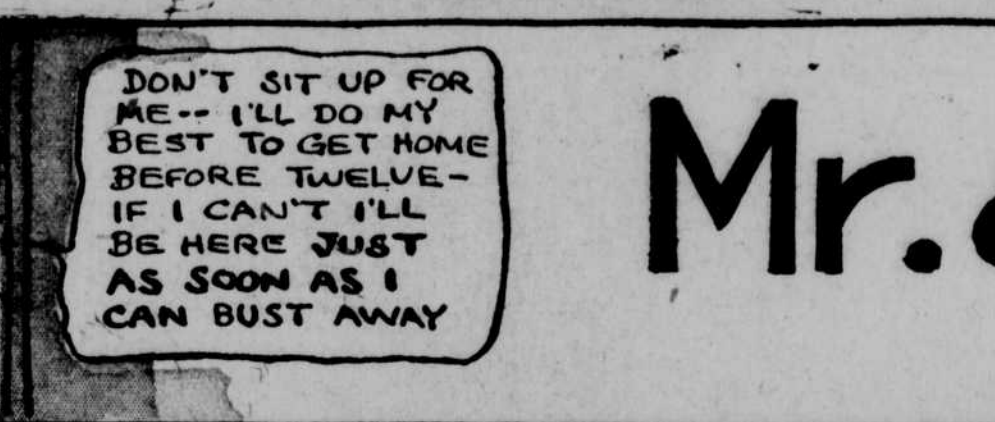


Mr. and Mrs. - By Briggs



YOU SAY YOU EXPECT TO BE HOME BEFORE MIDNIGHT - WHAT TIME WILL YOU BE HOME



DON'T SIT UP FOR ME - I'LL DO MY BEST TO GET HOME BEFORE TWELVE - IF I CAN'T I'LL BE HERE JUST AS SOON AS I CAN BUST AWAY



GOSH! I HAVEN'T MY KEY! DARN - THE - LUCK! AND TWO A.M. WOW!!



I'LL BET THIS IS ONE TIME WHEN EVERY WINDOW IS SECURELY FASTENED



OH VI! PST!
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VI-YI-I...
HOO - HOO



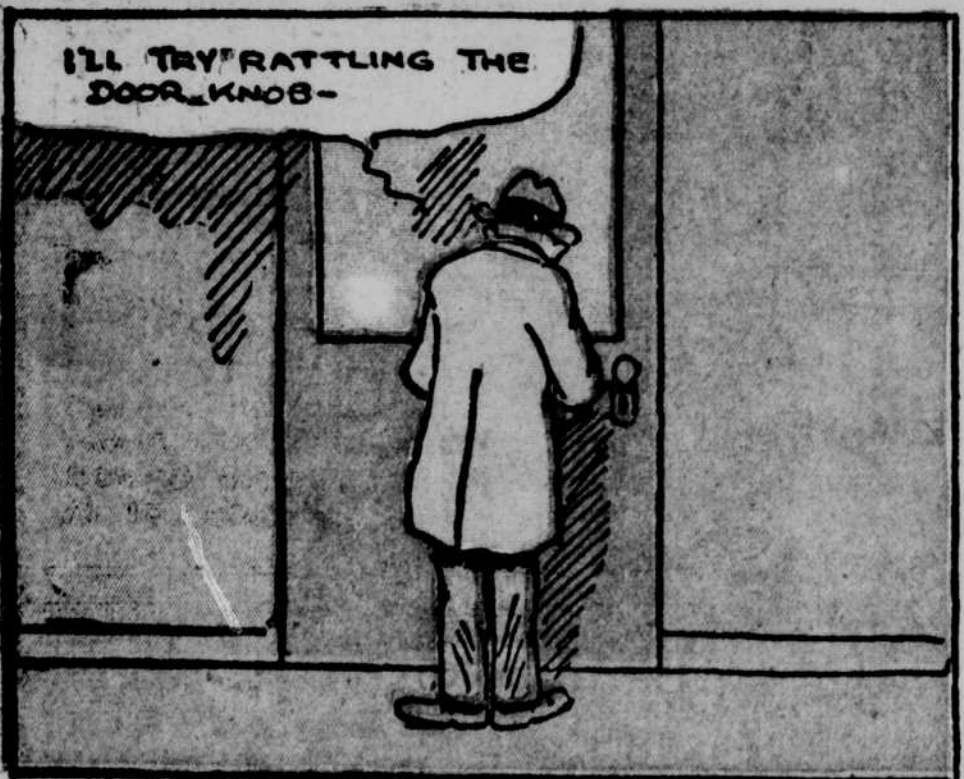
VI IS PROBABLY SLEEPING SO SOUND AN EARTHQUAKE WOULDN'T WAKE HER UP - SOMETIMES THESE CELLAR WINDOWS ARE UNLOCKED - BUT NOT THIS TIME!! I'LL BET THE GREATEST BURGLAR IN THE WORLD COULDN'T GET IN THIS HOUSE TONIGHT!



