BEDTIME STORIES

Fright In The Forest

Sometimes it really happens you I doubt a thing you know it true.

—Old Mother Nature.

Sometimes it really does happen that a thing is so hard to believe that even while you know it must be, and is, true, you can't be quite sure you really believe it. That is the state of mind in which Paddy the Beaver and Mrs. Paddy found themselves.

lost very near to where Lightfoot stood.

He was standing right out in the moonlight and he was grinning.

It all happened at their pond deep in the Green Forest. It was a lovely quiet evening. Mistress Moon was shining her brightest. Paddy and Mrs. Paddy were where the Black Shadows were blackest on the water. They had been watching Reddy Fox stealing up on Lightfoot the Deer who had come to the pond for his evening drink. While they wondered what Reddy was agout they heard a splash and saw Buster Bear's head moving out in the water. Of course Buster was swimming. Lightfood heard that splash too and stood with head bold high. Watching. There is nothing the matter with the ears of Reddy Fox, so of course he heard. He was watching too. He was lying flat behind an old

When Lightfoot saw Buster Bear he gave a loud snort Buster stopped swimming. But presently he began swimming again. It was plain that he intended to keep right on across the pond. That would mean that Lightfoot the Deer would move away. Reddy Fox might or might not go. It would depend on whether Buster Bear happened to see him. It was all very disappointing.

"Now we'll never know what Reddy Fox was up to murmured Mrs. Paddy to Paddy.

Right then and there it happened Yes; sir, it happened right that very instant. There was a most frightful scream. It really was terrifying. They had heard it once or twice on other evenings but had never known who made it.

Lightfoot bounded into the air and away he dashed, jumping over bushes and everything in the way. He was frightened Deer if ever there was one.

At the same time there was tremendous splashing in the middl of the pond. Buster Bear was going back the way he had come and he was going in a hurry. If ever there was a scared Bear that Bear was Buster Bear. When he reached the shore he went crashing away through the bush He couldn't jump over them the way Lightfoot did.

Paddy and Mrs. Paddy turned to see if Reddy Fox was running away. He wasn't. He was standing right out in the moonlight and he was grinning. Yes, sir, his mouth was half open in a broad grin. Even as they looked he lifted his head and once more that terrible scream rang through the Green Forest. They knew it was Reddy that had screamed, because they were looking at Reddy at the time. Yet Paddy and Mrs. Paddy were having hard work to believe what they knew was so. They hadn't supposed that there was anyone in the Green Forest with a scream like that. It was worse than the scream of Yowler the Bobcat or the voice of Howler the Wolf. It was clear that Buster Bear and Lightfoot hal not known who had screamed. Most folks don't know that a Fox can scream like that. But Foxes can and people are frightened when they really there's nothing to be afraid of.

CONTRACT BRIDGE

By B. JAY BECKER

FAMOUS HANDS

South dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ KJ62
♥ J654
♦ 6
♣ AJ87

WEST
♠ A43
♥ 873
♦ J97
♣ K1094

EAST
♠ 10975
♥ 2
♦ AK1086
♣ Q53

SOUTH
♠ Q8
♥ AKQ109
♦ Q843
♣ 62

In 1951 an American team consisting of George Rapee, John R. Crawford, Sam Stayman, Howard Schenken, and this writer traveled to Naples to play the Italian team for the world championship.

The United States team won the match by a margin of 10,000 points.

The European Bridge Review had assigned several reporters to cover the event. Frederico Rosa, of Italy, wrote a lengthy and interesting account, a portion of which is presented here with all its continental flavor retained. It features a hand where the American team gained 720 points.

Said Rosa: "I witnessed many mistakes by the Americans during the tournament. On many boards they pressed the bidding level beyond the possible. They were apt to overrate their technique, hoping for miracles in play. But I must state that I have been unable to find a single board among the 320 where their defensive play was not exact, not to say perfect. This is an example of beautiful defense:

"At both tables South played in four hearts. Stayman had no difficulty in making his contract after Forquet had led the seven of diamonds. At the other table, however, Becker (West) led a trump and started a fine defensive play.

"Franco won the opening lead in the closed hand and led a spade to dummy's jack. A low spade to the queen in the closed hand was taken by the ace and a trump returned. Franco again won in the closed hand and led a club to dummy's ace.

