

The Tiny Toik

(A real story of real children for very young children)

"Well Brenda, since you are on a visit I suppose you'd like a trip to town too, wouldn't you?" asked Mrs. Page. "Of course, town will be nothing new to you, but we'll take a trip in today. I know Laurie doesn't want to come, so we'll just leave him home."

"I want to go too, I want to go too," Laurie started to complain when he noticed the twinkle in his mother's eyes. "Oh, you were just teasing me, weren't you? Come on, Brenda, let's go and get dressed up right now." With that he made a race for the stairs with Brenda at his heels.

Before long they were back, both all dressed up with shining faces and hair as smooth as could be. Mrs. Page was ready to go so they started off.

"When they got into town, Brenda could scarcely wait to get into the stores. 'I have fifty cents to spend,' she said. 'I want to buy something.'"

"Yes, you'd better spend it fast before it burns a hole in your pocket," teased Mrs. Page. "But don't buy everything in the store. 'I couldn't buy with only fifty cents,' laughed Brenda as they entered the first one.

"I'm hungry, I want something to eat," said Laurie.

"There's nothing but candy here, and you aren't allowed to eat that so close to meal time," replied his mother. "You'll just have to wait."

"Here, Laurie, are some potato chips for you. think your Mommy will let you have them, for they won't make your teeth decay," said Brenda as she passed him one of the silver and blue bags.

"Now let me see, Brenda, I think you need a purse to hold all your money. You pick out one that you like and I'll buy it," suggested Mrs. Page.

Brenda looked them all over. "I think this red one would match my skirts."

"Fine, I'll pay for it. Now let's go up to the next floor. I want to buy some other things."

"May we take the elevator?"

BURGESS BEDTIME STORIES



By Thornton W. Burgess

THE DIGGING MATCH

If you must dig just see that you dig faster than the rat can do.
—Johnny Chuck.

Young Buster Chuck, son of Johnny Chuck, was having the eagerly questioned Brenda. "When Anna and I are in town we just love riding up and down on them. We go from store to store."

Laurie liked the elevator too, so they made sure they had a ride down as well.

"I didn't spend my money yet," said Brenda. "Could I look for something for myself?"

"Certainly," answered Mrs. Page. "But we'll go to another store. You may see something there that you would like."

Along the street they went and into a store with many counters filled with all different kinds of things. Laurie and Brenda made straight for a counter holding toys. Brenda looked them over. There was a cute doll, but it was 98c. She saw a toy baking set, but thought it wouldn't be much good. "I don't know what to buy," she sighed. "I'd like a coloring book and crayons, and I like these toy watches, but I haven't enough money for both."

"Just pick out the coloring book you like best, and I'll pay for it. Then you can buy the watch," whispered Mrs. Page in her ear. With a pleased smile Brenda looked the books over very carefully until she had found one to her liking. As the clerk wrapped it up, she chose the watch then said, "I'll take some balloons home for Laurie."

Laurie felt that he was being left out, but when his turn came to choose something, he had his mind made up. "I need a small red shovel, and I'd like a watering can for my garden," he said.

Mrs. Page laughed. "I can't see the need of a watering can after all this rain, but we may have a dry spell later on. Very well, you may have it. Now we must finish my shopping."

As the children left the store, Brenda looked in her purse, and said, "I still have money left. I have a nickel and six pennies. I didn't spend it all."

That seemed a lot to Laurie. He said, "My! you'll have lots of money. You'll be able to make another trip into town with all that!"

had no reason for digging. But he had a reason now. Anyway, he felt that he had. That dreadful dog was making the sand fly as he tried to dig down in. He couldn't come in without digging, because he was too big.

The young chuck went way down to the snug bedroom deep in the ground. There he crouched a little while all ashake with fright as he listened to the sounds that came down from up above. No more frightened young chuck ever lived than was Buster. That was partly because he knew nothing about dogs. He didn't know that Flip probably would give up digging long before he got down to that snug bedroom.

