BEDTIME STORIES

Prickly Pork Is Accused

By Thornton W. Burgess

To accuse others pray be slow,
Be very, very, sure you know.
—Old Mother Nature.

Bobby Coon was at the foot of a tall tree over in the Green Forest near the pond of Paddy the Beaver. He was glaring up at Prickly Porky the Porcupine. Bobby had climbed part way up that tree himself and found Prickly Porky in the way. Prickly Porky had refused to get out of the way. Bobby had tried to bluster. He had threatened all sorts of things against Prickly Porky if the latter did not get out of his way. It was all bluff and Prickly Porky knew it.

Prickly Porky had been switching his tail back and forth. Two of the sharp-pointed little spears called quills, carried by Prickly Porky in his coat and on his tail dropped out and struck Bobby Coon in the face, one in his cheek and the other in the side of his nose. Bobby had backed down out of that tree in a hurry. He tried to brush those little spears out of his face and this had only made matters worse.

"You threw those at me," growled Bobby as he glared up at Prickly Porky.

"I didn't touch you. I wasn't near enough to touch you, yet you threw them at me."

"I didn't do anything of the kind" growled Prickly Porky. "I didn't throw those little spears at you at all. I never throw my spears at folks." Prickly Pork was quite angry about it.

"Then how did they get in my face?" demanded Bobby Coon. "Of course you threw them. It isn't a fair way of fighting. Come down here and fight fair."

Prickly Porky actually began to back down the tree. He didn't like being accused of something he hadn't done. As he backed down he was still switching that tail, and the thousand little spears in his coat were rustling in a most unpleasant manner.

Bobby Coon watched him for only a moment, then moved off a short distance. He had no intention of fighting with Prickly Porky. No one in all the Green Forest wants to fight with Prickly Porky, not even great big Buster Bear. It is because of those little spears. They are the meanest little spears in all the Great World. They are as sharp-pointed as needles, and they go in easily, but they just won't pull out. That is because of the tiny barbs on them.

Prickly Porky didn't come way down to the ground. He isn't a fighter. He carries those little spears just for protection. He is too slow and clumsy to be a good fighter and he knows it. He has big orange-colored front teeth that make him look very fierce. Those are splendid teeth for gnawing bark and cutting off twigs and buds of trees. But they are not of much use for fighting. The funny thing is that Prickly Porky fights better with his tail than he does with his teeth.

"I didn't throw those spears!" growled Prickly Porky.

"You did too!" snarled Boby Coon. "I guess I know. There are two of them right in my face right this minute. How did they get there if you didn't throw them? You don't fight fair, No, sir you don't fight fair!"

STAYING OUT

KARACHI (AP) — Beauty contest organizers Tuesday abandoned selecting a Miss Pakistan for entry in the "Miss Universe" contest in the United States. Ardent Moslems had protested that the beauty contest was un-Islamic.

British Exports Reach Record

LONDON (Reuters)—British exports in May reached a record £283,800,000, the board of trade announced Tuesday, but still were not enough to meet the import bill.

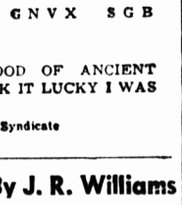
The export total was £12,500,000 more than the previous high of £271,300,000 last March. Imports for May cost £329,100,000.

The gap left after experts and re-exports was £31,900,000 compared with an average for the previous four months of £51,100,000.

Exports to North America for the month were £47,100,000, over £13,000,000 more than in April and the highest so far recorded. They included the value of the Canadian Pacific liner Empress of Britain recenty delivered to Canada.

Exports to Canada at £23,000,000 were 32 per cent higher than last year's five-month total.

DAILY CROSSWORD



Yesterday's Answer

ACROSS

1. Biblical name (D.)
5. Engrossed
9. Gone by (archaic)
10. English author
12. Member of a religious order of ancient Britain
13. Kind of flower
14. Lairs
15. To man again
16. Place
17. Tolerable
18. Roman pound
20. Poems (kind)
22. Past
23. Danger
25. Force
27. Half ems
28. Boredom
30. Public notice
31. Cozy
32. Perform
35. Choose
37. Girl's nickname
38. Fry lightly
39. Landed proprietor (Scot.)
40. Mistake
41. S-shaped moldings
42. Japanese coin (poss.)
43. Girl's nickname

