

INTRODUCTION

IN THE NOSTALGIC DAYS OF VAUDEVILLE AND THE CHAUTAUQUA, ALL MOST EVERY PROGRAM FEATURED A LIGHTNING CARTOONIST OR "CHALK-TALK ARTIST."

AS IT WAS THEN, IT IS JUST AS MUCH A PLEASURE TODAY TO WATCH A CLEVER CARTOONIST PERFORM HIS ART.

EVERYONE LOVES TO WATCH THE ARTIST DRAW AN OBJECT, THEN (WHILE TELLING A FUNNY STORY RELATING TO THE SUBJECT) CHANGE IT INTO ANOTHER OBJECT, YET IT ALL RELATES TO THE ORIGINAL OBJECT. IN THIS BOOK, A FUNNY STORY IS INCLUDED WITH EACH CHALK-TALK STUNT. YOU WILL NOTICE THE SUBJECT MATTER APPLIES TO THE STUNT. IF YOU USE OTHER JOKES, THEY, TOO, SHOULD COMPLY.

A CHALK-TALK PRESENTATION IS THE PERFECT INSTRUMENT FOR THE CLOWN, THE MAGICIAN AND ESPECIALLY THE KID'S MAGICIAN. THE GOSPEL OR SAFETY INSTRUCTOR, OR ANY PLATFORM ENTERTAINER, WILL FIND CHALK-TALK THE IDEAL TOOL TO KEEP THE ATTENTION OF THE AUDIENCE, YOUNG OR OLD.

A FEW PROPS ARE NECESSARY FOR THE BEGINNING CHALK-TALK ARTIST. A SIMPLE EASEL, YOU CAN BUILD OR HAVE BUILT, SOME PAPER SHEETS (AVAIL YOURSELF OF BLANK NEWSPRINT OR SIMILAR) AND THE LARGE CHALK STICKS (FROM YOUR LOCAL ART STORE). A SMALL SIDE TABLE SHOULD BE USED TO DISCARD FINISHED DRAWINGS. PLACE THEM FACE TO FACE. THIS KEEPS THE CHALKY SURFACES CONTAINED.

SOME CHALK-TALKERS PROTECT THEIR FINGERS FROM THE MESSY CHALK BY USING THE FINGERS OF SURGICAL GLOVES ON THEIR THUMB, INDEX AND MIDDLE FINGER. OR WRAP THE END OF THE CHALK IN PAPER. HAVE PLENTY OF CHALKS HANDY AS THEY EASILY BREAK AND/OR CRUMBLE. THE LARGE, BOLD, FELT-TIP MARKING PENS ARE A GOOD TOOL, TOO.

AS YOU DRAW YOUR CARTOONS, DO IT WITH AN EASY FLAIR, WITH BOLD, SURE STROKES! DO NOT LABORIOUSLY SKETCH. WHEN USING NEW, UNTRIED STUNTS, LIGHTLY PENCIL IN THE CARTOON ON YOUR PAPER BEFORE HAND.

THESE LINES WILL NOT BE SEEN BY YOUR AUDIENCE AND WILL

HELP YOU APPLY YOUR CHALK WITHOUT MISTAKES.

YOU WILL FIND THAT AFTER YOU HAVE DONE THE STUNT A FEW TIMES, YOU WILL BE ABLE TO DO IT WITHOUT ANY PRELIMINARY LINES. (THE GOOD RESULT OF PRACTICE).

AS YOU PERFORM, DO NOT STAND DIRECTLY IN FRONT OF YOUR EASEL, WITH YOUR BACK TO THE AUDIENCE. STAND TO THE SIDE AND PERIODICALLY STEP ASIDE SO THAT ALL CAN SEE WHAT YOU ARE DOING. (ALL THE WHILE YOU WILL BE RECITING YOUR PATTER).

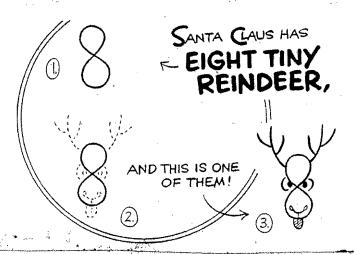
AND SMILE A LOT AND SHOW THE AUDIENCE THAT YOU ARE HAVING A GOOD TIME, TOO!

WHEN YOU DO UP-SIDE-DOWN OR SIDEWAYS PICTURES, LET THEM HAVE A GOOD LOOK BEFORE YOU TURN THE FINISHED DRAWING OVER.

STUDY AND PRACTICE THE STUNTS AND JOKES IN THIS BOOK, AND YOU'LL BE READY TO ENTERTAIN YOUNG AND OLD WITH

COMIC TRICK CARTOONS! © ED HARRIS NVITE A CHILD FROM THE AUDIENCE TO DRAW A TRIANGLE, SQUARE AND CIRCLE ON YOUR BOARD, YOU, THEN, AMAZE EVERYBODY BY ADDING YOUR OWN LINES TO MAKE A FINISHED CARTOON! WITH YOUR CARTOONIST MIND & LITTLE IMAGINATION, YOU'LL FIND THIS EASY TO DO. THE POSITION OF SHAPES, MORE OFTEN THAN NOT, SUGGESTS AN IDEA FOR A CARTOON AND YOU EASILY FINISH THE SKETCH! IN YOUR SPARE TIME, PRACTICE WITH RANDOM PLACEMENT OF THE SHAPES TO FAMILIARIZE YOURSELF WITH THE PROCEDURE





ONE CHRISTMAS EVE, A COURLE OF GENTLEMEN WERE PASSING THEIR FRIEND JONES' HOUSE, WHICH WAS DECORATED IN HOLLY WREATHS, MULTI-COLORED LIGHTS, AND MISTLE-TOE OVER THE DOOR!

"JONES CERTAINLY POES UP THIS CHRISTMAS THING! LOOK HOW BEAUTIFULLY HE HAS DECORATED HIS HOME!" ONE OF THE MEN SAID, "AND, SEE, THEY ARE CARRYING IN THE YULE LOG!"

