BEDTIME STORIES

Prickly Porky Interferes

By Thornton W. Burgess

Ants, it is not always clear
When to and not to interfere.
—Old Mother Nature.

Bobby Coon was sure he had found the tree in which Mrs. Beauty the Wood Duck had her nest and was sitting on eggs. He had seen Beauty light in this tree and he was still there. There could be no other reason for his being there. He had come over to see that Mrs. Beauty was all right.

Bobby Coon's mouth was watering as he looked up in that tree. It was a big tree. It was a tall tree. Quite high up he could see a dark mass. In the dusk he couldn't be sure what it was. It wouldn't take long to find out, Bobby Coon is a good climber. He is quite at home in trees. So now he started to climb. He was thinking of nothing but that dinner of eggs he was sure he was going to get. He hoped Mrs. Beauty had laid a lot of them. So his mouth continued to water. The higher he climbed the more it watered. He almost dribbled.

Then when he was almost half way up, that black mass suddenly moved. There was the scratching sound of big claws on wood and there was a funny rustling sound that wasn't at all pleasant to hear. Bobby Coon stopped abruptly. He knew the minute he heard those sounds that the black mass he had seen was Prickly Porky the Porcupine. That rustling sound was made by the thousand little spears that Prickly Porky carries in his coat. When he moved, they rubbed together and that made the rustling.

Right then and there Bobby Coon's mouth stopped watering. He swallowed his appetite, so to speak. He knew that he couldn't get up past Prickly Porky.

"What are you doing up in this tree?" growled Bobby Coon.

"Is that any business of yours?" retorted Prickly Porky.

"Yes," replied Bobby Coon. "I have business up in this tree and you are in my way."

"I have business in this tree myself," replied Prickly Porky, "and I am going to stay right here."

Beauty the Wood Duck had flown over to a neighboring tree and was anxiously watching. Above Prickly Porky was a small keg that had been fastened up in that tree by the Old Hermit whose cabin was not far away. The Old Hermit knew all about Wood Ducks and what they need. He knew, too, that there were no hollow trees in that neighborhood, and a hollow in a tree was what those Wood Ducks had been looking for. So he had fastened that small keg up in the tree. He had cut a doorway just the right size and he was keg they would like it quite as well as any hollow in a tree. Mrs. Beauty had found it and had promptly made her nest in it. Now she was sitting on eggs.

Mrs. Beauty had been badly frightened when she had heard Prickly Porky climbing up that tree. She had been sure it was someone who had discovered where she was nesting and was coming up after those eggs. It was a great relief when she saw that it was Prickly Porky. He doesn't eat eggs. She knew that he wouldn't bother her at all. It didn't enter her pretty little head that he might prove himself a real friend, but that is just what he was doing now by keeping Bobby Coon from climbing up.

Pope Speaks On Broken Marriages

VATICAN CITY (Reuters)—The Pope said in a statement made public Tuesday that the Roman Catholic Church's ban on divorce does not mean the church is insensible to the tragedy often to be found in broken marriages.

The Pope made the statement Sunday when he received in audience professors and students of Vienna University law faculty.

He said the church is often blamed for "the rigor with which she supports the indissolubility of a marriage validly contracted and celebrated.

"Yet she (the Catholic Church) proceeds in this case not for want of feeling or with juridical rigor, as if she remained insensible to the tragedy often to be found in such cases, but simply by faithfully applying the matrimonial law established by her Divine Founder, on which it is not up to her to decide."

Eden Reveals Britain Plans To Explode H-Bomb Next Year

LONDON (Reuters) — Britain Thursday announced plans to hold her first hydrogen bomb tests during the first six months of next year, thus becoming the world's third H-power.

Prime Minister Eden told the House of Commons that the H-bomb will be dropped far from any inhabited island.

"The tests will be high air bursts which will not involve heavy fallout," he said.

Britain will thus become the third entry in a field dominated by the United States and Russia. Britain's first atomic tests were held off western Australia in October, 1952. Further tests have been going on in the same area this spring.

Christmas Island, an isolated atoll lying close to the equator midway between Australia and Mexico, will be the base from which planes will take off to drop the H-bomb and observe its effects.

