

T. PAER DISCUSSES ONE MAN TROLLEYS

T. PAER was gazing into the fireplace with an amused glint in his half shut eyes.

"Haw! Haw!" he chuckled so unexpectedly that Ma dropped her knitting in alarm. "Haw! Haw!" he repeated still louder, "that C. Attie is a gritty buy, ain't he?"

"I don't like him," Ma answered dourly. "He's too fresh 'nd he's always bragging about his home town."

"I know," T. Paer admitted, "but he says somethin' pretty cute once in a while just the same."

"What's he said now?" Ma asked, with some interest. "I bet it's something to knock Portland."

"Not exactly," T. Paer hedged, "but it wasn't real kind to Frank Griffith 'nd his street cars."

"What'd he say about them?" Ma persisted. "Our cars don't jig along like the cable cars C. Attie boasts about anyway."

"C. Attie wanted to know," T. Paer chuckled, "what the 'DM' stands for on them horsebuses Frank runs past the Union Depot."

"Anybody with a mite of sense ought to know that," Ma sniffed, "nd I ain't surprised that C. Attie didn't."

"But C. Attie did," T. Paer corrected. "He said the reason he asked me was to see if I knew."

"What'd he say it meant?" Ma asked curiously.

"Damn it," T. Paer exploded gleefully, "nd ain't it the truth?"

"That sounds just like that freshie," Ma retorted severely. "He could find a swear word in a Easter lily."

"C. Attie says," T. Paer explained, "it stands for 'damn' because that's the first thing a visitor to Portland thinks of when he comes out'n the depot 'nd sees one of them toy cars waitin' to haul him up town."

"Well," Ma admitted grudgingly, "they's something to that."

"C. Attie says," T. Paer continued, "that when a fellow's standin' in the rain while the motorconductor—"

BRINGING UP FATHER



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BURGESS' BEDTIME STORIES

Peter Gives the Cubs a Scare

By Thornton W. Burgess

For timid folk no joy is quite like giving other folks a fright. Peter Rabbit.

IT ISN'T often that Peter has a chance to scare anyone. You know he is such a timid fellow himself that he is the one who usually gets the fright. So when he does happen to scare someone it always tickles him. Somehow he always has more respect for himself.

When on that moonlight night he discovered Mrs. Bear's secret over by the great windfall deep in the Green Forest, Peter had the most mixed feelings he ever had known. First, came surprise as he saw those two little heads poked out of Mrs. Bear's entrance. He was sitting up very straight, and the surprise was so great, that he all but tumbled over backward. You see, there was no mistaking those two little heads for any but those of baby Bears. He knew that there were two Bear cubs, Mrs. Bear's babies, the secret she had kept hidden so long under the great windfall.

And his surprise at seeing those two little heads was only a little greater than his surprise at the smallness of them. So for perhaps two minutes Peter sat motionless, quite overcome with surprise as he stared at those two funny little heads poked out from the entrance under the great windfall. Then, all in a flash, he understood the cause of Mrs. Bear's short temper and the reason she drove everybody away from there and he felt a sudden panic of fright.

"This is no place for me," thought Peter, "and the sooner I get away from here the better." He looked hastily all about. There was no sign of Mrs. Bear. Right then and there curiosity took possession of him.

"I wish those youngsters would come out where I can see them and just how big they are," thought Peter. "It seems safe enough here now, and perhaps if I wait a few minutes they will come out."

So Peter waited. Sure enough, in a few minutes the two little cubs did come out. Plainly, it was their first glimpse of the Green Forest, and Peter almost laughed right out at the look of wonder on their faces as they stared all about in the moonlight.

But not even his first surprise was greater than Peter's surprise now as he saw how small they were. "Why," he exclaimed to himself, "why are they any not much bigger than I? I didn't suppose anyone so big as great big Mrs. Bear could have such small children. I wonder how old they are? I wonder how big they were when they were born? I wonder if they will grow fast? I suppose Easter Bear is their father, and I wonder if he ever comes to see them? They look to me rather wabby on their legs. I wonder if Mrs. Bear told them they could come out?"

And then the imp of mischief whispered to Peter, "I wonder if I can scare them. I wonder if I can scare their legs. I wonder if I can be great fun to scare Mrs. Bear, even if it is nothing but a cub, and to scare two at once would be greater fun."

