



### BURGESS BEDTIME STORIES

By Thornton W. Burgess

**GETTING READY**  
Who for tomorrow plans today, will not be loser, come what may. —Striped Chipmunk.

Striped Chipmunk was busy. He was very busy. He was so busy that he couldn't stop for a few minutes of gossip with Peter Rabbit. Peter couldn't see any sense in it. To Peter, planning today for tomorrow, is just foolishness. It is waste of time. "Tomorrow may never come. In fact, it never does come. It is always today. So why not think of today and forget tomorrow?" asks Peter. And he does just that. Striped Chipmunk, like all his squirrel cousins, looks ahead, plans ahead, and works ahead. "When

be trying to make the business of other people their business. Peter is one of thee, and it is all because of curiosity. Curiosity is a habit that is both good and bad. It is good when it leads to the doing of good things; when it leads to helping others. It is bad when it leads to trouble for self, and worse when it leads to trouble for others. It does that very often. What was Striped Chipmunk so busy about? He was preparing for the storing away of the seeds and nuts he would work so hard to gather when they would ripen and begin to drop. You know, he has several store rooms underground connected with his snug home there. He was busy now cleaning these store rooms out. He was digging one a little larger. He was planning to dig a new one. He didn't know whether or not the coming winter would be long and cold, but if it should be he wanted to be fully prepared for it. He didn't know if the winter would be hard, but he did know that there would be a good crop of nuts and seeds, and he intended to have his full share. He wouldn't get his full share unless she had a place ready to store them as fast as he could harvest them. If he had to stop and dig a store room at the time of harvest, his cousins would get more than their share of nuts and seeds while he was busy digging.

So, Striped Chipmunk cleaned out two storehouses and dug a new one. These storehouses opened from the long tunnel leading to his snug and comfortable bedroom. He had still another small storehouse in which he had already stored away a supply of certain seeds that were ready in mid-summer, and of which he was fond. Among these were melon seeds. He had visited Farmer Brown's dooryard, and had found a lot of these seeds that had been put out for anyone who might like them. He had carried back home every one of those seeds. That had required many trips. Each time he had stuffed each pocket in his cheeks until they wouldn't hold another seed. Those filled pockets had swelled his face out until his head looked twice as big as it should. In fact, he had had difficulty in getting through his own doorway. Had you seen him stuffing those seeds into his pockets you might have thought him greedy. He wasn't greedy at all; he was simply thrifty. He was making the most of opportunity, getting today what he might not be able to get tomorrow.

He went outside and climbed up on the stone wall to rest for a few minutes and enjoy the sunshine. If all Chipmunks have to work the way you work, I'm glad I'm not a

Chipmunk," said Peter Rabbit. "Loafer!" exclaimed Striped Chipmunk scornfully.

### Contract Bridge

By Josephine Culbertson

ONE OF THE MOST COMMON ERRORS

It is not only beginners at bridge who are perplexed over the problem of when to cover an honor and when not to cover; this same difficulty extends to thousands of players of long experience. For example, the mistake made by West in the following hand is duplicated again and again!

South dealer. ♠ Both sides vulnerable. North-South 30 on score

♠ J 4	♥ K 10 7 2
♦ Q 8 3	♣ A J 9
♠ K 7 6 2	♥ 5 3 1
♦ J 9 4 3	♣ Q 8 8

West opened the four of diamonds, dummy played low, and East put in the jack. Then, as the only safe shift (so far as he could tell), East returned his singleton trump.

South cashed the ace and king of trumps, and when the suit failed to break, he saw that he would need plenty of luck (or help from the enemy) to avoid the loss of five tricks — a trump, a diamond, and two hearts. Hoping for the best, South led another trump, making West take his queen.

West exited correctly by laying down the diamond queen. Declarer ruffed and cashed another round of trumps, but nothing favorable happened, and the time had come when, like it or not, South had to make some effort in the heart suit. So he led the heart jack.

It was at this critical point that West made the error which is the theme of this article — an error which is deplorably common. West played low on the heart jack. That was South's salvation. East took the trick with heart king, but when South got in again and led a heart toward dummy, West could not keep the heart queen from making. In a case of this sort the defender must capture the honor led by declarer in order to protect the other defender's possible tenace in the same suit.

The bidding:  
South West North East  
1 ♠ Pass 1 NT 2 ♣  
3 ♠ Pass Pass Pass

The catapult as a military engine for throwing stones was used by the Syrians in 200 B. C.