"SAY", SAID THE OTHER MAN, "THAT AIN'T NO YULE LOG... THAT'S JONES!"

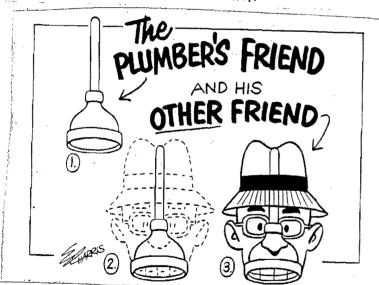


THIS REMINDS ME OF THE MAN WHO LOVED TO PLAY WATER POLO. "WATER POLO" HE SAID, "IS A GREAT GAME! BUT I HAD TO GIVE IT UP!" "WHY?" HIS FRIEND ASKED.
"MY HORSE DROWNED!" HE SAID.

DID YOU KNOW RACE HORSES ARE SMARTER THAN PEOPLE? THERE ARE 30 HORSES IN A RACE AND RETY THOUSAND PEOPLE SO TO SEE IT. BUT PUT 30 PEOPLE IN A RACE AND NOT ONE HORSE WILL GO TO SEE IT!

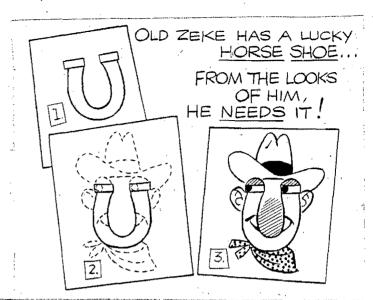


TWO YOUNG GIRLS WERE DISCUSSING A COMING-UP DANCE EVENT. "ARE YOU GOING TO THE BIG BALL THIS SATURDAY NIGHT?" ASKED PATTY. "NO" SAID JANE, "I'LL BE OUT OF TOWN SATURDAY NIGHT!"
"I DIDN'T GET INVITED, EITHER SIGHED PATTY.



ALL I CAN SAY IS, "SHOW ME A MAN WHO LAUGHS WHEN THINGS GO WRONG AND I'LL SHOW YOU A PLUMBER!"

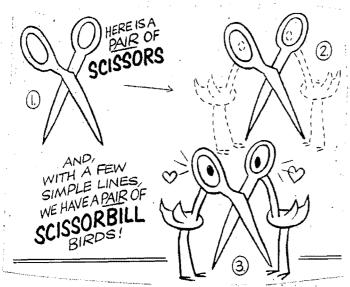
A PLUMBER I KNOW HAD SOME OF HIS TOOLS STOLEN BY A FELLOW WORKER.
THE PLUMBER WAS SO INCENSED THAT HE TOOK THE CULPRIT TO COURT.
"HENRY JONES" ASKED THE JUDGE SEVERELY, "DID YOU STEAL THIS MAN'S WRENCH
AND BLOW TORCH?"
"OH, NO, JUDGE—! ONLY TOOK THEM FOR A JOKE!"
"HOW FAR DID YOU CARRY THEM?" THE JUDGE ASKED.
"ONLY FROM THE JOB TO MY HOUSE. ABOUT THREE MILES!" CONFESSED JONES.
"TEN DAYS!" THE JUDGE SAID, "THAT WAS CARRYING A JOKE TOO FAR!"



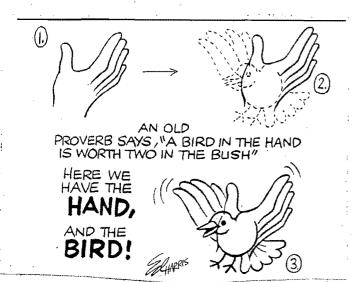
ONE DAY AT ZEKE'S RANCH, AN ENTERPRISING SALESMAN WAS TRYING TO PERSUADE ZEKE TO BUY A BICYCLE. ZEKE WAS NOT INTERESTED, BUT FINALLY TOLD THE SALESMAN THAT HE WOULD RATHER BUY A GOOD COW. "BUT THINK HOW FOOLISH YOU WOULD LOOK RIDING ABOUT ON A COW" INSISTED THE SALESMAN. THEN ZEKE SAID, "BUT THINK HOW FOOLISH I WOULD LOOK TRYING TO MILK A BICYCLE!"



SPEAKING OF EYE EXAMS, A MESSENGER BOY WAS HAVING AN EYE EXAMINATION AND MENTIONED TO THE DOCTOR THAT HE THOUGHT THE MAYOR OF THE TOWN WAS "BLIND AS A BAT, AND SHOULD BE EXAMINED FOR GLASSES, TOO!"
THE DOCTOR ASKED, "BLIND? THE MAYOR? HOW DO YOU KNOW? THAT'S NEWS TO ME!"
"COURSE HE'S BLIND AS A BAT! YESTERDAY I DELIVERED A TELEGRAM TO HIM AND TWICE HE ASKED ME WHERE MY HAT WAS, AND THERE IT WAS, IN PLAIN SIGHT, ON MY HEAD ALL THE TIME!"



A BIRD WAS FLYING AROUND WHEN SHE NOTICED A BIRD FRIEND OF HERS BUILDING A NEST HIGH ON A TREE BRANCH. "MY, WHAT A STRANGE NEST YOU'RE BULDING, HORTENSE" SHE SAID, "THERE'S A BIG HOLE IN THE BOTTOM OF IT." "WELL!" HORTENSE SAID," I LIKE HOUSE KEEPING, BUT I REALLY DON'T CARE TO HAVE CHILDREN."



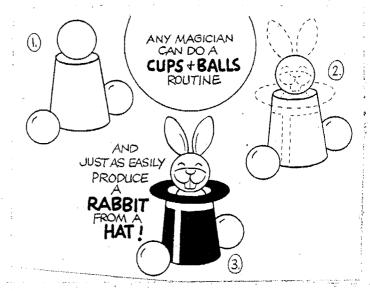
A MAN WENT INTO A PET STORE WITH THE DESIRE TO BUY A CANARY. WANT A NICE LITTLE PET TO KEEP ME COMPANY IN MY LONELY ROOM, HE SAID, "HOW MUCH IS THIS PRETTY CANARY?" "TEN DOLLARS," SAID THE CLERK."

