



By Thornton W. Burgess

JOHNNY CHUCK HAS HIS TURN

Be sure a joke will not offend. Lest you should lose a valued friend.

—Old Mr. Toad.

Watching from under a big cabbage leaf Old Mr. Toad had seen Johnny Chuck knocked over on his back when he had touched a wire at the bottom of the fence around Farmer Brown's garden. It was funny to see Johnny Chuck try to get on his feet again. He was so fat it was hard work for him to roll over. For a moment or two he just lay there on his back, waving his four black little feet more or less helplessly. He wasn't hurt. No, sir, he wasn't hurt. He was frightened, but only for a minute or two. Almost every one's frightened when something strange happens to them even though they are not hurt. Meanwhile Peter Rabbit was dancing about in glee. You see Peter had had the same thing happen to him. It is a curious thing that so often folks having unpleasant things happen to them want to see the same thing happen to others. Peter had urged Johnny Chuck to visit Farmer Brown's garden because of the good things growing there. He had been quite sure of what would happen

to Johnny when he tried to crawl under that fence. He had himself tried to crawl under two or three times. Each time he had been knocked sprawling. He didn't understand it at all. It was a mystery. But he did want to see it happen to somebody else, which wasn't nice of him at all. When at last Johnny Chuck was back on his feet he had lost his temper. He snarled at Peter Rabbit. He was thoroughly cross. And when Johnny Chuck is cross, he is very cross indeed. "I'll get even with you Peter Rabbit, for this," snarled Johnny. "I didn't do anything. Why should you blame me?" cried Peter, dodging out of Johnny Chuck's way. "I didn't knock you over. You should have seen yourself! You turned a back somersault, and how in the world you did that as fat as you are, I don't know. Anybody you were awfully funny," Peter chuckled. Johnny Chuck was looking very hard at the fence where he had touched that wire. There was nothing else there. He moved a little nearer that he might see all around that spot. No one was hiding there, so who could have hit him? You see he thought he had been hit by somebody and knocked over on his back. Now Johnny Chuck had crept



He could laugh at Peter now, and make fun of him.

under that fence many times in the early spring and summer. Never before had anything happened to him. Never before had he had any trouble in crawling under. But now a single strand of wire was right in the way. Could it have had anything to do with the thing that had happened to him? Of course not. It was just a wire. Johnny had seen wire fences often. He put out a black paw just to feel of that wire. The same thing happened all over again. He was sent sprawling over in the grass. Again, Peter Rabbit began dancing about gleefully. This made Johnny Chuck angrier than ever. When at last he managed to roll over on his feet he made a sudden rush at Peter. Peter wasn't prepared for it. He jumped back. Johnny made another rush, and Peter jumped back again. This time he bumped against the fence. He touched that wire at the bottom with one of his long hind feet.

Continued on page 14

Contract Bridge

By Josephine Culbertson

INSPIRED PLAY

The declarer's play of the following hand was so inspired that one might think the opponents had shown him their cards!

West dealer. Both sides vulnerable.

Hand diagram showing cards: ♠ 8 7 2, ♥ K 9 8 4, ♦ 6 3, ♣ 6 5 3 2. South: ♠ J 5 3, ♥ J 6, ♦ J 10 9 7, ♣ 5 4. North: ♠ A K 9 6 4, ♥ A 10 5, ♦ A Q, ♣ K 8 7.

The bidding: West North East South. 1♣ Pass 1♦ Pass 2♦ Pass 3♣ Pass 4♣ Pass

North-South were using a jump bid after a takeout double by the same player as an absolute force, and so North had little choice but to raise the spades. It must be admitted that declarer had good luck on the opening lead. West had a problem, and not knowing that he could open a trump with impunity, he elected to lead the deuce of diamonds. South won with the queen and did some thinking. Prospects were not bright. He noted the fact that South had saved a diamond trick. One trump trick, at least, would certainly have to be lost; a heart loser also seemed sure; and the club situation, with West's opening club bid back of the king, was far from ideal.

However, there was a chance, and South went out for it. He cashed the only trump ace, then cashed the deuce of hearts and led a low trump. As he hoped, West was in again! West felt sure that another diamond lead would yield a ruff-and-discard, so he decided to lay down the ace and queen of clubs. This was not a good idea! South won the trick, duly noting the fall of East's club ten, then ran off his three remaining trumps. West was soon in trouble—that is, was about to be. When South cashed the last trump, leaving himself with the A-10-5 of hearts and one club, West had to make another discard from this five-card holding: hearts, Q-7-3, and clubs, J-9. Dummy, waiting to discard after West, had K-9-0 of hearts and two clubs. If West gave up a club, declarer would simply lead his club after throwing a heart from dummy; and when, actually, West surrendered a heart, South easily ran off three heart tricks.

WOOD ISLANDS-CARIBOU

FERRY SERVICE

(Sailings June 13th to Sept. 28th Inclusive) Daily Including Sundays—Standard Time. From Each Terminal. 7 a.m., 9 a.m., 11 a.m. 1 p.m., 3 p.m., 5 p.m.

