

"Tinker Bob" Stories

by Carlyle H. Holcomb

MAJOR IS SORRY FOR SILKY, THE MONKEY.

Tinker Bob had always been careful not to surprise Major Pole Cat because it was Major's custom to accept no surprises without meeting them with a dose of poison acid. Major wouldn't do that for the world to the King of the Forest, but how could he know whether the King would be the next one to surprise him or not. There were so many creatures of the forest who loved to surprise everyone that he could never tell when the King would be next.



The King was let down in the magic basket near a tree.

He didn't need to worry about it however for the King was careful not to startle him at any time. Major was not easily frightened. He never ran away from an enemy in the world. Tinker Bob had been the King of the Forest for a long, long time and had yet to see Major run away from the largest or the smallest forest dweller. He always minded his own business, loved to have his family about him, took walks up the mountain side and into the forest with his little children and Mrs. Pole Cat, but never molested anyone. That's the reason he never allowed anyone to molest him.

Tinker Bob knew all about his habits and would never surprise him. When Bob White called him King of the Forest, Tinker went away in a hurry to see if by some chance or other he had fallen into trouble. It could be possible that one of his children had been hurt for they were too young to have the protection of poison acid and they were venturesome little fellows too. It would be very sad to think of anything happening to these innocent forest children and that was one reason why the King wanted to get to the place where Major was so quickly.

Bob White tried to follow the King but he was not fast enough. When Tinker Bob tapped the Wonderful Stone of Knowledge the Beautiful Creature of His Desire was always ready to take him so quickly that no creature of the forest could follow them if it mattered not how fast they might be.

The King was let down in the magic basket near a tree which stood in the midst of a swampy section of the forest. He didn't want to make a noise lest he would frighten Major for he knew that he must be very near. Presently he saw not a rod away the whole family lined up on a stump. There was Major and Mrs. Pole Cat and their three little children. Tinker Bob was pleased when he saw them for he knew at once that nothing had happened to harm them. They were out quite a little way from their home. "Well, Major," said Tinker, "What does this all mean?"

"O King," cried Major, "I sent Mr. Bob White after you for I was in a great hurry. I wanted you to go find that silly monkey for he surprised me and before I knew who he was I gave him a dose of acid right in the face."

"Oh," said the King, "if that is all I can tell you that Silky is down bathing in the river."

Next—Mr. Weasel Hears Good News. Of course trying to decide on a name for the baby has started many a friendly scrap but even in those homes where there is no baby a man and his wife are never at a loss for something to scrap about.

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A WIFE IN THE MAKING

BY PHYLLIS PHILLIPS

AUNT LAURA TELLS THE SECRET.

Three days later, Arline left Wellsburg suddenly and without any explanations.

It was the kindly Miss Laura who took her to her train and waved a goodbye to her as she stood, sad-eyed, on the rear platform, watching the little town disappear in the distance. It was a very beaming Miss Laura who finally called up her old friend, Sally Randall, to tell her not to be a goose, but come right over and have a cup of tea and a talk.

As fast as she could navigate that lady got into her best bib and tucker and flew over to the little house on the hill.

"My, but I wish I could dare to look and feel as happy as you do, Laura," she said, as she saw her hostess, all smiles, standing in the window watching for her.

"Maybe when you've had a talk with me you'll feel and act the same, Sally. Right in and set down while I fly and get the tea ready."

Mrs. Randall did as she was bid and felt suddenly ten years younger than she had before. It was Laura's infectious cheerfulness that did this to most of her friends when they were in her presence.

Over their tea cups and the two women gossiped amiably and it was not until almost leaving time that Miss Laura confided to her erstwhile chum just why she had called her over.

"You, madam, are going to be a grandmother. What do you think of that?" she said with a twinkle in her eyes.

"A what? Grand-mother—?" and here the amazing Mrs. Randall burst into tears.

"Don't let me worry you," she gasped between sobs. "It's all quite as it should be, Laura. I'm a foolish old lady, and I'm crying for joy. The first good cry of that kind I've had since my Ned was here."

"I feel as happy as you do about it, Sally. This is the solution of the whole business as far as those two children are concerned. I told you, didn't I, that everything'd come out all right?"