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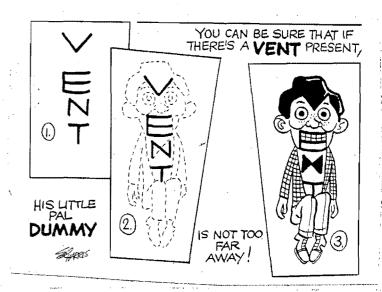
"I'LL TAKE HIM! JUST SEND ME THE BILL!"

"I'M SORRY" THE CLERK SAID, "YOU'LL HAVE TO TAKE THE WHOLE BIRD!"

SPEAKING OF BIRDS, MY WIFE DOES BIRD IMITATIONS. SHE WATCHES ME LIKE A HAWK!



YOU KNOW, THERE ONCE WAS A MAGICIAN WHO USED A RABBIT IN HIS ACT.
TRAGICALLY, THE RABBIT DIED, AND IT WAS SOON DISCOVERED THAT IT DIED
BECAUSE THE MAGICIAN FED IT GOAT'S MILK.
AN ASSISTANT SAID, "THAT GREASY KID STUFF IS NO GOOD FOR YOUR HARE!"

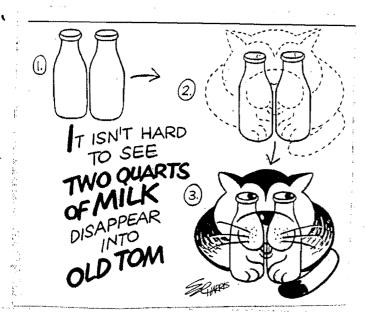


A FEW MAGICIANS WERE AT THE (LOCAL NAME) MAGIC STORE CHATTING AND HAVING A FINE TIME SWAPPING MOVES AND SLEIGHTS WHEN ANOTHER OF THEIR PEERS

ENTERED THE STORE. HE SEEMED A LITTLE DISTURBED AND SAD, AND FINALLY SAID, "BOYS, WOULD YOU EACH CONTRIBUTE FIVE DOLLARS TO BURY A VENTRILOQUIST ?!! ONE OF THE MAGICIANS SAID, "HERE'S TEN DOLLARS! BURY TWO OF THEM!"

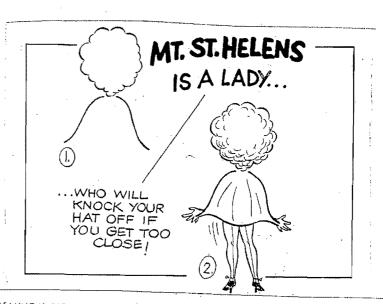


A MAN CAME UPON A LITTLE BOY AND A DOG.
"WOULD YOUR DOG BITE ME IF I TRIED TO PET HIM?" THE MAN ASKED THE LITTLE BOY.
"MY DOG WOULDN'T BITE ANYBODY!" THE BOY SAID,
THE MAN THEN REACHED OUT TO PET THE DOG, WHEN THE DOG LEAPED FORWARD,
WITH A GROWL, AND BIT HIM!
"I THOUGHT YOU SAID YOUR DOG DIDN'T BITE!" THE MAN SAID.
"THIS ISN'T MY DOG," THE BOY SAID.



A LION (WHICH YOU COULD CALL A BIG TOM CAT) WAS THE SUBJECT OF AN EXPERIMENT BY HIS TRAINER.

THE LION WAS TAUGHT TO BAT ONLY WHEN HE HEARD A BELL RING, AND, WOULD YOU BELIEVE IT, HE ATE FOUR DINNERS, YESTERDAY! THREE STEAKS AND AN AVON LADY!



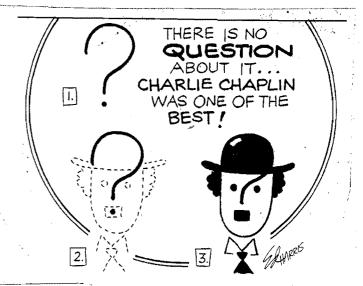
A LADY I KNOW JUST RETURNED FROM A TRIP TO THE BEAUTIFUL NORTHWEST AND WAS TELLING HER NEIGHBOR FRIEND ABOUT THE WONDERS SHE HAD SEEN.

"WE SAW MOUNT ST. HELENS! THE FAMOUS VOLCANO!" SHE SAID.

"WHAT?" THE NEIGHBOR ASKED.

"VOLCANO!" SHE SAID," YOU KNOW, ONE OF THOSE THINGS THAT BELCHES AND SPITS FIRE!"

"OH SURE" SAID THE NEIGHBOR LADY. "I MARRIED ONE!"



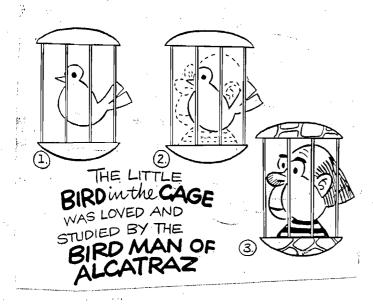
CHARLIE WAS ONCE TELLING JOKES AT A PARTY.

ONE OF THE GUESTS DIDN'T EVEN CRACK A SMILE!

CHARLIE SAID," SO, YOU DON'T LIKE MY JOKES!"

THE GUEST SAID, "NO! THEY ARE TERRIBLE!"

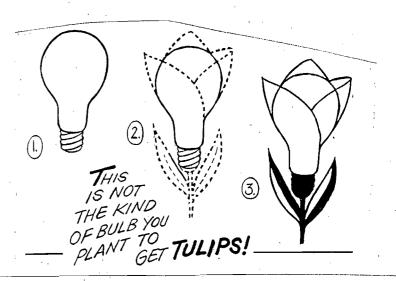
CHARLIE SAID," OH I DON'T KNOW ABOUT THAT! I THREW A BUNCH OF THEM IN THE FURNACE AND THE FIRE ROARED!"



