

BURGESS BEDTIME STORIES



By Thornton W. Burgess

A FOOLISH MISTAKE

There is no doubt that in some way, or other, you have to pay for all mistakes you make. You are no exception.

A big, fine-looking young Grouse was spending his nights in a great hemlock tree with branches growing out on all sides. It was very close to the ground. It was a dark gloomy part of the Green Forest. The Owl and Mrs. Hooty lived there, but they were the only ones. That young Grouse had an injured wing and couldn't fly. That was the reason he was there. You see, he could hop up from limb to limb, but he couldn't fly. He was a little afraid of the owl and Mrs. Hooty, but he was a very small bird. He had known that Reddy Fox was his enemy, but he must look out for at all times. Reddy dears loves a dinner of tender Grouse. So the young Grouse had been so afraid of Reddy and his teeth that he had been taught that in a tree he was safe from Reddy. No fox with any sense at all would expect to catch a bird in a tree, because birds could always take

STRANGE BUT TRUE

That Russia once owned Alaska will not be forgotten by anyone visiting the weird little graveyard at Eklutna, in Alaska's Matanuska Valley. In this bizarre graveyard each grave is topped by a tiny dollhouse or cross. This strange Russian custom seems to have been followed by the aborigines for many years. A century old church standing near the graveyard, and the marking of more recent graves with crosses, attest to the advent of Christianity in this corner of the globe. Some persons seem to forget that they were taught when babies to stand up for themselves. Declaring "Americans are murdering each other on the highways," Mrs. Germaine Palmquist, of Concord, California, decided she would learn to fly an airplane. But Mrs. Palmquist and Iver Witney, her instructor were instantly killed when her plane crashed and she was making a practice landing. While reading his will, William Moore, 68, died of a heart attack in Malden, Mass. One nice thing about money. The roller never clashes with any outfit you are wearing. After a long court session, Judge William E. Ringel, of New York City, doffed his black robe and went home in his shirt-sleeves. It seems that someone had stolen his suit jacket. Taking turns saving their children from a watery death in the canal behind their home is getting to be a habit with Bill Read and his neighbor of Brerly Hill, England. Last week Bill rushed to the canal and rescued two-year-old Terry Quigley from drowning. Six

to his wings. So the young Grouse always felt safe up in a tree. It happened one day while the young Grouse was on the ground hunting for food that Reddy Fox came over that way hunting. The young Grouse saw him just in time. He ran to the foot of the big hemlock tree and climbed up, hopping from branch to branch as he went. He was perfectly safe there. Reddy came to the foot of the tree and looked up. He grinned at the young Grouse. "You're a mighty fine looking young Grouse said he. 'I have half a mind to come up and get you.' " "Pooh! I'd like to see you do it. You can't climb, and you know it," said the young Grouse. He wasn't the least bit afraid. That was because he was so sure that a Fox couldn't climb.



He grinned at the young Grouse.

Now Reddy is one of the smartest of all folk who live in the Green Forest or on the Green Meadows. He hadn't known that that young Grouse couldn't fly. But when he saw the young bird hopping from months ago Quigley rushed out to the canal and saved Reddy's son, John, from drowning in the same spot. Mrs. and Mr. Walter Wohlford, of Freeport, Ill., have four daughters between the ages of one and six and all were born August third in the same room of the same hospital with the same doctor in attendance. Mrs. John D. Long, of Turon, Kan., owns a honey-blonde raccoon that has light brown rings around her eyes and tail and has a pink nose and brown eyes. "You're never too young to get married. If you wait until you're old enough you'll know better. A lot of people who wouldn't stand on one foot on the outer edge of the parapet of a skyscraper will drive a car at 90 miles an hour.

CONTRACT BRIDGE

By Josephine Culbertson

GIFTS HELP

Duplicate bridge gets rid of one sort of luck—the necessity of holding reasonably good cards—but it introduces a new factor that involves at least as much chance. That factor is: what is happening at the other tables? A player may do everything correctly, but if he receives no "gifts" from his various opponents, while other players in his position do receive all kinds of presents, then his standing in the match is bound to suffer. Let's see how this discussion applies to a specific case:

South dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

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

Some Souths started off with one trump, others with one diamond, but at all 11 tables the contract was the same: three notrump, with South declarer.

