

BURGESS BEDTIME STORIES

By Thornton W. Burgess

MOTHER LIGHTFOOT'S BLUFF

Best is he who quick of wit,
Can always make the most of it.
—Old Mother Nature.

Some of the Green Forest folk have been given teeth, or claws, or strength, or all three to protect themselves, and those they love. They can and will fight for their babies. Others have little wicker-works to fight, but have been given quick wit. Mrs. Lightfoot the Deer is one of these. She does have sharp little hoofs with which she can strike hard, but it is not often that she can use these. So she has to depend on being smarter than her enemies. She has to depend more or less on her wits.

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HOLY NAME HALL
TONIGHT

Admission 25 9-12

(Note change in time)
Dancing - - - Lunch

NOTICE

Spring Park Community Club regular monthly meeting Wednesday, June 10th, 8:00 P. M. Entertainment, lunches.

AFTERNOON TEA

COMMUNITY CENTRE
THIS AFTERNOON
from
3:30 to 5:30
Tickets at door—50c

CROW BOUNTY

A bounty will be paid on all crows destroyed in the Province from this date until August 15, 1953. The bounty amounting to twenty cents (20c) will be paid on each pair of crows feet delivered to the following receiving stations:

The Royal Packing Company Ltd., 119 Grafton Street, Charlottetown, P. E. I., and The P. E. I. Fur Pool Ltd., Water Street, Summerside, P. E. I.

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Mother Lightfoot worried over her two precious babies.

fraud of Old Man Coyote, but she was terribly afraid of all three for those precious babies of hers. There were others that she was afraid of for their sake. There was Tuffy the Lynx, and his cousin Yankee the Bobcat. There was Buster Bear. Also Mrs. Buster. She knew that any one of these would like nothing better than a dinner of tender young fawn. So she was constantly on the watch to see that her secret was kept.

But in the Green Forest such secrets cannot be kept for very long. Somehow or other they do get out. It was just so with Mother Lightfoot's secret; at least part of the secret was out. It was known that she had babies. Reddy Fox knew it. Mrs. Reddy knew it. Old Man Coyote knew it.

What they didn't know was just where those babies were, and they were doing their best to find out. They actually had been right in the thicket where these babies were lying, but had failed to see them because their little spotted coats looked so much like the surroundings, and the babies hadn't moved. Had they so much as winked an eye they would have been seen. The three hungry hunters had been looking through all the surrounding thickets.

Mother Lightfoot had stolen around behind a big pile of fallen trees, and there had made just enough noise to be heard by those ravenous hunters. They had guessed that the babies might be hidden there, and were searching under that big windfall. Mother Lightfoot had stolen away silently. Now she was watching from another thicket a short distance away. It didn't take Reddy and Mrs. Reddy and Old Man Coyote long to discover that there were no babies under that windfall. When they came out they found the scent left by Mother Lightfoot and their noses led them straight toward the thicket where she was standing. Just before they reached

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KING COLE TEA

Stimulating and delicious!

Contract Bridge

By Josephine Culbertson

BIDDING CAN TELL TOO MUCH

There is an always-present conflict in bidding between the advantage of telling partner all about your holding, and the disadvantage of giving this same information to the enemy.

Particularly when a slam is in prospect, it may be wise to bid in such a way that the opponents cannot make use of their most powerful weapons; the lead-directing double. Consider this case:

South dealer
North-South vulnerable.

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

The bidding:
South West North East
1♠ Pass 3♦ Pass
3♥ Pass 4NT Pass
5♣ Pass 6♣ Dble.
Pass Pass Pass

West said later that he had fully decided to lead the jack of hearts against the slam—until he heard East's double. That, of course, made all the difference; it demanded the lead of the only side suit mentioned by North, the prospective dummy, and when West dutifully opened his top diamond, East collected two tricks in a hurry.

In all probability the result would have been very different if North had been somewhat less revealing in his bidding. Why mention the diamond suit? From the moment North heard his partner's spade opening, it was a foregone conclusion that the combined hands should land at a spade contract. Thus, North should have made direct use of Blackwood to determine just how far he could go in spades. It was possible, of course, that South had opened on something like five or six spades headed by A-Q-J with the K-Q of clubs on the side; then, discovering that two aces were lacking, North would have to settle for a mere game.