Now all woodchucks are natural born diggers. They have digging paws, and they do not have to done very little digging. He had

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DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

- Shank
- Interweave
- Moon goddess
- Particle
- Unmilled rice
- A white bear
- Fencing sword
- Viper
- Drama (Jap.)
- Like
- Impolite
- A conserve
- Substance used in pastry
- Fiber of the centurion plant
- Arrange in a line
- Heavenly abduction, caused the Trojan War
- Hair on horse's neck
- Search for insect
- Social insect
- Enclosure
- Whether
- Newborn pronom
- Wages
- Recent decess
- Title of Ethiopian ruler
- Now
- Tea

DOWN

- Appraiser
- Make shift
- Not of mature age
- Speak
- Slight error
- On top
- Mountains
- Issue forth
- A size of coal
- Precious stone
- Snare
- Size of paper
- Per. to Rome
- Sum up
- Coffee receptacle
- Cast off unfeelingly
- Fluff
- Wife of Odysseus
- With force
- Enclosure for a light
- Squeeze
- Boat
- Secretary of State (1898-1905)
- Forms
- Country in S. Europe
- Death (Scot.)
- 3rd man of State
- Mild oath
- Old weight (wool)

Saturday's Answer

1. SHANK 2. INTERWEAVE 3. MOON GODDESS 4. PARTICLE 5. UNMILLED RICE 6. A WHITE BEAR 7. FENCING SWORD 8. VIPER 9. DRAMA (JAP.) 10. LIKE 11. IMPOLITE 12. A CONSERVE 13. SUBSTANCE USED IN PASTRY 14. FIBER OF THE CENTURION PLANT 15. ARRANGE IN A LINE 16. HEAVENLY ABDUCTION, CAUSED THE TROJAN WAR 17. HAIR ON HORSE'S NECK 18. SEARCH FOR INSECT 19. SOCIAL INSECT 20. ENCLOSURE 21. WHETHER 22. NEWBORN PRONOUN 23. WAGES 24. RECENT DECESS 25. TITLE OF ETHIOPIAN RULER 26. NOW 27. TEA 28. APPRAISER 29. MAKE SHIFT 30. NOT OF MATURE AGE 31. SPEAK 32. SLIGHT ERROR 33. ON TOP 34. MOUNTAINS 35. ISSUE FORTH 36. A SIZE OF COAL 37. PRECIOUS STONE 38. SNARE 39. SIZE OF PAPER 40. PER. TO ROME 41. SUM UP 42. COFFEE RECEPTACLE 43. CAST OFF UNFEELINGLY 44. FLUFF 45. WIFE OF ODYSSEUS 46. WITH FORCE 47. ENCLOSURE FOR A LIGHT 48. SQUEEZE 49. BOAT 50. SECRETARY OF STATE (1898-1905) 51. FORMS 52. COUNTRY IN S. EUROPE 53. DEATH (SCOT.) 54. 3RD MAN OF STATE 55. MILD OATH 56. OLD WEIGHT (WOOL)

DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE—Here's how to work it:

A X Y D L B A A X R
is **LONG FELLOW**

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

A Cryptogram Quotation

YEYNI QJL DSK LYLXDM. JQ TSLXNDXYH TSYLXDM EHOKL DSK NZH!—SJJQ.

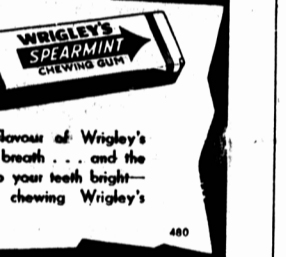
Saturday's Cryptoquote: **THE GIGGLER IS A MILK-MAID—HERBERT.**

LACK AFFECTIONS?



MAKE CONNECTIONS

Be popular—the delicious flavor of Wrigley's Spearmint Gum sweetens your breath... and the pleasant chewing helps to keep your teeth bright—your smile attractive. Enjoy chewing Wrigley's Spearmint Gum every day.



FEARLESS FOSDICK

THE LIGHT WENT OUT—MY HUSBAND'S MISSING!

ACUSE YOU?

