

BURGESS BEDTIME STORIES

By Thornton W. Burgess

JERRY GOES ALONE.

It is a fact if, truth be known, some things are better done alone.

—Jerry Muskrat.

Jerry Muskrat and Mrs. Jerry had disagreed. Jerry had suggested that they take a little trip. He thought it would be wise if they looked around before deciding to

stay in the Smiling Pool through another winter. Mrs. Jerry was entirely satisfied to stay and could see no sense in looking around. She said that Jerry could go if he wanted to, but she was going to stay right there.

Peter Rabbit, sitting under a big fern at the edge of the Smiling Pool, had been listening. Of course he shouldn't have listened, but you know how full of curiosity



"Am I going to what?" Jerry asked in his turn.

Peter is Mrs. Jerry had dived and gone into their house in the water. Jerry was swimming past where Peter was sitting under the fern. He poked his head out. "Are you going to?" asked Peter.

"Am I going to what?" Jerry asked in his turn. "Are you going to go look around as Mrs. Jerry said?" replied Peter. "I don't know," squeaked Jerry sharply. "Anyway, what business is it of yours, Peter Rabbit?"

"None," admitted Peter. "I was just wondering." Before he could say anything more, Jerry Muskrat dived. As he did so he slapped the water with his tail. He was so near that he splashed Peter. Peter waited for Jerry to come up so that he could ask another question. He waited in vain. When Jerry did put his head out of water, he was way down at the other end of the Smiling Pool where Peter couldn't see him.

Jerry started down Laughing Brook toward the Big River. He'll be glad to get away from the Smiling Pool for a while. "I'm glad she won't come," thought Jerry. "Yes, sir I am so I would rather go alone. There are times when it is a good thing to be alone. Every one ought to spend a little time alone with themselves. Everybody needs a change. I'll be glad to get away from the Smiling Pool for a while."

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Contract Bridge

By Josephine Culbertson

THINK FIRST!

The greatest fault of the average player is an inability (or refusal) to look beyond the current trick. It is precisely as though he told himself: "I'll take this trick and then look around." Unfortunately, however, the looking-around process may then be sterile. Here is a typical illustration.

North dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

♠ Q 9 7
♥ A K 10 5 4
♦ 3
♣ A J 7 6

♠ A 8 4
♥ 7 5 2
♦ K J 10 8
♣ K 9 4

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

The bidding:
North East South West
1♥ Pass 1♠ Pass
2♥ Pass 2♠ Pass
4♥ Pass Pass Pass

West had a shrewd suspicion that declarer would have to ruff diamonds in dummy, so he opened a low trump. True, he could have laid down the ace and another trump, but he hoped that East might have two trumps, and if he got on lead before West, his trump return would result in three leads of the suit. Anyway, West's actual selection should have been good enough.

The first trick was taken in dummy with the trump seven, and the singleton diamond was led. East put up the ace, as fast as he could detach it from his hand and the defense collapsed. There was now no way of preventing South from ruffing two diamonds and holding his losses to three tricks. Despite the fact that dummy's diamond was a singleton, East should not have rushed in with the ace. If East lost the ace by failing to play it, that would be of little consequence, because if South had the diamond king, the contract must be cold. The vital consideration was to get out dummy's trumps, and since East himself had no trump left to lead, he should have made a desperate effort to let West get in for a trump continuation.

Observe that if East had made this ducking play, West would have won and taken out both of dummy's spades, leaving declarer high and dry.

Dotty Dripple

By Ruford

Tippy and "Cap" Stubs

By Edwina

Bringing Up Father

By George McManus

Pogo

By Walt Kelly

Napoleon and Uncle Elby

By Clifford McBride

Tilly The Toiler

By Bob Gustafson

Henry

By Carl Anderson

PENNY

By Harry Haenigsen

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TILTY, England, (CP)—Rev. Hugh Culbertson, vicar of this Essex community, included his home-grown tobacco in the harvest festival decorations at his church this year.

Li'l Abner

By Al Capp

King Of The Royal Mounted

By Zane Grey

Rip Kirby

By Alex Raymond

Joe Palooka

By Ham Fisher

Henry

By Carl Anderson

Penny

By Harry Haenigsen