BURGESS BEDTIME STORIES

By Thornton W Burgess

LOOKING THINGS OVER

Wisdom looks before it leaps:
Caution looks before it sleeps.
—Reddy Fox.

Mr. Reddy was pestering Reddy Fox. Reddy had said that he knew of a hen house he thought they might get into if they tried. But doing this would be taking a chance. Mrs. Reddy was so hungry that she was quite ready to take a chance, any chance.

"Just tell me where that hen HOUSE IS AND I'll go over there myself if you're afraid," said she.

"Well, I have to," declared Mrs. Reddy. "And the sooner you tell me where that hen house is the better."

"It is a long way from here," to it," retorted Mrs. Reddy.

"I don't care how far it is if there is a chance for me to get," said Reddy.

"I'm no more afraid than you are, my dear, but I don't believe in taking chances until one has to," said Reddy.

Reddy saw that he couldn't put Mrs. Reddy off any longer. "All right, my dear, we'll go over there and look around," said he.

"All I want is a look at that hen house," snapped Mrs. Reddy. She was cross. She was cross because she was hungry. Empty stomachs make people cross.

"We've got to look things all over before we even try to get at one of those hens," declared Reddy. "As I told you before, we will be taking chances. It is a foolish Fox who tries to take chances without first making sure just what those chances are. You know that, my dear as well as I do."

Mrs. Reddy did know that. Of course. She is quite Reddy's equal in smartness. "All right," said she, "we'll look things over, but let's get started."

Reddy led the way and Mrs. Reddy trotted right behind him.

Now the hen house that Reddy had in mind was on a lone farm some distance away. In fact, it was so far away that Reddy and Mrs. Reddy never had done any hunting there. It was only by chance that Reddy had found the place when he had wandered from home farther than usual.

So Reddy led the way and Mrs. Reddy trotted right behind him. It was early evening. They didn't want to be seen in daylight in that neighborhood. They do most of their hunting at night, just as Hooty the Owl and Yowler the Bobcat and some others do.

When they reached the lone farm they stopped at a distance and began to circle. This was to find out all about the surroundings in case they would have to run for their lives. Reddy was very particular about this. In their own neighborhood they know every foot of ground. They know every tree, every bush, every big stone. Reddy felt that they should become just as familiar with the surroundings here. Then if they were surprised by a Dog they would know just where to go and just how best to break their trail.

So Reddy insisted on looking things over thoroughly. And it wasn't until just before dawn that they finally approached the hen house. There they had a very great disappointment. The place where Reddy had thought they could get into that hen house had been repaired. The hens in that house were perfectly safe.

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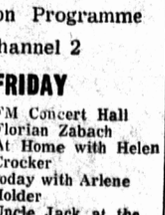

Strange But True

By F. H. MacArthur

During the frigid Arctic winter months, the Alaskan blackfish is frozen solidly into the ice in a state of suspended animation.

But with the advent of spring, the ice melts, the fish thaws out and activity is resumed.

Shooting the rapids is a favorite pastime with eider ducks. Once over, they will fly back and shoot the shoots again and again.

Cigarette smoke, given in small doses showed no bad effects on the lungs of mice in an experiment at the University of Virginia.

In High Whycombe, England, public officials are weighed when they take office and again when they quit. This curious custom dates back to 1282, when the people felt that no public official or servant should get a front porch to his anatomy while eating out of the public trough.

Man sleeps fewer hours than any other animal. Most persons from 15 to 50 years of age average about eight hours out of the 24. But persons of limited interests take more sleep than the mentally alert. Of the latter group many get along nicely on five hours a night.

For those suffering from insomnia, Benjamin Franklin recommended twin beds. Moving from one to the other-so he said-brought on sound sleep. Anyway, should you miss one or two good night's sleep remember that it requires only one good night's rest to put you in ship shape condition again.

A pair of condors produce only one egg every two years, and it takes 40 days to incubate.

An eleven foot wing span makes the California Condor the largest bird in the new world.

It would seem to be an appropriate time to discuss the word "accident" and call the frightful carnage on our highways by its correct name.

If a driver is drunk and kills or injures someone, that is no accident. If a driver falls asleep at the wheel and kills or injures someone that is no accident. If a driver has faulty brakes, etc., etc. The deaths and injuries are actually caused by drivers who either deliberately break the law or are guilty of criminal negligence. To call such horror, "accidents" is almost to condone these crimes.

We need sufficient police to strictly enforce the law.

We need judges who will not be too lenient to offenders.

Perhaps we need laws with more teeth in them.

