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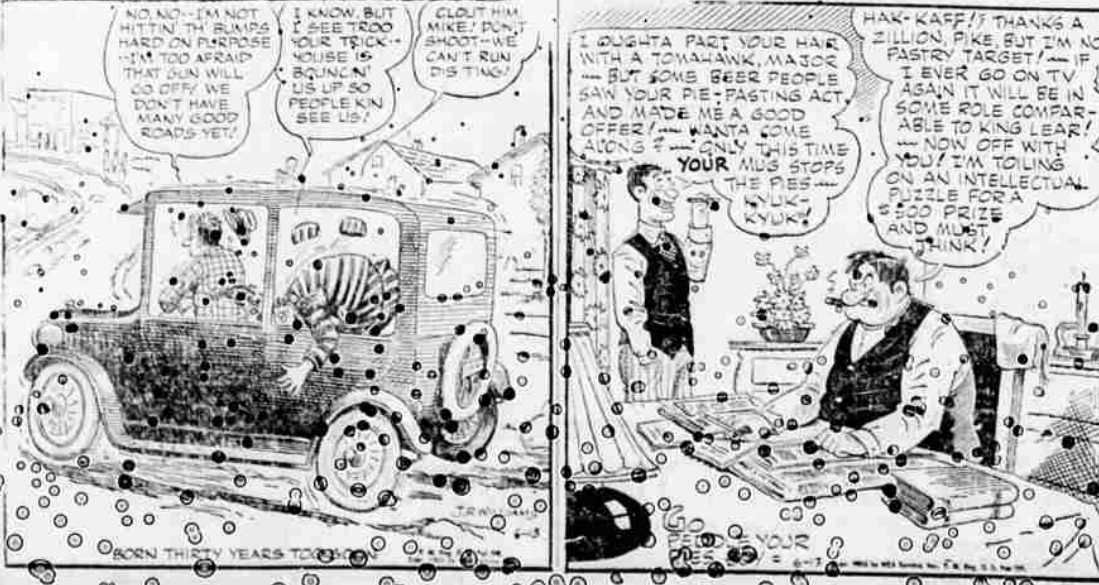
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Alley Oop



Out Our Way



Major Hoople



IS THAT SO! How Long Does a Baby Walrus Nurse?

By EUGENE BURNS

LONDON — Sharpen your wits, time for another ranger naturalist quiz. Score 85 and you are an outdoor expert; 70 is mighty good; 55 is fair to middling.

1. If you want to make friends with the small wood's animals, you must observe some basic rules. In each of these five groups, you have three choices. Select the best in each group:

A. Wait for the animals to come to your tent naturally? Or, go to their natural quiet resting places? Or, go to their gathering places such as waterholes and feeding areas?

B. Let them get accustomed to you the day around? Or, don't press matters, meet them only occasionally? Or, go regularly each day?

C. Stroll very slowly? Or walk normally? Or pretend casual indifference?

D. When you reach a rendezvous, sit down. Whistle? Or, read a magazine? Or, carve a figure.

E. In the animal's presence, remain silent? Or talk baby talk? But make it understandable? Or, talk naturally? 25 points.



2. What does the stomach of the seal, sea lion and walrus have in common with a chicken's gizzard? 10 points.

3. The varied hare of the northland, often mistakenly called a rabbit, has definite population cycles with tremendous upsurges followed by drastic crashes. Do these cycles occur approximately every three years? Every 10? Every 15? 10 points.

4. In the same location, trees burst their buds approximately the same week each year. But leafing may vary greatly in different locations. Which of these

factors may affect that timing: latitude? elevation? bodies of water? location within a city? out in the country? exposure? 25 points.

5. Which of these statements about the walrus is incorrect? The young may nurse for two years. Once it ranged in what is now the state of Georgia, and in Scotland, Belgium and Denmark. It remains in the water weeks on a day. It is found both in the Antarctic and Arctic. Its menu is limited to rather small fare—nothing larger than a grapefruit. Like a whale, it has a coat of blubber.

ANSWERS: 1. To tame wild animals, it is best to go to their gathering places such as waterholes; go regularly each day, preferably early morning and late afternoon; stroll slowly, in fact, very slowly; sit down and slowly carve a figure—the flashing of a whittling blade or the turning of magazine pages may frighten them; and, talk naturally, preferably at the animal's own tone level.

2. Lacking broad-crowned molars to crush and grind their food,

these animals like the toothless chickens have rocks (or gravel) in their stomachs to help mill their food and aid digestion.

3. Approximately every 10 years, more exactly every 9.4 years.

4. All these things affect the time of budding: the farther north, the greater the delay; a 1,000-foot elevation at the same as going north 600 miles; big nearby bodies of water regulate the temperature, keeping it milder and hastening the leafing; in the city, trees are hastened by reflected heat of buildings and streets; and a southern exposure is better.

5. The walrus's young is perhaps the world's longest nursing—around two years; in prehistoric times it ranged in all these lands; it cannot remain in the water for long periods of time and will drown; it is not found in the Antarctic, only the Arctic; its menu, true enough, is limited to what it can get in its mouth between the long upper canines or tusks; and like the whale it does have a heavy coat of blubber. (Copyright, 1935, by Eugene Burns)

AFTER 55 YEARS AT SEA

Skipper Finally Makes It As a Tourist

JERSEY CITY, N. J. (NEA)—After 55 years, Sam Groves finally made it. He went to sea as a plain, ordinary tourist.

Well, not so ordinary, maybe, since the cruise he took ploughed the same Mediterranean sea lanes he'd sailed since 1925.

"But this time," he said, strolling down the gangway of the SS Excalibur after it docked here, "I had nothing on my mind except my hat."

Just about a year ago he came down the gangway of the same ship—on a stretcher. It was the last time he went ashore as her skipper.

TWICE BEFORE

But in more than half a century at sea, Capt. Groves had left ship in unorthodox fashion twice before—one by lifeboat in a gale off Cape Hatteras in 1910, once by plunging into the sil-covered waters off Casablanca when his ship was torpedoed during the war.

And each time, he had gone back to sea again. So when Capt. Groves got his sea-legs back after his 1934 illness, he and Mrs.



CAPT. SAM GROVES
Like Driving a Streetcar

him to go to sea, either," Groves said.

In retirement, Groves skips an outboard skiff for fishing trips near his home in Sanford, Fla. But he keeps his feet dry. "My father couldn't swim a stroke," he said, "and I haven't been swimming since I went into that oil off Casablanca."

Now that he's sampled passenger life, he may make another trip next fall as a tourist, he added.

"Tourist?" Mrs. Groves interrupted. "He wouldn't even go to Cairo with me. He said he'd seen it before."

Last of GAR Gets Many Honors

DULUTH, Minn. (P)—Minnesota is knocking itself out this year to honor Albert Woolson, its number one senior citizen.

State and national attention is nothing new to Woolson but now, as the last known surviving member of the Union Army of the Civil War, he's getting more of it than ever. He recently marked his 108th birthday and congratulatory cards poured in from all over the country.

Duluth had a special celebration. A bust of Woolson was unveiled in a ceremony at City Hall. Gov. Orville L. Freeman wired congratulations.

The legislators didn't overlook the occasion. The Senate passed a happy birthday resolution. House members offered congratulations in a concurrent resolution and asked the governor to give the old campaigner the Minnesota Service Medal.

The secretary of state announced that the 1935 Minnesota "bluebook" would carry a picture and biography of the last of the boys in

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