

BURGESS BEDTIME STORIES

By Thornton W. Burgess

AN UNEXPECTED BATH
 Before you jump be careful and make sure you know just where to land.
 —Gray Fox
 These were lovely days, exciting days, for the three Little Foxes who had been born over in the Green Forest. They were the children of Gray Fox and Mrs. Gray, cousins of Reddy Fox. Early every morning or late afternoon, mother, or sometimes father, took them hunting; and hunting can be exciting, especially when hunting for food. Of course, their hunting was seldom successful, but now and then they would catch a Grasshopper, or a Cricket, or a Beetle. And each time they learned something about the things they were trying to catch, and how to catch them. It was a way they were going to school. But they would have gone hungry a long time after if father and mother had not provided most of their food.
 Early one evening before it was yet dark, mother led them over to Laughing Brook. It was the first time they had ever seen a pool of water. They had never seen more than small puddles after rain. They just didn't know what to make of it. Presently they came to a little pool. One of the Little Foxes had run ahead. A small Frog hopped out from beneath a fern on the bank of the little pool.
 It was the first live Frog the little Foxes had ever seen. He knew it was good to eat because mother had brought home Frogs she had caught. The little Foxes crouched. He began to creep forward. His eyes shone with excitement. Little by little he crept nearer the little Frog. Mother stood watching him. She grinned as she watched. At last he could contain himself no longer. He jumped so that little Frog. He jumped a wee bit too soon for he wasn't quite near enough.
 The little Frog jumped too, as only a little Frog can. It was a beautiful long jump, straight out into the little pool. The excited little Fox made another long jump after him, and landed with a great splash in that little pool of water. He went in all over. The water got up his nose. It got in his eyes and ears. He swallowed too much and choked, and all that time he was kicking and splashing, making the water fly in all directions.
 Mother stood on the bank looking down at him, and she was grinning more broadly than ever. She knew that water was very shallow; that all he had to do was put his feet down and walk right out. His brother and sister were on the bank too, dancing in glee. They thought it was great fun to see their brother splashing in the water like that and all wet.
 Presently he waded out. He had been out in the rain more than once, but never in his short life had he been as wet as he was now. He shook himself. He wondered if he would ever be dry again. The worst of it was he didn't have any little Frog to show for his unexpected bath.
 "A wise Fox always looks before he leaps. He first makes sure where he is going to land. The Fox who does this seldom gets into trouble," said mother.
 Just then the little Frog popped his head out of water. Then he swam across the little pool, and came out on the shore, but right at the water's edge. Perhaps he was laughing inside.

Strange But True

By F. H. MacArthur

A correspondent wants to know how long did the Puritans of New England keep up the practice of hanging witches.
 Well, Sir, for 48 years — from 1648 to 1696. The witch hunting

hysteria died out with the puny confession of Judge Samuel Sewell. One day, Judge Sewell stood up in the old South meeting house in Boston, and with bowed head confessed that he had been in error all along about witches and was ashamed of himself for the role he had played in having so many innocent persons hanged for something they didn't do.
 For my farmer readers: Alfalfa clover has the highest per-acre yield fall hay grass. Also, Alfalfa has a high protein and calcium content, and is a wonderful source of vitamins for animals.
 What is the difference between a majority and a plurality in an election.
 A candidate wins by a majority if he gets more than half of the votes cast. If three or more candidates are running, but none has more than half the votes, the winner has a plurality.
 Nature waked at the little Galgen boys and they came back smiling. Why? Because life for the Ohio Siamese twins is a cumbersome shift of taking turns walking backward. The boys are joined at the abdomen. One has to sleep on the bottom when they get tucked into their beds at night. When physicians said separation by surgery would mean death for one of the twins because they share vital internal organs, the parents said, "let's not talk about it any more" and they didn't.
 Did you know that posing for photographs with Buckingham Palace guards is now forbidden to tourists by order of Queen Elizabeth?
 Deer may soon be used along with men to act as aircraft observers, because they are able to detect the approach of a plane several minutes before humans.

CONTRACT BRIDGE

By Josephine Culbertson

A VITAL SAFETY PLAY
 SAFETY plays are particularly valuable at slam contracts in rubber bridge. The prize at stake is so large that anything declarer can do to insure success (or even substantially increase his chance for success) is obviously well worth doing.
 Take the classic trump position in the following hand for example. It is reasonable to say that every genuine expert would hold his trump loss to one trick and consequently bring home the slam contract, and it is just as true, I fear, that no so-called social player would enjoy the same success.
 North dealer.
 North-South vulnerable.
 ♠ AK 843
 ♥ A 6 5
 ♦ K 9 2
 ♣ Q 7
 ♠ Q 10 6
 ♥ Q J 7 4
 ♦ Q 10 5 4
 ♣ 10 6 5 4
 ♠ 7 2
 ♥ A J 8 7 3
 ♦ A K J 9
 ♣ A K J 9

West opened the ten of hearts, and South, a non-expert, took the trick in his own hand and immediately led a low trump to the king. He then returned the deuce of trumps. East showed out—and North-South ended up by arguing over who had been wrong in the bidding.
 The partners argued about the wrong thing. The bidding was perfectly all right—it was South's play of the slam that did the damage. The right way to handle this combination of trumps, when one trick can comfortably be conceded, is to lay down the ace, then to lead small toward the K-9. If West follows low to the second lead, the nine should be put in. If East can win this trick, even with the ten, it matters little to declarer, since the suit is now known to break and dummy's king can account for the enemy's last trump. If, conversely, West shows out on the second lead, that doesn't matter either, because of course the king is played and declarer then leads the nine through East's Q-10 up to his own J-8-7, again limiting the loss to one trick.

