



BURGESS BEDTIME STORIES

(By Thornton W. Burgess)

THE BIG AND THE LITTLE

The tiny things of life you see important as the great may be. —Old Mother Nature

It doesn't seem as if this can be

so tiny as to be too small, or almost too small, for eyes like yours and mine to see.

The young Geese in the flock Honker was leading from the Far North to the Sunny South to spend the winter, had seen many things difficult to believe but nothing quite so hard to believe as that their eyes were really seeing what they seemed to see. It was Bateen, cousin of Finback the Whale, and biggest of all the Whale folk. Finback had seemed almost too big for belief, but he was small beside Bateen the Blue Whale whom they at once began to call Big Mouth.

Can you guess why? He was more than one hundred feet long, nearly twice as long as Finback. When they first saw him he had just come almost to the surface

and was rushing straight at them with his great mouth open as if he intended to swallow the whole flock in a single gulp. They didn't try to get away. They were too frightened. Yes, sir, they were so. Were you ever too frightened to move? It is a dreadful feeling, a perfectly hopeless feeling.

But just as they were sure they were about to be swallowed Big Mouth turned aside, his lower jaw, which had been dropped low, came up and his great mouth snapped shut. At the same time a lot of water came shooting out from the sides of his mouth. Then he was past. Drawing long breaths of relief, the young Geese turned their heads to look after him but he had disappeared.

A few minutes later he was up again rushing through the water with his great mouth open. That great lower jaw snapped shut, the water squirted from the sides of that huge mouth and Bateen dove once more.

"Wh—what's he doing?" asked a young Goose.

"Eating his dinner," replied Honker.

"But there isn't anything for him to eat! There isn't even a little fish anywhere around, so how can he be eating?" cried another.

"He must be eating water. But who ever heard of eating water?" Honker chuckled. So did others of the older members of the flock who had made the long journey more than once before, and had seen Whales before and knew something about them and their ways.

"Look down in the water," commanded Honker.

All the young Geese looked down in the water wonderingly. "What do you see?" asked Honker.

"Nothing," replied one. "The water is too thick, too muddy or something to see down in it."

"The water isn't muddy. We are too far from shore, and it is so full of something that we can't see down in it at all, said a young Goose.

Honker nodded. "Right," said he, chuckling. "It is full of Whale food."

The young Geese looked down in the water, looked at Honker, then back at the water. It was thick with something, but nothing that looked like food. It was thick with particles so tiny that they could hardly be seen. Tiny as they were the were alive. Yes, sir, they were called Plankton. Plankton, made up of the tiniest of living things, is the chief food of the largest and mightiest of animals. Without it they would starve to death. That is how important little things can be.

Civic Tax Appeals

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals against Civic Valuations and Assessments for the year 1950 will meet on **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20th, 1950**, at 10 A.M., in the Court Room, City Building, to hear appeals from supplementary valuations and assessments.

Dated November 15, 1950.

JAMES A. FULLERTON,
City Clerk,
City of Charlottetown.

FISHERMEN'S LOAN INQUIRY

The Public Inquiry into Fishermen's Loans, before His Honour Judge J. S. DesRoches, Commissioner, has been adjourned to meet at

MONTAGUE, MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20th,
R. C. M. P. OFFICE, 10 A.M.

This Inquiry is open to the Public and anyone wishing to give evidence thereat is invited to do so.

