By Thornton W. Burgess

THE YOUNG FOXES BECOME SURE

Through faith alone some truths we know
We must accept as being so.
Gray Fox

Over in the Green Forest were three puzzled little Foxes. They were the children of Gray Fox and Mrs. Fox. Mother had acted as if she were afraid of a very small Snake. She had said that she was afraid. The small Snake made a queer rattling sound by shaking his tail. It was one of Buzztail the Rattlesnake's children. Mother warned the little Foxes always to take care to keep away from a place from which that queer sound might be coming. It seemed to them foolish for anyone to be afraid of such a little Snake that they began to doubt if mother really was afraid. Perhaps for some reason of her own she was trying to make them afraid when there was no reason to be afraid.

"It was fun to jump from one flat rock to another."

It was a few days later when mother led the three cubs up on a rocky ledge. They had never been there before They didn't know just what to make of it. It was fun to jump from one flat rock to another. It was nice to curl up on one of those flat rocks for a sunbath. Mother did this, and the three cubs did likewise. They took a long, long sunbath. Afterward, the cubs began to play about.

Now, all the time mother had kept away from a certain part of that rocky ledge. Finally, one of the cubs wandered over that way. mother barked a sharp warning to come back. At the same instant, they all heard that same queer rattling sound they had heard a few days before, only this time it was much louder than it had been then. It was coming from among the rocks just in front of that young cub. He didn't obey mother promptly, and she barked again. Just then the cub saw something that made him back hastily. On a big flat rock, also taking a sunbath, was Buzztail the rattlesnake. He was rattling with his tail as only he can. The two other young Foxes came up to look, and now they really were afraid.

Buzztail was the biggest Snake they had ever seen. He was in a big coil with head lifted, and the way he started at them with lidless eyes made them afraid. They could see his tail lifted. It was a queer-looking tail. It was being shaken very, very fast, and that strange rattling sound came straight from it. Mother joined the three cubs, and got between them and Buzztail. Then she made them go back, and she went back with them.

"This is no place for you cubs to be playing," said she.

She led them in a circle around the flat rock on which Buzztail was still rattling. She led them a safe distance from him. They went down off the ledge in among the trees. Not until they were there did she let the cubs run about. They were sure now that mother was afraid of the Snakes that made that strange sound. Why she should be afraid they still didn't understand. But if she was afraid, they would also be afraid. They had learned a lesson that they never would forget. Of course, they couldn't understand, and neither could mother just what poison is. Rattlesnakes are among the poison people. However, it was enough just to know that there was danger if they went too near.

Strange But True

By F. H. MacArthur

Robison Crusoe, by Daniel Defoe was the first to be printed in serial form in a newspaper.

In many places a driver of an automobile may be given a ticket for going too slow. Slow, timid drivers are considered an accident hazard by safety experts. But there is, a specific slow speed below which they dare not go.

The traffic officer decides whether or not a car is holding up traffic and takes what action is required.

You can put new pep into flashlight batteries by heating them in an over for a while. This does not give the battery a new charge, but merely makes it usable a little longer.

Phosphorus matches were done away with because they were a hazard to the people making them. Workers in match factories often developed "phossy jaw" - a decay of the jawbones caused by the phosphorus. In 1911, the Diamond Match Company found a way to use sesquisulfide as the igniting chemical on matches, and this did away with the dangerous phosphorus. U. S. president William Howard Taft awarded the company the Louis Livingston Seman Medal for the elimination of an occupation disease.

GREAT RIVER

The Irrawaddy river, principal waterway in Burma, is navigable 900 miles from the sea.

NEW ENGLAND PEAK

Highest point in the New England states, Mount Washington in New Hampshire reaches 6,288 feet.

LOWER FREETOWN SCHOOL

Pass list for June. (Those with stars beside their name received certificates for having an average of over 65% and no mark below 50%.

Grade X: Carmen Paynter. Grade IX: 1. *Marlene Paynter; 2. *Sheila Simmons; 3. Paula Hammill and Arlene Reeves (equal). Grade VIII: 1. *Faye Reeves; 2. Wendell Bernard. Grade VI: 1. *Nancy Simmons and *Lorne Reeves (equal); 2. *Arlene Gardiner. Grade V: Bernadette Hammill.

Grade IV: 1. *Doreen Hammill; 2. *Carol Reeves; 3. *Mildred Bernard. Grade IIIA: 1. *Carla Gardiner and *Dianne Hammill (equal); 2. Denton Clow. Grade IIIB 1. *Shirley Burns; 2. Karolyn Burns. Grade I: *Alan Burns, *Corinne Hammill, *Marion Cairns.

