

**Contract Bridge**  
By Josephine Culbertson  
TOO EASILY UPSET

South's disappointment over the break of the key side suit in the hand below led him into the wrong counter-action.

South dealer.  
Both sides vulnerable.

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

The bidding:  
South West North East  
1 ♠ Pass 3 ♠ Pass  
2 ♠ Pass 3 ♠ Pass

South didn't bother with any artificial device when he heard North's double raise — he simply bid the slam, which was very far from illogical. Neither partner would have been able to foresee the duplication of values — the singleton heart in each hand — nor could either of them foretell that the club break would be so bad.

However, North-South had a little good luck when West, instead of finding the killing diamond lead, opened his singleton club (a very dubious choice).

The club ace won the first trick, then South drew the outstanding trumps in one lead and went out for club establishment. West's showing out was a shock to South; it would be impossible to establish a single club trick aside from the top cards. So, as South saw it, he would have to take and win the diamond finesse. Returning to the heart ace, he led a diamond to the queen, and when that card was smothered by East, the con-

**BURGESS BEDTIME STORIES**

By Thornton W. Burgess

**AT LONG LAST**

Sad indeed is the whose fate Always is in being late. —Dipper the Grebe.

Dipper the Grebe was learning a hard lesson the hard way. He had been late in starting the long journey from the Far North to the Sunny South for the winter. Not only had he been late in starting, but Jack Frost had been early in freezing the ponds and lakes and some of those that Dipper had thought to rest in were completely frozen over, so that he had had to make longer flights than his short wings were used to. So day by day he grew more tired, until at last there had come a day when he knew that unless he could reach the Big River where he had often rested in the past, he would have to come down on the snow. And once down he would never be able to get up again.

Not only was he tired, but he hadn't the strength he should have had. Since he started he had had little to eat. He hadn't been able to stop long enough in any of his resting places to get enough food to keep up his strength.

"If only I can reach the Big River I am sure there will be open water there," thought he. "There is a place where the water runs fast for Jack Frost to freeze it. If I can get there I will be all right. I can stay there

tract was hopeless. South was right, of course, in concluding that a club trick could not be set up, but he was wrong in thinking that this made the diamond finesse obligatory. With the clubs, located, what could have been simpler than to cash the club king, ruff a club, cash the heart ace, lead a spade to dummy and ruff another club, then re-enter dummy with a trump and give East a club trick, discarding a diamond from the closed hand. East would still be on lead!

thing to see. When Dipper dives there is no knowing where he will pop out of water again. And he can dive so quickly that he is under water at the flash of a gun before the shot can reach him. Sometimes he swims with only his head out of water. Sometimes, in a small pond, he dives close to shore on one side and doesn't come up again until he is among the rushes on the other side. Farmer Brown's Boy never will forget how he once mistook Dipper for a baby duck and thought he could catch him with a boat. Dipper seemed to enjoy what followed. He seemed to think it was a sort of game. Farmer Brown's Boy couldn't even make Dipper take to his wings. Dipper was flying rather low now.

and rest as long as I need to before going on. I wish I had started sooner. I guess I made a mistake. I know I made a mistake. I do hope I will be able to keep in the air until I reach the Big River."

Open water soon was his only hope now. The Grebe folk have very short legs. They are wonderful on and in the water, but they are clumsy and almost helpless on land, or on the snow. The way Dipper can swim and dive is some-



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The Guardian **Wants Canada To Aid Expedition**  
Friday, January 21, 1955

LONDON (CP)—The Daily Mail says editorially that Canada should join in financing the proposed British expedition to Antarctica. Cost of the expedition, still in the planning stage, would be about £250,000, says the Empire-minded newspaper. This amount should be shared by Britain and Commonwealth governments, particularly Australia and New Zealand, who have staked extensive shares in Antarctica.

But South Africa and Canada, The Mail says, should perhaps join in backing the expedition.

It seemed to him that never in all his life had he been so tired. It seemed to him that he just couldn't keep going; that if he did his wings would drop off. But he did keep going, and at last he saw ahead of him a long, smooth, white ribbon. It was the Big River, frozen over and covered with snow. He felt a little better then. It gave him a little courage. Somewhere, far ahead, he felt sure was that open water. He was right over the Big River now. All he had to do was follow it. There was no chance now of his getting lost.