DOWN

1. Harmonize
2. Computers
3. Cuckoos
4. Man's nickname
5. Setting back
6. Famous mission (Tex.)
7. Pineapple (Sp.)
8. Duty on vessels based on tons carried
9. Sums up
11. Tantalum (sym.)
15. Fabulous bird
17. Mufflers of exhausts
19. Peruvian coin
21. Greek letter
22. Collections of beehives
23. A size of coal
24. Holds in affection
26. Greek letter
29. Indehiscent fruit
31. The issue (Veter.)
33. Heals
34. Spreads grass to dry
36. Entice
37. Senate employee
38. Selenium (sym.)
39. Fate

DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE — Here's how to work it:

A X Y D L B A A X R
is L O N G F E L L O W

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, apostrophies, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

A Cryptogram Quotation

EM IGKXJNBENIU HSU VZX UNGF, EV HSU S ZXSOVR GNVX SGB UVONGF—UQNVV

Yesterday's Cryptoquote: THE GOOD OF ANCIENT TIMES LET OTHERS STATE; I THINK IT LUCKY I WAS BORN SO LATE—SMITH.

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5:00 p.m.—Barbie's Scrapbook
5:30 p.m.—Howdy Doody
6:00 p.m.—Trouble with Father
6:30 p.m.—CKCW-TV News
6:40 p.m.—Weather
6:45 p.m.—Sports
6:50 p.m.—CBC News
7:00 p.m.—Little Red Schoolhouse
7:30 p.m.—The Editors Ask
7:55 p.m.—Liberal Political Talk
8:00 p.m.—TBA
8:15 p.m.—P.C. Political Talk
8:30 p.m.—Jane Wyman Theatre
9:00 p.m.—Kraft Theatre
10:00 p.m.—Alfred Hitchcock Show
10:30 p.m.—Doctor Hudson's Secret Journal
10:00 p.m.—Alfred Hitchcock Show
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South dealer.
Neither side vulnerable.

	♠ K 8 7 3 ♥ K 8 4 ♦ Q J 5 ♣ 5 4 2	
♠ 6 4 ♥ A 10 9 2 ♦ 10 7 3 ♣ Q J 9 7	N W E S	♠ A Q ♥ 7 6 5 3 ♦ 9 8 4 2 ♣ 10 8 3
	♠ J 10 9 5 2 ♥ Q J ♦ A K 6 ♣ A K 6	

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1 ♠	Pass	2 ♠	Pass
4 ♠			

Opening lead—queen of clubs.

South won the club lead and led the jack of spades which lost to the queen. East returned a club, and declarer won it. Another trump drove out the ace. The defense then won a club and a heart, and North-South were 50 points poorer. South had considered at great length when he led the first trump whether it was better to put up dummy's king, or to let the jack ride. His thinking, however, was in the wrong channels.

The first item to which a declarer should give his attention when he is playing in a suit contract is the number of losers. In doing so, he starts by taking the worst view, which means in this case that there are two trump losers, a heart and a club. Since this eventuality leads to loss of the contract, the next step is to investigate means of reducing the number of losers. The heart loser is unavoidable, but one of the trump losers may be cut off if the defenders' cards are favorably placed. Also, the club loser may vanish if dummy's king of hearts is established for a discard.

The two possible ways to save a trick are then compared to see whether the order of play is important. Immediately it becomes evident that the heart play cannot wait, because if the adversaries are allowed to come into the lead with a trump, they will establish their club trick before declarer can utilize his heart discard. Furthermore, if one of the trump losers can be eliminated, it can be done just as effectively later in the play. The question of timing in this hand therefore assumes prime importance.

The correct play is to lead a heart at trick two. If West wins and leads back a club, South takes it, cashes his other heart, and crosses to dummy's queen of diamonds. The club is discarded on the king of hearts, and ultimately South loses two trump tricks, but this time makes his contract.

Second Ferry At Borden June 19

MONCTON — The car ferry S. S. Prince Edward Island will begin summer service between Borden, P. E. I., and Cape Tormentine, N. B., Tuesday, June 19, officials of the Canadian National Railways announced Wednesday.

The Prince Edward Island went into drydock on May 24 and was scheduled to commence her summer schedule on Saturday, June 16. Due to a delay in her return from annual drydocking she will be unable to enter service until Tuesday, June 19.

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