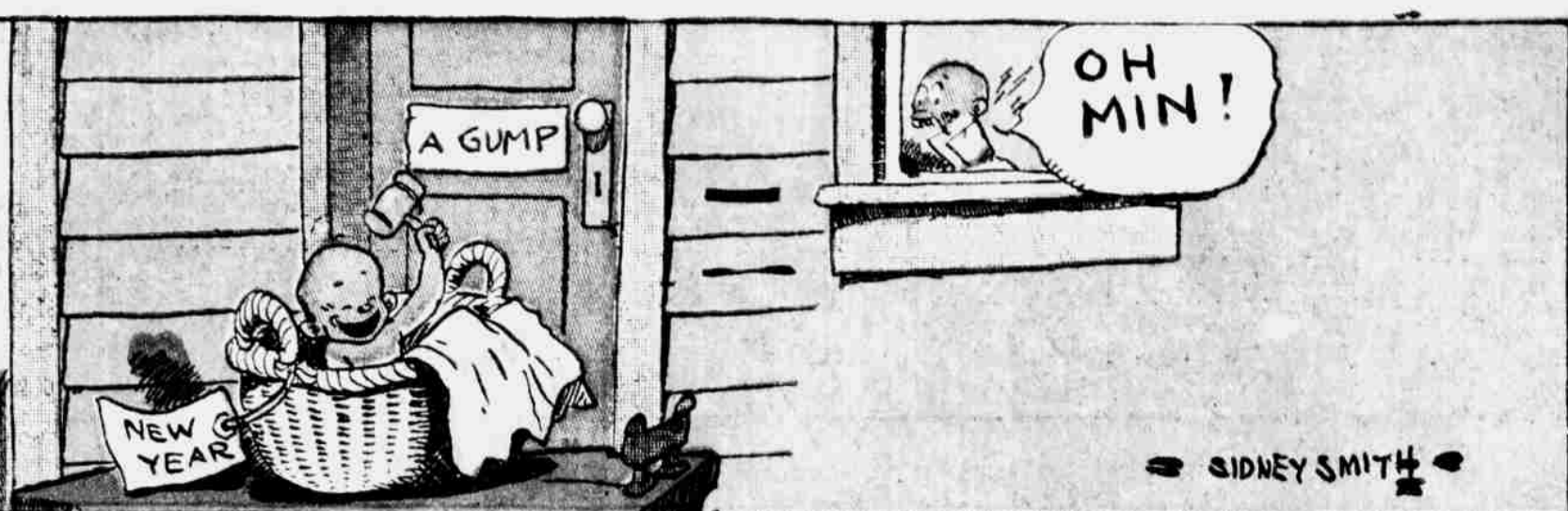


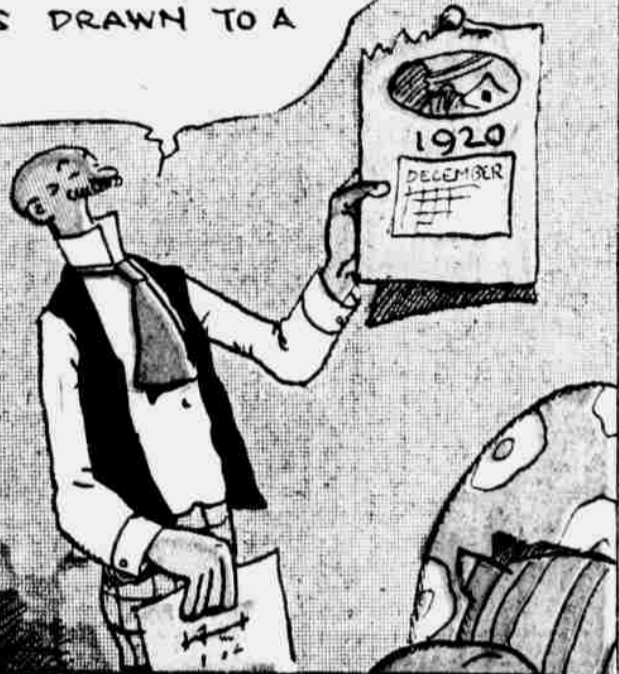
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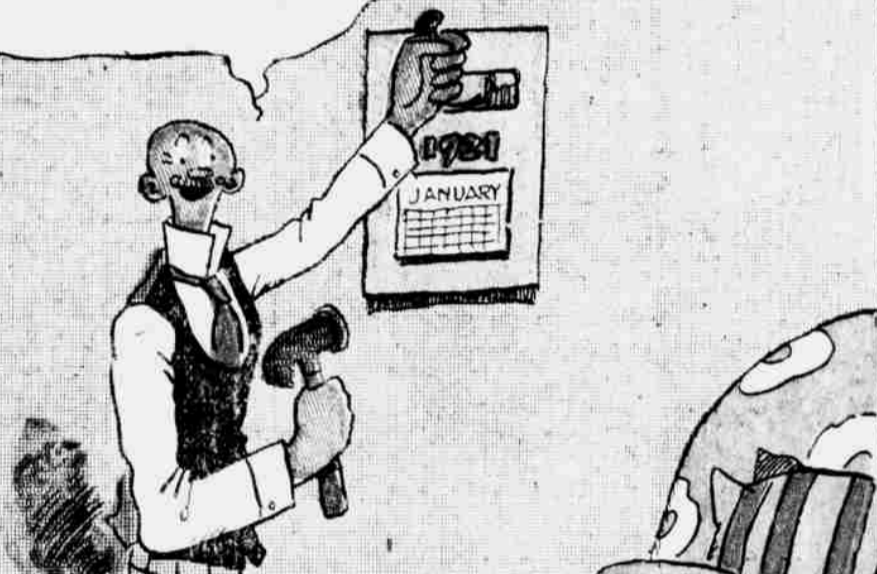


SIDNEY SMITH

WELL — ANOTHER YEAR HAS FLITTED PAST — ONE MORE EPISODE OF LIFE'S GREAT SERIAL HAS DRAWN TO A CLOSE —



DOUGLASS F. GUMP PLAYED A BRIGHT AND PARTICULAR PART IN THAT LAST REEL — 1920 — HE STARRED ALL THE WAY THROUGH — MADE SOME MISTAKES — A FEW FAILURES —



