

BURGESS BEDTIME STORIES

By Thornton W. Burgess

HUNTING IS FUN

Whatever you do is better done if doing it your find is fun.

—Old Mother Nature—
Always it is easier to work when work is fun. And the easier it is to do a thing, the better done it is likely to be. Over in the Green Forest three little Foxes were getting their first lessons in how to live out in the Green World. They were the children of Gray Fox and Mrs. Gray, who are cousins of Reddy Fox and Mrs. Reddy.



Then he raced after it.

This morning Mrs. Gray had decided to take the three little cubs on a short hunting trip. There was an open grassy place not too far away, and mother was sure there would be Grasshoppers

there. It would be fun for the children to catch Grasshoppers. Or try to. It would be a good first hunting lesson.

So mother led the way and the three little Foxes trotted along behind her, their bright eyes watching everything about them. Every now and then she would have to stop and wait for them to catch up. So at last they came to the grassy open place. It was the first time that the cubs had been where the trees were not growing all around them. At first they didn't know what to make of it. Suddenly a Grasshopper jumped from right under the little black nose of one of those little Foxes. It was so unexpected that just for a second it startled him. Then he raced after it. The Grasshopper didn't wait for him. It jumped again. It jumped off to one side. The little Fox wasn't prepared for that. He tumbled over his own feet as he tried to turn. By the time he had turned around he had the least sight of the Grasshopper. He hunted and hunted, but couldn't find it.

A moment or two later the same thing happened to another little Fox. All the time, mother sat watching. She was grinning as

she watched. For a few minutes there was a very lively time. The little Foxes ran this way and that, and the Grasshoppers jumped this way and that. Then mother called them to her. "Watch me," said she.

Instead of running mother moved very slowly. Presently, just ahead of her, a Grasshopper leaped. This one, a flying Grasshopper came down. Then she began to move toward it slowly, very slowly, all the time keeping her head held high so that she could watch that Grasshopper. When she was not quite to it she stopped and stood perfectly still. Then the little Foxes saw her crouch ever so little. Suddenly she was in the air. She had pounced on the Grasshopper.

The three little Foxes ran to her. They expected her to give one of them that Grasshopper. They knew just how good it was to eat, for Grasshoppers had been brought home to them by both mother and father. She didn't give it to one of them. She ate it herself. She looked at the three, and the corners of her mouth twitched in a grin. "Now you do it," said she.

A few minutes later one of the little Foxes saw just where a Grasshopper landed. Instead of running for it he did just as mother had done, moved slowly. When he thought he was near enough he pounced. He was lucky. Proudly he picked up and ate the first Grasshopper he had ever caught. Hunting Grasshoppers was fun. The next story: An Unexpected Bath.

Provincial Debt Figures Given

OTTAWA (CP)—The net debt of Canada's 10 provincial governments rose by \$271,925,000 in the last fiscal year to a total of \$3,644,691,000.

The debt averaged \$240.13 for each person in Canada, up \$1.56 from the previous year, the bureau of statistics reported Tuesday.

The Ontario government replaced that of New Brunswick as the province with the highest per capita debt, while Alberta continued as the lowest.

Ontario made the biggest increase in the 1953-54 fiscal year, rising by an average of \$28.21 for

CONTRACT BRIDGE

By Josephine Culbertson

TWO-WAY DEFEAT

WELL-CONSIDERED pre-emptive bidding by the opponents can make it very difficult, if not impossible, for partners to get together and select their proper contract. Even the best partnerships are shut out from time to time. Thus, it was understandable that in the following deal East-West should have been "handcuffed" during the auction, but they did not have to lose what they did lose on the deal.

North dealer.

East-West vulnerable.

♠ A 10 5
♥ 9 6 4
♦ 8
♣ Q J 10 8 7 3

♠ 7 4
♥ A K J 6
♦ K 5 4 2

♠ 6 3
♥ J 10 8 7
♦ A 4 3
♣ A 6

♠ K Q J 8 2
♥ Q
♦ 10 9 7 5 2
♣ 9

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
3♠	Pass	3♠	Pass
4♠	Pass	4♠	Pass

East-West would have had clear and easy sailing at a five-heart contract, but East felt (with good

reason) that a three-heart overcall of the three clubs would be a reckless action, vulnerable as he was; and West in turn felt that he could not afford to act over South's three spades. There was less logic in West's reaction—he might well have risked a double, which would have been a takeout. True, this aggressiveness could go very wrong; East might be extremely weak, but the evidence was against that possibility.

