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The story of Andy's love affair with Madam Queen is now occupying prominent space in the newspaper. Much to Andy's regret the papers are telling the many incidents which Andy related to the reporter. As the scene opens now we find Amos and Andy in their taxicab office just as Andy's lawyer enters. Here they are:--

ANDY STARTS

Andy---Well--hello Mr. Collins----come in.

Amos---Hello Mr. Collins, I didn't know you was at de door.

Collins--Well, I just happened to be in the neighborhood an' thought I'd stop by. This is your headquarters for the taxicab company, eh?

Amos---Yessah, dis heah's it. It ain't much but yo' see, we don't need much of a place.

Andy---I ain't had no chance to fix it up yet like I IS goin' do.

Amos---Did yo' just git back from Albany?

Collins--Yes, just got back today, and I find you've been getting some pretty bad publicity.

Amos---Been gittin' who, yo' say?

Andy---Yeh, whut is dat I got dat's bad?

Collins--I say you've been getting some pretty bad publicity. I found some newspaper stories on my desk dis morning.

Amos---Oh, dat's whut yo' mean.

Andy---Dat's a mess, ain't it Mr. Collins? Dat's whut I wanna see yo' 'bout.

Amos---Whut yo' think of it Mr. Collins?

Collins--Well Andy, it's pretty bad. You made a great

mistake giving the newspapers a story of that kind. I told you the other day that I would do the talking for you.

Andy---Yeh, but when de man come in heah, he was friendly an' ev'ything--he felt sorry fo' me---I didn't know he was goin' put all dat stuff in de papeh.

Amos---Andy told him ev'ything though.

Collins--Andy, a newspaper is in the business to print news, and they're in the business to get news.

Amos---Cert'ny, yo' can't blame de newspaper. Dey is lettin' de people know whut's goin' on.

Collins--Well now Andy, I want you to do me a favor. Otherwise we're not going to get anywhere. I want you to stop talking about this thing and hereafter if anybody wants any information if you'll send them over to me I'll be glad to give them everything that we should give out at this time.

Amos---Andy just tell ev'ybody ev'ything.

Andy---Hereafteh though I ain't goin' tell nobody nuthin'.

Collins--You realize that Madam Queen's lawyer can use that story as evidence and if necessary, he can bring that reporter in court and testify that you said what he printed.

Amos---Dere you is. See dere?

Andy---I cert'ny is sorry 'bout dat.

Amos---You ought to be sorry 'bout it.

Collins--Well Andy, I want you to promise me one thing, that you're not going to talk any more--and if you do, I'm not going to be able to handle the case.

Andy---Oh, I ain't goin' say no mo'. I just say one thing to 'em. "See Mr. Collins, see Mr. Collins"--dat's all I goin' say.

Amos---You ought to said dat in de first place.

Collins---Now, I've told you that your case comes up on the 23rd. Today is the 10th--we have 13 more days.

Amos---13 is unlucky too, ain't it?

Andy---We gotta git busy, ain't we?

Collins--I want you to come to my office tomorrow---see if we can't get a few things together, and I want you to tell me everything that you haven't told me up to now.

Amos---I'll see dat he git dere Mr. Collins.

Collins--And another thing, I want you to keep your mouth shut until this thing is over.

Andy---Yessah.

Amos---Alright Mr. Collins, I'll see dat he git over dere.

Collins--Make it at 2 o'clock tomorrow--at my office. See you tomorrow.

Amos---Yessah---so long.

Andy---So long Mr. Collins--I'll be dere.

Amos---Well, he got you told.

Andy---Dere you is. My lawyeh tell me to keep my mouth shut. Who he think he is?

Amos---Well, he told yo' right.

Andy---Residerin' de picklement dat I is in, he won't even lemme talk now an' tell people dat I is right.

Amos---Well, look at de newspapers, whut dey is sayin' 'bout it.

Andy---Yeh, dey is cert'ny sayin' a lot o' stuff, ain't dey?

Amos---Dat one dis morning call yo' Rose Pedals Andy.

Andy---Amos, I just gotta turn oveh a new leaf, dat's all.

Amos---You was goin' do dat de first of de year.

Andy---Yeh, but I was so busy wid dis thing I couldn't do it.

Amos---Whut did de Kingfish say dis mornin'?

Andy---He come in heah--stahted off wid dat brothehly love stuff--- tellin' me 'bout dat egg-zeck committee again--- tellin' me dey done had anotheh meetin'.

Amos---If I was you I'd got up to de egg-zeck committee an' just tell 'em.

