



By Thornton W. Burgess

Who takes a chance, may richly gain. Or he may suffer loss and pain. —Old Mother Nature.

Prowler the Blacksnake was hid in the grass at the edge of the highest part of the bank on one side of the Smiling Pool.

He glided forward until he could look down over the edge; sure enough just below him was a hole in the bank.

Now Prowler knew perfectly well that he would be taking a chance if he went into that hole of the Kingfisher's.

He saw Rattles fly from his perch in the big hickory tree at the edge of the Smiling Pool, close his wings, and plunge headlong into the water.

Crosswise in his bill, was a small fish. Rattles flew up to his favorite perch and pounced the little fish against the branch on which he was sitting.

For a while all was quiet. Then, from the lily-pads at the upper end of the Smiling Pool, there came a voice.

"Chug-arum! Chug-arum!" said the voice. Prowler knew whose voice that was. He knew there is no other voice like it. It was the voice of Grandfather Frog.

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his long legs trailing out behind him, and his long neck folded back so that his head rested between his shoulders.

Just then out came Mrs. Rattles. This was Prowler's chance, and he took it. He let himself down until he could enter that doorway, and then he started to crawl inside.

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Cook's Corner: SOUR MILK TEA BISCUITS. Two and one-quarter cups sifted cake flour, 1 tablespoon baking powder, 2 teaspoons sugar, 1/4 teaspoon baking soda, 1/2 teaspoon each salt and cream of tartar, 1/4 cup margarine (room temperature), 1/2 cup sour milk.

PECAN CHOCOLATE LOAF CAKE. 2 cups sifted flour, 2 1/2 teaspoons baking powder, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 3/4 cup shortening, 1 cup sugar, 3 eggs, 2/3 cup milk, 1 teaspoon vanilla, 1 package semi-sweet chocolate bits finely chopped, 1/2 cup pecans, finely chopped.

VITAL FLUID. Canada's consumption of fluid milk in 1951 was 4,500,000,000 pints, nearly 10,000,000 pints more than in 1950.

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DAILY CROSSWORD. ACROSS: 1. Lure, 2. Man's nickname, 9. Haunch of an arch (arch), 10. Stunted things, 12. Come in, 13. Molded mass of metal, 14. Matured, 15. Observe, 16. Norse god, 17. International language, 18. Fish, 19. Cry or a call, 20. Mythical beast, 23. Little cat, 24. Spigot, 25. Distress signal, 26. Cut finely, 28. Maker of hats, 31. Single airplane flight, 32. Halfpenny, 33. 14th letter (Gr.), 34. Gold (Her), 35. Obtained, 36. Eloquent, 38. Arrogant, 40. Glide, 41. Move sideways, 42. Dirt at cliff base, 43. Dribbles, 44. Buds of potatoes.

Yesterdays Answer. 37. Heap, 39. Harlem room, 40. Sainte (abbr.).

DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE—Here's how to work it: ALONG FELLOW AYDLBAAXR. One letter simply stands for another. In this example A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc.

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Contract Bridge. By Josephine Culbertson. MAKE THE DECLARER GUESS! If West in the following deal had geared his defense to his own fortunate bidding — specifically, to the fact that he had not revealed his strength — the outcome probably would have been far more pleasing to his side.

West dealer. Neither side vulnerable. ♠ Q J 8 4, ♥ 5 7 2, ♦ A 9 3, ♣ K Q 5. ♠ 10 7 6 3, ♥ J 5 4, ♦ J 10 8, ♣ J 9 4. ♠ 5 2, ♥ K Q 10 9 2, ♦ K Q 6, ♣ A 8 7.

The bidding: West North East South. Pass Pass Pass 1♥. Pass 2NT Pass 3♥. Pass 4♥ Pass Pass.

West opened the spade king, but when the dummy was laid down and East followed suit with the three, West shifted to diamonds. The ace was put up and declarer led a trump to his own king. West took the trick and led another diamond. Declarer then went to dummy with a club for a trump finesse against the jack, and when this succeeded he could spread the hand, conceding only another spade trick.

LIL' ABNER. "MANNY SAYS THAT'S ONE INSULT LIL' ABNER CAN'T TAKE! WONDER WHAT IT IS? IT CUZZIN LEM!"

RIP KIRBY. "NOBODY HERE IN THE OUTER OFFICE, MR. KIRBY."

KING OF THE ROYAL MOUNTED. "NOBODY HERE IN THE OUTER OFFICE, MR. KIRBY."

SO YOU DIDN'T GET TH' MONDER BULLET FROM TH' CORONER, EH? NO... AND I HAD TO SLUG HIM... HISS I KILLED HIM!

By Al Capp. JOE PALOOKA. "WHAT WAS THAT A RIGHT HOOK? THANKS, NEVER FEEL BETTER IN MY LIFE. OHAY, BOYS... WE GOTTA BREAK CAMP."

By Alex Raymond. "IS THIS THE MAN YOU WANT, MR. KIRBY?"

NO, YOU HON'T, TIB! YOU'RE AN ER-CON. THEY'D NEVER BELIEVE YOU TRICKED YOUR DAUGHTER. JILL INTO TELLING YOU ABOUT THAT RAY-ROLL SHIPMENT... SHE'D BE INVOLVED!

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