

# BURGESS BEDTIME STORIES

By Thornton W. Burgess

### LITTLE TOO-SMART DOES LEARN SOMETHING

By watching others you may gain much they have learned through woe and pain. —Reddy Fox.

Ambling along an old path near the edge of the Green Forest was Jimmy Skunk. He wasn't hurrying. Jimmy seldom does hurry. Long ago, he learned that often more is lost than is gained by hurrying. Now and then he stopped to pull over a piece of bark on the ground, or poke his nose into a hollow stump, or sniff along beside an old log. He was looking for fat Beetles and other insects.

Some distance behind Jimmy was Reddy Fox, and at Reddy's heels was his small son, Little Too-Smart. Now and then Reddy sat down and waited for Jimmy to move on. If Jimmy knew that Reddy was following him, he made no sign. Probably he didn't care.

"What are we following him for?" asked Little Too-Smart. "So that perhaps you may learn something," replied Reddy. He grinned at his young son. "I don't see what I can learn from just following that fellow," grumbled Little Too-Smart. "You can learn much if you really want to learn. Of course, folks who don't want to learn just waste their time and the time of others," replied Reddy.

"Are you afraid of him?" asked the young Fox. Reddy grinned broadly. "No and yes," said he. "How can you be both?" demanded Little Too-Smart. "I am not afraid of Jimmy Skunk as long as I treat him politely. But I am afraid to have a fight with him," replied Reddy. "But you're the biggest," protested Little Too-Smart. "Yes," grinned Reddy. "I am the biggest, but if you live long enough you'll find that very often bigness counts for little or nothing at all. Jimmy Skunk isn't what you would call big, but the biggest

## BELFAST CHURCH

# TEA

### WEDNESDAY

August 6th

Supper Served From 4-6.30

## POTATO DEALERS MEETING

### VOCATIONAL SCHOOL — CHARLOTTETOWN

The adjourned meeting of July 23rd will convene on Monday, August 4th at 3 p.m. This meeting is called for the purpose of electing a representative to the P. E. I. Potato Marketing Board.

F. E. I. MARKETING BOARD,  
J. O. C. CAMPBELL, Chairman

## The Neighbors

By George Clark



"Those girls will learn after they're married it takes more cooking than a grilled hot dog to make a man happy."

## POGO

By Walt Kelly



## RIP KIRBY

By Alex Raymond



## PENNY

By Harry Haenigsen



people in all the Green Forest are polite to Jimmy when they meet him.

"I don't see why," said the little Fox. "I'm hoping you will see why. If you follow him long enough, you may Jimmy Skunk is one of the most independent people in all the Great World, and it always pays to be polite to those who are independent," said Reddy.

Ahead of them, Jimmy Skunk had stopped to poke around under the edge of a big rock. Looking beyond him, Reddy saw a Dog, and Reddy's grin was broader than ever as he whispered to his small son to keep perfectly still and watch. As yet, Jimmy Skunk did not see the Dog. He was too busy poking around that big rock. And as yet, the Dog did not see Jimmy. He, too, was busy. He was sniffing here, and sniffing there, trying to find the scent of someone smaller than himself whom he might chase.

Suddenly the Dog lifted his head and saw Jimmy. Jimmy stopped poking around. He faced the Dog. He lifted his big bushy tail so that it stood almost straight up. It was big and broad, and the tip was white. Jimmy made a funny little jump toward that Dog and stamped hard with his front feet. The Dog stopped abruptly. This wasn't at all what he had expected. He had thought this stranger in the black and white coat would run. He was all prepared to chase him, and when he caught him shake him to death. That Dog dearly loved to shake to death anyone smaller than himself whom he could catch. Now he began dancing from side to side, and barking as if he would bark his head off. Jimmy Skunk kept facing him, never once did he turn his head behind him. Suddenly the Dog made a rush at him. It was then that Little Too-Smart learned why it pays to be polite. That Dog was rolling about on the ground, yelping and whining and rubbing his face, and in the air was the most awful smell. It was choking.

Little Too-Smart looked at Jimmy Skunk. Jimmy didn't seem in the least upset. His tail was still up. He was still stamping his feet.

### LIFE IN DEEP

COPENHAGEN—(CP)—The deep sea expedition aboard the Galathea which returned recently from a two-year world voyage established there is life in the ocean below the depth of 6,000 metres, previously thought to be the limit.

## NOTICE

All school taxes due Stanhope District not paid by August 12th, will be handed in for collection by order of Trustees.