A swept - wing Valiant jet bomber will probably be chosen to drop the bomb.

HUGE POWER

The blasts, Eden said, will be in the "megaton range." The megaton is the equivalent of 1,000,000 tons of high explosive.

The prime minister faced questions from the Labor party opposition who are pressing for an international agreement to end H-bomb tests because of their radioactive effect on the atmosphere.

He said: "All safety precautions will be taken in the light of our own knowledge and of our experience gained from the tests of other countries."

Eden said action has already been taken toward international control of hydrogen tests. He added that this was part of Anglo - French disarmament proposals which would be considered in a few weeks by the United Nations disarmament commission.

Eden said that in deciding to carry out the experiments, the government gave full weight to the anxiety existing about the indefinite continuation of nuclear tests. cess of providing Britain with hydrogen weapons.

Would Cut U. S. Aid To Yugoslavia

WASHINGTON (AP) — Senator Joseph McCarthy (Rep. Wis.) Tuesday introduced a bill to cut off United States aid to Yugoslavia and Senator William Knowland (Rep. Calif.) called for "a searching reappraisal" of all aid to neutrals.

McCarthy said it would be "stark immorality" to continue helping Yugoslavia in the face of Marshal Tito's pro-Russian statements during his current visit to Moscow.

Knowland, the Republican leader in the Senate, commended McCarthy for his speech.

"I think it is apparent to every member of the House, as well as to every member of the Senate, that certainly a searching reappraisal should take place," Know-

CONTRACT BRIDGE

By B. JAY BECKER

North dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

	♠ 9 ♥ 6 ♦ A K Q 6 4 2 ♣ K 8 7 5 2	
♠ K Q J 8 3 ♥ A 7 4 ♦ 9 8 ♣ 9 6 4	N W E S	♠ 10 7 4 ♥ 9 5 3 ♦ 10 7 3 ♣ A J 10 3
	♠ A 6 5 2 ♥ K Q J 10 8 2 ♦ J 5 ♣ Q	

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
1 ♦	Pass	1 ♥	1 ♠
2 ♣	Pass	4 ♥	

Opening lead—king of spades.

The jump bid to four hearts in this sequence, aside from showing adequate strength to warrant a game bid, is also used to impress partner with the fact that the heart suit is self-sufficient. It can be seen that North might have been tempted to play in one of his own suits if South's approach had been less forceful.

South won the spade lead, and trumped a spade in dummy. A low club was led from dummy, and East went up with the ace. On the spade return West took his two spade tricks, which resulted in a one trick set.

Aside from the possibility the defense might slip and let him get away with the singleton queen of clubs, South's method of play did not have much chance to win the hand. There was a perfectly legitimate play to make the contract, which South failed to recognize.

Declarer should let West hold the king of spades. Defeat is staring right at him if he wins the opening lead. He should look for greener pastures.

Let's see if anything can go wrong if we don't take the king of spades. What are the various plays West can make at trick two?

1. West leads another spade. If that happens we will trump in dummy, and lead a club. Granting that East takes the ace, dummy's king of clubs will take care of the last losing spade. On this defense the losers are a spade, heart and club.

2. West leads the ace of trump and continues with a spade. Fine. We make eleven tricks.

3. West leads a low trump. We win it and force out the ace of trump. The defense gets a spade, a heart and, if the suit is lead, a club.

4. West leads a diamond. We win with the jack, trump a spade and lead a club. Again there are only the same three losers.

Summary. West cannot defeat us with any return at trick two, if the king of spades is not taken. The ace of spades acts as a guard against any more spade losers.

Textile Mill At Marysville Is Purchased By Hamilton Firm

FREDERICTON (CP) — Purchase of the textile mill at nearby Marysville by the Hamilton Cotton Company, Limited, of Hamilton, Ont., was announced Thursday.

The little community's only industry closed nearly three years ago because of depressed conditions in textile markets. The property was then valued at $500,000. The purchase price was not announced.

Officials said the plant is expected to resume operations in four or five months, working at full poduction with new machinery.

Three Fredericton men — John Watt, J. W. Ritchie and Ian Whitcomb—bought the propety last January from Glengarry Textiles Limited, a subsidiary of Canadian Cottons Limited. The late Alexander Gibson built the mill in 1883. Mayor Long said, it had increased by more than 400.

the loss of its only industry. Instead of a decrease in population, town in New Brunswick" despite operating it for some years before its sale to Canadian Cottons.

