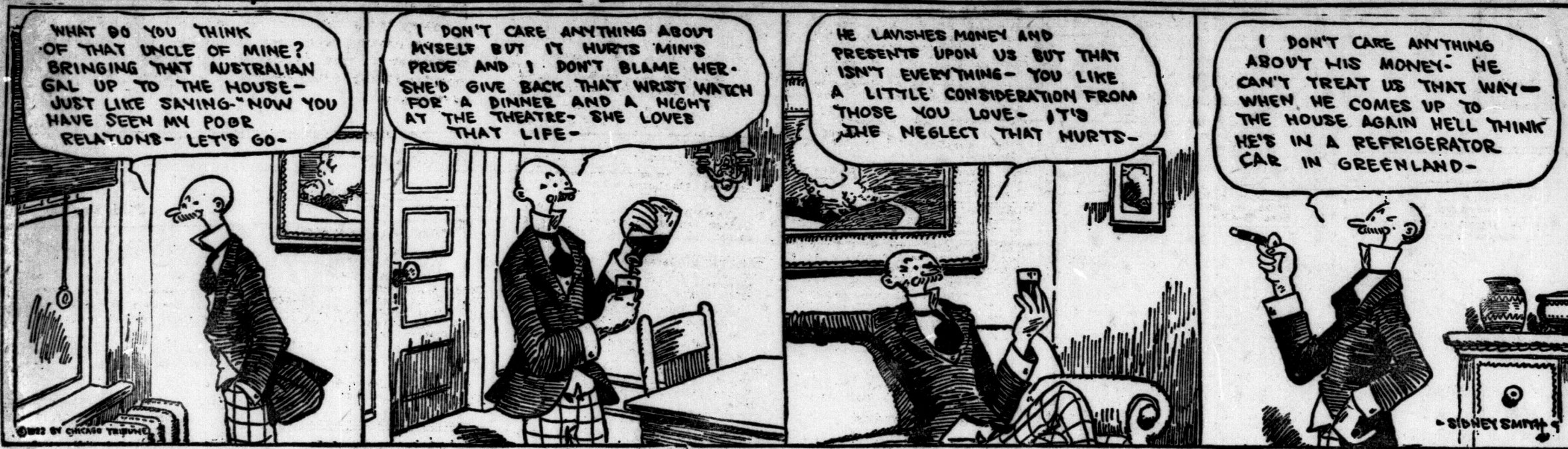


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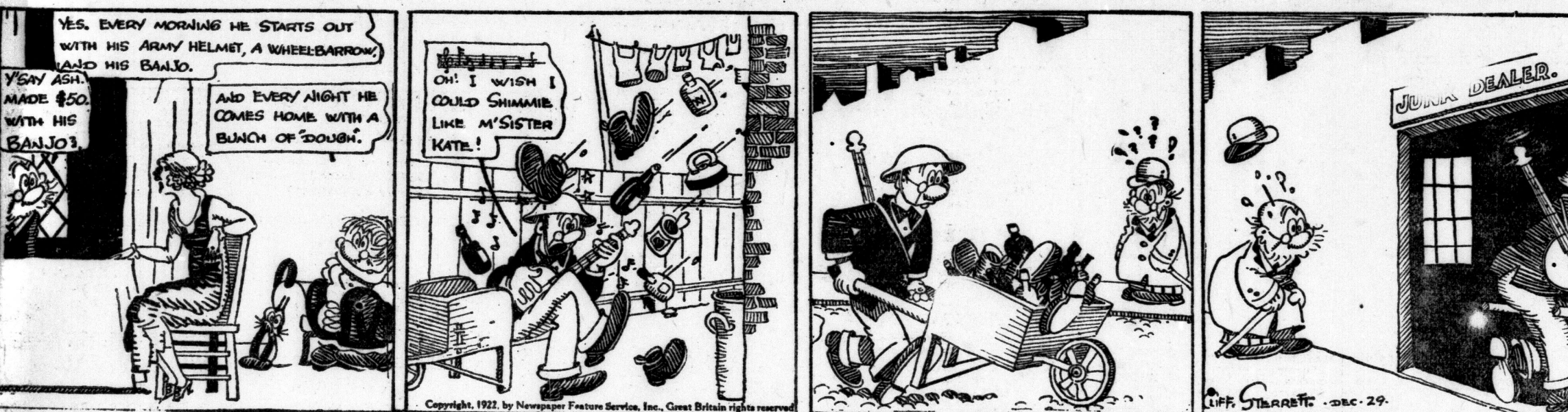
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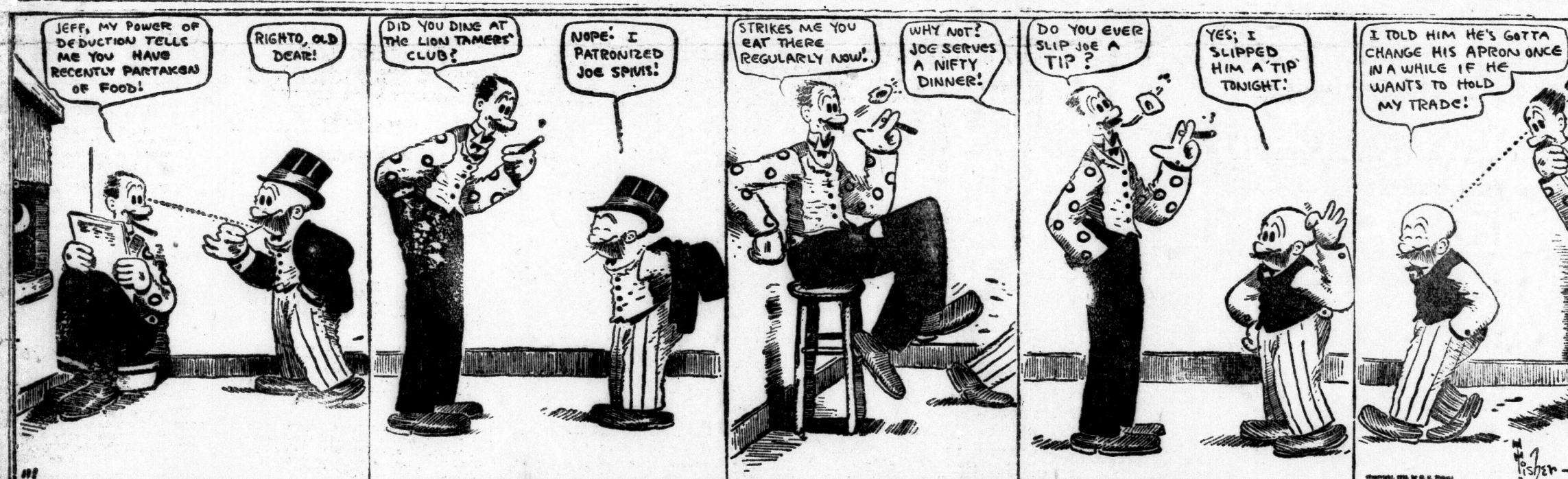
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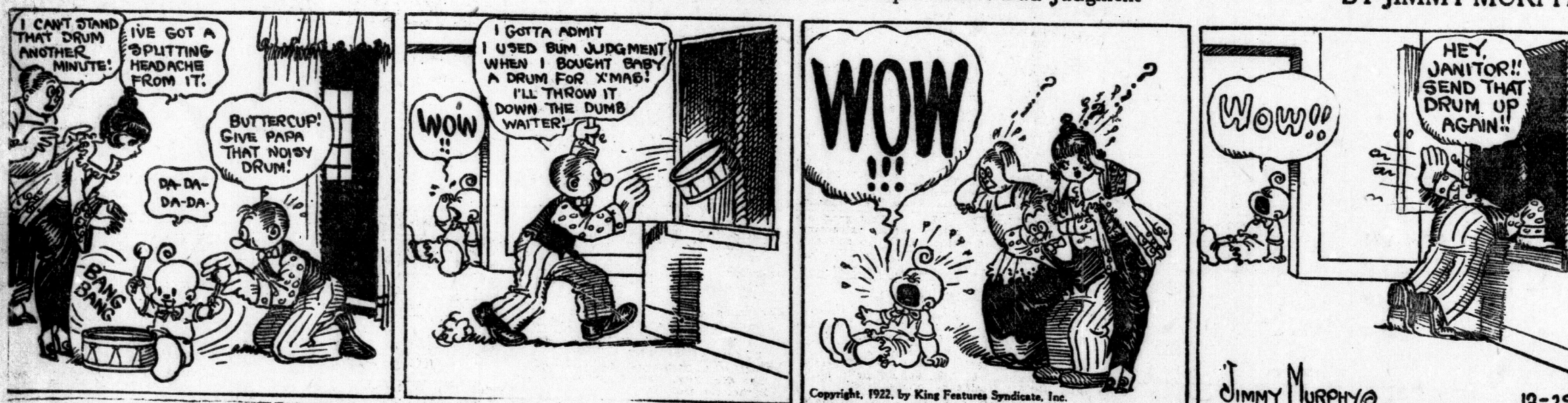
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For the Second Time Casper Shows Bad Judgment

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SAYS WORLD NEEDS VOICE OF EMPIRE

Sir Robert Declares Britain Must Head Desires of Her Dominions.

