

CONTRACT BRIDGE

By B. JAY BECKER

South dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ A K
♥ A 10 8 6
♦ 8 7 6 4 3
♣ K 9

WEST
♠ 10 8 5 2
♥ 7 4
♦ K 9 5
♣ J 8 6 4

EAST
♠ 10 8 7 5
♥ 9 5
♦ J 10
♣ A Q 10 3 2

SOUTH
♠ Q 2
♥ A Q J 10
♦ A Q 2
♣ 7 5

The bidding:
1 South West North East
1♥ Pass 2♦ Pass
2♥ Pass 2♠ Pass
4♣ Pass 4♦ Pass

Opening lead—four of clubs.
The year a Canadian team won our national Open Team of Four championship (1951) they were so far in front of the field at the finish that there wasn't really a runner-up.

The cast who contrived to romp off with the championship consisted of Corti Boland, Bruce Elliott, Milton Miller and A Shorty Sheardawn, all of Toronto.

Today's exhibit shows one of the hands that helped bring the visitors their victory. It was played by Miller in the South position, partnered with Boland.

North's bids are more than we'd care to undertake to explain. He made four bids on a hand on hearts. But he wound up at the proper station—four hearts.

There was nothing exotic about the way Miller played the hand. He made four hearts easy as pie. A club was opened and East took two club tricks. East then led the Jack of diamonds.

Declarer climbed right up with the ace, cashed the A-K of spades, and drew two rounds of trumps—Miller next led the queen of spades and trumped in dummy.

A low diamond from dummy

produced the ten from East and a small one from declarer. This play rendered the defense helpless. With East winning the trick, he had to return a spade or a club, on either of which Miller would discard the losing queen of diamonds while ruffing in dummy.

If West, instead, chose to overtake the ten of diamonds to prevent the ruff and discard, South's queen would win the trick and the contract.

Miller's play of the diamond ace at trick three was in accordance with the best technique. There could be no advantage to taking the early finesse. If East had the king, the queen could score later.

Miller also avoided the error of entering dummy with a third round of trump. Had he done this, East would have had the opportunity to dispose of his ten diamonds and beat the hand.

Candidates Talk Return To Two-Party System

OTTAWA (CP)—There has been a fair amount of talk by the major candidates in the federal election campaign about return to the two-party system.

In recent Parliaments, the opposition to the Liberal majority has been split into three groups: Progressive Conservative, CCF and Social Credit. The Conservatives, largest of the three, form the official opposition.

Each of these groups would like to be one of the two parties in a two-party system. Though there have been recurring rumors of coalition, especially between the Conservative and Social Credit parties, there is no solid evidence that there will be a joining of forces among any groups.

Renewal of two-party argument during the campaign coincided last week with entry of election candidates by yet another political group—the "Canadian Democrats" in British Columbia.

As an example of how the existence of several parties has split up the vote, there were straight two-party fights in only 66 of the 263 federal constituencies in the 1953 general election, of which 33 were in Quebec.

Conservative Leader John Diefenbaker has been saying that a major election issue is the need to re-establish the two-party system.

He said in Brockville, Ont., Wednesday night that he has no fear that the CCF or Social Credit parties will reach power, but they would ruin the two-party system and replace it with a system of regional groupings in the Commons.

"No Parliament divided in that way can function," he said.

Only the Conservatives, he maintained, were able to form an alternate government to the Liberal administration and every vote for a third party "has the effect of assuring the return of the Liberal party."

SOCIAL CREDIT FORECAST
Solon Low, Social Credit leader, said at Victoria May 8 that "within 10 years you will find a real two-party system of government, with Social Credit on one side and all the others on the other side."

"Then when the people get tired of one they can turn to the other—something they haven't been able to do up to now because both parties (Liberals and Conservatives) have the same policies."

Prime Minister St. Laurent said at Calgary May 1 that if the Liberals are re-elected it would be "regrettable" if Alberta's members were "corralled" in one distant corner of the Commons instead of being up front with the Liberals helping to shape Canada's destiny.

