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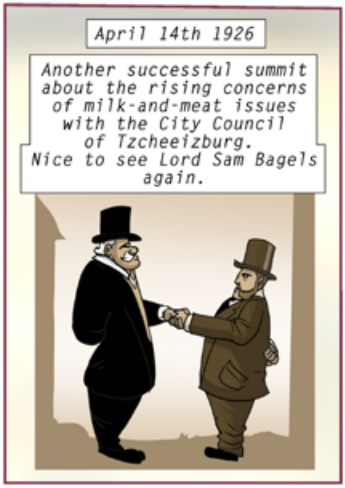
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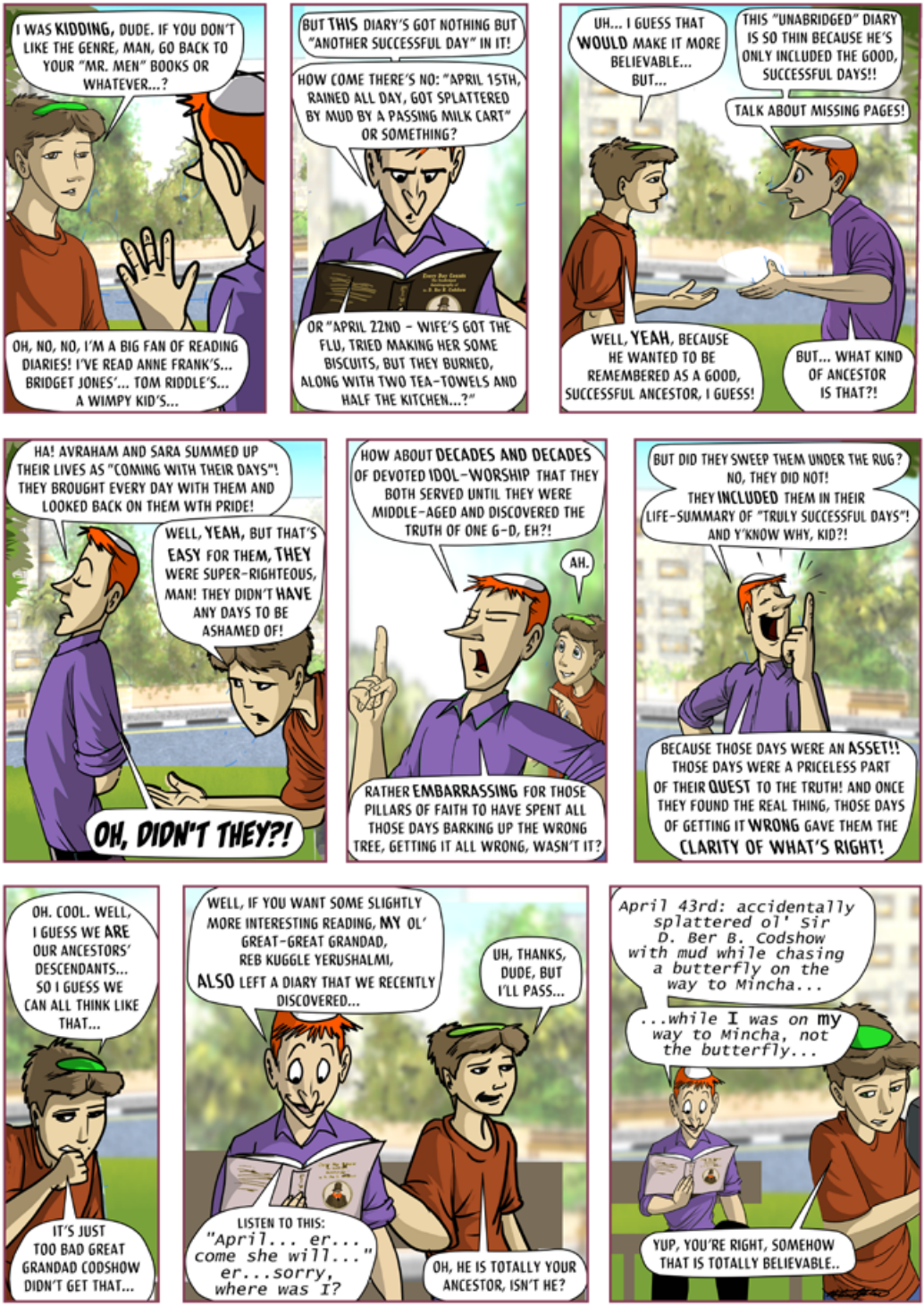











I WAS KIDDING, DUDE. IF YOU DON'T LIKE THE GENRE, MAN, GO BACK TO YOUR "MR. MEN" BOOKS OR WHATEVER...?