West, defending against the four-spade contract, opened the king and ace of hearts. South ruffed and led a low diamond. West put up the jack and, fearing that a shift to trumps might pick up the queen in partner's hand, continued with the diamond king. Declarer was glad to ruff this in dummy, and he then led a low club. East put up the ace, and he also felt that a shift to trumps might expose his partner's queen, so he returned a club. That was all South needed. He could ruff out the opposing diamond honors, finally draw trumps, and claim the contract with a good diamond.

It really does seem that "somebody," East or West, should have led a trump!

ATOMIC REACTORS

Four atomic reactors are to be erected near Assan in Dumfries, Scotland, by the U. K. Atomic Energy Authority.

ANCIENT EXPERT

Galenus, Greek physician of the 2nd century AD, was a great writer on all branches of medical science.

each person in the province to a high of \$347.81. Ontario's net debt totalled \$1,755,051,000.

ALBERTA DROPS \$4.702

In contrast, Alberta's debt dropped by \$6.70 per capita to \$99.22. Total for the province was \$103,088,000.

Net debt position of other provinces as of March 31, 1954:

New Brunswick, dropped \$5.97 per capita to \$332.07, totalling \$181,641,000; Manitoba, dropped \$4.68 to \$187.23, totalling \$155,027,000; Prince Edward Island, dropped \$2.58 to \$166.90, totalling \$17,524,000; Quebec, increased \$7.40 to \$165.67, totalling \$726,938,000.

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DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1. A Holland cheese
5. Farm tool
9. Peg used as a spigot
10. Quick
12. Frong
13. Vitiate
14. S-shaped molding
15. A line on a map, connecting places of equal sunshine
16. Gold (Her.)
17. Endure
18. Attic
21. Persia
25. Fencers use these
26. Breathes noisily in sleep
27. Transport
28. American actor and humorist
29. Java tree
31. Close to
32. City in India
35. Extant
37. Mature people
38. Impel
39. Deserve
40. Broad smiles
41. Risque
42. Excess of chances

DOWN

1. Inscription on a statue
2. Take dinner
3. Toward the lee (naut.)
4. Personal pronoun
5. A mark (mus.)
6. Working colored fish
7. Brightly colored fish
8. Sagacious
9. Follies before a court (Law)
11. Delaware (abbr.)
13. Prescribed regimen
17. God of pleasure (Egypt.)
19. Biblical name
20. A form of government
22. Spawn of fish
23. Calls before a court (Law)
24. Cuddles
26. The distress call of ships (Jap.)
28. Beams
30. Girl's nickname
32. Trick
33. River (Eur.)
34. Village
35. Voiceless (Phonet.)
36. Dry
40. Depart

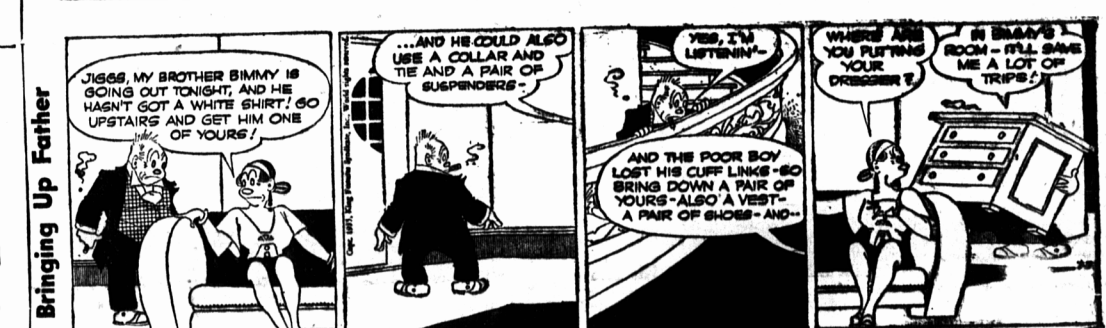
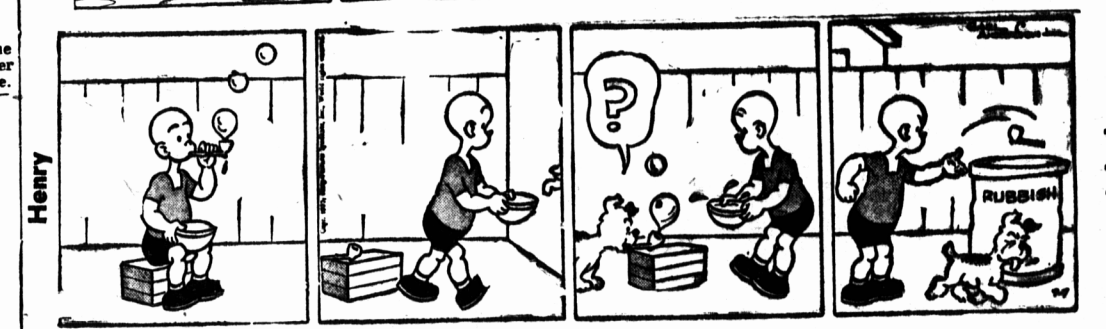
Yesterday's Answer

