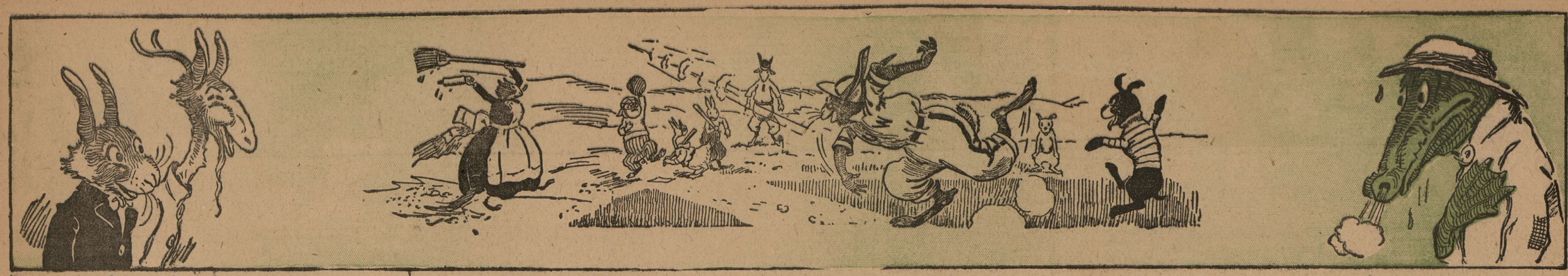

Uncle Wiggily's Adventures

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"RAIN, RAIN! GO AWAY! COME AGAIN SOME OTHER DAY!" THAT'S WHAT UNCLE WIGGILY SAID, WHEN HE BOUNCED OUT ON HIS HEAD. AND THE BAD CHAPS! OH!

