

RIPLEY'S BELIEVE IT OR NOT



JEAN ROUBINET of France rushed to the local bellery during a lightning storm to prove that his beloved bells could drive away a storm.



THE DOORWAYS OF THE PALUDANUS HOUSE in Friedrichstadt, Germany, owned by a wine dealer, was built with wavy windows so his tipsy friends would feel at home.

CONTRACT BRIDGE
By B. JAV BECKER

West dealer, North-South vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ 8 7
♥ A J 10
♦ K J 7 6
♣ Q J 4 2

WEST
♠ 9 2
♥ 8 8 5 4
♦ 4 3 2
♣ A 10 6

EAST
♠ Q 10 6
♥ 3
♦ Q 10 9 5
♣ 9 7 5 3

SOUTH
♠ A K 8 4 3
♥ K Q 7 3
♦ A 8
♣ K 8

The bidding:
West Pass North 1♠ East South
Pass Pass 2♠ Pass 3♥
Pass 4♥ Pass 6♥
Dble

Opening lead—nine of spades. I was playing with Sidney Silidor in the Vanderbilt Cup a few months ago when this interesting hand came up.

Silidor's two spade response to the informative double was merely a strength-showing bid to identify a hand close to an opening bid.

When I bid three hearts, he had no choice but to raise to four. My six bid was perhaps sporting, considering Silidor's original pass, but it seemed to me there was a good chance he had four trumps, in which case the play for a slam would be satisfactory. West's

double made it clear I had sized up the situation incorrectly.

When dummy came down, prospects of making East had opened a psychic. West had to have the ace of clubs as well as a minimum of five trumps. If West also had only a singleton spade, there was no chance to make the contract.

After taking the ace of spades, my first play was a low club toward dummy. As expected, West went up with the ace. He feared my king of clubs might be discarded on dummy's diamonds unless he grabbed the ace at once. (Actually, his play made no difference in the eventual result.)

West returned a spade and I breathed more easily. There was now a chance the hand could be made. I won the spade and cashed the king of clubs.

Dummy was then entered with a trump. East followed, marking West with probably five trumps. A spade was discarded on the queen of clubs. Then the A-K of diamonds were cashed.

All that remained was to guess whether West had started with three clubs and three diamonds, or four clubs and two diamonds. I needed to ruff one card from dummy with the seven of hearts, without being overruffed.

I decided East could hardly have five diamonds, in view of his spade bid with a four-card suit. So I trumped a diamond.

The rest was easy. A cross-ruff took care of the last four tricks.

Welsh Crowds Elude Police, Cheer New Prince Of Wales

HOLYHEAD, Wales (Reuters)—Cheering crowds burst police cordons Saturday when the Prince of Wales made his first visit to the principality since the Queen announced his new title two weeks ago.

It was an unofficial visit. While their parents were making the first royal tour of the island this century, the Prince and Princess Anne were landed from the royal yacht Britannia at another pier.

When their car arrived at the Mackenzie pier with the two children sitting in front, the crowd went wild with enthusiasm.

As the Royal Family walked the 25 yards from the car to the pier, where their barge was waiting, the spectators surged forward, bursting through barriers.

The police were unable to stop the rush.

The Royal Family succeeded in reaching the pier, but not before the Prince of Wales was pushed partly off balance by a stray dog which bounded up to him.

The dog brushed past Princess Anne.

Prince Charles, recovering his

balance, patted the dog, laughing and flushed with excitement.

His father, laughing heartily, put a reassuring arm around his shoulders, and they waved to the crowd. Still waving, the Royal Family boarded their barge for the Britannia at her mooring at the harbor entrance.

The royal yacht was due to leave Anglesey at midnight to continue the west coast cruise.

United Y. P. U. Meets At Mt. A.

Sackville, N.B. — (Special) — Delegates from all ten provinces of Canada and Bermuda will attend the sessions of the National Council of the Young People's Union of the United Church of Canada at Mount Allison University from August 18 to 24.

Dr. Ralph C. Chalmers, Professor of Systematic Theology, Pine Hill Divinity College, Halifax, will speak during the sessions on the theme "A Faith to Proclaim." The Bible Study on "Jesus" Answer to Life's Problems" will be an important part of the Council program.