YOU KNOW, SPEAKING OF BIRDS, THE EAGLE IS AN ENDANGERED SPECIES. AN ORNITHOLOGIST, WHO IS VERY CONCERNED OVER THIS, TRIED TO GET THE EAGLES TO FAKE
SICKNESS SO THAT THE PEOPLE WOULD FEEL SORRY FOR THEM!
THEY SAID IT WAS AN ILL-EAGLE ACT!!

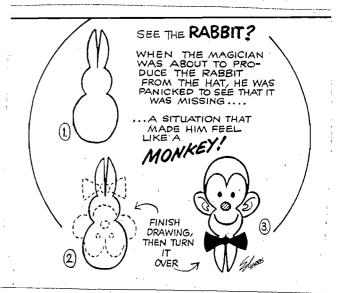


A COUPLE OF MEN WERE DISCUSSING EVOLUTION, AND ONE SAID THAT HE THOUGHT WE ARE ALL DESCENDED FROM EITHER BIRDS OR MONKEYS.
"WHAT DO YOU THINK?" HE ASKED HIS COLLEAGUE, "DO YOU THINK I'M DESCENDED FROM A BIRD OR A MONKEY?"
"WELL," HIS FRIEND SAID," I DON'T SEE ANY FEATHERS ON YOU!"

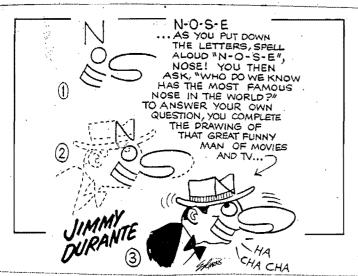


THIS CHALK-TALK DRAWING REMINDS ME OF MY FRIEND PETE JOHNSON. HE WAS READING THE PAPER ONE EVENING WHEN HE HEARD HIS WIFE SAYING, WIS IT TOO DRAFTY FOR YOU, MY DARLING ?!/
PETE SAID, NO, IT'S O.K."

HIS WIFE SNAPPED BACK, "I WASN'T TALKING TO YOU! I WAS SPEAKING TO MY AFRICAN VIOLET!"



A MAN I KNOW HAD A VERY RARE PET MONKEY. HE CLAIMED THAT THE MONKEY WAS WORTH ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS! EVENTUALLY CAME THE DAY WHEN HE DECIDED TO SELL THE ANIMAL, AND HIS SKEPTICAL FRIENDS WERE EAGERLY WAITING TO FIND OUT IF HE WOULD GET ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR THE MONKEY. "DID YOU GET YOUR PRICE?" HIS FRIENDS ASKED. "WELL, NOT EXACTLY THE CASH", HE SAID, "BUT THE PET SHOP MAN GAVE ME TWO \$500, DOGS FOR IT.

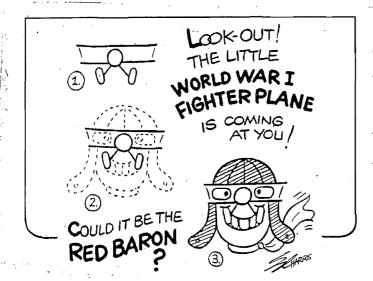


JIMMY WAS TRAVELING EAST, ACROSS THE COUNTRY, BY TRAIN. HE WAS OF ITALIAN DECENT, AND VERY PROUD OF IT, AND WHEN AN ENGLISHMAN FELLOW PASSENGER ASKED JIMMY, "WHO DISCOVERED AMERICA?", JIMMY WAS QUICK TO REPLY," THAT FAMOUS ITALIAN, CHRISTOPHER COLLMBUS!"

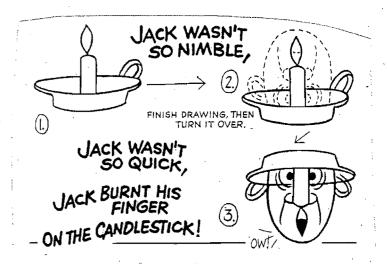
TWO LONG DAYS LATER, THEY WERE STILL HEADING WEST, THROUGH THE ROCKIE MOUNTAINS, WHEN THE ENGLISHMAN DID AGAIN ASK, "BY THE WAY, WHO DID YOU SAY DISCOVERED."

"CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS!" PROUDLY REPLIED JIMMY.

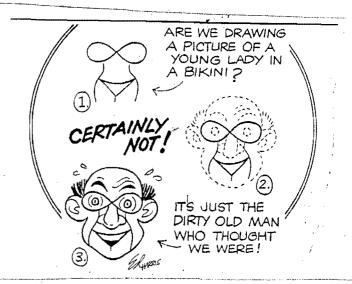
"I SAY!" SAID THE ENGLISHMAN, "HOW COULD HE HAVE MISSED THE BLOOMIN' THING!"



A BUSINESS MAN CRASHED HIS PRIVATE PLANE IN A REMOTE AREA. MORE SHAKEN THAN HURT, HE RADIOED, "MAY DAY! MAY DAY! HELP! CAN ANYONE HEAR ME? COME IN! COME IN!"
"THIS IS A RESCUE MISSION CALLING" SOMEONE ANSWERED, "WHAT IS YOUR POSITION?"
REPEAT. WHAT IS YOUR POSITION?"
THE BUSINESS MAN QUICKLY ANSWERED, "I'M EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT OF THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK!"



THIS CANDLE BRINGS TO MIND THE STORY OF THE DESPONDENT MAN WHO WAS LIGHTING A CANDLE AT THE ALTAR. A PRIEST NOTICED HIM AND SAID;
"MY SON, YOU LOOK TROUBLED, IS THERE ANY WAY I CAN HELP YOU?"
"FATHER" HE SOBBED, "IM FEELING SO GUILTY BECAUSE LAST SATURDAY I CHEATED ON MY WIFE. LET ME CONTRIBUTE TO THE POOR BOX. IT MAY ALLAY MY GUILT! WHAT IS A PROPER AMOUNT TO GIVE?"
"I'M SURE TEN DOLLARS WOULD BE A RIGHT AMOUNT" SAID THE PRIEST, THE MAN SAID, "FINE, BUT I HAVE ONLY A TWENTY DOLLAR BILL!"
"WELL THEN, SNEAK OUT ONE MORE SATURDAY AND YOU'LL BE EVEN!"