LLOYD SHAW,  
Secretary.

More than 20,000,000 tiny trees were distributed for planting in 1952 by the Ontario Forestry Department.

## ANNUAL MEETINGS

### Liberal Associations Of Queens County

- 4th District—Eldon Hall, Monday, Aug. 4th—8:30 p.m.
- 3rd District—Mt. Stewart, Tuesday, Aug. 5th—8:30 p.m.
- 5th District—Clover Club, Wednesday, Aug. 6th—8:30 p.m.
- 1st District—Bradalbane, Thursday, Aug. 7th—8:30 p.m.
- 2nd District—Kingston, Tuesday, Aug. 19th—8:30 p.m.

Everybody Welcome

## By Wait Kelly



## By Alex Raymond



## By Harry Haenigsen



## Contract Bridge

By Josephine Culbertson

### THE PERSONAL ELEMENT

Every bridge writer is asked how this or that hand should be bid, and he always tries to give an unbiased opinion. Sometimes, however, it is not fair to make a decision without full knowledge of the players involved. Here, for example, is a case in which strictly academic judgment is almost worthless.

South dealer. Both sides vulnerable.

8 6 5 3  
4 2  
9 8 6 3 2  
10 5

♠ J 9 4  
♥ A J 10 9  
♦ 7 3  
♣ K 7 2

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

♠ A K Q 10 2  
♥ A J 7 5  
♦ K 6 4

The bidding:  
South West North East  
1♠ 2♥ Pass Pass  
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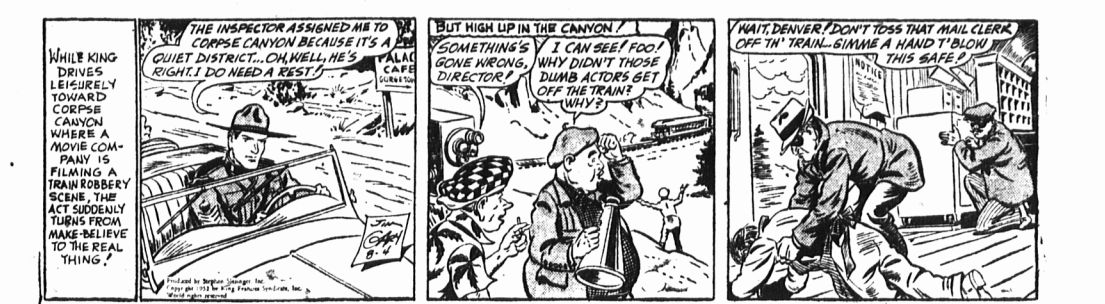
The double four-heart contract was easily fulfilled, and the loss North-South was compounded by the fact that they could have made four spades. A little discussion between North and South naturally followed, and South, seeking to uphold his own part in the affair, later asked six well-known experts what they would have done over the four-heart call.

One said he would pass. One said he would double. The others said they would bid four spades.

It is not remarkable that the vote ran this way, but it is strange that these experts agreed to deliver any opinion on the bare facts, without knowing just how good a player South's partner was! For that, obviously, is the key question. Presumably, the experts who bid four spades were protecting themselves against an unreliable partner. If, however, "ideal" conditions are assumed, i.e., if North and South form an experienced and expert partnership, the double stands out as the logical action. With West bidding hearts at the two-level and East jump-raising, this expert North will know that South's double is not based on heart strength and is therefore not primarily a business double; and so, holding four cards in South's spade suit, or substantial length in either minor suit, this expert North would unhesitatingly take out the double—which, of course, would be right in line with South's wishes.

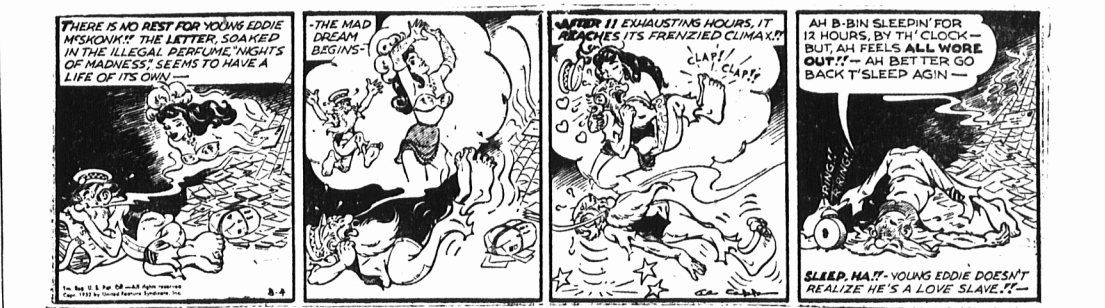
In short, South's "proper" action would seem to depend entirely on his appraisal of his partner.

