

BURGESS BEDTIME STORIES

By THORNTON W. BURGESS. Danny Has a Sudden Fright. To Danny Meadow Mouse Grandpa Pelican was such a funny looking

him. From Mocker the Mockingbird he found out that Grandpa Pelican lived wholly on fish, and so was not to be feared. When Danny had nothing else to do he would go over to the bank of the river to see if Grandpa Pelican was there sitting on that old stump. Sometimes Grandpa Pelican was off fishing. Then Danny would wait for his return.

This is what he was doing one day when he heard a slight noise in a tree, which overhung the water very near him. Danny peered up through the leaves anxiously. You see he never knew when danger might be near. At first he saw nothing suspicious. Then there was a movement of something long and slim and black. A cold shiver of fear ran all over Danny. "It is one of Mr. Blacksnake's

cousins up in that tree!" thought Danny, and he held his breath. What he saw certainly did look like the head, neck and part of the body of Mr. Blacksnake. For a moment or two it was motionless. Then it moved again, and it moved in such a

snaky way that there was no doubt in Danny's mind that he was looking at a member of Mr. Blacksnake's family. Danny himself didn't move. No, sir, he didn't move. He was too frightened to move. Even had he been less frightened he wouldn't have moved, for he felt sure that he had not yet been seen.

Again that snaky head and neck moved, and this time the head turned so that Danny could see it clearly. He almost squeaked aloud in his surprise. This Snake, for he was still sure it was a member of Mr. Blacksnake's family, actually had a long, slender, very sharp bill! At least it looked so to Danny. He never had heard of a snake with a bill, but then he had already seen many strange things he never had heard of, and he was ready to believe almost anything.

That head moved again, and he could no longer see the bill. But he could see the slim, graceful neck and

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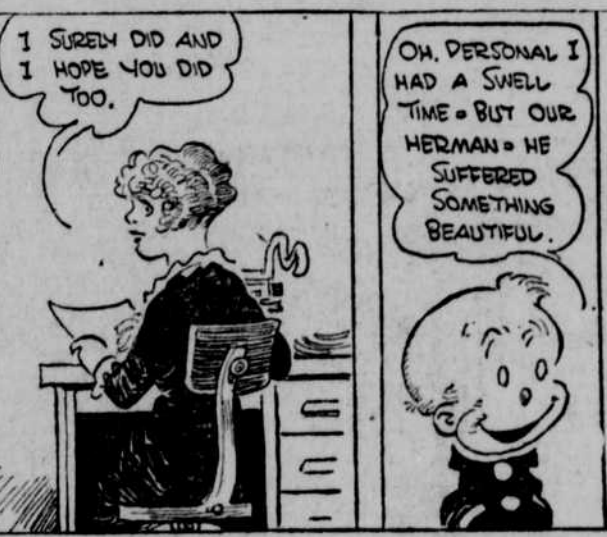
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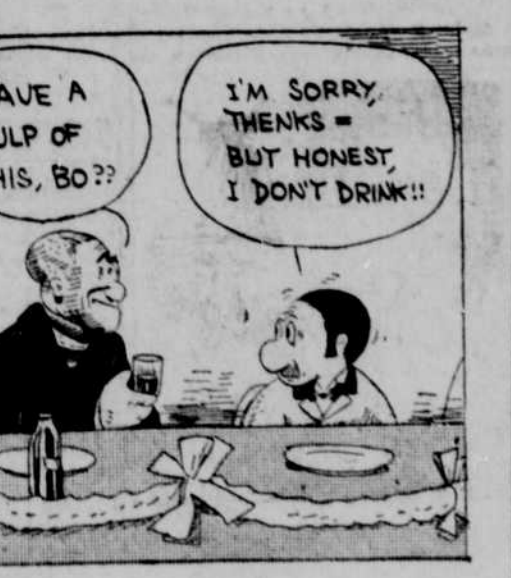
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my felt he would be safe. But if he should come down on the ground, well, Danny didn't like to think what might happen then. Once Danny started to try to steal away, but just as he moved that snaky head was turned in his direction. Danny didn't move again. He just equated right where he was, shaking with fright and hoping and hoping that something would happen to give him a chance to get away. "A snake with a bill! A snake with a bill!" he kept exclaiming over and over to himself. "If anyone had told me of such a thing I wouldn't have believed it. But I've seen it myself. I have to believe what I have seen."

The things we cause ourselves to see. - Danny Meadow Mouse.

The next story: "Danny's Astonishing Surprise."

Detroit Police Drive

Klan From Courthouse Detroit, Dec. 25.—Six policemen with pistols charged a mob of about 2,000 persons said to be members of the Ku Klux Klan and kicked a blazing cross from the steps of the Wayne county building early today. The police finally dispersed the mob. No one was reported seriously injured although a number of persons suffered bruises.

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