

BURGESS BEDTIME STORIES

(By Thornton W. Burgess)

THE WRONG PLACE TO SIT DOWN

Watch your step and where you sit. No regrets will come of it. —Old Mother Nature

Farmer Brown's Boy was up in the Old Pasture. It had been an exciting and an upsetting morning. He had gone there to pick blueberries, for they grew in great quantities in the Old Pasture. He had filled one big pail and had put it on top of a big rock while he went to fill another pail. Buster Bear came along and had knocked that pail off, spilling all the berries. Then Farmer Brown's Boy, running to the rescue of his pail of berries, had tripped and fallen, spilling all the berries in his other pail.



Buster Bear had come and had knocked that pail off.

Farmer Brown's Boy sat down to rest. He had sat down on what looked like the coolest place in the Old Pasture. It was shaded and the Merry Little Breezes, the children of Old Mother West Wind, were doing their best to make him comfortable.

Now things are not always what they seem. Instead of being a cool place to sit down he shortly discovered it was a hot place, the hottest place in all the Old Pasture. He suddenly felt as if a hot needle had been thrust into his leg. "Ouch!" exclaimed Farmer Brown's Boy and slapped at his leg. That first "Ouch" was followed by more and louder ones. He felt as if hot needles were being thrust into his legs in several places. He jumped to his feet and ran, slapping at his legs as best he could.

Of course those pains were not from hot needles. He knew what the trouble was. Those were stings from angry Wasps. He had sat down on a Yellow Jacket's nest. Yellow Jacket's are wasps, you know. Their nests are usually in the ground.

Now they were pouring out of a small hole in the ground. It was the doorway to their nest. They were pouring out and they were an angry lot. They flew around in circles looking for whoever had disturbed them. By the time most of them were out Farmer Brown's Boy was far enough away so that they did not see him.

He knew what to do. He went straight to a wet place and plastered with mud the smarting places where the stings had entered like little poisoned darts. The mud helped. He didn't feel those stings quite so badly, but they were bad enough. In his haste to get away he had forgotten something. Now he remembered it. The memory didn't make him feel happy. No, sir, the memory didn't make him feel happy at all. He had left his pail of berries right beside that Yellow Jacket's nest.

Cautiously, very cautiously, he went back a little way where he could see the pail. Also he could see the Yellow Jackets. They were darting about in all directions, looking for some one to sting. Two or three were on the pail of berries. What to do? He didn't dare go any nearer. No, sir he didn't dare go one step nearer. How was he to get those berries?

A lone Yellow Jacket came zooming toward him. Farmer Brown's Boy slapped at him with his hat. Other Yellow Jackets saw the motion and came zooming in that direction. Once more Farmer Brown's Boy took to his heels.

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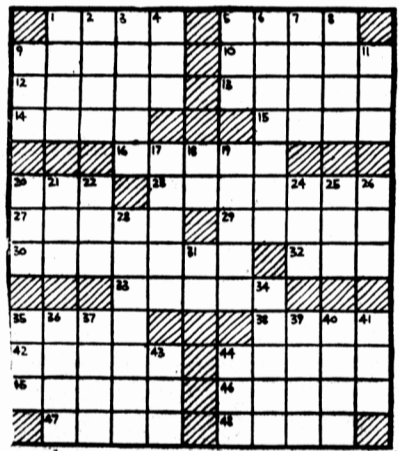
He wanted no more of those painful stings. Twice more he went back and twice he was put to flight. The last time he kept right on going. "I'll leave those berries right there until after dark. Then those wasps will all be in their house and I can get the berries," said he. He added, "Phew, what a day!"

PAIGNTON, Devon, England (CP)—Local councillors have refused to allow effigies of themselves to be used as targets in a carnival procession.
SHOREHAM, Sussex, England (CP)—A man was fined £2 for using obscene language during a game of bowls. In defence he said he was addressing some trees and not an individual.

DAILY CROSSWORD

- ACROSS
- Listen
 - Crust on a wound
 - Worth
 - Egyptian dancing girl (var.)
 - Light sarcasm (Norse)
 - A thick wire rope
 - Toward the lee
 - Christmas song
 - Goods
 - Mist
 - Apprehension
 - Aside
 - Perfect
 - Stays
 - Crooked
 - Oases
 - To long for
 - Sprig (Shakespeare)
 - Collier
 - Grievous
 - Follow
 - Headland
 - Afternoon receptions
- DOWN
- Filaments of flax
 - Genus of the lily
 - Old Finnish poetry
 - Part of a lock
 - American Indian
 - Sounded on chains
 - Large pulpit
 - Large bundle
 - By way of
 - Goddess of death
 - Luteer (Norse)
 - Potato (dial.)
 - Coordinating conjunction
 - Brittle
 - Distant
 - Open (poet.)
 - Herd of whales
 - Stitch
 - Sailor
 - Cunning
 - Slices of bacon
 - Northeast (abbr.)
 - Luteer (Norse)
 - Part of "to be"
 - Metal
 - Title of respect
 - Parts of Saturn's rings
 - Chief Olympian god
 - Before
 - River (Fr.)
 - Encountered

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER



DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE—Here's how to work it:

