

**RIPLEY'S BELIEVE IT OR NOT**



ST. PETERS STREET in St. Albans, Eng. THE SITE OF CHARIOT RACES 1600 YEARS AGO STILL RETAINS THE SHAPE OF THE ANCIENT ROMAN TRACK



THE CEREMONIAL STONE near Hirschberg, Germany A BALANCING ROCK THAT WAS USED AS AN ALTAR BY THE ANCIENT PAGANS



THE WOMAN WHO WALKED BACK HOME FROM HER OWN FUNERAL. MRS. JANE GOODMAN of Cork, Ire. DECLARED DEAD IN 1662 AND ENTOMBED IN THE FAMILY MAUSOLEUM REVIVED IN HER COFFIN AND WALKED BACK HOME STILL GARBED IN HER SHROUD 3 YEARS LATER SHE GAVE BIRTH TO A SON

**CONTRACT BRIDGE**

By B. JAY BECKER

South dealer.  
Both sides vulnerable.

**NORTH**  
♠ A Q 9 4  
♥ 9 8 2  
♦ K Q 6 5  
♣ Q 8

**WEST**  
♠ 8  
♥ K 10 6 4  
♦ 10 9 7  
♣ K 6 5 3 2

**EAST**  
♠ 10 6 3  
♥ J 5 3  
♦ 8 4 2  
♣ 10 9 7 4

**SOUTH**  
♠ K J 7 5 2  
♥ A Q 7  
♦ A J 3  
♣ A J

The bidding:  
South West North East  
1 ♠ Pass 3 ♠ Pass  
6 ♠

Opening lead—ten of diamonds. The careful dummy player does not relax just because he sees there is an excellent chance to make the contract. He goes a step further to see whether there is a sure way to make the contract. A fine illustration of this principle is presented in today's hand.

The bidding was direct and to the point. South made the quantitative bid of six spades, knowing that North had 13 to 15 points for his three spade bid, and that the combined holdings would provide a minimum of 23 points.

A diamond was opened. South could count eleven sure tricks. The twelfth trick would make if

either a heart of a club finesse were successful. The odds in favor of at least one of the two finesses working were 3 to 1.

But 3 to 1 odds have been known to lose. In fact, in this particular deal, if declarer had relied solely on the favorable odds, he would have been defeated. Instead, he substituted a line of play that was 100 per cent certain to win.

He won the diamond lead with the ace. After drawing three rounds of trumps, he cashed the jack and queen of diamonds. The clincher came when he did not cash dummy's king of diamonds. Suppose he had cashed the diamond king and discarded the seven of hearts. If he now took either a heart or club finesse, he would be defeated. Whichever finesse he chose to take, West would win with the king and return the suit. Eventually, the other finesse would also be taken and the slam would be lost.

Instead, South led a low heart from dummy, and when East followed low, South played the ten. But now West had to return a heart or a club into one of South's A-Q's.

Either return was bound to give declarer his twelfth trick. The effect of delaying the discard on the diamond king was that it put West in an endplay position, prevented a safe return and assured the contract beyond doubt.

**Pickets Protest Work C**  
**Former Canadian Steamship**

BALTIMORE (AP) — Two groups of pickets—with different grievances—paraded outside the Maryland Shipbuilding and Drydock Company Friday.

An estimated 300 pickets representing the Canadian branch of the Seafarers International Union formed outside the shipyard's gates early this morning to protest the yard's working on the Ciudad de Habana.

The ship was one of eight sold recently by a Canadian steamship firm to the Cuban government. The Canadian SIU had been in a wage dispute with the steamship firm and now contends that the sale to Cuba was a "dodge" to keep from hiring Canadian seamen to man the ships.

When police tried to keep open traffic lanes through the picket lines, minor scuffles resulted. About 60 pickets were arrested for disorderly conduct. They were released after posting collateral.

Police said the picket were un-

employed local seamen hired by the Canadian union to man the picket lines.

Shortly before noon, about 600 production and maintenance workers at Maryland drydock walked off their jobs after contract renewal talks bogged down. The contract between Maryland Shipbuilding and the shipyard workers union expired last Aug. 31.

Maryland Shipbuilding normally employs about 2,100 workers, but 1,500 were laid off Aug. 28 because of lack of work.