We need statistics, not only of the deaths, but of the number who are injured and nerve shocked. We need figures on the financial loss which must be very great. We need full reports on the arrests and punishment of those who are brought to justice-yes and we need justice for high and low alike.

An Irishman, after paying his respects in the village cemetery, walked about looking over some of the old tombstones. He stopped before one on which was engraved; Here Lies Sandy MacGregor. A generous father and a pious man.

"Huh!" exclaimed Pat, "just like the Scotch-three men in one grave."

At this time another New Years has stepped across the threshold of time, and we pause for a moment to reflect upon what has been accomplished and look forward to what must be done in 1956. The past will be forgotten, for we Prince Edward Islanders are looking to the future in our constant desire to become a most efficient people in promoting the cause of peace among all men of good will.

A brief reflection upon the past year, however, serves to remind us of the part an understanding people can have in helping to achieve our goal. Without objective thinking and cooperation on the part of those who comprise our population, our job would be most difficult.

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legal for the poultry industry of Canada.

COST-PRICE SQUEEZE IN AGRICULTURE

Whereas there exists a wide disparity between farm income and income of other segments of our national economy, and

Whereas this situation, as we see it, is caused by the dual pressure of lowering prices and rising costs, and

Whereas the matter of rising costs has not been given sufficient emphasis,

Resolved that the Canadian Federation of Agriculture press for our Federal Government to make an inquiry into the matter of "cost-price squeeze" in agriculture.

ECONOMIC CONFERENCE BETWEEN LABOUR AND FARM GROUPS

Whereas agriculture to survive with any reasonable standard of living for the small farmer, must obtain the co-operation and support of all groups of society; and

Whereas relations between agricultural organizations and Labour Unions appear to be on a most cordial basis;

Resolved that the Maritime Federation of Agriculture suggest to the Canadian Federation of Agriculture that the time has come when they should do all they can to promote the formation of some form of economic conferences between the two groups at a policy forming level.

MISLEADING ADVERTISING OF MEATS

Whereas meats sold under the advertised heading of "Choice and Prime Western Beef" can and frequently does contain cow beef, and other relatively low grades, which under no circumstances can be considered as approaching top quality and therefore cause consumers to become misled, and

Whereas consumption of beef may be lessened as a result, and

Whereas the Canada Department of Agriculture in their publicity and market reports associate the word "Choice" with top quality meats, and the Canada Food and Drug Act provides penalties for persons or firms carrying on misleading advertising;

Resolved that the Canadian Federation of Agriculture be asked to include in their presentation to Cabinet requests for necessary remedial action to overcome such misleading advertising in connection with meats, as well as in connection with other food products, and consumer goods generally.

GRADE "B" EGGS

Whereas at certain seasons of the year a relatively high percentage of the eggs received at registered egg grading stations have a so-called thin albumen and,

Whereas according to the present grading regulations these eggs must go into Grade "b" although they are fresh eggs resulting in reduced returns for the poultry producer.

Resolved that the C. F. A. approach the Canada Department of Agriculture to study the problem in an effort to determine the cause of this deterioration in egg quality.

REVISION OF HOG GRADES

Whereas present hog grades have been in effect for some fifteen to twenty years with little or no change, and

Whereas experience and changing consumer demands clearly indicate the need for an early revision;

Resolved that the C. F. A. continue to press for an early revision particularly with respect to a general lowering of the weight range, and with respect to the "B" grade, which as at present set up fails to properly describe the wide range in quality which now falls within that grade.

FARM FORUM - FOURTH NIGHT

The broadcast of January 23 will originate at the Annual Meeting of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture held in Hamilton, and will deal with the wheat marketing problems in Western Canada.

PROUD HUNTER

KELOWNA, B. C., (CP) —Lee Eldstrom, 10, is a proud young hunter. He killed a deer on the final day of the hunting season before his father, accompanying him saw the animal. It was Lee's first hunt.

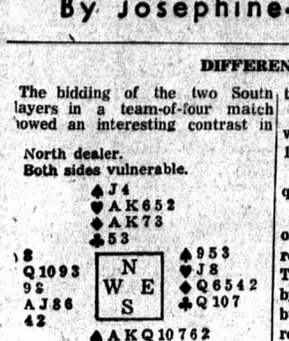
CONTRACT BRIDGE

By Josephine Culbertson

DIFFERENT VIEWS

The bidding of the two South players in a team-of-four match showed an interesting contrast in this deal.

North dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.



This was the auction at the first table:

North	East	South	West
1 ♥	Pass	1 ♠	Pass
2 ♦	Pass	5 ♠	Pass
Pass	Pass		

The other South took a different view of the matter—to wit:

North	East	South	West
1 ♥	Pass	1 ♠	Pass
2 ♦	Pass	3 ♣ (!)	Pass
3 NT	Pass	5 ♠	Pass
6 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

As can be seen at a glance, there was no great difficulty in winning 12 tricks.