RESERVATIONS: May be made for a limited number of vehicles by contacting Head Office in Charlottetown, at least 48 hours in advance for:—

- (1)—First and Second sailings from each terminal each morning. (2)—For perishables and/or Live-stock in truck loads on any sailing. (3)—For all sailings on Saturday and Sunday until June 12th. For Daily Report listen to CFXY first Weather Broadcast each week day.

CATCH AN EARLY CROSSING AND AVOID DELAY.

NORTHUMBERLAND FERRIES LIMITED,

Charlottetown, P. E. Island

NOTICE

Annual meeting Charlottetown and Royalty Liberal Association (5th district) to be held in the Clover Club (Canadian Legion Building) Grafton on Wednesday, September 16th, at 8 p.m.

By Order,

BENJAMIN ROGERS, JR., President. J. P. NICHOLSON, Secretary.

BLUE PETER STEAMSHIPS LTD. M.V. BLUE PRINCE

Freight will be accepted until noon Thursday, Sept. 17th for next sailing of M. V. Blue Prince to Saint John's, Newfoundland. For space reservations and rates apply:—

NEWFOUNDLAND SHIPPING SERVICE, P.O. Box 65 Phone 8737

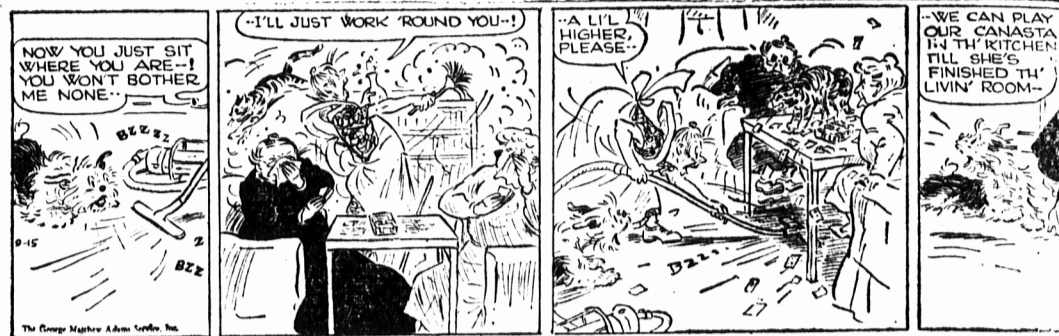
Dotty Dripple

By Ruford



Pippy and "Cap" Stubs

By Edwin



Bringing Up Father

By George McManus



Pogo

By Walt Kelly



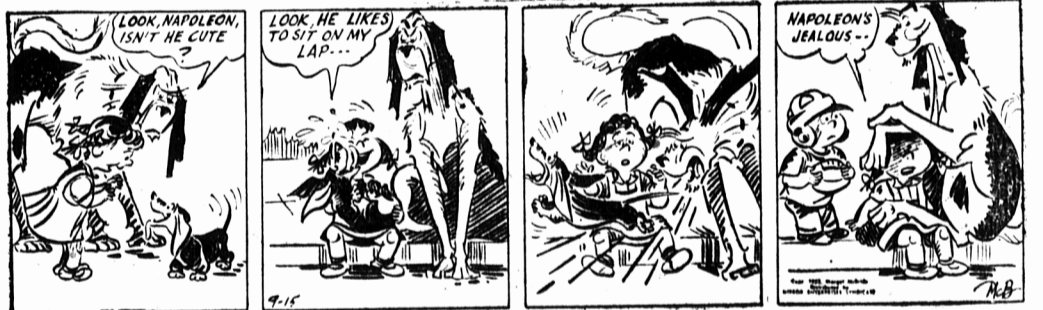
Li'l Abner

By Al Capp



Napoleon and Uncle Elby

By Clifford McBride



Rip Kirby

By Alex Raymond



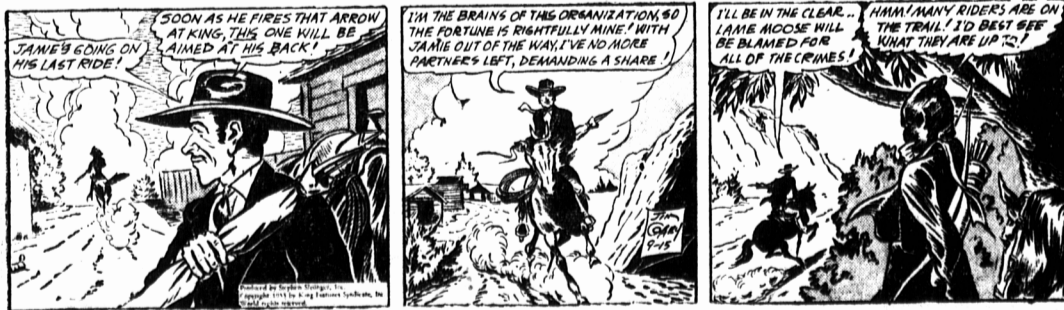
Tilly The Toiler

By Bob Gustafson



King Of The Royal Mounted

By Zane Grey



Henry

By Carl Anderson



Joe Palooka

By Ham Fisher



PENNY

By Harry Haenigsen