The main purpose of the National Council is to exchange ideas for effective Y.P.U. activities, to provide spiritual enrichment, and to foster an opportunity for all conferences to meet together for workshop, study and recreation.

Among the 175 delegates attending the Council meetings will be Carol Thompson, Charlottetown, P.E.I. East Presbytery, and Carl Miller, Summerside, P.E.I. Central Presbytery.

CATCH ROYAL GLIMPSE

Then the crowds lining the route to Holyhead saw all the Royal Family together.

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NOON CONCERTS

WINNIPEG (CP) — City residents seeking mid-day relaxation will be able to attend free lunch-hour concerts by the Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra in September. Chamber music, quartets, and instrumental and vocal recitals will be featured. Costs are covered by a Canada Council grant.

MONTH'S WALK

MOSCOW (AP) — B. A. Dertinsky said he was feeling a bit run down and decided a walk would do him good. So the 68-year-old pensioner set out from Moscow for his home in Kiev. It took him a little more than 30 days to cover the 395 miles.

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS
1. Betsy Ross' handiwork
5. Zeppelin
9. Shut
10. Regulations
12. House (Scott.)
13. Sorcery (B.W.L.)
14. Greek island
15. Enemy scout
16. Note of scale
17. Antidote
20. Wine cask
21. Tennis serve
22. Pierce, as by a bull
23. Wanting interest
27. Incite
28. For
29. Wine barrel
30. Bulging bottles
34. — Smith, "Happy Warrior"
35. Sheltered side
36. Born
37. In no way (dial.)
39. Herb of carrot family
41. Positive pole (elec.)
42. Fuss in
43. Picher
44. Taverns

DOWN
1. Bottom of a room
2. Not tight
3. Donkey
4. Exclamation (slang)
5. Feel one's way
6. Precious stone
7. Malt beverage
8. Special attraction
9. Fragment
11. Glistened
15. Church spire

18. Foolish
19. Mulberry (Ind.)
20. Child
22. Diluted rum
23. Capital (Cuba)
24. Ear shell
25. Hermit
26. Constellation
27. Not so many
30. Pungent vegetable
31. Birds' homes
32. Yesterdays' Answer
33. Observance
35. Mineral-bearing vein
38. In what manner?
39. Biblical name
40. Not (pref.)

DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE — Here's how to work it:
A X Y D L B A A X R
I S 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
J T N J T N R W O D Y W F B Y Z S D
D O G T D E P Z F B S D R T R F B O V
B Q D N Z E B — Z H Y D O.

Yesterday's Cryptoquote: IF THE WORLD'S A WILDERNESS, GO, BUILD HOUSES IN IT! — LARCOM.
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ETTA KETT

MY DAD SAYS HE'LL GET HALF PAY WHEN HE RETIRES.

NITE, MOM! NINGE'S TAKING ME DANCING.

POPS GOING TO RETIRE WHEN HE'S SIXTY!

GOOD FOR HIM!

WELL, JUST IN CASE I DECIDE TO WAIT UP FOR ETTA.

— SEE THAT YOU GET HER HOME SO I CAN RETIRE BY TWELVE.

MUGGS & SKEETER

WHAT'RE YOU DOING, GRANDMA?

SPRAYING MY GARDEN!

...THE BUGS ARE EATING UP ALL THE SPINACH!!

HUM...

...POOR LI'L BUGS... EAT UP ALL THEIR SPINACH...

...AND NEVER HAVE A CHANCE TO GROW UP BIG AND STRONG!

OUR BOARDING HOUSE MAJOR HOOPLE

HELLO, TWIGGS — IT'S SURE A RELIEF TO LOOK OVER THE FENCE AND NOT SEE THAT BIG BAG OF WIND, HOOPLE, SNORING IN THE HAMMOCK... WHERE IS HE? ALASKA, I HOPE!

WHAT'S HE PAYING YOU FOR CUTTING HIS GRASS? THAT'S QUITE A COME-DOWN FOR A FORMER SCOTLAND YARD OPERATIVE... HA HA!