In the last Parliament, 11 of the 15-man Social Credit group represented Alberta constituencies.

TRADE LINKS
West Germany is the third largest trader with the Union of South Africa, after Britain and the United States.

Frank Disclosures On Conditions In Red China

By JOHN RODERICK

HONG KONG (AP)—Red China has lifted its bamboo curtain and revealed a nation beset by unemployment, food shortages, conflicts among the masses and paralyzing bureaucracy.

In a series of frank disclosures in the official press and Peiping radio in recent days, the Peiping regime has admitted that the threat of famine hangs over much of the country in the wake of last year's floods, drought and the disastrous typhoon Wanda.

Foodstuffs are short, particularly pork. For the first time in many months some foreign ships calling at Chinese ports have left with empty holds because there was nothing to export.

Much of the unemployment is a by-product of last year's calamities. Thousands of peasants, unable to eke out a living, have swarmed to the cities in search of jobs. Bad personnel planning for industry has contributed to the growing ranks of the jobless, an official announcement says.

In addition to these difficulties, the Communist leadership is grappling with two problems which strike at the heart of its control of the country.

LIKE HUNGARY
The first is widespread unwillingness of former capitalists and intellectuals to accept socialism as a doctrine. The other is the friction between the masses and bureaucratic-minded Communists.

The Hungarian uprisings of last year sprang from similar circumstances.

The danger of revolution, however, does not at this moment exist in Red China.

The reason is that Red chairman Mao Tse-tung is demonstrating once again he is able to roll with the punch. Instead of following the unyielding policy of the Hungarian party, he has reverted to typical Chinese Marxist methods.

Mao has called on peasants in ravaged areas to tighten their belts, trust in communism and work hard to produce a bumper crop this year. As an encouragement, he has ordered party members to get into the fields and work side by side with the farmers. Urgent relief measures intended to ward off starvation during the lean period before harvest have been set in motion.

Unless there is a bumper crop this year many here believe China's ambitious industrialization program will be in serious trouble.

It already has been reported that China has insufficient grain with which to feed its industrial machinery and tools under the 1956 trade agreement.

Mao's approach to the problem of bureaucracy is to advise Communists to roll up their sleeves and share the experiences of the laboring classes.

Mao knows the party must not become divorced from the people. It must keep the support of the masses, or capitalist, small businessmen, intellectuals and other "non-revolutionaries" might seize a chance to destroy it.

Less than two years ago, Mao decreed the swift conversion of individually owned farms into co-operatives, and private industry into socialist or joint state-capitalist enterprises. The change over—a modern-day miracle according to most students of Asia—was accomplished. But the capitalists and intellectuals balked at making the mental conversion.

ACCEPTS OPPOSITION
Mao did not rail or rant. He did not order the extermination of the class.

In this period of great change," said the Peiping people's daily on April 23 . . . the vacillating psychology of the people is inevitable.

The party announced that the nine non-Communist democratic parties still in being would continue on the China scene for a long time. It warned Communists to stop taking a superior attitude toward them.

Sea Fish Landings Decline In March

OTTAWA (CP)—Landings of sea fish declined 20 per cent in volume and eight per cent in value in March, mainly because of a poor west coast herring catch, the bureau of statistics reported Tuesday.

The bureau said the March total reduced first-quarter landings figures from 460,000,000 pounds valued at \$11,110,000 in the first three months of 1956 to 290,000,000 pounds and \$7,700,000 this year.

The mediocre results of the west coast herring fishery and cod and haddock landings on the Atlantic coast were the major factors contributing to the drop, although east coast landings generally were slightly higher in March than a year ago.