FOSDICK—YOUR MIND HAS SNAPPED! HOW CAN A KIDNAP A HUSBAND?

LAMP—SHAMPOO—IT'S 'ANYFACE' MASTER OF DISGUISE! BUT HE DIDN'T USE WILDROOT CREAM-OIL TO KEEP HIS HAIR NEAT—BUT NOT—(UH!) GREASY!

LUCKILY, HE CONFESSED WHERE HE HAD HIDDEN IT—MY NAME GOT WILDROOT'S CREAM-OIL CHARLIE!

BUT THAT WOULD BE ILLEGAL—MY NAME GOT WILDROOT'S CREAM-OIL CHARLIE!



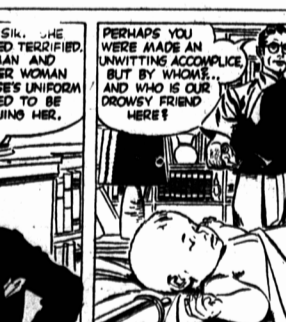
THE LONE RANGER

DO YOU KNOW THE WOMAN WHO HANDED THE BABY TO YOU, DESMOND?

NO, SIR... SHE SEEMED TERRIFIED. I HAD ANOTHER WOMAN IN A NURSE'S UNIFORM APPEARED TO BE PURSUING HER.

PERHAPS YOU WERE MADE AN AWKWARD ACCUSATION... BUT BY WHOM... AND WHO IS OUR DROWNY FRIEND HERE?

THERE MAY BE A CLUE ON THIS SHIRT... LOOK, SIR!



THE LONE RANGER

CLOCK MECHANISM, A WOOD BOY AND EXPLODED DYNAMITE ADD UP TO JUST ONE THING, TONTO!

WHAT THAT?

A TIME BOMB!

AND I NEVER HEARD OF A TIME BOMB USED FOR A GOOD PURPOSE!



