



Burgess Bedtime Stories

By Thornton W. Burgess
THE CUBS ARE SADDER AND WISER
A lesson that is learned through pain. You seldom need to learn again. —Old Mother Nature.

Yellow Jackets are members of the Wasp family. They are not tempered folk. They have just as hot stings as have any other members of the family, and they are just as ready to use them. Taddy Bear and Totty Bear were finding this out. They had found a Yellow Jacket's home in a bank over in the forest. Taddy Bear had started to dig it open. He started, but that was all. Out poured those Yellow Jackets that were inside. Every one of them had a hot temper and a hot sting. The two little cubs found this out. They took to their heels squealing as first one and then the other was stung. Over and over they saw these hot-tempered Yellow Jackets. They could fly as fast as the cubs could run. Taddy Bear ran in one direction, and Totty Bear ran in another direction. They



They took to their heels squealing. Skunk "What has happened to you?" he asked. "We found another Yellow Jacket's nest," explained Taddy Bear. Jimmy Skunk's shoe-button eyes brightened. "You don't say!" he exclaimed, and he grinned. "Did you dig that nest open?" "No," replied Taddy Bear. "I started to." "Didn't you know any better than to do that?" asked Jimmy Skunk. "We saw you dig open a nest the other evening," spoke up Totty Bear. "That was different!" replied Jimmy Skunk. "How was it different?" demanded Taddy Bear. "It was at a different time of day," replied Jimmy Skunk. "What has the time of day to do with it?" Totty Bear wanted to know. "It has everything to do with it," said Jimmy. "If you remember, that was a cool evening when I dug that nest open. All those folks inside had come to sleep. Anyway, they were too stupid to fight. I just pulled them out, and ate them up before they could sting. That is the time of day to dig open one of these nests. Would you mind showing me where the nest is that you tried to open?" "It is over there," said Taddy Bear, pointing in the direction from which he had come. "It is over there," said Totty Bear, pointing in the direction from which she had come. Then the two little Bears had a squabble, each insisting on a different direction. You see, one of them had circled around, but didn't realize it. "Just show me where it is," said Jimmy Skunk to Taddy Bear. Taddy Bear refused. He wasn't going back in the neighborhood of that nest. Then Jimmy Skunk asked Totty Bear to lead him to that nest. Totty Bear wouldn't. Jimmy Skunk sighed. He was disappointed. Jimmy is an expert in opening Yellow Jackets' nests. He is very fond of Yellow Jackets. It was provoking to know that there was a nest somewhere near, and these silly little Bears wouldn't lead him to it. But were those two little cubs silly or were they wise? What do you think?

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Contract Bridge

By Josephine Culbertson

A BAD REBID

South's opening bid in the hand below, though technically questionable, should have led to a perfect result. The fact that it didn't was due to South's very ineffectual second bid.

South dealer. North-South vulnerable and 40 on score.

Hand diagram showing cards for South and North.

Bidding table showing South, West, North, East bids.

The opening lead didn't matter—there was no play for the six-spade contract. Six diamonds, however, would have been a laydown. Thus, instead of collecting 1670 points, North-South paid out 100 points—and, as it happened, the opponents won the next two games.

Most experts would not make an opening two-bid on the South hand, but it was not that selection—two spades—that led to the sad result. In fact, the bid should have turned out beautifully. It was South's amazing and inexcusable failure to show his diamonds that sent the partnership off on the wrong course. When North properly raised the opening bid to three spades, giving South a further chance even though the side had a 40 score, it was absurd for South to use the Blackwood Convention then and there—his first duty was to bid four diamonds. North's raise did not guarantee four supporting spades, and so the combined hands might be much better off in diamonds. For this to be true, South didn't have to find his partner with five diamonds—four-card support might easily mean that a slam could only be made at diamonds, with South's spade suit affording discards of hearts from dummy. It was ironic that the only diamond bid made by the partnership—not that North was in any way to blame—was the artificial ace-showing response to Blackwood. The suit itself was not mentioned from first to last.

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Bringing Up Father



By Ruford

Dotty Dripple



By Bob Gustafson

Tilly The Toiler



By Edwina

Tippy and "Cap" Stubs



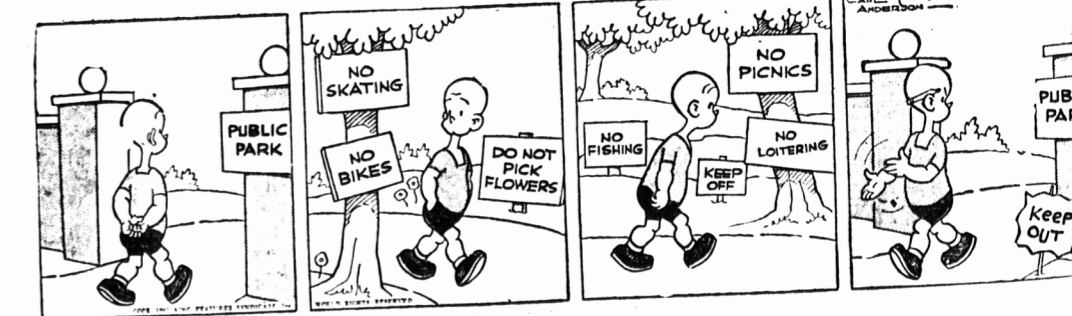
By Clifford McBride

Napoleon and Uncle Elby



By Carl Anderson

Henry



By Walt Kelly

Pogo



By Harry Hoegen

PENNY

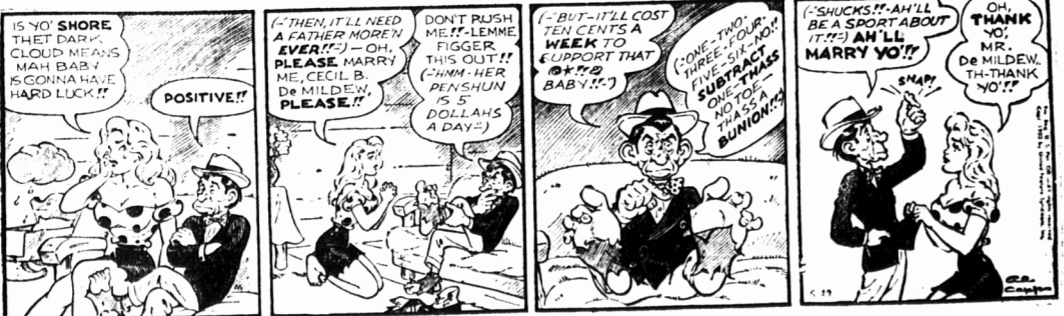


Joe Palooka



By Ham Fisher

Lil' Abner



By Al Capp

Rip Kirby



By Alex Raymond

King Of The Royal Mounted



By Zane Grey