

ACROSS

1—A surcoat worn over armor
 2—Complete
 3—Since
 4—Made of oak
 5—A strong push
 6—A dull yellowish-green
 7—Conjunction
 8—Perform
 9—Of dark or sunburned complexion
 10—Variant of mitt
 11—Hallowed
 12—Only

DOWN

1—A pile (ob.)
 2—Exclamation of re-
 3—Now (Scottish)
 4—The top of a wave
 5—Ligneous
 6—A luminous circle
 7—Any size

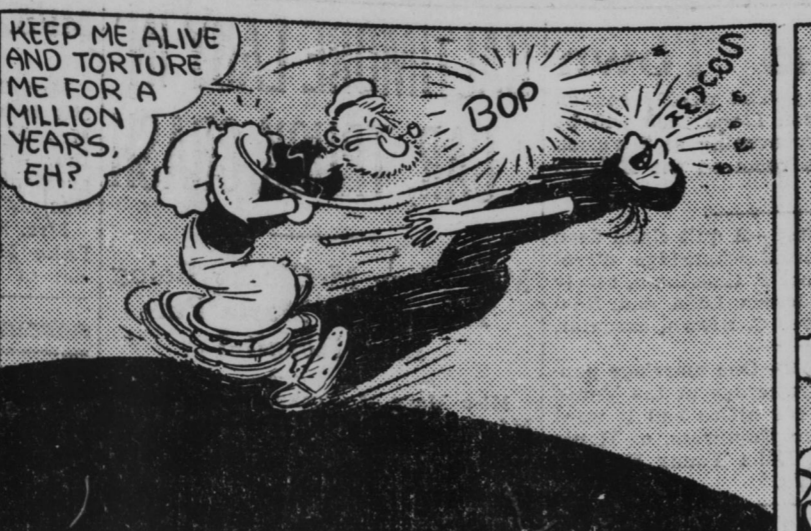
20—Goddess of death (Norse)
 21—To wipe
 22—An island (abbr.)
 23—To stir up grass and spread loose-ly to dry
 24—Self-satisfied
 25—A fraud
 26—Pertaining to Asia

29—At one time
 30—A territorial division of Norway and Denmark
 31—Rules of conduct
 32—Rage
 33—Jurisprudence
 34—A numeral
 35—An implement for rowing

Answer to previous puzzle:

PRONG ALLOD
 R ASLY RUE I
 O SLY ASSES
 P T E F T S C
 A SILKY O
 GAT VIE TAN
 A BYRNE T
 T S O T X I
 I N K L E S I R I N
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THIMBLE THEATRE Starring POPEYE



