

Mrs. Pine decides to visit her sister in New York. Mr. Pine tells her that he can take care of the house while she is away.

“Housework is easy,” he says. But Mr. Pine soon changes his mind. The house gets messier and messier and—oh no, Mrs. Pine is coming home early tomorrow!

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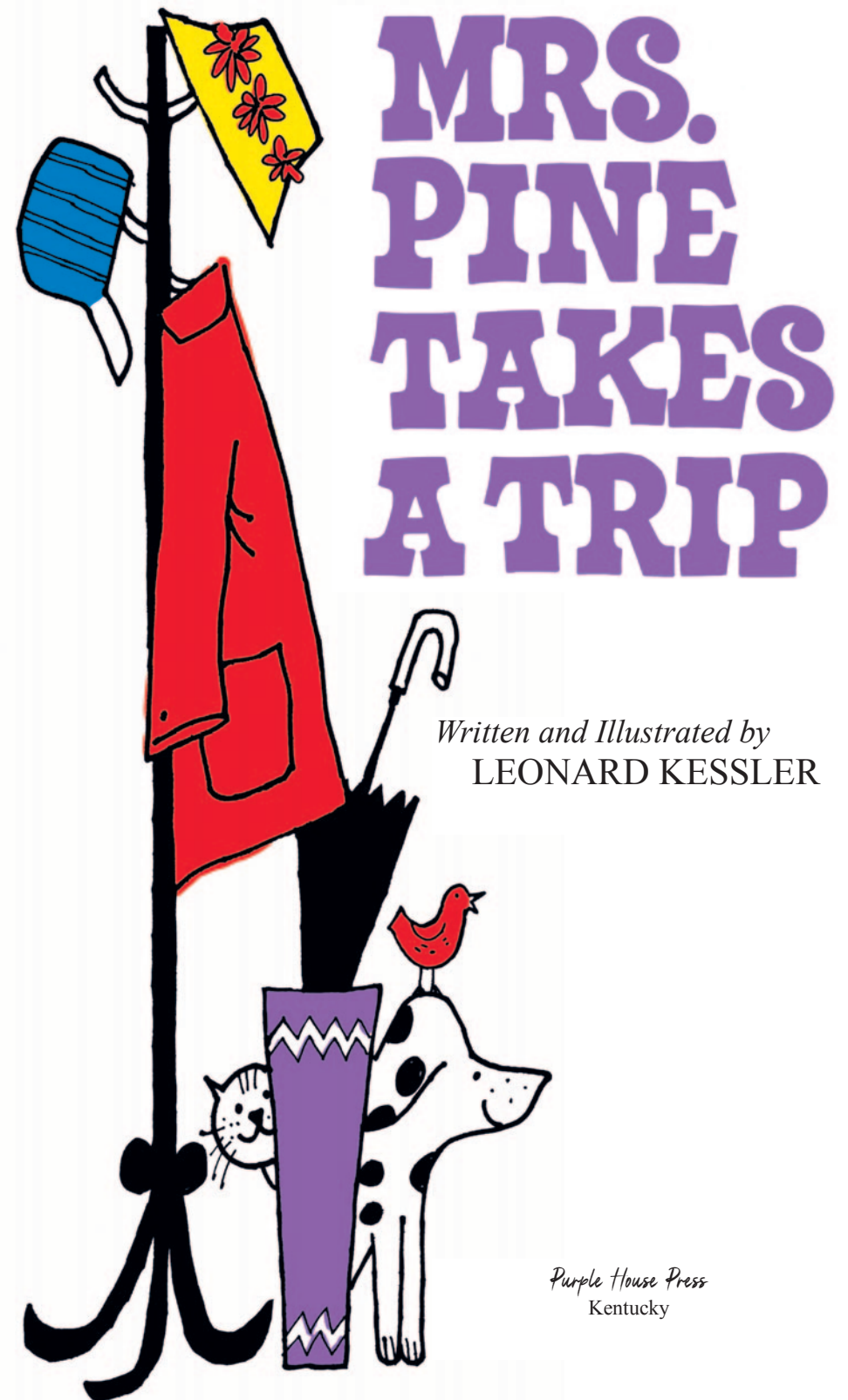
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A Message to my Readers

Mrs. Pine Takes a Trip is the third book about the adventures of Mr. Pine who lived in a little white house on Vine Street in Little Town.

“There are FIFTY white houses on Vine Street. I can’t tell which house is mine,” said Mr. Pine.

So he painted his house **PURPLE**.

At that time Mr. Pine lived alone with his dog and cat.

