

# THIS CURIOUS WORLD

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## APRIL SHOWERS

by **WILLIAM FERGUSON**

IN ALMOST EVERY COUNTRY THERE ARE MONTHS THAT HAVE MORE RAIN THAN APRIL.

IN THE DESERT, FALLING RAIN-DROPS OFTEN EVAPORATE BEFORE REACHING THE GROUND.

RAIN IS FAR FROM PURE AFTER IT HAS DESCENDED THROUGH OUR DUST-LADEN AIR.

IN DEATH VALLEY, CALIFORNIA, 401 DAYS PASSED WITHOUT MEASURABLE PRECIPITATION. 1929-1931

BUT IN CALIFORNIA'S SAN GABRIEL MOUNTAINS, AT OBID'S CAMP, AN INCH FELL IN ONE MINUTE ON APRIL 5, 1926.

IT RAINS MORE IN TOPEKA, KANSAS, THAN IN LONDON, ENGLAND.

SIXTEEN MILLION TONS OF RAIN AND SNOW FALL ON THE EARTH EVERY SECOND OF THE DAY AND NIGHT, ON THE AVERAGE.

## RIGHT OR WRONG?

by **FERRY**

(A) NOT ALL VIOLETS ARE BLUE.

(B) PINON NUTS COME FROM PINE TREES.

(C) 4-H CLUBS ARE FOR BOYS ONLY.

(D) JOHN MCCORMACK INVENTED THE REAPER.

- (D) WRONG
- (C) WRONG
- (B) RIGHT
- (A) RIGHT

## FRECKLES FRIENDS

....THEN JUNE AND I BAITED A TRAP AT TONY'S! I ATE SOME COLLISION MATS AND WASHED 'EM DOWN WITH WITCHES BREW!

AFTER THAT, I PUT A BUFFALO IN THE JUKE AND WE MERGED TO A DIRGE! IT WAS STRICTLY GROOVY!

BY THIS TIME THE BIG AND LITTLE HANDS SAID IT WAS MIDNIGHT, SO WE SHOVED!

ON THE WAY HOME THE COFFEE GRINDER RAN OUT OF PUSH WATER .... AND I COULDN'T GIVE IT A TRANSFUSION!

SO JUNE AND I HAD TO PICK 'EM UP AND LAY 'EM DOWN FOR TWO KNOTS. I BREEZED IN AT FOUR-MINUS-ONE!

WHEN I ARRIVED AT THE BASE, MY BLINKERS WERE SAGGING, AND BROTHER, I SURE DRAPED THE CORPSE!

AND THAT'S THE FELLOW WHO NEARLY FLUNKED A SIMPLE THING LIKE LATIN!

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AW, PLEASE GIMME THE JOB, MR. EATON! I REALLY NEED IT!

OKAY!

ARE YOU SURE IT ISN'T TOO HEAVY?

DON'T WORRY... I CAN HANDLE IT!

NOW THAT'S WHAT I CALL AN AMBITIOUS KID!

HE SURE WANTED TO CARRY THAT SIGN!

OKAY, WISE GUY! NOW LEMME SEE YOU TEAR ANOTHER HOLE IN MY PANTS!!

How much do you care?



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