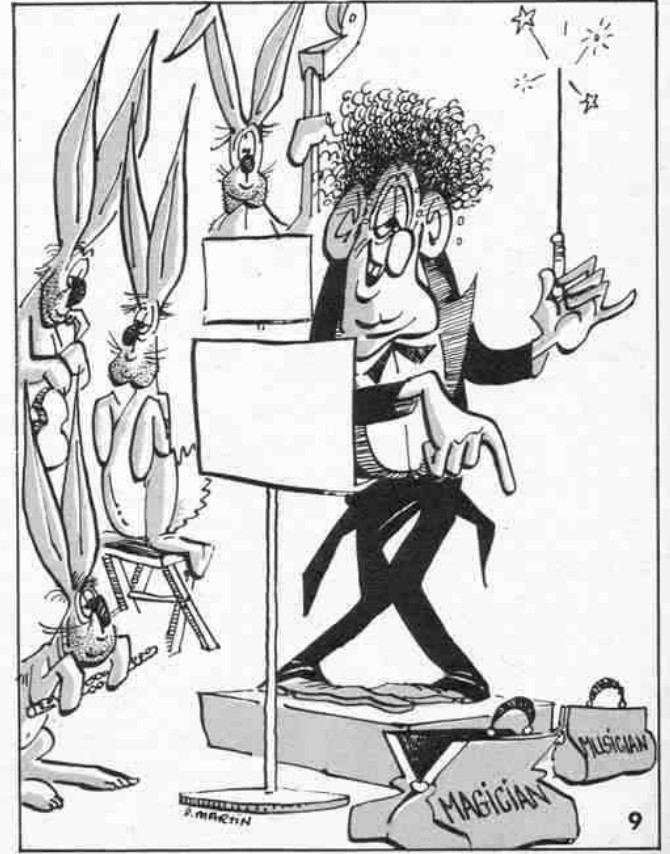
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# CONCERT

"Miss Jones, I'm afraid  
there's no place for you  
in the Rockettes!"



"Will the real Stanley  
Sternwallow stand up...?"

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As a result of the recent Congressional Investigation into television plugs (inspired by "Spot That Plug" — MAD #50), the networks have cracked down on the practice of mentioning brand names over the air for money. This has created quite a

# MAD BEATS THE TV

## ...WITH THESE NEW

### I've Got A Secret

And now, if you'll whisper your secret to me, Mr. Shnook, we'll let the folks at home see what it is...



I POURED A CAN OF TOMATO SOUP INTO AN ELECTRIC RAZOR BEFORE I SOLD IT TO HENRY MORGAN!

### Omnibus

... A book of Verses underneath the Bough,  
A Jug of Wine, a Loaf of Bread—and Thou  
Beside me singing in the Wilderness—  
Oh, Wilderness were Paradise enow!

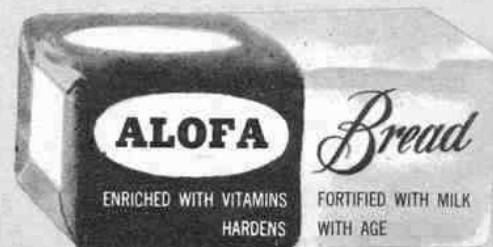


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EXAMPLE  
HERE ARE  
SOME TYPICAL  
TV SHOWS THAT  
WERE CAREFULLY  
SCREENED AND  
FOUND TO BE  
FREE OF ANY  
DIRECT  
PLUGS

ARTIST: BOB CLARKE

WRITER: PAUL KRASSNER

YET,  
HERE  
ARE THE  
ACTUAL NEW  
MAD BRAND-NAME  
PRODUCTS THAT WERE  
INADVERTENTLY  
PLUGGED ON  
EACH OF  
THESE  
SHOWS





problem for the manufacturers of brand names: mainly, how can they continue to reach the clods who depend on these mentions so they know what brand to ask for when they go to the store? And so, with this article, we offer a simple solution, as . . .

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"I swear it! I left my  
 commutation ticket  
 at home!"

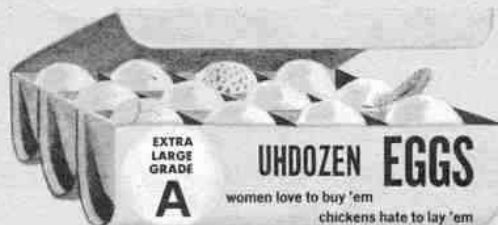
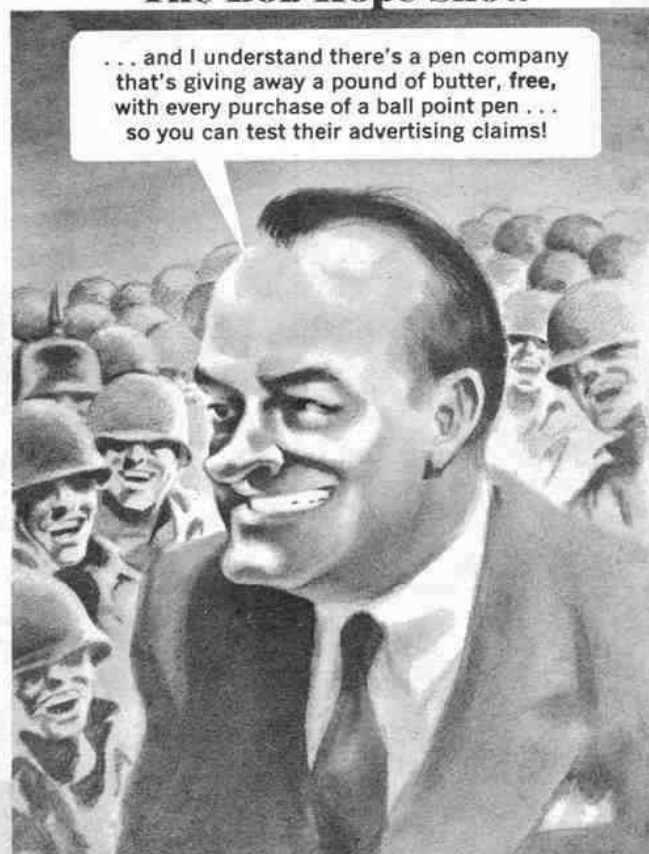
# PLUG CRACKDOWN

## BRAND-NAME PRODUCTS

### The Life Of Riley



### The Bob Hope Show



## HARD SPELL DEPT

"The MAD Horror Primer" (Issue #49) received such a GREAT response from our readers (i.e. "A GREAT disappointment!"—B.F., Phila., Pa.; "It would be GREAT if you discontinued this type feature!"—L.D., Dallas, Tex.; "Articles like that GRATE on my nerves!"—F.H., Fresno, Calif.) that we've decided to present another primer. This one is for the benefit of any children under seven (in other words, ALL of our readers) who may possibly be interested in working in the advertising field when they grow up.

# THE MAD MADISON AVENUE PRIMER

ARTIST: WALLACE WOOD WRITER: LARRY SIEGEL

"Take the turnpike, and you'll avoid traffic, you said. Hah!"

## Lesson 3

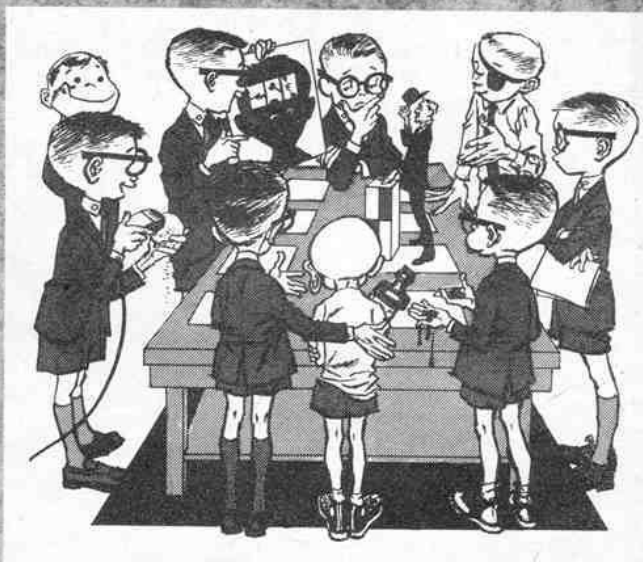
See the pretty street.  
It is called "Madison Avenue".  
All the ad-men work here.  
They write "Winston tastes good..." here.  
Write, write, write.  
They write "Mr. Clean, Mr. Clean..." here.  
Write, write, write.  
Don't you wish you could write like that?  
You can.  
You're almost seven now.



# MY FIRST READER

(EDUCATION-WISE)

Rock-Bottom Slants for Little Group-Noodlers



By Batton, Barton, Durstine  
& Cowznofsky

## Lesson 4



See the nice advertising agency.  
400 nice people work here.  
Let us count the 400 nice people.  
Count, count, count.  
Hmmm! 300 nice people are missing.  
The nice advertising agency must have  
lost another nice \$4-million account.  
Dear, dear, dear.  
Where are the 300 nice people now?  
At the nice Unemployment Insurance office.  
Sign, sign, sign.  
Isn't job security nice on Madison Avenue?



## Lesson 1



See the man.  
He does advertising work.  
He is called an "ad-man".  
See his funny tight suit.  
See his funny haircut.  
Hear his funny stomach churn.  
Churn, churn, churn.  
The ad-man has a funny ulcer.  
Most ad-men have funny ulcers.  
But, then, some ad-men are lucky.  
They do *not* have funny ulcers.  
They have funny high blood pressure.

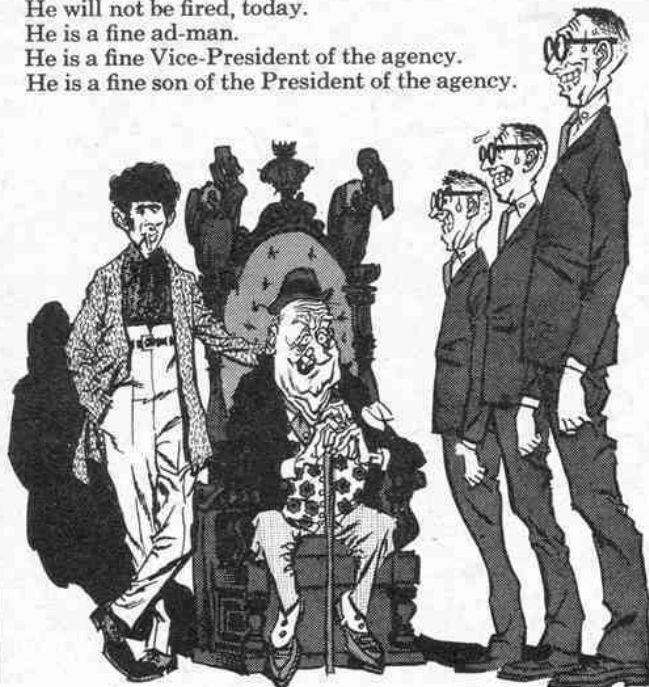
## Lesson 2



See the ad-man run.  
Run, ad-man, run.  
The ad-man must catch the 8:02.  
All ad-men must catch the 8:02.  
It is a fast commuter train.  
It is never more than two hours late.  
And it has a club car.  
"All aboard!" says the conductor.  
"Chug, chug!" says the train.  
"Gulp, gulp!" says the ad-man.  
Wouldn't you like Bourbon for breakfast, too?

## Lesson 5

See the kindly old man.  
He is the President of the agency.  
He has fired 132 people today.  
And it isn't even lunch time yet.  
Fire, fire, fire.  
See the fine young man with him.  
He will not be fired, today.  
He is a fine ad-man.  
He is a fine Vice-President of the agency.  
He is a fine son of the President of the agency.

