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REG＇LAR FELLERS－Expert Needed

 SOMEBODY＇S STENOG－It Comes Back to Him！

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McClure wov proper smatceate．
 Banty MoCann spat contemptuously
and hitched up his overall pants． and hitched up his overall pants．
He glared up at Hamp Anderson．
II ain＇t no farmer．Who wants to He glared up at Hamp Anderson．
＂I ain＇t no farmer．Who wants to
mess with a truck crop when the mess with a truck crop when the
mast is as good as it is this year？ mast is as good as it is this year？
Hogs will be fat as butterballs．by
Thanksidving．Farm？Phooey＂ Thanksgiving．Farm？Phooeyl＂
Hamp Anderson：placed a foot carefully，on the porch step，cut a
chew of tobacco just as carefully and tucked it into a corner of his
mouth before he spoke．＂No patri－ otism，I see，＂he said quietly．＂Here the Gov＇mint is hollerin＇for vegeta－
bles and you want to traipse the woods．Look：Them hogs＇ll fatten
heirselves．While they＇re doin＇that you can work a acre of cukes．＂ A stout，round－faced woman came
out and eased her bulk into a spe－
cially reinforced rocker．Hamp Anderson raised a hand to his wide－
brimmed hat．＂Howdy，Aunt Mat． How are you？＂
＂Fair to middlin＂，I reckon， Hamp．You－all talkin＇，cukes？Tom
always did like to always dig like to raise＂em，but he
never could eat＇em．＂Tender－ hearted Aunt Mat raised a corner of her checked apron to her eyes when
she mentioned her late husband． Hamp cocked an eye upward and
peered judiciously at the sky．＂Like－ ly be a dry fall，$\ldots$ how about it，
Banty？Want to try a little easy money？＂＂Sish you would，son，＂said
＂Sure Aunt Mat．＂Ain＇t had a crop since

－since Tom passed away．＂Aunt ＂Well－＂heavily．Banty again＂I reckon I will．Bring on your seed
and your fertilizer，Hamp．Dog：
gonel Me－a farmer！＇ Easy money！Everybody said
cukes was easy money！Banty thkes was easy money！Banty
thought savagey as he finished
bedding out his last piece of land in the rich pond bottom．He was
anxious to get back into the woods
and see about his hogs．Screw
俍 and see about his hogs．Screw
worms might kill a hog if he didn＇t
find it in time．＇Gators might be find it in the．Gators might be
catching the shotes．Snakes might
have pizened Cucumber seed comes up fast，
especially in the fall，and Banty had
no time tor no time for hog hunting．Then
came the rains－hurricane sea－
son！The tornen son！The torrential downpour niled
all the middles and flooded the
ditches Banty hadn＇t taken time to clean out．Water backed up in his Banty took off his shoes，rolled up
the legs of his pants and waded the legs of his pants and waded
in with hoe and shovel．Hamp An－
derson rode up to the fence on his derson rode up to the fence on his
big bay mare．＂Looks pretty damp，＂
Hamp admitted Hamp admitted．
＂Damp you say？＂Hamp＇s delib－ erate understatement angered＇Ban－
ty．＂Wods－ s full $\mathrm{on}^{\text {o water，too }}$ to
Ought to see＇bout my hogs．This Ought to se＂bout my hogs．This
whole＂ulke patch ain＇t worth a
shote？＂ ＂Oh，we＇ll make out fine，＂Hamp
said easily．＂Reckon you＇ll save
two－thirds of the When the ground began to dry
out，the plants grew unbelievably fast．＂Be pickin＇less＇n 45 days
from plantin＇seed！＂exulted Aunt
Mat．＂Bet you make money，Lon－号导： awhty patted her fat shoulder
Aunt Mat．＂Don＇t get but halt，
Aunt＇s get Aunt Mat，Hamp＇s furnishin＇me，＂，
he reminded her．＂Well， Ym goin＇in the woods today and see＇bout my
hogs．herd was on the creek bank
The sow had farrowed and lost all
One One sow had farrowed and lost all
but one messly pig．Two shotes had
screw worms in thir screw worms in their ears，and one
had nearly lost his tail．A fourth hobbled on three legs．
＂Cukes！＂he said
blamed cukes－1＂He turned and
walked away．
walked away．to market with the
Banty rode
first load of cucumbers．Hamp hirst load of cucumbers．Hamp，
was unusualy silent．He＇s keepin
somethin＇baek from me，pur－ somethin＇back from me，pua
zled Banty，looking at the glum
man．Wonder what？ He soonder whiscovered the Hamp＇s gloom，Posted bulletins and
angry truck farmers hed ane angry truck farmers had one
theme：＂Government regulation．
October celling price October celling price on cucum－
bers－$\$ 2.10$ per tub，＂ Banty MoCann clenched his fists． He fung a stream of abusive words
at the market，at farmerv，and at the market，at farmers，and at
cuke moprtculis．
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 Big Hearted
Phil－Last night I dreamed that you gave me a dollar．
Billill like you，so ${ }^{\prime} \mathrm{m}$ going to
let you keep it That Held Her A middleaged woman stopped a man
on the street and demanded： on the street and demanded
＂Why aren it oo in the army？
The man，well past the drafl age，$r$ plied：the same reason you aren＇t in
the Ziegfeld Follies．＂ Dark Diagnosis
Soldier Patient（enthy Soldier Parkient（enthusiastical－
ly）- Nursie，I＇m in love with you． Don＇t let me get well．
Nurse－Don＇t worry，you won＇ The doctor is is love with me，too， Business is what，when you
haven＇t got any，you go out of．
In His Head

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$$ chine gun．I＇ve got it all in a nut

shell． Yardbird Buzz－So，you
memorized it all，huh？

## HEARTBURN




