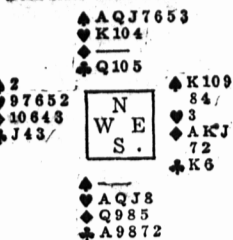


By Josephine Culbertson  
THE FATAL ACTION

The North-South bidding in the hand below contained several questionable actions, but in the final analysis it was North's last bid that did the damage.

North dealer.  
Both sides vulnerable.



The bidding:  
North East South West  
1 North 2 Dble. Pass  
3 Pass 4 Dble.  
5 Pass 5 Dble.  
Pass Pass Pass Dble.

The 5-1 break of trumps gave South an insoluble problem at his five-heart contract, and the outcome was an 800-point penalty. This was all the more crushing from the North-South point of view when it became clear that five clubs — a contract that South was in all too briefly — would have been easy to fulfill.

It is obvious that South had bidding troubles almost from start to finish. His double of two diamonds was clear-cut enough, but that was his only easy decision. When North took out the double to three spades, indicating great diamond shortness but definite hope of game, South certainly could not be expected to pass, simply because he was void in spades. The very fact that North didn't like diamonds implied that he could support hearts or clubs, so South tried out his major suit first because, for one thing, he could land at a cheaper game contract, and for another, he could run to the lower-ranking club suit if the four-heart bid was doubted. North should have realized that although South might have a four-

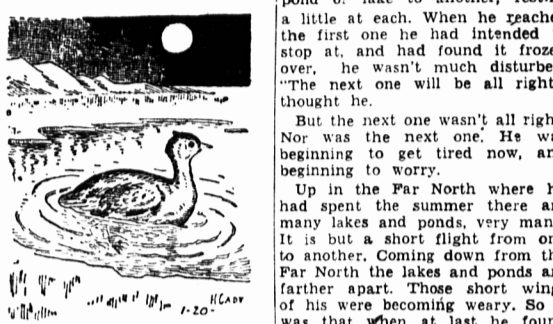
# BURGESS BEDTIME STORIES

By Thornton W. Burgess

## DIPPER'S LAST HOPE

If ever losing hope beware. It leaves you nothing but despair. —Dipper the Grebe.

Dipper the Grebe was flying all alone. He had remained in the Far North too long. He had lingered after all the Duck folk and his other friends had left for the Sunny South. Although the days were not too warm, and the nights were cold, he hadn't minded, and he had hated to think of leaving. He was having good living, for there was plenty of food, and he had made up his mind that he wouldn't leave until he was forced to.



So he rested there that night. It was a mistake. He was finding it out now. Instead of being behind him Jack Frost had been ahead of card heart suit, he certainly would not have tried to rescue himself in such a short club suit at the five-level, and so, instead of wood- only "taking South back," North obviously should have accepted the five-club contract, doubled or not doubled.

## GLEN VALLEY CONCERT

On December 21st, Glen Valley School was filled to capacity, when parents and friends gathered for the annual Christmas concert. Mr. John Nicholson capably acted as chairman, and the following program was carried:

Opening chorus, "Jingle Bells," and opening recitation by Kirk Hickox; recitation by June Nicholson; duet, "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear," by Kirk Hickox and Reggie Nicholson; dialogue, "The Party Line"; Song, "Christmas in Killarney"; recitation by Roger Hickox; Christmas drill by Junior pupils; recitation by Eileen Martin; song, "Countin' in the Rain"; Recitation, by Eleanor Gillis; duet, "Silent Night," by June Nicholson and Kirk Hickox; dialogue, "Sales Resistance"; recitation, by Robert MacLennan; duet, "Galway Bay"; dialogue, "Disappointing Dinah"; recitation by Edna Martin; Darkies' songs by six senior boys; closing chorus, "Here Comes Santa Claus"; and closing recitation by Roy MacLennan.

At the close of the program, Santa Claus arrived, and in his usual jovial manner presented gifts to the teacher and pupils. A treat to all children was given by the Women's Institute.

The entertainment was brought to a close by singing the National Anthem.

### DEDICATE NEW BRIDGE

MEDICINE HAT, Alta. (CP)—An \$850,000 trans-Canada highway bridge was dedicated by Highways Minister Taylor of Albert Wednesday. The bridge, its 1,013-foot length making it western Canada's longest concrete girder bridge, spans the south Saskatchewan river at Medicine Hat.

