

BURGESS BEDTIME STORIES

By Thornton W. Burgess

THE YOUNG SHOW-OFF

Showing off will nothing gain. May result in loss or pain.

—Old Mother Nature.

Jerry Muskrat had five children. They were born in the house out in the water of the Smiling Pool. Like most babies they were very helpless when they were born. Their eyes were not open. They had no little fur coats to keep them warm. Mother was with them most of the time, and they snuggled up to her to keep warm. But their eyes opened soon, and little furred coats soon kept them warm and dry. In that house out in the Smiling Pool those babies were very safe. The only one who could hurt them there was Billy Mink, or one of his family, and at that time there wasn't a mink in the neighborhood.

Muskrat babies grow fast, as

indeed do most babies of the folks in fur and feathers. It wasn't long before they were venturing outside. It was a good thing that they could swim without having to learn, other wise they couldn't have gotten outside the house. You see, the only way to get in and out of one of Jerry's houses is through a tunnel or hall filled with water. It is the same way with the house of Paddy the Beaver.



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Of course the five babies were alike, yet unlike. It is always that way in families. One was older than his brothers and sisters. One was more timid than the others. One was a little stronger than his brothers and sisters. One was more bashful. One was smart, and knew he was smart. He dearly loved to show how smart he was. He liked to show off. He was the first to leave the house and go out into the Smiling Pool. He was the first to swim over to Laughing Brook, where it enters the Smiling

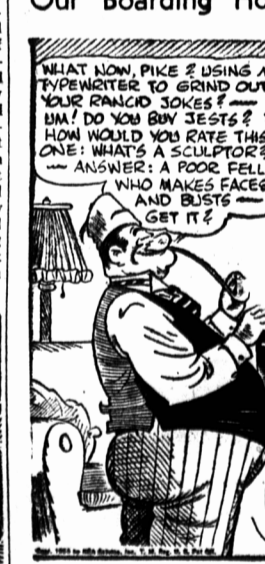
Pool. He was the fastest swimmer and the best diver, and he dearly loved to be admired. So it was that whenever he got the chance he showed off. It happened that one morning the young show-off was over by the big lily pad on which Grandfather Frog was sitting, waiting for some foolish green flies to fly his way. The young Muskrat saw Grandfather Frog's big goggle eyes watching him. He began to show off. He began to show what a good swimmer he was; how he could twist and turn in the water; how he could dive. He made a quite a splashing in doing it. "Chug-a-rum!" said Grandfather Frog. "Chug-a-rum! If you don't watch out young fellow, you will show off once too often." The young Muskrat made no reply. He simply tried to show off a little more, and in doing so he did a lot of splashing. Now, unknown to the young show-off, Snapper the Turtle was out looking for breakfast. He had grown tired of waiting for a breakfast to come to him, and so he had started out to look for one. The splashing by the young Muskrat drew Snapper's attention. He headed that way, swimming under water. When he was near enough he saw that that young Muskrat was not yet too big for him to try to catch. That young Muskrat would make a very good breakfast. Grandfather Frog was still watching when the young Muskrat disappeared down in the water, and didn't come up again. "Chug-a-rum!" said Grandfather Frog. "Too bad! Too bad! Chug-a-rum!"

The smooth easy chewing seems to make your work go quicker -- easier!



Enjoy chewing Wrigley's Spearmint every day!

Our Boarding House Major Hoople



JOE GOT A PROMOTION, EH?

HUNTER RIVER U. C. W. M. S. LEAD.

Mrs. Moase entertained the members of the Auxiliary of the W. M. S. at the Altane on Thursday evening, May 24th. Mrs. MacLeod, president, and opened the meeting by reading the "Statement of Purpose"; the theme being, "To Live And To Give." Scripture, prayer, and hymns comprised the worship period. Minutes were read and approved. 15 members answered the roll call; 47 home, three hospital calls being reported and 14 books read.

Correspondence consisted of a card of thanks; a letter from Mrs. Parker, Literature Secretary; letter from Rev. Ross Eaton regarding the Temperance Movement; and a letter of thanks for a parcel sent overseas.

It was moved and seconded to pay Mrs. Bowman the amount of charges on parcel sent; moved and seconded to send \$2.00 to the Temperance Education. The treasurer was asked to send for two annual reports. Mrs. Orville Sellar is to be Leader of the Mission Band for the remainder of the year in Mrs. MacLeod's place. A very interesting account of the life of Naomi in the Book of Ruth was given

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ISLAND HISTORY

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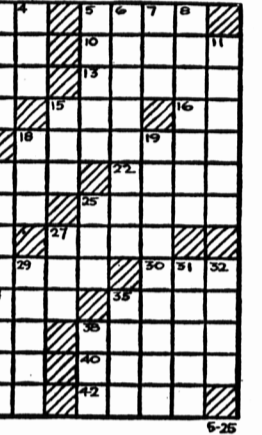
GREAT RIVER

The Nile, world's longest river, flows 4,100 miles from its source in tiny springs in Central Africa.

