

BEDTIME STORIES

Whitefoot Has To Prove It

By Thornton W. Burgess

Make no statement unless you have the proof that it is true.

Old Mother Nature. Peter Rabbit had found shelter from Reddy Fox in Farmer Brown's little sugar house in the maple grove in the Green Forest.

It wasn't much of a song, but still it was good to hear. Peter couldn't guess what it might be singing. He couldn't think of any feathered neighbor who would be in that little sugar house.

"I don't believe it," said Peter. Of course that wasn't polite of Peter. In fact, it was very impolite. Whitefoot didn't like it at all.

"I don't care whether you believe it or not," cried Whitefoot in his squeaky little voice. "I don't care one little bit. Just the same you have no right to say that."

"I'm sorry," said Peter, "but whoever heard of a Mouse singing? Mice can't sing any more than Rabbits can."

"Peter, you don't know as much as you think you do," squeaked Whitefoot. "Mice can sing and do sing. Cousin Nibbler who lives in the big house and the barn, sometimes sings. At least, I've been told so. Members of my family often sing. So, when you say that you don't believe it was me singing, just now, you are showing how little you know."

Peter didn't know just what to say to that. He still couldn't believe that that singing he had listened to could possibly have come from his small friend with the white feet. "How about proving it to me?" said Peter.

"What do you mean prove it to you?" asked Whitefoot.

"Sing again," replied Peter. "Sing right here where I can hear you as well as see you."

"Probably you won't believe it then," squeaked Whitefoot.

"Yes, I will. I always believe what I see and hear," declared Peter.

Little Whitefoot began to chuckle. It was a funny little chuckle, a squeaky little chuckle. "Do you really mean that?" said Peter.

"Of course I mean it," said Peter. "What are you chuckling about?"

"If you believe everything you see and hear, it is no wonder that

you get so many things wrong," cried Whitefoot. "There is nothing easier to fool than eyes and ears."

Before Peter could make a reply, Whitefoot began to sing. Peter couldn't doubt that that little song was coming straight from the throat of his small friend. When Whitefoot stopped, Peter urged him to sing again. Being a good-natured little fellow, Whitefoot did.

"I never thought I would ever hear a Mouse sing," said Peter when the little song ended.

Governor Dave Carnegie Visits Kinsmen Club

The regular meeting of the Charlottesville Kinsmen Club was held at the Charlottesville Hotel with President Sam Robinson as chairman and Joe Shelton as Co-Chairman.

Mr. Fred Pound was welcomed as a member of the club. Mr. Nelson Mann Executive Secretary of the Maritime Economic Council, Mr. Ed Hodgson, Mr. Allison Cudmore and Mr. Bill Clow were welcomed as guests.

Mr. Joe Shelton gave an interim report on the results of the Kinsmen Varieties of 1956.

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EXPELL ANNOUNCERS

PARIS (AP)—The French government Friday expelled five Arabic radio announcers for their refusal to read an appeal for peace in the Middle East.

The five included four Egyptians and one Lebanese.

Poland Begins Purging Stalin Era Officials

VIENNA (AP)—Communist-led Poland began purging its Stalin-era purges Friday by firing three senior officials.

They were Stanislaw Radkiewicz, minister of state farms and former minister of state security; prosecutor chief Stefan Kalinowski; and the chief military prosecutor Gen. Stanislaw Zarakowski.

Vienna specialists in Polish affairs expressed belief these dismissals, announced by the Warsaw radio, heralded a new era purge trial.

In these three men, the Polish leadership under new party boss Edward Ochab has potential scapegoats for Red trials of the Stalin era they now want to disown. Many victims of these trials—especially the "titosts" such as former deputy premier Wladyslaw Gomułka—have been released and restored to their old places of honor in the Communist party.

It remains to punish the police and prosecutors who handled their cases.

Vienna sources said Radkiewicz was the most notorious in the group. Schooled by the Soviet NKVD, his police terror methods as Polish security chief were described as matching those of the Russians under the executed Soviet secret police boss, L.P. Beria.

Radkiewicz, 53, was especially hard on anti-Communists and alleged "deviationists." When Radkiewicz's methods were exposed by Col. Josef Swiatlo, who defected to the West, the security ministry was reorganized and he was shifted to minister for state farms.

There he started a system of using criminal labor on farms. This backfired in a wave of crime and sabotage so notorious that even the Polish Communist press had to protest.

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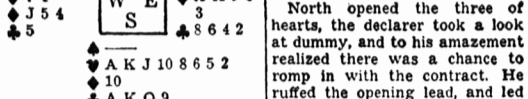
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CONTRACT BRIDGE

By B. Jay Becker (Top Record-Holder in Masters' Individual Championship Play)

West dealer. North-South vulnerable.