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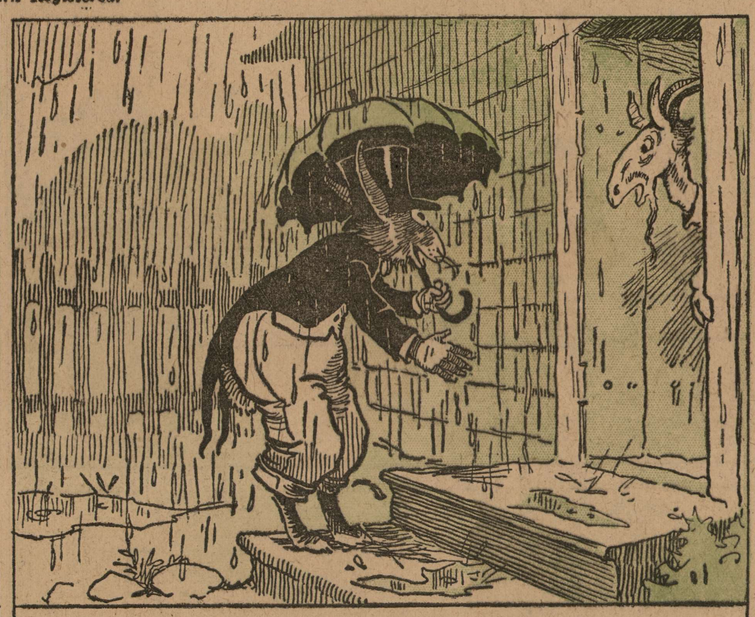
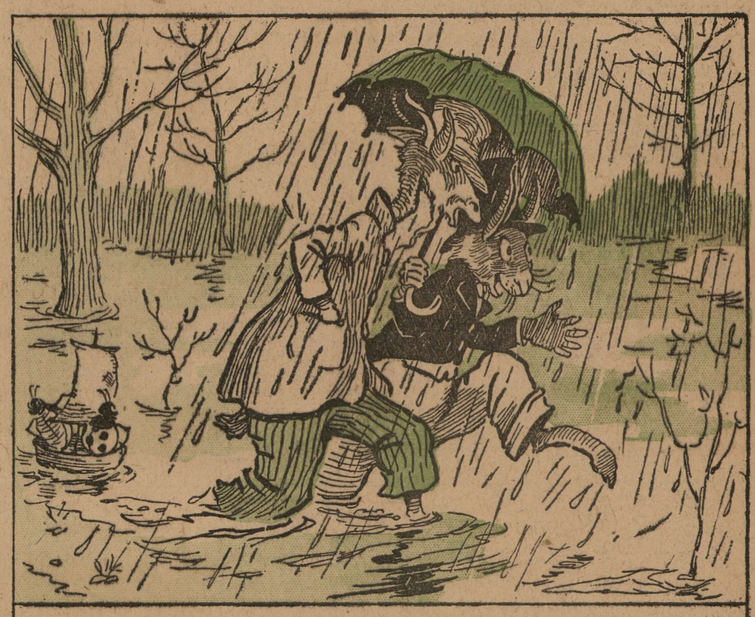
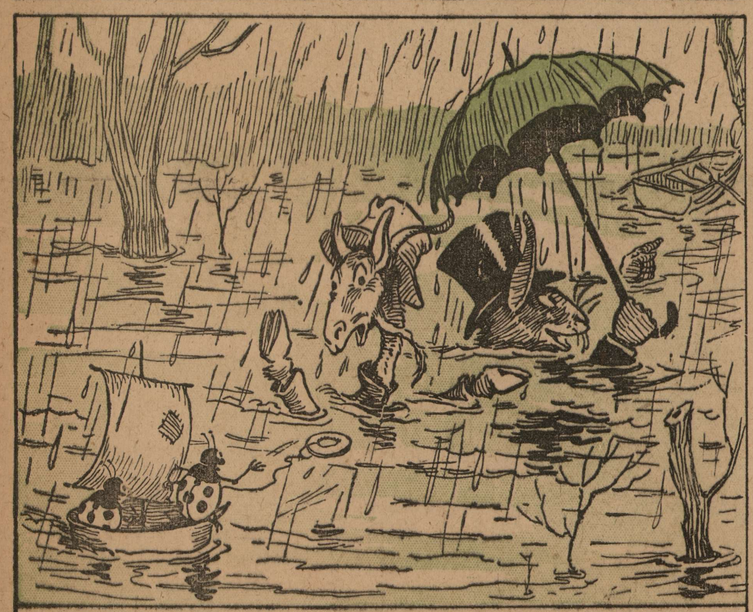
1. Once upon a time it began to rain in Woodland where Uncle Wiggily lived. But the bunny gentleman twinkled his pink nose, took his umbrella from the dish pantry and started for the door. "You surely aren't going out in this rain!" cried Nurse Jane Fuzzy Wuzzy. "Why not?" asked Mr. Longears. "I have my umbrella. Besides, it is only an April shower. It will be over in a few minutes. I'm going!"



2. Uncle Wiggily hopped along through the rain, with his umbrella held over his pink, twinkling nose. But the rabbit gentleman felt lonesome, so he went to the house of Uncle Butter the goat. "Come out and go adventuring with me, Uncle Butter," invited the rabbit gentleman. "It's raining!" objected the goat. "What if it is?" asked the bunny. "This is only an April shower. It will soon stop! Come on!"