SPEAKS AT NEW HAVEN
Tells U. S. Historical Society
United Commonwealth Essential To Peace.

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 28.—(By Canadian Press).—It is essential as much for Great Britain as for her sister nations that the voice of the whole commonwealth shall speak; it is mightier than the voice of the United Kingdom alone.

These words by Sir Robert Borden were part of an address which Sir Robert delivered before the American Historical Association here last night on "The British Commonwealth of Nations: Features of External Relations."

The address was a highly important contribution to discussions on Canada's constitutional relations. Throughout it was of interest to note Sir Robert used the term "British Commonwealth of Nations" in preference to "British Empire," pointing out how the former term had been recognized both in the constitution of the Irish Free State and in the oath to be taken by members of the Irish Free State Parliament.

Need Prompt Decision.

"In what manner, by what authority, shall the external policy of the Commonwealth be determined and announced?" Sir Robert asked after sketching recent constitutional development. "Often there is need of prompt and firm decision. How shall the voice of the Commonwealth be ascertained when the delegates have scattered from the council table? Here we encounter difficulties of great seriousness and complexity which, notwithstanding the contrary decision reached in 1921, must eventually be met and solved at a constitutional conference as was unanimously agreed in 1917."

The failure of the Dominions to accept and support a policy of vital concern would seriously affect the Commonwealth's influence and prestige.

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Consult By Cable.

"While the present situation continues the best that can be hoped for is a system of consultations by cable, and occasional consultation and discussion by conference when domestic political duties permit the Dominion ministers to attend."

And, with increasing voice and influence in external relations, the dominions must necessarily accept and realize their wider responsibilities. "It is impossible," Sir Robert declared, "for them to assert a national status unless they are able to assume corresponding national obligations for the commonwealth's safety. It cannot be doubted that within the British league of nations their security is greater and their responsibilities in this respect less burdensome than if they should withdraw."

"Within there are six nations under a single allegiance and with a developing status in their political relationship. Their unity rests upon the ideas of liberty, autonomy and co-operation."

Find World Unity.

"In like manner the world's unity for peace must be found in the realization of public right and international justice and in the understanding and co-operation that can only be gained around a common council board; and these essentials cannot be secured without a recognized system of periodical conferences at which representatives of the nations shall meet upon equal footing."

"Although denied the powerful aid of the United States, the League of Nations has accomplished great things for the world's peace during the past three years. Never before has the habit of international consultation and co-operation so impressed itself upon the nations."

Prevents Four Wars.

"On at least four occasions the league has prevented the outbreak of war in Europe. It has settled more than one difficult and dangerous question after the supreme allied council had abandoned the task; it has established a great court of international justice, and it is continually exercising a potent influence for the determination of international differences by peaceful means."

DROPS DEAD SPEAKING TO LITTLE COBALT GIRL

Cobalt, Dec. 29.—Abraham Solomon, 75, of Turkish birth, who was a prospector in the north, dropped dead while talking to a little girl in her home here. There are no relatives of his in this country.

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned and endorsed "Tender for Rebuilding Dry Dock Machinery" will be received at this office until 12 o'clock noon, Monday, January 15, 1923, for the reconstruction and repair of the machinery and other machinery for the Dry Dock at Esquimaux, B. C.

Plans and forms of contract can be seen and specification and forms of tender obtained at this Department, at the Office of the District Engineer, Post-office Building, Victoria, B. C.; Post-office Building, New Westminster, B. C.; Customs Building, Main Street, Winnipeg, Man.; Equity Building, Toronto Ont.; Shaughnessy Building, Montreal, Que.

Tenders will not be considered unless made on printed forms supplied by the Department and in accordance with conditions contained therein.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted check on a chartered bank payable to the order of the Minister of Public Works, equal to 5 per cent of the amount of the tender. War Loan Bonds of the Dominion will also be accepted as security, or war bonds and check of required to make up an odd amount.

NOTE—Blue prints can be obtained at this Department by depositing an accepted bank check for the sum of \$10 payable to the order of the Minister of Public Works, which will be returned if the intending bidder submit a regular bid. By order.

R. C. DESROCHERS,
Secretary.
Department of Public Works,
Ottawa, November 25, 1922. D.15,29

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