

# BURGESS BEDTIME STORIES



By Thornton W. Burgess

## THE TALL STAKE

The biggest thing may be in the end, upon the smallest thing depend. — Old Mother Nature.

Peter Rabbit's heart was going pitter pat, pitter pat, pitter pat, it was going pitter pat so fast that it seemed to come right up in his throat. He had just had the narrowest of narrow escapes. Anyway he had escaped for the time being.



Hooty the Owl had lighted on Johnny Chucks' doorstep.

near enough to the doorway to look outside. When at last he did look out he saw nothing of Hooty. For a long time Peter sat in the doorway looking this way and that way. How he did wish he was back in the dear Old Briar Patch.

"If ever I get back there, I'll never leave it again," thought Peter. He really meant it right then. He probably would forget it when he got home, if he got home at all.

Peter looked and looked. He didn't see Hooty. He didn't see anybody. Not far away was a stake, a big stake that was really a small post. Peter had seen it so many times that he never gave it any attention. Just now it suddenly popped into Peter's head that that stake looked taller than he ever had remembered it. He wondered why. Then he didn't think about it anymore.

## Beer Industry Report Delayed

OTTAWA (CP) — Study of a report by the government's anti-monopolistic practices in the Canadian beer industry is being delayed by the illness of a Toronto lawyer retained last October to advise the justice department.

Justice Minister Gason informed the Commons Wednesday that the outside counsel, Norman L. Matthews, will be unable to return to his study of the report for several weeks yet. Mr. Matthews became seriously ill last year and underwent a serious operation before he could complete his opinion on the case.

## Strange But True

By F. M. MacArthur

Buck Rogers weapons of the future are nearly here. Within 5 to 15 years, army officials say, fantastic new weapons may make air warfare old-fashioned. But the foot soldier will be around for a good long time. Today's ordinary artillery may be outdated soon, they predict.

Rockets which span oceans will be knocked out of the skies if a new missile the army is now working on is perfected. Battlefield missiles with longer ranges from 75 to 1,000 miles are also being planned. Today's planes flying fast and high will not long remain in the sky if an arrowheadlike anti-aircraft missile now under development is perfected.

Tanks on battlefields may be knocked out by a new atomic missile that can be fired from a great distance. On the other hand, development of better tanks also is going ahead. Gen. Gavin said a new 25-ton tank now being developed by the army will be able to travel four times as far as present models.

The atomic cannon, which has proved to be somewhat of a problem because of its size, will probably have a smaller brother. Self-propelled smaller versions which will be able to fire up to 100 miles are in the works. Radio of a new long-range type is also being developed to use the ionosphere above the earth to bounce off signals.

One of the most unusual museums in existence is in Northern Michigan. Spread over a 40-acre site are sculptures of prehistoric monsters carved out of stone. The man responsible for the unusual outdoor museum is Paul N. Domke Sr. He acquired the site 20 years ago and since has carved all of the figures that lure thousands of visitors yearly to the out-of-the-ordinary place he calls Paulonia.

He makes the creatures according to measurements from the original fossils and they indeed look lifelike. Among the sculptures are a recreation of a mammoth snake; a prehistoric monster with large tusks, and a stegosaurus which is more than 20 feet high. One of the most striking of the exhibits is a dinosaur locked in a battle for life. One, carved of light stone, is an anatosaurus; the other a dark one with its jaws dug into its enemy's a tyrannosaurus.

Domke's unusual museum every year draws sightseers not only from Michigan but from almost every state in the Union. It has become one of the greatest tourist attractions in the Upper Midwest.

Particularly impressed with the exhibit are youngsters, who appear huge-eyed as they look over the huge monsters.

Sniffing moonshine whisky in the line of duty has given Capt. Raymond H. Brock, of the police department in Miami, an early retirement and a pension of \$339 a month for the rest of his life. While he spent three years as head of a police squad cracking down on illegal liquor, his men brought him home a bottle of moonshine to sniff. Finally he was stricken by a toxic neuritis. Physicians blamed the liquor for his ailment. So Brock was retired at 47. The usual retirement age is 55.

