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## PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND EGG & POULTRY ASSOCIATION IN LIQUIDATION

A Meeting of the members of this Association, to receive the final report of the Liquidator, will be held in the Board Room of the Department of Agriculture, Richmond Street, Charlottetown, on WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8th, at eight P. M.

LEONARD MacDONALD, Liquidator.

### DAILY CROSSWORD

**ACROSS**

- Small coins (Eur.)
- Volume of maps
- Military student
- To shout aloud (var.)
- Rugged mountain crests
- Charts
- Hereditary chief (Am. Ind.)
- Man's name (Braz.)
- Codified
- Mulberry
- Ground grain
- Eject
- Four (Rom. numeral)
- Text of an opera
- Spread grass today
- Hint
- Affirmative votes
- Countersunk
- Below (naut.)
- One who states
- Bestowed
- Roman magistrate
- Musical drama
- Spanish ladies

**DOWN**

- Tuber (So. Am.)
- Obstacle
- Permits
- Vaporizer
- Exclamation
- Domesticated
- So. Am. animal
- Lofly
- Mountain signal
- Native of Scotland
- Garden tool
- Let in
- Sitting device
- Moslem title
- Like paste
- Lowest female singing voices
- Old measure of length
- Female deer
- New Mexican lizard
- River (So. Am.)
- Sponges (Island)
- Turned
- Flock
- Pitcher with a lid
- Lower part of room w/ roof
- Past
- Edge of a wound
- Metal
- Guido's highest note
- Property (L.)
- North America (abbr.)

**Yesterday's Answer**

1-12  
13-22  
23-32  
33-42  
43-52  
53-62

47. Metal  
48. Guido's highest note  
49. Property (L.)  
51. North America (abbr.)

10  
A Q84  
A K532  
732

10862  
J10  
A J64

10865  
J73  
Q86  
Q8

South West North East  
1 Pass 1 Pass  
1NT Pass 2 Pass  
2NT Pass 3NT Pass  
2 Pass

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Actually, however, there was something to be said for South's rebid of notrump, in preference to a heart raise. South could not know that North had a singleton spade; and South's own hand was so minimum that he wanted to play for the cheapest game contract, and he hoped for a lead up to his ace-queen of spades, whereas the lead would go through that combination at a heart contract. All this does not mean that South's insistence on notrump was entirely correct—it simply means that he had a problem.

Defending against the notrump contract, West made the bold and rather sensational opening lead of the heart king. Declarer played dummy's ace a play for which he later was strongly criticized—and then led a low diamond toward his own jack-ten. East put up the queen and shifted to the jack of spades (covering dummy's ten). Now South was in trouble. East had to get in again when South cleared the heart suit, and continued spade leads defeated the contract.

As numerous expert spectators hastened to point out, South could have made the hand by simple expedient of giving the first trick to West, thus establishing the rest of the hearts without letting East get in; but whether this criticism was justified is another question! Suppose West's heart king was blank! Then South would have to give up two tricks in the suit, if he conceded to the king. The fairest judgment is that South had a difficult problem and that his choice of plans ran up against some very unfortunate breaks.

### DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE—Here's how to work it:

One letter simply stands for another. In this example A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

A Cryptogram Quotation

WCKX CKT JV GVRSR; JOR HGVFS-  
ZVRR FCX JOR RTVSCVRR CK LKGV  
RJFNN RVVL FS RSGQV—TJSSOVG.

Yesterday's Cryptquote: FOR EVER IN THINE EYES, O LIBERTY, SHINES THAT HIGH LIGHT WHEREBY THE WORLD IS SAVED—HAY.

# BURGESS BEDTIME STORIES

(By Thornton W. Burgess)

**NOT QUITE QUICK ENOUGH**

For pleasure or to meet a need Makes all the difference in a deed. —Old Mother Nature.

On Farmer Brown's land no hunting is allowed. That is, no hunting with dreadful guns and horrible traps. But those who must hunt for the food they must have to live—Reddy Fox, Jimmy Skunk, Redtail Hawk, Hooty the Owl and others—hunt there freely without fear. It is as Mother Nature intended it should be. But on land surrounding Farmer Brown's land the dreadful guns banged all through the hunting season, and there was fright and suffering and sadness. There always is where the guns are.

Even so Reddy and Mrs. Reddy hunted there, and lived well. A hunter with a dreadful gun was



making use of a small dog who would go into bramble tangles and briar-patches and drive Rabbits out for his master to shoot. Reddy and Mrs. Reddy were making use of that same Dog. Yes, sir, they were doing just that. You see that hunter could be in only one place at a time, and he couldn't always rightly guess just where a Rabbit would be driven out. Between them Reddy and Mrs. Reddy could and did watch two other places and more often than not a Rabbit was driven out at one of those places.

Of course, all the time the two Foxes were careful to keep out of the hunters' sight. He didn't even know they were in the neighborhood. His Dog would be barking fast and joyously, for he was the kind that would rather chase a Rabbit than eat. Abruptly he would stop barking. His master would go around to where he was and would find him running this way and that way trying to find the lost trail which, of course, had ended when Reddy or Mrs. Reddy had caught the Rabbit. Of course the dog smelled the Fox scent, but he wasn't interested in Foxes. He had been trained not to be. And of course his master didn't see those Foxes because they were very careful to keep out of his sight. So what became of those Rabbits was a mystery until one morning while waiting for a Rabbit to be driven out where he could shoot it he changed his position just enough to see around the end of that particular briar patch.