Presently, far ahead, he saw what looked like a black line crossing the white ribbon of the Big River. He knew what it was. It was the open water. If he could reach that all would be well. But could he? Would those tired wings carry him that far?

**NOTICE — TAXES**  
SCHOOL UNIT NO. 1

Taxpayers in School Unit No. 1 are reminded that all unpaid taxes are now due and payable. Interest at the rate of 6% per annum will be charged on all unpaid accounts after January 31, 1955.

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AN ASH TREE GROWING AT THE INTERSECTION OF 9 ROADS

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**THE HERDS OF THE MEDOG TRIBE**  
ARE DAILY DRIVEN TO LUSH GRASS AND SWEET WATER IN MALHA CRATER—AN OASIS IN AN EXTINCT VOLCANO—300 FEET BENEATH THE DESERT!

**PIERRE BAUME**  
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**P. E. I. Regional Festival of DOMINION DRAMA FESTIVAL**  
Queen Charlotte High School Auditorium  
Adjudicated by MR. ANDRE VAN GYSEGHAM  
Well-known British actor and director, and founder of the Nottingham Playhouse.

Friday, Jan. 28th: "THE WHITEHEADED BOY" by Little Theatre Guild of Charlottetown  
Saturday, Jan. 29th: "ANTIGONE" by St. Dunstan's Dramatic Society.

THESE TWO PLAYS ARE COMPETING FOR:  
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\$100.00 Cash Award,  
and the opportunity of being chosen to compete in and the opportunity of being chosen to compete in Regina for Dominion Honours and cash award of \$1,000.

Curtain each night at 8:00 p.m. Admission 50c  
Tickets available at the Island Book Room, and Hughes, Reddins, and Foster's Drug Stores.

**P. E. I. YOUNG LIBERAL ANNUAL MEETING**

The Annual Meeting of the Prince Edward Island Young Liberal Association will be held at 3 p.m. Friday, January 21st at the YMCA, Charlottetown. The supper meeting at 5:30 will be addressed by Honourable Dougald MacKinnon, Minister of Public Works and Highways.

All young Liberals are cordially invited to attend and take part in the meeting. Those who plan on attending the supper meeting are requested to notify Mr. F. A. Large, Secretary of the Prince Edward Island Liberal Association under whose auspices the meeting is being held.

**VILLAGE OF SPRING PARK**

The Annual Meeting of the ratepayers of the Village of Spring Park will be held in Spring Park Community Hall, Tuesday, February 1st at 7:30 P.M.

Signed:—  
The Commissioners of the Village of Spring Park.  
J. EDMOND ARSENAULT, Chairman  
Dated January 21st, 1955.

**The Lone Ranner**

THE DISGUISED LONE RANGER TELLS MA HANK AND THE BANKER HIS PLAN TO TRAP THE BANK ROBBERS!

AN EXCELLENT PLAN!

I'LL BORROW THE CLOTHES YOU NEED!

I'LL FIND THAT MASKED MAN AN' THE INJUN IF IT'S THE LAST THING I DO!

THEY'LL PAY FOR TYIN' US IN MA HANKS OFFICE!

MEANWHILE—IN THE WOODS NEAR TOWN

**Secret Agent X9**

WE'VE HIT PAY DIRT, JOE—AND I DO MEAN DIRT! THIS PANEL TRUCK CONTAINS A COMPLETE ASSORTMENT OF BUTCHERS' TOOLS!

HMM! SOMEBODY'S ALL SET FOR PACKAGING VENISON RIGHT OFF THE HOOF!

I'LL REMOVE THE ROTATOR UNDER THE DISTRIBUTOR CAP, SO THERE CAN'T BE ANY QUICK GETAWAYS!

WOOO-EE! SWIL, DID YOU EVER SEE SUCH A SIGHT? THERE MUST BE TWO HUNDRED DEER IN THAT SWAMP!

AGAINST FOUR MEN—WITH BOWS AND ARROWS!

**Henry**

LOLLIPOPS 2 FOR 5¢  
CANDY

LOOK, KIDS—NO HANDS! GIVE THE FOOT A LOLLIPOP AND WATCH AN AMAZING PERFORMANCE

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**Grandma**

CLARA, WOULD YA MIND KEEPIN' SOME O' MY FROZEN FOODS IN YOUR FREEZER, PLEASE?

GLAD T' DO IT, GRANDMA! DID YOUR FREEZER BREAK DOWN OR SOMETHIN'?