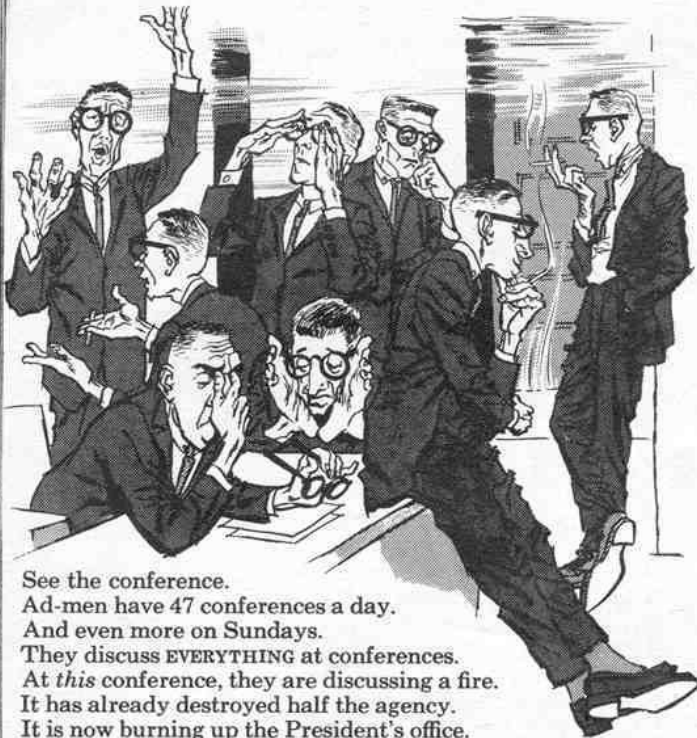


## Lesson 6



See the Account Executive.  
His accounts are Puffo Cigarettes,  
Bubble Soap, and Flaky Cereal.  
The agency loves and trusts him.  
Kiss, kiss, kiss.  
Trust, trust, trust.  
Next week he will resign.  
He will form his own agency.  
He will have three accounts in his agency.  
They will be Puffo Cigarettes,  
Bubble Soap, and Flaky Cereal.  
Bounce, bounce, bounce.  
That's the way the ball bounces on Madison Avenue.

## Lesson 7



See the conference.  
Ad-men have 47 conferences a day.  
And even more on Sundays.  
They discuss EVERYTHING at conferences.  
At *this* conference, they are discussing a fire.  
It has already destroyed half the agency.  
It is now burning up the President's office.  
Crackle, crackle, crackle.  
What will the ad-men do about the fire?  
Soon they will make a BIG decision.  
But not at *this* conference.  
Perhaps at the *next* conference.

## Lesson 8



See the jolly client.  
He sponsors a TV dramatic show.  
He never finished the 6th Grade.  
He can hardly speak English.  
He can hardly write his name.  
Yet, he re-writes TV scripts.  
Re-write, re-write, re-write.  
Why do you re-write TV scripts, jolly client?  
"Because I do not like sad endings;  
Because I only like happy endings."  
Someday, a TV writer will shoot the jolly client.  
Right in his jolly gut.  
What a happy ending *THAT* will be!

## Lesson 9



See the man rate a TV show.  
See how he arrives at a scientific rating.  
First he makes 10 phone calls.  
Then he puts 10 numbers in his hat.  
Then he closes his eyes tight.  
Then he picks the scientific rating out of his hat.  
Oh-oh! This TV show's rating is 6%.  
Ho-ho! He has made a scientific mistake.  
He has picked out his scientific *hat size*.  
But it is too late.  
It was such a nice TV show, too.  
It cost three million dollars, too.  
It might have remained on the air, too.  
If the man had a bigger head.

## Lesson 10



See the amazing average clod.  
He is the Eighth Wonder of the World.  
He has a 40-year-old body and a 10-year-old mind.  
According to Madison Avenue.  
So they write TV commercials especially for him.  
And they write magazine ads especially for him.  
If this keeps up, the amazing average clod will  
become even more amazing.  
He will no longer have a 40-year-old body and a  
10-year-old mind.  
He will have a 40-year-old body and a  
FIVE-year-old mind.



*There's a weekly program on television which proves an important point . . . namely, that any average, sweet, kindly grandmother with a slightly nasal voice and very little talent can become the star of a big TV show . . . providing her husband is a millionaire-businessman with 400 dance studios and 12 press agents. In other words, to put a little fun in your life, try money! But if you're broke, try . . .*

# THE ARTHUR MONEY PARTY

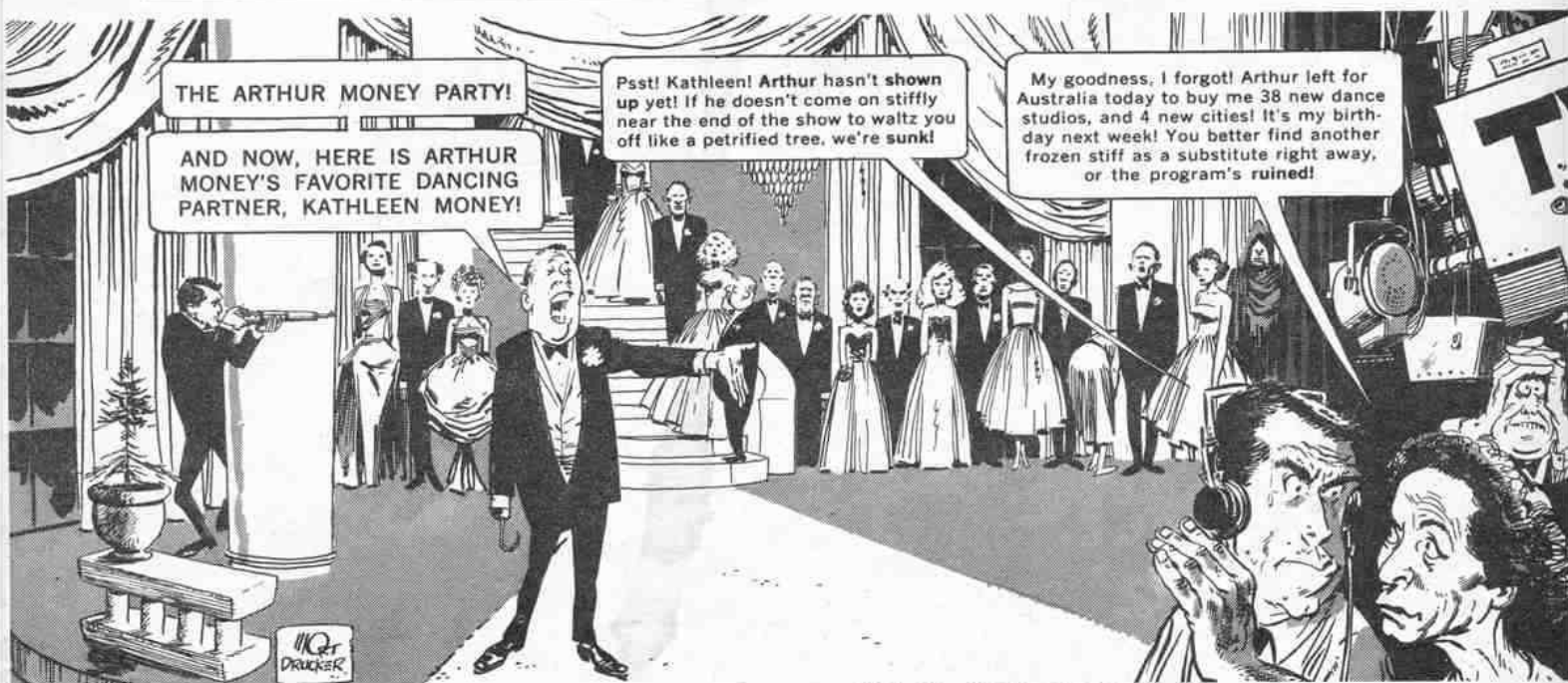
✕  
"Psst! Hey, you dumb  
ox! I was supposed to  
win this wrestling match!"

THE ARTHUR MONEY PARTY!

AND NOW, HERE IS ARTHUR MONEY'S FAVORITE DANCING PARTNER, KATHLEEN MONEY!

Psst! Kathleen! Arthur hasn't shown up yet! If he doesn't come on stiffly near the end of the show to waltz you off like a petrified tree, we're sunk!

My goodness, I forgot! Arthur left for Australia today to buy me 38 new dance studios, and 4 new cities! It's my birthday next week! You better find another frozen stiff as a substitute right away, or the program's ruined!



ARTIST: MORT DRUCKER

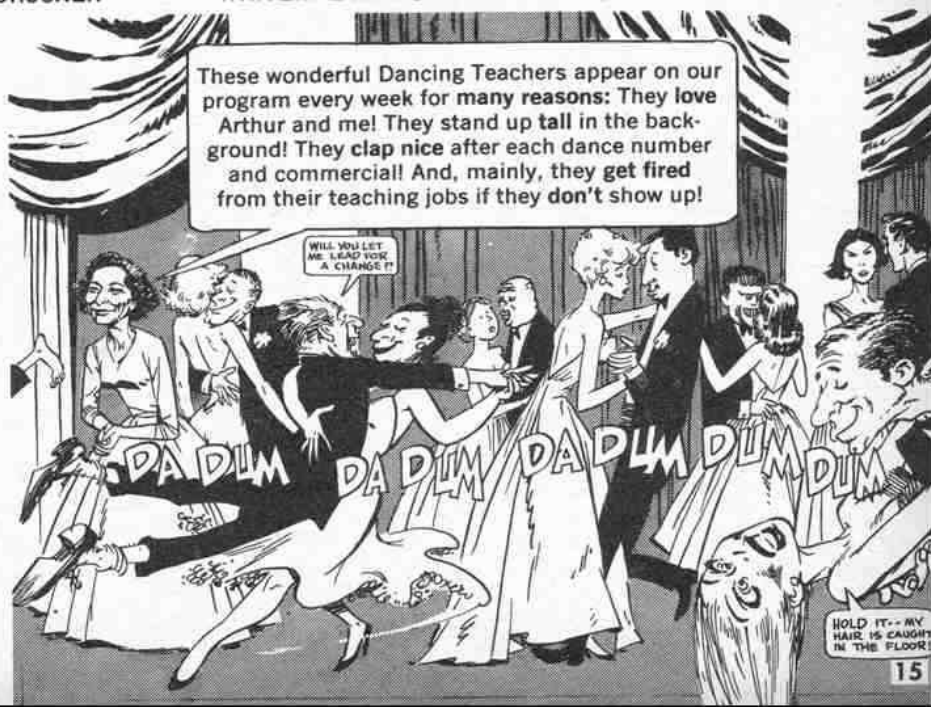
WRITER: LARRY SIEGEL

Ladies and Gentlemen . . . welcome to the Arthur Money Party! For tonight's Dance Contest, Arthur bought me several world-famous guests . . . none of whom, naturally, know how to dance!

But before they embarrass themselves out here on the floor in exchange for plugs and thousands of dollars, I'd like you to meet the ARTHUR MONEY DANCERS!

These wonderful Dancing Teachers appear on our program every week for many reasons: They love Arthur and me! They stand up tall in the background! They clap nice after each dance number and commercial! And, mainly, they get fired from their teaching jobs if they don't show up!

WILL YOU LET ME LEAD YOU A CHANGE?



HOLD IT--MY HAIR IS CAUGHT IN THE FLOOR!  
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And now for tonight's Dance Contest. Our first celebrity to make a fool of himself is that wonderful star of his own Parliament, on another network! Folks, a warm welcome for India's Prime Minister, JAWAHARLAL NEHRU!

Hello, Kathleen! It was so nice of Arthur to buy me for you for tonight's show. And now, if you don't mind, I'll embarrass myself by doing a rather silly Mambo!

Wonderful, Jawaharlal! However, may I suggest you try a Rock 'n Roll number instead of a Mambo! That'll make you look even more foolish!

