BURGESS BEDTIME STORIES

By Thornton W. Burgess

IT MUST BE TRUE

A statement that is much too broad.
May have appearance of a fraud.
—Old Mother Nature.

Three little Fox cubs were going to school in the Green Forest. They didn't know they were going to school. They thought they were just playing and having a good time hunting for anything they could find. All the time they were learning what to hunt for, and how to get it when they found it. They were learning to use their eyes. They were learning to use their noses. They were learning to use their ears. So you see they were really going to school. All the little people of the Green Forest have to do this that they may learn how to live to grow up.

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The three litte cubs went out every day wih their mother. She was their teacher. Gray Fox, their father, helped. All the time the three little foxes were having fun. It is always easier to learn when learning is fun.

The cubs had just learned the meaning of fear. When they were very little they didn't know enough to be afraid. Now they were learning that being afraid is something very important at times. They had not supposed that anyone as big as Mother Gray could be afraid of anything or anyone. They had just seen her afraid of Buzztail the Rattlesnake, and she had told them that everybody in the Green Forest was afraid of Buzztail.

"Everybody?" asked one of the cubs.

"Everybody," replied Mother Gray. "If Buzztail bites anyone they cannot live. Nobody in the Green Forest knows why, but everybody knows it is true. So, everybody is afraid, and leaves Buzztail alone."

It was the very next day that the cubs saw Buster Bear for the first time. They had not dreamed that there could be anyone in all the Great World so big. You may be sure they kept in hiding, peeping out in round-eyed wonder as he came shuffling along.

"Woof! woof!" said Buster Bear to no one in particular. The sound made the little Foxes feel as if their little hearts stopped beating for just a second. Of course, they didn't.

Buster Bear didn't see them. He shuffled along over toward the rocky ledge where Buzztail the Rattlesnake lived. From where they were, the little Foxes could see that ledge. "Woof! woof!" said Buster Bear once more. Right away there was another sound. It was the queer rattling sound Buzztail made when shaking his tail. The cubs knew now that it was a warning. But they couldn't believe that anyone as big as Buster Bear could be afraid of Buzztail. So you can guess how surprised they were when great big Buster Bear stopped abruptly, then hastily backed a few steps. What would he do now?

For a moment or two Buster stood still. Then he climbed a little higher up on the ledge, and shuffled around Buzztail. It was very clear that he was afraid, and that he had no intention of having any-

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Australia has about 365 varieties of eucalyptus trees, ranging up to 300 feet in height.

thing to do with a Rattlesnake. The cubs knew now that it must be true, as mother had said, that everybody in the Green Forest was afraid of Buzztail the Rattlesnake. If great big Buster Bear was afraid there couldn't possibly be anyone who was not afraid.

Former Sea Captain Dies

WINNIPEG (C)—Wilson Smith, 75-year-old businessman and former sea captain, died Monday.

Born in New Carlisle, Que., he earned his captain's papers at the age of 21, sailing mostly out of South America. Later he entered the employ of the Canadian Pacific Steamship lines as an officer of the Empress of Ireland.

Capt. Smith left the CP Steamship Line in 1908 and came to Winnipeg where he and his brother, B. B. Smith, established the Smith Agency Ltd. with which he was associated until his death.

ALL-EMBRACING

An encyclopedia originally was the group of studies that Greek youths were required to take.

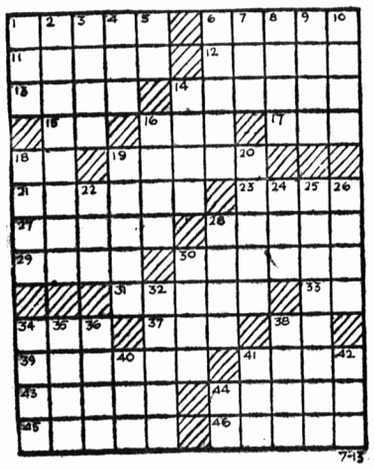
DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1. To wash
6. Slides
11. Spring month
12. Light boat
13. Point of land
14. Equipment for fishing
15. Hewing tool
16. Equal
17. Affirmative reply
18. Argent (sym.)
19. City in France
21. Tell
23. Wheaten flour (India)
27. Make into a statute
28. Mohammedan religious war
29. Mix
30. Unit of dry measure (Sp.)
31. Put out
33. Part of "to be"
34. Luzon native
37. Question
38. Man's nickname
39. A pickle sauce
41. Smell
43. The little girl in Wonderland
44. Maxim
45. Vaults for valuables
46. Harrow-like battle formation

DOWN

1. A bet (Roulette)
2. Plain or clear
3. Pet name for a dog
4. Strike
5. Elevated train (shortened)
6. Frighten
7. Varnish ingredient
8. Covered with ink
9. Rod
10. Observes
14. Not wild
16. Famous English statesman
18. God of war
19. Mother-of-pearl
20. Sanctified person
22. Medieval type of short tale
24. Definite article
26. Malayan people native to Phil. Is.
16. First man (Bib.)
28. Knave (Cards)
30. An aquatic vertebrate
32. Receptacles for flowers
34. Macawe
35. Tissue (anat.)
36. Arabian letter
38. Jewish month
40. Frozen water
41. Poem
42. Female ruff
44. Exclamation



Yesterday's Answer

DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE—Here's how to work it:

A X Y D L B A A X R
B LONGFELLOW

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, apostrophies, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

A Cryptogram Quotation

SUTSK WM YEU ACAU SUTSK, MZO NECA WM NECA—KTZS.