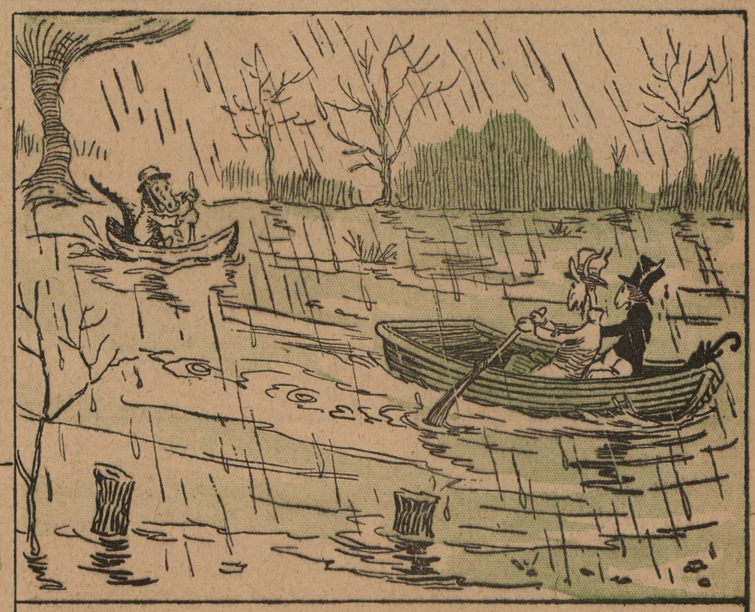


3. Uncle Butter bleated and blatted and jiggled his chin whiskers. "All right, I'll come out with you, Wiggy," he said at last. "But it will need to be a pretty good adventure to make up for all this rain!" Uncle Wiggily twinkled his pink nose and said: "Oh, this isn't much! Just an April shower!" Then it poured so hard that they had to wade in the water. "It's raining violets!" sang Uncle Butter.

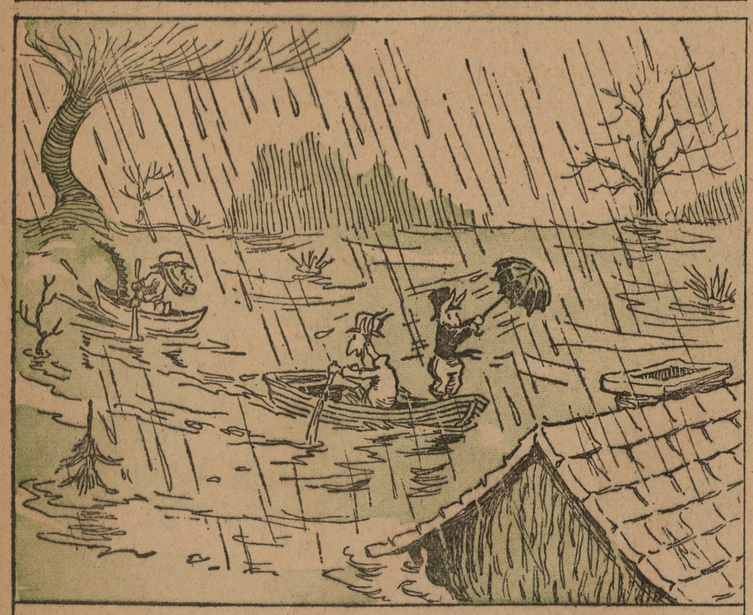


4. "Do you want to go back home, Uncle Butter?" asked the rabbit gentleman. "I don't care where I go as long as I get out of this—hu—April shower—as you call it!" bleated the goat. By this time the water was much deeper. "Must have been a cloud-burst somewhere!" said the bunny. The Squiggle Bugs sailed along. "We'll save you!" they cried. But Uncle Butter said: "Thanks. We see a larger boat!"

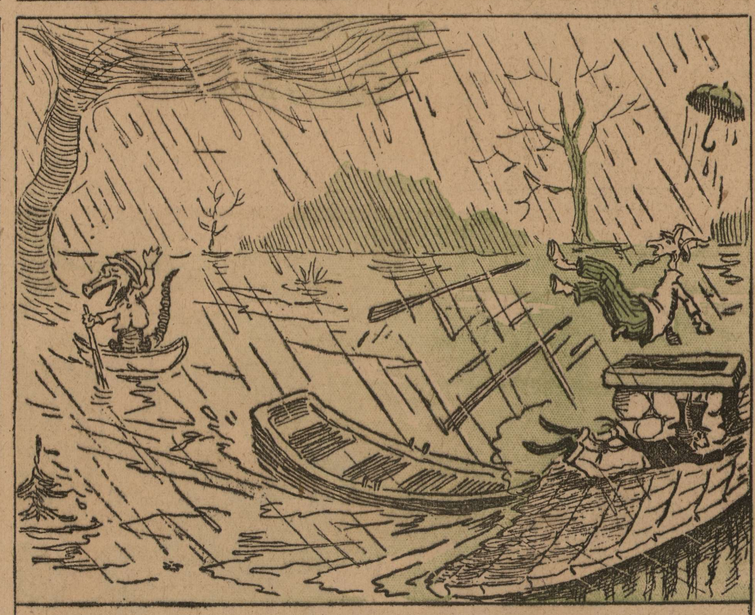
5. The April shower, as Uncle Wiggily called it, kept getting wetter and wetter, until the water was very deep. "But we're lucky to find a boat!" said the rabbit, as he and the goat climbed in. "Oh, yes, if you call it luck!" bleated Uncle Butter. "You row to shore and I'll hold the umbrella over you," offered the bunny gentleman. And then, all of a sudden he cried: "Row hard, Butter! Here comes the Old Alligator!"



