

# BURGESS BEDTIME STORIES

(By Thornton W. Burgess)

## WHOSE TREE WAS IT?

Possession is the rule of right, Unless obtained by force and might.

—Old Mother Nature.

Quarrels are foolish. There is no real excuse for quarrelling. Quarrels lead to fights, and fights lead to bitter feelings that never end. There was a quarrel over in the Green Forest, and like all quarrels, it was a silly one. Prickly Porky the Porcupine and Paddy the Beaver were quarrelling. They were quarrelling over a tree, and a fallen tree at that! Half of it was in the water. But this is how it was.

The tree was a big aspen tree that had been growing near the edge of Paddy the Beaver's Pond. It had been growing there before there was any pond, only Laughing Brook chattering and gurgling on its way to the Big River far away. As you know, that pond had been made by Paddy the Beaver. To make it he had built a dam across Laughing Brook. The favorite food of the Beaver folk is the bark of aspen trees. There had been many aspen trees growing around there, some little and some big. It was because of those trees that Paddy and Mrs. Paddy had planned that pond right there. You know they are water folk, and they are not safe far from water. So when their food trees are growing some distance from the nearest water they take the water to the trees, or as near to them as possible. They do it by making a pond. Then they can cut their food trees and feel safe while doing it.

All the smaller aspen trees near the big aspen had been cut. The big aspen had been left to be cut later. Prickly Porky the Porcupine had climbed up in that tree and had found it very much to his liking. He, too, is an eater of bark. But he doesn't dig down his trees to get the bark. Goodness no! Even if he could cut down trees he wouldn't. That would be hard work and Prickly Porky is one of those folk who dislike hard work.

He believes in getting things the easiest way. He has no ambition. He is quite content to just eat and sleep. Eating and sleeping is about all that life means to him. If he were a human being he would, I suspect, be on welfare.

So Prickly Porky had been living for some days in the top of that tree. Paddy the Beaver hadn't known that he was up there. One night Paddy decided that the time had come to cut the big aspen. He went to work. It was going to be a big job, but he didn't let that trouble him. Paddy is one of those who have found out for themselves the joy



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In honest work. Nothing is worth having that isn't worth working for. If more people felt this way there would be more independence and less living on others.

Later Mrs. Paddy joined Paddy and night after night they had worked, biting out big chips all around that tree until at last it fell with a crash and a splash. For the upper part was in the water. That was the part where Prickly Porky was and he had had an unexpected and unwanted bath. He had climbed back along the tree and had found Paddy and Mrs. Paddy preparing to start work right in again to trim off the limbs and to cut the tree into short logs. Prickly Porky started right in to tell them just what he thought of them, and what he thought of them wasn't nice at all.

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## Contract Bridge

By Josephine Culbertson

### TWO SCHOOLS OF BIDDING

There are two widely divergent schools of thought on the bidding situation present in today's deal.

South dealer. Both sides vulnerable. Rubber bridge.

♠ A Q 10 8 6  
♥ 7 3  
♦ 5 4  
♣ 10 6 2

♠ J 5 4 2  
♥ 9 2  
♦ 10 8 2  
♣ Q 7 4 3

♠ 7 3  
♥ A Q 5  
♦ K J 9 7  
♣ K J 9

This was the actual bidding:

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

West, with a sure entry in clubs and a probable entry in diamonds, could not be talked out of opening his long heart suit, despite South's obvious tenace in that suit, and so led the heart jack. South won with the queen and led a spade. When West's king appeared, South gave thought to ducking the trick in the hope of running the rest of the suit, but there was too much chance that the king was really a singleton, so South put up the ace from dummy and tried the diamond finesse. West won with the queen and knocked out South's second heart stopper. This meant that South could not win a single club trick and, taking only two spades, two hearts and four diamonds, he was down one.

Since North could have made four spades without any real difficulty, the argument then started over the bidding. North said that his repeated spade bids had announced his dislike for notrump and so, when South persisted to three notrump, North had no further responsibility. South said

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that that was a lot of nonsense, and criticized North severely for accepting the notrump contract. With a great many players follow the same bidding philosophy that North followed in this case, but the validity of their stand is another matter. The mere fact that North rebid spades was in no sense an announcement that he had no