On the next page is an article from the *Little Town News* about Mr. and Mrs. Pine.

Your friend,

Leonard Kessler



WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Pine were married at the home of her mother in Little Town.

Mr. Pine wore a blue suit, a white shirt and a purple tie. Purple is his favorite color.

Mrs. Pine wore a long lavender dress and purple shoes. Purple is one of her favorite colors.

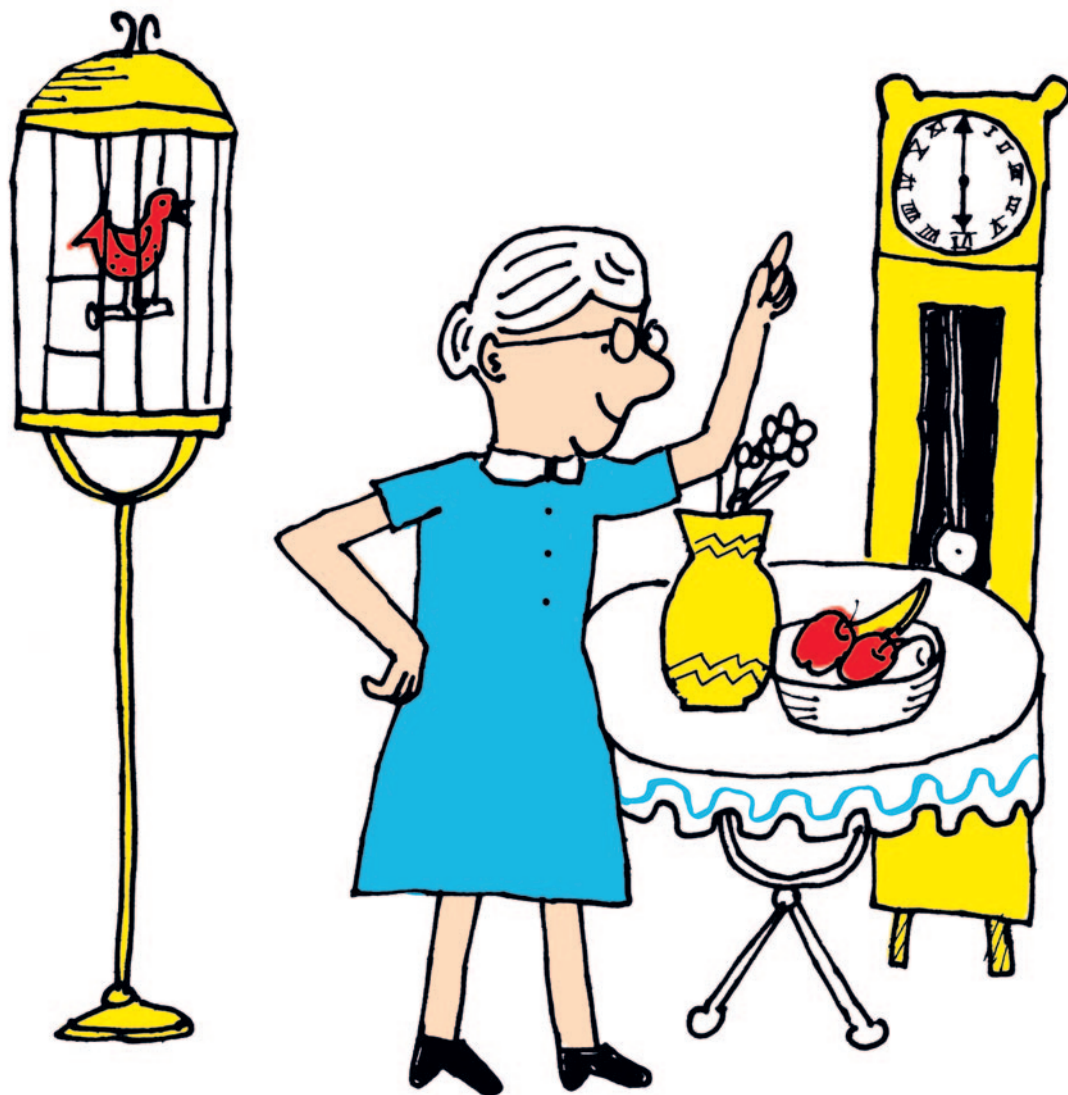
The couple moved to a brick house in Little Town. Their new house is painted **PURPLE**.