J. O. C. CAMPBELL,
Commission Counsel.

THE ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE CALEDONIAN CLUB OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

will be held at The Charlottetown Friday evening at 7, Nov. 17, 1950 Election of officers

All members are urged to attend

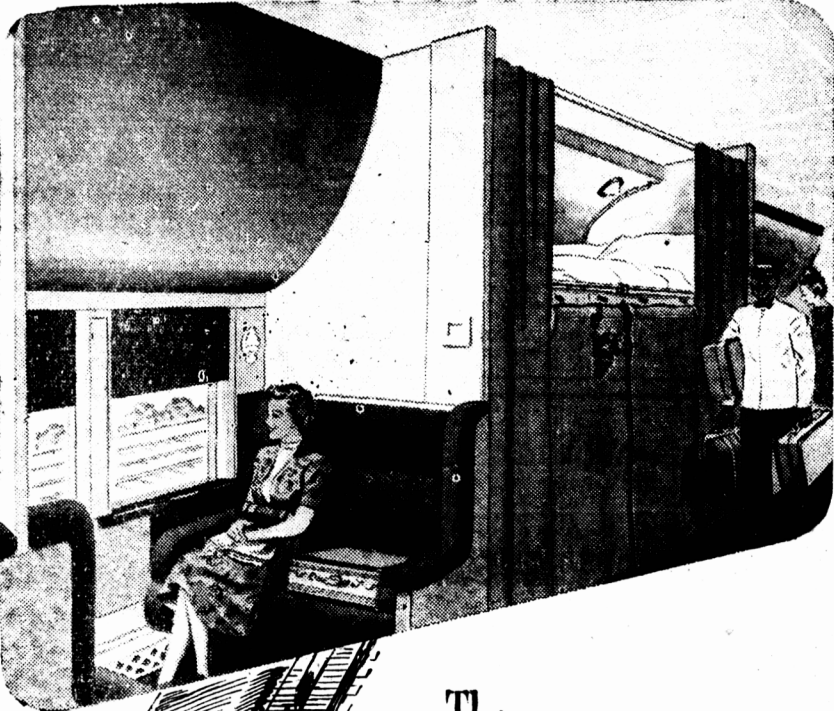
J. W. MacKinnon, Secretary.

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Contract Bridge

By Josephine Culbertson

THE THIRD PLAN

"Dear Mrs. Culbertson: A question of percentage is involved in the play of the following deal, and an interested group would like to have you settle the question for us.

North dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

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

*This was the bidding:
North East South West
1NT Pass 3♣ Pass
4♣ Pass Pass Pass

"West opened the diamond jack. I was the declarer, and I covered with dummy's queen. When East in turn covered with the king, I took the trick and thought things over. I was sure to lose two diamond tricks and the spade ace, and therefore it looked as though I would have to depend on a 3-3 club break at the end. Knowing that a 3-3 break of six missing cards is not to be expected, I decided to finesse in hearts in order to get rid of a loser—a 50-50 chance depending on the position of the heart king. I lost the finesse, however, and of course the opponents promptly took two diamond tricks.

"The ace of trumps set me one. "Did I play the hand correctly?" If the problem had simply consisted of playing for a 3-3 club break or taking the heart finesse, South's decision would have been correct, but this was not the case. A third plan, substantially better than either of the two mentioned, was available. The play would go like this:

At the second trick South lead to the heart ace and ruffs a heart with an honor. He then lays down the spade king. Presumably, West wins the trick, and the defenders collect two diamonds, then simply exit with a trump. This is taken in dummy, and declarer ruffs another heart. He returns to the board in clubs, ruffs the last heart, then goes back with another club and draws East's trump while discarding a club from the closed hand. The club queen then rounds out the contract.

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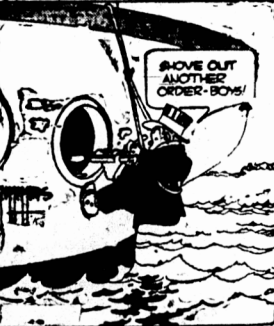


By Zane Grey



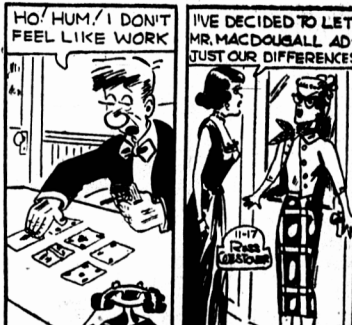
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