SPEAKING OF BIKINIS AND SWIMMING, A RICH, POMPOUS GENTLEMAN RUSHED DOWN TO THE BEACH TO FIND HIS DAUGHTER STRETCHED OUT ATTENDED BY TWO BUSY LIFEGUARDS.

"WHAT IS IT WITH MY DAUGHTER?" HE CRIED.

"SHE NEARLY DROWNED AND WE'RE GIVING HER ARTIFICIAL RESPIRATION!" SAID THE GUARD.
"NONE OF THAT!" ROARED THE MAN, "GIVE HER THE GENUINE THING! I CAN AFFORD IT!"

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THIS CARTOON OF THE LAMP SHADE REMINDS ME OF THE STORY OF THE FARMER, WHO SAW A LIGHT IN HIS BARN.

HE INVESTIGATED AND FOUND THE HIRED HAND WITH A LANTERN.

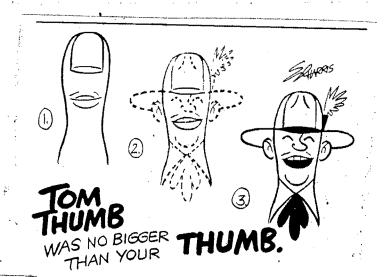
"WHY ARE YOU USING UP OIL WHEN IT IS SO SCARCE?" THE FARMER ASKED.

"WELL," THE HIRED HAND SAID, I'M ON MY WAY TO SEE MY GIRL AND I'VE GOT TO GO

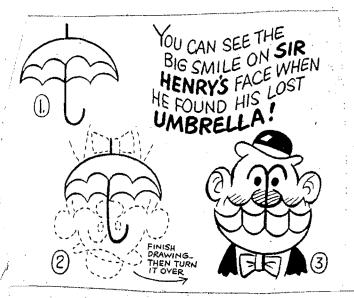
THROUGH THE WOODS. I DON'T WANT TO GO IN THE DARK!" AND I'VE GOT TO GO

"WHEN I WAS COURTING MY WIFE, I DIDN'T USE A LANTERN, I WENT IN THE DARK!" SAID
THE FARMER.

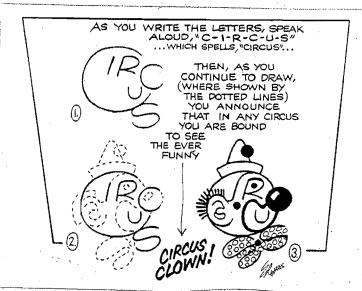
"YEAH, BUT LOOK WHAT YOU GOT!" SAID THE HAND.



YOU KNOW THAT COL. TOM THUMB WAS A LITTLE MIDGET THAT RT. BARNUM FEATURED IN HIS DIME MUSEUM AND IN HIS CIRCUS GIDE SHOWS.
P.T. BARNUM WANTED TO FIND ANOTHER LITTLE PERSON, WHO WAS A LITTLE DIFFERENT THAN TOM THUMB, TO ENHANCE THE ACT.
HE TOLD HIS CLERK THAT HE WAS LOOKING FOR A SMALL MAN WITH ONE EYE! HIS CLERK SAID, "SINCE HE'S SUCH A SMALL FELLOW, MAYBE YOU SHOULD USE BOTH EYES!"



THIS ONE REMINDS ME OF A RIDDLE!
"WHAT CAN GO UP, DOWN, BUT CAN'T GO DOWN, UP!?"
YOU READY FOR THIS?
"IT'S AN UMBRELLA IN A CHIMNEY!"



A LITTLE CLOWN APPROACHED THE CIRCUS MANAGER.
*SIR, I'D LIKE TO BE WILD ANIMAL TRAINER!" THE DIMINUATIVE CLOWN SAID.
*WHAT?" LAUGHED THE MANAGER, "A LITTLE GUY LIKE YOU? WHY YOU'RE
SCARCELY FOUR AND A HALF FEET TALL! A LITTLE SHRIMP LIKE YOU WANTS TO
BE A WILD ANIMAL TRAINER?"
*MY SMALL SIZE!" SAID THE CLOWN, "IS THE SECRET OF MY SUCCESS! THE LIONS
ARE WAITING FOR ME TO GROW A LITTLE LARGER!"

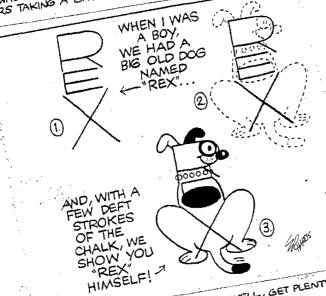


THE TEACHER, IN THIS CARTOON, WENT TO VISIT LITTLE OSCAR'S PARENTS. SHE RANG THE "THEY WAS IN, BUT THEY IS OUT!" HE SAID. WHERE'S YOUR GRAMMAR?" THE TEACHER DEMANDED.
"IOSCAR! THEY WAS IN - THEY IS OUT! REPLIED OSCAR.
"SHE'S UPSTAIRS TAKING A BATH!" REPLIED OSCAR.

BELL AND OSCAR ANSWERED.

WARE YOUR MOTHER AND FATHER IN 211 SHE ASKED.

WARE YOUR MOTHER THEY IS A FIT US CAIN.



MY DAD USED TO TELL ME, HEAT WELL, SLEEP WELL, GET PLENTY OF EXERC MY DAD USED TO TELL ME, HEAT WELL, SLEEP WELL, GET PLENTY OF EXERC MY DAD USED TO TELL ME, HEAT WELL, SLEEP WELL, GET PLENTY OF EXERC MY DAD USED TO TELL ME, "EAT WELL, SLEEP WELL, GE"

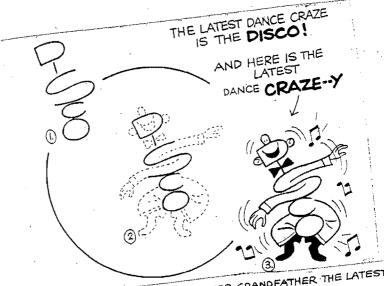
NY DAD USED TO TELL ME, "EAT WELL, SLEEP WELL, GE"

YOU'LL BE HEALTHY AND AROUND FOR A LONG TIME!"

