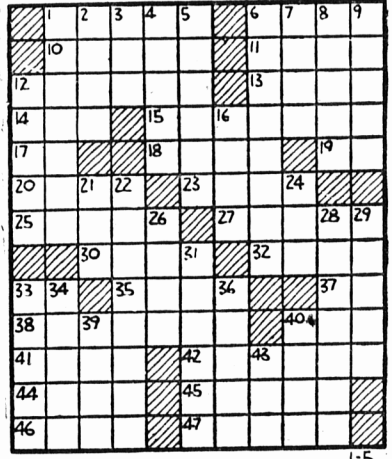


**AYRSHIRE MEETING**  
THE SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING  
of the  
**P. E. I. AYRSHIRE CLUB**  
will be held  
In the Provincial Department of Agriculture building  
**FRIDAY, JANUARY 6th AT 1 O'CLOCK**  
Program for 1950 to be discussed.  
Full Attendance Is Requested.

**DAILY CROSSWORD**

- ACROSS**
1. Live embers
  6. Fruit of the palm
  10. Airy spirit ("The Tempest")
  11. A round cheese
  12. Suffer extreme hunger
  13. Notoriety
  14. Entire amount
  15. Muse of music
  17. Chinese measure
  18. Boy's school (Eng.)
  19. Land-measure
  20. Related
  23. Trays for bricks
  25. A lure
  27. Looks askance
  30. Egyptian god (var.)
  32. Let fall
  33. Samaritan (sym.)
  35. Flower
  37. Bach of Arts (abbr.)
  38. Small piece of jewelry
  40. Sash (Jap.)
  41. Bones (Anat.)
  42. Cowardly
  44. Young horse
- DOWN**
1. Feline
  2. Verbal
  3. Breeze
  4. Morning reception
  5. Detective
  6. Protected
  7. Jewish month
  8. City (Fla.)
  9. Arabian chieftain
  12. Lettuce (U.S.)
  16. Instrument across
  21. River (So. Am.)
  22. Appoint
  24. Varying weight (India)
  26. City (Pa.)
  28. Burglars
  29. Country (SW. Eur.)
  31. One's sister's daughter
  33. Race
  34. Incendiary
  36. Narrow
  39. Little island
  40. Baking chamber
  43. Moslem title



**DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE—Here's how to work it!**  
AXYDLBAAXR  
LONGFELLOW

One letter simply stands for another. In this example A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

**A Cryptogram Quotation**  
A Z LER QZ-ZMOYJQECZX SK NAZ  
OVETTYJO YI NAZ UZUYUVE XZTEMX-  
GMC LEQ-NEOGNJR.

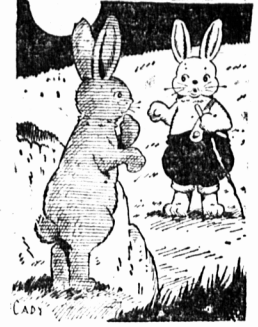
Yesterday's Cryptquote: HE WHO CAN BE COERCED KNOWS NOT HOW TO DIE-SENECA.  
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**BURGESS BEDTIME STORIES**

**PETER RABBIT DISGUST**  
Having things you want is nice. But can cost too great a price.  
—Peter Rabbit.

Such a night! Peter Rabbit never will forget it. No, sir, he never will. He had thought it would be great fun to show Cousin Blacky, a pet Rabbit of Farmer Brown's boy, something of the Great World, for never before had Blacky been free outside a pen. He had dug to visit the Green Forest. Peter had told his cousin what a wonderful part of the Great World it was. On the way there Blacky had seen Reddy Fox for the first time, and but for Peter would have been caught. Then, when they had reached the Green Forest, Hooty the Owl had given Blacky an even worse fright than had Reddy. Now he and Peter were squatting side by side under a pile of brush waiting until they could be sure there was no longer danger from Hooty, and one of them was a scared Rabbit if ever there was one. It wasn't Peter.

At long last they heard Hooty's voice again. But this time it brought relief instead of fright. It was faint, and this meant that Hooty was far away. At once Peter led the way out from under the brush. "Come on," said he. "Now we'll get something to eat."



**Contract Bridge**

By Josephine Culbertson

**AN INTERESTING SITUATION**  
Today's deal involves a card-combination that is rarely exploited by players short of expert rank.

East dealer.  
Neither side vulnerable.

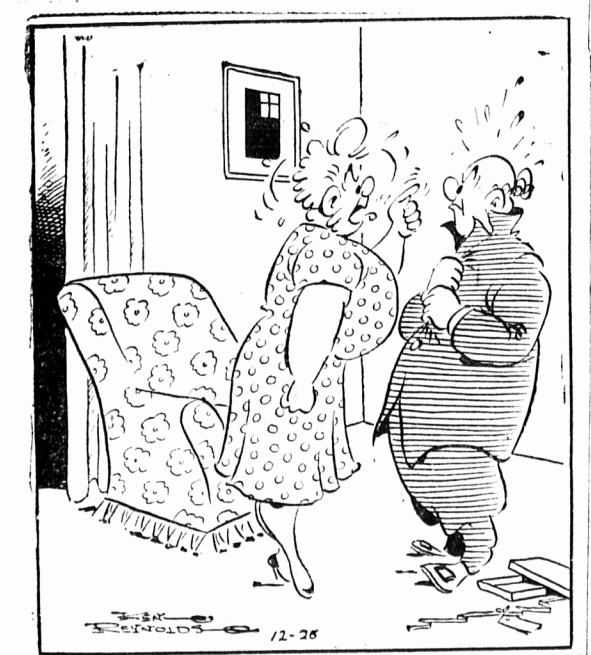
♠ 9 7 5  
♥ K 9 6 4 2  
♦ A 8 2  
♣ A J

♠ K Q 10  
♥ 4 2  
♦ Q 10 6 3  
♣ Q 3

♠ A J 6 3  
♥ 5  
♦ K J 9  
♣ K 8 7 5

The bidding:  
North South West North  
1♣ 1♥ 1♠ 2♥  
2♣ Pass 3♣ Pass  
4♣ Pass Pass 5♣  
Dble. Pass Pass Pass

**QUICKIES** by Ken Reynolds



"... and don't you dare sell that Christmas necktie with a Guardian Want Ad!"