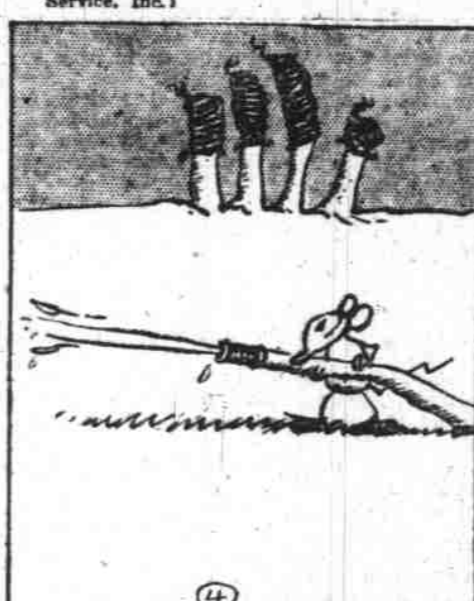
Peter suddenly thumped the ground very hard with his hind feet. It was so still there in the Green Forest that that thump sounded very loud. The two little cubs gave a startled look toward Peter. As he sat up straight in the moonlight he looked very big. That is, he did to those two little cubs, who had never seen him before.

With funny little whimpers of fright they turned and fairly tumbled over each other as they scurried back through the entrance under the great windfall. Peter laughed and laughed until his sides ached. He, Peter Rabbit, actually had frightened two Bears and made them run! Now he would have something to boast about.

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The next story: "Peter's Glee Is Short Lived."

KRAZY KAT

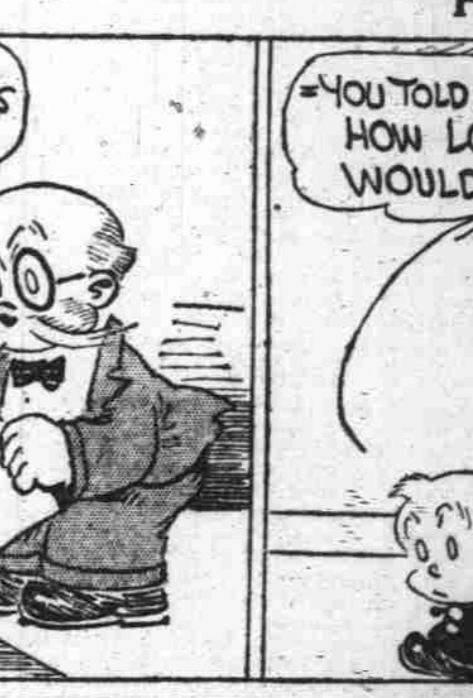
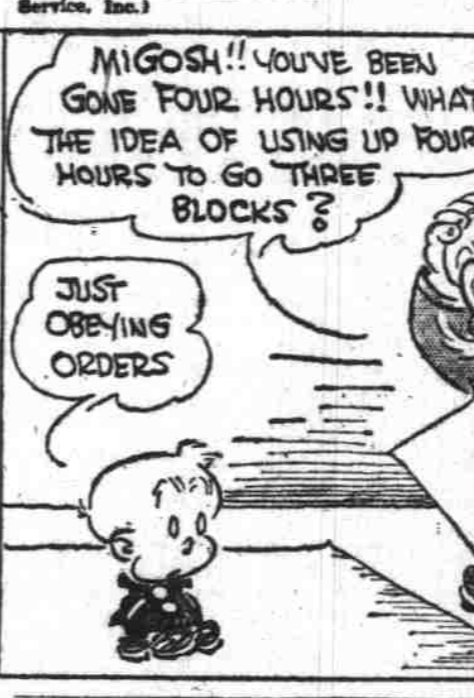


He Should Have Had a Permanent Wave

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JERRY ON THE JOB



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Munger to Assist In Plan to Obtain Natural Retreats

T. T. Munger of the forest management division of the United States forest service has been appointed Oregon representative on a committee named by the Ecological Society of America for the purpose of securing the setting aside of certain representative areas of virgin forest, natural mountain meadows, undrained swamps and prairies as preserves where botanists, zoologists and entomologists and other scientists might study nature in its primitive form.

George B. Riggs of the University of Washington is chairman of the committee for the general West.

"Oregon stands in an immediate danger of losing her naturalness," said Munger, "but we must safeguard against the experience of other states. In the Middle West, for instance, there is no longer any natural prairie, such as the buffalo roamed over. With the commercial development of Oregon we are faced with the same situation unless we set aside certain preserves of this sort."

Hot Lake Arrivals

Hot Lake, April 2. Arrivals at Hot Lake sanatorium Wednesday were: V. Erickson, La Grande; A. Wilson, Ontario, Or.; J. A. Cresswell, E. G. Ditto and H. A. Lillard, Pendleton; Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Jensen, Mr. and Mrs. Parker and Miss M. Parker, Portland; Mrs. L. McArthur and Mrs. A. J. Willis, North Bend; W. E. Lawrence, Prater City; W. L. Betzel, Portland; Charles E. Johnson, Seattle; O. Trowse, Yakima.

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