

BURGESS BEDTIME STORIES

By Thornton W. Burgess

PETER IS MORE ENVIOUS THAN EVER

Envy is a futile thing. From it only troubles spring. —Old Mother Nature.

That is true. It is seldom that any good comes of envy. The only time that good does come from it is when it spurs some one to get such things as others have. Then and then only is it a good thing.

Peter Rabbit had been envious of his big cousin, Jumper the Hare, for a long, long time. Down in his heart Peter thought that Old Mother Nature had been unfair. She had given Jumper a white coat to wear when the ground was

STRANGE BUT TRUE

By F. H. MacArthur

White pelicans breed in large numbers in Pyramid Lake, Nevada, in the heart of desert country. Did you know there are such creatures as ice worms? True enough. But where they come from, what they eat, and how they function, is still a question among biologists.

The true west is not always where you think it is. For example, Los Angeles lies east of Reno, by one and a half degrees of longitude. Likewise, Virginia extends many miles farther west than any part of West Virginia.

Snowfalls are common the year round at Barrow Strait and Lancaster Sound. Here the frost seldom thaws out more than a couple of inches. Yet cranberries grow, blossom, and bear good fruit; ground willow, sedges and mosses grow abundantly make good pasture for roaming herds of muskox.

The secret, of course, of this plant life is that the sun remains above the horizon, shining all the while, 24 hours, day in and day out.

Not all animals' eyes shine in the dark. Why? Because like humans, they do not have what we call reflecting layers.

On Sept. 26, 1908, Ed. Rueback of Chicago pitched a double-header shutout, the first time in baseball history that such a thing happened. Pitching for Chicago he shut out Brooklyn 5-0 in the first game and 3-0 in the second.

Did you know that every baby chicken has one tooth when hatched? This is called the shell or egg tooth because the chick uses it to break its shell and get out. Most other birds also have this egg tooth.

Experiments show that our minds are more active just before we drop off to sleep. So if you want to remember something try memorizing it before the sand man gets into your eyes.

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Just then Blacky the Crow came along. "What are you two talking about?" he demanded, as he perched in a tree over their heads.

"Cousin Peter is being foolish," replied Jumper.

"Do you mean that he is being more foolish than usual?" asked Blacky slyly.

"I'm not being foolish!" Peter declared. He stamped a foot.

Blacky chuckled. "Why Peter, how you must have changed," said he.

"It is full of envy," declared Jumper. "He is full of envy and foolish wishes. He envies me my white coat and wishes he had one like it."

Blacky looked down at Peter. "Why should you envy Jumper his white coat anymore than I do?" he asked.

"Perhaps you do only you won't admit it. If I had a coat as black as yours, I certainly would envy anyone with a white coat," declared Peter.

Blacky shook his head. "Peter," said he, "you should have found out for yourself by this time that Old Mother Nature knows best. If she gave Jumper a white coat and didn't give you one, you may be sure she had a good reason."

"With this Blacky took to his wings and flew away. Peter watched him out of sight. "At least, my coat isn't black and I'm glad of that," said he.

BRADALBANE W. I.

The Bradalbane W. I. met at the home of Mrs. H. W. W. on Dec. 12th, and two visitors. The meeting was opened by the president with the singing of a Christmas carol followed by repeating Creed in unison.

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SUGAR SUPPLIES LOW

SAINT JOHN, N.B. (CP) — Local wholesalers reported their supplies of sugar running low Tuesday as a strike of 700 employees at the Atlantic Sugar Refineries plant here continued for a seventh day without sign of settlement.

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CONTRACT BRIDGE

By Josephine Culbertson

A PRESSING NEED

In a great many deals a player must choose between two or more desirable actions: telling his partner about the distribution of his hand—notably, the length of a major suit he may hold—or telling partner about the hand's high-card content. Of course, these messages sometimes can be combined, but we are not talking about these ideal cases.

Perhaps the most important and pressing of all needs is to assure partner, via a raise, that you can help to solidify his suit. Here's a case in point:

South dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

Q 9 3	K 6 2
7 4	K J 10 9
8 2	
A Q 9 8 5 4	
A 10 7 5	K 6 2
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2	
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The bidding:
South West North East
1♥ 1♠ 2♣ Pass
2♥ Pass Pass Pass