33. River (Eur.)
34. Village
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40. Depart

A Cryptogram Quotation

JEP KXJSP BK JZPV RFXSJBNSP
GSPW BJ RPDEUK JW RP BUAWY.
TMPZPKRFPF—PYPMKWU.

Yesterday's Cryptogram: I HAVE LOST MUCH LIGHT OF MY NATIVE BRIGHTNESS — MILTON.



NOTICE

The annual meeting of the Masonic Temple Company will be held in the office of E. R. Brow & Son, 144 Richmond Street, on Wednesday, the 13th day of July proximo, at 9 o'clock a.m. A.D.T. Charlottetown, P. E. Island, June 29, 1955.

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Our Boarding House Major Hoople

HOW DO YOU EVER STUMB ON TO THE ANSWER TO THAT LAST FAMOUS SAYING RIDDLE ABOUT "COFFEE SPOTS ON YOUR NEST"? — KEEP IT DOWN TO 5000 WORDS!

YEAH, SLIP IT TO US WITH-OUT THE CHILI SAUCE!

HEH! WELL, MEN, THE WINNING ANSWER WAS! "THESE MANY A SLIP TWIXT THE CUP AND THE LIP!" — I WON GRAND PRIZE FOR THE NOVELTY OF MY REPLY — I SENT IT IN ETCHED ON THE SIDE OF A CUP!

THE ANSWER SHOULD HAVE COME NATURALLY TO HIM — 94

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Bottled in U.S.A.

Joe Palooka

HUMPHREY, STILL ASLEEP, FLIES ON THRU THE RAGING STORM.

ZZZZ... I'LL HAVE A NOTHER CHICKEN AN' MORE PIE... THAT SHORE WAS A GANT FIRECRACKER. LEM JEST SET OFF ZZZZ.

LOOK AT THIS... IT'S REAL CRAZY... TO RESCUE HUMPHREY.

THE STRATEGIC AIR COMMAND WAS UNABLE TO RESCUE HUMPHREY WHEN A FIERCE STORM SUDDENLY HIT THE EASTERN AREA... THIS IS AWFUL...

ON MY MACHINE... MY POOR MACHINE.

The Lone Ranger

YOU'LL NEVER GET MY RANCH, STACEY. I'VE GIVEN AN ENGINEER AN OPTION TO BUY IT.

HE SEEN THE PLACE.

NO, HE NEGOTIATED BY MAIL. HE'S COMIN' TODAY TO LOOK IT OVER. I'M TO MEET HIM IN TOWN.

YOU'RE NOT MEETIN ANYONE, PERVS!

WANT HELP STACEY?

By Ham Fisher

ON MY MACHINE... MY POOR MACHINE.

By Fran Striker

Secret Agent X9

Tilly the Toiler By Bob Gustafson
Etra Kent By Paul Robinson
Muggs and Skeeter By Wally Bishop
Henry By Carl Anderson
Bringing Up Father By George McManus
Grandma By Charles Kuhn
Mickey Mouse By Walt Disney
L'il Abner By Ham Fisher
Secret Agent X9 By Fran Striker

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By Wally Bishop
By Carl Anderson
By George McManus
By Charles Kuhn
By Walt Disney
By Ham Fisher
By Mel Graff