BUT — WE LIVE AND LEARN — AND AS WE PUT ON ANOTHER REEL OLD ANDREW HAS CHANGED HIS COSTUME — HE HAS TAKEN OFF THE MANTLE OF REFORM



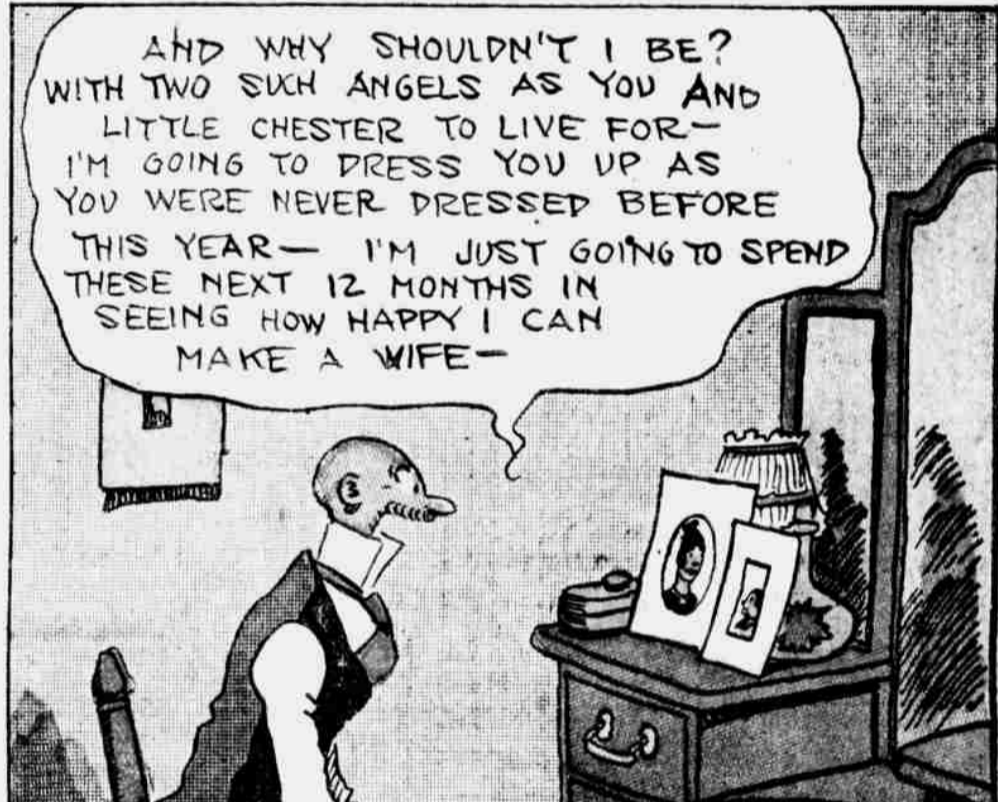
AND REFORM IT WILL BE TOO — NO MORE BIG NIGHTS — NO MORE WILD TIMES FOR ME — AND ARGUMENTS AROUND THIS HOUSE ARE GOING TO BE AS SCARCE AS APPLE BLOSSOMS IN SIBERIA