VI!!!



I NEVER KNEW VI TO SLEEP AS SOUND AS THIS IN ALL HER LIFE - I CAN COME IN THE HOUSE AS QUIETLY AS A CAT AND SHE'LL HEAR ME - BUT NOW!!!?? WHAT TO DO?? WHAT TO DO??



I'LL TRY RATTLING THE DOOR KNOB -



UNLOCKED!
ALL THE TIME!



UMPF!

IS THAT YOU JOE?
DID YOU GET IN ALL RIGHT?



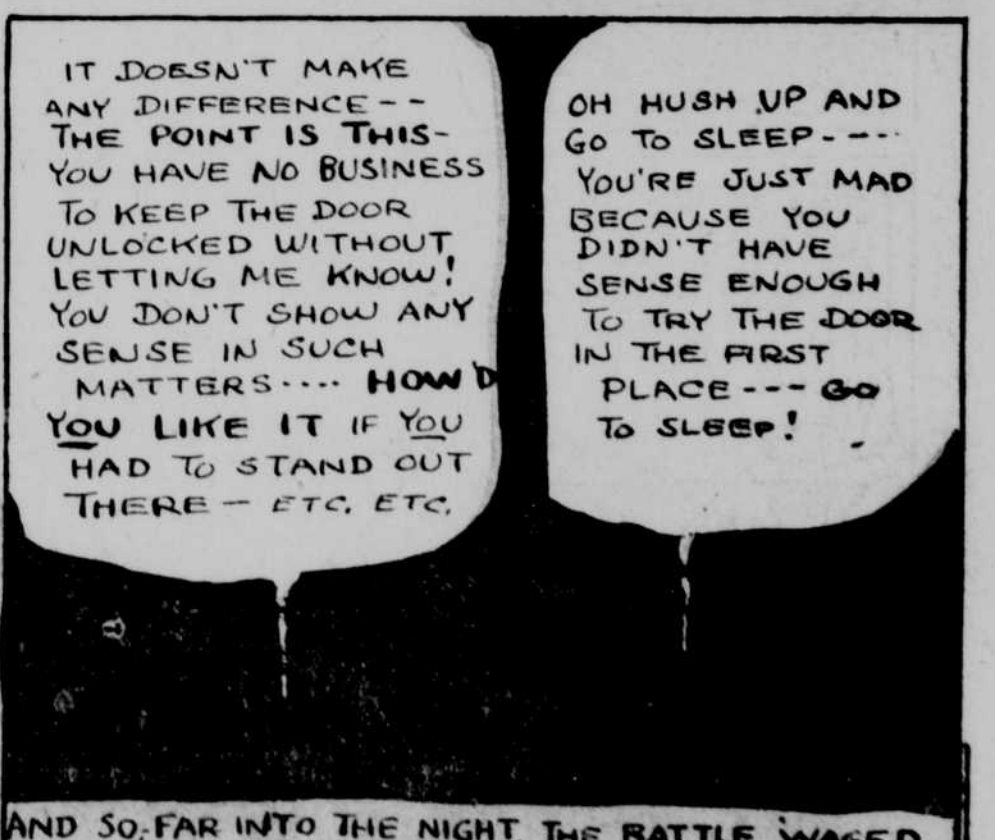
I'VE BEEN STANDING OUT IN THE COLD NIGHT AIR TRYING TO MAKE MYSELF HEARD!! WHAT AILS YOU - DID YOU TAKE GAS OR SOMETHING?

MY GOODNESS BUT YOU'RE ANGRY -!



I MIGHT'VE CAUGHT MY DEATH COLD - I'VE BEEN TRYING TO GET IN FOR THE LAST TWO HOURS

OH ISN'T THAT FUNNY AND THE FRONT DOOR UNLOCKED ALL THE TIME



IT DOESN'T MAKE ANY DIFFERENCE - THE POINT IS THIS - YOU HAVE NO BUSINESS TO KEEP THE DOOR UNLOCKED WITHOUT LETTING ME KNOW! YOU DON'T SHOW ANY SENSE IN SUCH MATTERS - HOW DO YOU LIKE IT IF YOU HAD TO STAND OUT THERE - ETC, ETC.

OH HUSH UP AND GO TO SLEEP - YOU'RE JUST MAD BECAUSE YOU DIDN'T HAVE SENSE ENOUGH TO TRY THE DOOR IN THE FIRST PLACE - GO TO SLEEP!

AND SO FAR INTO THE NIGHT, THE BATTLE WAGED.