

BURGESS BEDTIME STORIES

By Thornton W. Burgess

WHAT TO DO?

Doing nothing, it is plain, in the end will nothing gain. —Old Mother Nature.

Snowfoot and his pretty mate, Tinkle, were two homeless little Woodmice. They had started to make a home together in an old tin can they had found beside Laughing Brook. A heavy rain had caused a flood, and the old can with the two little mice in it had floated down Laughing Brook and across the Smiling Pool. Now they were once more on shore, but oh so happy.

Presently, their happiness once more gave way to worry. This was a new and wholly changed world they were in. They had been born in the Green Forest, so they really were little forest folk. Now, they were out on the Green Meadows where there was only one tree near, a big hickory tree growing on the bank of the Smiling Pool. Being out in the open was so frightening. Where could they go?

"What do we do now?" squeaked Tinkle. "I don't know," squeaked Snowfoot. "What can we do?" "We can try to find a better hiding-place than this," replied Tinkle. Her squeaky voice sounded a little sharp.

It wasn't a good hiding-place. They were under some over-hanging grass, and that was all they had to protect them from sharp eyes that might be looking for a Mouse for dinner. What they wanted was a hole in a hollow log, or in a tree, or even in the ground itself. They didn't feel safe, as they were now out in the sunlight.

It didn't take them long to dry off. Then Snowfoot began to poke around. He ventured a little way out from under the over-hanging grass, then darted back again. He tried it again, going a little farther this time. He found a little path under the grass. He knew at once that little path had been made by a Mouse. Right away he felt better, even though he knew that that path had not been used very recently. He ran back to where Tinkle waited. "Come with me!" he cried.

"Have you found a better hiding-place?" Tinkle wanted to know. "I found a path!" cried Snowfoot. "What good is that? What we want is a hiding-place," cried Tinkle. "A path may lead us to one. Come on, my dear, and we'll find out," replied Snowfoot. Tinkle hesitated. She hated to leave the safety of that over-hanging grass. She also hated to be left alone, and Snowfoot had already started back to the little path. In a moment, she ran after him. He was waiting for her. Then they started to follow the little path through the grass. Now and then they found a faint scent of Mouse. It made them feel better, yet it worried them a bit too, for it was not a Woodmouse scent. The fact is, that little path had



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been cut by a Meadowmouse, not Woodmouse. Snowfoot led the way. Every few steps he would stop to listen. The little path was under grass all the way, so they felt quite safe. It led them up the bank, and along it toward the big hickory tree. When they entered the shade of the big hickory tree they felt better. This was more like the Green Forest. Perhaps they would find a place for a home there.

DIED YOUNG

Jane Austen, one of England's famous novelists, died in 1817 at the age of 42.

NON-IRRITANT

Beeswax, because it is non-irritating, is often used as a base for ointments or plasters.

SELECT GROUP

The term blue-stocking is usually applied to women of learning and literary accomplishment.

Strange But True

By F. E. MacArthur

Down in the Texas dust bowl strange things happen. A motorist traveling a few miles from Big Spring ran out of gas. He cut off the ignition and let the wind blow him into town; however, he was going at such a speed he ran through two red lights before he could stop the car.

Another man had his hat blown off and two miles away, a farmer shot it down, thinking it was a flying saucer. Then there was the dishpan housewife let slip out of her hands and roll across a field. When it was picked up in another county, the pan had been worn down to the size of a dinner plate.

And during the worst sand storm of the year, this happened: A farmer was driving down the road when a neighbor standing in the doorway yelled out, "Hi Reginald!" Four miles farther on a woman heard the "Hi!" but it was 30 seconds later before the "Reginald!" caught up. The wind had blown the little word along at a faster rate. It's the things we learn the hard way that are easiest to remember. "A crow can count up to seven," says a naturalist. Which makes him smarter than some golfers.

It is when a girl is old enough to go out alone that she doesn't. The clothes that please the woman are the clothes that break the man. Many a man has his nose to the windstone because his wife has hers up in the air. Her dinner guest remains eleven years.

"I invited her to have dinner with me 11 years ago, and she refuses to leave," Mrs. Edward Muller of Montreal, told the court. She asked the judge to order Mrs. Eleanor Douval to leave so that the house could be given to a new owner. The court issued the order, and Eleanor left.

MIXED MARRIAGE Marriage between white and colored persons is prohibited in several states of the U. S.

WOMEN STUDENTS In 1934, more than 897,000 women were enrolled in United States colleges and universities.

CONTRACT BRIDGE

By Josephine Culbertson

UNDER PAR

A supposedly expert pair did not do an expert job of bidding with the North-South hands below.

South dealer. Both sides vulnerable.

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

North dealer.