West, luckily for himself, opened the spade king in preference to laying down the queen of his partner's first-bid club suit. He continued with a second spade, which South ruffed. South then drew trumps in two rounds, led the club deuce to the ace, and then returned the club jack, obviously hoping to establish a club trick for himself on which to discard a diamond from dummy. He would have had high success if East had been napping, but East saw the extreme danger of playing the club king on dummy's jack, and so ducked! West won with his now-blank queen, and South could not avoid the loss of two diamond tricks.

West could have protected himself against any maneuver on the declarer's part by shifting to diamonds at the second trick, and in view of East's spade raises, this marked as the proper defense. Since West slipped in this respect, however, declarer should have taken full advantage of his opportunity! After drawing trumps, he should have led a club toward dummy and played the jack! This would conclusively "fix" East! If he accepted the trick, South would later drop West's club queen under the ace and establish his own ten and nine; whereas, if East refused to take the club trick, South could then cash the club ace, dropping West's queen, then return to his own hand and pass the club ten, discarding a diamond from dummy and setting up the club nine for another diamond discard.

**THROAT SORE?**  
For common ordinary sore throat  
JUST RUB ON  
**MINARD'S**  
"KING OF PAIN"  
LINIMENT

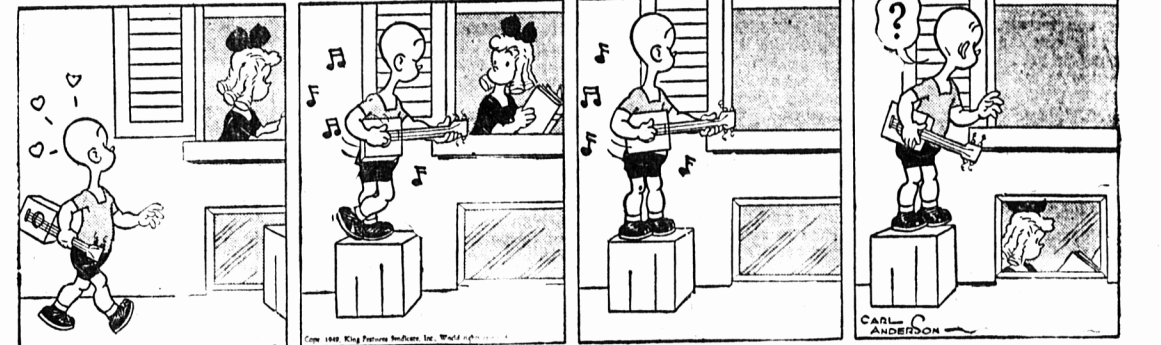
**KING OF THE ROYAL MOUNTED** by Zane Grey



**JOE PALOOKA** by Ham Fisher



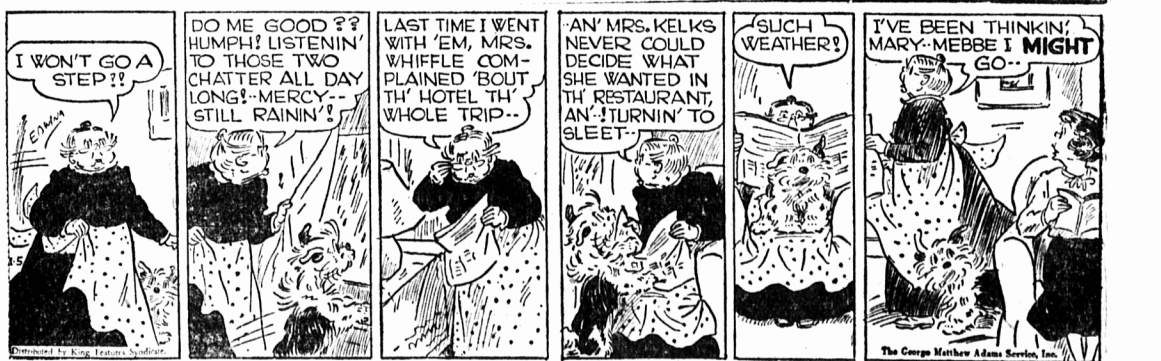
**HENRY** by Carl Anderson



**DOTTY DIPPLE** by Buford



**TIPPY AND "CAP" STUBS** by Edwina



**BRINGING UP FATHER** by George McManus



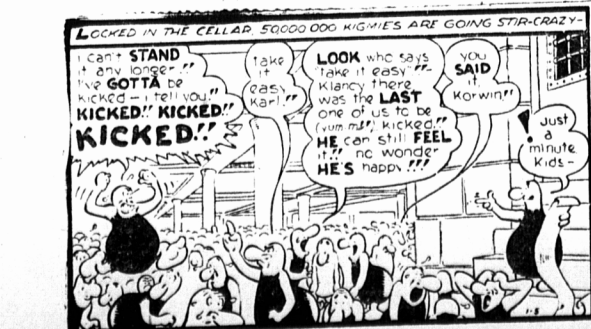
**TILLIE THE TOLLER** by Westover



**PENNY** by Harry Hoening



**LFL ABNER**



**RIP KIRBY**



by Al Capp



by Alex Raymond

