

BURGESS BEDTIME STORIES



By Thornton W. Burgess

FIRST LESSONS

All through life we go to school; Wisdom gain or play the fool. —Everybody.

Over in the Green Forest three little Foxes were getting their first round-eye glimpse of the Great World. Mr. and Mrs. Gray Fox were their parents. They love the Green Forest. Reddy Fox and Mrs. Reddy love the Green Forest too, but not as Gray Fox and Mrs. Gray do. They love it so well that they are often called Tree Foxes. They actually climb trees at times. All the babies of the Green Forest and the Green Meadows, whether they wear fur or feathers, scales or nothing but smooth little skins, have to go to school very soon after they get their eyes open. Yes, sir they have to go to school. You see they have to be grown up to learn to live. So as soon as they can go outside of their dens, or leave their nests, their first lessons begin; and one of the first is what to eat and where to find it.



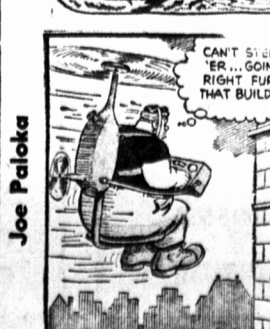
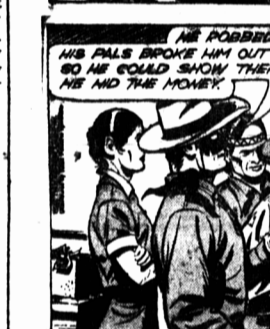
Right away he tried to catch it. The Gray Fox home was in a great hollow log, one end of which was open. It was in this log that the three baby Foxes had been born, and it was just outside this log that their first three lessons began. Of course, at first all their food was brought to them. They were too small and fat to young to go hunting themselves, so father and mother hunted a d caught the food and brought it to them. It was in this way they learned what Foxes can eat. Of course, father and mother wouldn't bring them anything they couldn't eat. They grew fast. From the very first time they looked out their open doorway

they were filled with curiosity about the wonderful things outside, and were eager to know all about them.

As is always the case in a family there was a difference in those children. One was a wee bit bigger than either of the others. One was a little more timid, and one was a little smarter. So it was that they learned their lessons in living in different ways. It happened that early one morning after mother and father had gone hunting the boldest little Fox ventured a few feet away from the old log. He was hardly more than a good jump from it, but he felt very bold and very brave. His eyes were very bright as he looked all about. They didn't miss a single thing. He watched them going and coming, but he didn't bother them. They were too small. Anyway, he thought they were too small. They didn't look to him like anything he would want to eat. Now had great big Buster Bear been in the place of that little Fox, he would very likely have stopped and licked up a lot of those Ants. But the little Fox was just satisfied to watch them.

Presently he noticed a broad piece of bark lying on the ground. He poked at it, and out from under it ran a big Beetle. It was the first Beetle he had ever seen. Right away, he tried to catch it. He jumped for it, and the Beetle slipped out from under his paws.

This excited him. The Beetle disappeared behind a little bush.



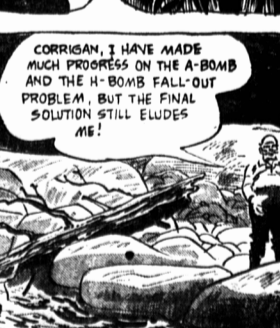
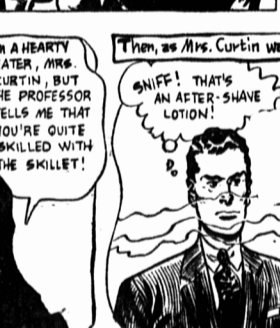
Strange But True

By F. H. MacArthur

Hawks, eagles, and hares do most of their sleeping standing up. Some ducks and geese do even more; sleep standing on one foot. Woodpeckers, bats and chimney swifts hang themselves up by their claws, using their tails for a brace, as if it were a third leg. Let me tell you a story of some young swallows. They had just learned to fly a little and were resting together on a roof, when a woman watcher noticed that one of them was sick.

When the parents came with food, the others stood up and opened their mouths, and so were fed, but the weakling got nothing. Then lo and behold two of the young swallows drew up close beside their sick brother, one on either side. They put their beaks under his breast and boosted him onto his feet, and then crowded so close against him that they actually propped him up, and held him there, so that when his parents returned with more food he got his share.

If birds had no love for each other as some persons think, these healthy youngsters wouldn't have cared a tinker's dam if their delicate brother did starve. Do not believe all the gossip you hear; this world of ours is not as bad as some would have us believe. Like the reformers, we too should like to have a paradise on earth and the peace of God and what not; but in the meantime we differ as to how to set it up and where to come by the money, and who is to do it and such like matters. But if we are observing we find people here and there who put their heart and souls into this paradise business and draw the means for making this world of ours a better place in which to live.



CORNWALL W. I.

Cornwall W. I. met at the home of Mrs. Douglas MacDonald, the Treasurer gave the financial report which included proceeds from play and musical recital. Correspondence was read and discussed. Our contribution to the Jubilee Endowment Fund is to be sent in a letter was read from Mrs. Harry Cudmore in connection with "Water Safety Week". Bills were presented for payment. School and sick committees gave their reports. Old woollens were packed for blankets on the 17th and on the 9th the W. I. members gave the hall a thorough cleaning.

It was moved that the music teacher be paid the remainder of his money. It was decided that the Institute provide the ice cream for the school picnic.

A general discussion as to what kind of heating system would be most suitable for the school followed. The members who attended the district convention gave a brief outline of the meeting.