Yesterday's Cryptoquote—THE BIRD FORLORN THAT SINGETH WITH HER BREAST AGAINST A THORN—HOOD.

KILL MOSQUITOES BLACK-FLIES ALL PESKY INSECTS WITH FLY-TOX

For economy and convenience, ask for the push-button FLY-TOX AEROSOL
Also available as a liquid spray
PROVEN BEST BY EVERY TEST

WHY HAVE SORE FEET?
JUST RUB IN
MINARD'S "KING OF PAIN" LINIMENT

CONTRACT BRIDGE

By Josephine Culbertson

OPTIMISTIC SLAM-BIDDING

IN THE average game, where the opening leader against a slam contract is not apt to find the "killing suit," it is only natural for the opponents to bid slams with a certain degree of bravura. Indeed, there is much to be said for the take-a-chance attitude—but only if declarer has the know-how to exploit any favorable development.

Consider this typical case. South was an expert, more or less trapped into a "social" game. So he naturally bid a little more than he would have bid in "fast company."

South dealer.
Both sides vulnerable

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1 ♣	Pass	3 ♣	Pass
6 ♣ (!)	Pass	Pass	Pass

It goes without saying that South did not have anything in the nature of a slam bid, simply because he had received a double raise from his partner.

A diamond or a heart lead by West, with good defense thereafter, would have beaten the slam, but West unwisely opened his singleton trump—"to avoid a guess." And East was also a little misguided—he seized the opportunity to signal his possession of the diamond ace by discarding the nine.

South considered his problem. One thing was sure: he couldn't hope to make the contract without running some risks. So, after some thought, he proceeded as follows:

He cashed the spade king and finessed to dummy's jack. The finesse succeeding, he discarded a diamond on the spade ace, then ruffed a spade. Now he led his remaining diamond—and the situation he had hoped for came into effect. East, in with the diamond ace, had to concede the contract by returning a heart from the king, or another diamond which would let South ruff while discarding a heart from dummy.

STELLA MARIS HIGH SCHOOL

NORTH RUSTICO

Students wishing to enroll in Grades X, XI & XII in September should forward their applications to the Principal as soon as possible. There are two $25.00 scholarships for each grade, and an additional $100 prize for highest aggregate in Grade XII.

Out Our Way By J. R. Williams

Our Boarding House Major Hoople

Ripley's Believe It or Not!

Joe Palooka — By Ham Fisher

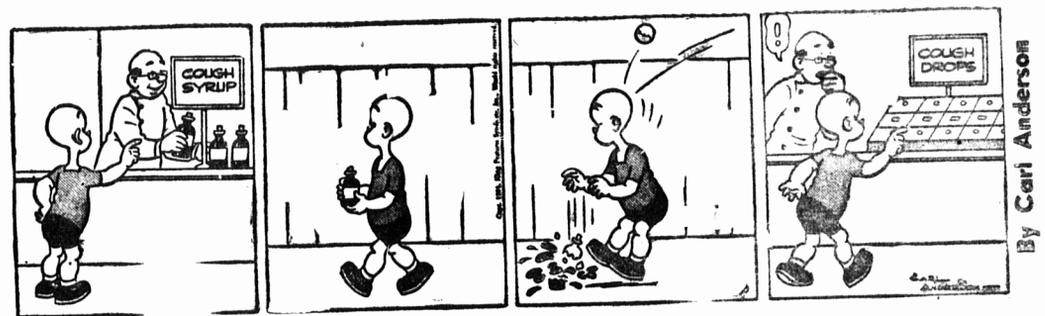
The Lone Ranger — By Fran Striker

Tilly The Toiler — By Bob Gustafson

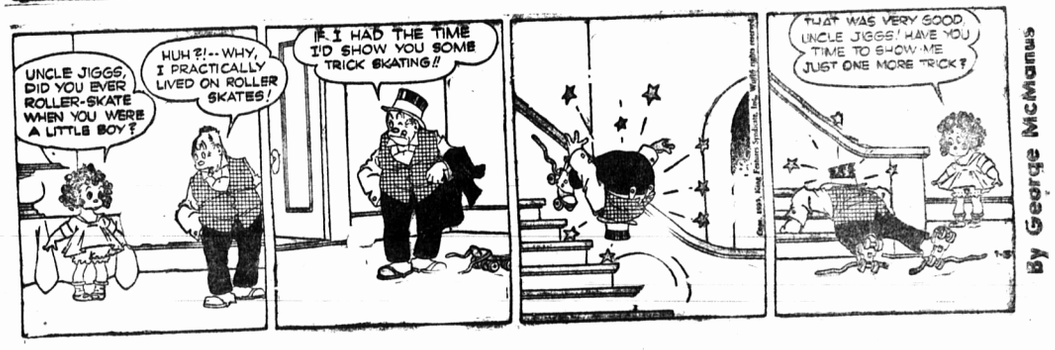
Etta Kent — By Paul Robinson

Muggs and Skeeter — By Wally Bishop

Henry — By Carl Anderson



Bringing Up Father — By George McManus



Grandma — By Charles Kuhn

Mickey Mouse — By Walt Disney

Li'l Abner — By Al Capp

Secret Agent X9 — By Mel Graff