Anything you say, Kathleen. By the way, I see by the Tele-Prompter that this is the part of the show where you always indulge in some snappy humor, so here goes my straight line:

When I've finished my dance, will you and Arthur give me back to the Indian People?



Of course not, Jawaharlal! You know why not? Now get this: Because Arthur and I are not Indian-Givers!!

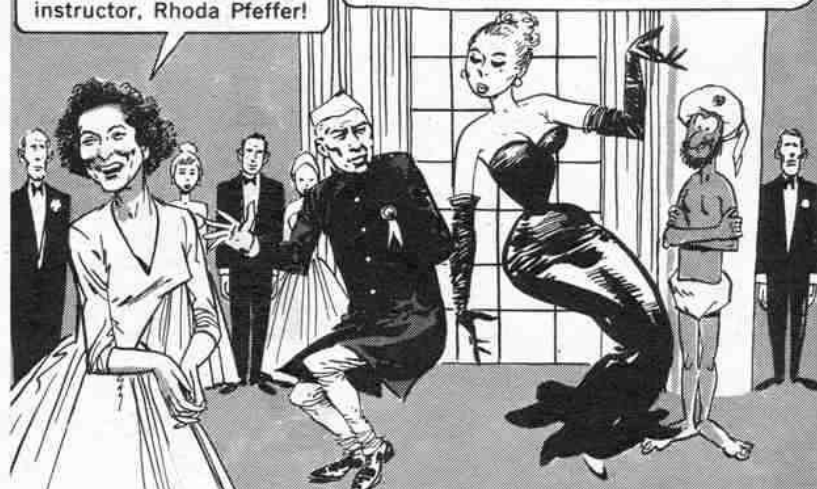
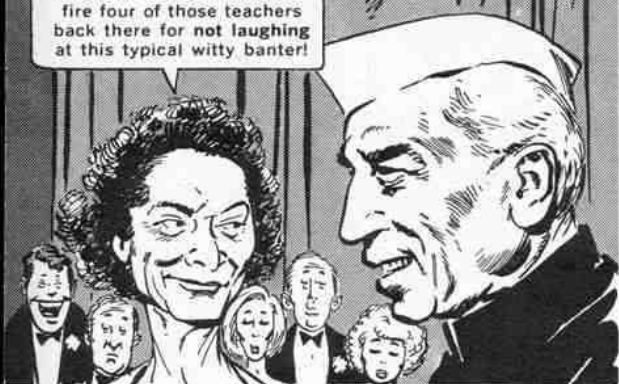
Get it? INDIAN-givers! Tee-hee-hee-hee...

Hmmm! I must remember to fire four of those teachers back there for not laughing at this typical witty banter!

I get it, Kathleen! But didn't one of Arthur's 12 press agents say that for him in Earl Wilson's column in the Bombay Daily Journal?

Ladies and Gentlemen... Prime Minister Nehru, making a fool of himself in a Rock 'n Roll number... with Arthur Money instructor, Rhoda Pfeffer!

By the way, Mr. Nehru owes Arthur and me an apology! One of our 12 press agents did not say that gag for Arthur in Earl Wilson's column! He said it for Arthur in Walter Winchell's column!



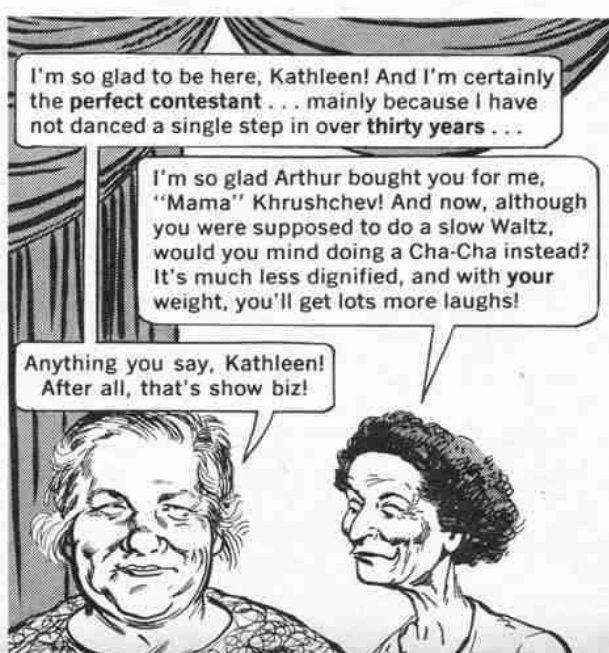
Thank you, Prime Minister Nehru, for making us all thoroughly uncomfortable!

And now for our next guest in the Dance Contest! Here she is, the star of a famous comedy team in their own Kremlin... that very warm and wonderful trouser MRS. NIKITA KHRUSHCHEV!

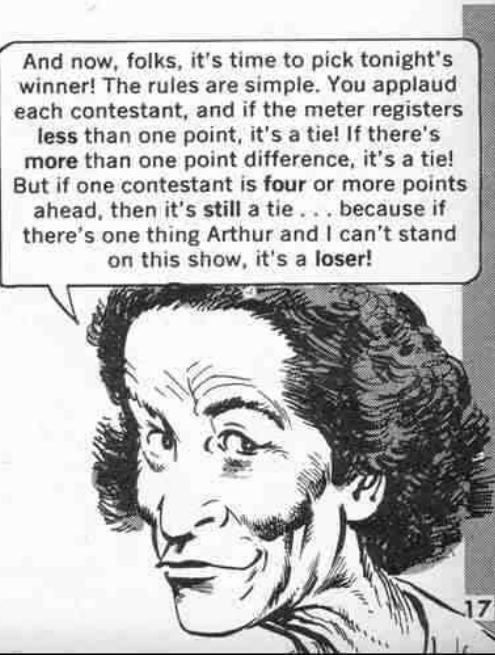
I'm so glad to be here, Kathleen! And I'm certainly the perfect contestant... mainly because I have not danced a single step in over thirty years...

I'm so glad Arthur bought you for me, "Mama" Khrushchev! And now, although you were supposed to do a slow Waltz, would you mind doing a Cha-Cha instead? It's much less dignified, and with your weight, you'll get lots more laughs!

Anything you say, Kathleen! After all, that's show biz!







First, let me hear your applause for India's Prime Minister Nehru ... who made us all feel **really** uncomfortable with a foolish Rock 'n Roll number ...



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| 1<br>I WAS SILLY. | 2<br>I WAS SILLIER. | 3<br>I WAS SILLIEST. | 4<br>WHY DIDN'T I GO ON "SMALL WORLD" INSTEAD? |
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Next, your applause for "Mama" Khrushchev, whom I talked into doing that idiotic Cha-Cha, which she'll never live down!



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And now for the results. Well, here's a surprise! It's our **178th straight tie!** Which means that tonight's winners ... along with the 836 other winners ... will compete against Winston Churchill, who'll do a Bunny-Hug three years from tonight!



And now I'd like to thank tonight's winners by presenting them each with a copper and brass statuette mounted on a cheesebox. We'll be seeing more of them in future contests, because I doubt if we'll ever have a final winner! And now ... it's time ... to ...

Psst! Kathleen! It's okay to close now! We found a wonderful substitute for stiff, emotionless Arthur! He's coming out now to waltz you off ...



And so ends another **ARTHUR MONEY PARTY!** See you next week! In the meantime, **PUT A LITTLE FUN IN YOUR LIFE! TRY DANCING!**



I never saw Arthur look so wonderful!

He's so loose and relaxed tonight!

For a change, he has a warm expression on his face!

That toupee does wonders for him!

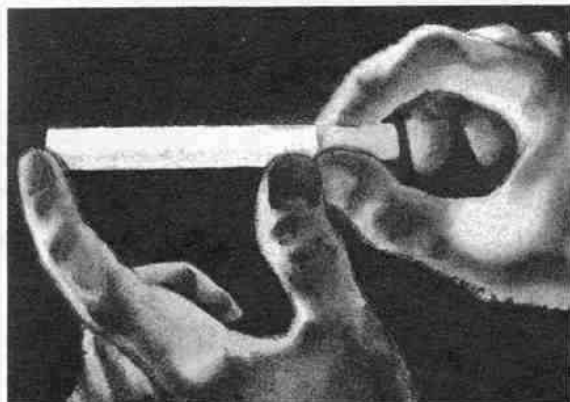
And if you can't dance, **PUT A LITTLE FUN INTO OUR LIVES! TAKE LESSONS AT AN ARTHUR MONEY DANCE STUDIO! MAINLY BECAUSE WE MAKE A FORTUNE ON YOU!**



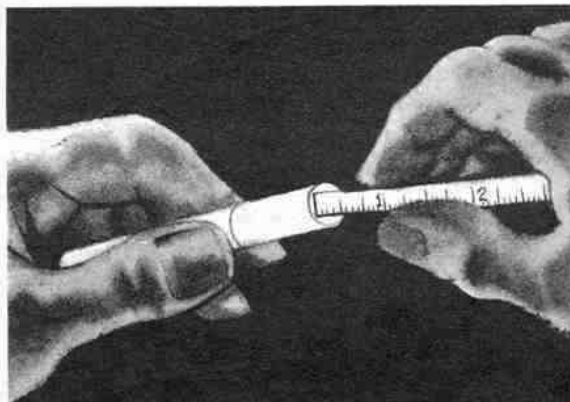


**DURHAM BULL DEPT.**

*Have you noticed the exciting new game they're playing on Madison Avenue these days? The object of this game is to discover some new part of the cigarette to feature in the ads. Like f'rinstance ...*



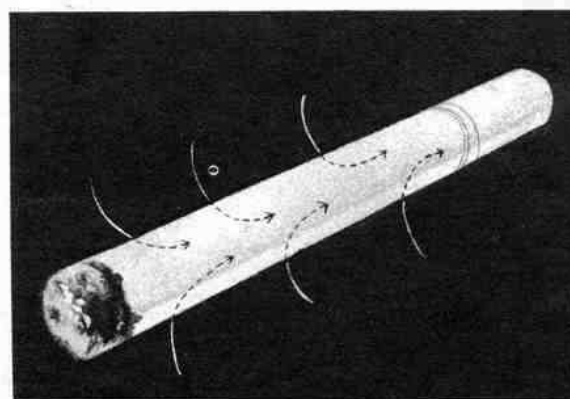
One brand points to the *tobacco section . . .* and screams that "*It's what's up front that counts!*"



Another brand claims that the *filter-recess* is "The most important 1/4 inch in smoking today!"



A third brand boasts that the filter in front of the filter is "the real thing in smoking taste!"



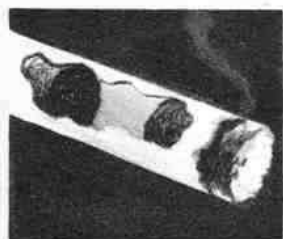
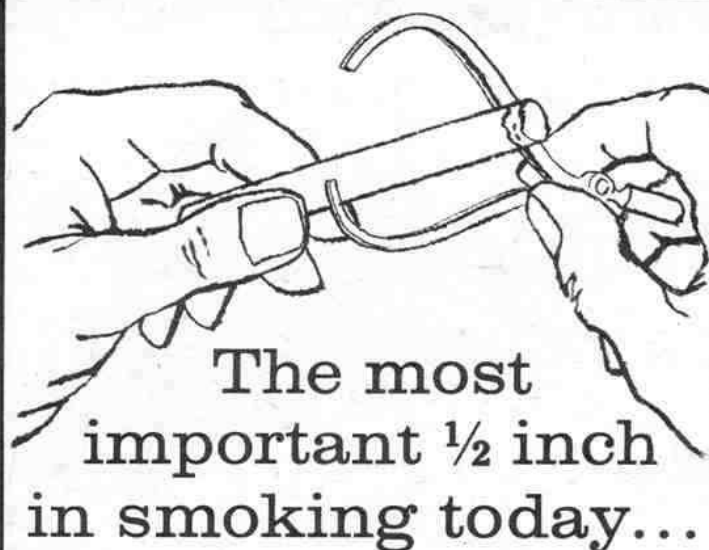
And a fourth brand brags that the whole mess is wrapped in *paper* that "air-softens every puff!"