YOU'LL BE HEALTHY AND AROUND OF ONE EASILY MEETING. YOU'LL BE HEALINY AND AROUND FOR A LONG TIME!"

15AID, NONLY ONE MEMBER OF OUR FAMILY DOES THAT!"

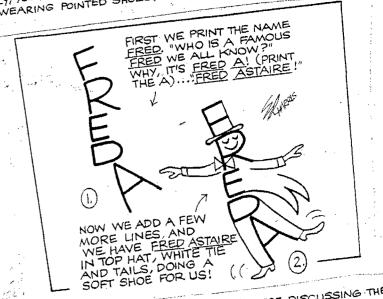
115 CALL HIM CALADTIN DAD SAID. "I'D CALL HIM SMART!" DAD SAID.
"I'D CALL HIM REX!" | SAID.



A SWEET YOUNG THING WAS SHOWING HER GRANDFATHER THE LATEST IN DISCO MANCING. NEVER SAW ANY DANCING LIKE THIS BACK IN THE GOOD OLD DAYS,

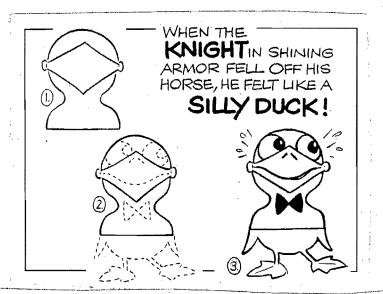
HUH, GRANDPA!

NONCE" SAID GRANDPA, "THEN THE PLACE WAS RAIDED!" INCIDENTLY, YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT FEAR IS UNTIL YOU HAVE DANCED WITH A GIRL WHO IS WEARING POINTED SHOES!

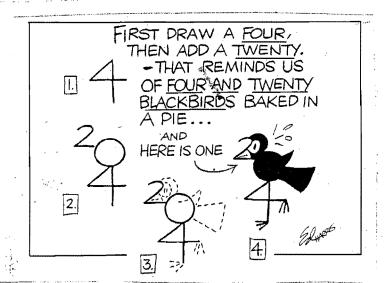


DANCING REMINDS ME OF THE TWO GIRLS WHO WERE DISCUSSING THE SUBJECT NO YOU CARE FOR DANCING ? ASKED PEGGY.

"DO YOU CARE FOR DANCING. "NO" SAID SALLY:
"NO" SAID SALL

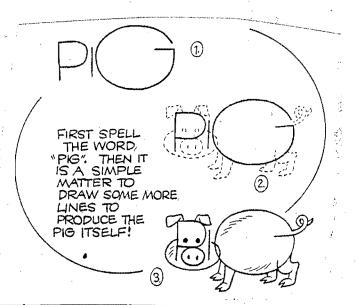


A KNIGHT RIDES A HORSE, AND A HORSE REMINDS ME OF THIS STORY.
THE TEACHER WAS SCOLDING YOUNG JOHNNY FOR AN ESSAY HE WROTE ABOUT HIS HORSE. "THIS ESSAY, ON YOUR HORSE, IS WORD FOR WORD, THE SAME AS THE ONE SUBMIT-TEP BY YOUR BROTHER!" "YES, SIR," SAID JOHNNY,"IT'S THE SAME HORSE!"



IVE ALWAYS BEEN INTERESTED IN BIRDS. IT'S A FACT THAT IN THE DARKEST JUNGLES OF DEEPEST AFRICA THERE IS A RARE SPECIES OF BIRD THAT LAY SQUARE EGGS. "MY GOODNESS" THE BIRDWATCHER SAID, "WHAT BIRD IS THAT?"

"IT'S THE OW! OW! BIRD," WAS THE ANSWER.

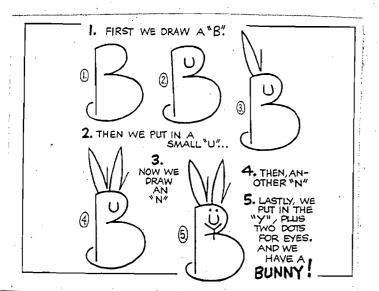


A FARM BOY SAID HE HAD A PET PIG THAT HE CALLED "BIC" 12 HIS FRIEND ASKED HIM IF IT WAS THE PIG'S REAL NAME. "WELL, NO," HE SAID, "THAT'S HIS PEN NAME!"

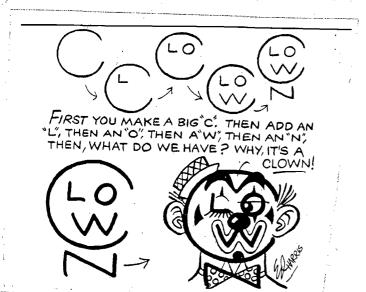




THIS ONE REMINDS ME OF A CIRCUS STORY. THERE WAS AN OFFICE BOY WHO AP-PROACHED THE HARASSED EDITOR OF THE NEWSPAPER. THE BOY SAID, "THAT BIG BROWN BEAR, AT THE CIRCUS, JUST HAD A LITTLE BABY BEAR AND THEY WANT US TO WRITE A STORY ABOUT IT. NO.K." THE EDITOR SAID, "TELL THEM WE'LL SEND OVER A CUB REPORTER!"



DID YOU KNOW THERE ONCE WAS A RABBIT WHO LIVED ALL HIS LIFE IN A BOX!
ATE AND SLEPT IN THE BOX, AND FINALLY DIED IN THE BOX!
DO YOU KNOW WHAT KIND OF RABBIT THAT WAS?
WELL, IT WAS AN INGROWN HARE!

