

# BURGESS BEDTIME STORIES

By Thornton W. Burgess

## THE CUBS HAVE TO BELIEVE

All statements should be made with care. Lightfoot the Deer was proved to be unfair.

Three little cubs didn't know what to think. They were the children of Mr. and Mrs. Gray Fox, who lived in the Green Forest. They had seen and heard Buzztail the Rattlesnake. They had seen that everyone in the Green Forest was afraid of Buzztail. It must be true because they had seen Buster Bear take great care to walk around Buzztail at a safe distance. If one as big as Buster Bear was afraid, it must be that everyone was afraid. And now here was Lightfoot the Deer saying that he wasn't afraid.



"It was Buzztail the Rattlesnake creeping away."

Could it be true? Had mother really made a mistake? If Buster Bear was afraid, why shouldn't Lightfoot the Deer be afraid? He said that he wasn't, and he acted as if he wasn't. It just didn't make sense to the other three little cubs.

Who's hairs along the shoulders and back of Lightfoot's neck were standing on end. His big eyes seemed to flash. He stamped, and it made a ugly sound, a threatening sound. He moved straight toward the place from which the sound of Buzztail's rattle had seemed to come. There was no sound now. Lightfoot pawed away the leaves with one foot, and snorted as he did it. There was just the faintest rustling of leaves a short distance away. Lightfoot leaped quickly in that direction, then stopped still as with his eyes he searched the ground ahead of him. He caught a glimpse of something moving. It was Buzztail the Rattlesnake creeping away, and trying to keep under cover as he did so.

Lightfoot saw him, but he saw him just too late. Buzztail was just disappearing in a crack in the rock. Lightfoot couldn't get at him there. He stamped and whistled. He snorted. But all that didn't hurt Buzztail at all. The big Snake had escaped.

Lightfoot had come back to where Mrs. Gray and the cubs stood looking on. He still looked really fierce. The hairs on his neck were still standing up. "He got away," snorted Lightfoot. "What would you have done with him if he hadn't got away?" asked one of the cubs.

"I'd have killed him!" snorted Lightfoot, and he really sounded fierce.

"How would you have killed him?" asked another cub.

"I'd have stamped on him!" cried Lightfoot.

The cubs looked at Lightfoot's feet. They thought of Buster Bear's big feet, and besides these Lightfoot's feet were small, very small. Yet, Buster Bear had been afraid, and Lightfoot hadn't been afraid. They had to believe because they had seen it proven. Buster Bear had been afraid. There was no doubt about that. Lightfoot not only had not been afraid, but had made Buzztail the Rattlesnake afraid. The cubs couldn't understand it.

## GERMAN RECORDINGS

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## See Shipping Costs Higher

OTTAWA (CP)—Restriction of the Canadian coastal shipping trade to Canadian vessels would send up shipping costs between Newfoundland and the mainland, the royal commission on the coastal trade heard Wednesday.

The suggestion was made by commission counsel D. W. Munnell as he questioned T. R. McLagan, president of the Canadian Shipbuilding and Ship Repairing Association.

The association wants the restriction, which it contends would help Canadian shipyards.

The Newfoundland government opposes it, claiming the removal of low-cost British shipping would eliminate a competitive element that helps keep down cargo rates on Newfoundland's supply line.

## CONTRACT BRIDGE

By Josephine Culbertson

### MISUSING THE DOUBLE

SOME experts (to say nothing of lesser players) try to use the all-inclusive double as an

all-inclusive device, at times making this call on a fairly good hand, at other times making it on a "powerhouse."

The term "try to use" is chosen advisedly, because the fact is that their results are not uniformly successful. Observe the very inept performance of the supposed experts in the East-West positions below:

South dealer. Neither side vulnerable.

7 3 2  
4  
10 6 3 1  
10 8 7 3  
K Q J 9  
A K 8 5  
K Q 4

10 8 5 4  
Q 9 8 7 6  
A J 6  
A K J 10 6 3 2  
Q 7

The bidding: South West North East  
1 ♠ Dble Pass Pass

South had no pretensions to being an expert, and so his triumph

was all the greater when he brought home the doubled one-heart contract and scored (with his honors) 210 points, and it then became clear that the opponents had an ironclad slam at spades!

It is super-evident that East-West, however much or little they may have deserved their reputations, were far off-stride in this case. Actually, they were just about equally maladroit.

West's takeout double of one heart was wholly inadequate—his hand-pattern and honor strength clearly justified a two-heart cue bid.

East made an equally bad decision when he passed for a penalty. His mere five-card length in hearts was not impressive; he might well take only one trump trick against the enemy, and even if he won two tricks in hearts and the ace of clubs, West would have to deliver a vast number of tricks if the contract was to be defeated substantially.