*The way the agency boys are using up all them cigarette parts playing this exciting new game, we figure they'll run out of territory pretty soon. Mainly, we think the situation will get worse and worse... and so will the advertising copy. Here, for example, are some MAD versions of what we can all expect if Madison Avenue keeps on playing*

# CIGARETTE GEOGRAPHY

ARTIST: BOB CLARKE

WRITER: SY REIT

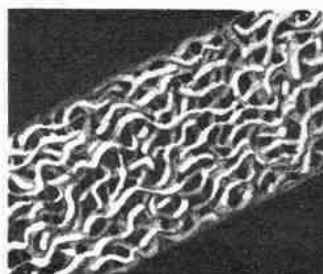


Note the cut-away view of the exclusive **KLODD** air pocket—the amazing  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch of pure, uncontaminated air—scientifically engineered into every **KLODD** cigarette! Independent laboratory tests prove conclusively that **KLODD's**  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch space is completely free of harmful tobacco, a claim unmatched by any other cigarette!

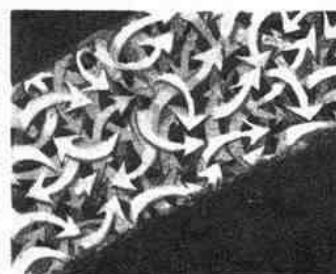
only **Klodd** gives you  
"THE MIRACLE  $\frac{1}{2}$  INCH"

● no harsh taste ● no irritation ● no tobacco

the secret of **ARROW** taste...  
the secret of **ARROW** flavor...  
the secret of **ARROW** mildness...  
IS IN THE SHAPE OF THE TOBACCO CRUMBS!



Micro-photo enlargement of tobacco crumbs in an ordinary cigarette shows that they have irregular, rather disgusting shapes. Also shows that tobacco is loosely-packed. Thus, irregular-shaped crumbs permit tars and nicotine to flow through more easily.



Micro-photo enlargement of tobacco crumbs in **ARROW** cigarette shows that each one is shaped like a tiny arrow. These tiny arrows, all pointing in different directions, tend to confuse tars and nicotine, preventing any from reaching your mouth.

A new direction in smoking

**ARROW**

The Cigarette with  
Pre-Shaped Tobacco Crumbs...  
for that Crumby Flavor.



The better the pastin's, the better the smoke

Take a cigarette from the pack you're now smoking! Tear it apart! Notice the overlapping strip where the cigarette paper is pasted together? This little strip holds the key to your smoking pleasure...

If it hasn't got a good paste here...

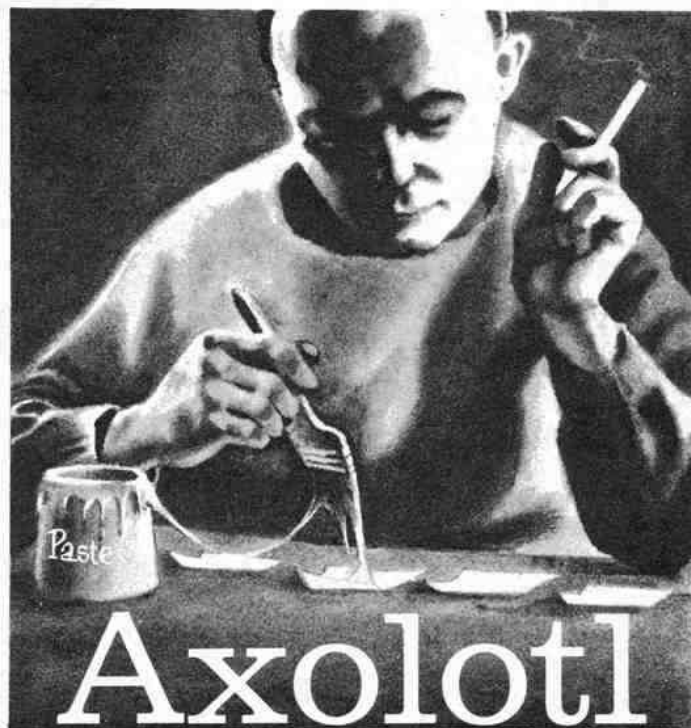


It'll give you a bad paste in the mouth!

Scientific tests, recently concluded, prove that cigarette paper paste affects flavor. Only **AXOLOTL** uses a special blend of fish and horse glues in a top-secret, exclusive formula designed to prevent "paste feedback". The result: Pure tobacco flavor (with a distinct aroma) in every puff!

You get better pastin's in an

*Axolotl cigarette paste contains  
the secret ingredient "SMETANA"*



Switch now... for a good paste in the mouth!



The **STUBB** "Inner-Core"  
helps if you draw!



Running the entire length of every STUBB cigarette—right through the middle—is a filter core made of pure graphite. This makes STUBB the only cigarette on the market today with a full-length filter. It also makes STUBB the only cigarette you can draw pictures with!

But don't take our word for it!  
make the **STUBB** test yourself...



1. First, try drawing with an ordinary cigarette.



2. And now try drawing with a STUBB and see the difference!

The man who draws for himself knows...

only  
**STUBBS**

has a scribbling man's filter  
... a doodling man's taste!



**KING SIZE**  
(for illustrations)



**REGULAR SIZE**  
(for quick sketches)

It's what's printed on the outside  
that counts!

Laboratory tests prove that the brand "monogram" on most cigarettes is printed with inferior inks! That's the big reason why you should smoke

**Potrzebie**

The "monogram" on every POTRZEBIE cigarette is printed with a special blend of carefully prepared, high-grade vegetable dyes, mixed in an expensive, first-quality chicken fat base. That's what makes POTRZEBIE cigarettes so easy on your throat, so friendly to your taste!



Remember the Potrzebie "Monogram" tastes  
good... like a cigarette monogram should!

a threat of sweat

makes the difference!

**HACK**

protects the skin zone



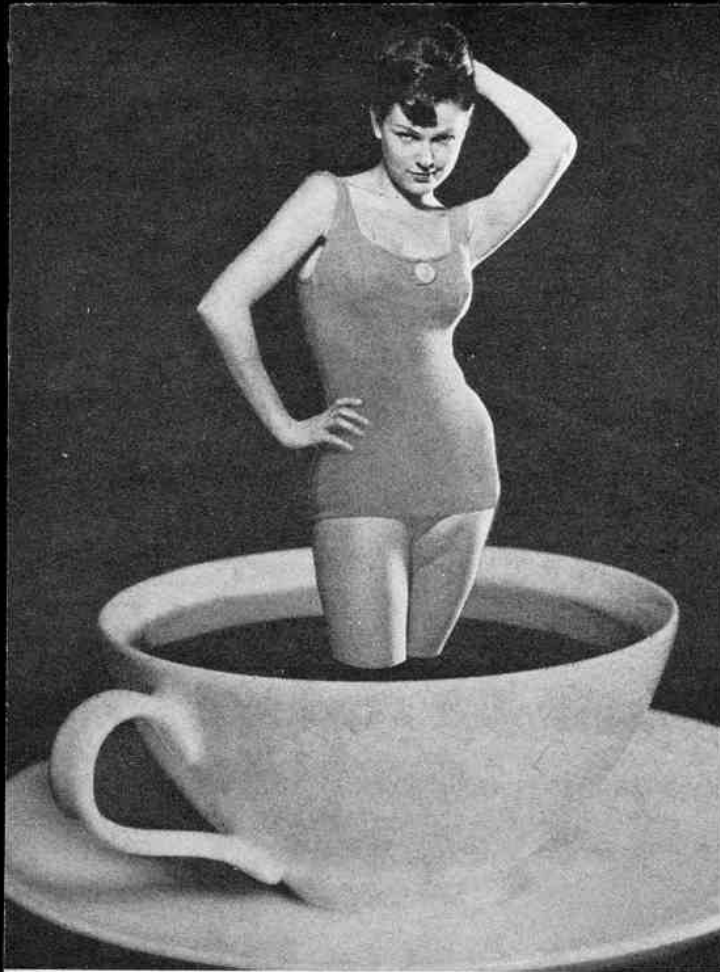
Today's cigarettes are wrapped in "high-porosity" paper! Recent scientific analysis shows that when a cigarette is held between the fingers, invisible oils soak through this paper at the "skin zone"—contaminating the tobacco, and ruining the flavor!

Now HACK protects  
that all important  
"skin zone"... with  
an exciting new feature

Included in each and every pack of HACK is a FRESH, CLEAN, WHITE COTTON GLOVE! Simply slip on glove—light up a HACK—and experience a new high in smoking enjoyment!

**HACK**

IN SOFT PACK—OR CRUSH-PROOF BOX  
For right or left-handed smokers



"WON'T YOU JOIN ME IN A CUP OF COFFEE?"

"SORRY, THE BOSS IS ALL TIED UP!"



"Sure hope that new man knows how to handle a Hook-and-Ladder!"

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# **IDIOM'S DELIGHT DEPT.**

*D'yja ever stop to think about some of the stupid things you say every day? And we're not talking about your opinions or thoughts or ideas, because if you ever stopped to think about them, you wouldn't say 'em. No, we're talking about some of our English idioms, colloquialisms and slang expressions. Mainly, here are . . .*



"SHE WAITED ON PINS AND NEEDLES!"

"DON'T BOLT YOUR FOOD!"





# LITERAL TRANSLATIONS OF FIGURATIVE SPEECH



"SHE TREATS HIM LIKE DIRT!"



"HE'S A HARD MAN TO NAIL DOWN!"

"WE'RE HAVING A FRIEND FOR DINNER!"



"THEY'VE GOT A PRESSING ENGAGEMENT!"



## PUNCH AND BOOTY DEPT.

With this article, MAD turns its attention to I.B.M. CARDS. An I.B.M. CARD is a card with lots of little holes punched in it. When this card is run through an I.B.M. machine, the holes tell all about the person whose name is on the card. Many nosy people, like Melvin E. Blecch, of East Limbo, Ohio, are dying to know just what the companies that use I.B.M. CARDS are finding out from those little holes. So, since Melvin included his latest electric bill, we're going to use it as an example to show

# THE INFORMATION THEY'

# I.B.M.

## HERE IS WHAT THE ELECTRIC CO.'S I. B. M.

- 1 BLECCH'S AGE: 42
- 2 BLECCH'S HEIGHT: 4' 13"
- 3 BLECCH'S WEIGHT: 310
- 4 BLECCH'S I. Q.: 57
- 5 BLECCH'S OCCUPATION: Itinerant Ukulele Stringer

24 TCH! TCH! BLECCH SHOULD BE ASHAMED OF HIMSELF!

23 DURING SUMMER BLECCH HAS ATHLETIC AROMA

22 FARTHEST POINT NORTH REACHED BY AMUNDSEN, 1903

21 BLECCH HOME DOES NOT HAVE INSIDE PLUMBING

20 TAKE A CHANCE

19 ASK JOE IN ROOM 706 WHAT THIS MEANS

18 THIS HOLE IS 485 YARDS PAR 4

### EAST LIMBO ELECTRIC

99 PRAWN LANE

Melvin E. Blecch  
140 Stumpworthy Bog  
East Limbo, Ohio

METER PERIOD

4/14 - 5/13

"You really break me up, Sidney!"

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Meter reader should watch loose step leading to basement.

Blecch's German Shepherd trained to attack meter readers.





RE GETTING FROM...

You can play a variation of "MAD Y'OX" with two or more people. First draw your cartoon, and then ask everybody to guess what the gag caption is. Meanwhile, you can guess what they'll do to you when you finally tell it to them. What fun!

