

**Contract Bridge**  
By Josephine Culbertson  
**COMPENSATING ERRORS**

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South was guilty of jumping to a conclusion in the bidding of the following hand — but West's guilt was greater, in the play.

South dealer.  
Both sides vulnerable.

♠ 43  
♥ 985  
♦ J432  
♣ A97

♠ AKQ  
♥ 1082  
♦ K10  
♣ K10

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

It would have been a very good idea for South to explore further on the second round, with a three-diamond call over East's two spades, but South apparently chose to conclude that North's raise guaranteed four-card heart sup-



**BURGESS BEDTIME STORIES**

By Thornton W. Burgess  
**DIPPER OVERSTAYS**

None from temptation is exempt. There's always something that will tempt. —Old Mother Nature.

Dipper the Grebe, like so many of the Duck folk, had flown far north for nesting. Now Jack Frost comes to the far north earliest, and all the feathered folk who have nested there have to go south ahead of him. Often they wait until the last minute. Dipper had done it this time. He had had a good summer, and somehow he just hated to make that long journey south. He wouldn't do it until he had to.

Some of his neighbors among the Duck folk made a fairly early start. They intended to make the long journey by stopping often on the way. You see, they knew of good stopping places along the route from their summer home to where they would spend the winter. Some of these stopping places were far apart, and that meant long flights between. So they were starting early to make sure that Jack Frost would not catch up with them and close any of these stopping places. Of course, these had to be open water.

Dipper the Grebe knew all about these stopping places, for he used them too. Although it was getting well on in the season Jack Frost had not yet threatened to close the lakes and the ponds where the Duck folk had spent the summer.

however, he was likely to come any day, and most of the Duck folk had already left.

"Time enough when Jack Frost does come," said Dipper. "I don't see any sense in leaving until I have to, and really you have to until Jack Frost arrives."

So Dipper stayed and stayed, while all the Duck folk moved on. Food never had been more plentiful. He just couldn't tear himself away. Now it just happened that Jack Frost didn't visit this lake as early as he did some of those that were farther south. He froze some of these lakes over, while the lake where Dipper was still was open water. Dipper continued to stay. Even when in the morning there was thin ice around the edges Dipper continued to stay.

At last came a snowstorm. Dipper didn't like that. No sir, Dipper didn't like that snowstorm at all. "I guess," said he, "it is time for me to move along. I don't like this kind of weather. I'll wait just long enough to get another good meal before I start."

So Dipper waited, and the next morning all the lake was covered with ice excepting right around where he was. There were some spring holes there that had kept the water from freezing. For the first time Dipper was a little bit worried. Yes sir, he was a little worried. "I hope I haven't overstayd," thought he. "I don't believe I have. I guess I can fly fast enough to

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Henry  
Grandma  
Muggs and Skeeter  
Etta Kett  
Tilly The Toiler  
Mickey Mouse  
The Lone Kannee  
B. George McManus  
Lil' Abner  
By Carl Anderson  
By Charles Kuhn  
By Wally Bishop  
By Paul Robinson  
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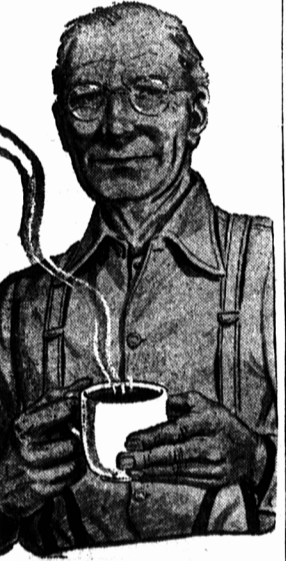
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