"South's club loser disappeared on the king of spades and a low diamond was led from dummy. Crawford coolly played low and it is not to be surprised at that Franco contented himself with the eight. Many of us would have done the same. I suppose. This trick of Crawford's enabled West to make the nine and since Becker had a trump to lead, declarer had to lose two more tricks in diamonds.

"Franco should not be blamed for not putting up the queen of diamonds but the Americans are worth all praise for their skillful and audacious defense."

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Successors To Coffee Drinkers Insure The World

By EDDY GILMORE

LONDON (AP) — One of the world's most complex businesses was founded on a thing so simple as a man's appreciation of a good cup of coffee.

The great insurance institution of Lloyd's began in 1688 89 (nobody is sure) as a gathering place for men who drank a dark, hot liquid brewed from the coffee bean.

Among those early imbibers were shipowners and sea captains who, for reasons lost to history, singled out for their patronage a coffee salon owned by a man named Edward Lloyd.

The successors to those early shipping men who frequented his coffee shop have perpetuated his name to the ends of the earth not as a coffee brewer, but as a monicker that stands for marine intelligence and insurance.

The lofty marbled hall in which insurance brokers and underwriters do millions of pounds worth of business is called The Room. Attendants are still known as Waiters.

ANNOUNCES NEWS

From an edifice in The Room resembling an attenuated Greek temple hangs a bell off the wrecked ship Lutine that Lloyd's once insured.

As the old coffee house waiters shouted for silence to read an announcement from some far-away port, the bell now rings before the pronouncement of good or bad news.

Nearly 2,500 brokers and underwriters gather in The Room daily to do business.

It was seafaring people who gave Lloyd's its start.

They used the coffee house as a place to write and receive letters, and to buy and sell ships.

The coffee shop began a sound and highly infomative shipping service.

A letter written by a high government official in 1769 to the British ambassador in Holland passed on some important information about the British fleet.

The government man wrote:

"This comes from Lloyd, who keeps a coffee house and pretends to have an account of it (the fleet's movement) but he will not tell us how he came to have it." Lloyd's facts proved correct.

LOST CONTROL

After his death in 1713, the business gradually slipped from control of the Lloyd family.

Up to this day Lloyd's has no real idea when the underwriting of marine insurance began.

All sorts of people frequented the early coffee rooms. Speculators began betting on and against the time of death of prominent Londoners.

When some ailing citizens read that Lloyd's was giving 9 to 1 against the prospect of their survival, they up and died at the news

The modern insurance office is said to date from 1844 when Gladstone steered the first Company Act through the House of Commons. It fixed the pattern for the new type of insurance office.

It is said that Lloyd's will insure anything. That is not exactly correct, but it will insure almost anything.

Lloyd's has issued insurance to an apartment house owner who wanted to protect himself against murder in his building.

They wrote a policy against too many children claiming free cakes on Mickey Mouse's birthday.

They even took the business of a man who wanted £20,000 ($56,000) if Scotland's Lock ness monster was captured and delivered alive to an exhibition hall in London

What is the true nature of this mighty and many-sided organization?

Asked this question one of its members said:

"It would be easier for a spiritualist to define ectoplasm than for anyone to answer that."

Three Maritime Centres Are Marked Surplus Labor Areas

OTTAWA (CP)—Labor Minister Starr said Thursday two Nova Scotia ceftres, Springhill and New Glasgow, and St. Stephen, N.B. have been declared surplus labor areas.

Unemployed workers there with job prospects elsewhere are eligible for financial aid in moving. Also include was Windsor, Ont.

Mr. Starr also said that within a few days Tilbury, Ont., a big steel fabricating town until its major industry went out of business, will be declared a surplus labor area.

He made his statement in the Commons after George Hahn (SC — New Westminster) asked him to comment on a suggestion that unemployed persons would be well advised to stay in their home communities until directed to some other labor field by unemployment insurance officers.

GOOD PRINCIPLE

Mr. Starr said there should be no interference with people wishing to move about in search of work.

"As long as they succeed in finding it, this is a good principle."

However, if it was apparent that in any locality the supply of workers was going to remain far in excess of jobs available, then transportation aid would be provided once the locality was declared a surplus labor area.

Later, an official of the National Employment Service said the entire area served by the NES office at St. Stephen was declared a surplus labor area even though unemployment was most severe at nearby Milltown, which is part of the area. This had been done because unemployment was high in St. Stephen itself and because many of the unemployed who had worked at Milltown lived in St. Stephen.