THE MAJOR ALWAYS ENJOYS HIS BACK FENCE DUETS WITH YOU, GAXTER, AND I'M SURE HE MISSES YOU — THE WAY I MISS THE SEVEN-YEAR ITCH! — BY THE WAY, DID YOU HAVE EGGS FOR BREAKFAST THIS MORNING, OR IS THAT YESTERDAY'S SHIRT YOU'RE WEARING?

THE OLD SCOTLAND YARD EYE

THE LONE RANGER

I GOT A SCORE TO SETTLE WITH THE LONE RANGER!

SO HAVE!!

BECAUSE OF HIM, BIG TOM AND CUTLER CLARK ARE IN JAIL AWAITIN' HANGIN'!

LET ME TAKE THAT MAN!

I'M RUNNIN' THINGS! YOU'LL DEAL WITH THE LONE RANGER IN MY WAY!

SUITS ME —

...JUST SO HE WINDS UP DEAD!

HE WILL.

HE AN' DOC ARE REINNIN' UP!

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SECRET AGENT X-9

YOUR BREAKFAST, MRS. CORRIGAN! I HOPE THAT YOU GOT A GOOD NIGHT'S REST!

At the freight depot of the defunct "Slagton Rail Road"

WHO SLEEPS AT A TIME LIKE THIS?

MRS. CORRIGAN, YOU HAVE NOTHING TO FEAR! YOU WILL BE RELEASED UNHARMED, AFTER YOU HAVE SERVED OUR PURPOSE!

THE OBIT COLUMN IN MY HOME-TOWN PAPER WON'T CARRY THAT COMMENT!

OH, PHIL! I HOPE YOU GOT AN MESSAGE —

OKAY — ENOUGH REHEARSALS! FRIDAY IS PAYDAY AT THE OAKRIDGE BRANCH BANK! TONIGHT WE'LL HAVE THE CORRIGAN DAME WRITE ANOTHER NOTE TO THE FBI —

HER NOTE WILL SAY THAT SHE IS BEING RELEASED AT OYSTER COVE! THIS RUBE WILL DRAW THE POLICE AND THE FBI AWAY FROM THE OAKRIDGE BANK AREA AT THE EXACT TIME OF OUR HEIST!

DON'T LET HER SEE YOU WITHOUT THE MAKE-UP...

IT MAKES IDENTIFICATION IMPOSSIBLE!

JOE PALOOKA

OH WHERE — OH WHERE — HAS MY LITTLE DOG GONE?

WELL? AT LEAST THEM HOUNDS APPRECIATE POOR PATSY — EH, DOC?

GOSH! I WISH THERE WAS SOME WAY I COULD HELP HER!

ANY PLASTIC SURGEON WOULD GLADLY DONATE HIS SERVICES IN SUCH A CASE! IT'D BE A GREAT CHALLENGE TO MAKE HER BEAUTIFUL!

SIGH — WELL, SO LONG, DOC.

HMM... I MUST HAVE A TALK WITH PATSY!

GOOD LUCK!

I'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO THANK YOU ENOUGH... YOU'VE MADE ME ABSOLUTELY BEAUTIFUL, DOCTOR POONIM!

OH, PATSY... COME IN, PLEASE!

I HAVEN'T SEEN PATSY AROUND... I KINDA MISS HER!

A FEW DAYS LATER...

SHE TOOK A LEAVE TO GO TO SEE DOCTOR POONIM, MR. WALSH.

WHERE'S PATSY, NURSE??

IN THERE WITH THE DOCTOR... HE'S REMOVING THE BANDAGES RIGHT NOW!

'GIFTS ISLAND HANDICRAFT

FOR THAT UNUSUAL GIFT TO TAKE BACK HOME YOUR GIFT HEADQUARTERS WHILE IN CHARLOTTETOWN

S. A. McDONALD

LIL' ABNER

IT HAIN'T TWITCHED IN A COUPLE O' HOURS!! — MIGHT'S WELL TAKE ITS SHOES, NOW —

UGH!! — THEY'S LACED TIGHT!!

ANGER BOILING SPRING

SUMPTIN'S GIVIN'!!

HOWDY, BLAC RUBE!!

H-HOWDY, LIL' ABNER!!

WHY HAIN'T 'O' LAFFIN'?

WHUT'S FUNNY?

MAH HAID!! — ??-IT GOT BOILED BACK TO ITS REGULAY-SHAUN SIZE!!