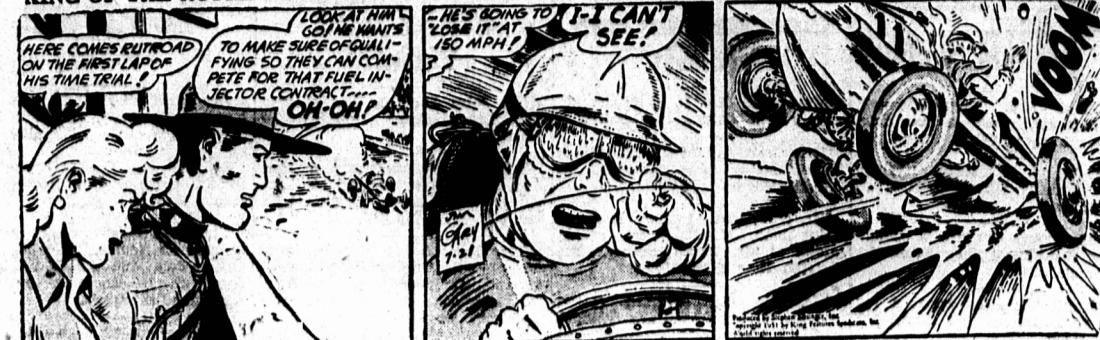
AXYDLBAAXR is LONGFELLOW
One letter simply stands for another. In this example A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

A Cryptogram Quotation
INXVG ZF MZNB ZOF GJUBPU. CFG
JYJB IJ C UPBCFWJB FZ VZJJ U
JFJRM. TJCVENU—RCUUXFWJB.

Yesterday's Cryptogram: I WE REMEMBER LOVE OURSELVES IN OUR SWEET YOUTH—TENNYSON.

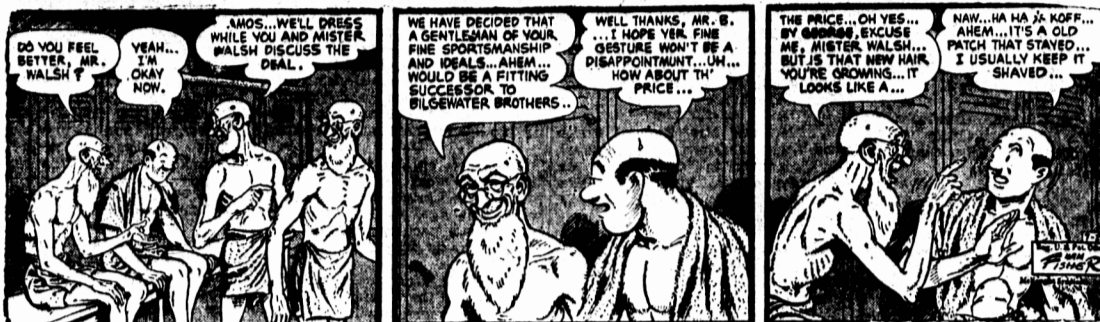
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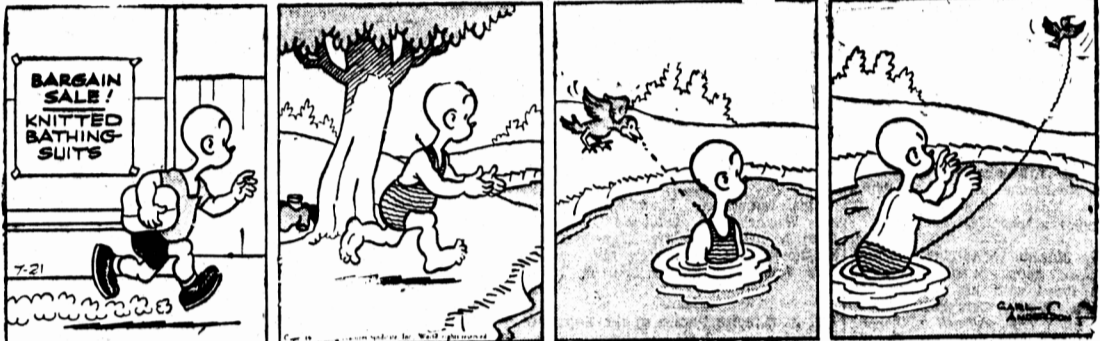
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HENRY



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DOTTY DIPPLE



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TIPPY AND "CAP" STURS



By George McManus

BRINGING UP FATHER



TILLY THE TOILER



By Harry Morgan

PENNY



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Contract Bridge

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BETTER THAN A FINESSE

South could have tried a straight 50-50 finesse for his game contract in the following deal, but his actual course had far more in its favor.

North dealer
Both sides vulnerable.

♠ A 10 5
♥ 7 4
♦ A 10 8 7 2
♣ 8 3

♠ K 9 8 4
♥ 9 6
♦ Q 5
♣ 8 7 5 2

W N E S

The bidding:
North East South West
Pass Pass 1♥ Pass
2♣ Pass 3♦ Pass
3♥ Pass 3NT Pass

Obviously, South was gambling when he bid three notrump, but his only true alternative, to pass, was even less attractive. Surely, four hearts would be a dangerous contract, and with North passing originally, five diamonds seemed too high a goal.

West said that he had considered an overcall of one heart but had refrained in hope that the enemy would reach a high heart contract.

Defending against the actual three notrump, West led the club queen. South won with the king and ran off the diamond suit. Immediately, West was in some difficulty for discards. He let go two hearts; then, when East signalled with a high spade, West discarded the deuce and six of spades.

South now had six tricks home, could count the spade ace for the seventh trick, and so could make the contract merely by finding the heart king right for the finesse. After reflection, however, South decided against that finesse. East, after following to two diamonds and discarding one spade, had then discarded two clubs, and South was sure that East would not have given up all his clubs, thus cutting communications with his partner. So convinced that West had started with only four clubs, South now carefully cashed the spade ace (to take out West's exit), then led a club. After West collected his four club tricks, he had to return a heart up to South's major tenace.

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