# CARDS

ARTIST: JOE ORLANDO  
WRITER: FRANK JACOBS

## CARD REVEALS ABOUT MELVIN BLECCH...

6 BLECCH'S SALARY: 24¢ per string, when working

7 BLECCH'S WIFE'S NAME: Selma

8 SELMA'S MEASUREMENTS: 36-24-37

9 BLECCH'S SON'S NAME: Irving

10 IRVING'S MEASUREMENTS: 24-38-37

11 IRVING'S GIRL'S NAME: Gladys

12 GLADYS' MEASUREMENTS: Unavailable

13 GLADYS HATES IRVING

14 IRVING HAS WORST ATTENDANCE RECORD OF ANYONE IN SCHOOL

15 IRVING IS IN THE 4TH GRADE

16 IRVING IS 19 YEARS OLD

17 BLECCH CARRIES BLUE CROSS

Train conductor Fred Ringle punched this hole by mistake.

Blecch's wife is home alone between 2 and 5 on Fridays.

**COMPANY**  
SSST LIMBO, OHIO

| AMOUNT DUE |
|------------|
| \$21.50    |

KINDLY RETURN THIS NOTICE WITH YOUR PAYMENT

MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO:

**EAST LIMBO ELECTRIC COMPANY**

Please do not fold, tear or mutilate this card, or you're in trouble!





# I.B.M. CARDS ALSO REVEAL INTERESTING THINGS



1 THE *Diners'* CLUB, INC.  
2 10 COLUMBUS CIRCLE  
NEW YORK 19, N. Y.

TERMS: Accounts are payable upon receipt of monthly statement. No discount. Charges or payments received by us after statements are prepared will be included on your next month's statement.

3 NAME AND ADDRESS  
4 Nikita Khrushchev  
The Kremlin  
Moscow, U.S.S.R.

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MONTHLY STATEMENT

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| AMOUNT DUE | \$4176.85 |
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- (1) OCCUPATION: Tourist
- (2) EMPLOYED BY: Central Committee, Communist Party, Moscow, Union of Socialist Soviet Republics
- (3) ANNUAL INCOME: 6,000,000 rubles
- (4) AGE: 65
- (5) PERSONAL REFERENCES: Anastas Mikoyan, Frol Koslov, Roswell Garst
- (6) RECOMMENDED FOR DINER'S CLUB MEMBERSHIP BY: Henry Cabot Lodge, Acct. No. A22453388
- (7) CANCEL IMMEDIATELY: Acct. No. A22453388
- (8) THIS STATEMENT is the eighth we have sent without receiving payment

- (9) DUPLICATE STATEMENTS sent to U.S. State Department
- (10) IF NO PAYMENT RECEIVED FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT, turn account over to Legal Department
- (11) IF NO PAYMENT RECEIVED FOLLOWING NEXT STATEMENT, turn account over to United Nations
- (12) BREAKDOWN OF AMOUNT DUE: \$256.50 charged at Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, N.Y.C. for 2-day stay
- (13) \$278.05 charged at Palace Hotel, San Francisco, Calif. for 2-day stay
- (14) \$3642.30 charged at Acme Liquor Shop, Washington, D. C. for 180 cases of Vodka



1 METROPOLITAN LIFE INSURANCE CO.  
2 One Madison Avenue, New York, N. Y.

3 NOTICE OF PREMIUM DUE

| NAME AND ADDRESS                           | PREMIUM | DATE DUE     | POLICY NUMBER     |
|--------------------------------------------|---------|--------------|-------------------|
| 4 Jack Benny<br>% CBS<br>Hollywood, Calif. | \$ .79  | May 15, 1960 | B70-<br>131585752 |

5 Return this Premium Notice with your PAYMENT in Enclosed Envelope

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- (1) AMOUNT OF POLICY: \$50.00 Comprehensive
- (2) INSURED'S OCCUPATION: Star of stage, screen, radio and TV
- (3) Age: 39
- (4) AGE ATTESTED TO BY: Don Wilson, Notary Public
- (5) HEALTH: Excellent
- (6) EXAMINING PHYSICIAN: Dennis Day, M.D.
- (7) INVESTIGATION SHOWS: No Dennis Day, M.D. listed in U.S. Medical Directories
- (8) FINANCIAL RATING: Excellent
- (9) RATING BY: Rochester Van Jones, C.P.A.
- (10) OFF-THE-RECORD REPORT BY ABOVE ACCOUNTANT: "Mr. Benny is a cheapskate!"

- (11) INSURED'S COMMENT: "Hmmm!"
- (12) INSURED REFUSES: to pay premium until he receives our 1961 Complimentary Desk Calendar
- (13) INSURED REFUSES: to pay his own postage when mailing premiums in our self-addressed envelope
- (14) INSURED DEMANDS: Official receipt form for each premium payment, signed by President, and 8 Vice-Presidents of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co.
- (15) INSURED DEMANDS: a full accounting of our financial standing to be sent to him weekly
- (16) INSURED DEMANDS: that policy also cover violin depreciation, loss of TV option, and poor Nielsen ratings



# ABOUT OTHER CELEBRITIES AND WORLD FIGURES

"There is immediate seating in all parts of the house! . . . There is immediate . . ."



| 1<br>2<br>3<br>4<br>5<br>6<br>7<br>8<br>9<br>10<br>11<br>12 |              | FLEAGLE FIREARMS CO.<br>Guns—Rifles—Ammunition<br>135 Ballistic Square, Fieldglop, Mass.<br><b>STATEMENT</b><br><table border="1"> <tr> <th>NAME AND ADDRESS</th> <th>AMOUNT DUE</th> </tr> <tr> <td>Fidel Castro<br/>Presidential Palace<br/>Havana, Cuba</td> <td>\$257,445.10</td> </tr> </table> | NAME AND ADDRESS | AMOUNT DUE | Fidel Castro<br>Presidential Palace<br>Havana, Cuba | \$257,445.10 |
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| Fidel Castro<br>Presidential Palace<br>Havana, Cuba         | \$257,445.10 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                  |            |                                                     |              |

- (1) **OCCUPATION:** Revolutionist
- (2) **POSITION:** Premier (Temporarily) of Cuba
- (3) **BILL INCLUDES:** Shipment of 700 .30 caliber rifles; and 1 gold-plated .45 caliber automatic hand-initialed "F.C."
- (4) **DO NOT FILL FURTHER ORDER:** for 24—16 mm. cannon until full payment of balance is received
- (5) **CUSTOMER HAS BEEN INFORMED:** that we will no longer accept payments in Cuban Pesos
- (6) **CUSTOMER HAS BEEN INFORMED:** that we do not handle nuclear weapons
- (7) **LETTER HAS BEEN SENT:** demanding release as hostage of

- our Havana Representative
- (8) **CUSTOMER HAS BEEN INFORMED:** that we protest being referred to as "Money-grubbing Gringos"
- (9) **SERVICE CHARGE:** additional \$3000 for running arms shipment through U.S. Coast Guard blockade
- (10) **IN CASE OF EMERGENCY:** like a counter-revolution, send future statements to next of kin, Raul Castro, brother
- (11) **ACTION ON THIS STATEMENT IS IMPERATIVE:** mainly, because we'll go bankrupt unless we collect this account
- (12) **CUSTOMER IS NOT TO BE CONFUSED:** with Fidel Castro, Jr., who bottles No-Cal Moxie in Paramus, N. J.



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And now, Don Martin tells us a souped-up tale of his experience  
**In a "GREASY SPOON" Diner**





Shocking statistics show that only half the country's eligible voters cast ballots on Election Day! This is because Americans aren't interested in politics. Why? Mainly because we don't make politics interesting enough! And when newspapers do cover politics, they do it on the front pages—away from the sport section, comic strips, and in-

teresting stuff—where nobody sees it. Mad feels this situation could be remedied if there were fan magazines that glamorize politicians, as there are fan magazines that glamorize movie stars. Then maybe folks would be more interested in the Art of Government than the Art of Jayne Mansfield. We're talking about fan magazines like . . .

✂  
"Sometimes I wonder  
which one of us is the  
dummy, Mr. Bergen!"

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**EXCLUSIVE—Nelson Rockefeller answers eight  
intimate questions about Mrs. Rockefeller.**

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# POPULAR POLITICIAN

**"They laughed  
when I sat down  
to introduce  
my labor bill"**  
by John Kennedy

**"Filibustering  
can be fun!"**  
by Wayne Morse

**"Father was a  
bigmouth"**  
by Margaret Truman

**"Your friend, the  
Cranberry."**  
by Sec. of Agriculture  
Ezra Benson

**"The truth about  
Uncle Miltie."**  
by Maj. John  
Eisenhower

**"My son, the  
candidate."**  
by Joseph P. Kennedy

**"Nobody upstairs  
likes me."**  
by Orval Faubus



**"They Said  
I Was TOO Funny!"**  
by Adlai Stevenson



**TRAVEL SECTION**  
**"Fun and good times  
in South America"**  
by Pat Nixon

# We get Letters...from YOU!

## Critical Cora

I think yore reel rong to pick on my seecret *pash*, Orvil Forbus (are beluved Guvurner), just becawse he clozed up a cupple of skools fo a wile!

CORY LEE MAY SUE JONES  
Little Rok, Ark.

## Ape Over Abe

Can you tell me where I can get an autographed picture of the late great Abraham Lincoln?

JERRI MANDER  
Bounding, Maine

You can get this autographed picture of Abraham Lincoln by addressing The U. S. Post Office, enclosing 4¢ for each pic desired. Or you can steal some letters from your neighbor's mailbox, and get them free!—Ed.



The Late Great Abe

## Want Pictures?

We're moving into a smaller apartment so I'm clearing out my collection of pictures of Ex-Presidents. If anyone wants a picture of Harry Truman, Herbert Hoover, or Thomas E. Dewey, write to:

GOLDIE STANDARD  
Butte, Oregon

## Look Alikes?

I really enjoyed your article "The Man You Love to Hate", about my fave, Nikita "Yul" Khrushchev. My friends claim I look like him, so I am enclosing my picture (see below). Do you think I look like Nikita Khrushchev?

PHYLLIS STEEN  
Oklahoma City, Calif.



Does Phyllis Look Like Nikita?

No, we think you look like Winston Churchill!—Ed.

## Fan Club Announcement

There is now an Official Harold Stassen Fan Club! Those interested in joining should write to:

ANN ACHRONISM, PRES.  
Harold Stassen Fan Club  
Lookup Road  
Lookdown, Wyo.

This is the fifth time we've printed a letter from Ann! Will somebody please answer her?—Ed.

## Chinese Fan

I'm a fan of *Popular Politician* living way out here in Formosa. (That's why this letter is in Chinese!) How come you never have any articles about our politicians?

TUNG-IN-CHEEKH  
Taiwan

See our next issue, which has articles about two of your politicians: Madame Chiang Kai-Shek and Sen. William Knowland. By the way, we always enjoy receiving and translating a Chinese letter, mainly because one hour after reading it, we feel like reading it again.—Ed.

## What's Wrong?

I've been reading about American politics in your magazine, and I'm surprised to learn that you haven't had a good revolution since your country got started, and that there hasn't been one worthwhile assassination there in over fifty years. What's wrong with your crummy political system, anyway?