Now let's appraise the two sequences:

When North bid two diamonds on the second round, both Souths recognized the possibility of a slam. The first South expressed this idea by jumping straight to five spades, but his effort was fruitless. North read the bid as the announcement of an extraordinary spade suit, but also as indicating that South himself could not control the unbid suit, clubs. Thus, this North felt that South was asking him to bid the slam only if he had club control.

The other South anticipated North's reaction, and, intending to bid five spades later, first bid clubs so that North would not have to worry about losing two club tricks. Obviously, this message got across, and North, with such strength in the red suits, and the possibly-valuable spade jack, gladly accepted the invitation.

21 Killed In Bombay Riots

BOMBAY, India (Reuters)—Police killed 21 persons Wednesday when they opened fire about 20 times in riot-torn Bombay. They fired on mobs protesting against a government decision to place the city under the central government's administration.

Police estimates were that at least another 100 were wounded during this third day of rioting.

The toll of injured was expected to rise higher, since demonstrators carried off many of their wounded before they could be counted.

Police charged with staves about 50 times into the crowds, trying to break up the demonstrations. They detained more than 400 persons, including S. A. Dange, Bombay's top Communist party leader.

WON'T INTERVENE

A spokesman for the federal government said:

"We naturally are much concerned with these developments but there is nothing we can do about it.

"The question of army units stepping in would arise only if civil authorities find they are unable to cope with the situation, and only at their request."

Other officials said Prime Minister Nehru would sit tight and not "dignify the unruly elements who are responsible for the disorders" with a personal visit to Bombay. The officials added that if the curfew and other restrictions do not restore order, the government would consider drastic measures.

Police clamped a curfew on the industrial area as the disturbances worsened and left - wing leaders called a general strike.

The leftists are supporting the claim of nearly half of Bombay's mixed population that the city should become part of the new Marathi-speaking state of Maharashtra in the reorganization of India's state boundaries.

The oak tree and all its fruits—including mistletoe—were sacred to the Druids of ancient Britain.

Passamaquoddy Awaiting Tidal Power Development

By DON HOYT
Canadian Press Staff Writer

EASTPORT, Me. (CP)—Passamaquoddy village nestles in obscurity amid the rolling hills of south-eastern Maine, but to many it symbolizes the capital of tidal power development.

It was built in 1935 for $2,500,000 by the United States government to house part of a 5,000-man working force, employed in an ill-fated attempt to produce cheap electricity from 19-foot Bay of Fundy tides which surge up Passamaquoddy bay to the shores of Maine and New Brunswick.

The four-year life span of the planned community was cut short in 1936 when, as a former Maine state senator phrased it, "the all-American project got to be such a hot potato President Roosevelt had to drop it."

HOUSING FOR 1,000

Sprawled across 100 acres, 'Quoddy village has the facilities to accommodate an infantry battalion. An estimated 250 persons now live in the village designed to house 1,000.

"For sale" signs dot scores of houses as a private firm goes ahead with piecemeal disposal of the community it purchased in 1952 for between $75,000 and $100,000.

Administrative buildings and playgrounds are virtually unused. A chapel and hospital are deserted. Rust has begun to coat the tracks of the village railway spur.

To men like former Maine state Senator F. C. Emery and incumbent Oscar H. Brown, 'Quoddy village is a tangible reminder of a project proposed 30 years ago by American engineer Dexter Cooper.

Neither speaks favorably of the go-it-alone development tried in 1936. Both are in the van of a U.S.-Canadian program to draw power from the surging Fundy tides.

HOPE FOR GO-AHEAD

Their hopes rest with the U.S. House of Representatives, expected to vote in February on a Senate-approved survey to determine the project's economic feasibility.

New Brunswick, meanwhile, is waiting patiently for its southern neighbor to decide the value of investigating the hitherto untapped resource.

"Anything having to do with our coasts is naturally of interest to us," said Premier Hugh John Flemming in an interview. "But I don't think action is up to New Brunswick. . . It's an international matter."

Canada's Labor Minister Gregg has said the U.S. should take the lead because the project "is more American than Canadian."

SAY SURVEY ESSENTIAL

The 100-square-mile Passamaquoddy bay, kingpin of the development, lies almost entirely on the Canadian side of the international boundary. Cobscook bay, which would also be utilized in the two-basin development, is American.

Authorities in both countries agree that a survey of the area is necessary before talk of the project's 1,000,000 horsepower potential can be taken seriously.