In Trenton, Ontario, there's a fellow named Lorne Smith who has learned that guns are not the only hazard in hunting. In the woods one day he stepped upon a snapping turtle, and the creature promptly bit him, piercing his leather boot.

## CONTRACT BRIDGE

By Josephine Culbertson

### MAKING INFORMATION PAY

There was nothing spectacular about South's play of his three-ace contract, below—he simply took advantage of the information given him by an opposing bid.

West dealer. Neither side vulnerable.

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

The bidding: West North East South  
1♥ Pass 3NT Pass 2NT Pass  
3NT Pass

In case the previous comment may be taken to imply that West should not have opened the bidding on his 11 high-card points—no such implication was intended. Players who pass up such opening bids will not do well in the long run at rubber bridge, which this was. West was scarcely responsible for the fact that his partner turned up with nothing but one queen.

Now four rounds of diamonds were cashed, on the last of which declarer let go a low spade. West temporarily avoided embarrassment by discarding his club, but when the king and ace of clubs followed, he found himself in quite a dilemma. He gave up one heart but then, correctly analyzing that as a heart discard blanking the queen would protect his double heart lead from declarer, who was marked with the spade king for entry, West chose instead to blank his A-J of spades. That, however, was just as satisfactory to South, who promptly laid down the spade king.

West won this trick or not, he was hooked. To duck would only delay the inevitable, since declarer would lead another spade, so West took his ace, but he then could do no better than cash his heart queen for the fourth and final defensive trick.

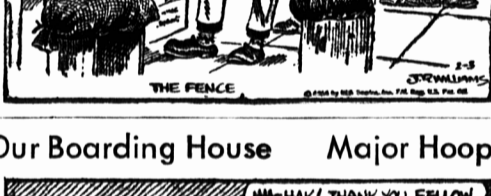
Johnny Saxton of Newark, N.J., was knocked out but once in his 54 bouts. He was stopped last April 1, by Tony DeMarco in the 14th round thereby losing his webbed feet.

In the At Haddidu tribe in the Atlas Mountains of Morocco, a woman can legally divorce her husband for 15 cents. And many take advantage of the bargain. Some of the women have had as many as 20 husbands.

"You two are a jinx to me," Edward Parker, Jr., told Police-Inspector Paul Ehrlich and Leslie Duke when they arrested him in Louisville for breaking into a warehouse. The two policemen had arrested him on a similar charge several years ago.

## Out Our Way

By J. R. Williams



THEY'RE MERELY FOR LUNCH BUT THERE'S HULLAWAY LOOKING LIKE A LATE DOCTOR! YOU TRY TO GET HIM OUT OF SIGHT!

THESE METHODS IN THE LITERATURE DON'T LIKE LOAFERS OR WINDBAGS AROUND AND THEY'VE GOT TO HAVE A CHANCE TO HANG AROUND WHERE THEY'VE GOT TO SIT DOWN IS SO STRONG, YOU'LL WANT TO BESS MAY THINK THEY JUST JUMPED UP OFF A DAY BED.

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YUP! WE'RE HOUSING PROUD OUT OUR WAY.

AN GRANDDAD IS PROUD OF ALL — HE PROUDER IN A PURPLE ROCKABOOK.

### Lt. Abner

CAN YOU PLAY THE ROLE OF AN UPSTAIRS MAID?

CAN I? — HONEY, FORTY YEARS AGO I WAS THE BIGGEST STAR IN THIS TOWN. THE GIRL WITH THE GOLDEN CURLS — THEY CALLED ME —

WELL, THE CURLS HAVE GONE, BUT NOT THE TALENT!

JUST USE DISCRETION AND TACT —

(WH HEARS SOMEONE?) HOWDY, UPSTAIRS MAID. AH CAINT SEE YOU ON ACCOUNT OF THY SMOGG!

THERE AIN'T NO SMOG? YOU'RE BLIND, HONEY — STONE BLIND!

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### Grandma

WELL, GUESS I HAVE NO ONE TO BLAME BUT MYSELF!

TO MAKE HECTOR'S FATHER FEEL PROUD, I BRAGGED TO HIM THAT HECTOR DID TWICE AS MUCH WORK AS THE OTHER KIDS...

