

RIPEY'S BELIEVE IT OR NOT



CONTRACT BRIDGE

By B. JAV BECKER

South dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ 8642
♥ K95
♦ A K Q 10 7 3
♣ —

EAST
♠ Q 7 3
♥ 2
♦ 8 5 2
♣ A 10 8 6 4 2

WEST
♠ K 7 5
♥ J 7 6 4
♦ J 4
♣ K Q 9 5

SOUTH
♠ A 10 9
♥ A Q 10 8 3
♦ 9 6
♣ J 7 3

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

Opening lead — King of clubs. It's a funny thing the way some bridge players seem always to get mad at their partners. The psychologists tell me there are lots of people who in everyday life are meek as lambs, but sit them down at a bridge table or behind the wheel of a car, and their personalities suddenly change and they become imbued with great courage and superior intellect.

Now I have a friend named Abernethy C. Growler who comes from this school. Just put thirteen cards in his hand, good or bad, and he acquires the wisdom of a Solomon and the autocracy of a sergeant who just got his stripes.

Abernethy was playing at the club one day with Aloysius Meek when he got to four hearts. No sooner had dummy hit the table than Abernethy hit the ceiling. He just couldn't understand how Meek could stop short of a small slam, let alone a grand slam. And he told Meek so in no uncertain terms.

After Abernethy calmed down a little, he trumped the club lead in dummy and led the king and ace of hearts. When East showed out, he was in trouble.

After cashing the queen of hearts, Abernethy tried to run the diamonds and get some discards, but West trumped the third one and South wound up losing a trump, a club, and two spades for down one.

Mr. Meek who is no dope, had noted that South could have made the hand in two different ways. After taking three rounds of trumps, South could have given West his trump trick, and finished with ten tricks, losing two clubs and a heart.

Or, at trick two, Abernethy could have led the nine of hearts and finessed it as a safety play against either opponent having been dealt J-x-x of hearts. This play would have produced twelve tricks.

But all Mr. Meek said was: "I wish I had passed two hearts. Then we'd have had a part score instead of being minus 100."

- 12.35—Three for the Show Part 3
- 1.00—The Stars Sing
1.15—News and Wx.
1.20—Organ Reveries
1.30—Let's Sing It
1.45—The Quiet Time
2.00—Prince County Roundup
2.30—Memories in Music
2.45—Organ Matinee
3.00—News and Wx.
3.05—RCA Victor Record Album
3.30—Club 1240
5.00—Rural Rhythms
6.00—News and Wx.
6.10—Interlude
6.20—Parade of Sports
6.30—Passport to Daydreams
7.00—Rosary
7.15—Interlude
7.20—Maritime Weather
7.30—Chorus Time
8.00—Your Musical Date
8.30—Three Suns
8.45—Jackie Gleason
9.00—News and Wx.
9.05—Fish and Game Forum
10.00—Top Tunes of our Times
11.00—News and Wx.
11.05—Top Tunes of our Times.
12.00—News and Weather.
12.05—Prayer and Sign of

See Possible Nuclear Attack From Ships

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. Navy has raised the possibility of a nuclear-missile attack from fake merchant vessels off the North American coast, Representative Clarence Cannon (Dem. Mo.) said Tuesday.

Cannon also told the House of Representatives the navy says enemy submarines might be able to creep up large rivers to attack cities.

Cannon, chairman of the House appropriations committee, called for building 100 atomic-powered missile-firing ships as a counterforce and deterrent.

The appropriations committee chairman quoted from a navy report which he said "visualizes an attack by missile-launching ships disguised as merchant vessels."

He said it would be a more difficult attack to spot than one by missile-launching subs — and under normal conditions about 75 unidentified ships are within 500-mile missile range of U.S. coasts at any given time.

He said the navy reported continued: "If our only means of recognizing a raid consisted of assigning aircraft to track each unidentified ship until it unmask to launch missiles or moves out beyond the assumed missile range, prohibitive numbers of aircraft would be required for the surveillance effort, even for short warning times."

PLANE DOUBLES BACK
PARIS (AP) — The 42 passengers of a New York-bound Air France Super Constellation got a big surprise Tuesday when they stepped down on Orly Airfield instead of Idlewild. The plane left Orly Monday night for New York. Some 1,250 miles over the Atlantic one engine failed and the pilot returned to Paris. To avoid apprehension, the crew did not inform the passengers of the engine failure or of the return trip.

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DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS
1. Spread thin, as ink
5. Fish
9. Lift
10. Weary
12. Measure
13. Placard
14. Grow old
15. Stop
16. Masurium (sym.)
17. Toward
18. Unadulterated
19. Emblem of dawn
20. Bowers
22. Offers
23. Opposite
25. Strong wind
27. Hospital personnel
30. City (Ger.)
31. Pledge of betrothal
32. Greek letter
33. Close to
34. Sacks
35. Cunning animal
36. Complain
38. Signal system
39. Imbued
40. False
41. Weaver's reed
42. Scotch polar explorer

DOWN
3. Tree
4. The (Old Eng.)
6. Be silent!
7. Skill
8. Supposed
9. Lariat
11. Delineator
13. Pastor's house
15. Injure
18. Corn
19. Darkens
21. Aromatic ointment
22. Polar explorer
24. Re-ligious sisters
25. Protect
26. Changes
28. A going out
29. — and seven's
31. Handkerchief (colloq.)
34. Twining, stem
35. Hazes
37. Friend
38. Dove's cry
40. Bromine (sym.)