THE LONE RANGER

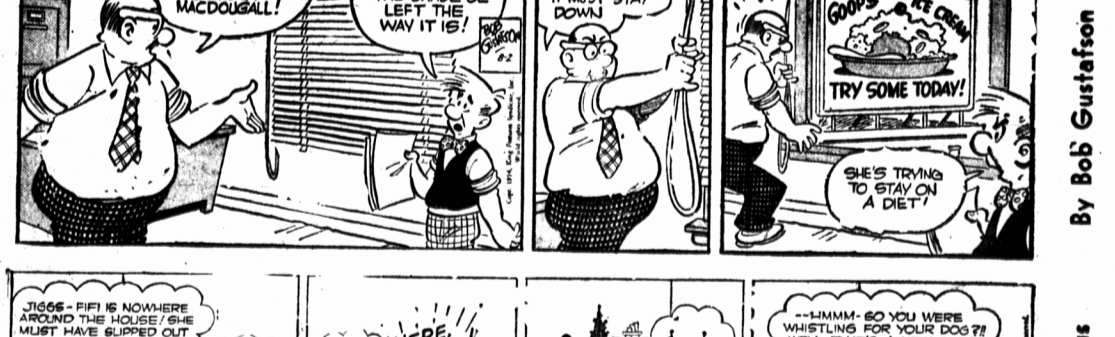
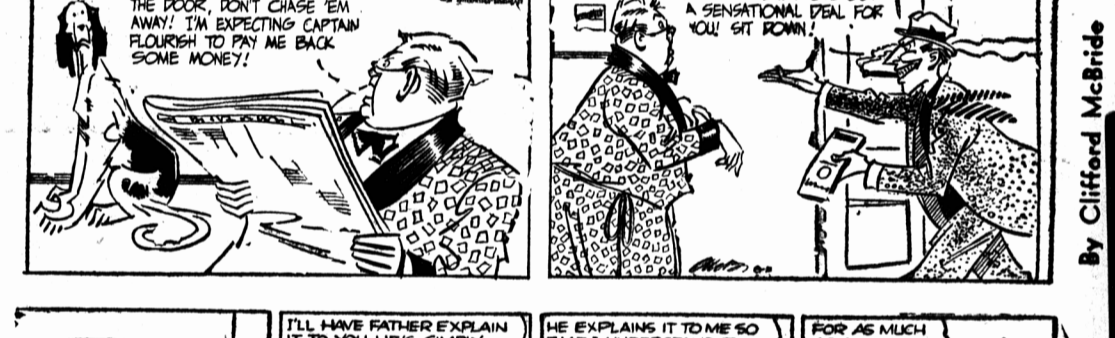
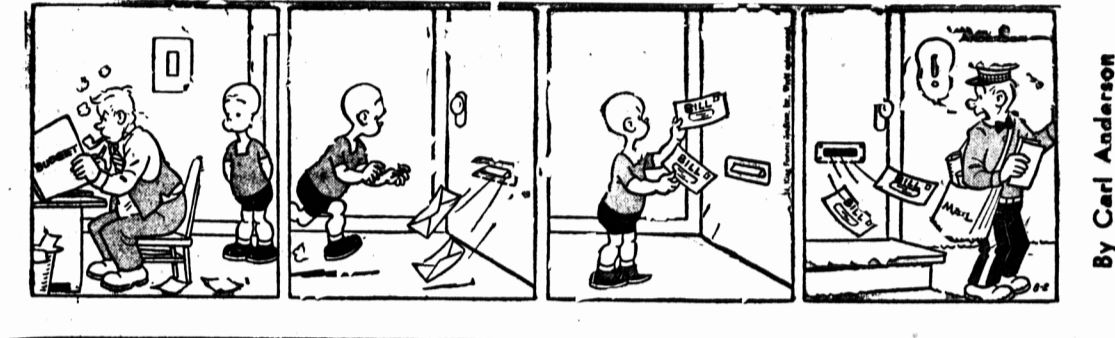
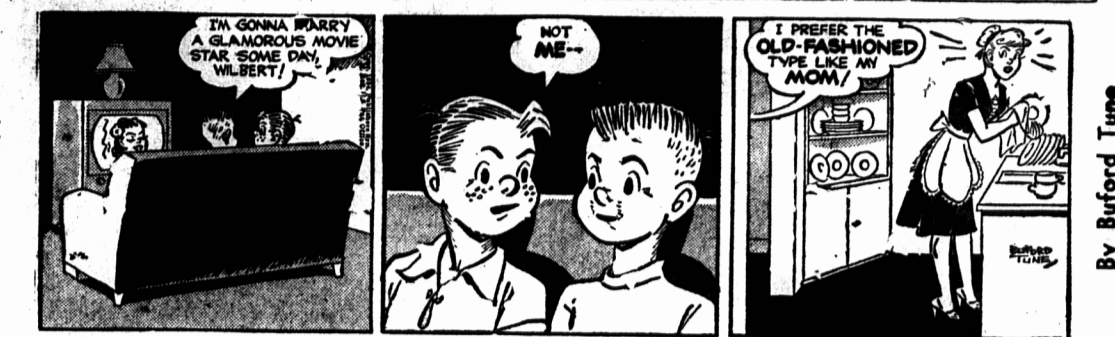
I... BURIED 15 DOG TAGS... AN AXE... I GOT A AMERICAN FLAG IN MY POCKET. I'LL JEST PUT IT ON TOP...

SNIFF!

NOW I BETTER JEST BAKE A OBSERVATION FLUR BY BOY SCOUTS... I GOT A OLE ALT-NATUR BI PROCKER... GOTTA MARK IT DOWN.

SHORE HIGH... OVER TWENTY... ON LOOK ANSTUR LORNE... BERNIE'S A APPRECIATE?

HEY, HEY... HOW ABOUT A...?



Tippy and "Cap" Stubs
Datty, Dripple
Henry
Pogo
Napoleon and Uncle Elby
Penny
Tilly The Toiler
Bringing Up Father
Lil Abner

By Edwin
By Buford Tume
By Carl Anderson
By Walt Kelly
By Clifford McBride
By Harry Heenigen
By Bob Gustafson
By George McManus
By Al Capp