

By Walt Kelly



BURGESS BEDTIME STORIES

By Thornton W. Burgess
HOW TUSTER BEAR WENT TO BED
Some folks are lazy; some don't spare. Some think they haven't time to spare. —Old Mother Nature.
It is surprising how many excuses can be found for not doing things that should be done. It is true that some folks are too lazy to do anything that is not absolutely obliged to do. They may even fret and worry because things are not as they should be, but still are too lazy to make them right. Other folks just don't care. And some other folks are so busy having a good time, or doing things they want to do, that they think they haven't time to spare to do the things they should do. It is this way all over the Great World.



Then he sighed and lay down.

sleep that Johnny Chuck enjoys. Buster's sleep is deep, but it is just like the sleep of most folks. He can easily be wakened, just as can you and I. Johnny Chuck cannot be wakened except by warning him. Now wouldn't you think that anyone knowing that they were going to sleep for a long time would be a little bit fussy about their bed? And where it is? Buster Bear isn't that kind. There is only one reason why he goes to sleep for such a long time. It is because he cannot find anything to eat. Life with nothing to eat is just not as fun as all that. Buster is lucky that he can go to sleep and forget it. Most folks can't do that. Buster can even go to sleep and stay asleep for weeks with not a bite to eat in all that time, yet not be hungry when he wakes up. Buster had stayed awake later than usual. That was because he had been able to find food of some kind later than usual. He did a lot of wandering about to find it, but he did find it. Then came the first snow, and covered everything. Buster knew it was time then to go to bed. Where should he make his bed? He whined a bit as he looked around, but he was too lazy to do much looking around. He is never too lazy to look for food, but he is too lazy to look for the best place possible for a bed. You see, he really doesn't care. He complained a little as he looked around. It was a whining complaint. He found a more or less sheltered place at the foot of an old stub of a tree. A lot of dead leaves lay about on the ground. It was so sheltered there that the wind hadn't blown those leaves away. With his big fore-paws Buster

Contract Bridge

By Josephine Cluvertson
A GOOD ENOUGH CONTRACT
North-South would have been better advised to select a six-heart rather than a six-spade contract in the following deal, if they insisted on reaching a slam, but, with the opponents' help, they did all right anyway.
South dealer. Neither side vulnerable.
Hand: ♠ 95, ♥ KQ1074, ♦ AKQ863, ♣ 843.
Deal: ♠ 762, ♥ A83, ♦ Q984, ♣ 105.
The bidding: South West North East 1 ♠ Pass 2 ♣ Pass 3 ♣ Pass 4 ♣ Pass 6 ♣ Pass Pass Pass Pass

West opened the fourth-highest diamond, and of course declarer had to ruff this on the board to avoid the immediate loss of the red ace. After ruffing, however, he found it no easy matter to decide what plan of play to choose. He thought about drawing trumps and depending on a 3-3 break of clubs, but, fortunately for himself, he laid down the heart king from the board. In view of the fact that East followed suit with the nine-spot, it would have been an excellent idea for West to hold up his heart ace, but few players can steel themselves when defending against a slam, and East was not one of these hardy few. He took the trick, and, on the extremely remote chance that East could ruff a second heart, returned that suit.



By Zane Grey

King Of The Royal Mounted



By Al Capp

Lil' Abner



Rip Kirby



By Robert L. May



Joyous Greetings

Pineau's Home Bakery

DAILY CROSSWORD puzzle with clues and grid.

St. Augustine's Home Aard School Meets

The Home and School Association of St. Augustine's School District held a meeting in St. Augustine's Convent on December 9th with Mr. Theophilus Blanchard presiding. The meeting opened with prayer after which the minutes were read by Mrs. Felix Pineau in the absence of the secretary, Mrs. Raymond Doucette. The president then gave a detailed report of the meeting held in Charlottetown, urging those present to unite to form a Provincial Home and School Association. Rev. Father C. Peters gave an interesting talk in which he strongly advised the parents to belong to this Association and brought out different reasons why parents and teachers should meet frequently to talk over school problems. The officers were then elected for the year: President, Mr. Theophilus Blanchard; vice president, Rev. Sr. St. Cyrille; secretary, Mrs. Felix Pineau. The meeting closed with prayer, C.A.

DAILY CROSSWORD puzzle with clues and grid.

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RUDOLPH THE RED NOSED REINDEER



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