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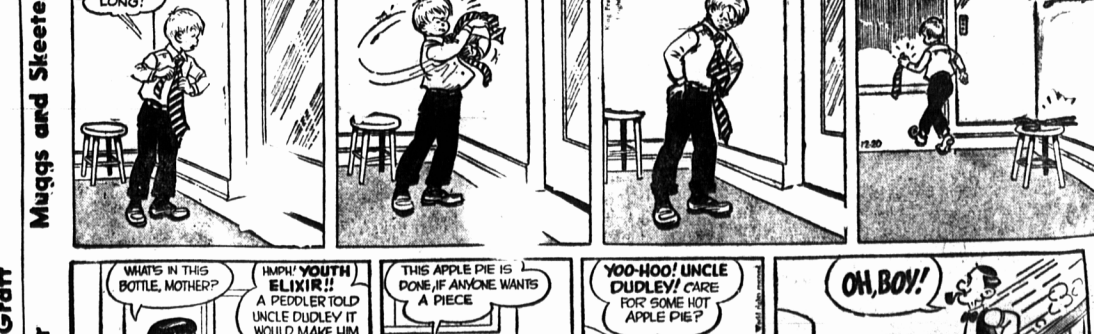
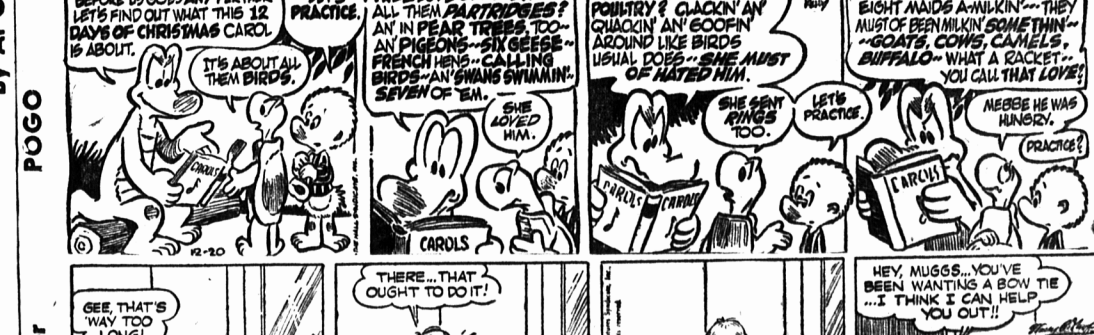
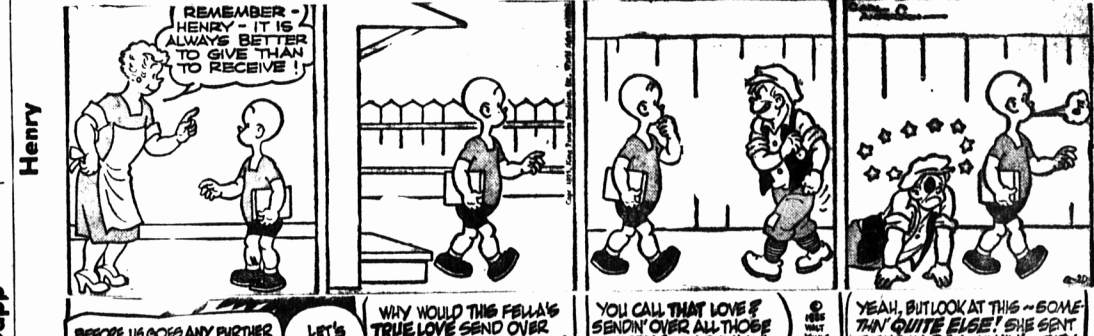
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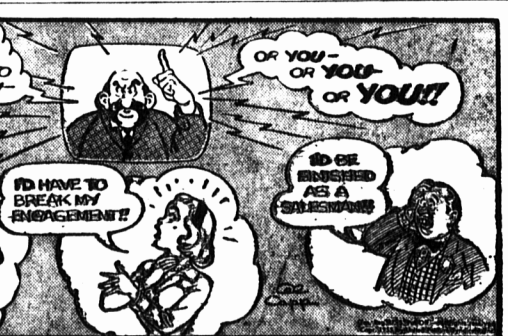
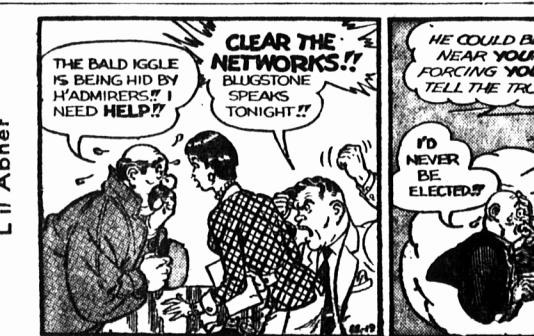
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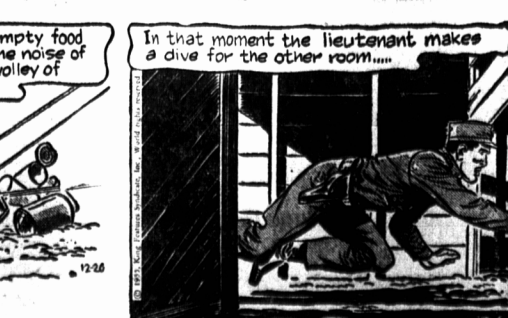
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Grandma
Mickey Mouse
Eric Kent
Henry
POGO
Muggs and Skeeter
Tilly the Toiler
Joe Palooka
Bringing Up Father

By Charles Kuhn
By Walt Disney
By Paul Robinson
By Carl Anderson
By Walt Kelly
By Wally Bishop
By Bob Gustafson
By Ham Fisher
By George McManus