OH, NO, NO, I'M A BIG FAN OF READING DIARIES! I'VE READ ANNE FRANK'S... BRIDGET JONES'... TOM RIDDLE'S... A WIMPY KID'S...
BUT THIS DIARY'S GOT NOTHING BUT "ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL DAY" IN IT!
HOW COME THERE'S NO: "APRIL 15TH, RAINED ALL DAY, GOT SPLATTERED BY MUD BY A PASSING MILK CART" OR SOMETHING?
OR "APRIL 22ND - WIFE'S GOT THE FLU, TRIED MAKING HER SOME BISCUITS, BUT THEY BURNED, ALONG WITH TWO TEA-TOWELS AND HALF THE KITCHEN...?"
UH... I GUESS THAT WOULD MAKE IT MORE BELIEVABLE... BUT...
THIS "UNABRIDGED" DIARY IS SO THIN BECAUSE HE'S ONLY INCLUDED THE GOOD, SUCCESSFUL DAYS!!
TALK ABOUT MISSING PAGES!
WELL, YEAH, BECAUSE HE WANTED TO BE REMEMBERED AS A GOOD, SUCCESSFUL ANCESTOR, I GUESS!
BUT... WHAT KIND OF ANCESTOR IS THAT?!
HA! AVRAHAM AND SARA SUMMED UP THEIR LIVES AS "COMING WITH THEIR DAYS"! THEY BROUGHT EVERY DAY WITH THEM AND LOOKED BACK ON THEM WTH PRIDE!
WELL, YEAH, BUT THAT'S EASY FOR THEM, THEY WERE SUPER-RIGHTEOUS, MAN! THEY DIDN'T HAVE ANY DAYS TO BE ASHAMED OF!
OH, DIDN'T THEY?!
HOW ABOUT DECADES AND DECADES OF DEVOTED IDOL-WORSHIP THAT THEY BOTH SERVED UNTIL THEY WERE MIDDLE-AGED AND DISCOVERED THE TRUTH OF ONE G-D, EH?!
AH.
RATHER EMBARRASSING FOR THOSE PILLARS OF FAITH TO HAVE SPENT ALL THOSE DAYS BARKING UP THE WRONG TREE, GETTING IT ALL WRONG, WASN'T IT?
BUT DID THEY SWEEP THEM UNDER THE RUG? NO, THEY DID NOT! THEY INCLUDED THEM IN THEIR LIFE-SUMMARY OF "TRULY SUCCESSFUL DAYS"! AND Y'KNOW WHY, KID?!
BECAUSE THOSE DAYS WERE AN ASSET!! THOSE DAYS WERE A PRICELESS PART OF THEIR QUEST TO THE TRUTH! AND ONCE THEY FOUND THE REAL THING, THOSE DAYS OF GETTING IT WRONG GAVE THEM THE CLARITY OF WHAT'S RIGHT!
OH. COOL. WELL, I GUESS WE ARE OUR ANCESTORS' DESCENDANTS... SO I GUESS WE CAN ALL THINK LIKE THAT...
IT'S JUST TOO BAD GREAT GRANDAD CODSHOW DIDN'T GET THAT...
WELL, IF YOU WANT SOME SLIGHTLY MORE INTERESTING READING, MY OL' GREAT-GREAT GRANDAD, REB KUGGLE YERUSHALMI, ALSO LEFT A DIARY THAT WE RECENTLY DISCOVERED...
UH, THANKS, DUDE, BUT I'LL PASS...
LISTEN TO THIS: "April... er... come she will..." er...sorry, where was I?
OH, HE IS TOTALLY YOUR ANCESTOR, ISN'T HE?
April 43rd: accidentally splattered ol' Sir D. Ber B. Codshow with mud while chasing a butterfly on the way to Mincha...
...while I was on my way to Mincha, not the butterfly...
YUP, YOU'RE RIGHT, SOMEHOW THAT IS TOTALLY BELIEVABLE..