Prof. W. Y. Smith of the University of New Brunswick, a provincial economic consultant, said "I certainly think a survey is worthwhile."

"Technical opinion is converse," he continued, "but the concensus is that Quoddy is not feasible."

Professor Smith said the biggest drawback would be construction of dams and lock gates strong enough to resist the battering of Fundy tides.

"There would also be a fairly low head but that isn't serious as long as you have the volume of water," he said.

UNKNOWN POTENTIAL

Dr. H. J. Rowley, a member of the New Brunswick Electric Power Commission and chairman of the province's resources development board, is equally sure that the answer to 'Quoddy feasibility lies in a survey.

"Until there is a survey no one will know how much the development will cost or how much horsepower there is," he said.

An important phase of any inquiry would be research into effects of the project on the fisheries that hem the southern shores of Maine and New Brunswick.

Dr. S. Noel Tibbo, director of herring research at the St. Andrews, N.B., biological research station, said "there's no doubt there would be a definite effect on the fisheries.

Historic Relice For Newfoundland Museum

By KEVIN O'NEIL
Canadian Press Correspondent

CORNER BROOK, Nfld. (CP)—Ashes from a volcano that once wiped out a city, flintheads used by Indians, and the solidified footprint of an Indian Cinderella will find a resting place among other historic relics in the Newfoundland Museum at St. John's.

The souvenirs of past ages will be presented by local residents who came into possession of them over the years and saved them as family heirlooms. They are being donated by Ena C. Barrett of Curling, who feels they will serve a better purpose in a public display.

The volcanic ashes are a reminder of the calamity which befell the city of St. Pierre on the island of Martinique in the West Indies when Mount Pelee erupted in 1902.

HISTORIC DISASTER

Though residents of Martinique living in the shadow of the volcano received ample warning, more than 16,000 persons were trapped and perished when molten lava seared its way across the city. Many of the 240,060 residents had escaped by sea days earlier as the air was filled with burning ashes from the erupting volcano.

In the final eruption, some of the flying chunks of red hot lava ad ash were blown on the winds more than 200 miles to the island of Barbados, where a Newfoundland schooner was taking aboard a cargo of molasses.

One of the Newfoundland crew swept the deck of the vessel and saved a bottle of ashes. He brought it back to Newfoundland and presented it to Mr. Barrett at Curling. The fossilized footprint of the Indian is perfectly preserved. It was discovered many years ago in the Lomond river area by John Tapper, whose relatives now reside at Deer Lake.

The belief is that the print was made following a heavy rain shower when the soil became soft clay and other minerals filled the depression to make a perfect cast. Other fossilized prints were broken in attempts to remove them.

The one saved is about the size of a 4 or 4½ shoe—almost a Cinderella size.

The flinthead arrow pieces and another knife-like object are dug up from an old Indian campsite on the shores of Sandy lake. They are about three inches long, and an inch and a half wide at the widest part.

See Flat-Rolled Steel Supplies More Plentiful

CLEVELAND (AP) — A dip in automotive requirements may make it easier to get flat-rolled steel in the United States in the second quarter of 1956, Steel Magazine says Saturday.

The metal-working weekly says other consumers are eager to take up any slack in automotive purchases.

Steel says some top sources in the U. S. machine tool industry expect it to use a billion dollars worth of steel in 1956 and tool and die shipments will be up 10 per cent to $750,000,000.

Steel's price composite on finished steel advanced last week to $128 a net ton from $127.60, reflecting price rises in such products as buttweld pipe and manufacturers bright wire. The magazine's composite on scrap rose to $53.33 a gross ton, up $1.16 from last week.

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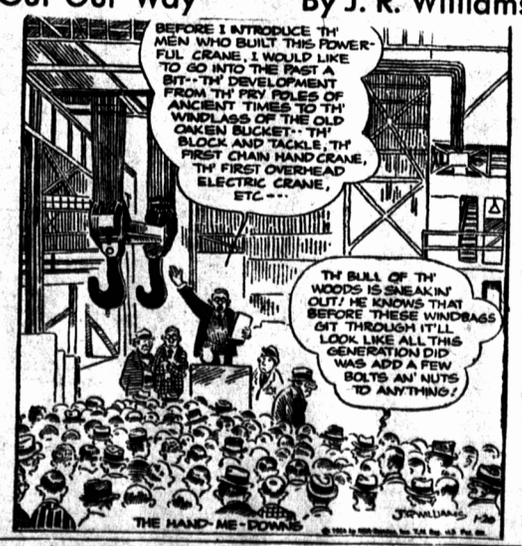

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