Highest average in senior-grades —Nancy and Lorne (90%). An honor diploma for proficiency in writing was awarded to Arlene Reeves. Senior writing certificates to: Paula Hammill, Sheila Simmons, Marlene Paynter, Faye Reeves, Lorna Reeves, Nancy Simmons, Arlene Gardiner. Perfect attendance for second term: Gerald Hill.

GRAHAM'S ROAD W. I.

The June meeting of Success Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. John McGregor with an attendance of 16 members and one visitor. Meeting opened with the Institute Ode and Creed and each member answered roll call with a joke.

Mrs. John McGregor, executive member of the district convention, gave her report of the executive meeting and plans were made for same. The president, Mrs. Ray MacLeod told the members that the shipment of blankets had been received.

Mrs. Louis MacLeod reported that the proceeds from the music recital amounted to $80.00 and a vote of thanks was extended to Mrs. MacLeod for the wonderful work she had done in training the pupils. Mrs. Roy Brown said that the travelling basket had again started on its rounds. The treasurer reported that the proceeds from the pantry sale amounted to $22.50.

Mrs. Louis MacLeod, Mrs. John McGregor, Mrs. Sutherland Montgomery and Mrs. Francis Murray volunteered to collect for the Red Shield campaign. An interesting talk on "Personal Observations on Education" was given by Mrs. George MacLeod.

Next meeting is to be held at the home of Mrs. George MacLeod when roll call will be answered with "My Earliest Photo." Refreshments were served by the hostess assisted by Mrs. Roy Brown, after which the meeting was brought to a close with the National Anthem.

CONTRACT BRIDGE

By Josephine Culbertson

BIDDING ON A YARBOROUGH

A "REGULAR READER" inquires: "Is it true that regardless of the state of the score, the opening bidder's partner *must have* a minimum of five points in honor cards to make any response? (I am referring, of course, to an opening one-bid, not to a forcing two-bid). A local self-styled expert insists that even if partners are 60 on score and one of them opens with a spade, a heart, a diamond or a club, the other must pass unless he has five high-card points. This doesn't sound right."

Nor is it. A response based on nothing but distribution may be a *must;* it all depends on the exact nature of responder's hand.

Here is a case that does not warrant an immediate response to an opening bid, but which nevertheless points up this discussion.

South dealer
North-South vulnerable and 70 on score.

North: ♠ 6 3 ♥ 7 4 2 ♦ 5 2 ♣ 9 8 6 4 3 2
West: ♠ Q 10 9 7 2 ♥ Q 8 3 ♦ Q 9 6 ♣ 10 7
East: ♠ J 8 5 4 ♥ A J 10 6 ♦ K J 10 ♣ K J
South: ♠ A K ♥ K 9 5 ♦ A 8 7 4 3 ♣ A Q 5

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1 ♦	Pass	Pass	1 NT
Dble.	2 ♠	Pass	Pass
Pass			

North-South won seven tricks against the spade contract, but the 100-point penalty fell far short of what they should have earned. North could have made four clubs, and he would not have had to bid even that high—a three-club bid might well have landed the contract, or South would have doubled any opposing three-bid for a worthwhile penalty.

North argued that he couldn't be expected to make any bid on "such a horrible hand," but this was a highly questionable conclusion. North-South's 70 score was of course the crucial factor. North's pass to one diamond was logical enough even at that score, but when South doubled East's notrump, North should have realized that South was extremely strong and could well stand the bid of a six-card suit at the three-level. In short, the very fact that North had passed at a 70 score would make South all the more careful, and he could not afford to double one notrump with anything less than he held.

KINGSTON W. M. S.

A W. M. S. Rally was held in Kingston United Church on June 30. The devotional period was led by the Hampshire Auxiliary members, and the Presbyterial president Mrs. Cutcliffe presided.

Mrs. Hebert Barrett extended a cordial welcome to those present and Mrs. L. Drake very graciously replied. Mrs. Parker introduced the literature and spoke of the new study book on "Canada", after which favorable reports were heard from the different officers.

Kingston Mission Band numbers were enjoyed by all, with a solo, "They Are His" by Ruth Hanson, and a drill: "Time Spent for God" by Gloria Willis and Marion Newson.

Mrs. McKay of Kensington gave a very inspiring address, saying members should have a goal to reach, that the missionary work was a very important work, and we should try to impress it on others.

The question box was introduced by Mrs. Howard and many questions were discussed.

Mrs. Howard conducted the closing worship and took for her theme "Where There Is No Vision" and a prayer, with hymn, "He Leadeth Me", and Mizpah Benediction.

The Kingston ladies served lunch.