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS
1. Sought out by a bellboy
6. Biblical name
11. Musical drama
12. Spartan magistrate
13. Shabby
14. Pacify
15. Pope
16. Swearing tools
17. Music note
18. Drench
19. Of the surface (med.)
22. Feline
25. Oriental country
26. Mirror reflection
28. Boy's nickname
29. A restoring
31. Thrash
32. Sun god
33. Landed estate
36. Hawk parrot
38. Once more
39. River (Afr.)
41. Throw
42. Open a bottle
43. Canvas shelters
44. Endures

DOWN
1. A lap dog (colloq.)
2. Munching— an Indian
3. Factor
4. Therefore
5. Unit of time
6. Supplanting
7. In a vertical in culture (naut.)
8. Charlie
9. Stockings
10. God of war
16. Hawaiian food
17. An event
18. Bird (pl.)
20. Edge
21. Ahead
22. Cry of a crow
23. Agent in media (anat.)
24. A tissue (anat.)
27. Pronoun
30. An age
31. Swoon
33. Foolish
34. Eye
35. Chief
36. Sharpen a razor
37. Indian (Pers.)
39. Young bear
40. Goddess of harvests (It.)

TOYS

Jet planes that really fly 50¢

Zoom

Plunk

DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE — Here's how to work it:

AXYDLBAAXE
LONGFELLOW

One letter simply stands for another. In this sample A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

A Cryptogram Question

OZHOR DOUVV US USL DTVL ISV
LIDL US ORL UORLZ; TO RID
UKOLS YLLS DU-ORLUVUZL GIZWL.

Yesterday's Cryptogram: AT ME YOU SMILED, BUT UN-BEQUEILED I SAW THE SNARE, AND I RETIRED—TENNYSON.

OUR BOARDING HOUSE MAJOR HOOPLE

YOUR BALANCE I'VE GOT IN ME
MY HEAD FOR THREE YEARS
A MAJOR—IT'S \$45.00—
IF YOU PAY NOW IT WOULD
HELP ME REMEMBER TO
CUT YOU A SUIT
OTHERWISE I
MIGHT FORGET AND
TRY ON YOUR
GUNNYSACK!

MY WORD, SAM! THE BOLTS ON THIS
TABLE SEEM INFERIOR—ARE
THEY REDUCED IN PRICE?
I HAD IN MIND A SILENT
COSTUME—THE GOAT A BRIGHT
NAVY BLUE OF ITALIAN SILK,
WITH OYSTER SHELL TROUSERS.
—LOOK UP MY BALANCE
—TOO, WILL YOU?

THREE YEARS
TIME FLIES,
DOESN'T IT, SAM?

THE BUILDERS

No matter what you've bought or paid, Judge not of what, but how 'tis made.

—Old Mother Nature.

Everybody in the Old Orchard, or nearly everybody, was busy. This was the beginning of the busy season among the feathered folk. Also it was the happy season. Perhaps that was because it was the busy season. Busy people usually are happy people. Everywhere builders were at work. They were building nests.

Now the building of a nest is a most important thing. It is like the building of a house. It is important what it is built of and how it is built. Very few of the Old Orchard folk agree on either of these two important matters.

is the same with Tommy Tit the Chickadee.

Welcome Robin must have mud for the foundation of his nest. He and Mrs. Welcome never would be satisfied unless they could have a good solid foundation of mud and they will go a long distance to find it. Kitty the Catbird wants sticks. You never can find any mud in the nest of Kitty the Catbird. Chippy the Chipping Sparrow isn't happy unless the nest is lined with hair. And Chippy and Mrs. Chippy have a dreadful time these days to find horse hair, which is the kind they like best. This is because in these days of motor cars there are few horses.

In the Swallow House, in a house or hollow tree, there must be a few feathers in the lining of the nest, and Skimmer and Mrs. Skimmer are fussy about those feathers. If possible they must be white. Why, nobody knows, not even the Skimmers themselves. Colored feathers just as good will not do.

If white feathers cannot be found, colored feathers will be used, but Skimmer and Mrs. Skimmer will not be truly happy. It is almost equally true of their cousins the Barn Swallows. Forktail and Mrs. Forktail line their nest with feathers. They may not be quite as fussy as Skimmer and Mrs. Skimmer, but if possible they want some white feathers.