OH, NO, IT'S WORKIN' FINE, BUT...

...TH' KIDS AN' I HAVE JUST LOADED IT FULL O' SNOWBALLS FOR USE NEXT SUMMER!!

**Muggs and Skeeter**

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**Etta Kett**

I HAVE A DATE WITH THAT NEW BOY—BRIEF ME ON THE GUY!

SORRY, HE'S A NEWIE TO ME TOO!

BUT I HEARD HE WAS A WHIZ AND WENT TO LOCAL HIGH! I'VE GOT IT—I'LL CHECK THE OLD YEARBOOKS!

NON YOU'RE REALLY ROCKIN'!

ISN'T ETTA EATING DINNER?

NOW, DON'T SCOLD HER, SHE POKED HER LATE, SHE HAS TO DO SOME RESEARCH!

WELL, IT'S ABOUT TIME SHE TOOK AN INTEREST IN SOMETHING BESIDES BOYS!

**Tilly The Toiler**

MR. SIMPKINS WON'T BE BACK TIL NEXT WEEK—HE'S ATTENDING A BUSINESS CONVENTION IN TROPICAL CITY!

BUT IT'S NO VACATION FOR ME! HE'S SENDIN' BACK A LOT O' REPORTS FOR ME TO TYPE!

THIS PACKAGE JUST ARRIVED, TILLY!

OPEN IT UP, MAC. I'VE BEEN WAITIN' FOR WHATS IN IT, ALL DAY!

I GUESS HE DIDN'T NEED 'EM THERE!

**Mickey Mouse**

IT SAYS 'GOOFY IS GONNA DON'T SCOP ANY FURTHER! THIS IS A WARNING...!'

GOSH... YOU DON'T BELIEVE IT, DO YOU, UNCA MICKEY?

I BETCHA GOOFY IS STILL ALIVE... SOMEWHERE...!

THERE'S JUST ONE THING THAT KIND OF GIVES ME THE CREEPS...

I COULD ALMOST SWEAR THIS NOTE IS IN GOOFY'S OWN HANDWRITING...!

HUH?

**Bringing Up Father**

MAGGIE—I HEAR YOUR BROTHER BIMMY FINALLY GOT A JOB—AND HE'S WORKIN' TWELVE HOURS A DAY!

REALLY? HOW WONDERFUL!

I ALWAYS SAID BIMMY LOVED TO WORK! THE TROUBLE WAS HE NEVER COULD FIND A JOB!

WELL, HE CERTAINLY LOVES THIS JOB!

I'M SO GLAD! WHAT IS HE DOIN'?

HE'S WORKIN' FOR AN INVENTOR—

THEY'RE TRYIN' TO INVENT A MACHINE THAT'LL DO AWAY WITH WORK!

**Lil' Abner**

THE SCHOOL PSYCHIATRIST WARNED THAT IF I WAS ALONE TOO MUCH, I'D GO MAD!—AND I H-HAVE!!

I THOUGHT I HEARD YOU SAY YOU LOVED ME!!

AH DO.

AH LOVES ALL L'L CHILLUN!!

??—THIS IS MUCH NICER THAN BEING SANE—

—AND LONESOME!!

IF I'M GONE, I'M GONNA ENJOY IT.

MAY I KISS YOU?

WAL-GAPP-AH GUESS YOU GOT A RIGHT TO. AH IS TH' PROPITTY O' TH' SCHOOL, AN' YOU IS A PAN'IN' PUPIL!!

**By Mel Graff**

WE'VE BEEN SITTIN' HERE TWO DAYS AN' NO CALL—I SAID GOODBYE T' JOE FIVE TIMES!

HE'S VERA ANGERIDGE GOT A BIG DEAL, AN' SPOSE, TAKE IT EASY, PATIENCE IS A VIRTUE!

THEY'VE NIGHT.

I WOULD O' BEEN HEREIN' JOE SWEETS, THE BOY O' OLD, ARSEN, HAVE YOU BEEN RIDDIN' ME...

HONEST I AMT' HARRIS, LET'S GET SOME SHUT-EYE.

SURE.

BRINGS

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By Charles Kuhn  
By Wally Bishop  
By Paul Robinson  
By Bob Gustafson  
By Walt Disney  
By George McManus  
By Al Capp  
By Fran Striker  
By Li'l Abner  
By Mel Graff  
By Ham Fisher