There was no greater variety in the opening lead—every West chose the fourth-best spade, and the play went: low spade from dummy, spade four from East, spade ace from South. Every declarer then led and passed the ten of clubs.

branch to branch up in the tree he guessed that something was the matter. Otherwise the young Grouse would have taken to his wings. So he really meant what he said, for he saw that he could climb that tree from branch to branch. "Why not come down and save me the trouble of climbing up after you?" said he. "I'd like to see you try it," taunted the young Grouse. Reddy grinned again. "I believe I will," said he, and started to climb. He could do it, because those limbs grew so close together. The startled young Grouse couldn't believe his eyes. Reddy really was coming up that tree. There was nothing to do but climb higher himself. How he did want the use of his wings then. He hopped up to another branch and looked down. Reddy climbed up one branch higher. The young Grouse hopped up to another branch. What could he do when there were no other branches to hop up to? He still couldn't believe that a Fox could climb, yet there was Reddy coming up after him. Why hadn't he kept his tongue still. He hopped one branch higher. He didn't feel comfortable up there. Anxiously he looked down. Reddy had stopped. He didn't look as if he felt comfortable either.

winning with the club ace, this diabolical East returned a low diamond—and how could South fail to grab it? With the club queen presumably located in West's hand South could count on four spade tricks, five clubs, two hearts and one diamond, so it looked ridiculous to take the diamond finesse. South put up the diamond ace, took the "proved" club finesse—and cursed audibly when East raked in the trick with the club queen and cashed the king of diamonds, giving this unfortunate South a cold zero on the board.

New Test For N. S. Motorists

HALIFAX (CP)—A new system to test present and prospective motorists in Nova Scotia will put all the province's drivers within 25 miles of an examining station. The intensified drive is patterned after a testing system in use in Halifax for the last eight years and will require motorists to have their eyes tested, take an oral examination and drive over a selected three-mile stretch of highway. E. S. Campbell, registrar of motor vehicles, said the province-wide examination system is a means of combating the highway death toll by insuring the competency of all licence-holders.

Keep plenty of Wrigley's Spearmint on hand for the Holidays

You'll hear lots of "Thank You's" when you pass this pure, tasty treat around to friends—serve it after party meals—give it to the children. Everybody appreciates delicious Wrigley's Spearmint Gum and it costs so little. Get a supply today

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

- Mohammed's birthplace
- Two-year-old salmon
- Of an area (Brit.)
- Anxious
- A fool
- Sphere of action
- Comfort
- Diffusion of fluids through membrane
- Stripe
- Largest continent
- Cry of pain
- Too
- Body of water (syn.)
- Wild pig
- Caresa
- Pulpy, tropical fruit
- Keep
- Decry
- Complete
- Cavities (anat.)
- Religion of the Moslems
- Donkeys
- Down
- Hair on horse's neck
- Silkworm (Assam)
- Examiners of printed matter
- Walking sticks
- Like ale

20. Leader of a religious movement

21. River (Sib.)

22. Street-car (Brit.)

23. Air Corps (abbr.)

24. Wing (Turk.)

25. Damp

26. Side of coin bearing principal design

27. Bird as a class

28. Child's carriage (Eng.)

29. Sweet potatoes

30. Affirmative reply

31. Succor

Yesterday's Answer

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11									
13									
15									
17									
21	22	23					24	25	
26	27					28	29		
30	31	32	33	34		35			
36									
38	39					40	41	42	
43						44	45		
46							47		
48							49		

DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE—Here's how to work it:

AXYDLBAAXE
LONGBELLOW

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 intact. Each day the code letters are different.

A Cryptogram Quotation

MHPIVM MC BPKNFM, H VHSJAS
WABCT MVHM MVHT MC GCNNHTJ
—MVENBCT.

Yesterday's Cryptoquote: SCORN TEMPERING WRATH,
YET ANGER SHARPENING SCORN—SOUTHEY.

Our Boarding House Major Hoople

HERES A CHALK-TALK ON THIS END RUN, MAJOR!—MORRISSEY HAS TOLD ME SHE'S STILL DAFFY ABOUT HIS WIFE, EVEN IF SHE DID FALL FOR AN ACROBAT!—I HAPPENED TO KNOW WHERE MRS. MORRISSEY IS, AND THATS WHERE I WE'RE CARRYING THE BALL!

MY WORD, TWIGGS! HEH-HEH! I SUPPOSE NEXT YOU'LL TELL ME YOU'VE GROUGHT ALONG A NUMBER OF AERONS APPROVED BY DAN CUPID!—HOW DO YOU KNOW SHE'S STILL SOFT ON THE OLD BOY?

I DON'T CARE HOW YOU DO IT, BUT GET THE GUNBELT THE SHERIFF TOOK FROM MACE!

USE YOUR BANDANA TO COVER YOUR FACE, HOOK.

THE MASKED MAN'S WITH THE SHERIFF, WE'LL WAIT TILL HE LEAVES.

Phil learns Dr. Rebotco has left—quickly he starts pursuit!

A short time later...

FOXEY! WHERE'S REBOTCO?

HE TOOK THE JEEP AND HEADED TOWARD KNEEPTOWN. HE HAD A GUN!

YOU'RE LUCKY HE DIDN'T USE IT!

HE STARTED TO, BUT CHANGED HIS MIND! HE SAID, 'YOU'RE A GOOD KID, FOXEY.' THEN DROVE OFF!

IT'S HARDLY WORTH MARRIYIN' SAM'S WHILEY!—SAY—AH GOT A INTRIGUIN' IDEE!

LET'S RESTRAIN OUR MFFY-SPINCE, AN' SAVE OUR PENNIES, AN' WAIT TILL NEXT SADIIE HAWKINS DAY—HUM?