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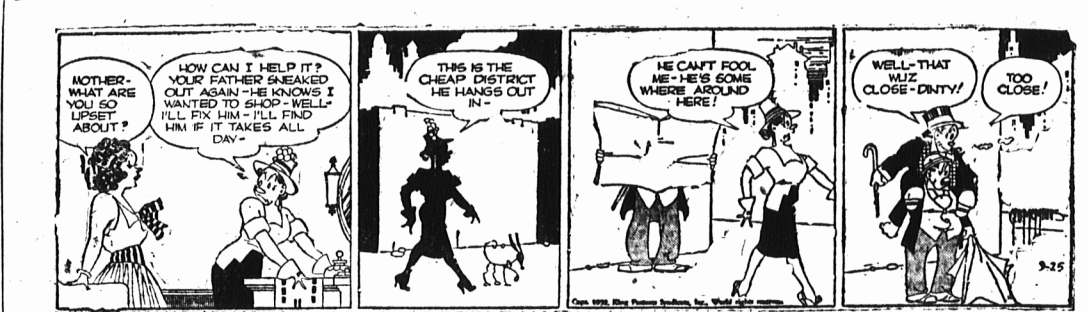
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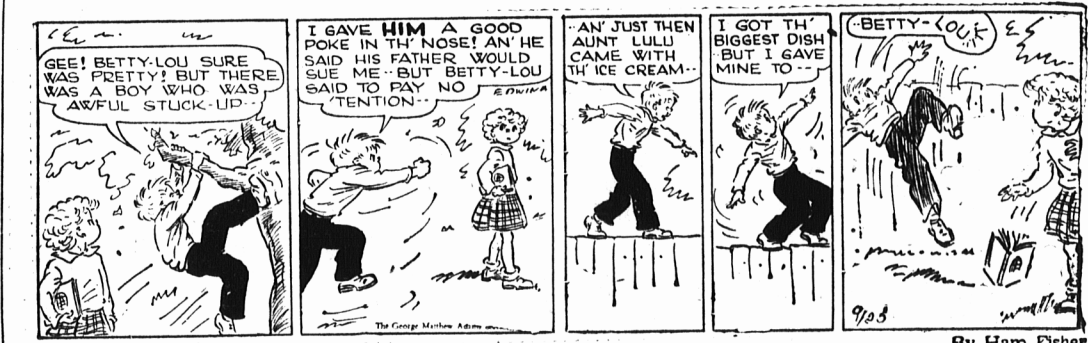
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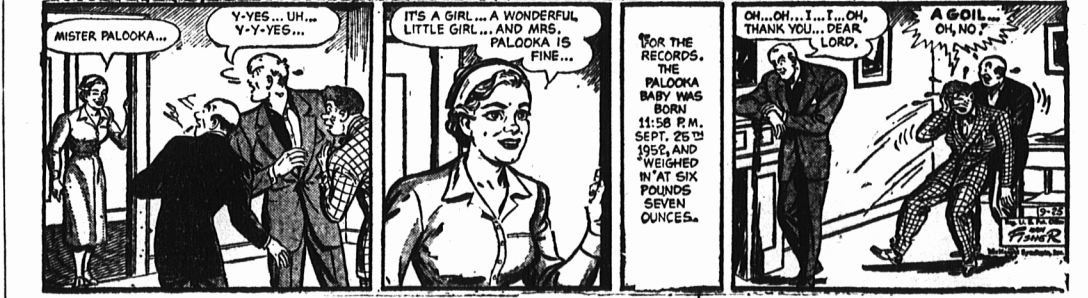
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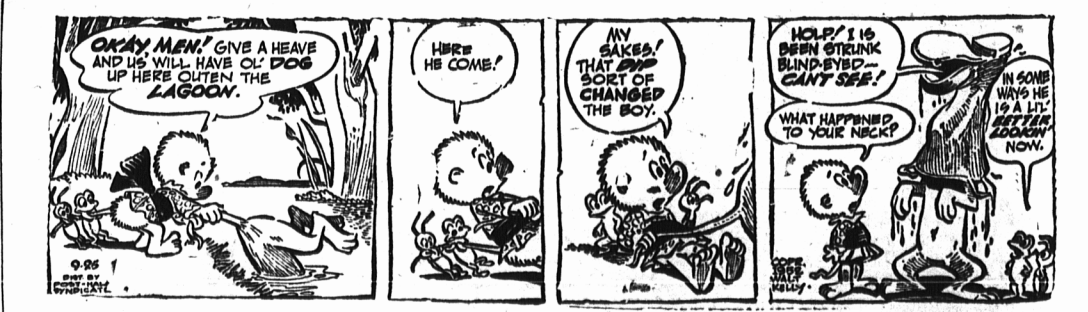
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