

**Contract Bridge**  
By Josephine Culbertson  
**LOST OPPORTUNITY**

South's great error in the following deal was in not taking advantage of a corresponding error by West.

South dealer,  
North-South vulnerable.

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

The bidding:  
South West North East  
2♦ Pass 2♠ 3♣  
3♦ Pass 3♥ 4♣  
6♦ Pass 6♠ Pass Pass

South's slam bid was not justified even though his partner had made two positive responses to the two-bid. For one thing, South's diamond suit was not absolutely solid — he might well have had to lose to the missing queen — and for another, South could anticipate communication troubles because of his singleton ace of hearts. West, unable to lead his partner's suit and not wanting to guess between spades and hearts, decided to lead his top trump. South captured East's queen, stared unappetizingly at the heart tricks he could not reach in dummy, and absent-mindedly laid down another high trump. West tossed on the deuce of trumps and South then completed the trump-drawing process. Declarer continued to lead trumps in hope of a miracle, but none was forthcoming. East knew that his partner would have opened a club if he'd had one. So he (East) held grimly to three honors in that suit and the K-8 of spades. South saved a trick by finally leading the ace and a low club and finessing East's forced spade return — but before this return, East had taken two club tricks to defeat the slam.

West was just a little indiscreet at Trick 2 when he failed to throw his seven of trumps on South's honor — and South lost an outstanding opportunity when, West having held on to the trump seven, he didn't cash the ace of hearts and then throw West on lead with a low trump. That would have given South a very effective entry to dummy!

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**BURGESS BEDTIME STORIES**

By Thornton W. Burgess

**THE TWINS ARE PUZZLED**

Be not content until you know, just why a thing is thus or so. —Mrs. Lightfoot. Over in the Green Forest the pretty twins of Lightfoot the Deer and Mrs. Lightfoot were learning to use their noses. At first they had used only their eyes and their ears. Everything they saw was wonderful. They didn't have to learn what their eyes were for. They couldn't help seeing things, and wondering about what they saw. They couldn't help hearing things, pleasant sounds, and sometimes loud sounds that were rather frightening, such as thunder. But for a long time they didn't know how to use their noses.



"We'll ask mother," said his sister.

Mother Lightfoot had given them their first lesson in smelling when she had led them where a Merry Little Breeze tickled their noses with the smell of Yowler the Bobcat. It was an unpleasant smell. Also, for some reason they didn't understand, it was a frightening smell. Mother explained that whenever they had that feeling of fright because of something they smelled, the thing to do was to get away as fast as they could. Their noses were warning them of danger. She had told them that they should trust their noses more than they did their eyes or ears.

From that day on trying to find new smells was a sort of game. Some smells were very, very pleasant. They never had the feeling of fear when they had those pleasant smells. Some smells were unpleasant, and some smells were just plain bad. One of these was the scent of Jimmy Skunk. They had happened to be near when Jimmy had used his little scent gun on a dog. It was the worst scent they had ever smelled, but it puzzled them. Bad as it was it didn't give them that afraid feeling that the scent of Yowler the Bobcat had given them.

"Unless a bad smell is always a danger smell, how is one to know what to do?" puzzled one of the fawns.

His sister shook her head. "Don't ask me," she said. "I never have smelled such a bad smell as that Jimmy Skunk has, yet mother says we have no need to be afraid of him."

"Some smells are not good and

not bad. How are we to know what to do about those?" said her brother. "We'll ask mother," said his sister. So, the first chance they had, they asked her how they were to know if a new smell meant danger. "That is simple," explained mother. "When your noses pick up a new smell, and you do not have the feeling of fear even though you can see no reason for it, there is danger. You had it when you smelled Yowler the Bobcat. You didn't have it when you smelled Jimmy Skunk, yet Jimmy's smell was much, much worse than that of Yowler. Be guided by your feelings. If you feel afraid, be afraid. If you do not know whether to be afraid, act as if you are afraid. Do not be too curious. It is always safer to be too timid than to be too bold."

The Brookfield W. M. S. met at the home of Mrs. John Matheson for their September meeting. The president, Mrs. Blaikie, presided and opened the meeting with the Call to Worship, Hymn 595, "Work For The Night is Coming" was sung. The Scripture lesson was from Luke 10:1-11, followed by prayer by Mrs. Blaikie. Roll call was answered by 12 members with a verse containing "Thanks" One new member was welcomed. Mrs. Millar MacPherson read from the Study Book. A bill for fruit sent to a sick member was presented and aided. A discussion followed about our annual Thank offering service. Collection amounted to \$1.05; emergency fund 46c. Thirteen members subscribed to the "Presbyterian Message". Miss Grace Wood invited the members for the next meeting. Word for roll call is to be "Trust". Mrs. Donald Campbell to have Study Book. The Misses' Benediction closed the meeting after which lunch was served by the hostess.

**EARLY LIMIT**

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