HEAVY PAYROLL

More than 400 were on the payroll when it closed.

Mayor Percy Long said people of the town never lost faith the mill would reopen. He predicted that many who were forced to find other employment in the area would return to the plant.

"The town treasury, of course, will benefit in time," he said. 'The town council has granted a special rate of taxation to the company to help establishment, but we are sure that the mill will be a success. When that time arrives, we feel that the company will be willing to help its workers' community by taking a fair load of taxation."

Marysville continued to advertise itself as "The fastest growing

STARTED EARLY

The famous John Milton began to write poetry at age 10, doing verses on current events.

May Build Pulp Mill Near New Glasgow, N.S.

HALFAX (CP)—An official of the Scott Paper Company said Tuesday that if the firm builds a proposed 35,000,000 pulp mill in Nova Scotia it will be at Abercrombie point, near New Glasgow.

Company vice-president Andrew Schroder was quoted by The Chronicle-Herald as sahing the company was acquiring about 500 acres of property in the Abercrombie area. He made the statement in a long-distance telephone conversation from the company's head office in Chester, Penn.

He said the company, which recently completed a survey of timber resources in the province, has no immediate plans for the establishment of the mill, but future plans may include a new plant in Nova Scotia.

TELEVISION
CKCW — Moncton

Television Programme Schedule

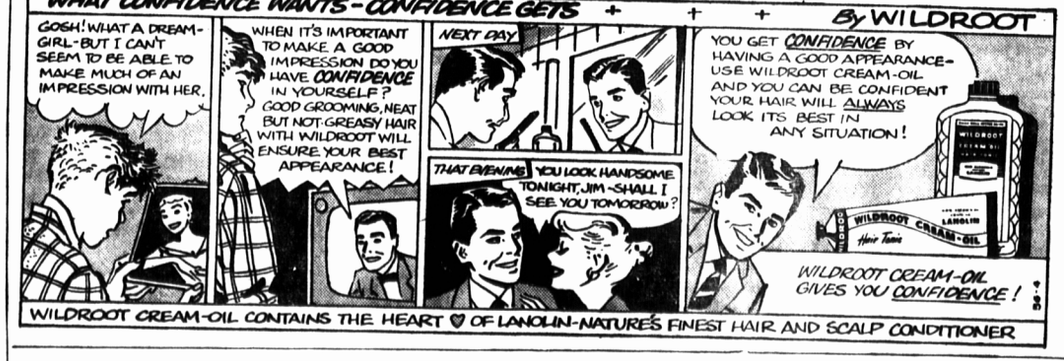
Channel 2

MONDAY

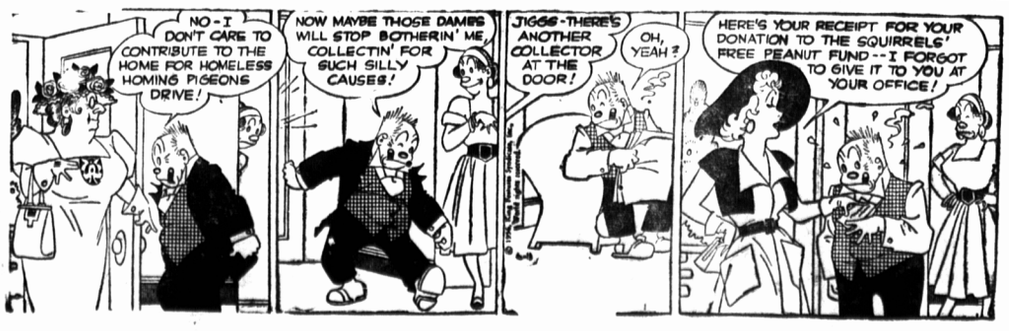
2:00 p.m.—FM Concert Hour
3:00 p.m.—Coffee Chatter
3:30 p.m.—At Home with Helen Crocker
4:15 p.m.—Uncle Jack Reid at the Piano
4:30 p.m.—Fur & Feathers
4:45 p.m.—Aubrey & Gus
5:00 p.m.—Barbie's Scrapbook
5:30 p.m.—Howdy Doody
6:00 p.m.—Puppet Theatre
6:15 p.m.—Cartoons
6:30 p.m.—CKCW—TV News
6:40 p.m.—Weather
6:45 p.m.—Sports
6:50 p.m.—CBC News
7:00 p.m.—Fury
7:30 p.m.—Westmorland Singers
7:50 p.m.—P. C. Political Talk
8:00 p.m.—Interlude
8:30 p.m.—Saddle Songs
9:00 p.m.—Medic
9:30 p.m.—Denny Vaughan Show
10:00 p.m.—Studio One
11:00 p.m.—CKCW-TV News
11:10 p.m.—Weather
11:15 p.m.—Boxing
12:15 a.m.—Sign Off

