

QUICKIES BY KEN REYNOLDS



"H-m-m-bl Here's an interesting Guardian Want Ad—we're for sale!"

BURGESS BEDTIME STORIES



(By Thornton W. Burgess)

What you possess for special use For envy offers no excuse. —Old Mother Nature.

Trader the Wood Rat really could drum with his tall. Peter Rabbit had to believe it because he was watching Trader do it, and he had to believe his own eyes. It wasn't loud. It couldn't be heard very far. In this respect it was like the drumming of little Whitefoot the Wood Mouse. For louder drumming Trader used his hind feet. With these he could thump signals or thump so fast that it really was drumming.



He is called the Bushy-Tailed Wood Rat

"Why do you drum with your tall?" Peter asked. "Oh, just to express my feelings when I'm disturbed and let my friends near by know it. When you are alarmed, think there may be danger near, it is only doing as you would be done by to warn others to watch out," explained the good-looking Rat with the big black eyes and the pretty white feet. "It must be fun to drum like that"

with your tall. I wish I had a tall like that," said Peter wistfully. He had said that once before. Trader chuckled. "What would you do with it if you had one?" he asked.

"I would drum with it," replied Peter promptly. "What good would that do you?" his neighbor wanted to know. "It would be fun," replied Peter lamely.

Contract Bridge

By Josephine Culbertson

TOO FOND OF AN ACE

It was East's reluctance to part with an ace in today's deal that gave the declarer his game contract.

Bridge bidding table showing West deal, Both sides vulnerable, Both sides 60 on score, and various bidding options like 984, K652, AKQ6, J2, etc.

The bidding: West North East South 1 NT Pass Pass 2 Pass Pass 2 Pass Pass

West, feeling that the situation was desperate, thought that it was better to play for a diamond ruff than to look for many heart tricks, and opened his top diamond. Dummy won, and the low spade was led to the jack. West took the trick with the queen and returned his last diamond. This also was won in dummy and now the spade sight was led to the king.

After winning with the spade ace, West shifted to the queen of hearts. South let this ride to his own ace, but then could not well afford to draw another round of trumps because he might have urgent need of dummy's last trump. Instead, he led a diamond toward dummy, giving West the chance to ruff.

West did ruff, and then led another high heart. The king won, and now came the crucial play. The club jack was led—and East ducked! West won with the king but was then helpless. His high heart return was ruffed by South with the ten spot; dummy was entered with the trump, the high diamond was cashed, and the club was led toward the queen, which was sure to make for the fulfilling trick.

East should have played the club ace on the jack and returned a trump. This would have prevented declarer from taking any club trick, or from ruffing a club in dummy.

USE OF LUMBER

The United States uses half of its annual lumber supply for construction, the rest for furniture and other manufactured articles.

"I'm sure it is," replied Trader good-naturedly. "It just isn't my style. You don't look funny with that tall, but I would. There are tails and tails and tails, each kind different and each for a different purpose. What would Happy Jack Squirrel do with a tall like yours or like mine, and what would either of us do with a tall like his! Though, now I think of it, I've heard that I do have a cousin with a tall much like the tails of some Squirrels. He is called the Bushy-tailed Wood Rat.

"I guess it's a case of each to his own tall," said Peter. "There's no doubt about that," replied Trader. "And what a lot of different kinds of tails! There are long tails and short tails, slender tails and stout tails, pointed tails and stubby tails, flat tails and round tails, broad tails and hairy tails, bushy tails and spiny tails, soft tails and hard tails."

Thoughtfully Peter Rabbit scratched a long ear with a long hind foot. "And there must be a good reason for each kind," said he. "Of course," agreed Trader. "Old Mother Nature gave folks those different tails and she does nothing without some good reason. Each of those tails has some special purpose."

"I suppose so," said Peter. "Of course, it must be so. But I sometimes wonder why she has given some things to certain folks and not to others. What are you chucking about?"

"I happened to think of something," chuckled Trader. "What?" demanded Peter. "What?" demanded Peter. "I happened to think how funny you would look if you had a tall like Unc' Billy Possum's and used it as he sometimes uses his. Have you ever seen him hang by his tall from a limb of a tree?" replied Trader.

"Yes," replied Peter and grinned. "He looks funny doing that." "But think how much funnier you would look with those long hind legs of yours hanging down," said Trader. "It couldn't happen because I don't climb trees. Anyway, I like my own tall better," declared Peter. He does show a little common sense sometimes.

