

# BURGESS BEDTIME STORIES

By Thornton W. Burgess

**THE CONSULTATION**  
 Several minds than one. Work well planned is work half done.  
 —Paddy the Beaver.

Paddy the Beaver and Mrs. Paddy had been clinging to the roof of their house rather hopelessly. The worst flood they had ever known had made almost a lake of their pond. It had filled their house with water until they could no longer stay in it. It had brought down a great log that had knocked a hole in their dam. Paddy knew just what was likely to happen now. The water, rushing through that hole in the dam, would tear it larger and larger, in time all the water of the pond would run out through that hole as the young Beavers who had been living in a little pond of their own far up Laughing Brook came down on the swift current, and joined them as they were clinging to the roof of their house. To them had happened what Paddy and Mrs. Paddy feared might be going to happen here. They had been completely washed out. Their dam was gone. Their house was gone. Their food pile was gone. They asked if they might stay with Paddy and Mrs. Paddy until the flood was over. Paddy said they were welcome. Then he showed them what was happening at the dam. One of them wanted to know if something couldn't be done to stop the water rushing out.

## Contract Bridge

By Josephine Culbertson  
**FIXED IDEAS DANGEROUS**

South's fixed idea about the opening lead caused his downfall in this deal.

North dealer.  
 Both sides vulnerable.

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

The bidding:  
 North East South West  
 1♣ Pass 2♠ Pass  
 3♥ Pass 4♥ Pass  
 5♥ Pass 5NT Pass  
 6♣ Pass 6♠ Pass

West, convinced that the situation was desperate, tailored his lead to that view: he opened the queen of clubs.

South immediately concluded that the lead marked West with the club jack—normally, a reasonable assumption—and based his overall plan of play on this idea. Taking the first trick with the club ace, South drew two rounds of trumps, cashed the diamond ace and ruffed a diamond, and then confidently led the club ten through West. He was deeply shocked when East took the trick with the jack. East returned a heart, and South had to go up with the ace or concede defeat then and there. He then led a trump to dummy and ruffed another diamond in the hope that the king would fall, but there was no such luck. Down one.

Leaving aside the fact that the contract could have been made via a squeeze play, South also could have brought home the slam, simply by using dummy's entries correctly. His assumption concerning the club jack was (to repeat) natural, but in this case he could protect himself against an unfavorable club position.

After taking the first trick with the high trump from the closed hand, South should have led to the diamond ace, ruffed a diamond high, then returned to dummy with a trump and ruffed another diamond high. Now he could use dummy's last trump entry for a third ruff of diamonds, and he would still have the club king on the board for a final entry.

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## Strange But True

By F. H. MacArthur

A Wahgi Valley debutante of New Guinea does no work: she lives a carefree life. Marriage in her early teens ends forever her freedom and makes her a sort of slave. The rest of her life she is a drawer of water and hewer of wood, not to mention the care of gardens, the cooking of meals, and the taking care of children and pigs.

The number and variety of shells worn about her person measures her father's wealth and the price she will bring at the time of her marriage.

It would take 8 gold-lip shells to buy a wealthy father's daughter. Sometimes the price of a high-class wife adds up to 800 man-hours of labor. If the husband is unable to meet the cost and he is a likeable chap, the girl may be sold to him on the instalment plan, just as we buy cars and furniture.

An unhappy bride may leave her husband with no penalty except forfeit of the marriage payment. She thus retains some control over her destiny, and in practice she subtly chooses her life partner.

All married women, without exception, use pig grease to perfume their hair and bodies. Pig grease, as a perfume, wouldn't appeal to the women folk of this island, or to the men either, but in this land of rare birds and Stone Age men, pig grease is a must with the ladies.

And strange but true, tribal lore associates the ghost of pigs with the souls of deceased relatives. To placate butchered porkers, the Natives make gerua, symbolic wooden shields, and carry them during slaughtering in cemeteries. Once used, the shields are left behind to rot in the jungle. There the sorcerer's taboos guard them against further use. Natives believe that if this ritual is not faithfully carried out, their ancestors will return to haunt them.

of this, and keeping it right where it was, it would be easier to mend the break than if the log wasn't there.

"I believe we really can do it," said Paddy hopefully.

"Of course we can," replied one of the eager young Beavers. Being young, they were full of hope and anxious to get to work.

So it was agreed what each should do, and without more delay they started to work.

You know, there are no better workers in all the Great World than Beavers.

The Pescadore islands in the Formosa strait were named from the Portuguese word for "fishermen."

## KING COLE COFFEE

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## KINGWOOD SCHOOL

Report for February of Ringwood School:  
**GRADE IX** — 1. Winston Taylor. **GRADE VIII** — 1. Dorothy Smith; 2. Janet Smith; 3. Margaret Feehan; 4. Graham Tuplin; 5. Marion MacKinnon. **GRADE VII** — 1. Harold MacKinnon. **GRADE VI** — 1. Anne Feehan. **GRADE V** — 1. Patricia Dowling; 2. Marcia Tuplin; 3. Marion Smith. **GRADE IV** — 1. Ethel Smith. **GRADE II (a)** — 1. Patricia Mahler. **GRADE II (b)** — Donna Feehan. **GRADE II (c)** — 1. Dannie Feehan; 2. Mary Feehan. **GRADE I** — Patricia Murphy. Perfect attendance — Dorothy Smith, Ethel Smith, Dannie Feehan and Patricia Murphy. Spelling prizes — Dorothy Smith and Patricia Dowling. Highest averages Sr. Grades — Dorothy Smith; Jr. Grades, Patricia Mahler.

