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"AMOS AND ANDY" by Correll & Gosden No. 885

Andy has engaged a new attorney by the name of Collins. After talking to Andy for some time Lawyer Collins decided to call on Madam Queen's attorney M. Smith. As the scene opens now we find Andy in the taxicab office just as Brother Crawford enters. Amos has just driven the taxicab over to the lunch room. Here they are:--

ANDY STARTS

Andy---Well, come in brotheh Crawford, come in---glad to see yo'.

John---Hello Andy---Amos just told me dat you wanted to say sumpin' to me an' wanted me to stop by on my way to de house.

Andy---Yeh, I got a idea dat I ain't even told Amos 'bout it. I don't know how it's goin' sound to you.

John---Well, whut is your idea?

Andy---Well, I got dis idea---yo' see-a----I always gits a lot o' ideas---some is good an' some ain't as good as de othehs---I don't know if dis is a good one or not, but I gits 'em.

John---Well, we all git ideas at times.

Andy---Oh ye, dat's de main thing dat I do is de ideas. One o' dese days I'll think o' sumpin' fo' de lunch room so dat we kin make maybe twice as much money as we is been.

John---Well, I wish you'd say whut you've got to say because I wanna git back to de lunch room.

Andy---Oh, you done been home already?

John---Yes, I had a phone call from my wife----she is very unhappy.

Andy---She is huh?

John---Don't fo'git Andy dat blood is thicker dan water, an' when my wife's sister is upset and having these nervous spells, it's only natural dat my wife is unhappy too.

Andy---How is Madam Queen?

John---Well, Madam Queen is just about de same. She can't eat very much but she is gradually getting her strength back, but she still has her nervous spells.

Andy---Dat's too bad, ain't it?

John---Well, whut is your idea Andy?

Andy---Well-a, I was goin' ast yo'---a---yo' see---Madam Queen don't love me no mo', do she?

John---No, I hardly think she's in love wid you any more.

Andy---I didn't think so.

John---Well, whut do you want me to do about it?

Andy---Well-a, dis idea I got---as I say, some of 'em is good an' some of 'em is bad---so heah 'tis. A---since I done knowed Madam Queen I done writ her a lot of lettehs, an' I think she done saved all de lettehs dat I writ her, an' 'long as she don't love me no mo', ain't no reason dat she ought to keep my lettehs, so whut I wanted you to do was to ast her to give 'em to yo' so you kin bring 'em oveh heah an' give 'em back to me.

John---Dat is your idea, is it?

Andy---Yeh, dat's it.

John---Well, first of all you're not going to git me mixed up in dis thing. I think your idea is out of the question.

Andy---Yeh, maybe dat one ain't so good, I don't know. Some o' de ideas is good as I told yo'---some of 'em ain't.

John---I'm keeping my hands clean on dis whole thing an' I have no bizness sayin' dis to yo', but I tell yo' now dat de letters are in the hands of Lawyer Smith.

Andy---Dey is huh?

John---An' don't thing dat you're going to git me to pry into somebody else's bizness an' give you any letters. If I ast Madam Queen for her letters, my wife would have a fit, an' it's bad enough living in the same house wid her as it is. Andy---Well, dat's alright, just fo'git about it.

John---Don't worry, I will----and before I go I wanna say day we ought to have a meeting of the lunch room owners in de near future.

Andy---Whut's de matteh?

John---Well, if you want to know I'll say dis, dat one of the three owners is taking a third of de profit an' doing no work, an' let dat be a lesson to you. Good day.

Andy---So long. (to himself) Dere's a pal.----Oh me----

Telephone rings.

Andy---(phone) Hello----No, he ain't heah right now, who is dis, Ruby?- --- I pretty good, how is you?----well, he ought to be back heah any minute----how is yo' Aunt Lillian?----Yeh, a lot o' people is got de grip right now---de thing yo' gotta do though I guess, is kind-a take it easy----uh-huh---say, by de way, I wanna thank yo' fo' whut yo' done fo' me de otheh day when dey wanted yo' to go into Cou't as a witness fo' Madam Queen---well, Amos told me--he say dat you didn't want him to tell me----well, dat cert'ny was nice of yo' Ruby not to sign dose papehs, an' all dat stuff, an' I 'precilate it----well, I don't know how it's comin' out to tell yo' de truth----well, my lawyeh now is oveh seein' M. Smith today----yeh---well, thank yo' fo' doin' dat fo' me---yes it WAS sumpin' too, it was a whole lot---ev'vy little bit he'ps----well, I'll tell Amos you called --- alright ---- goo'bye---- (in phone, trying to catch her) hello---Hello! HELLO! (to himself) Well, she got away---

Amos---(fading in) Well, how is yo?