Getting back to East's double of six spades—it is undeniable that this action could have boomeranged; South might have had a singleton diamond, for example, and enough strength to make a redouble that would have given him a huge below-the-line score. But these risks are cheerfully taken by experienced players, who very logically feel that it is worth quite a lot to direct the lead which probably will beat the slam.

Bringing Up Father

By George McManus



Dotty Dripple

By Ruford



Tilly The Toiler

By Bob Gustafson



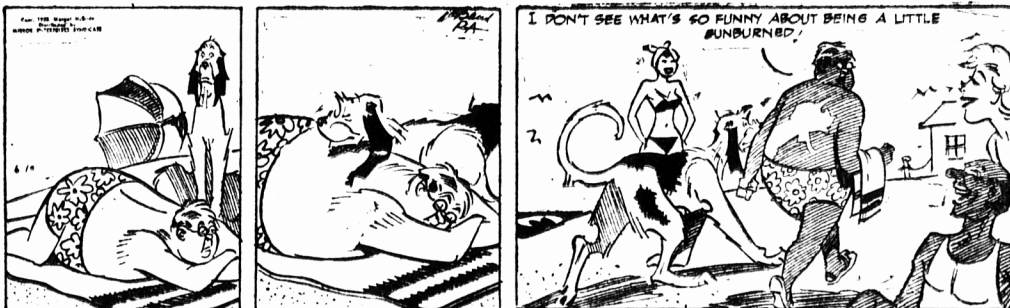
Tippy and "Cap" Stubs

By Edwin



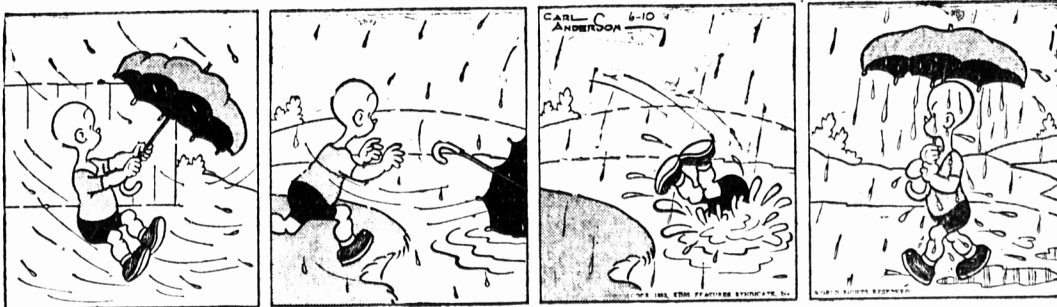
Napoleon and Uncle Elby

By Clifford McBride



Henry

By Carl Anderson



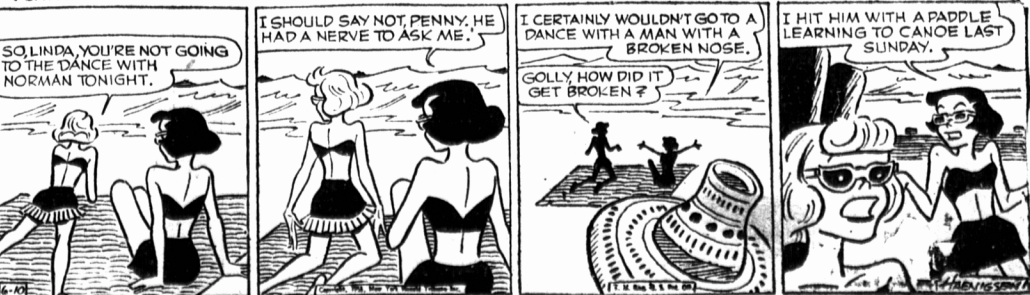
Pogo

By Walt Kelly



PENNY

By Harry Hoegsten



King Of The Royal Mounted

By Zane Grey



Joe Palooka

By Ham Fisher



Lil Abner

By Al Capp



Rip Kirby

By Alex Raymond