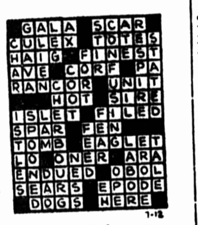
WILL VISIT WEST INDIES

THE HAGUE (AP) — Queen Juliana of The Netherlands and Prince Bernhard will pay an official visit to Suriname and the Antilles, Dutch overseas territories in the West Indies, from Oct. 18 to Nov. 6 this year, it was officially announced Saturday.

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS
1. Religious teacher (Hindu)
6. Smoothe with an iron
11. A powder used in sachets
12. "Ouida"; Louise de la —
13. Thin tin plate
14. Iron-curtain council
15. Tablet
16. Retail salesmen
17. Above
18. Jail (Brit. spell.)
19. Masking
22. Newt
25. Mistake
26. Unbind
28. Question
29. Opposed to windward
31. Narrow inlets (geol.)
32. East by south (abbr.)
33. Not careful
36. Exclamation
38. American Indian
39. Discharge a gun
41. East Indian pepper plant
42. City in Italy
43. Shabby
44. Top of a wave

DOWN
1. Habitual drunkard
2. Loose, outer garments
3. Melody
4. Obey
5. Part of "to be"
6. Introductory speeches
7. Fray
8. Arabian chieftain
9. Search for
10. Places
14. Scrutinize
17. Part of the eye
18. Like a girl
20. Vex
21. Behold!
22. Greek letter
23. Weapons
24. Spreads grass to dry
27. Northwest (abbr.)
30. Comfort
31. Put food through a ricer
33. Beaters used in mixing mortar
34. Fencing sword
35. Comrade
36. At a distance
37. Employ
40. Consume food
42. Petty cash (abbr.)



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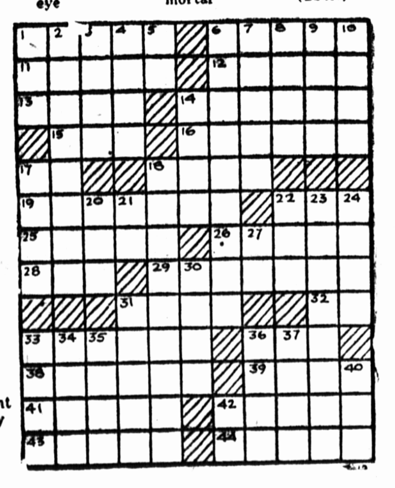


DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE—Here's how to work it:

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, apostrophies, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

A Cryptogram Quotation

OBC ALTE HNTQNTR OBPO VLRYCOB
ULOB BCT ATCPVO PYPLRVO P
OBNTR—BNNE

Yesterday's Cryptoquote—THERE'S NO SUCH THING AS A BAD BOY—FATHER FLANAGAN.

NOTICE

The regular monthly meeting of the Electrical Contractors Association of Prince Edward Island will be held at Howard's Restaurant, Summerside at 8 p.m. 12 July 1955.