♠ 8 4	♥ A J 5
♦ A K Q 4	♣ J 10 7 6

Before analyzing the bidding, let's consider the result: West's fourth-highest heart lead, with East putting up the queen, gave declarer a problem. If West had the club ace, South's correct play was to take the first trick; but if East had the club ace, a hold-up play in hearts would be needed to cut the defenders' communications. South was not reached even if the slam was not bid.

FAMILY ALLOWANCES

Under a law passed in 1946 in Norway, allowances are paid to families having more than one child, providing the child is under 16 and a resident there.

WATCHED CRUCIFIXION

Salome, one of two women of that name mentioned in the New Testament, followed Jesus from Galilee and saw his crucifixion from a distance.

Attention: Potato Growers

Growers harvesting large quantities of potatoes at present are warned that as blight is now evident, a holding period of ten days may be imposed similar to that of last year. Potatoes dug in damp weather from an infected field, if shipped direct, will soon ruin our limited market.

W. P. MacLEOD, District Fruit & Veg. Inspector.

Our Boarding House Major Hoople

I'M SLIGHTLY SHORT-MANED, BUT IS THIS IT? JEWEL COFFEE GRINDER GOOD FOR A STACK OF CHIPS?

HOW ABOUT THIS RING WITH THE BIG CHUNK OF GENUINE ICE IN IT? HOW MUCH SALES SAY IT'S WORTH?

NOT 15¢? I GOT FIVE BUCKS — AM I RISKING MEIN MONEY TO WIN CARNIVAL SOUVENIRS?

UM! PERHAPS WE SHOULD PLAY THE PIANO AND SING — BUT NO! DRAT IT! WE'LL ALL WRITE I.O.U.'S — HAK-KAFF!

ON THE GAME WHAT'S MONEY TO US?

Out Our Way By J. R. Williams

DO YOU HAVE TO LEAN ON EVERYTHING? LOOK AT THY PINKS PEAK HAM ON THY BACK OF THAT SWEATER AND RAINCOAT! LOOK AT MY BROOM AND DUST PAN — AND LOOK AT ME FROM YOUR LEANING ON ME FOR MOST EVERYTHING ELSE!

OH, SHE'S JUST PUTTING ON AN ACT — SHE CAN RUN ALL OF US DOWN WHEN SHE'S TRYING TO ARROUNDE A DEPARTMENT STORE!

WHY MOTHERS GET GRAY

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS	DOWN	16. God of love
1. French city	1. Jovial revelry	17. A unit equal to 1,000 cycles
2. Native of Scotland	2. Natives of Arabia	18. American school (India)
3. Lingering	3. Bitter vetch	19. White ant
4. Circles of light	4. New York (abbr.)	20. University officer
5. Epochs	5. Outer garments	21. International language
6. Small, natural beauty spot	6. Women's dressing jackets	22. Queen won by Siegfried
7. Steadfast	7. Leather flask for rodents	23. American artist
8. Aquatic rodents	8. Sanskrit school (India)	24. I am (contracted)
9. Part of "to be"	9. White ant	25. Leap amphibian
10. Electrically charged atom	10. Clique	26. Trapped
11. Spheres	11. University officer	27. Close to
12. Patron saint of sailors	12. Girls' name	28. Ages
13. Before	13. The home of Abraham (Bib.)	29. Put into circulation
14. Selecting	14. Remaining	30. Enemy scout
15. Feminine pronoun	15. Punctures, as by a thorn	31. Jog
16. Hinds month (Sept.-Oct.)	16. Sing, as a Swiss mountaineer (verb)	32. Assistant
17. Mature person	17. Golf mounds	33. Fuss
18. Having toes		34. Close to

DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE—Here's how to work it:

One letter simply stands for another. In this example 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

A I Q N A L V C R Q N V A V L A C V D N
W R Q N R J S K N I P N G S I P M K S O N —
C R P W R

Yesterday's Cryptogram—THE APPLAUSE OF LISTENING SENATES TO COMMAND—GRAY.

LOOK, TILLY! TWO TICKETS TO THE DANCE AT THE RITZ TONIGHT. HOW ABOUT IT?

SORRY, MAC, I HAVE TO PICK UP MR. SNIPKINS AT AN AUCTION — YES, COMING HOME TO DINNER WITH ME!

BE AN ANGEL AND CALL MOM FOR ME. TELL HER I'LL BE A LITTLE LATE!

AW, FOOPY!

TILLY, DON'T YOU DARE BRING THAT THING IN THE HOUSE!

WHAT THING, MOM?

WHAT STUFFED WALRUS MAC SAID YOU WERE BRINGING HOME FROM THE AUCTION!

JUST FOR KICKS, LET'S NOT TELL MOM AND DAD WHO YOU ACTUALLY ARE.

OKAY

AND NOW I WANT YOU TO MEET MY "MYSTERY DATE"

I NEVER FORGET A FACE! I'VE SEEN YOU SOMEPLACE BEFORE!

NOT THAT I KNOW OF, SIR?

OH, NO! IT CAN'T BE —

YOU GUESS, MOM?