—AN' THEN, MEBBIE WE KIN HAVE A REAL HUNDINGER OF A WEDDIN'—HUM?

OH, NO, YO' DON'T, MISTAH SLIPPERY!—LET'S GIT TH' \$2.00, OR 'CHEAPSKATE'S WEDDIN' OVER WIF, NOW!

I GOT 'EM WELL TIED UP, NOW TELL ME THE POTTER'S MONEY AN' GET THE PLEECE...

CHIEF... THERE COMES THE OTHER CRIMIN'... I JUS' GOT TIME 'T TURN OUT THE LIGHT.

THAT JUNKY CAR BROKE DOWN! HEY, IT'S ME... PUT 'IN' LIGHT ON... PUT 'IN' ON... WHERE ARE 'YA, STROOP?

POW! SNACK!

OH... WHAT 'IN' COOHIN'?

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I'M SO GLAD YOU'LL BE WITH GOOD COMPANY!

MAGGIE SURE FEEL FOR THAT ONE!—I THOUGHT 'D STOP AND SAY HELLO TO MR. JEGG!

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THROAT SORE?

For common ordinary sore throat

JUST RUB ON LINARD'S LINIMENT

THE KING OF PAIN

PISSEY BANK! I JUST BECAME FROM BLACKBOARD THE PRINCE!

GOSH! NOW DO YOU DO IT?

IT WAS ELEMENTARY! AS SOON AS BLACKBOARD AND I GOT HE-DOWN FELL ASLEEP, I BORED A HOLE THROUGH THE LOCK ON MY CASE WITH MY CORNSCREW TAIL!

AND THAT WASN'T ALL! I ALSO KNOW WHERE THEY BURIED SANTA'S MONEY!

MY LAND, BUT CLEANIN' TH' CELLAR SURE DID MAKE ME TIRED!

BOYS, DO YA MIND IF I COME IN AN' REST A BIT IN TH' OL' EASY CHAIR I GAVE YOU LAST WEEK?

I HAVE A HOUSE FULL O' NICE CHAIRS, AS YOU KNOW...

...BUT SOMEHOW NONE OF 'EM ARE AS COMFORTABLE AS THIS OL' WOODER!

DUMBO'S BACK WITH THE CIRCUS... IN WINTER QUARTERS NEAR HERE!

GOSH... JUST LIKE OLD-TIMES...!

DINNER'S READY, BUT... ER... WHAT DO YOU FEED AN ELEPHANT?

SIMPLEST KIND O' FOOD!—JUST A BALE OF HAY AND A BUSHEL O' PEANUTS!

ALL THE CARS ARE GONE 'ETAS PARTY MUST HAVE BROKEN UP EARLY!

OH, DEAR!

PLASTER! ALL OVER THE FLOOR!

NOW, HERE! FUN'S FUN—BUT KNOCKING DOWN THE—

OH, DAD—REALLY!

BUCKY HAD THE CAST REMOVED FROM HIS ANKLE TODAY! WE DIVIDED IT UP FOR SOUVENIRS!

ENJOY A JUMBO BANANA SPLISHIE BEFORE THE MOVIE

FOUNTAIN

SO... TODAY... AFTER THE MOVIE...

NOW PLAYIN' AFTER THE MOVIE...

SEEN TO ME I AM BEING TRIN' LAMPBULB LONG TIME TO TEACH GRINDOON THEM!

HE KEEPS SINGIN' 'SINGIN' GRININ' TBOW!'!

SURE—SUCH TALK DON'T MAKE SENSE.

MEBBIE IT DO TO OOL GRINDOON—SEEM LIKE HE GOT THE RIGHT SPIRIT.

OH, HE GOES LOUD ENOUGH! BUT HE KEEP BREAKIN' ALL THE BASIC LAWS O' CAROL SINGIN'!

YOU DOBS TOO—SINGIN' WITH BOSTON CHARLIE!

LEARNIN' NINE FIFTEEN! BUT 'BHPPPH BRININ' DON'T BRINE WITH 'TBOW!'!

YOU'RE GO SHANT! WHAT DOES BOSTON CHARLIE HAVIN' HAVIN' AN' IT FOR YEARS AN' I NEVER HEARD 'EM 'T THE YET!

I'LL HAVE ONE OF THOSE ALL-DAY SUCKERS... A RED ONE!

THERE YOU ARE!

GEE, THIS LOOKS KINDA SMALL!

CERTAINLY, IT'S WINTER.

...AND THE DAYS ARE SHORTER!

THAT'S A CLOTHING CATALOG FOR MR. GRIMPINGS FROM A VERY EXCLUSIVE MEN'S SHOP. ONLY THE BIGGEST MEN IN TOWN GET ON THEIR MAILING LIST!

I'LL PUT IT ON HIS DESK!

MUST BE FROM THE RITZMORE TAILORS, WHO CATER TO ALL THE TOP LAWYER EXECUTIVES!

THE PATSO SHOP

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