West Pass North East South Pass Pass Pass 6 Double

It isn't even the opening gun fired in the auction is a six bid. It seems to me that if there is such a bid possible South had the hand for it after three passes.

Against the possibility of missing seven, or going down at six, must be weighed the pre-emptive value of the bid. The opponents are likely to have a good save which might be blocked out by the opening six heart bid.

West, however, refused to be shut out by South's explosive opening bid, and promptly over-called with six spades. North bid seven hearts. East felt he might

be able to beat the grand slam, but first he was not on lead, and second he didn't relish the thought the opponents might bring in the grand slam, which involved a lot of points. Consequently, he bid seven spades, which didn't look like it could be hurt much.

North opened the three of hearts, the declarer took a look at dummy, and to his amazement realized there was a chance to romp in with the contract. He ruffed the opening lead, and led a trump, on which South showed out. To justify the six heart bid, West assumed that South must have started with either a void in diamonds, or at most a singleton.

If South was void, leading the jack of diamonds and finessing was indicated. If South had a singleton, the jack of diamonds would also succeed in every case except where the singleton was the queen. As you can see, the percentage play of the jack was good, and declarer was able to discard the club loser on the diamond suit.

The writer has to confess he held the South hand, and the result is still a sore spot of many years standing. Although North could have saved the situation with a club lead, the major fault was clearly mine. It is obvious now I should have passed the hand out.

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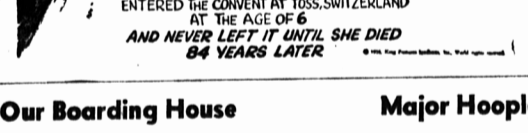
TAKING PRECAUTIONS

TAIPEI, Formosa (AP)—New houses built here, headquarters of the Chinese Nationalists, may not occupy more than half the lots they are built on. Officials said the idea is to make sure there is space for air raid shelters.

EXCHANGE MISSIONS

CAIRO (AP)—Egypt and Red China will exchange newspapermen, language professors and cultural missions under an agreement signed earlier this week, Egypt's ministry of education announced Friday.

Believe It or Not!



ELSBETH von KOLLIKEN ENTERED THE CONVENT AT TOSS, SWITZERLAND AT THE AGE OF 6 AND NEVER LEFT IT UNTIL SHE DIED 84 YEARS LATER

JACK GOLDSPINER OF BROOKLYN, N.Y. OVERDROVE A GREEN FROM THE TREE AND THE BALL REBOUNDED FROM A TREE FO? A HOLE-IN-ONE

THE CALCATARA BRIDGE IN SPAIN 600' LONG AND NEARLY 200' HIGH WAS BUILT BY THE ROMANS WITHOUT THE USE OF MORTAR - AND IS STILL USED 1851 YEARS LATER

DR. AND MISS FISH ARE BOTH AT THE NARRAGANSETT MARINE LABORATORY KINGSTON, R.I.

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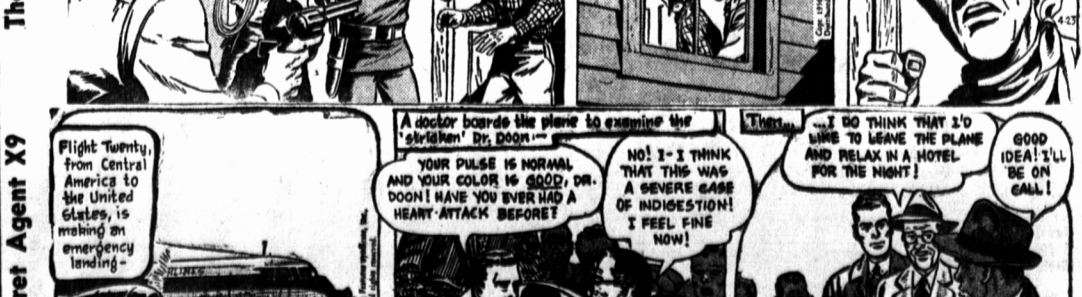
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THE WORRY WART. A man with a wart on his nose is being attended to by a woman.

BRINGING UP FATHER. A man in a top hat is talking to a woman.

LI ABNER. A man is lying in bed, looking unwell.

Our Boarding House Major Hoople

Our Boarding House Major Hoople. A man in a military uniform is talking to a woman.

THE NEXT MORNING. A man is talking to a woman.

TRAP FALLS! JUDGE TOSSBOOK CHOKED, BEATEN AND HURLED FROM 27TH STORY OF RITZ-SMARTON. But nobody knew I was here if sobs shattered soon.

Joe Palooka. A man in a military uniform is talking to a woman.

The Lone Ranger. A man in a military uniform is talking to a woman.

Secret Agent X9. A man in a military uniform is talking to a woman.

POGO. A man is talking to a woman.