STEP UP, SKEETER!... ATTA BOY, YOU'LL MAKE IT!

MY GOODNESS! WHAT HAPPENED TO SKEETER?

OUR TEAM HAD A BALL GAME, GRANDMA!

GRACIOUS! I DIDN'T REALIZE BASEBALL WAS SUCH A STRENUOUS SPORT...

IT ISN'T, WHEN YOU PLAY IT...

...BUT TODAY HAPPENED TO BE SKEETER'S TURN TO LAUNDRY!!

PET SHOP SALE! DOGGIE COATS

Henry

LEAVE THIS PAIL OF CORNED BEER AND CABBAGE ON THE KITCHEN STEPS, DINTY — BUT WAIT TILL IT GETS DARK!

OH-OH!

WAIT FOR HIM IN THE DARK! AND DON'T WORRY ABOUT BREAKING THE ROLLING PIN — I HAVE ANOTHER ONE!

I'LL BET HELL NEVER DARE COME AROUND HERE AGAIN!

MAGGIE, THE COOK BEAT UP YOUR BROTHER BRIMMUP! UP YOUR BROTHER BRIMMUP! FOR A BURGLAR!

YEP, EDDIE, I USED T'WRL I USED T'WRL ONE O' THOSE THINGS!

I COULD KEEP 'EM TWIRLING FOR MINUTES AT A TIME!

THEN I'D TOSS IT WAY UP AN' CATCH IT WITH MY EYES SHUT, LIKE THIS, AN'

UNCA MICKEY, YOU OUGHT TO SEE HOW BRAVE LIL' DAVY IS WITH ANIMALS... HE LI'L DAVY IS WITH HERE COMES MINNIE...!

HOW DO YOU LIKE MY NEW HAT? ISN'T IT THE ABSOLUTE END?

MOM, A TAVERN POOLISH HAT LIKE THAT AIN'T SUITED TO YOUR MATURE!

DID YOU GET ANY ANSWERS TO YORE INVY-TAY-SHUNS TO MAH — BUSHE-B-DOLLAR WEDDIN'?

HUNDREDS!

WHAR'S THEY? THAR?

IT'S TH' BIGGEST SASSY-SHUL EVENT O' TH' SASSY-SHUL SEASON. WHOLE FAMILIES HAS TRAPPED HUNDREDS O' MILES, AN' IS SLEEPIN' IN TH' RAIN — JEST WAITIN'?

NOT YET, SON — DID YOU GET A ANSWER TO YORE INVY-TAY-SHUN T' GRACIE STENGEL T' MARRY YO'?

NOT YET, MAMMY! BUT SHE'S BOUND T' SAY 'YES'!

I DID YOU GOOD NIGHT, 'BOGGIN BENNY' — AND SWEET DREAMS!

MY! YOU'RE A ROMANTIC MAN, PRINCE IGUANA — YOU OUSTIZED WOLF!

Morning — three happy vacationers scamper into the waters of Igunda Lake.

WILDA, WE'VE GOT A MERMAID IN THE FAMILY!

EVERY ABLE CHILD SHOULD BE TAUGHT TO SWIM AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, PHIL!

SAVE ON TIRES

TRADE-IN NOW ON NEW SAFER B.F. Goodrich TIRES

TOP ALLOWANCES MEAN ROCK BOTTOM PRICES AT Douglas MacLaren COMPLETE TIRE SERVICE Montague & New Haven, P. E. L.

Drive out ACHES

JUST AN OINTMENT MINARD'S LINIMENT

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HERE WE ARE, YOU'LL GO AWAY IN A G.S. WE SURE LIVED HAVING YOU AROUND.

AN' TH' SHORE GRATER, TALL A YA, SHORE A WONDERFUL BUNCH A FELLERS.

SO LONG, HUMPHREY!

AN' THANK YA A LOT FOR LETTIN' ME FIX PERFESSOR NODD'S MACHINE.

WAIT... HUMPHREY... HERE... FROM THE GANG... A BASKET LUNCH.

WELL, I'LL BE... SEE... THAT... I DUNNO HOW T' THANK 'EM...

STACEY'S THERE! THAT'S GOOD!

I WISH FERRIS WOULD REGAIN CONSCIOUSNESS. I CAN'T WAIT ALL DAY TO QUESTION HIM.

YOU HIT HIM TOO HARD!

THERE HE IS!

WHY EASTERNER BRING SHERIFF?

MEANWHILE

Tilly The Toiler
Etha Kent
Muggs and Skeeter
Henry
Brimcup Up Father
Grandma
Mickey Mouse
By Ham Fisher
Lil' Abner
By Fran Striker
Secret Agent X9

By Bob Gustafson
By Paul Robinson
By Wally Bishop
By Carl Anderson
By George McManus
By Charles Kuhn
By Walt Disney
By Al Capa
By Mel Graf