HECTOR OVERHEARD ME AND IMMEDIATELY DEMANDED TWICE AS MUCH PAY!

HE AN MY BIG MOUTH!!

### Mickey Mouse

I'LL DROP IN ON THE PRINCIPAL AND SEE HOW LIL DAVY'S GETTING ON AT SCHOOL!

THANK YOU FOR HELPING ME WITH LIL DAVY! SCHOOL'S BEEN A GOOD INFLUENCE FOR HIM...

I DON'T KNOW WHETHER THE SCHOOL HAS INFLUENCED LIL DAVY... OR LIL DAVY HAS INFLUENCED THE SCHOOL!

### Henry

FRESH!

### Muggs and Skeeter

MY GOODNESS! WHERE DID YOU GET THAT BLACK EYE?

HELLO GRANDMA!

IT'S NOT A REAL ONE, PEE-WEE PAINTED IT ON FOR ME IN SCHOOL...

BUT WHY?

I HAVE HIM DO THAT EVERY TIME OUR CLASS HAS A DANCING LESSON...

IT'S THE ONLY SURE WAY TO KEEP THE GIRLS FROM ASKING ME TO DANCE!

### Bringing Up Father

OH-OH! MAGGIE FOUND MY MONEY!

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DADDY, MOTHER SAID TO TELL YOU SHE WENT SHOPPING...

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### Tilly the Toiler

I CAN'T WAIT TO SHOW MOM MY NEW FORMAL!

SHE'S OUT! I'LL SLIP IT ON FOR UNCLE DUDLEY!

JUST LIKE A MAN! HE DIDN'T EVEN NOTICE MY NEW GOWN!

JUST LIKE A WOMAN! SHE DIDN'T EVEN NOTICE MY NEW SLEEVE-BANDS!

### Etta Kent

WE'RE ENGAGED! HAVEN'T JIMMY SIMPLY DIVINE TASTE?

IT'S LUSH!

DON'T YOU THINK IT'S ACTUALLY UP TO THE BOY TO PICK OUT THE RING?

I MEAN HE WANTED ME TO GO TO — BUT I SAID ANYTHING HE LIKED WOULD SUIT ME!

— ALL HE HAD TO DO WAS WALK IN AND ASK THE SALESMAN TO SHOW HIM THE RING I DAID THE DEPOSIT ON!

### Joe Palooka

YOUR MOTHER ASKED MY WIFE TO HAVE ME CALL YOU... SHE SAID YOU WERE LONE SOME. HAD FEW FRIENDS...

YEAH, MR. PALOOKA... I'M MIGHTY UNPOPULAR! SINCE I TOLD 'EM YOU WERE MY PAL, THEY SAY I'M A PUNCHY.

WHAT'S HE SAYIN'?

CAN'T HEAR A THING.

QUIT PUSHIN'!

WHAT DOJA TELL 'EM 'BRING SOME GUNS OVER FOR... WE MADE UP M'T HAVE NO SPECTATORS!

THE KID HAS TO PROVE SOMETHING.

JOE PALOOKA

### The Lone Ranger

WHEN YOU SEE DAD, BE SURE TO TELL HIM JES CASHIER'S CANNOT'S WITH THE FARGO GANG!

COME ON SILVER! A FARGO HIDEOUT.

NOW WE GO TO FARGO!

JENK'S, I HAVEN'T MY SON SINCE YE... DAD!

JENK'S — THE CROOKED CASHIER —

### Secret Agent X9

A front man for a wanted criminal arrives at a check in Deadwood Swamp.

ANOTHER CAR! AND IT ISN'T TINY TOM'S! WHAT GIVES HERE?

CAN'T BE THE POLICE! THEY HAVEN'T THE SLIGHTEST IDEA THAT TINY TOM OWNS THIS HIDEAWAY!

THEN... IS THAT YOU, HENRY?

A DAME! UN, YEAH! SURE! IT'S ME — HENRY! DON'T BUDGE, OR I'LL PUT A NEW ZIG IN YOUR WIG!

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