

- Blackie Bear -

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MAN AND DOG HAVE TROUBLE

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When Uncle Joe left Mr. Man's house he was sure-enough mad. He thought that his dog had been up with some strange dog, and gone away for a whole night, leaving his things there about anybody to look after them, and that Blackie Bear had done all these things to his dog was gone. It was much! And then for Howler to tell him such a story about hitting the bears and coons and other wild animals! Oh, it was just awful, and he was going to beat Howler most to death, and after that he was going to keep him chained, so he couldn't leave the

Uncle Joe was saying all these things out loud to himself as he went home, and Jay Bird was flying along listening to him. And Jay Bird had heard enough to know that was going to happen to Howler, and he spread his wings and hurried on to tell him before Uncle Joe got there. He found Howler lying in his bed on the back porch, and a big bowl that had been licked clean. Aunt Judy had given her poor dog a nice sick dog's dinner, and now she was in the kitchen fixing dinner for two mighty mad people, and it was going to take more dinner for them than was good for an awfully sore dog. So she didn't hear Jay Bird tell Howler what Uncle Joe was going to do to him, and to be ready to jump out as soon as the door was opened.

Then Howler began to whine and whimper terribly, and he thought Aunt Judy would come and let him out, but she didn't. She did come to the door and she patted him on the head and said: "Poor doggie; I know it hurts. I guess those scabs did nearly kill you. But stay in bed for a few days, and you'll be all right." And now here came Uncle Joe, with a great long switch that he had cut in the woods, and he was whacking the little limbs off of it, and he was coming mighty fast.

"What are you going to do with that switch?" Aunt Judy asked, from inside the lattice porch. "Just open that door," Uncle Joe said, "and I'll show you what I'm going to do with it." Aunt Judy opened the door, and Uncle Joe started in, Howler started out. Uncle Joe was standing on the doorstep when Howler came through the door. He raised a big switch and came down with his might on Howler's back, and Howler jumped between his legs and turned him bottom upwards, so that when Uncle Joe came down he struck the step with his head, and it raised a knot about big as a goose egg, in about a minute.

Howler didn't waste any time getting out of the yard, and when he reached the fence Jay Bird was waiting ahead of him, and he said: "Follow me," as he flew off through

the woods towards Blackie's house. Hound Dog had been expecting Howler to have trouble, and so he wasn't a bit surprised when he saw him and Jay Bird hurrying up to the house. Howler was all out of breath, but he soon got rested enough to tell Hound Dog all about what Uncle Joe had done to him. "Well," Hound Dog said, "we will just charge it to him, and we will ask Blackie how he wants it paid." Then after they had their supper, they went to bed.

(To Be Continued.)

Museum To Mark Twain Proposed

FLORIDA, Mo.—Restoration of Florida's old landmarks, as they were in the boyhood days of Samuel L. Clemens, is under consideration by the State Park Department. Clemens spent his childhood here.

The extent of improvements at Mark Twain State Park and a decision regarding the restoration project depends upon funds that may be available.

It has been suggested that the old Clemens home be moved to the lot upon which it stood originally and that a Mark Twain Museum be constructed.

Sugar Causes Teeth To Decay A Ten-Year Research Discloses

CHICAGO—It's the sugar you eat that causes teeth to decay.

That's the conclusion reached after ten years of study by Dr. Leonard S. Fosdick of the Northwestern University Dental School. Sugar taken into the mouth produces an acid which, with bacteria normally present, causes tooth decay, he reported yesterday to the mid-Winter meeting of the Chicago Dental Society.

The only method known at the present time to control dental decay, which has good scientific evidence to support it, is to avoid the intake of sugar into the mouth," he said.

Some conclusions Dr. Fosdick drew from the research and which disprove many popular beliefs

about tooth decay were:

1. There is no evidence to indicate that cleaning the teeth will stop or decrease decay.
2. There is no relation between soft and hard teeth and tooth decay.
3. Eating hard foods doesn't prevent decay.
4. Dietary changes have no direct influence on the enamel, where decay always begins.
5. Tooth decay is not a continuous process but an intermittent one.
6. Calcium and phosphorus are needed for tooth formation but don't decrease decay.
7. Increase in decay during pregnancy probably is due to carbohydrates and sugar, taken in greater quantities because of increased appetite. It is not due to calcium or phosphorus deficiency.

Hogs Get Job Catching Mice

BLACKSBURG, Va.—Virginia apple growers are being encouraged to "sic" their hogs on orchard mice.

Some growers, who made a practice of turning hogs into the orchards to eat apples, left on the ground after picking, found that the hogs uprooted mouse nests, destroyed young mice and otherwise made life so miserable for the pests that they sought a more peaceful abode.

Now horticulturists at the Virginia Agricultural Experiment Station are keeping a scientific eye on several orchards where hogs are encouraged to root, even to the extent of scattering corn in spots where evidence of mouse activity has been found.

Cannon Praises Textile Workers Of South

The Southern textile industry built on a solid foundation of contented and skillful workers, modernized plants and aggressive merchandizing, faces a decade of continued progress and prosperity, Charles A. Cannon told an assemblage of engineers last week at the Kannapolis "Y." The president of the Cannon Mills Co., was speaker at the regular meeting of the Charlotte section of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

Dunn, is renowned for its cotton and truck crops. Twenty-five new hosiery mills began operations in North Carolina last year and additions were made to 49 other hosiery plants.

MUGGS AND SKEETER

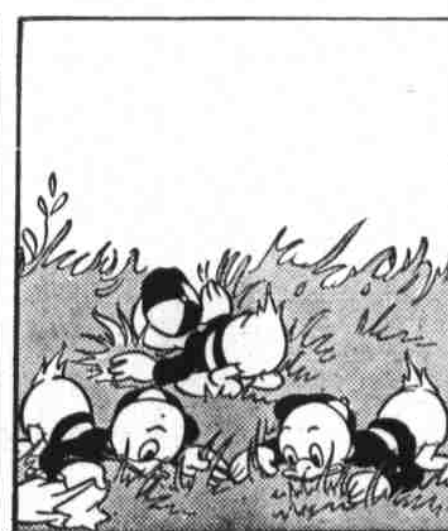
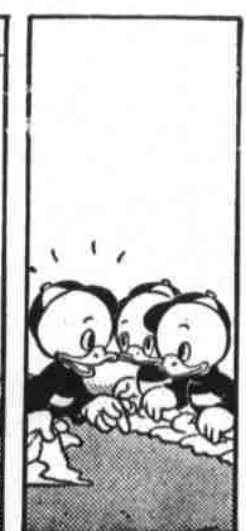


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