### VETERAN GARDENER

SACKVILLE, N.B. (CP)—Robert Robertson has retired as head gardener at the plant products division of the agriculture department's Maritime laboratory here, after 48 years in the department.

like sea planes. So it was that the Big River was Dipper's last hope, and he was a very tired and a very worried Bird.

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QUICK	NESTLES—8 OZ. TIN CHOCOLATE DRINK	33c
BEEF STEAK	OLYMPIC & GRAVY. TIN	39c
HONEY	PURE NO. 1 ISLAND. 2 LB. TIN	49c
TOMATO JUICE	LIBBY'S 20 OZ.	2 for 33c
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F A B	WITH A FREE BAR PALMOLIVE SOAP	39c
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LAMB CHOPS	per lb.	35c
RIB LAMB CHOPS	per lb.	25c
STEWING LAMB	per lb.	10c

CHORE GIRL	PKG. OF 3 POT CLEANERS	25c
SHOE POLISH	2 IN 1 ANY COLOUR	15c
CHICKEN	PLYMOUTH BONELESS. 7 OZ.	45c
CO-OP TEA	DELUX ORANGE PEKOE. LB.	93c
DATES	NO. 1 FITTED 4 LB. PKG.	49c

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### The Lone Ranger

IF THOSE HOMBRES ROBBED THE BANK, THEY'D HAVE THE STOLEN CASH. BUT THE DEPUTY SEARCHED 'EM AN' THEIR ROOM, AN' DIDN'T FIND IT!

### Secret Agent X9

JOE, A TRUCK HAS BEEN DRIVEN THROUGH THIS LANE WITHIN THE HOUR! I CAN SMELL GASOLINE EXHAUST!

RIGHT, PHIL! AND LOOK—A SECTION OF THE PARKING HAS BEEN TAKEN DOWN!

NOW WE KNOW WE'RE ON THE TRAIL OF VIOLATORS! THE LANE LEADS TO ALDER SWAMP—WHERE THE PARK RANGERS TOLD US THE DEER HERD WOULD MAKE ITS STAND AGAINST STARVATION!

CHANGE THE OIL IN YOUR SHOWBOOTS AND LET'S CHOWDER THE POWDER! THE FBI ISN'T PAYING US TO ADMIRE THE SCENERY!

...THERE'S THE TRUCK, JOE! TAKE IT EASY—I PROMISED TO READ 'UNCLE REMUS' TO MY DAUGHTER WHEN AND IF I GOT HOME!

FIRST WE'VE GOT TO BUILD SOME BOXES FOR SOME 'BRE'K FOXES'!

### Lil' Abner

MAMMY!—THIS WHITE PAINT'S BEGINNIN' TO ITCH!—H-HOW LONG DOES AH HAFTA STAY HERE?

TH' SCULPTOR FELLA PROMISED TH' STAF CHOO WOULD BE ALL FIXED, BY TOMORRY MAWNIN'—

?? SOMEONE'S COMIN'! BETTER SCOOT!

—ALL THE OTHER GIRLS HAVE REAL DATES!— I'LL PRETEND HE'S MY DATE!

ISN'T IT THRILLING TO BE ALONE TOGETHER?

OH—'INTELLIGENCE, TRIUMPHANT,' SAY YOU LOVE ME!

AH LOVES 'YO—

### Joe Palooka

...AN' THIS BIG INDUSTRIALIS... A REAL BIG SHOT, WANTS US 'T DRIVE 'IM 'T FLORIDA. HE PAYS ALL TH' EXPENSES.

YOU'RE KIDDIN'!

I DON'T GET IT, YOU SAY YOU DIDN'T EVEN SEE 'IS FACE...

THERE WAS A LIGHT SHININ' AN' I DIDN'T WANTA BE IMPALITE... ANYWAYS... ARE YA GOIN'?

SURE! IT'S A DEAL! SOME-TIMES I FEEL YOU'RE A SWELL GUY AN' I'M WOND'IN WHEN DO WE LEAVE?

'T'S AWRIGHT, BUTTERBALL. NOW WE JUST PACK AN' HE'LL CALL US.

## TOMORROW NIGHT

Prince of Wales Concert Series presents  
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