KING OF THE ROYAL MOUNTED



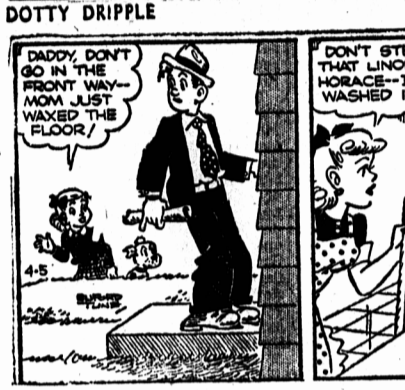
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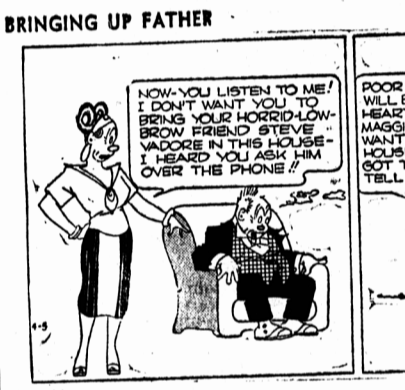
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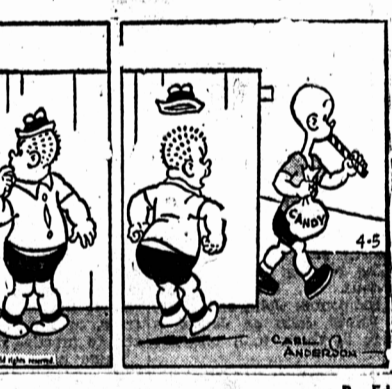
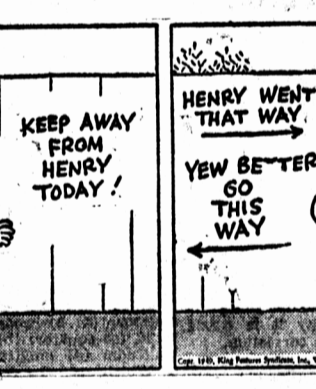
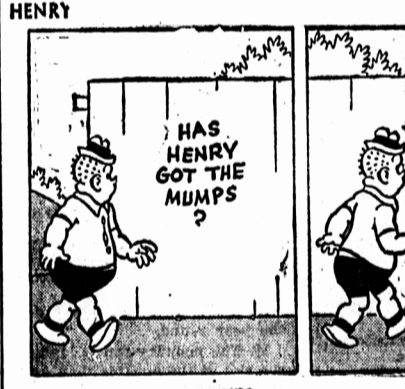
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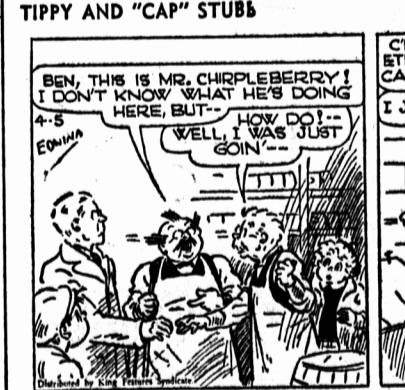
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By Edwina



By Westover



By Harry Heenigen



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DAILY CROSSWORD with grid and clues. Clues include: 1. Exhibition, 2. River (Belg.), 3. Parasitic insects, 4. Seaweed, 5. Employed for wager, 6. Skins, 7. Part of "to be", 8. Skip, as a stone, on water, 9. Prepare for publication, 10. Custom, 11. Dose, 12. Greek letter, 13. Stringed musical instrument, 14. A native of Ionia, 15. A native of Iran, 16. Away, 17. Hit (slang), 18. Measure (Chin.), 19. Spread grass to dry, 20. Constellation, 21. Southwest wind, 22. Property (Law), 23. Part of "to be", 24. Per., the, 25. Kind of cap, 26. Ceremony, 27. Another name for Persia.

DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE—Here's how to work it: AXYDLBAAXE IS 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 MNF. AN AI CTI VMSCGNN IT SAG, EGNU BTO NUTOES SAG? — VMHIAME. Yesterday's Cryptoquote: THIS COOK SEASONS HIS DISHES CUNNINGLY AND ELEGANTLY—PLAUTUS.

L'L ABNER By AL CAPP. A cartoon strip showing a man in a suit talking to another man.

RIP KIRBY By Alex Raymond. A cartoon strip showing a man in a military-style uniform talking to another man.

Contract Bridge TOO FOND OF AN ACE. A short story about a bridge game.

USE OF LUMBER. A short story about the use of lumber in the United States.

BRINGING UP FATHER. A cartoon strip showing a man in a military-style uniform talking to another man.

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