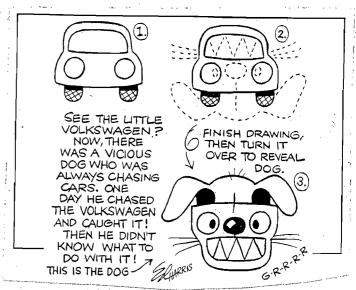


THE CLOWN REMINDS ME OF THE CIRCUS, AND THE CIRCUS REMINDS ME OF THE STORY OF THE VETERINARIAN WHO DOCTORED ALL THE WILD ANIMALS IN THE CIRCUS MEN"HOW DO YOU TREAT THE LIONS?" HE WAS RECENTLY ASKED.
"WITH THE UTMOST RESPECT!" HE SAID.



THIS SKETCH BRINGS TO MIND THE STORY OF THE MAN WHO SAID, THE KING TOUCHED HIS GRANDFATHER ON THE HEAD WITH HIS SWORD AND MADE HIM A DUKE!

AN OLD FELLOW, STANDING BY, SAID, "THAT'S NOTHING! ONCE AN INDIAN HIT MY UNCLE ON THE HEAD WITH A TOMAHAWK AND MADE HIM AN ANGEL!"



YOU KNOW THE VOLKSWAGEN GETS VERY GOOD MILEAGE. A VERY FAMOUS SCIENTIST SAYS THAT HE'LL SOON BE ABLE TO MAKE THAT POSSIBLE FOR ALL CARS!

HE SAYS HE IS ABLE TO MAKE GASOLINE OUT OF HORSE MANURE!!

A FRIEND ASKED, "HAS IT PROVEN TO GIVE ANY CAR GOOD MILEAGE?"

"NO" HE SAID," BUT IT SHOULD PUT A STOP TO SIPHONING!"



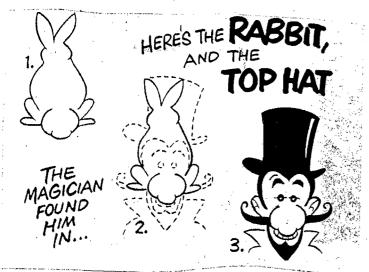
A CHINESE GENTLEMAN AND AN AMERICAN WERE TALKING ABOUT THE ETHNIC CUSTOMS OF THEIR HOMELANDS.

"I HEAR WHEN A CHINAMAN DIES, THEY COOKA TURKEY, WITH ALL THE TRIMMINGS, AND PLACE IT ON HIS GRAVE," SAID THE AMERICAN.

"YES, WE DO" SAID THE CHINAMAN, BUT YOU HAVE STRANGE CUSTOMS, TOO. YOU PUT FLOWERS ON THE GRAVE."

"THAT'S RIGHT, WE DO," SAID THE AMERICAN. "TELL ME, MR. WONG, WHEN DO YOU THINK THE CHINAMAN GETS UP AND EATS THE TURKEY?"

"THE SAME TIME THE AMERICAN GETS UP TO SMELL THE FLOWERS," SAID WONG.



ONE MAGICIAN WAS EXCITEDLY TELLING ANOTHER THAT HE HAD A NEW ACT THAT WOULD BE A SENSATION IN THE WORLD OF MAGIC!"

WHAT IS IT? WHAT IS IT?" HIS FRIEND INSISTED.

WIM GOING TO SAW A WOMAN IN HALF!" HE SAID

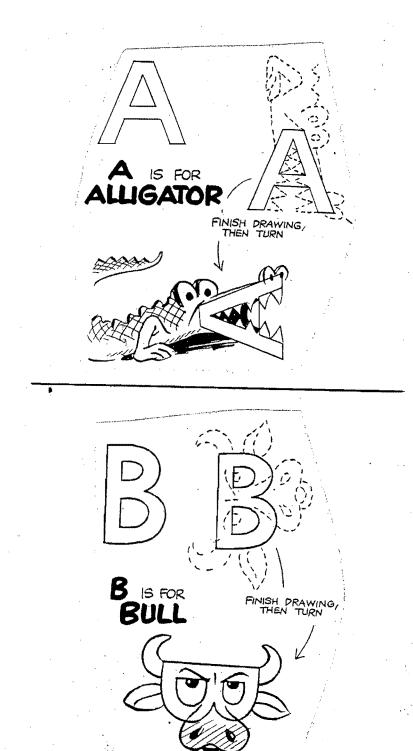
WSAW A WOMAN IN HALF? THAT'S NOT NEW! MAGICIANS HAVE BEEN SAWING WOMEN IN HALF FOR DECAPES!"

WLENGTHWISE?" HE ASKED.

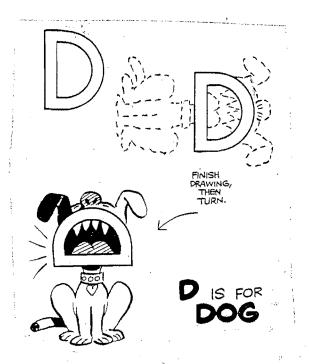


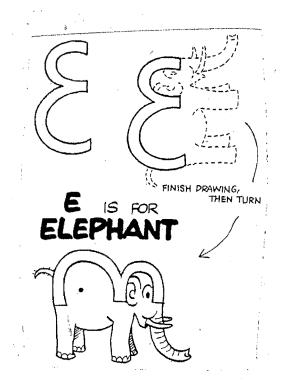
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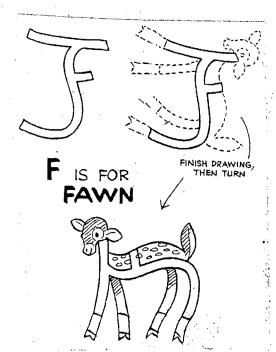