Andy---I just tried to ketch her on de telephone, she hung up---dat was Ruby I was talkin' to an' I say goodbye to her just as you driv up in front.

Amos---Did she say whut she wanted?

Andy---No, she say dat she had to go down town or sumpin' an' she was just leavin' an' she wanted to say sumpin' to yo' 'fore she went but she'll call yo' back later on.

Telephone rings.

Amos---Maybe dat's her now, I'll answer it. (phone) Hello--

--yeh, just a minute, he's heah. (to Andy) Somebody wants you. Andy---Who is it? Amos---Some man, I don't know who 'tis. Andy---(phone) Andrew Brown speakin'----Oh yeh, how is you today?---- (to Amos) It's Lawyeh Collins. (phone) Uh-huh----You is, huh?---Amos---I hope he got some good news fo' yo'. Andy---(phone) He said whut?----He did huh?----uh-huh-----Dat's bad, ain't it----Yeh, dat IS right, yo' can't tell-----Was he mad?-- ---uh-huh-----Amos---It don't sound good from heah, I don't know. Andy---(phone) No, I ain't got no kind o' papeh----If I git sumpin', what must I do wid it?----yeh, well, I'll do dat----yeh, well, I'll be oveh to see you tomorrow den---yeh, well I'se sorry ev'ything come out like it is .----Alright, I'll be dere---- goodbye. Amos---Whut's de matter? Andy---Well Amos, dis is just a bad day fo' me, dat's all---baddeh dan de otheh days dat is bad---all of 'em is bad. Amos---Well, whut's de matter? Andy---He is just been oveh to see M. Smith o' Smith & Smith, Madam Queen's lawyeh. Amos---How did he come out? Andy---Just like he went IN dere. Amos---Whut yo' mean? Andy---Oh, he say dat Madam Queen's lawyeh told him dat she was sick an' dat 'cordin' to law I is gotta pay her, an' all dat bizness, an' he say it look like we goin' have to fight. Amos---It do huh? Andy---He say it all ended up by de both of 'em sayin' dat dey'd go to Cou't wid it. Amos---Dat sound bad, don't it?

Andy---Dere you is Amos. Whut is I goin' do?

Amos---Well, yo' got yo'self a lawyer---let HIM tell yo' whut to do---I don't know whut to tell yo'.

Andy---I just feel like givin' up, dat's all.

Amos---You always feels dat way. You stays dat way. Did brother Crawford come over heah?

Andy---Yeh, he was heah. He's a pal too.

Amos---Whut's de matteh wid him?

Andy---Well, I talked to him, ast him to do me a little favor.

Amos---Whut kind o' favor?

Andy---Oh just a little favor like walkin' 'cross de street an' gittin' sumpin' fo' me---he wouldn't even do it----an' de las-thing he say was dat dey goin' have a meetin' of de lunch room ownehs 'cause one of 'em is takin' money an' ain't doin' no work. Den he say an' let dat be a lesson to me. Who was he talkin' 'bout?

Amos---Dat's a question.

Andy---He ain't talkin' 'bout me, is he?

Amos---He ain't talkin' 'bout nobody else.

Andy---Alright Amos. Wait a minute, who is dis comin'?

Amos---Yessah, yessah, come in---yessah!

Andy---Yessah, come in.

Man----I'm looking for Andrew Brown.

Andy---Who?

Man----Andrew Brown.

Amos---Dat's him.

Man----Is your name Andrew Brown?

Andy---Well, it's a lot o' Andrew Browns around town heaha---maybe I ain't de right one---whut's he done?

Man----I'm looking for Andrew Brown of the Fresh Air Taxicab Company.

Andy---I b'lieve dat's me.

Man----Do you know Madam Queen?

Andy---Yeh, seem like I DO know her.

Man----Well, I want to deliver to you here a Summons with Notice-- Supreme Court---Madam Queen the plaintiff against Andrew Brown, defendant, M. Smith attorney for the plaintiff.

Amos---Awa---

Andy---Whut is dis summit dat you is givin' me?

Man----You are hereby summoned to answer the complaint of this action-- -there is de whole thing printed right there on the Summons. Judgement will be taken against you for the sum of \$25,000--- with interest from January 1st, 1931 and with the cost of this action. There you are.

Andy---Thank you.