Some of the feathered folk want moss. Some want fine roots. Mr. and Mrs. Goldfinch want thistle-down. Now of course they can't have bloomed and gone to seed, so they are always late in nesting, now while the other folk in the Old Orchard were so busy building. The Goldfinches were just playing about and having a good time.

Cresty the Flycatcher and Mrs. Cresty are queer. Anyway, that is what their neighbors think. No matter how good a nest they have, they are not happy unless there is a piece of Snake skin in it. You know Snakes shed their skins and it is one of those old shed skins that Cresty and Mrs. Cresty think they must have in their nest. Just why, nobody knows. It is doubtful if they know themselves.

So the builders were at work and happiness reigned in the Old Orchard.

Drummer the Woodpecker cuts out a snug home in the trunk of a tree or in a big limb.

Of course those who make their homes in hollow trees, or in little houses put up for them, do not have to think of how their nests look, because nobody but themselves will see them. Drummer the Woodpecker cuts out a snug home in the trunk of a tree or in a big limb and doesn't worry about a nest at all. He and Mrs. Drummer long ago decided that best of tiny chips made in cutting out their home is nest enough for the babies when they arrive. Winsome Bluebird and Skimmer the Swallow do not agree. They use old Woodpecker homes and bird houses, but they want a nest of straw and feathers for their babies. It

OUT OUR WAY BY J. R. WILLIAMS

YOU'RE ALWAYS JUMPING ME GETTING IN FRONT OF WHAT DO YOU THINK? GONNA HAP-PEN WHEN THE KIDS SEE ME AS THESE MESSY-SACKS? THAT'S WHAT THEY'LL SAY, AND THEN I'M IN ANOTHER FIGHT! I HATE TO WEAR 'EM!

KNICKERS ARE THE LATEST THING—WHY ALL OF THE WEAK-KNICKERS GO FERS WEAR THEM! THEY'RE THE MARK OF A GENTLEMAN AND I LIKE TO SEE ONE LITTLE GENTLEMAN TO THIS MESSY-BORHOOD!

GRANDMA

SEE, KIDS, IT'S KINDA SELFISH OF US TO PLAY BALL WHEN WE COULD BE HELPIN' GRANDMA CLEAN HOUSE—!!

O.K., KIDS, IF YA REALLY WANT TO HELP ME WORK.

BUT I WARN YA, I HAVE NO COOKIES TO GIVE FOR YOUR LABOR!!

MICKY MOUSE

GOOD IDEA TO EXPERIMENT OUT HERE WHERE IT CAN'T DO ANY DAMAGE!

YEAH...CAN'T BE TOO CAREFUL!

SAWRSH... I DON'T KNOW WHERE IT COULD HAVE LANDED!

GETTING DARK! LET'S GO HOME!

HENRY

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TOYS

MUGGS & SKEETER

THERE, SAMMY! THAT'S THE HOUSE I'M TALKING ABOUT... LET'S ASK OVER THERE!

HELLO, MRS. VANETT! MY LITTLE BROTHER HERE HAS A NEW BOX OF CRAYONS...

HAVE YOU GOT ANY OLD WALLS THAT WE COULD DRAW ON?

TILLY THE TOILER

THIS IS OUR NEW SUGGESTION BOX, MR. TIMID

IF YOU THINK OF ANY SOUND PRACTICAL IDEAS—WRITE 'EM DOWN

I SEE YOU ALREADY HAVE A SUGGESTION, GOOD! LET ME SEE IT!

Lower the suggestion box, Mr. Timid.

ETA KEIT

WHAT'S ETTA READING THAT'S SO INTERESTING?

IT'S A BOOK ON CORRECT POSTURE.

JOE PALOOKA

JUST LISTEN TO THIS SOCK FINISH FOR THE JOE PALOOKA STORY... WHILE JOE FIGHTS IN THE RING A BUNCH OF GORGEOUS BABES DO A TUMULTUOUS ROCK AND ROLL NUMBER CHEERING HIM ON TO VICTORY.