One man was injured during the morning flurry. William Ryan 41, of Baltimore, suffered bruises when he was knocked down by a car entering the plant through the picket line. Ryan was taken to a police station and booked on a disorderly conduct charge, then taken to hospital.

The Ciudad de Habana is in drydock for miscellaneous work and repairs.

**Explains Rate Boost Railways Seeks On Coal**

MONTREAL (CP) — A railway spokesman explained Friday that the 25-cent-a-ton increase the railways plan to seek in coal and coke rates applies to all shipments regardless of distance, whether two miles or 200.

He said this was not an unusual method of increasing rates for coal and coke, commodities governed by a rate structure of their own.

As examples, Western coal moves from Drumheller, Alta., to

Sudbury, Ont., for \$10.43 a net ton at present. The new rate would be \$10.68. American coal is shipped now from Buffalo, N.Y., to North Bay, Ont., for \$3.58 a ton. The new rate would be \$3.83.

Shippers in the Maritimes, protected by the Maritime Freight Rates Act, would not bear the full brunt of such an increase. The federal government would absorb a percentage.

ONLY 19-CENT HIKE  
Coal shipped from Sydney Mines to Montreal at the present rate of \$4.41 a net ton would move for \$4.60, only 19 cents extra to shippers, after the increase.

The CNR and CPR announced Thursday night they will seek a 19-per-cent boost in freight rates and the 25-cent-a-ton increase on coal and coke before the board of transport commissioners in Ottawa next week to meet a potential wage bill of \$60,000,000.

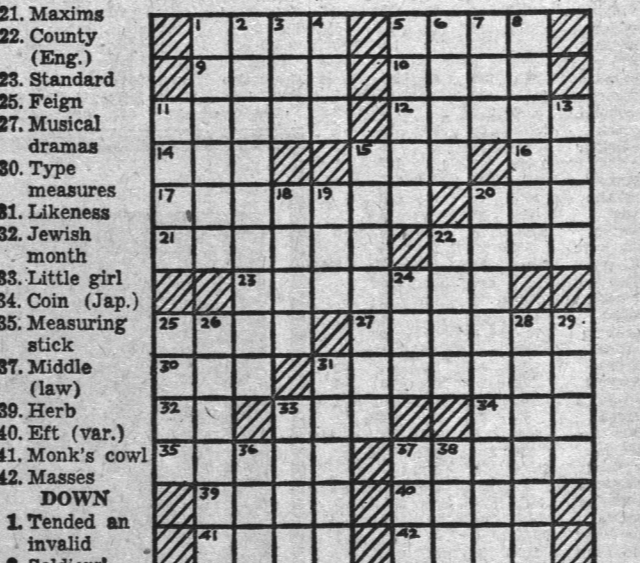
A conciliation board has recommended a 14-cent hourly increase in pay for 130,000 non-operating workers.

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  - Strike
  - Sloth
  - Subtle emanation
  - Viper
  - Support
  - Tellurium
  - Fabulous bird
  - Maxims
  - County (Eng)
  - Standard
  - Feign
  - Musical dramas
  - Type measures
  - Likeness
  - Jewish month
  - Little girl
  - Coin (Jap.)
  - Measuring stick
  - Middle (law)
  - Herb
  - Eft (var.)
  - Monk's cowl
  - Masses
  - DOWN
  - Tended an invalid
  - Soldiers' canvas bags
  3. A people of Liberia
  4. Demand, as erased
  5. Wise man again
  6. Breathing organ
  7. Constellation
  8. American W.V. II general
  11. Ancient capital (Ir.)
  13. Denomination
  15. Instructions
  18. Stare
  19. Meadow
  20. Traversed
  22. German canal
  24. Resort
  25. Terror
  26. Waylay
  28. Deputies
  29. "Auld Lang"
  36. Branch of Tai race
  31. Ventilated
  33. Utah's state flower name
  37. Hawk's cage
  38. Girl's name