Yesterday's Answer
THOR SODS
CRAME ELIOT
HITS PRAGUE
LIV ALPES
PELICAN BBS
STOVES WADE
GASTON
PEN ERODED
ENS POSSIBLY
FACE N VIDA
IMBED SLED
LEERS REARS
LADE ORBS

DOWN
1. City (Me.)
2. Chinese staple

DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE — Here's how to work it:
A X Y D L B A A X R
is L O N G F E L L O W

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 Quotation
F C P E R Z Z P E E B X J W K I V P J F H B V .
J S P W F P V U V Q E P M B P E W B F M P U P W M
R U B W W R H O P V E — I J V V Q E B W .

Yesterday's Cryptoquote: THOUGH I SIT DOWN NOW, THE TIME WILL COME WHEN YOU WILL HEAR ME — DISRAELI.

ETTA KETT

WHO WAS YOUR DATE LAST NIGHT, WINGEY?
WINGEY HAS A COLD. I WENT TO A MOVIE WITH JOE LINEBACKER.
SOUNDS LIKE A NEW ROMANCE!

IT'S ON THE FIRE! HE'S BEGINNING TO ACT INTERESTED.
HE TOLD ME HE LOVES ME!

MUGGS & SKEETER

WHAT'S THE MATTER, GRAP? YOU ACT AS THOUGH YOU DON'T FEEL TOO WELL THIS MORNING...
OH, I'M BUSHED THIS MORNING...
...I SUFFERED ALL NIGHT WITH INSOMNIA!
INSOMNIA?
YES! I DIDN'T SHUT AN EYE UNTIL ALMOST DAYLIGHT...
GEE! WHAT IS THIS 'INSOMNIA'?
...AS FAR AS I'M CONCERNED, IT'S TIME WASTED THAT I COULD HAVE USED WAITING FOR A BUS... OR YOUR GRANDMOTHER!

OUR BOARDING HOUSE MAJOR HOOPLE

EGAD, SIR BAGWIN! I'M TOLD YOU ARE AN ARCH-aeologist, explorer AND BIG GAME HUNTER!
I STILL HAVE THE GUN I USED TO GIVE SIR HILARY CROCK FROM A HOODED COBRA — HAR-RUMPH!
...IT WAS
HOW ODD! I TRAINED BOA CON-STRICTORS, MAJOR! — THE RAJAH OF SMOUCHPUR CRAVED AN IVORY THRONE BUT LOATHED KILLING — I'D FASTEN THE SERPENT TO THE WILD ELEPHANT'S TAIL, THEN IT WOULD SEIZE THE TRUNK AND PULL — ER — AW!
THE BEAST WOULD SPIN, CHASING ITS TAIL, BECOME DIZZY AND FALL — WE'D REMOVE THE TONGUE AND FREE THE PACHYDERM!

THE LONE RANGER

THE MASKED MAN TOLD THE INJUN THAT HE AND FROSTY WOULD HIDE IN THE WOODS NEAR ROCKVILLE.
BUT THAT'S WHERE WE'RE GOING!
D'VA THINK THE SHERIFF'LL COME TO ROCKVILLE GUNN' FOR US?
I HOPE SO, FROSTY!

JOE PALOOKA

DEAFENING EXPLOSION PROPELS HUMPHREY UPWARD... SECONDS LATER, THE LAUNCHING PLATFORM FALLS AWAY FROM THE ZOOMING FIGURE!

PREPARING TO SHOOT, MR. GUNN — I'LL GET THE KEYS!
NOW SINCE I HAVE YOUR GUN I'LL STATE THE TERMS, GET THE KEYS... DON'T TRY ANY THINGS! YOU'LL ALWAYS BE IN MY LINE OF SIGHT!

LIL' ABNER

THAR HAIN'T TH' FAINTEST CHANCE O' SHORE-FOOTED ME BEIN' KILT ON THIS EAGLE AIG HUNT —
—SO DON'T YO' WORRY YORE FAT, ELDERLY LI'L HAID 'BOUT YORE PROMISE—
—I' SUPPORT THEY WHOLE MOB, EFAH IS KILT! — NOT THEY 'OH-YO' COULDN'T AFFORD IT.
I AM AN EXTREMELY WEALTHY MAN, YOKUM!

GRANDMA

GRANDMA, TH' KIDS WOULDN'T LET ME PLAY HOCKEY WITH 'EM T'DAY!
THAT'S MIGHTY NICE O' 'EM, HOW COME?
WELL, I HAD ON SOME O' MY NEW SMELLY HAIR TONIC...
'AN TH' KIDS THOUGHT I'D TRUANT OFF; 'ER WOULD 'EM TOO EASILY WITH ME!

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HENRY

YEAH... I KEEP MY SAVINGS RIGHT HERE IN THUH HOUSE!
THAT'S DANGEROUS, GOOFY! YOU OUGHT TO USE A BANK...
LATER...
MICKEY'S RIGHT!
WHADDYE MEAN? I BEEN SAVIN' THIS STRING FOR YEARS!

MICKEY MOUSE

LISTEN, I CAN ARRANGE IT SO YOU CAN MAKE TWICE THE REWARD MONEY!
I DON'T UNDERSTAND, WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?
I AM A WEALTHY MAN, I'LL SHARE SOME WEALTH WITH YOU IF YOU HELP ME!
BUT, SIR... HOW MUCH?
NOW SINCE I HAVE YOUR GUN I'LL STATE THE TERMS, GET THE KEYS... DON'T TRY ANY THINGS! YOU'LL ALWAYS BE IN MY LINE OF SIGHT!

SECRET AGENT X-9

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