FULGENCIO ROTTON  
Camino Fake, Venezuela

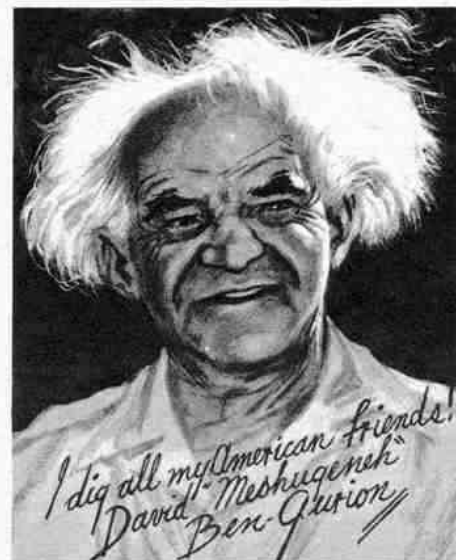
## Niceness Counts

What's all this nonsense about voting "Republican" or voting "Democrat"? People should vote for the *man*—not the *party*! Who cares what our next President thinks about our foreign policy, or our farm policy, or Communism, or the Atom Bomb? Just as long as he is a nice person, and sincere! That's all that matters!

RHODA RHUNE  
Personality, Mont.

# AN EXTRA DIVIDEND from POPULAR POLITICIAN

Autographed Photos of your Favorite Politicos—They fit into your wallet!





*I'll never forget that awful day I heard them  
whispering in the Senate Cloakroom . . .*



**“FOR A  
REPUBLICAN...  
BOY,  
IS HE  
LIBERAL!”**

by *RICHARD NIXON as told to Sarah Lee Cheesecake*



ONE DAY, while I was still a Senator, I went into the Cloakroom for something, and noticed several of my colleagues pointing at me and whispering. For a moment, I had a dull, numb, sinking sensation in my stomach. Republican Senators rarely whispered about me. They were my friends! They were my people! What could they be saying?

Suddenly, as I slipped into my coat, I heard one of the whispering voices distinctly.

“For a Republican . . . Boy, is he *liberal*!” it said.

My heart skipped a beat. I was shocked. Confused. Dumbfounded. Didn't my voting record mean anything? Hadn't my stand on Housing, Labor and Welfare legislation left any impression on my fellow Republicans? Were they going to believe my *record* . . . or some foolish campaign speeches I'd made?

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# DROUELLA PEARSONS in Washington

## The Washington Party of the Month



Being an election year, most of the presidential hopefuls came to the Dress-as-Someone-You'd-Like-to-Be Party as Mr. Clean.

Hubert Humphrey and Dick Nixon, who both came dressed as "Ike," enjoy a good laugh with hostess Drouella Pearsons. Dick's wife, Pat, who came dressed as "Mamie," doesn't seem to get the joke.



## An Open Letter To A FOOLISH POLITICIAN

WAYNE MORSE, this letter is to you! I've heard that you've been acting foolish again. I'm talking about your feud with lovely Clare Booth Luce.

Wayne, you've had feuds before, but I think you've gone a little too far this time, picking on a helpless woman.

And I think I know why!

You've heard the well-known cliché that "love and hate are very close!" Well, evidently, you have some love in your heart for Clare in order to hate her so much, and say such awful things about

her, and that the real reason you opposed her confirmation as Ambassador to Brazil is that you didn't want her to be too far away from you!

Now, Wayne, I don't want to sound like a psychiatrist, even if I'm as good as any one of them, but you should be made to realize that your so-called antagonism is only your way of hiding your true feelings about Clare.

So come on! Unbend a little, and apologize! After all, there's enough unpleasantness in the world. Why should two wonderful people like you and Clare be feuding? Why don't you get on that phone and call her? I'm sure you'll be surprised at her response. All right. Boobie?

Being an election year, there were lots of parties last month, but the best party was the one I gave! It was a Masquerade Party, and everyone was supposed to come as "The Person They Would Most Like To Be."

Just about everyone in Washington was there, including the PRESIDENT, who came as General MacArthur. I came as Martha Washington, and spent the whole evening giving people candy. It is this "giving" attitude that has made me the best-liked person in Washington, if not the whole world.

JOHN McCLELLAN, JACK KENNEDY, and STUART SYMINGTON all came as Mr. Clean. So did MARGARET CHASE SMITH, she's such a zany, bless her heart.

SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE EZRA BENSON came as A Corpse. "I hear what the farmers are saying about me," he grinned, "and I wish I were dead!"

EARL "KOOKIE" LONG came dressed as Napoleon, and a man who said he was NAPOLEON came dressed as Earl Long. I was standing nearby when ADLAI STEVENSON, who came as Milton Berle, said to EARL, "Now that you and Napoleon are both here, why don't you settle the Louisiana Purchase?" I'll say this for Adlai: you can always tell when he's making a joke—he pokes you in the ribs.

When we sat down at the Luau, my dinner partners were HUBERT HUMPHREY and DICK NIXON, who both came as Ike. I teased them about how each had been to Russia, and predicted that our next President will definitely be a man who's been to Russia. They both laughed, and when I asked them why, they giggled in unison: "Jack Kennedy hasn't been!"

The party ended early because of a misunderstanding. Someone came dressed as Adolph Hitler, remember him? The Republicans claimed it was HERMAN TALMADGE. The Democrats claimed it was really ADOLPH HITLER, and wanted to know why the Republican Administration honored his Argentinian Passport.

But everything was finally patched up. That's what I like about American Politics. Nobody takes political issues seriously, which certainly avoids a lot of needless friction. After all, there's so much trouble in the world, why should Republicans and Democrats add to it by fighting—especially in an Election Year!



Wayne Morse has some awful things to say about Clare Booth Luce—but does he really mean them?



# popular politician's 52 page gossip section

IN  
THESE  
PAGES

- ★ Washington's Cutest New Lobbyist
- ★ Princess Margaret's Latest Townsend Plan
- ★ Can Alf Landon Stage a Comeback?

## INSIDE NEWS inside WASHINGTON

★★ Friends are wondering what MARGARET CHASE SMITH and SEN. KENNETH KEATING found so funny when they lunched together the other day in the Senate Cafeteria. I asked Margaret about it, and she confided that it was the rider on the new Housing Bill that was responsible for the chuckles. For all her importance, it's good to see that Margaret still has a sense of humor, and can enjoy a good laugh when she finds one.

★★ NELSON ROCKEFELLER, who veritably ate himself into the Governorship of New York by outchomping his opponent, distinguished looking AVERILL HARRIMAN, is at it again. Not only has he been eating Cranberries (to get the Farmer's vote), but he has been eating Chow Mein (to get the Chinese vote), Knishes (to get the Jewish vote), Mulligan Stew (to get the Irish vote), and Pizza (to get the American vote). I'll say this for Nelson: he may not be power-hungry after all—just hungry!

★★ FRESHMAN SENATOR EUGENE MCCARTHY has been busy introducing bills on Health, Education, Housing, and other so-called Welfare Legislation. I don't know Gene personally, but someone really ought to tell him that introducing those kind of bills will earn him a reputation for being too pushy!



*Margaret Chase Smith is running for re-election this year, but the prospect of a close race doesn't seem to be dampening her spirits, she's such a zany!*

*Nelson Rockefeller, shown here, having pre-election snack. Incidentally, Nelson received a Diners' Club statement last month for a total of \$4,495,978.42.*



## QUOTABLES from the NOTABLES

**HUBERT HUMPHREY:** "If you can keep your head, while all about you are losing theirs and blaming it on you—you're probably among the Democrats!"

**HERMAN TALMADGE:** "New York is a great place to visit—but I wouldn't want to run for office there!"

**STUART SYMINGTON:** "Let's elect a good-looking President. The man we elect in November will someday have his picture on our postage stamps!"

**JOHN KENNEDY:** "Things are rough on prospective Presidential candidates. I've already broken six campaign promises I haven't even made yet!"

**NORMAN THOMAS:** "There's no such thing as a bad candidate—there are only rotten Parties!"

**CONGRESSWOMAN EDNA KELLY of Brooklyn:** "I wish those funny Congressmen would stop coming up to me on the floor of The House, and asking, 'What's a nice girl like you doing in a place like this?'"

**ARTHUR FLEMMING:** "After only a few years as Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare, I'm healthy, educated — and after this election, I'm going on Welfare!"

**GOVERNOR ED BROWN of California:** "I'm naive about politics. Until a few years ago, I used to think a Governess was a Lady Governor!"

**OVETA CULP HOBBY:** "I've been misquoted! I said I was for 80% parity—not 80% purity!"

LOS ANGELES:  
 THE PLACE  
 WHERE  
 PARTY BOSSES  
 AND AMBITIOUS  
 POLITICIANS  
 DISCOVER  
 NAKED  
 DESIRE...  
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 NAKED  
**Summer  
 Convention**  
 EMOTIONS  
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 WHERE  
 CANDIDATES  
 AND DELEGATES  
 ARE CAUGHT  
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 JAWS OF  
 A GREAT  
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 EXPERIENCE

THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY  
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 "The T.V.A.," "The Repeal of  
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# Summer Convention



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 HARRY "GIVE 'EM HELL" TRUMAN  
 ADLAI "FUNNIER THAN EVER" STEVENSON  
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Hear the hit theme "A Summer Convention" sung by Phil Regan

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THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY—THE GUARANTEED "FIRST" PARTY! —in ALABAMA, GEORGIA, AND IN MISSISSIPPI.

## VIOLENCE



"Orval, sometimes you make me ashamed I'm a Democrat!"

## PASSION



"Yes, yes, I love you, Hubert... but I'm already pledged to Stuart!"

## SUSPENSE



"All right, so Ohio is for me, and Illinois is for me! Is Walter Cronkite for me???"

## MYSTERY



"Say, whatever happened to that Kefauver fella who used to hang around here all the time?"

Based on an Idea by THOMAS JEFFERSON



Sid's back, and MAD's got him! CBS's also got him, for a string of hilarious "specials," but we're willing to share. Lately, Sid's been intrigued by those motion picture biographies where a boy from The Lower East Side overcomes all adversities, including the plot, to become a great "Star." And so, written especially for MAD, here is . . .



# THE JACKIE TALENTED STORY

This Picture Is  
Respectfully Dedicated  
To The  
**Lower East Side**  
Without Whose  
**POVERTY**  
There Would Be  
No Such Thing As  
**SHOW BUSINESS**

SID CAESAR'S VERSION OF A TYPICAL HOLLYWOOD SUCCESS MOVIE



ARTIST: WALLACE WOOD



What!? You want to be a Star!? No!! I didn't raise my son to be a Star! I came to this country, and I scrimped and I saved so my son could amount to something! So my son could be a Fighter! So he could have scars, and cauliflower ears, and a broken nose! So he could look like a man, not a Sissy Star walking around with a tie, and a nice clean suit, and a shirt with a monogram!

But, Papa . . . I want to be a Star!!



Don't "Papa" me! I will not be the Papa of a Star! I never hit you, because you were too big! But if I did hit you, you would have learned the beauty of pain! So I'm going to make sure some stranger knocks some sense into your head, and teaches you the glory of being beat up! How will you learn, unless you become a boxer! No, you won't be a Sissy Star, you'll be a fighter, like I want!

I won't! I'm too beautiful to be beat up! I'm going to be a Star!

Where did we fail? Where did we go wrong?



Hello, Mr. Starmaker! Remember me from yesterday? Well, here I am, ready to become a Star! I've got everything a Star needs . . . talent, humility, good looks, and a family that is opposed to my career!

That was yesterday, Kid! Today, there's a new kind of Show Business! Today, people don't want talent! They want gimmicks! I could never make you a star today! You've got too much talent!

But you said I could sing!

Kid, I couldn't get you a job as a singer today! The way things are in Show Business, I couldn't even get you a job humming! Give it up! Give up Show Business!

What do you mean, 'Give it up'? There's nothing to give up! I've only been in Show Business for three minutes! First let me become a Star . . . then I'll give it up!



Gosh, Tony! I don't know what happened! I was walking and walking, looking for a job as a Star, and I must have passed out in front of your restaurant! And you were good enough to restore my strength with these six bowls of spaghetti with meatballs!

Seven! But, don't worry, Jackie! Someday, you'll get a break, and you'll pay me back the \$4000 you owe me for the spaghetti with meatballs I fed you 41 times already!