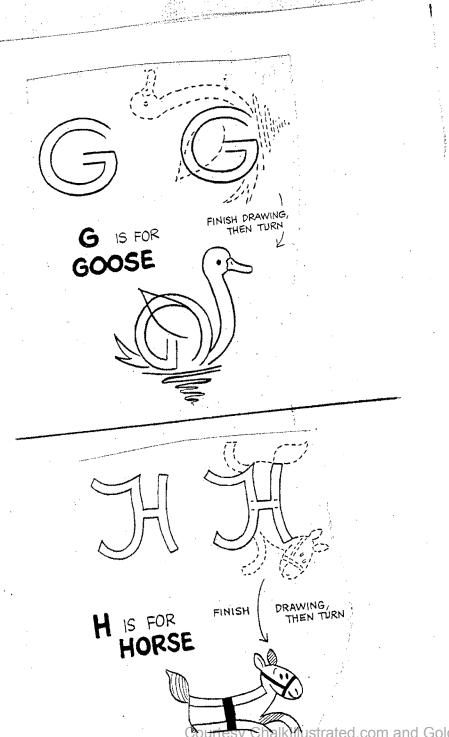


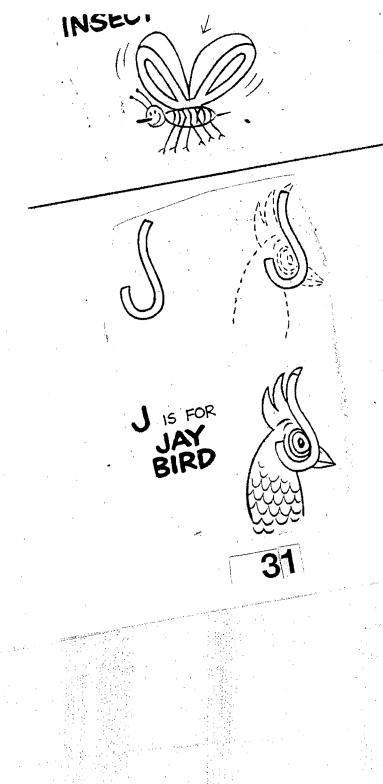




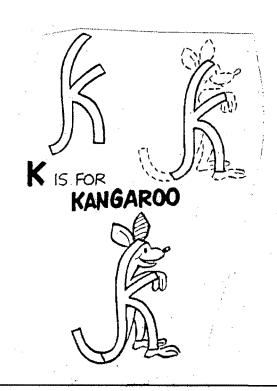


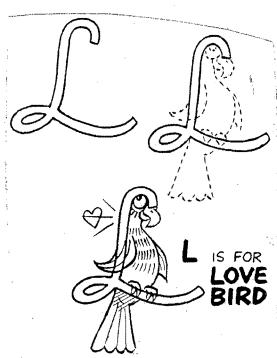


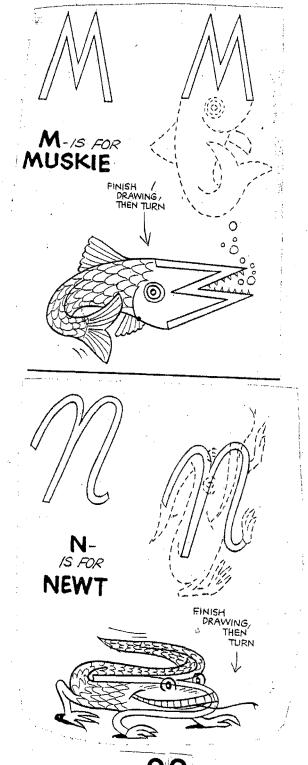


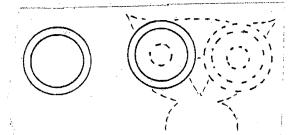


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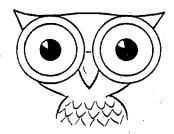


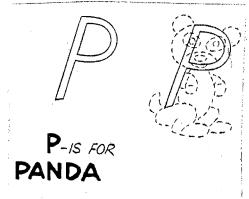




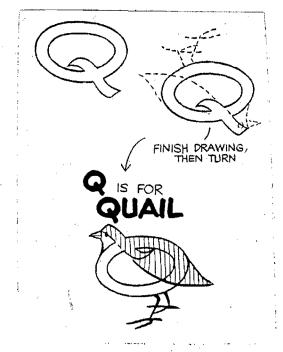


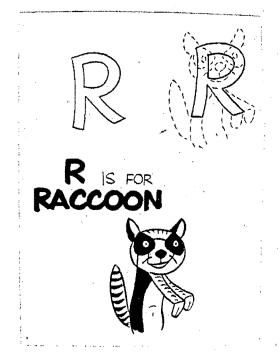
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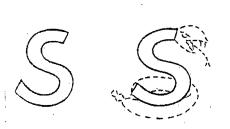






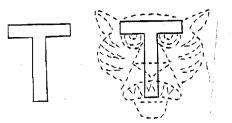






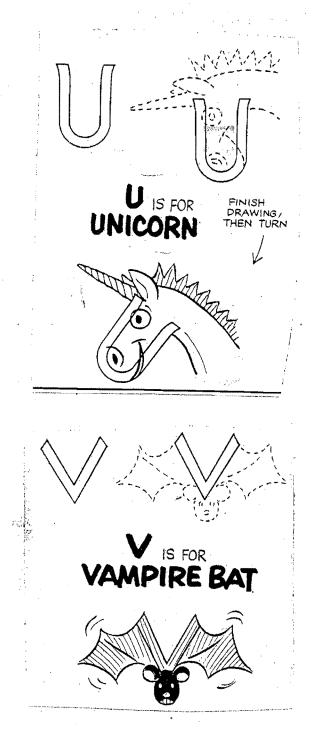
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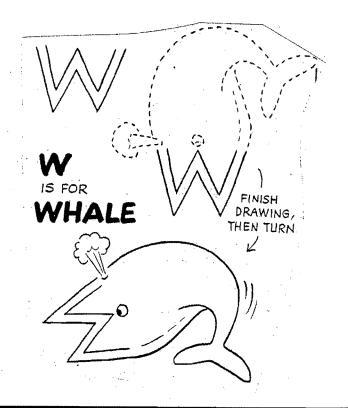


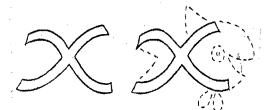


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AFTER MUCH DIGGING, WE FINALLY FOUND A CREATURE WHOSE NAME

BEGINS WITH AN X THE ALASKAN BLACK FISH, XENOMI