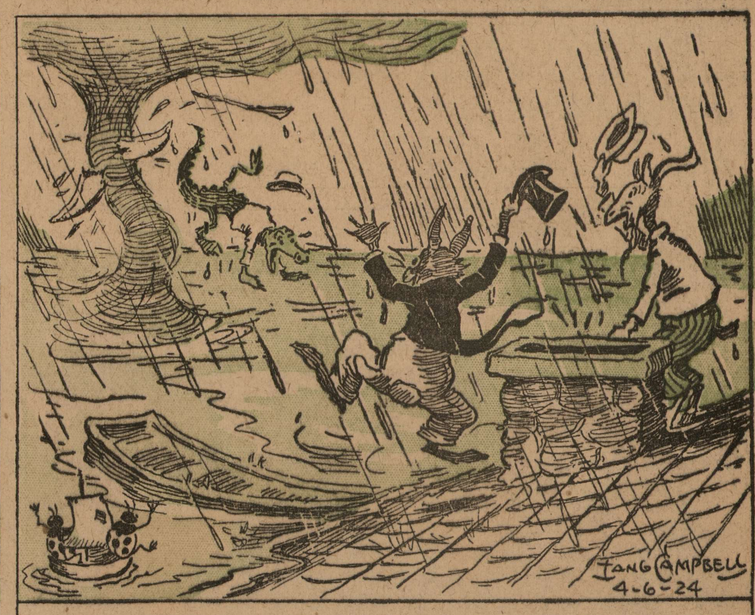
6. Uncle Butter rowed as fast as he could, to get away from the Skillery Scallery Alligator, but the bad chap made his boat go faster. "I must help you," offered Uncle Wiggily. "I'll close my umbrella and help you row." The bunny did this. "I see your bungalow!" suddenly bleated the goat. "Only the roof and chimney stick out, but we'll soon be safe!" And then Uncle Wiggily cried: "Oh, a waterspout!"



7. "What did you say?" asked Uncle Butter. "Is the water out?" The rabbit hoisted the umbrella sail and answered: "No, I said a waterspout is coming. Quick! We must get on the roof of my bungalow and climb down the chimney. Then we will be safe!" Looking over their shoulders they saw they were near the roof of the bunny's bungalow. But the Alligator was still coming on! So was the waterspout!



8. Uncle Wiggily and Uncle Butter sailed so hard and so fast, that, before they knew it, their boat had hit the roof of the hollow stump bungalow. "Bing-bang!" went the boat. "Here I go!" shouted Uncle Wiggily. "Yes, and here I go!" bleated Uncle Butter as he shot, head first down the chimney. "No more April showers for me!" The bad old Alligator looked at the waterspout chasing him and shivered.



9. Uncle Wiggily scrambled to his feet, after hitting the roof. He saw Uncle Butter's legs waving from the chimney. "I'll pull you out!" cried the rabbit, and he did. When Uncle Butter was standing right side up again, the two friends on the roof looked across the April shower flood. "Hurray! The waterspout is going to hit the Alligator's boat!" cried the rabbit. And the Squiggle Bugs also cried: "Hurray!"

And if the trolley car doesn't turn around and chase the jitney bus up the hill in an automobile, the next pictures and story will be about

UNCLE WIGGILY GOING TO THE STORE.

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