## KING OF THE ROYAL MOUNTED



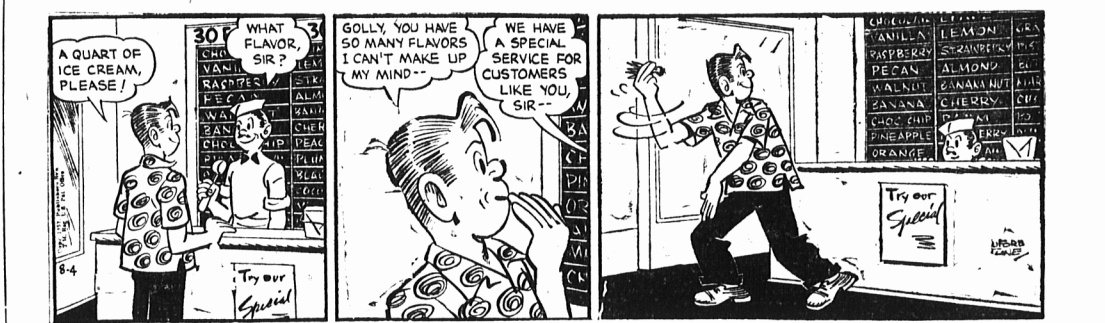
## L'L ABNER

By Al Capp



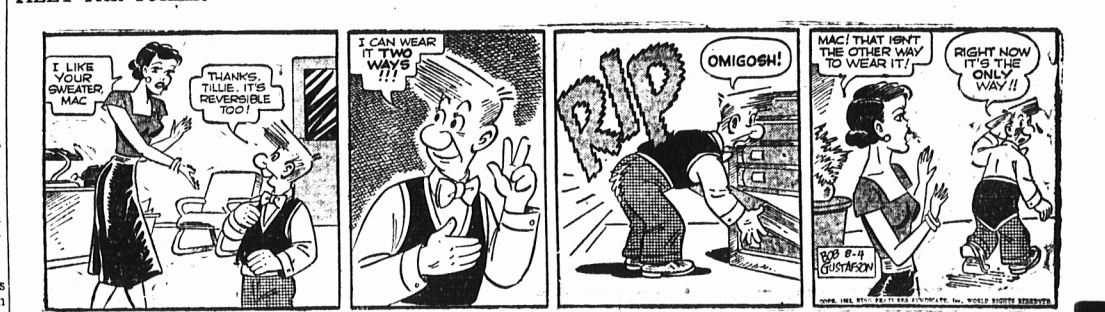
## DOTTY DRIPPLE

By Rufort



## TILLY THE TOILER

By Bob Gustafson



## TIPPY AND "CAP" STUBS

By Edwina



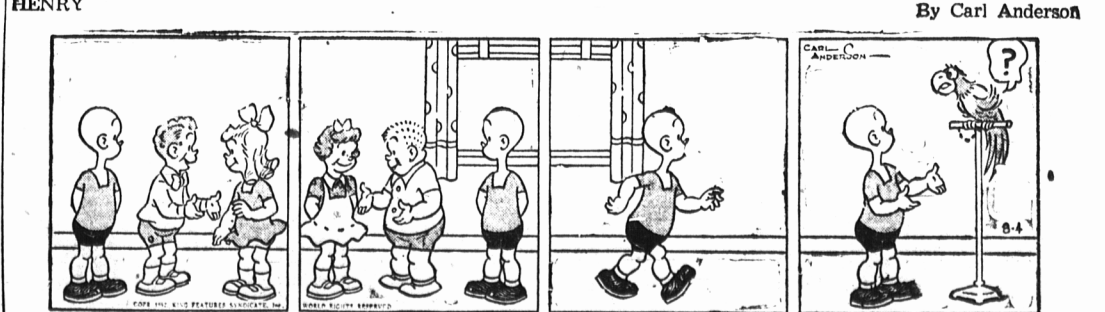
## BRINGING UP FATHER

By George McManus



## HENRY

By Carl Anderson



## JOE PALOOKA

By Ham Fisher