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By J. R. Williams



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DAILY CROSSWORD

- ACROSS**
- house (11)
 - A brownish-red chalcid
 - Mediterranean evergreen tree
 - Bay window
 - Rugged mountain crest
 - Kind of rock
 - Kettle
 - Hawaiian food
 - Radium (sym.)
 - Perish from hunger
 - Close to
 - Cereal grain
 - Broad smile
 - Country in Europe
 - Man's nickname (10ss.)
 - Sailors (slang)
 - Court
 - Incite
 - Pet name for an aunt
 - Preference (Chin.)
 - Type measures
 - Wine receptacle
 - Blazing light
 - A brother of a religious order
 - More secure
 - Working bands
 - le
- DOWN**
- Unit of weight for gems
 - Where bull fights are held
 - Habitual drunkard
 - Man's nickname
 - Tolerable
 - Location of a National Cemetery
 - Narrow inlet (geol.)
 - Alight from a railway train (Brit.)
 - Crowns
 - Gains knowledge
 - Cherished animal
 - Extensive ruffian
 - Carting vehicle
 - Spook
 - Bodies of assistants
 - Food
 - Part of "to be"
 - Coin (Fr.)
 - Part of a nation
 - Extinct
 - Indian of the Bahamas
 - Semblance
 - Organs of hearing
 - Pure and simple
 - Constellation
 - Back
 - Vein of a leaf

GRAND VIEW SCHOOL

- (Report for June)
- Grade IX—1. Kathleen Gillis; 2. Mary MacLean.
- Grade VIII—1. Joan Gillis; 2. Bobby Enman; 3. Wynn Behm.
- Grade VII—1. Ruth MacLean.
- Grade VI—1. Sheila Behm; 2. Effie MacBeth; 3. Tommy MacPherson.
- Grade V—1. Wayne MacPhee; 2. Kay Enman; 3. Ernest MacLeod.
- Grade III—1. Harry MacLean; 2. Mary MacLeod; 3. Neil MacBeth.
- Grade II—1. Bryce MacPherson.
- Grade I—John MacBeth.
- Highest average in senior grades—Joan Gillis.
- Highest average in intermediate grades—Wayne MacPhee.
- Highest average in junior grades—John MacBeth.

SOUTHERN ANNEX

The area of the Antarctic administered by Australia is estimated at 2,472,000 square miles.

WEST COVEHEAD TEA

Wed., July 20

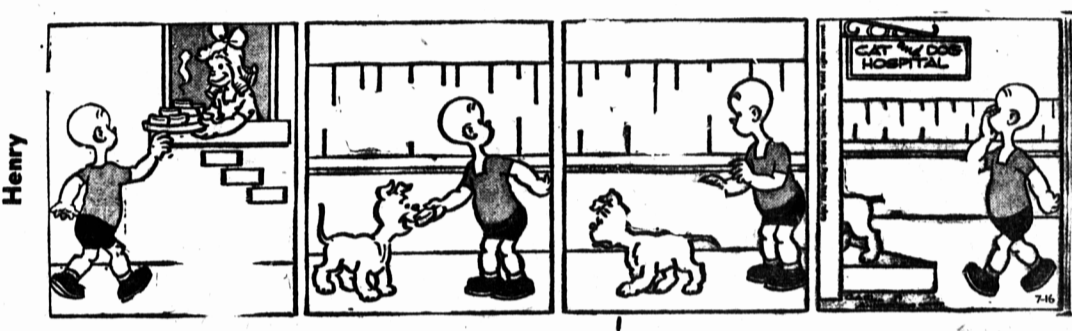
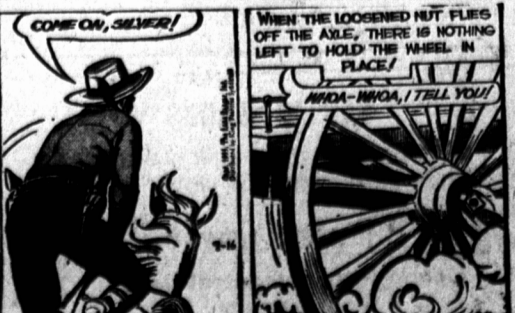
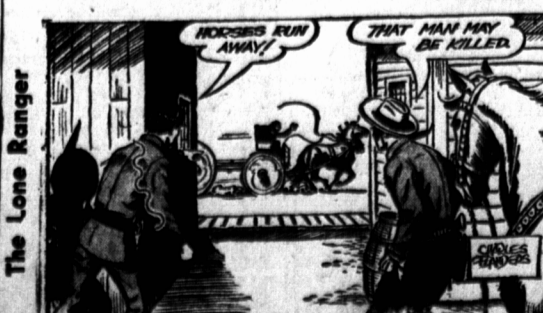
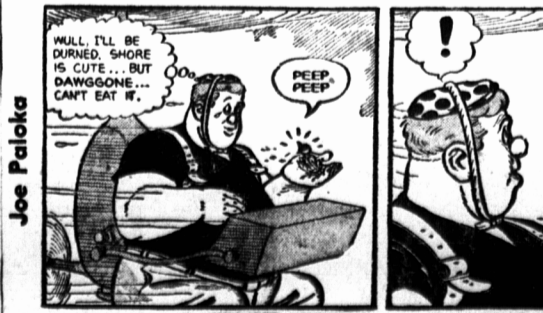
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DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE—Here's how to work it:

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, apostrophies, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.
 A Cryptogram Quotation
 AWI AKON QWI QIKYA UOQR VUA
 IZIA QWI WIKYQ RSQ RG WUA
 DYIKAQ—YRAAIQU.
 Yesterday's Cryptogram—SEVEN HUNDRED POUNDS, AND POSSIBILITIES, IS GOOD GIFT'S SPARE.



By Bob Gustafson
 By Paul Robinson
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