"Yes, and as usual you are right," burst from Mrs. Randall admiringly, as she looked at her friend. "I wish I had listened to you long ago, Laura, and this miserable unhappiness might have been averted. What makes me feel most wicked, just awfully so, is that my own little Janey came to me this morning and told me that it was Chery who saved her from running away with Billy Silly. Yes, my dear, she was right at the church door when caught, and he a bigamist! One of those real bad men! I knew all along, there was something wrong with Jane, she's moped ever since she got back. She seemed to have something on her mind, but wouldn't tell us anything. It was because of not hearing from Chery and seeing how unhappy her brother was that made her 'fess up.'" Then Mrs. Randall told her a full recital of what had been told her by her daughter.

(To be continued.)

ON THE SPUR OF THE MOMENT

BY ROY K. MOULTON

SOMETIMES, Orlando Leander Eliphalet Brown Lived down on a farm far away from the town.

He lived by the rules that the scientists told. Who said he would sure be a hundred years old.

He lived in the country to get the pure air. And there was no microbe near him anywhere.

The dishes he used, they were all sterilized. And all of his victuals he had analyzed. He used no tobacco in all of his life. His diet was daily prepared by his wife.

He went to his bed every evening at nine. And never touched even a glass of light wine. His life scientific brought him hunks of fame.

And he was a shark at the right living game. But still, spite of all the physicians could do, He passed from this life when he reached forty-two.

Now, Angus Aurelius Jason McWhitty Was the toughest old bird in our large, wicked city.

He lived in a tenement, dismal and foggy. And ate in cheap restaurants, grimy and soggy.

He hit public fountains when he wished a drink. And washed his old map in a castiron sink.

He mingled with crowds and by autos was bumped. And smoked an old corn cob so strong that it jumped.

He'd play cards each night till a quarter of two. And did everything that a man should do.

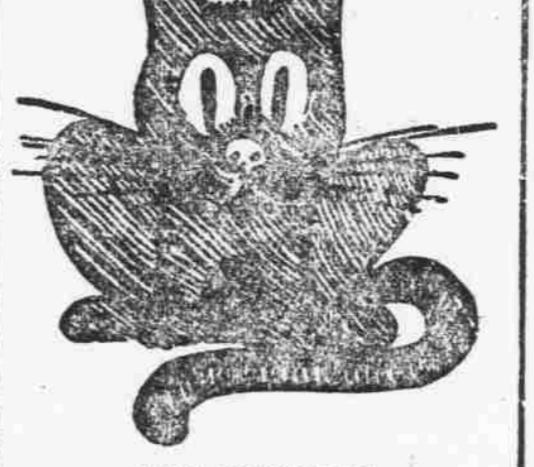
Of living by science he never had heard. He knew not the meaning, in fact, of the word.

He smoked in the prize fights and sat in the smoke. And acted just like an old tough city bloke.

He is ninety-six years now, unless we're in error. And it's rumored around that he's going strong yet.

Of course, now, the scientists always are right. Unless he's wrong, you'll agree with us, quite. In which they are like all the rest of us folks.

OFFICE CAT



BY JUNIUS
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FACT

The tactful maid is the sum of all innocence as she says: "O, George that display of chocolates is perfect."

Still a lot of the girls who can eat soup out of the side of a spoon can chew gum on both sides of their faces.

Some young men seem more able to raise mustaches than to get a raise in pay.

A member of Parliament called another an ass in the sacred precincts of the House. The offender was called upon to apologize and withdrew his statement.

He didn't like doing it. "I withdraw," he said stiffly. "But I maintain that the Hon. member is out of order."

"How am I out of order," asked the other man heatedly. "Probably a veterinary surgeon could tell you!" was the reply.

A letter from the folks down on the farm says he hasn't had much sleep for three nights, on account of sitting up with a sick Ford.

IT COUNTS WORDS IN COPY
The word meter is a new invention which is attached to the space bar of a typewriter to record the number of words written. Sounds like a handy thing, Brother Editors.

KEPT HIM BUSY
"The paths of glory lead but to the grave," quoted the sentimental clerk. "But you get there a lot quicker by speeding on our dangerous highways," answered the coroner.

HOW SHE GETS THAT WAY
Jellie—"Oh, yes, she takes her hair and eyes from a mother but her complexion she must inherit from her father."

Belle—"Her father?"
"Yes, he was a calomniser."

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