## DAILY CROSSWORD

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|--------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| ACROSS | 1. Garret                    | 5. The thorax                 | 24. Employ                    |
|        | 2. Wealthy                   | 6. Wealthy                    | 25. Lagoon                    |
|        | 3. Sulked                    | 7. Hautboys                   | 26. Exhaust                   |
|        | 4. Sofa                      | 8. Indigent                   | 27. Receptacle                |
|        | 11. Weights                  | 9. Otherwise                  | for coffee                    |
|        | 12. Coin (Ind.)              | 10. Perishes                  | 32. Monkey                    |
|        | 13. Rope with running knot   | 11. Flap                      | 34. Lark                      |
|        | 14. Castor silk              | 12. Diocesan center           | 35. Small islands             |
|        | 15. Guided                   | 13. Goddess of harvests (It.) | 36. Spigots                   |
|        | 16. Remains                  | 20. A short sleep             | 37. Genuine                   |
|        | 17. At one time              | 21. Weep                      | 38. Assam silkworm            |
|        | 18. Exiat                    | 22. Malt beverage             | 39. Filled with solemn wonder |
|        | 19. Diving bird              | 23. Red seaweed               | 40. Mass of floating ice      |
|        | 20. Pealed                   | 24. Watch secretly            | 41. Scottish-Gaelic           |
|        | 21. Plural suffix            | 25. Man's nickname            | 42. To be in debt             |
|        | 22. Sandbar                  | 26. Eagle's nest              |                               |
|        | 23. Country (SW. Eur.)       | 27. Cosmetic pigment          |                               |
|        | 24. Support for flowers, etc | 28. Pitchers                  |                               |
|        | 25. Man's nickname           | 29. Quench, as thirst         |                               |
|        | 26. Eagle's nest             | 30. Marsh grass               |                               |
|        | 27. Cosmetic pigment         |                               |                               |
|        | 28. Pitchers                 |                               |                               |
|        | 29. Quench, as thirst        |                               |                               |
|        | 30. Marsh grass              |                               |                               |

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21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50

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

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

A Cryptogram Quotation  
RZO NEEQM XELLAUXWZF VWSK  
SKA MQWAM, SKR UHIS METN MWS-  
SWZF WZ SKWZA ARAM-LWNSEZ.

Yesterday's Cryptogram: SHALL STERN AMBITION, RIVALSHIP OF POWER, SUBDUED THE SOFT HUMANITY WITHIN US?—WHITEHEAD.

## KING OF THE ROYAL MOUNTED

Panel 1: BUT WHAT BROUGHT YOU HERE, CAPTAIN?  
Panel 2: AFTER THE WALETS MURDER, I GOT TO THINK ABOUT HOW YOU SUSPECTED THE CYCLE MESSENGER OF CARRYING THE TETRAVALS OUT IN THE WINE BOTTLES... THAT EXPLOSION CRACKED IT! FORGIVE ME FOR BEING SO STUBBORN, KING!  
Panel 3: OF COURSE, CAPTAIN, YOU GOT HERE JUST IN TIME AND WE'VE BROKEN UP A SERIOUS THREAT TO SECURITY!  
Panel 4: THE REAL DEAN TELLS ME THEY MIGHT HAD A CHANCE TO SEE ANY OF THE STOLEN DATA OUT OF THE COUNTRY NET... AND WE KNOW THE INSIDE TRAITOR! NOW!  
Panel 5: HE'S UNDER ARREST, SIR!  
Panel 6: I THINK THAT'S GOOD ENOUGH, KNOWBY. ONE THING I KNOW... YOU'VE NEVER GONE BACK ON YOUR WORD.

Panel 1: LOOK, N.J., THIS PROPOSITION'LL MAKE A LOTTA MONEY... THE COMPANY IS SLIPPIN'... I THINK IT CAN BE BOUGHT CHEAP... AN' I KNOW IT CAN BE PUT BACK ON TOP...  
Panel 2: BUT, KNOWBY, WHAT MAKES YOU THINK YOU CAN BUILD IT UP... YOU'RE NOT A SOAP MAN...  
Panel 3: LOOK, N.J., I WANT A GOOD BUSINESS FOR JOE... AN' ME... PER TH' FUTURE... I GOT A FRIEND HAS A NEW MERCHANDISING IDEA... AN' WE'LL PUT THIS SOAP OVER IN A BIG WAY.  
Panel 4: YOU SAY YOU'RE PUTTING IN BOTH YOUR AND JOE'S MONEY... BUT WHAT SECURITY WILL YOU HAVE TO OFFER US... IF...  
Panel 5: MY WORD... AN' THAT'S GOOD ENOUGH, KNOWBY. ONE THING I KNOW... YOU'VE NEVER GONE BACK ON YOUR WORD. WHAT HAPPENS OUTA FUTURE FIGHTS...  
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Panel 1: Henry is running.  
Panel 2: Henry is running.  
Panel 3: Henry is running.  
Panel 4: Henry is running.