DAILY CROSSWORD

- ACROSS
1. French clerical title
 2. Wine receptacles
 3. Measuring stick
 4. Heavy cotton cloth
 5. Ascended
 6. Aim (Scot.)
 7. Diplomacy
 8. Body of water
 9. Virginia (abbr.)
 10. Antlered animal
 11. Nun's head-dress (pl.)
 12. Pile
 13. Cast
 14. Missile weapon
 15. Dominieering
 16. Macaws (abbr.)
 17. Hindi garment
 18. Of medicine
 19. Vat
 20. Underwater Mechanic (abbr.)
 21. Man's nickname
 22. African river
 23. Kind of deck
 24. Capital (Tunisia)
 25. Rental contract
 26. Inscribe

- DOWN
1. Or the ear
 2. Simpleton
 3. Finest
 4. Before
 5. Revoke, as a legacy (L.)
 6. Figure of speech
 7. Insect
 8. Coats with silver
 9. Value
 10. Contemptible (slang)
 11. Slight taste
 12. Con-sist
 13. British ship sunk on May 7, 1915
 14. State of comfort
 15. Hebrew Judge and prophet
 16. First minister of state
 17. Chemical compound (abbr.)
 18. Unhappy
 19. Wraps in cerecloth
 20. Least whole numbers
 21. Establish
 22. Native of Turkey
 23. Large tree (Phil.)
 24. A number



DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE

Here's how to work it: AXYDLBAAXE is 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

TEG UDF UWRNG LRF FLQOWY, RYJ GENYJ RFDJW. TZ JQWH. DYGWADYRTOW HNDJW-TENJW.

Yesterday's Cryptogram: UPROUSE YE, THEN, MY MERRY MEN! IT IS OUR OPENING DAY--BALLIE.

Annual Dinner Meeting
CHARLOTTETOWN BOARD OF TRADE
Charlottetown Hotel
FRIDAY, MAY 27th, 1955
Guest Speaker:
HON. W. ROSS MacDONALD,
Solicitor General of Canada

Reception 6 P.M. Price \$1.50
Dinner 7 P.M.

Our businessmen are cordially invited to attend. Tickets available by calling 9121 before Friday.

VETERANS DANCE

CLOVER CLUB, MAY 27
Couples only. Dancing 9:30 to 1 o'clock
Tickets may be purchased from Legion Canteen or from any member of the executive.
ADMISSION: \$4.00 PER COUPLE

CLOSING OUT SALE

A DISCOUNT OF 25% on all merchandise in stock. This sale to continue until the end of May.
KEMP'S STATIONERY
172 1/2 Kent Street.

Contract Bridge

By Josephine Culbertson

TACTICS IN BIDDING

Generally speaking the player who elects to make a light opening bid must hold back thereafter -- this is nothing but common sense. But even in this respect there are such things as tactical considerations, and North in the following deal proved that he was not a sound tactician.

North dealer. Both sides vulnerable. Both 60 on score.

♠	8 7 6 5 4 3 2	♥	Q 7 5 2
♦	10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2	♣	10 8 7 6 5 4 3 2
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The bidding:

North	East	South	West
Pass	Pass	1♠	2♦
Pass	Pass	2♠	Pass
Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass

West opened the diamond bid, and the final upshot was a one-trick set of the contract, South having had to lose two trump tricks, a heart, a diamond and two clubs.

North easily could have made two-odd at hearts, and when the opponents went game on the next hand, the result of this hand became extremely costly to North-South.

Technically, North was perhaps right in passing over West's two diamonds, since the one-heart opening itself had been a minimum. Tactically, however, that pass was unwise. It was unwise because North was relatively weak, and (even more important) because North had a singleton in his partner's higher-ranking spade suit.

At the existing post-score situation, it was a foregone conclusion that if North passed the diamond bid around, South would take some action. In view of North's own diamonds, it was extremely unlikely that South could double, and there was certainly no reason to feel that he would be able to raise hearts. The dangerous probability, then, was that South would be trapped into a spade rebid on a fair-to-good suit -- exactly what happened -- and that North would not supply enough tricks for a successful spade contract. Thus, everything considered, it was more discreet to rebid hearts, to stave off a spade rebid, than to pass.



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Senator



Wrong Again



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The Lone Ranger



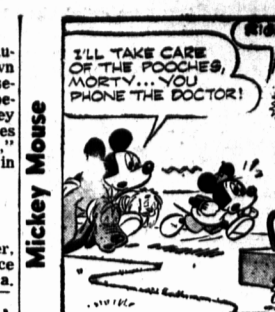
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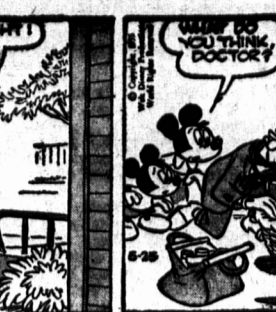
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From Striker



Mickey Mouse



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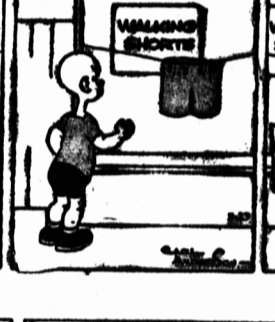
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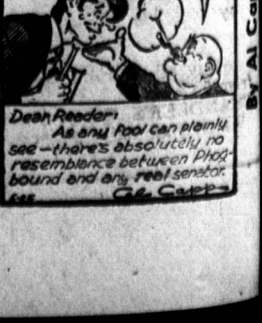
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