Out Our Way — By J. R. Williams

Our Boarding House — Major Hoople

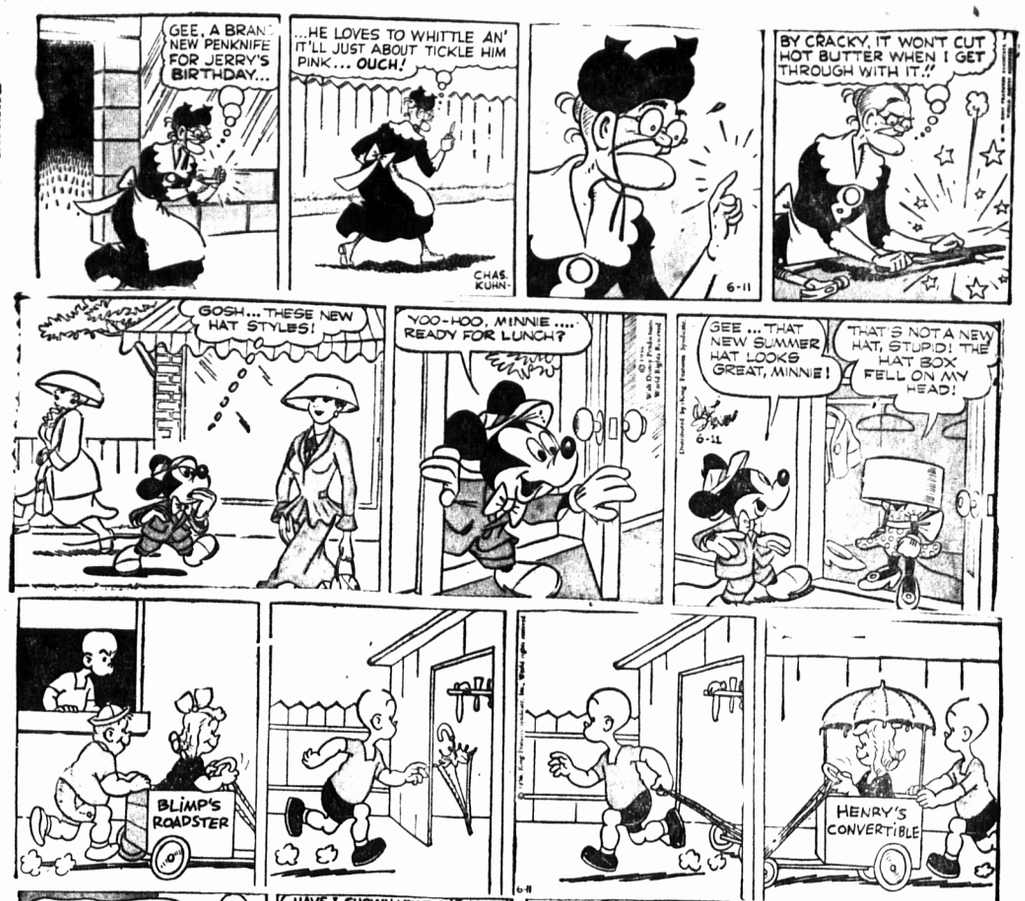


Bringing Up Father



Li'l Abner

Grandma — Mickey Mouse — Henry



Muggs and Skeeter

Tilly The Toiler

Etta Kett

Joe Palooka

The Lone Ranger

Secret Agent X9

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