Say, Tony, who's that girl over there?

That's Vera Brassy, a talented dancer! She passed out in front of the restaurant 20 minutes ago!





I can't understand it! How come all these Show Business failures they keep passing out in front of my restaurant?

Hello, Miss Brassy! I am the future Broadway and Hollywood Star, Jackie Talented! Big-Hearted Tony tells me you're a talented dancer!

I was a talented dancer! But after I finish this bowl of spaghetti, I'm giving up Show Business to go home to the Lower East Side and marry the clean-cut boy next door!

Gosh, are you from the Lower East Side? What a coincidence! I'm from the Lower East Side of New York, too!

Yes, but it's no coincidence, mainly because I'm from the Lower East Side of Council Bluffs, Iowa! Everybody in Show Business is from the Lower East Side of SOMEWHERE!



Wait!! Don't give up Show Business yet, Miss Brassy! See that man who just came in! That's Zigfried!

Flo Zigfried??

No, that's his brother Helen Zigfried! But he's a producer too! Let's audition for him right now!

Let us do our act for you! She will dance, and I'll dance, too! And when we sign On the dotted line,, We'll be happy! So happy!

Listen to me sing my song! I'll keep singing all night long! And your applause Will give me a cause To be happy! So hap—

STOP DANCING, VERA!



Mr. Zigfried! How dare you not watch this girl dance! This girl was up here dancing her little heart out—and you don't even have the niceness to watch! This girl—who is so poor, she can't afford dancing shoes—so she's got taps nailed to her feet! Shame on you, Zigfried! Shame on you, Show Business! Shame on you America, for allowing this to happen!

Come, Vera! We're leaving!

Where are we going?



I'm hungry! There's a very good Chinese Restaurant down the block we can faint in front of!

Hold on, young man! I see you've got a lot of "spunk"! "Spunk" is just the gimmick I've been looking for! I'm going to make you two the Stars of my big new show, "THE ZIGFRIED FOLLY-SCANDAL-GAIETIES OF WHATEVER YEAR THIS IS"!



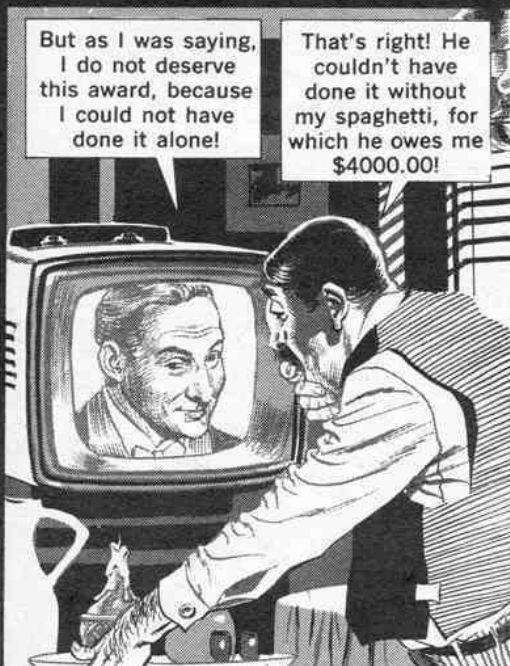


... and they became Stars overnight!  
The "spunkiest" Stars in America!  
After their triumph on Broadway,  
they came to this celluloid  
jungle known as Hollywood, U.S.A.!

I think that's what it's known as!

Thank you for this award for  
"THE GREATEST MALE  
PERFORMANCE OF ALL TIME,  
IN THE WHOLE WORLD, EVER!"  
But, my friends, I do not  
deserve this award!

Stop applauding! You don't have  
to agree with me! I wasn't that  
bad! After all, you voted for me!



But as I was saying,  
I do not deserve  
this award, because  
I could not have  
done it alone!

That's right! He  
couldn't have  
done it without  
my spaghetti, for  
which he owes me  
\$4000.00!



Well, Mr. Talented,  
if you don't think  
you deserve this  
award, we'll take  
it back!

What are you doing!  
I only made that  
speech to show how  
humble I am! That's  
the speech the  
studio gave me to  
say! I know I really  
deserve this award,  
mainly because I  
was **WONDERFUL!**  
I was **GREAT!**

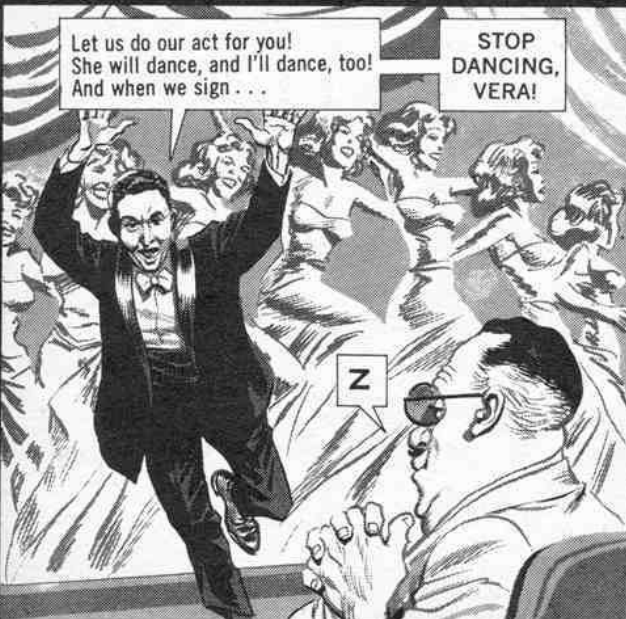
Keep the  
award,  
Jackie!

We love  
you,  
Jackie!

You've  
got  
"spunk"!

Don't tell  
us how  
great you  
are! Sing  
for us!

Yeah!  
Sing  
for us!



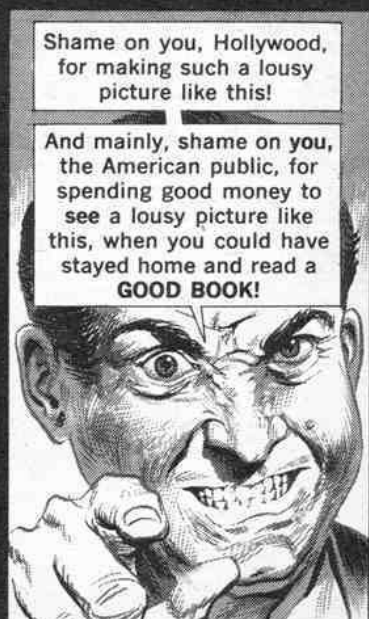
Let us do our act for you!  
She will dance, and I'll dance, too!  
And when we sign...

STOP  
DANCING,  
VERA!

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That's **twice**, Mr. Zigfried!  
How dare you not watch Vera  
and me do our act! This girl  
was up here dancing her little  
heart out—and you don't even  
have the niceness to watch!  
Shame on you, Zigfried! Shame  
on you, Show Business!



Shame on you, Hollywood,  
for making such a lousy  
picture like this!

And mainly, shame on you,  
the American public, for  
spending good money to  
see a lousy picture like  
this, when you could have  
stayed home and read a  
**GOOD BOOK!**



# BARBER SHOP



Yes, the "Police Gazette" is gone from the magazine rack, and the Pin-Up Girl calendar has been taken off the wall. Comic Books and "Vogue" have replaced them. Today, for a man, getting that haircut is a dull, boring waste of time.

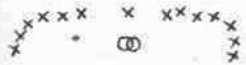


“All right, you two . . . break it up!”



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# IF IT WORKS WITH KIDS, WHY NOT HAVE



"Sorry, Mr. Furd, but you've had too much to drink already!"

MAD suggests that barbers throw out their traditional barber chairs and replace them with symbols of success, heroism and adventure. Then, getting a haircut would no

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FOR  
PRESIDENT

IS YOUR HAIR  
THINNING?  
USE **GOO**  
SHAMPOO  
AND HAVE  
**FAT** HAIR!!

CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES





# SPECIAL BARBER CHAIRS FOR THE MEN?

longer be a dull, boring waste of time — but a twenty-minute flight into adult male fantasy. And best of all, it'll get women and children out of men's barber shops!

"Stroke, you idiots!  
Harvard is gaining on us!"

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Just so's you won't get the wrong idea, we want it made clear that we at MAD approve of "Motherhood." After all, some of the world's greatest people—like Shakespeare, Lincoln, Jefferson and Neuman—had Mothers! And we know that these great people thought highly of their Mothers. But, with Mother's Day rolling around again, we got to thinking about the people in history who went wrong! What had these people thought about their Mothers? So, we did a little research on the subject, and came up with a batch of

# Mother's Day Cards

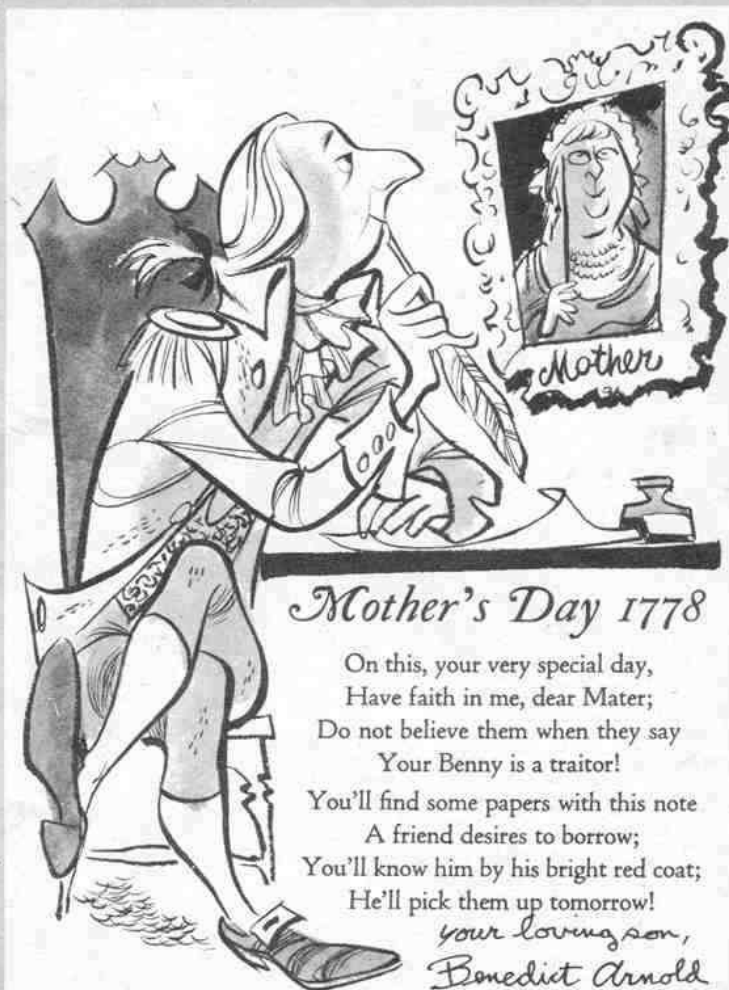
From Some Children Who  
Didn't Turn Out Very Well



**M** is fer da mobsters all around me;  
**U** is fer da underworld I'm in;  
**D** is fer da drinks I yam bootlegging;  
**D** is fer da doity guy I been;  
**E** is fer da easy life I'm living;  
**R** is fer da rats I gotta pay;  
Put 'em all togedder, dey spell  
**MUDDER...**

Youse made me what I yam today!

Your Son,  
Al Capone



## Mother's Day 1778

On this, your very special day,  
Have faith in me, dear Mater;  
Do not believe them when they say  
Your Benny is a traitor!  
You'll find some papers with this note  
A friend desires to borrow;  
You'll know him by his bright red coat;  
He'll pick them up tomorrow!  
your loving son,  
Benedict Arnold

## FEAST OF MOTHERS LIX A.D.



WHEN I WAS JUST A BOY AT HOME,  
YOU TOLD ME THAT I MVST  
GET RID OF EVERYONE IN ROME  
I FELT I COULD NOT TRVST!