Panel 1: HIM-- HORACE GETS UP FOR A SNACK EVERY TIME THE TV COMMERCIAL COMES ON--  
Panel 2: HE'LL BE FAT AS A PIG IF I DON'T STOP HIM!!  
Panel 3: AND NOW A WORD FROM OUR SPONSOR--  
Panel 4: SCALES

Panel 1: NOW WHERE'RE YOU GOIN'?? DON'T YOU DARE GO DOWN TO THAT RIVER AN' FALL IN--  
Panel 2: --AN' DON'T CLIMB ALL OVER SPEAR'S BARN ROOF AN' FALL OFF AN--  
Panel 3: MERCY! DON'T GLAM TH' DOOR--!  
Panel 4: MY LAND!--WELL, ANYBODY COULD SEE SCHOOL'S OUT NOW, AN--  
Panel 5: WHY DON'T YOU WATCH WHAT YOU'RE DOIN'--YOU'VE GONE AN' LEFT TIPPY ON TH' WYRBE SIDE OF TH' DOOR--AGAIN--! MERCY!

Panel 1: THIS IS OPERA NIGHT-- SO I'LL LIE DOWN AN' PRETEND I'M SICK-- THEN I WON'T HAVE TO GO--  
Panel 2: --HELLO-- MRS. BACKANFORTH! THIS IS MRS. JIGGS--  
Panel 3: MAYBE SHE'LL TAKE HER AN' I WON'T HAVE TO GO--  
Panel 4: NO-- I'M NOT GOING TO THE OPERA-- IN FACT IT'S BEEN POSTPONED-- THE STARS, MRS. KEN YODEL IS ILL-- NO-- I CAN'T COME OVER-- I MUST STAY HOME AND PRACTICE MY SINGING!!  
Panel 5: NOT THAT!

Panel 1: TILLIE, THE BALLOTS ARE COUNTED AND YOU'RE ELECTED MODEL OF THE YEAR  
Panel 2: NOW I CAN RELAX, BUBBLES!  
Panel 3: I BET I'M ALL OVER THE FRONT PAGE.  
Panel 4: I'M IN THE HEADLINES ALL RIGHT!  
Panel 5: THIS IS THE FACIAL SURGERY UNIT... WE'VE GOT TO MAKE HUNDREDS OF GIRLS INTO BEAUTIFUL MILLIONS!

Panel 1: FATHER, I THINK WE SHOULD DISCUSS MY ALLOWANCE.  
Panel 2: UM-PH.  
Panel 3: I THINK IT'S TIME WE WERE LITERALLY REALISTIC ABOUT IT.  
Panel 4: UM-M-M  
Panel 5: DON'T YOU THINK WE SHOULD HAVE AN ELEVATOR CLAUSE GEARING MY ALLOWANCE TO THE COST OF LIVING?  
Panel 6: UM-PH ON SURE.  
Panel 7: FATHER, YOU'RE A DOLL. I'LL GET TWENTY TWO PERCENT MORE STARTING A MONTH AGO SATURDAY!  
Panel 8: SAY, WAIT, WHAT'S GOING ON AROUND HERE?

## STOPS HEADACHE FAST ASPIRIN

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Panel 1: HERE'S A TIP, IF A STARVING CUSTOMER KEEPS ASKING FOR FOOD-- JUST TURN ON HIM AN' YELL, "I ONLY GOT TWO HANDS, MAC!"  
Panel 2: I SHALL TRY TO REMEMBER THE MAGICAL PHRASE!  
Panel 3: LET'S GO BOWLIN' AGAIN! TO-NIGHT, HUH, MAYMIE?  
Panel 4: --SHE HAIN'T NO GALLIVANTIN' WAITRESS, NAMED MAYMIE?-- SHE'S A SWEET OLE LADY, NAMED MAMMY!!

Panel 1: THIS IS MISS DORIAN, MR. KING... WE WERE JUST GOING TO MY PLACE FOR A SPOT OF DINNER-- WILL YOU JOIN US?  
Panel 2: SURE... I'M GLAD TO MEET ANY FRIENDS OF JERRI'S.  
Panel 3: JERRI SAID YOU AND SHE HAD A LITTLE TUPP UP AT UTOPIA...  
Panel 4: AN... EVERYTHING WOULD'VE BEEN ALL RIGHT IF THAT BIG PONY, "THE GREAT YUP" HADN'T BUTTERED IN!

Panel 1: YOU'IS ONLY AS OLD AS YOU FEELS! AN' AH IS STILL CHICKEN HONEY!!  
Panel 2: OH--SAY-- DON'T YOU REMEMBER ME?-- AH IS DAISY MAE... THE FUM DOGPATCH!!  
Panel 3: AN HEETS LOTS O' PEOPLE DEARIE? CAIN'T REMEMBER 'EM ALL-- UGH! THE LUMP ON MAM'S HEAD SHORE ACHES?

Panel 1: IS THE GENTLEMAN REALLY A PHONY?  
Panel 2: LISTEN... THE THINGS I COULD TELL YOU ABOUT THAT GUY...!

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