Andy---Dat's whut I goin' do. Where you goin' now?

Amos---I goin' take dis taxicab an' git goin'.

Telephone rings.

Andy---Wait a minute 'fore yo' go. Somebody might want a taxicab.

Amos---Well, answer de phone.

Andy---(phone) Fresh Air taxicab comp'ny---Brown at de telephone---just a minute, just a minute--hold de phone, will yo' please? (to Amos) Dat's alright Amos ain't no taxicab.

Amos---It ain't huh?

Andy---Well, git on out heah---thought you was goin'.

Amos---Alright. Old rose pedals Andy----so long boy----good luck to yo'.

Andy---(phone) Hello Sadie----I had two-three lawyehs in heah, I had to chase dem out----how yo' feel today?----uh-huh, well, dat's good----well listen honey, don't pay no 'tention to all dat stuff you been readin'----no, no, ain't nuthin' to dat---- whut's dat?----I don't know where de papehs got dat stuff at--- --yeh, well-a, ain't nuthin' to none o' dat stuff---uh-huh--- tonight?----well, I was goin' work at de lunch room---see, dis heah's my night to work oveh dere--I gotta go oveh an' superize ev'ything tonight---Oh, I'd like to come oveh dere alright Sadie, but yo' see, dey git mixed up at de lunch room an' ev'vy third night I gotta go oveh dere an' straighten 'em out----uh- huh---well, I tell yo' whut I'll do---I KNOW brotheh Crawford can't work tonight 'cause he don't know how to straighten out dese things but I might git Amos to work fo' me---uh-huh---yeh, he was heah a while ago---yeh, I told him all dat stuff, an' den I told him not to talk too much--I thought HE was de one dat was tellin' de newspapehs all dat stuff but he say it ain't him.----SHO' it do---if you ain't in a picklement to start wid, afteh dey print all dat stuff, you IS in one.----Hold de phone just a minute (to man) Yessah, sumpin' I kin do fo' yo'?

Man----That's alright, go right ahead.

Andy---(phone) Hello, I'll call yo' back after while---a man just walked in wid some deal, I think----alright-----goodbye. (to man) Yessah.

Man----I'm looking for a man by the name of Andrew Brown.

Andy---Yessah, dat's me---ain't nuthin' wrong, is it?

Man----No, no, I just wanted to have a little talk with you, tell you a few things that might be of interest to you.

Andy---Whut's de matteh?

Man----Nothing at all's the matter, nothing at all. I just wanted to meet you and talk things over. I been readin' in de newspapers about your breach of promise suit that's coming up on de 23rd.

Andy---It's a mess alright.

Man----I'm with a little magazine that comes out once a week here by the name of "The Love Book."

Andy---Oh yeh, I done seed that thing---yeh, I done seed yo' book.

Man----I want to tell you that I'm in sympathy with your side of this case and I think people are doin' you an injustice.

Andy---Yeh, de way ev'ybody is printin' stuff.

Man----Yes, I guess the newspapers is had in a lot o' stuff about yo'.

Andy---Dey sho' is, but I goin' fool 'em from now on.

Man----Yes, I guess you've been pestered with a lot of people asking you questions.

Andy---Yeh, I ain't told 'em ev'ything though.

Man----Well, that's very interesting.

Andy---Dey ain't goin' git no mo' stuff from me. Yo' know I didn't tell dis reporte' dat I talked to all I know. He was in heah astin' me 'bout Madam Queen dis an' Madam Queen dat. I didn't tell him dat Madam Queen's gram'ma was tryin' to git me to marry Madam Queen.

Man----Yes, I guess she wanted to see you two git married

pretty bad, didn't she?

Andy---Sho' she did---she used to make Madam Queen bring me over dere an' talk to her----den she would say to me when Madam Queen wasn't listenin' "When is you two goin' git married?"

Man----Whut did yo' tell her?

Andy---Oh, I told her we was goin' git married in de next month or two, yo' see. I kept stallin' her off.

Man----Yes, yo' have to do those things I guess.

Andy---'Course I used to say to Madam Queen how nice it would be to be married an' all dat stuffm an' if it wasn't fo' her gram'ma I believe I would o' married her last Novembeh.

Man----Whut is her gran'mother's name?

Andy---Carnation James.

Man----How do you spell that?

Andy---Carnation--like de floweh, an' J-a-m-e-s. Don't tell no reporteh none o' dis stuff I goin' tell yo' 'cause I goin' tell yo' a lot o' stuff now dat I don't wanna git out nowhere.

Man---I see. Tell me, were you really in love----