



By Thornton W. Burgess

PETER IS POSITIVE

When positive that you are right, just hold your tongue, and hold it tight.

—Peter Rabbit.

It took Peter Rabbit a long time to learn that it is wise to hold one's tongue no matter how sure that one is right. You see, you may be right or you may not be right at all, even though you think you are. Be as positive as you please, but keep it to yourself. Then you never have to admit you are wrong. As you know, Peter Rabbit is full of curiosity. He never leaves

home that he doesn't see something to make him curious. Curiosity is a good thing when rightly used. It is the key to knowledge. Were it not for curiosity very little would be learned by anybody. Quite by chance Peter had discovered a small hole in the ground. He hadn't been looking for anything of the kind. In fact, he hadn't been looking for anything at all. He had been resting. Anyway he would have said he was resting. Resting is one of his habits. He is always resting when he has nothing to do. Happening to glance down, he noticed this little hole in the ground at his very toes. Right away, he wondered who had made the little hole in the ground and why. Something seemed to drop right out of the sky right at his very feet and before he could see who or what it was it disappeared. It had gone into that hole at his feet. "Now, who could that have been?" said Peter, talking to himself. Of course, nobody answered



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his question and he continued to sit there and stare at that hole and wonder who had made it and why. He tried to squint down in the hole, but he could see only a very little way.

Suddenly, out of that hole came Madam Digger. She is one of the big members of the Wasp family. Peter hastily jumped back. He has great respect for all members of the Wasp family, but especially for Madam Digger.

You see she carries with her one of the sharpest and most painful little lances of any of the Wasp family. And Madam Digger does not hesitate to use it. Poika a great deal bigger than Peter Rabbit, when Madam Digger happens to come about. She paid no attention to Peter, and Peter was most polite. "Did you dig the hole?" asked Peter. "What if I did?" said Madam Digger. "It is no business of yours, Peter Rabbit." She was feeling a little out of sorts.

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Contract Bridge

By Josephine Culbertson

A CASE OF OVER-CONFIDENCE

The declarer's first thought when he saw the dummy in the following deal was that he and partner had missed at least a small slam. Perhaps it was his annoyance that made him a little careless about the mere game contract!

West dealer. Both sides vulnerable. ♠ A Q 9 ♥ A Q J 10 7 ♦ 6 5 3 2 ♣ 6 3 ♠ K Q J 9 7 3 ♣ N E ♠ A Q 9 8 ♣ W S ♠ K J 10 8 7 5 2 ♥ 6 ♦ 8 5 ♣ K 4 3

The bidding: 1♥ North East South Pass Pass Pass 4♣

North might have shown more enterprise when South answered his double with a leap all the way to game. If the diamond king had been on-side (as it really figured to be because of West's bid) a small-slam contract would have been virtually assured. However, it should have been lucky for North that he was conservative.

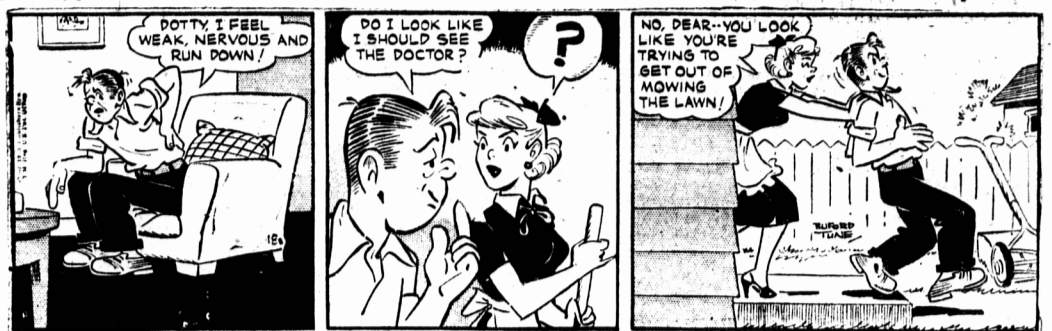
West opened the heart king. The ace won and the declarer drew two rounds of trumps, obviously confident that the diamond finesse was "on." But when he took that finesse, he had quite a shock—East, in with the diamond king, shifted to the club jack, and the defenders grabbed three club tricks in a hurry. Down one!

At duplicate bridge this hand would present a tantalizing problem, because with the diamond finesse (and break) would deliver 13 tricks. At the actual rubber bridge, however, there was no problem; the safety of the contract was the paramount issue, and that safety was easily attainable. South should have let West hold the opening lead! Then, it would be easy to establish dummy's diamond suit without running the grave risk of letting East in for the club return which South had to fear. In short, South would pitch a diamond on the ace of hearts (after ducking in dummy on the first trick); then he would draw the necessary two rounds of trumps, cash the diamond ace and lead the diamond queen through East, ruffing if East produced the king, but discarding clubs if East did not cover. If the diamond king were in West's hand, this line of play would still be safe—South would lose only three tricks: the first trick, the diamond trick, and at most one club.

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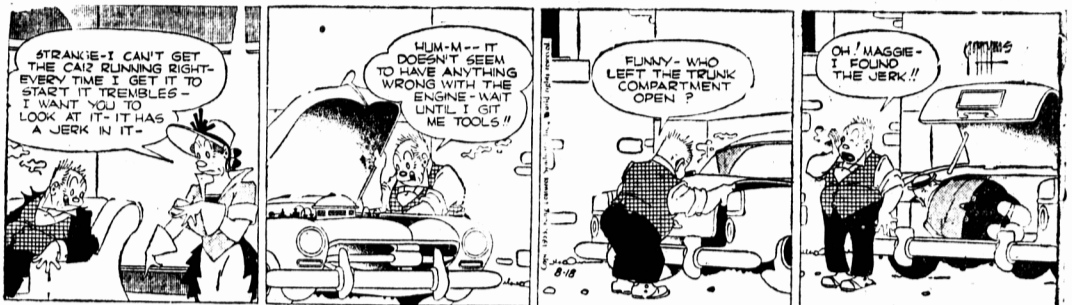
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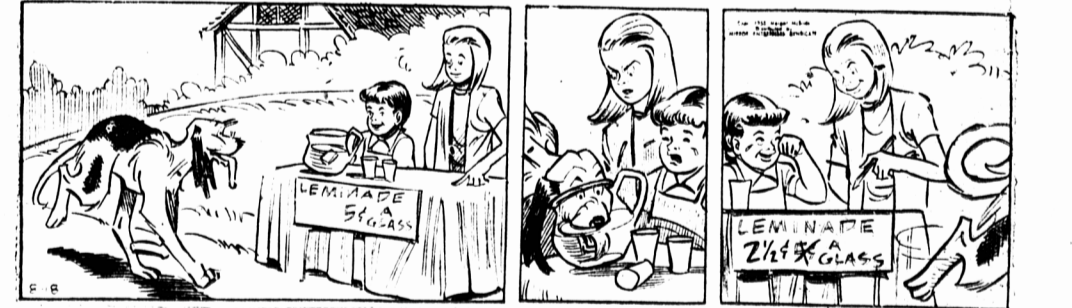
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