BOY! THAT'S WHAT WE LIKE! LOTS OF GOALS! LET'S GO SEE KNOBBY NOW! ARTY!

DON'T SAY A WORD... JUST LEAVE EVERYTHING FLESHY! WATCH HIM JUMP AT THE DEAL WHEN I GIVE HIM INVESTMENT ME POSTMAN OKAY?

HI YA, KNORR, OL' BUDDY? WHATTA QUINCINCENCE HE SHOULD MEET ME... BY THE WAY—I GOT A HOT DEAL FER YA... GUARANTEED I MAKE A LOAD A DUBSH AND I...

NO... POSITIVELY NO... I'LL SPELL IT FOR YA, N-O-O.

SECRET AGENT X-9

THE TWO MISSING PASSENGERS ARE A BARNY VON ANNEHEM AND A HARRY TRASK!

WE KNOW THAT EVERYONE GOT OUT OF THE PLANE! YOU SAY THAT BARNY VON ANNEHEM USED A CANE?

YES! HE KEPT IT AT HIS SEAT—HE HAD A VERY PRONOUNCED LINE ON HIS RIGHT SIDE!

"LUCKY, DOES THE BARNY'S NAME MEAN ANYTHING TO YOU?"

YOU'RE TALKING TO A QUIZ-WIT, CORRISSON! BARNY VON ANNEHEM! TELL US THE REPUBLIC OF BRONCO-SWAGGER—REPORTED ENROUTE TO THE U.S.A. WITH STARTLING NEWS!

RIGHT! WE'VE GOT TO FIND HIM, LUCKY! COME ON!

THE LONE RANGER

THERE'S SMOKE COMING FROM YOUR KITCHEN!

I SMELL IT!

YOU STAY THERE!

HOW CAN I DO ANYTHING ELSE WHEN I'M ZEEP?

MY HOUSE IS ON FIRE!

LIZARD OF OOZE NO FAKE!!

This newspaper, doubting the wild rumors (spread by enemies of this newspaper) that an enormous lizard-like creature was actually seen emerging from the ooze of Lake Erie, sent its ace photographer on a quest.

With reluctance, distaste and horror, we have now forced to admit the story is true.

NO SLIM-AN-ANYWHILE WE IS ON TH SUBJECT O' ENORMOUS FEET HAS Y' SEEN WASH CHILE, TINY AROUND?

BIN GONE THREE WEEKS, SEEMS LIKE HE WERE SWALLOWED UP??

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5:30 p.m.—Maggie Muggins
5:15 p.m.—Sportstime
5:30 p.m.—Lone Ranger
6:00 p.m.—Open House
9:30 p.m.—CFCY Television News
4:40 p.m.—Weather
6:45 p.m.—CBC News
6:55 p.m.—Viewer's Guide
7:00 p.m.—Sports Weekly with Loman McAlay
7:30 p.m.—I Search For Adventure
8:00 p.m.—Jane Wyman Fireside Theatre
8:30 p.m.—Climax
9:30 p.m.—Jackie Rae Show
10:00 p.m.—C. F. C. Y. Television News & Weather
10:06 p.m.—Heild

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THURSDAY

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2:30 p.m.—Coffee Chatter
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4:00 p.m.—Uncle Jack at the Piano
4:15 p.m.—People and Places
4:30 p.m.—Howdy Doodie
5:00 p.m.—Maggie Muggins
5:15 p.m.—Sportstime
5:30 p.m.—Lone Ranger
6:00 p.m.—The Merry-makers
6:30 p.m.—Early Evening TV News
6:45 p.m.—Weather
6:50 p.m.—Sports
7:00 p.m.—Little Red School-house
7:30 p.m.—I Search for Adventure
8:00 p.m.—Jane Wyman Theatre
8:30 p.m.—Climax
9:30 p.m.—Jackie Rae Show
10:00 p.m.—Passport
10:30 p.m.—\$64,000 Question
11:00 p.m.—CBC TV News
11:10 p.m.—CKCW TV News and Weather
11:30 p.m.—Billboard
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