THERE'S THE LITTLE WOMAN — LITTLE GIRL YOU'RE GOING TO SEE A DIFFERENT ANDY THIS YEAR — YOU'LL HAVE THE MOST OBEDIENT, LOVING, FAITHFUL, KIND HEARTED, GENEROUS HUSBAND AND FATHER THAT EVER LIVED — YOU'LL BE PROUD OF ME —



AND WHY SHOULDN'T I BE? WITH TWO SUK ANGELS AS YOU AND LITTLE CHESTER TO LIVE FOR — I'M GOING TO DRESS YOU UP AS YOU WERE NEVER DRESSED BEFORE THIS YEAR — I'M JUST GOING TO SPEND THESE NEXT 12 MONTHS IN SEEING HOW HAPPY I CAN MAKE A WIFE —



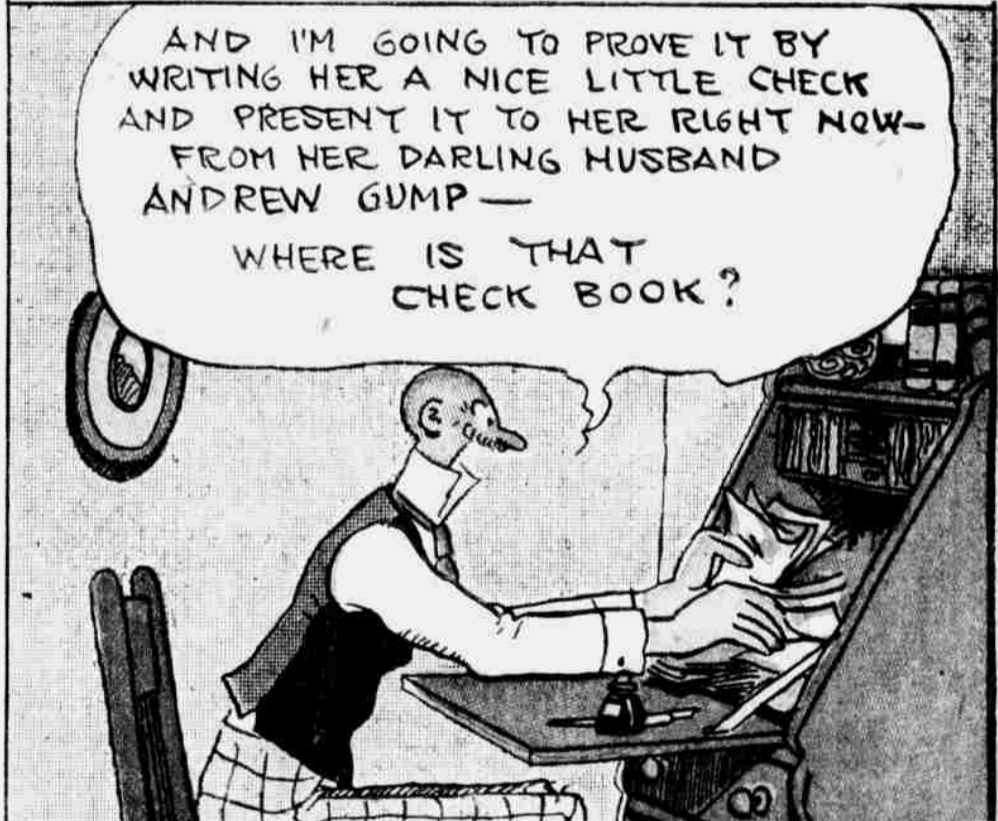
I'VE MADE A LOT OF NEW YEARS VOWS IN MY LIFE BUT THIS IS ONE TIME I'M IN EARNEST — THIS TIME I MEAN IT — AND I'M GOING THROUGH WITH EVERY WORD I SAY