YOUR GOOD ADVICE, MOM, I OBEY;  
I'VE QVITE A JOB TO DO;  
THERE'S NOT ONE SOUL I TRVST TODAY,  
AND THAT'S INCLVING YOU!

YOUR SON, NERO



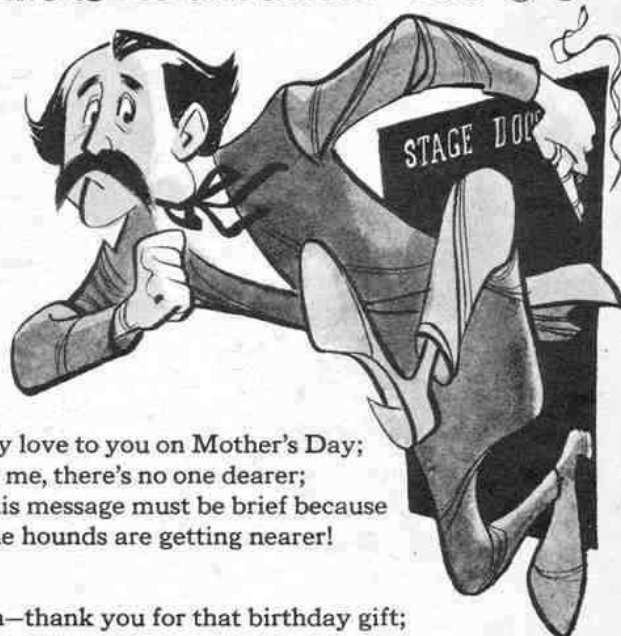
## Mother's Day 1716



I've flaughtered, tortured, robbed and killed  
Until me evil purfe was filled;  
I've watched me victims walk the plank,  
And heard 'em gurgle as they fank:  
I've flogged a hundred dozen men  
And laughed when they screamed, "Not again!"  
As buccaneer, I bow to none:  
Now ain't ye proud that I'm your fon?

*Love, Eddie "Blackbeard" Teach*

## MOTHER 1865



**M**y love to you on Mother's Day;  
To me, there's no one dearer;  
This message must be brief because  
The hounds are getting nearer!

**O**h—thank you for that birthday gift;  
The pistol was a dandy;  
Although I've only used it once,  
It's really come in handy!

*Your Son, John Wilkes Booth*

## MOTHER'S DAY 1892



When I was just a little child,  
You always said I was too wild:  
You punished me for all my pranks  
And gave my backside forty spansks:  
And then, when you were good and done,  
Dear Papa gave me forty-one:  
I really doubt, sweet Mother dear,  
Next Mother's Day, you'll both be here!

*Your daughter, Lizzie Borden*

# POE-ETIC INJUSTICE DEPT.

Once again, MAD takes a great stride forward in its dedicated campaign to spread culture among its readers . . . by translating another famous poem into modern-day "hip" talk. You can get the original version of this poem out of your local library for comparison . . . which is our sneaky way of exposing you to culture, 'cause you sure ain't gonna get any when you read

Well, Miss Prim! I see the Neuman boy's been left back again!"



ARTIST: MORT DRUCKER



Now the solid frantic drive kick blasted out from each  
new jive lick,  
Flipped me—hipped me with some weird-o dreams I'd  
never had before;  
So like now, to fan the swinging in my gut, I stood there  
singing  
"It's some cruising stud come winging right up to my  
beat pad door,  
Some night-slumming stud come flinging right up to my  
beat pad door:

That's the bit and like no more.

I took five and came on stronger, copping out a plea no  
longer,  
"Cat," wailed I, "or Chick, I'd hate to have to bug you  
with the law;  
But the news is I was sacking, and like you come on  
here whacking,  
Out of left-field you come hacking, hacking at my beat  
pad door,  
So low, like, I barely dug you"—here I flung open the  
door:

Nothing happened—like before.







Once upon a midnight bluesy, while I goofed off, high  
and woozy,  
Over many a cool and groovy platter from a Basic  
score,—  
While I laid out, nearly sacking, suddenly there came a  
whacking,  
Like some cat was wildly hacking, hacking at my beat  
pad door.  
“It’s some cruising stud,” I sounded, “whacking at my  
beat pad door:

Only this and like no more.”

Man, like crazy I remember it was way out in  
December,  
And each swinging Basic member blew his jazz and  
made it roar.  
So far out, I couldn’t take it;—hung up, like, I tried to  
fake it,  
From this jive, forget to make it—make it with the chick  
Lenore,  
With the crazy hopped-up baby that the hipsters tagged  
Lenore:

Split from here—and like no more.



Out into the hallway eyeing, Pops, I cased it, rattling,  
dying,  
Grooving, digging sounds no hipster had the guts to dig  
before;  
But no cat as yet had popped up, and the scene was  
still not hopped up,  
And the only note that cropped up was the sounded note,  
“Lenore?”  
This I sounded, and an echo blew right back the note,  
“Lenore”:

Just that jazz and like no more.

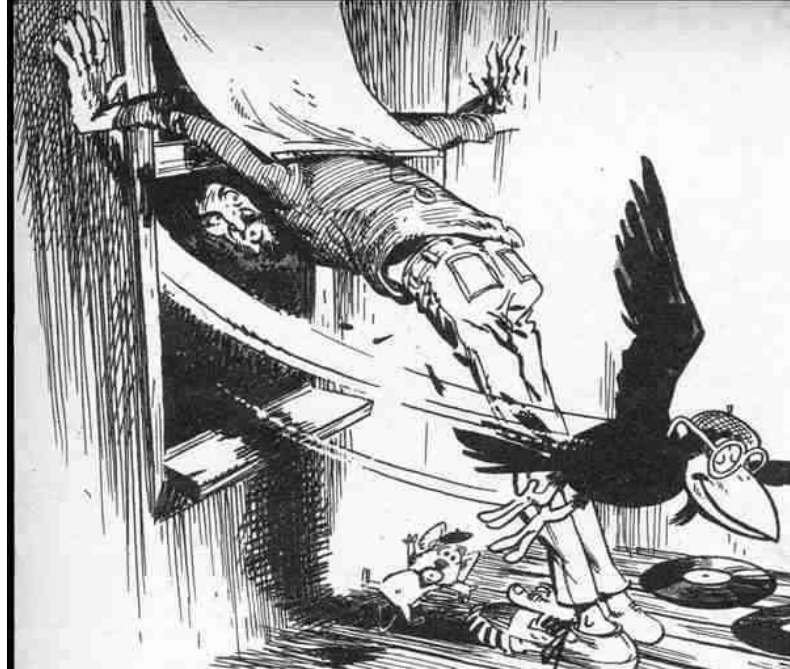
Back into my beat pad, dragging my old gaskets which  
were sagging,  
One more time I catch this whacking, this time wilder  
than before.  
“I am woke, Dad,” I broke, oozing, “some cat’s at the  
window, cruising;  
Let me dig if he’s been boozing, and get hip on what’s  
the score;  
Let me cool it here a minute and, like, figure what’s the  
score:

It’s the shakes, Man, and no more.”



“I can’t see you guys  
in the fog, but I  
know you’re there!”





So I slid the window lock-out, and with style that was a  
knockout,  
In like flew this charged-up Raven from the old school  
of two-four.  
He came on without a ribble; Man, he had no eyes to  
quibble;  
But with like a real smooth dribble, made it to my beat  
pad door,  
Made it on the head of Dizzy right above my beat pad  
door:

Played it cool, and like no more.



Soon this old crow started whipping my old blues till I  
was flipping  
At the weird and offbeat look at this, the craziest pan I  
saw,—  
“ 'Cause your face is on a neat trick,” I said, “You must  
be a beatnik,  
Swinging, hip, and real-gone reet trick, coming in from  
Frisco's shore;  
Clue me in on what they call you out along the Frisco  
shore!”

Blew the Raven, “Like no more.”

Caught short by this sudden spiling of his noise so  
cooly reeling,  
“I'm hip,” said I, “what it lets out is its only note—no  
more,  
Copped from some old bug-eyed Daddy who, because  
he was a baddy,  
Sang that same note to the laddie till the note stuck in  
his jaw:  
Till the spouting of that same note stuck inside the old  
crow's jaw;

That's why he sings “Like no more.”

Still the Raven went on tripping my old blues till I was  
flipping,  
So I stashed my beat pad chair right next to all this jazz  
I saw;  
Then, on this cool seat I took up, trying hard to spot the  
hook-up,  
Figuring till I was shook up what this crow who made  
me sore,  
What this messed-up, longhaired, queer old beatnik crow  
who made me sore

Meant by crooning, “Like no more.”







Man, I broke up at this crudest bird who wailed like  
some Zen Buddhist,  
Though the message was from nowhere—though he  
really was a bore;  
Any cat who's hip in digging knows no swinging bopster  
gigging  
Ever yet has piped a rigging like the action near  
my door,  
Like the crow who sat on Dizzy right above my beat pad  
door

With a tag as "Like no more."



But this Raven, stacked up solo right on Dizzy's head  
did just blow  
That one note, as if his chops in that one note he did,  
like, pour.  
No more sounds, Man, did he rumble, not a twitcher  
did he tumble,  
Till I sent out in a mumble,—“Other cats have split  
before;  
In the morning *he* will cut out, like my pipe dreams have  
before;

Then the crow sang, “Like no more.”

So I sat, and thought, and wrestled, keeping mum and  
feeling hassled  
By this crow whose lit-up peepers bugged me wild and  
made me sore;  
On this bit, I sat there thinking, poured some gin and  
started drinking,  
Pretty soon I got real stinking, till I fell down on the  
floor;  
Man! like soon I got so stinking that I conked out on the  
floor,

Like *she* used to—but no more.



Soon I seemed to get more woozy, smelled just like a  
drunken floozie,  
Started seeing elephants and snakes that crawled along  
the floor.  
“Yipes,” I wailed, “you come from boozing—my D.T.’s  
have sent you cruising;  
I should pledge off all this boozing, and the torch for  
old Lenore;  
I should lose this frantic guzzling, drop the torch for  
gone Lenore!”

Hicced the Raven, “Like no more.”





"Mixed-up!" yelled I, "sick, sick, sick one! Mixed-up still, if square or slick one! Though rat stoolies blew their whistles, sent you here to my pad door, To my pad so incompleated, to my shack so beat and petered— To this scene cold water heated—clue me in on what's the score: Is there—*is* there kicks in finking?—clue me in, like, on the score!"

Jived the Raven, "Like no more."



"Mixed-up!" yelled I, "sick, sick, sick one! Mixed-up still, if square or slick one! By the jazz they blow at Birdland, by the Duke who swings in four, Fill me in with your sad tale, like, if she's in the city jail, like, Can I make it with that frail, like, who the inmates peg Lenore: Make it with that kookie broad, like, who got busted by the Law?"

Honked the Raven, "Like no more."

"That note did it, now you're splitting! Cut out, hear?" I groaned, "We're quitting; Get on back into the rat race of the nights on Frisco's shore! Don't leave any action showing from that jazz that you've been blowing! Leave my pad and keep on going! Quit the scene above my door! Take your chops and do a fadeout, move your backside from my door!"

Chirped the Raven, "Like no more."

And that Raven, never winging, still is singing, still is swinging, On the solid head of Dizzy right above my beat pad door; And his peepers show the spoofing of a sick cat who's been goofing, And the light bulb from the roofing throws a spotlight on the floor: And my carcass in that spotlight lies all bloated on the floor;

"I got high, Man—like no more!"



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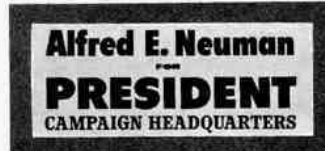
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