**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.

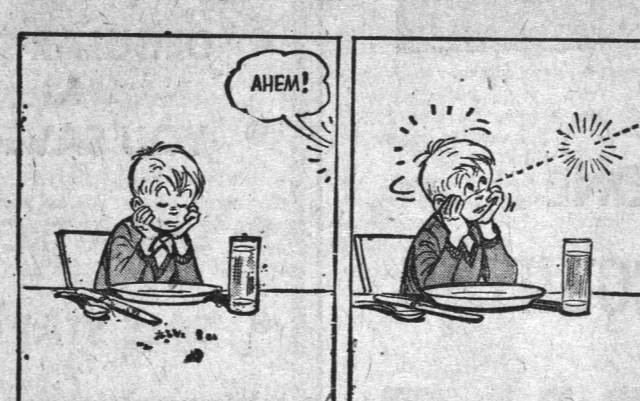
**A Cryptogram Quotation**  
B X C N Z B J E Z P W D E W O Z Y X C P J  
X U D E W S P W Z D, Y C D B X C A F O O  
Q X D J E Z P W D E W J H X F O — Z W J X H.

Yesterday's Cryptogram: WORDS SWEET AS HONEY FROM HIS LIPS DISTILL'D—HOMER.  
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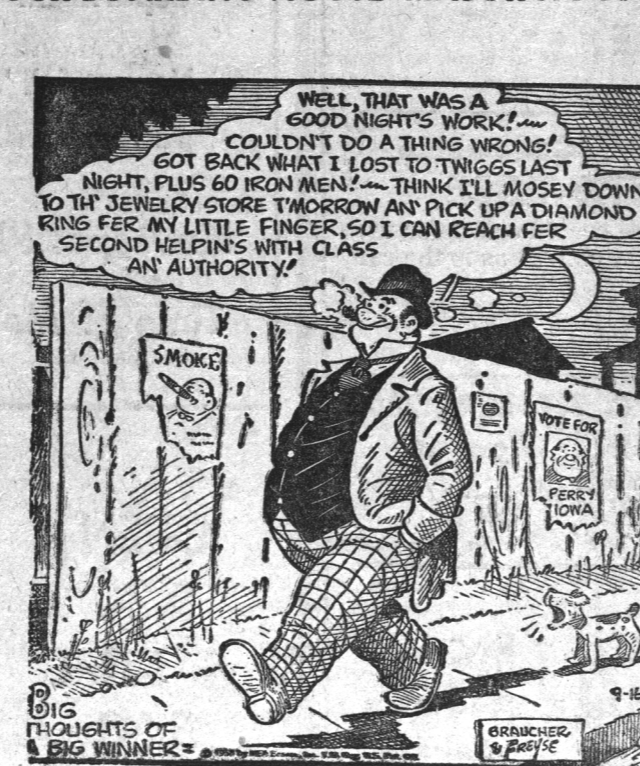
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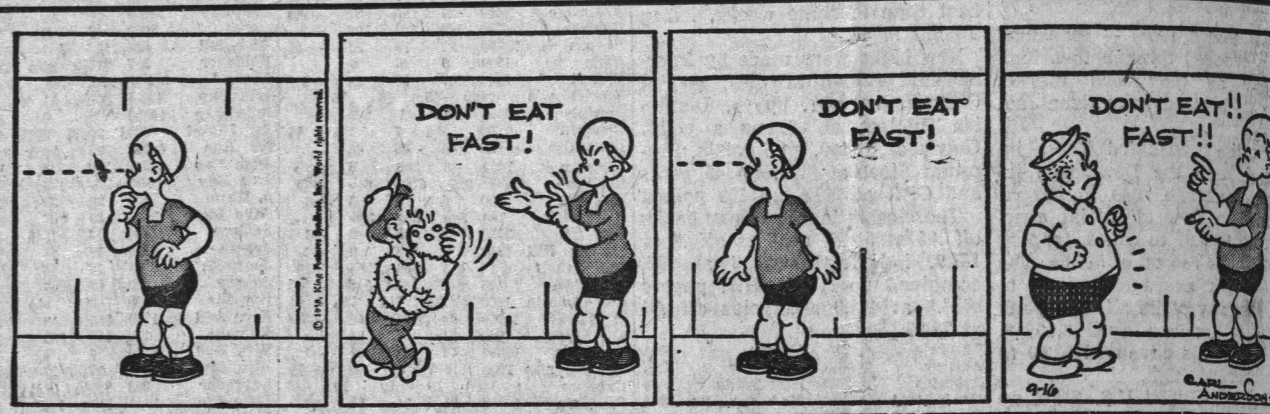
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