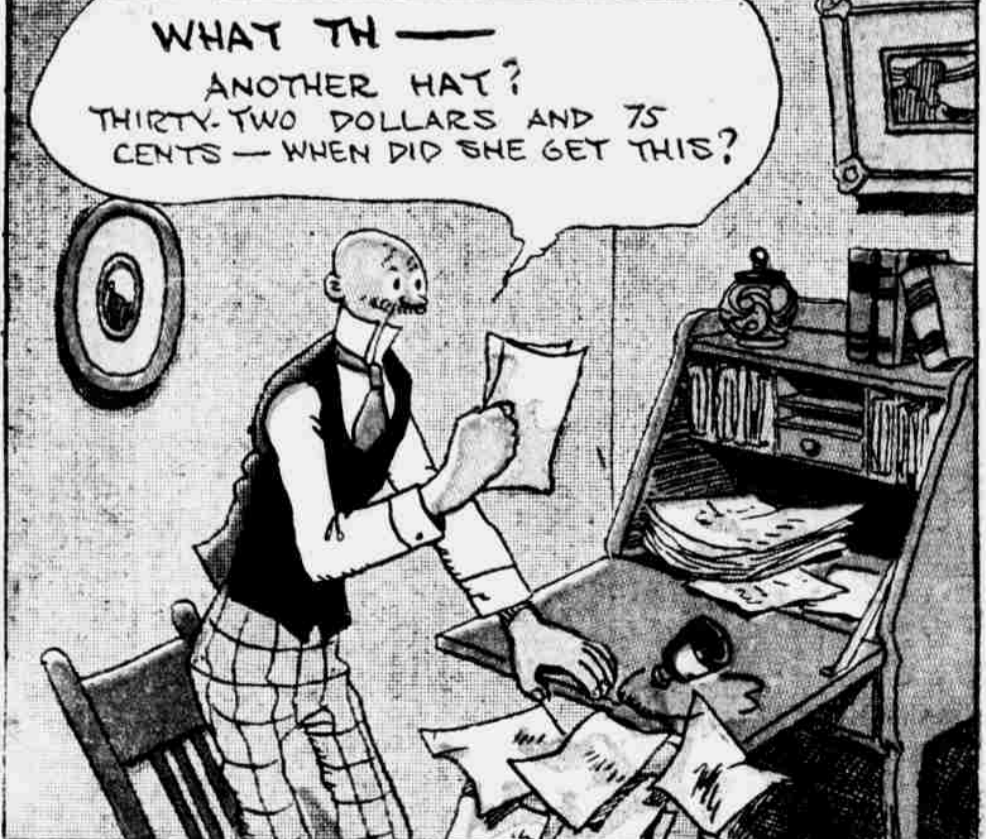
NEVER WILL I RAISE MY VOICE IN ANGER AGAIN IN THIS HOUSE — NEVER WILL I SCOLD OR NAG — NEVER WILL I LOSE PATIENCE — I MEAN HEARTED TO BE THE MOST KIND HUSBAND IN THE WORLD



AND I'M GOING TO PROVE IT BY WRITING HER A NICE LITTLE CHECK AND PRESENT IT TO HER RIGHT NOW — FROM HER DARLING HUSBAND ANDREW GUMP — WHERE IS THAT CHECK BOOK?



WHAT TH — ANOTHER HAT? THIRTY-TWO DOLLARS AND 75 CENTS — WHEN DID SHE GET THIS?



I TOLD THAT WOMAN NEVER TO START ANOTHER CHARGE ACCOUNT —



OH MIN!



SCAT!

