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BURGESS BEDTIME STORIES

(By Thornton W. Burgess)

Collecting is a sort of game. The most of anything the aim. —Peter Rabbit.

"Have you anything to trade?" asked Peter Rabbit's new acquaintance over in the Green Forest. It was Trader the Wood Rat.

"What do you mean by trade?" asked Peter.

"You give me something and I give you something," explained Trader.

"What?" asked Peter.

"Oh, anything; anything at all," replied Trader.

"I don't want anything and I haven't anything to give," said Peter.

"Then we can't trade," replied the Wood Rat. "I'm sorry. I like to trade. I'm an honest Rat. Trading is just swapping. I swap what I have for what you have. That is all there is to trading. It is fun."



"What do you mean by trade?" asked Peter.

"Give and take."

"Your cousin, Robber the Brown Rat, doesn't do that. He just takes," said Peter.

"He is a disgrace to the whole Rat family. Yes, sir, he and his tribe are a disgrace, and the rest of us suffer for it," replied Trader.

"When I first saw you I thought you were Robber or one of his tribe," declared Peter. "You do look something alike at first glance."

"You should have known at once by my ears," retorted Trader, sharply.

"Your ears?" said Peter wonderingly.

"Yes, my ears. Mine are hairy while that fellow's are bare," retorted Trader. "Of course he meant Robber. 'And by my tail,' he added.

"That's so. I didn't think about that. That is hairy too. Now I think of it Robber's is bare. I never did like the looks of it," admitted Peter.

"And by my coat. You should have known the difference by my coat. It is long and soft, while Robber's is short and coarse," continued Trader.

"It is a nice looking coat," said Peter.

"What is more, it is clean. I keep it that way. And I keep my face and feet clean. That is another difference between Robber and myself. I'm neat and he isn't. I wouldn't live the way that fellow does for the world," said Trader.

"He is dirty," agreed Peter. "He is an unpleasant fellow to have around. Dirty folks always are unpleasant to have around."

"There is one other reason that it was silly of you to mistake me for him even for a minute," declared the Wood Rat.

Peter tried to think what that reason might be, but finally gave up trying. "What other reason?" he demanded.

"Robber doesn't live way over here in the Green Forest. He isn't a Green Forest person," replied Trader. Then he added, "and I'm glad of it. Now, if you will excuse me I'll get what I came for."

Before Peter could ask what that was, Trader ran over to a twig with the two little brown cones, picked it up and ran off with it. "Now, what does he want of that?" said Peter, talking to himself aloud.

"He's a collector," grunted Prickly Porky up in the nearest tree. He had been listening while he chewed his dinner of bark and hemlock needles.

"What is a collector?" Peter wanted to know.

"One who picks up and gets together a lot of things he can't use, just to look at," was Prickly Porky's explanation.

In a few minutes Trader was back. He had a pleased look. "Those cones look very well in my collection," said he.

"What are they good for?" asked Peter.

"Just to look at until I can trade them for something better," replied the collector.

Contract Bridge

By Josephine Culbertson

PARTIAL VICTORY

Success in today's deal depended on a precise analysis of an opponent's distribution, and of the difficulties he would have in projecting key suits.

North dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

♠ A 10 2
♥ Q 4 3
♦ K 5 4 2
♣ 9 6 2

♠ 7 5 4
♥ K 10 8 6
♦ 8 3
♣ J 10 8

♠ Q J 9 8 6 4
♥ 7
♦ Q 7
♣ A Q 5 4

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North	East	South	West
Pass	Pass	1♠	Db.
Pass	Pass	3♠	3♦
Pass	Pass	4♠	4♥
Db.	Pass	4♠	Db.
Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass

South thought he did pretty well by going down only one, and it was a good sacrifice, comparatively, but he could have achieved a signal victory by not going down at all.

West led the diamond ace; East thought for a moment and played the three trump showing that he did not have a singleton. West then cashed the heart ace and continued with the heart jack. Declarer ruffed and led the spade queen, capturing West's lone king. He cashed the trump jack and diamond queen, returned to dummy with a trump, discarded a club on the diamond king—and ended up by conceding two club tricks.

Now observe what a slight change in this routine would have produced! After smothering West's trump king, suppose declarer ruffs dummy's last heart. He then cashes the trump jack and diamond queen. West can let go a diamond on the trump lead, but when South then plays another trump, to the ten, West must give up his last heart. (If he throws a club, South should read his original distribution, and play ace and low in clubs to drive out the king.)

Now, with West obviously holding two diamonds and three clubs, declarer throws a club on the diamond king, and another club on dummy's fourth diamond, which is passed to West. West's forced club return concedes the contract.