A Rag, A Bone, A Yank O' Hair

By E. C. Segar

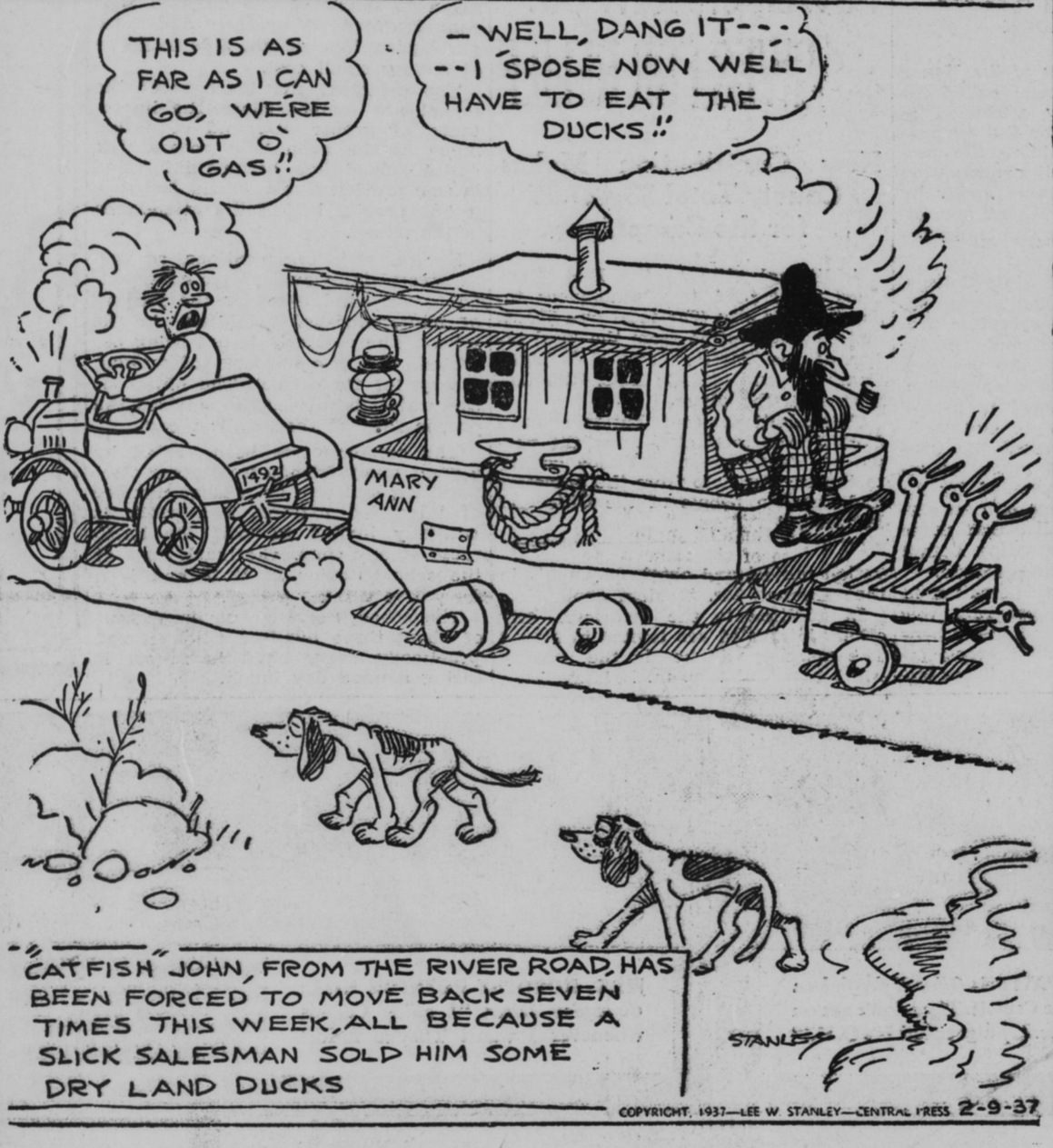
BIG SISTER



by LES FORGRAVE

THE OLD HOME TOWN

Registered U. S. Patent Office by STANLEY



SCOTT'S SCRAPBOOK

by R. J. SCOTT



Contract Bridge

IMPORTANT STRATEGY

TWO NIGHTS ago the following hand appeared in a duplicate game. I think that every West player finally secured the call at 3-No Trumps. The only reasonable lead is the 5 of clubs, so that all teams were on equal footing, but results varied, due to a very important feature of defensive strategy, with which only a small group of experts appear to be acquainted.

♠ K 9 8
 ♥ 7 4 2
 ♦ 5 3
 ♣ J 9 7 5 4

♠ A Q 4
 ♥ J 10 9 3
 ♦ A 9 6
 ♣ K 6 2

♠ 7 5 2
 ♥ A Q 8
 ♦ K Q J 8 7
 ♣ 10 3

♠ J 10 6 3
 ♥ K 6 5
 ♦ 10 4 2
 ♣ A Q 8

Bidding went: West, 1-No Trump; East, 2-Diamonds; West, 3-No Trumps; East, 3-No Trumps, ending the auction.

The opening lead was the 5 of clubs. The Rule of Eleven (5 from 11 leaves 6) showed South that declarer held two cards higher than the one led. Of course it also showed declarer that South held three clubs higher than the 5. In either instance did it show opponent what denomination the cards were.

Declarer could count the following tricks: 1 in spades, 1 in hearts, 5 in diamonds and 1 in clubs, without taking a finesse. He needed

only another trick to go game. That trick had to be picked up in one of the major suits. Of course hearts was preferable, as three tricks might be had there, perhaps four tricks, while spades at best could yield only two tricks. Before playing from dummy declarer knew all this.

Dummy's 10 possibly might win the trick, as South might hold only the 9-8-7, so the higher card was played from dummy. If that held the trick, game was assured. Now came the test of South's skill, whether he played the Ace, or was smart enough to finesse the Q, as if North held the A-J. Only two South players finessed the Q. Of course declarer dared not refuse the trick, when the Q was played. He won, then he had to risk the heart finesse. It lost to South's K. That player then led the Ace of clubs, followed by the 8, and the defenders defeated the contract a trick, by taking a total of five tricks.

At the tables where South did not finesse the Q, as he should have done, the Ace of clubs won the opening lead. The Q followed and held the trick, as West declined to take his K. South might hold no more of the suit. The 8 came next and West had to take his K, but South had no more clubs to lead back when he won his K of hearts and declarer made one trick over his contract. Even if South had held another club, West would have gone game, as then defenders would have won only three tricks in clubs and a single trick in hearts.

Research in Arthritis And Especially Backache

By LOGAN CLENDENING, M. D.

THE MOST important thing which the lay person can realize about backache is that it is a very complicated affair and may be due to any number of causes. This is also true of the general subject of arthritis and rheumatism.

I have just been reading a review of all the work that has been done on the subject in the last year or two, and find out that there are 17 books and 835 papers written on it.

