

BEDTIME STORIES

Booby Coon Is Pleased

By Thornton W. Burgess

If satisfied with self, don't show it; The best your neighbors shouldn't know it.

Booby Coon had come down Laughing Brook to the pond of Paddy the Beaver deep in the Green Forest. Now he was wandering along the shore pretending to be looking for Crayfish and Frogs. He is very fond of them. However, he had something else on his mind. It was eggs. Bobby has a liking for eggs when he can find them. And he had an idea that Beauty had a nest somewhere near Paddy's pond. He wanted to find that nest.

So Bobby continued with his fishing, but all the time he was watching Beauty who was on the water. Bobby was swimming with Paddy's Pond. He was swimming about unobtrusively. He was pretending not to be worried by the presence of Bobby Coon. Just as Bobby was pretending not to be at all interested in Beauty. By and by Beauty took to his wings. He flew off down Laughing Brook where it made its way through the Green Forest to the Big Meadow and finally to the Big River. He was trying to fool Bobby Coon. He was trying to make him think that that nest was somewhere down the brook.

Now Bobby Coon is smart. He isn't easily fooled. He guessed just what the pretty Wood Duck was doing.



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"I'll stay right here," said Bobby to himself. "That fellow isn't fooling me a bit. If I wait around long enough, Mrs. Beauty may show herself, and I can see which way she comes from or which way she returns."

So Bobby Coon continued to poke about in the mud at the edge of the water. He was feeling in that mud in the hope of touching a Frog buried there or a Crayfish. He would know the instant he touched one, and those long fingers of his would instantly close. But all the time he was doing this, he was looking around. He appeared to be looking at nothing in particular, but really he was watching for those Wood Ducks.

Altogether Bobby was well pleased with himself. When he had started fishing on the brook above the pond, he had not intended to come as far down as the pond. Then he had seen Beauty up where he was fishing, and he had guessed that Beauty and Mrs. Beauty were nesting not too far away. He guessed that it probably was near the pond of Paddy the Beaver.

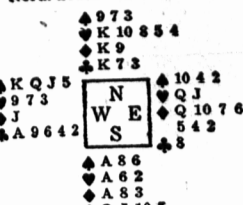
He didn't go down there at once. Indeed, it wasn't until a day or two after he had seen Beauty that he finally arrived at the pond. He had been Beauty up coming and had tried to hide behind the house of Paddy out in the water. He had hoped that Bobby might go on down without stopping at the pond, but without appearing to be interested in anything but fishing. He had wandered around the edge of the pond and had discovered Beauty. Now he was sure that there was a nest not too far away. Finally, Bobby climbed up in a hemlock tree where he curled up in a crotch apparently to take a nap. He didn't take a nap. He just kept his eyes open. All the time he was feeling well satisfied. He was sure that in a little patience he could find out where that nest was.

CONTRACT BRIDGE

By B. JAY BECKER

(Top record holder in Masters' Individual Championship Play)

South dealer. North-South vulnerable.



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

Opening lead—king of spades.

South's prospects were not too bright when dummy first came down. It was likely that West had five spades with the ace of clubs for entry, but after ducking the K-Q of spades declarer learned on the next spade play that West had overcalled with a four card suit. South led the queen of clubs, won by the ace, and West cashed his spade A. As far down as the pond. Then he had seen Beauty up where he was fishing, and he had guessed that Beauty and Mrs. Beauty were nesting not too far away. He guessed that it probably was near the pond of Paddy the Beaver.

New Head For Cyprus Police

LONDON (Reuters)—The chief constable of Warwickshire, Col. Geoffrey White, has been appointed to command the Cyprus police, it was announced Tuesday. The colonial office said the appointment had been made at the request of the governor, Sir John Harding, and of the British Government. It added that the governor had "decided that recent experience of commanding one of the larger forces in the United Kingdom is required by the officer responsible for completing the reorganization of the police in Cyprus. White will take over next month.

MUFFLED MUSIC

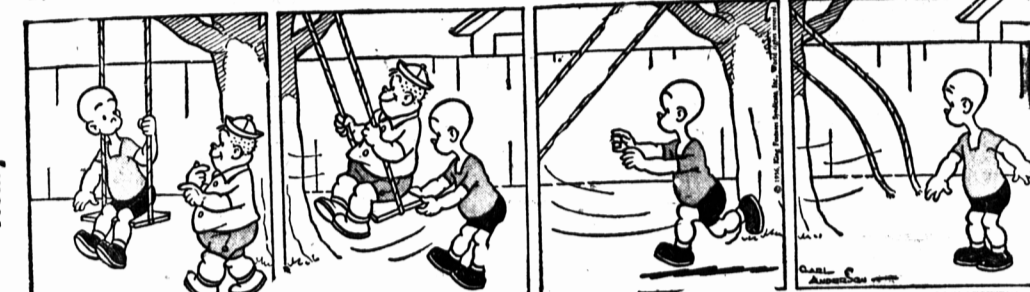
SCARBOROUGH, England (CP)—Bandsman Dick Blaney blew on his sousaphone but no sound came. He lifted his arm inside the instrument and pulled out a pigeon.

Play... SALADA SCRAMBLE See Page 10

DAILY CROSSWORD

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down words.

DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE — Here's how to work it: AXYDLBAAXR is LONGFELLOW. One letter simply stands for another. In this example A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc.



US MAY COPY CANADA MALIFAX (CP) — The United States may adopt a Canadian method for speeding up census tabulation.

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