E. S. CHANDLER,
Secretary Treasurer.

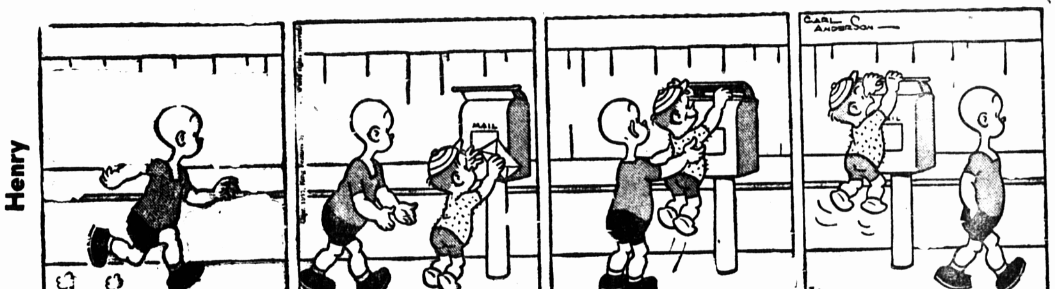
Our Boarding House Major Hoople

Tillie The Toiler By Bob Gustafson

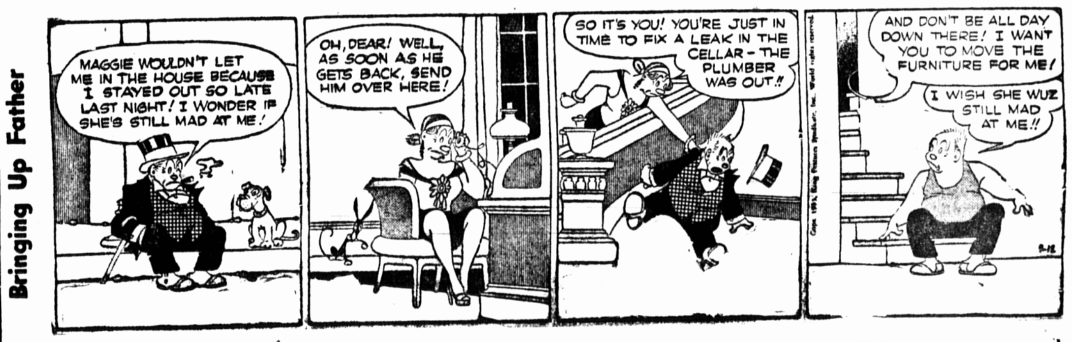
Etta Kent By Paul Robinson

Muggs and Skeeter By Wally Bishop

Henry By Carl Anderson

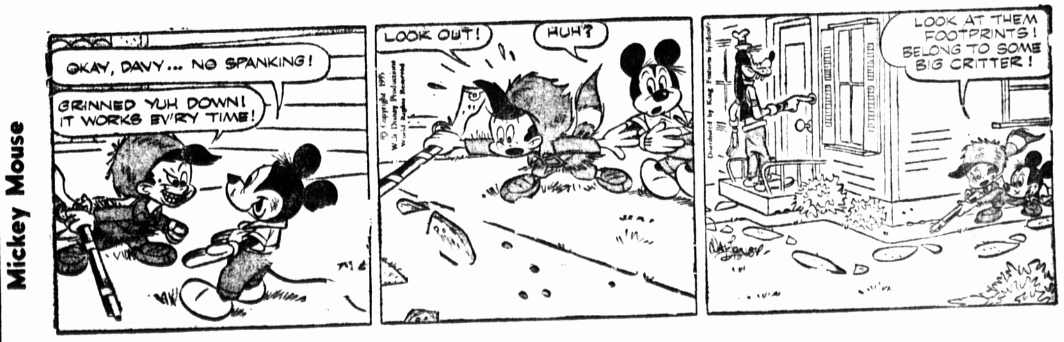


Bringing Up Father By George McManus

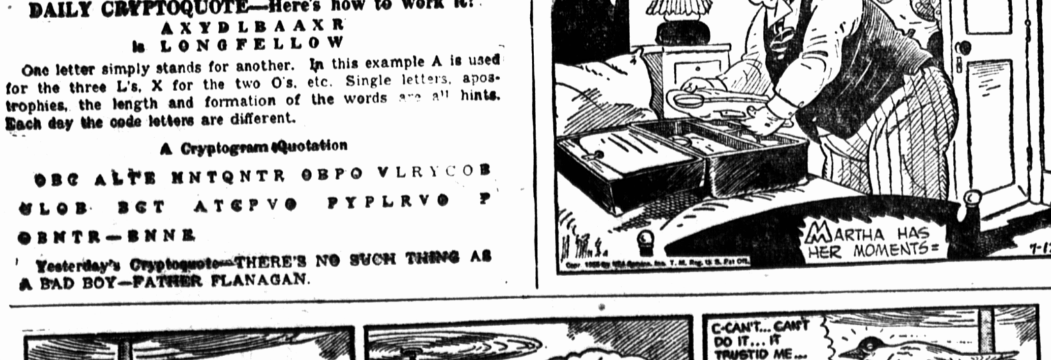


Grandma By Charles Kuhn

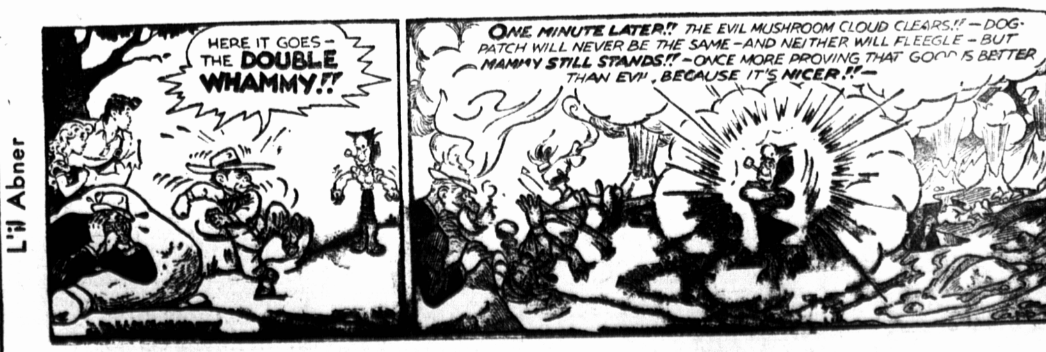
Mickey Mouse By Walt Disney



Joe Palooka By Ham Fisher



L'il Abner By Al Capp



The Lone Ranger By Fran Striker

Secret Agent X9 By Mel Graff

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