Just as in sciatica, backache may be due to changes in the bones, joint structure, or in the muscles, nerves or tendons. Only a good history and careful physical examination, and a well taken X-ray may differentiate these satisfactorily. Most of them, it is true, are due to changes in the muscles and nerves from infection, or posture, or both.

Aggravated by Cold, Damp

It is said that in cases of muscular pain they are aggravated by cold or damp, and partially relieved by exercise, while changes in the bone are generally considered to be too fraught with danger for use for cosmetic purposes. It can be used in superfluous hair on the trunk and in skin flaps and in plastic surgery, but otherwise is not generally recommended. So far as facial hair is concerned, a prominent American textbook says, "For permanent removal the only safe method is electrolysis."

QUESTIONS FROM RE DERS

H. P.: "I notice that in a recent article you advised a reader that some hair can be removed by electrolysis and some by X-ray. Just what is meant by this? It seems most dermatologists still use the tedious and painful method of electrolysis. The X-ray is used by certain institutes which have no definite medical connections, and one cannot be certain that the operators are sufficiently well informed to handle the dangerous X-ray."

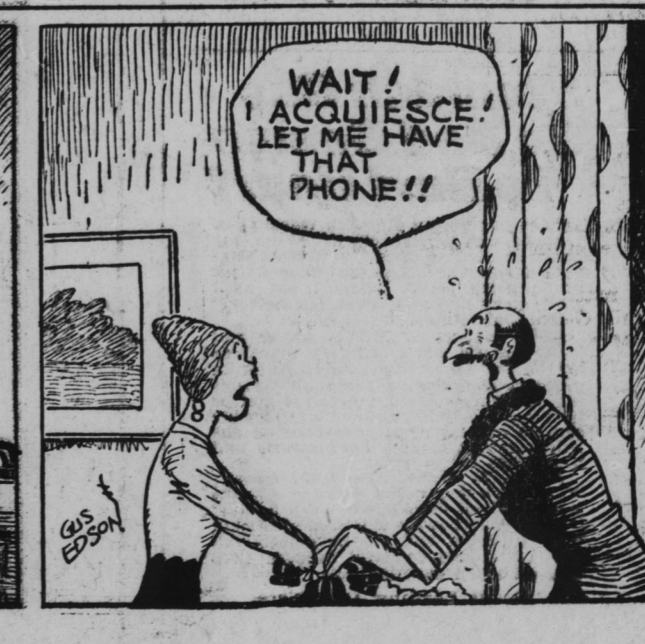
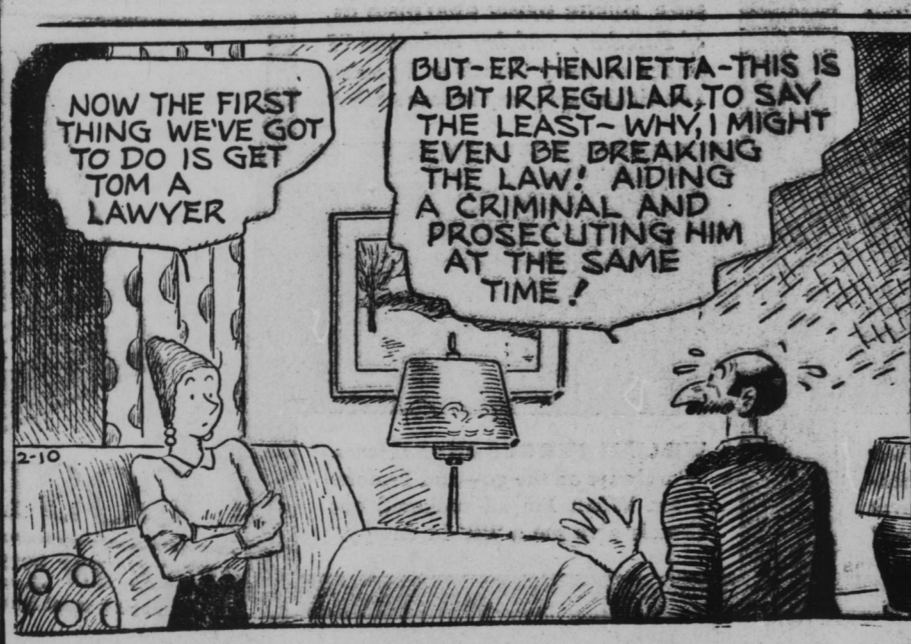
Answer: X-ray is adapted to very few cases for removal of superfluous hair. Especially on the face its action is generally considered to be too fraught with danger for use for cosmetic purposes. It can be used in superfluous hair on the trunk and in skin flaps and in plastic surgery, but otherwise is not generally recommended. So far as facial hair is concerned, a prominent American textbook says, "For permanent removal the only safe method is electrolysis."

ETTA KETT



by PAUL ROBINSON

THE GUMPS—HENRIETTA MAKES UP BIM'S MIND



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