**GAMBLING FEARED**  
**SASKATOON (CP)**—The city's municipal association of a day on Monday the report of a committee which said it is "convinced from reliable information that there is a well-organized attempt by professional gamblers to promote gambling on a large scale in Saskatoon." It said committee members were "convinced" that the recent increase in tempo of small gambling enterprises for charitable purposes, while having no connection with professional gambling, is gradually breaking down the public conscience in the face of such an attempt.

**TIGNISH CONVENT**  
 —Honor Roll for February of Tignish Convent.  
**Grade XII** — (Over 85 per cent) — 1. Beverly Howard. (Over 75 per cent) — 1. Geraldine Handrahan; 2. Hazel Murphy; 3. Vincent DesRoches; 4. Mary Rix. (Over 70 per cent) — 5. Alban Arsenault.  
**Grade XI** — (Over 85 per cent) — 1. Pauline Myers; 2. Yvonne Perry. (Over 80 per cent) — 3. Auldine Arsenault; 4. Sylvia Siliker. (Over 70 per cent) — 5. Stella Arsenault; 6. Carol Gavin; 7. Jean Shea.  
**Grade X** — 1. Gerald McCarthy; 2. Mona Handrahan; 3. Charles Broderick.  
**Grade IX** — 1. Doris LeClair; 2. Marie Shea; 3. Joan Gallant.  
**Grade VIII** — 1. Clifford Martin and Peggy Shea; 2. Betty Hogan; 3. Lorraine Gallant.  
**Grade VII** — 1. Mary Irma

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## BACKACHE May be Warning

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## DAILY CROSSWORD

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|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| ACROSS                               | 3. Voided escutcheon                 | 23. Falsehood                         |
| 1. A Gern cell                       | 4. Narrow inlet                      | 25. Sash (Jap.)                       |
| 2. Dwelling                          | 5. Delightful                        | 26. Festival (Jap.)                   |
| 3. Quiet                             | 6. Intone                            | 27. Metallic rods                     |
| 4. Species of bird                   | 7. An age                            | 28. Obligation                        |
| 5. Biblical name                     | 8. Biblical name                     | 29. Club-footed                       |
| 6. Coin (Jap.)                       | 9. Observed                          | 30. Crust on a wound                  |
| 7. Member of a Laos tribe            | 10. Remnant                          | 31. A simple name                     |
| 8. Half quart                        | 11. Schemes                          | 32. One's house                       |
| 9. A simple song poem                | 12. Cut whiskers                     | 33. Balms of chamber                  |
| 10. Wandering workman                | 13. Genus of cattle                  | 34. Conclude                          |
| 11. Constellation                    | 14. Skill                            | 35. Design                            |
| 12. Kind of drum                     | 15. Let it stand                     | 36. Participle                        |
| 13. Narrow gorge                     | 16. Narrow                           | 37. Biblical name                     |
| 14. Kind of rock                     | 17. Dial variant of "sure"           | 38. Hawaiian herb                     |
| 15. Dial variant of "sure"           | 18. Slender finial                   | 39. Lid                               |
| 16. Slender finial                   | 19. Hawaiian herb                    | 40. One of a plane's crew             |
| 17. Hawaiian herb                    | 20. One of a plane's crew            | 41. Correct                           |
| 18. One of a plane's crew            | 21. Raise the spirits of             | 42. Rises the spirits of              |
| 19. Raise the spirits of             | 22. Flexes                           | 43. Flexes                            |
| 20. Flexes                           | 23. Silver coin (Yugo.)              | 44. Silver coin (Yugo.)               |
| 21. Silver coin (Yugo.)              | 24. DOWN                             | 45. Young oyster                      |
| 22. DOWN                             | 25. 1. Young oyster                  | 46. Hawaiian goddess of volcanoes     |
| 23. 1. Young oyster                  | 26. 2. Hawaiian goddess of volcanoes | 47. 1. Young oyster                   |
| 24. 2. Hawaiian goddess of volcanoes | 27. 1. Young oyster                  | 48. 2. Hawaiian goddess of volcanoes  |
| 25. 1. Young oyster                  | 28. 2. Hawaiian goddess of volcanoes | 49. 1. Young oyster                   |
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| 75. 1. Young oyster                  | 78. 2. Hawaiian goddess of volcanoes | 99. 1. Young oyster                   |
| 76. 2. Hawaiian goddess of volcanoes | 79. 1. Young oyster                  | 100. 2. Hawaiian goddess of volcanoes |

**DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE**—Here's how to work it: **AXYDLBAAXE** is **LONGFELLOW**. 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**  
**KL NILEJSTYWKIL VIMZLJTT LIS**  
**GIMZ TRYP-GJSUJSW.**  
 Yesterday's Cryptogram: **BEAUTY WHEN MOST UN-CLOTHED**

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