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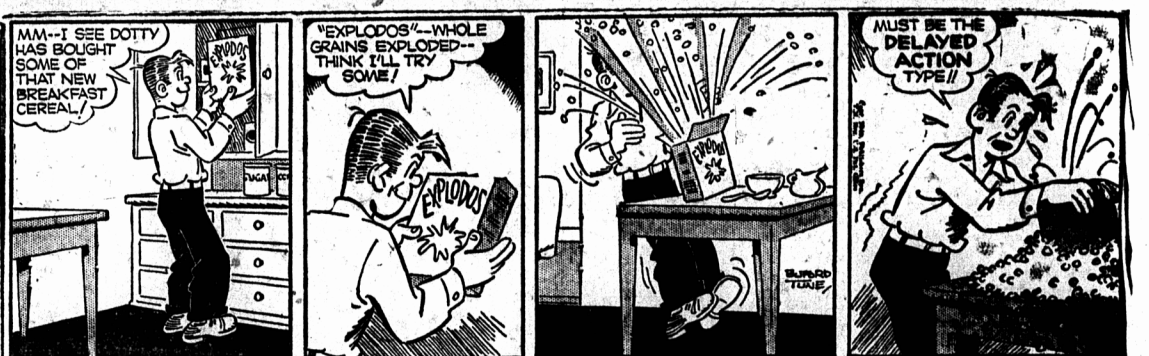
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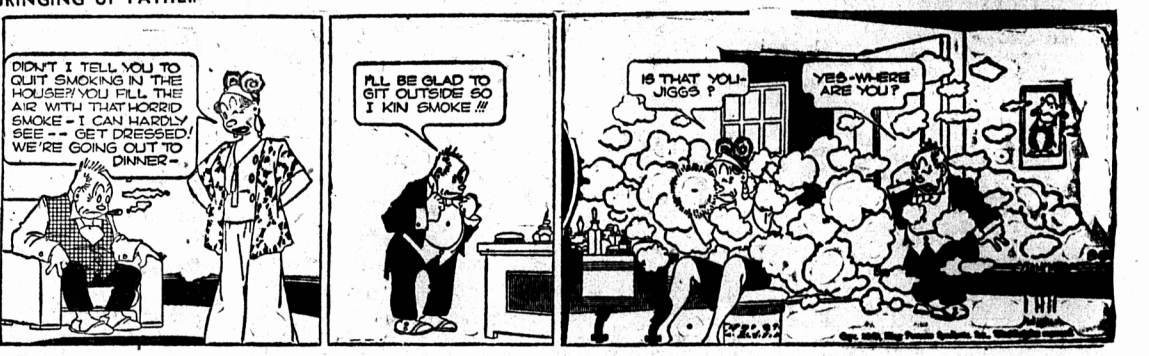
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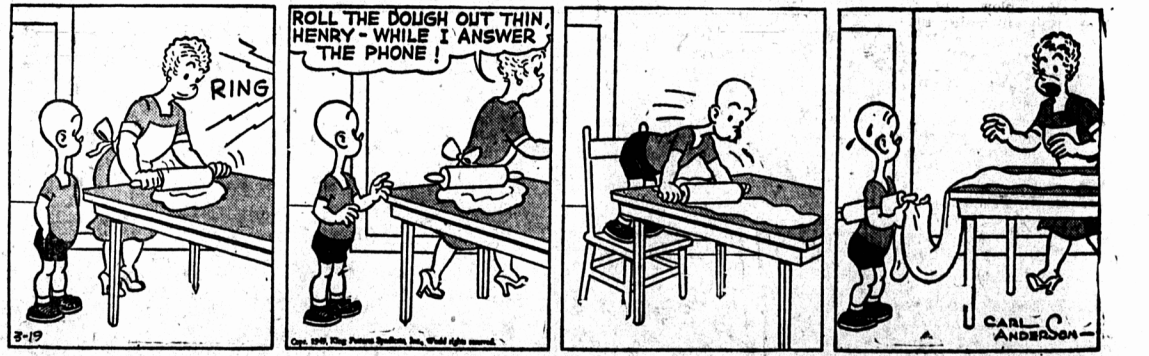
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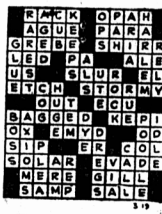
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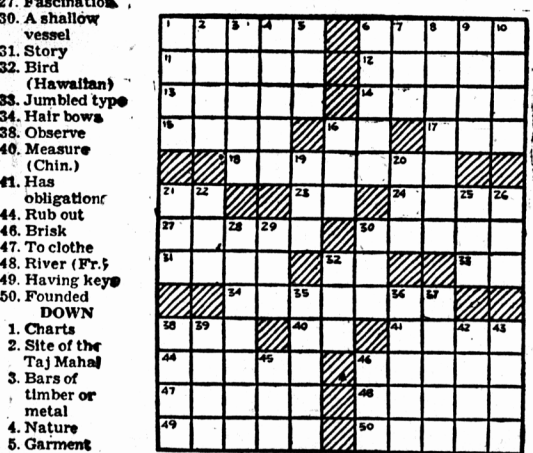
DAILY CROSSWORD

- ACROSS**
- Bog
 - Peevish
 - A size of type
 - Per. to the country
 - The last king of Troy
 - Semblance
 - Condiment
 - Exist
 - Food fish
 - Diverse
 - Like
 - Neuter pronoun
 - River (Sib.)
 - Fascination
 - A shallow vessel
 - Story
 - Bird (Hawaiian)
 - Jumbled type
 - Hair bows
 - Observe
 - Measure (Chin.)
 - Has obligation
 - Rub out
 - Brisk
 - To clothe
 - River (Fr.)
 - Having keys
 - Founded
- DOWN**
- Charts
 - Site of the Taj Mahal
 - Bars of timber or metal
 - Nature
 - Garment border



Yesterday's Answer

- Hastened
- Prosecute judicially
- Part of a locomotive



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WBYURLO PL DYZOY UD DWOY.
JAOMS SO IPUA IDOT AET UEHOL
APS EIF—GOLOMDL

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