



By Thornton W. Burgess

THE DREAMERS ARE WAKENED. The one sure thing you're bound to find, is nothing's sure. Keep this in mind.

It was mid-winter. All the landscape far and wide was covered with snow and ice. In the Green Forest the snow lay deep. The ice was thick on the Big River. Jack Frost was around every night, and almost every day trying to make folks as uncomfortable as possible.



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Department of Industry and Natural Resources, Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, January 12, 1953.



Contract Bridge

By Josephine Cluvertson

THE PSEUDO SQUEEZE

It is not always necessary for a declarer to execute a squeeze play to gain a trick. Sometimes it is good enough to make an opponent think he's squeezed. Consider this case:

North dealer. Both sides vulnerable.

Hand diagram showing cards for North and South. North: A J 6 2, Q 5 2, 4 3, 9 3 2. South: K 8 7 3, N, W, E, S, K 9 5 4 3, 7 2, 8 7 6, 9 4, 10 7, K Q J 9 8 6, K 10 5.

The bidding: North East South West 2 N T Pass 6 Pass 7 (1) Pass Pass Pass

North, having shown his full values when he opened with two notrump, should have been quite satisfied with a small slam, but it is evident that he thought possession of the four aces justified maximum optimism.

It was not pleasant for West to select an opening lead; he finally tossed out a low heart. When dummy appeared, South must have been tempted to concede down one, but he put up the heart ace and carried on without even frowning.

Neither defender had discarded difficulties for a few tricks, but, as the line of trumps continued, West acted as though he were being squeezed. He had given up one heart and then decided to blank his queen, but when South played the last trump, West changed his tactics. What good was the spade king, under dummy's ace-jack? Obviously (West felt), no good at all. So he blanked the spade king.

West's regular affection for his heart queen would have turned out all right if East had discarded the heart king and kept two spades, but East was having none of that! He wasn't the sort to throw away the high heart! He preferred to blank his spade queen.

So South led a spade to the ace and cashed the spade jack, making the grand slam.

Lytham, England—(CP)—Ninety cups of tea a day, well fortified with milk and sugar, has been regular fare for Oswald Beard for 11 years. The veteran of the First World War surrenders meat, bacon and cheese rations to get extra sugar.