It was decided to have six members namely: Mrs. Bain, Mrs. Frizzell, Mrs. D. MacDonald, Mrs. J. Donahue, Mrs. Annie MacDonald and Mrs. Helen Waldron Lowther give two minute talks on subjects of their own choice at next meeting. Mrs. Stuart Drake is to hostess for July meeting; Mrs. Jack MacPhail, Mrs. Jack Mac-



By-elections in Manitoba

WINNIPEG (CP) — House strength of the governing Liberal-Progressives and their official opposition was unchanged in Manitoba following a stand-pat pair of by-elections.

Two former candidates—one a Liberal-Progressive and the other a Progressive Conservative—won the by-elections Monday in the Deloraine-Glenwood and Mountain constituencies.

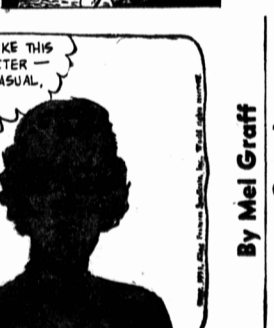
Albert Earl Draper, 57, retained Deloraine-Glenwood for the Progressive Conservatives by defeating Liberal-Progressive Robert E. Moffatt, 39-year-old Winnipeg lawyer, 2,056 to 1,377 in a two-way fight.

In Mountain, Liberal-Progressive Walter Clark, 54, defeated creamery operator Marcel Boullé, the Conservative candidate, 1,846 to 1,570 in a three-way battle. Roger Poiron, Independent Social Credit candidate, was far back with 201 votes.

Standing in the House following the first test of Liberal-Progressive strength since the provincial election two years ago is: Liberal-Progressive 35, Progressive Conservative 11, CCF 5, Social Credit 2, Independent 1, Total 57.

Millan, Mrs. Herbert Scott and Mrs. Dannie Gass as lunch committee. It was moved that the sewing teacher be paid and her assistant given \$5.00.

Topic for July is ways and means of attracting tourists to our island; roll call to be answered with a suggestion on how one could be hospitable to tourists. Entertainment is to be a demonstration on the preparation of sea foods.



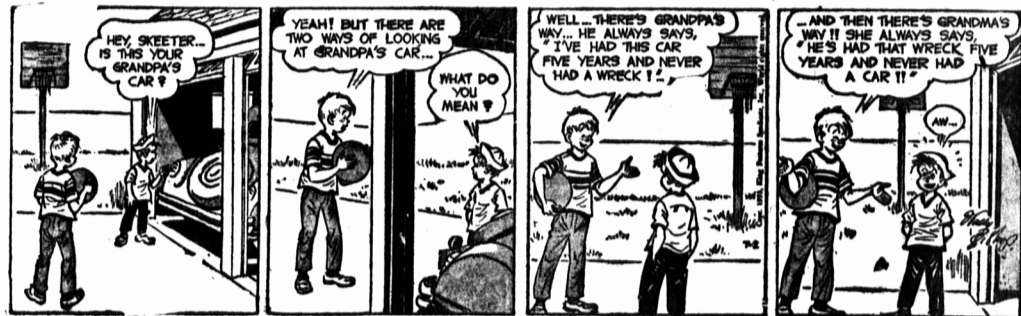
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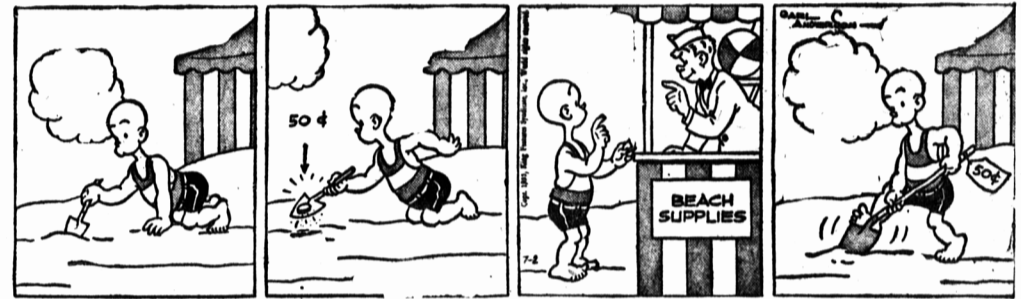
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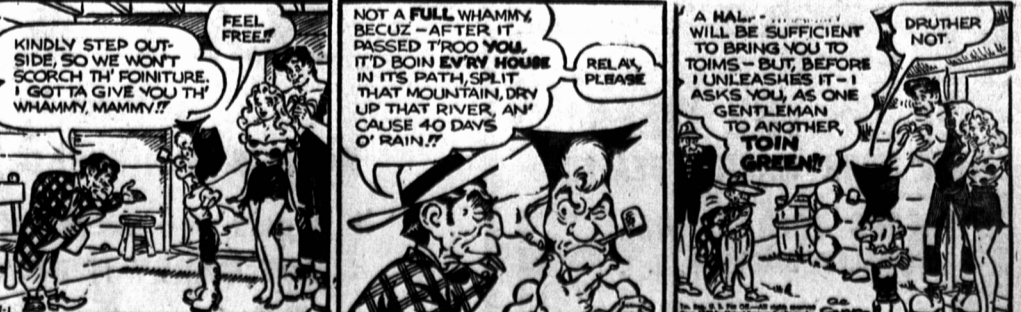
By Mel Graff



Mickey Mouse



By Ham Fisher



L'il Abner



By Bob Gustafson

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