Back a little way behind some brush was a little spot of red. Had the time been a couple of months earlier, when Autumn was displaying her brightest colors, he probably would not have noticed that spot of red. But now winter had begun and there were no bright colors anywhere excepting red berries still on a few bushes, and this wasn't the bright red of berries.

For the moment the Dog and the Rabbit were forgotten. "Ha!" exclaimed the hunter under his breath. "A Fox! Now what is a fox doing in this neighborhood when he knows a Dog is hunting here and—"

He didn't finish. The Rabbit had suddenly darted out into the open on the side nearest Reddy. He was bounding lipperty, lipperty, lip for the nearest bramble-tangle. Reddy sprang out from behind the bushes intent on catching that Rabbit before he could get to the bramble-tangle. As he leaped out he saw the hunter for the first time since he had changed his place. He saw the terrible gun being lifted. Reddy is quick, few are as quick. Like a flash he changed his direction, turning sharply to one side.

Quick as he was he wasn't quite quick enough. No sir, he wasn't quite quick enough. There was a sharp bang behind him and even before he heard it he felt sharp stings in several places. My, how they did sting! He had no thought for that Rabbit now. He thought only of getting away. You should have seen him run then. The dreadful gun banged again, but there were no stings this time.

Meanwhile, the Rabbit kept right on into the next bramble-tangle and this time the Dog kept right after him. There was no mysterious disappearance of this Rabbit. Suddenly the hunter understood what had been happening. "So that's it!" he muttered. (Copyright, 1950, by Thornton W. Burgess)

### Contract Bridge

By Josephine Cubertson

**MOSTLY, BAD LUCK**

The following deal gave the experts of a New York club something to talk about.

South dealer.  
Both sides vulnerable.

♠ K 8 7 4  
♥ K 5  
♦ 9 7 6  
♣ K 10 9 5

♠ J 9 6 5  
♥ J 7 3  
♦ Q 8 6  
♣ Q 8

♠ A Q 3  
♥ 10 8 6 2  
♦ J 10  
♣ A J 6 4

The bidding:  
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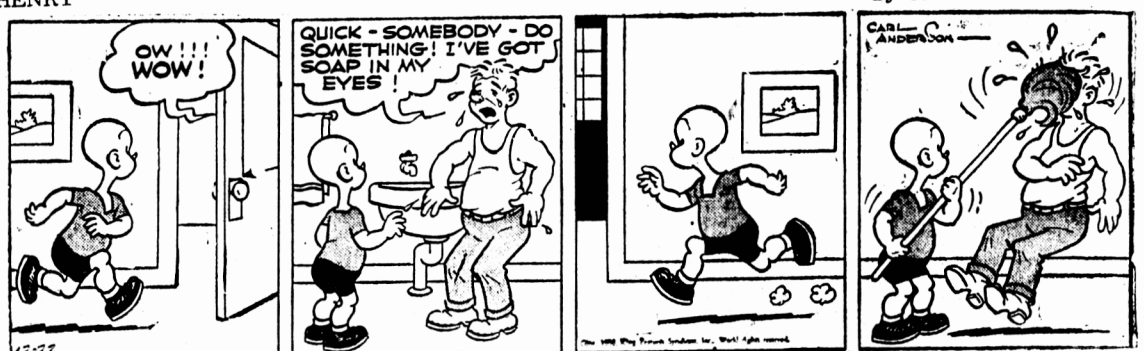
By Lane Grey

### JOE PALOOKA



By Ham Fisher

### HENRY



By Carl Anderson

### DOTTY DIPPLE



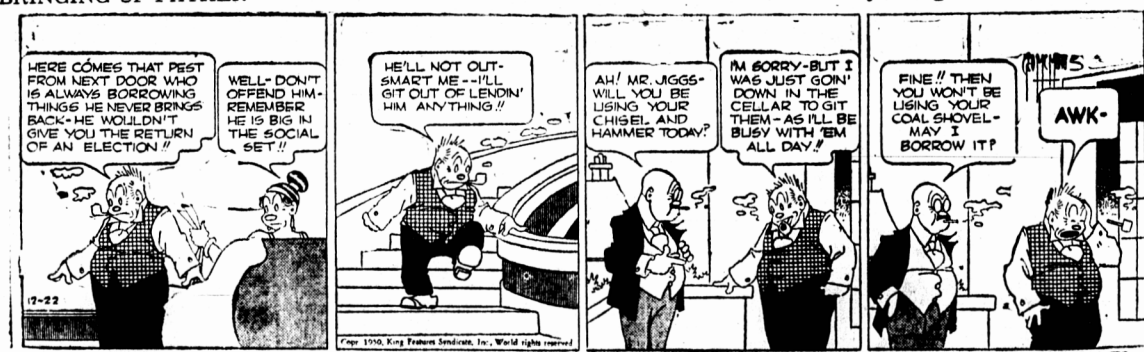
By Ruford

### TIPPY AND "CAP" STUBS



By Edwina

### BRINGING UP FATHER



By George McMahon

### TILLY THE TOILER



By Westover

### L'L ABNER



By Alex Raymond

### RIP KIRBY



By Al Capp

### PENNY



By Harry Heenigen