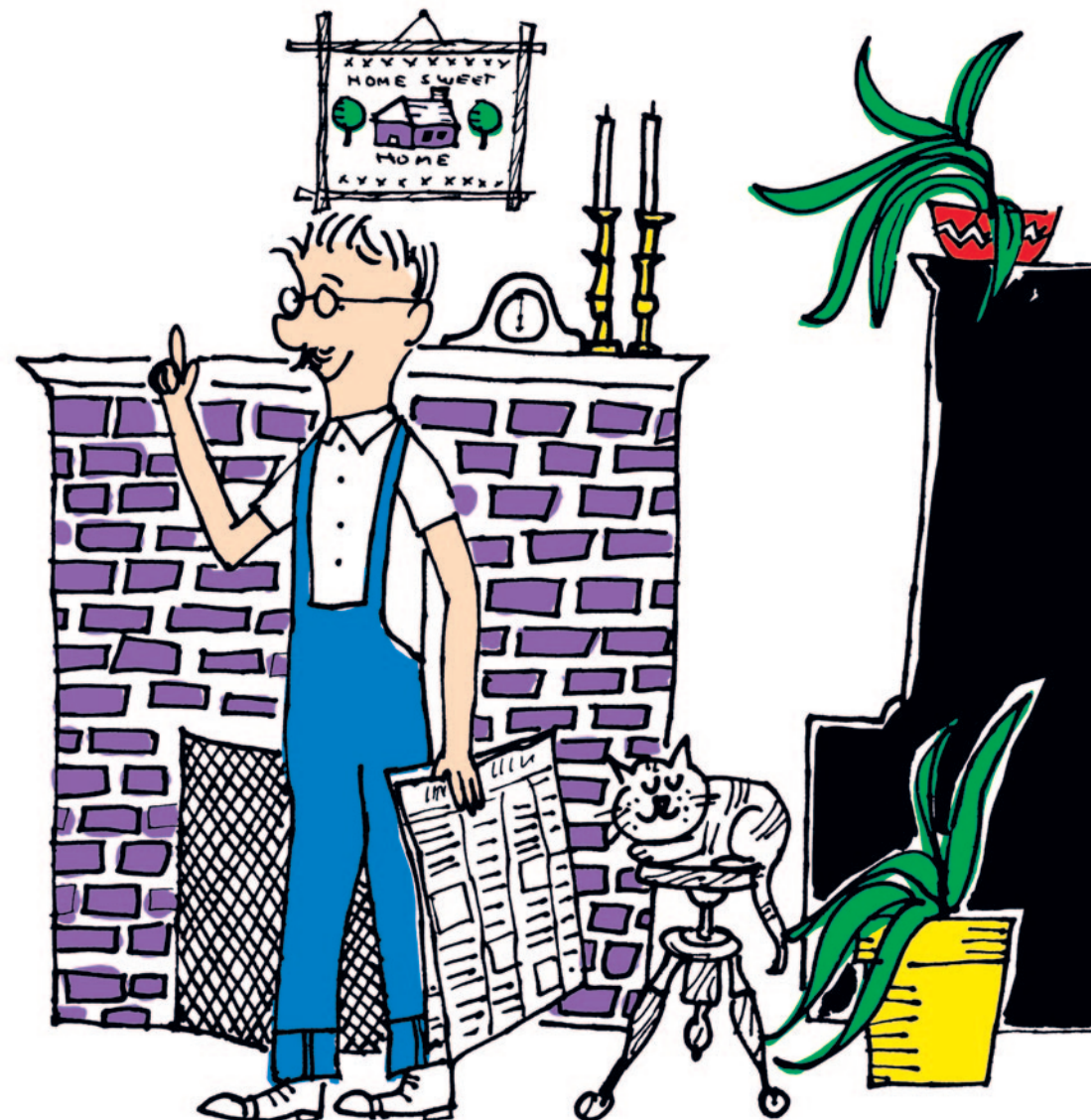
“Well,” said Mrs. Pine.
“I have a letter from
my sister in New York.
She wants me to come
and see her.”



“Then why don't you go?”
said Mr. Pine.
“The trip will be
good for you.”



“Do you think that you can take care of the house while I am gone?” asked Mrs. Pine.
“Don’t be silly. I can do it,” said Mr. Pine.



“Well, the last time I went away, the house was a mess when I came back.”
“Not this time,” said Mr. Pine.
“Don’t worry. I can do it. Housework is EASY.”



“We shall see,” Mrs. Pine said.

“I will make a list
of all the things
for you to do.”

She sat down at the table
and made a list on paper.

She gave it to Mr. Pine.

It looked like this:



“Oh, this won’t be too hard
to do,” said Mr. Pine.

“Don’t worry. I can do it.”