King Of The Royal Mounted

By Zane Grey



Rip Kirby

By Alex Raymond



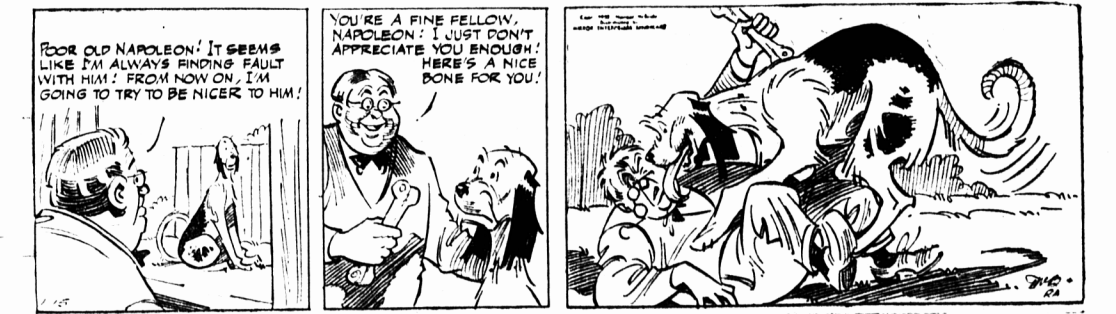
Joe Palooka

By Ham Fisher



Napoleon and Uncle Elby

By Clifford McBride



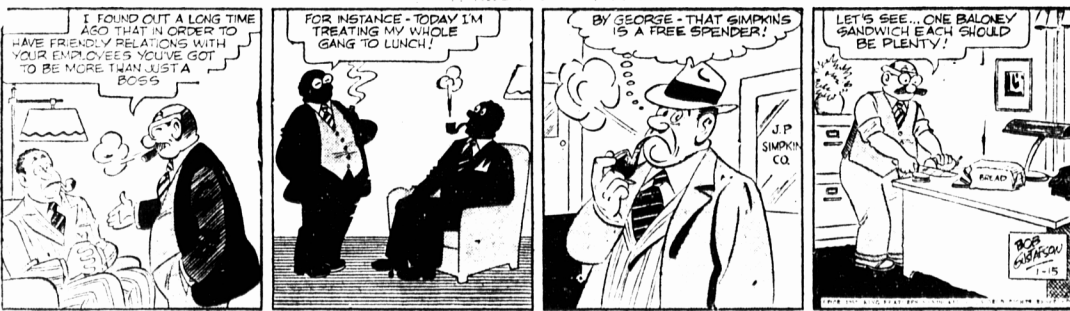
Li'l Abner

By Al Capp



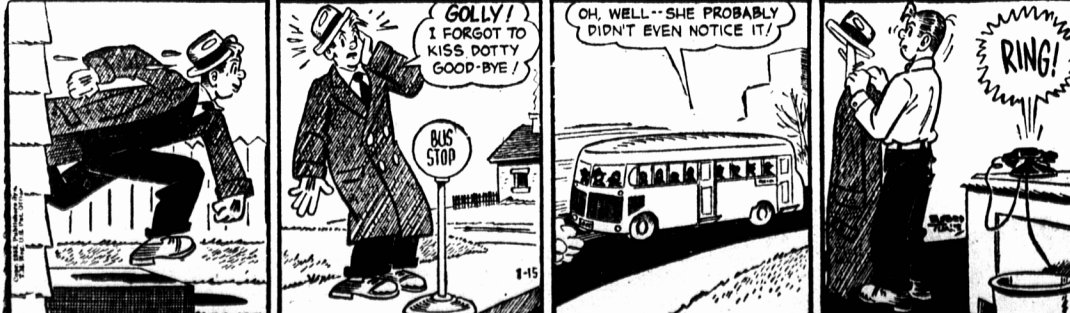
Tilly The Toiler

By Bob Gustafson



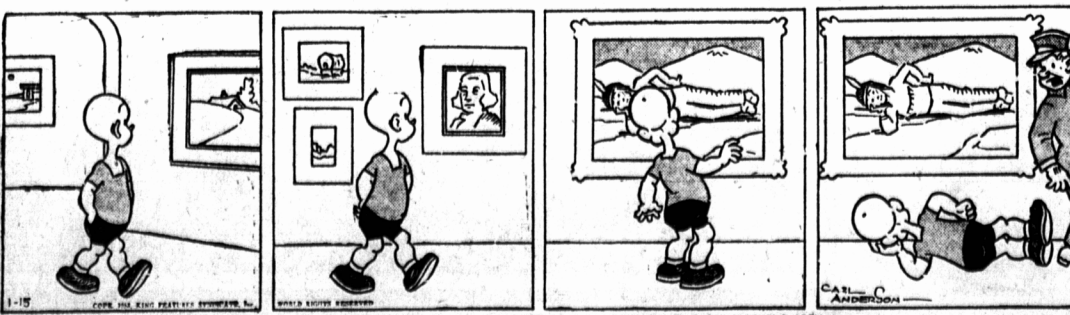
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By Ruford



Henry

By Carl Anderson



Pogo

By Walt Kelly



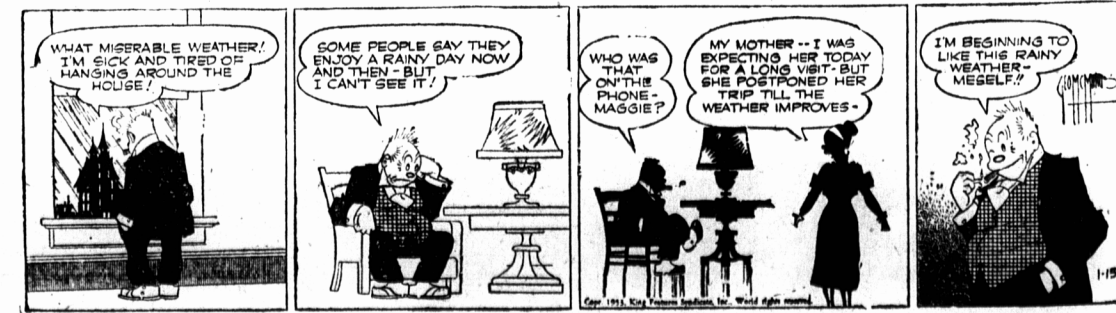
Tippy and "Cap" Stubs

By Edwina



Bringing Up Bessie

By George H. Manney



PENNY

By Harry Heenigen