Wage Payments Show Increase

OTTAWA (CP) — Canadian workers received $1,337,000,000 in August, 9.1 per cent more than in the corresponding month last year, the bureau of statistics said today.

Number of workers increased in the year by 3.2 per cent to 4,647,000. Average number of hours worked dropped to 40.5 from 40.8.

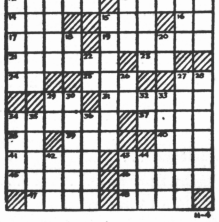
Average weekly earnings in major non - agricultural industries was $68.38, an increase of 5.6 per cent over a year ago. The consumer price index rose 3.6 per cent in this period.

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS
1. Head cook
5. A leveler
9. Partridge noise
10. Singing voice
12. Harass
13. Bird of prey
14. Astern
15. Vehicle
16. Music note
17. Lampreys
19. Irish province
21. Stair mats
23. Water god
24. Like
25. Exclamation
27. Forward
29. Exclamation
30. A narrowing
34. Kind of soup
37. Flower
38. Cry of pain
39. Skin tumor
40. Pismire
41. Quench, as thirst
43. Lawful
45. Number
46. Harriet Beecher —
47. Little children
48. Capital of Yemen

DOWN
1. Rose beetles
2. Rush suddenly
3. Blunder
4. Young fish
5. Rob
6. Mortician's coach
7. Common suffix
8. Flat (mus.)
9. A seta
11. Construct
15. Mat
18. South America (abbr.)
20. Tantalum (sym.)
22. Perform
26. Ahead
27. Pacific island
28. Cuddle up
29. Part of "to be"
30. Peddled
32. Music note
33. Region (Sp.)
34. Hurl
35. Young owl
36. Adolescent years
42. Polynesian drink
44. Greek letter

Saturday's Answer



DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE — Here's how to work it: A X Y D L B A A X B is L O N G F E L L O W

One letter simply stands for another. In this sample 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

U W M M L X X P H P H W G X Q M X P H J Q T G X L I W G L E T G I H H K I G Q V P X - I P K K B W K L M H ? — H W J Y.

Saturday's Cryptoquote: BEAUTY IS NATURE'S COIN, (ST) MUST NOT BE HOARDED—MILTON.

OUR BOARDING HOUSE MAJOR HOOPLE

Pneumonia, Flu Deaths Up In US

WASHINGTON (AP) — Deaths from influenza and pneumonia increased by 28 per cent last week in the large U.S. cities compared with the week before.

The U.S. public health service said Thursday there was 1,187 more deaths from these diseases in 108 cities between Sept. 1 and Oct. 25 than there were last year

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MONDAY

1:00 p.m.—Afternoon Musicale
4:00 p.m.—Open House
4:30—Howdy Doody
5:00 p.m.—Golden Age Players
5:30 p.m.—Kiddies Kartoons
6:00 p.m.—Western Theatre
7:00 p.m.—CFCY TV News
7:07 p.m.—Weather
7:10 p.m.—Three Musketeers
7:30 p.m.—Sir Lancelot
8:00 p.m.—My Little Margie
8:30 p.m.—The Nations Business
8:45 p.m.—TBA
9:00 p.m.—The Millionaire
9:30 p.m.—On Camera
10:00 p.m.—I Love Lucy
10:30 p.m.—Tugboat Annie
11:00 p.m.—Studio One
12:00 p.m.—CBC Television News

CKCW — Moncton Channel 2

MONDAY

1:00 p.m.—Monday Playbill
News, Weather, Sports
Change Of Heart
3:00 p.m.—Over the Back Fence
4:00 p.m.—Open House
4:30 p.m.—Howdy Doody
5:00 p.m.—Golden Age Players
5:30 p.m.—Western Theatre
6:00 p.m.—Puppet Theatre
6:15 p.m.—Little Rascals
6:30 p.m.—Early Evening TV News
6:45 p.m.—Weather
6:50 p.m.—Spotlight On Sports
7:00 p.m.—Ranch Party
7:30 p.m.—Sir Lancelot
8:00 p.m.—Big Top Variety Show
8:30 p.m.—Nations Business
8:45 p.m.—Serenade
9:00 p.m.—The Millionaire
9:30 p.m.—On Camera
10:00 p.m.—I Love Lucy
10:30 p.m.—Tugboat Annie
11:00 p.m.—Studio One
11:50 p.m.—CBC TV News
12:10 a.m.—CKCW TV News & Weather
12:15 a.m.—The Detective