

Hitting the Boss for a Raise

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(You have determined to go right and tell him you'll have to have more money or you'll be compelled to walk out on him and leave the company flat on its back. . . . you have rehearsed your speech to your boss very carefully, but when you go to the Boss continues to write and never you standing there. . . . he writes speech goes away. . . . you begin to wonder how he started. . . . and just then he looks up suddenly and says brusquely: well, what is it, what is it? Er, er, good morning. (Turns good morning, good morning. (Turns good morning to write again.) . . . I came to see you about something this morning. . . . what is it? (Continues to write, sadly. . . . I was thinking, maybe, that maybe well, you see I've been here for some time now, and I thought that maybe what? Maybe what? I'm awful sorry this morning. (He knows what you're trying to say, all right enough. . . . I thought maybe you'd be willing to to . . . well, willing to to . . . (Whew!) Oh, you want more money, is that it? (It's almost miraculous how they can agree things out sometimes. It's great to have business brains. . . . Yes, that's the idea—you see I've been here for some time now—(You begin to ramble again, but he cuts you short. He is beginning to realize now that you have been here for some time and you sorter. . . . Just because you've been around here for some time, do you think that entitles you to a raise? I thought we were paying you a salary, not a pension. . . . Well, you see it's like this—I've sorter thought—Oh, you've sorter thought? Well, I've sorter thought, too. In fact, I've been sorter thinking of making a few cuts in the payroll. . . . (You start violently—Cuts?—Maybe I'll be lucky to keep the job I got, let alone get a raise. . . . (Continues) Yeh, I sorter thought I'd have to trim the payroll down. . . . (Suddenly) How long have you been here now, anyway. Two years. . . . Oh, only two years. Not very long.

(Muse.) Yes, Johnson has been here longer and so has Winter, and Graham, too, and Smith. You know I oughtn't to let one of them go when they've been here longer than you. (Lets that sink in. By that time you've given up all hopes for a raise and you are concentrating on keeping the old job at any price—and the boss knows it, too—the old fox.) Well, er—er—

No you see if you insist upon having a raise I'm afraid I'll be compelled to—Well—suppose we let it ride as it is for a while, huh—suppose we do, huh? All right, I'll see about it. (To secretary.) Bring me the payroll. (To you.) I guess that'll be all. Er—er—thank you, thank you—(You didn't get the raise, but you've still got the job, you hope.)

HOLD-UP "VICTIMS" HELD

Police Suspicious When They Tell Conflicting Stories
Thrilling tales of two hold-ups which were told the police today by Bruno Sanson and Joseph Lanicus resulted in the arrest of the supposed victims. Sanson, who lives at Sixtieth street and Lansdowne avenue, said three men held him up with revolvers at Sixty-fifth street and Haverford avenue and robbed him of \$1000. Then, according to Sanson, they beat him with the butt end of revolvers and threw him in the street. Sanson said he fired several shots after them. He related this tale to police of the Sixty-first and Thompson streets sta-

tion. But each time he told the story it had variations, so the police instead of hunting for bandits held Sanson on the charge of carrying concealed deadly weapons. Lanicus, who lives at Sixty-second and Race streets, went to the Misericordia Hospital suffering from two light bullet wounds. He told physicians he had been held up and robbed with Sanson, but later said the robbery took place near Sixtieth and Pine streets. Police detained Lanicus after he had been treated.

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