Particularly with four cards in the other major suit, East should have felt that there was a fair prospect of game at spades, and in any case a response of one spade was wiser than the pass.

## DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS: 1. Work (6). 2. Said (4). 3. River (5). 4. (So. Am.) (5). 5. One of the archangels of the Jewish angelology (10). 6. Thoroughly wet (4). 7. Attitudinizes (10). 8. Kill (4). 9. Pea-soup (5). 10. Siberian gulf (10). 11. Subtle emaciation (10). 12. Pur (5). 13. Selfishness (10). 14. Working hard (5). 15. Uprisings (10). 16. Very deep shade of blue (4). 17. Comfort (5). 18. Walk, as a duck (5). 19. Chief (5). 20. Water god (Babyl.) (5). 21. To gild again (5). 22. Sea eagle (Eur.) (5). 23. Astonish (5). 24. To slip easily (5). 25. Bishop's headress (5). 26. Body of persons composing a jury (5).

DOWN: 1. Young lady (5). 2. An apology, as in defense (5). 3. Bogies (5). 4. Revelry (5). 5. A king (5). 6. Extremely fine (slang) (5). 7. Distributed proportionally (5). 8. River (Fr.) (5). 9. Sharp (5). 10. Otherwise (5). 11. The total amount (5). 12. Beast of burden (5). 13. Before (5). 14. Gives particulars of (5). 15. Commanding roadway (5). 16. Native of an island (5). 17. Sheltered side (5). 18. Kettle (5). 19. Dash (5). 20. Wide-awake (5). 21. Sloping (5). 22. Arabian chieftain (5). 23. Movable barrier (5). 24. Like (5). 25. An eel (5). 26. Resort (5).

Yesterday's Answer: 1. A. 2. B. 3. C. 4. D. 5. E. 6. F. 7. G. 8. H. 9. I. 10. J. 11. K. 12. L. 13. M. 14. N. 15. O. 16. P. 17. Q. 18. R. 19. S. 20. T. 21. U. 22. V. 23. W. 24. X. 25. Y. 26. Z.

## DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE

Here's how to work it: AXYDLBAAXR 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, anagrams, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

A Cryptogram Quotation.

JWGWQ ECQVPVW HXCQVJ. ZQV

KXJJFFYDFDFWJ. FJ SXVX SFUDJ-

JELLWJRWZPW.

Yesterday's Cryptogram: LET THE WILD FALCON SOAR NER SWING, SHE'LL STOOP WHEN SHE HAS TIRED HER WING—SCOTT.

## Believe It or Not!

"PAT" A parrot that eats SPAGHETTI. Owned by RONALD DONNELLY, Southfield, N.J.

JOSEFSBERG A village in South Tyrol, Italy is IN PERPETUAL SHADOW FOR 91 DAYS EACH YEAR. MOUNTAINS CUT OFF THE SUN FROM NOV. 3 UNTIL FEB. 2.

THE HONEY BEE IS THE ONLY BEETLE.

AN UNMARRIED SON IN MICHIGAN RECEIVES DOUBLE THE INHERITANCE LEFT TO HIS MARRIED BROTHER. THE EXTRA MONEY IS TO ENABLE HIM TO BUY A WIFE.

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## Out Our Way

By J. R. Williams

"TAKE ME TO TH' WILDS--TO TH' STICKS OR SOME WEEDY DELL-- ANY PLACE I CAN GET AN HOUR'S SLEEP! A VACUUM CLEANER SCREAMIN' IN THIS HOUSE, A WASHIN' MACHINE AGONIN' IN TH' NEXT... LAWN MOWERS-- IN HOT RODS... AND I WORK IN A MACHINE SHOP ON TH' NIGHT SHIFT!"

"I'LL GET YOU SOME PLACE WHERE I WON'T HEAR YOU YELLIN' ON TOP OF IT ALL!"

"THE TOOL HOUSES"

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## Bringin' Up Father

By George McManus

"A BILL GOLDBERGER TO SEE? WELL, SEND HIM IN!"

"YES, I KNOW."

"AND IF YOU DON'T SETTLE UP BY THE FIRST OF THE MONTH, WE'LL TAKE THE PIANO BACK!"

"YOU WILL? REALLY?"

"GOLLY, I'M GLAD HE TOLD ME-- I WAS JUST ABOUT TO PAY HIM!"

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## Grandma

By Charles Kuhns

"BEFORE WE LEAVE T' SHOP DOWNTOWN..."

"...I'LL MAKE TH' USUAL SIGN T' HANG ON TH' DOORKNOB!"

"IT MIGHT SAVE SOME O' TH' YOUNGSTERS FROM V. & KIN' UP AN' DOWN IN T' FRONT O' TH' HOUSE ALL DAY..."

"...HOPIN' T' BE INVITED IN FOR A FEW COOKIES!"

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