

**RIPLEY'S BELIEVE IT OR NOT**



**GOLD MEDAL**  
PRESENTED TO  
ABRAHAM LINCOLN'S  
WIDOW BY 40,000  
FRENCH CITIZENS  
EACH OF WHOM  
CONTRIBUTED 2 SOUS

**THE TOP OF THE SKILL**  
OF COMPOSER  
GAETANO DONIZETTI  
WAS USED FOR  
YEARS BY AN  
ITALIAN GROCER!  
AS A BOWL TO  
HOLD HIS  
SMALL CHANGE

**CONTRACT BRIDGE**

By B. JAV BECKER

South dealer.  
Both sides vulnerable.

**NORTH**  
♠ 9 2  
♥ 8 7 3 2  
♦ Q J 7 3  
♣ A 10 4

**EAST**  
♠ AKQJ876  
♥ 4  
♦ 2  
♣ 9832

**WEST**  
♠ 5 4 3  
♥ K Q J 9 5  
♦ 5 4  
♣ K 7 6

**SOUTH**  
♠ 10  
♥ A 10 6  
♦ AK 10 8 6  
♣ A Q J 5

The bidding:  
1♠ 1♥ 2♦ 4♠

Opening lead—king of hearts.  
It is surprising how many times apparently hopeless contracts can be delivered if declarer just continues to fight instead of throwing in the sponge.

It must be said that when South first examines dummy he is suspended to feel the breath of impending defeat. After all, with a losing spade, two heart losers, and a possible club loser to contend with, the prospects of making eleven tricks can hardly be said to be rosy.

But good training in trying to make impossible contracts occasionally bears fruit. The initial approach to the impossible contract consists of imagining some way the opponents' cards may be distributed that will permit the

contract to be fulfilled.  
South won the heart lead with the ace and saw he was faced with four possible losers. The club trick could be saved by a finesse if West had the king, but the possibility of saving another trick appeared remote.

However, sufficient knowledge of the composition of the defenders' hands had been obtained through their bidding to indicate there was a legitimate chance to make the hand. West had bid a heart, presumably with a five-card suit, and East had leaped to four spades, thus identifying great spade strength as well as length.

So declarer drew two rounds of trumps and led the queen of clubs. West covered and South took three club tricks ending in dummy.

A low spade was next played and East won with the jack and followed with another high spade. On this spade South discarded one of his heart losers and East found himself still in the lead.

East had only black cards left and had to lead one of them. Declarer discarded his other heart loser and ruffed in dummy. That's all there was to it. South lost two spades and made five diamonds.

An original spade lead would have smashed the contract. But since spades weren't led, all credit must be given South for making fulfillment of the impossible contract possible.

- 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—Glenn Miller
- 8.00—Your Musical Date
- 8.30—Three Suns
- 9.00—News and Wx.
- 9.05—Top Tunes of our Times
- 11.00—News and Wx.
- 11.05—Top Tunes of our Times
- 12.00—News and Wx.

- CBA WEDNESDAY,**
- 7.30—Marine Weather
- 7.30—A.M. Chronicle
- 8.00—CBC News and Weather
- 8.15—Maritime Sportscast
- 8.20—A.M. Chronicle
- 8.45—Morning Devotions
- 9.00—A.M. Chronicle
- 10.00—Atlantic School B'Cast
- 10.15—A.M. Chronicle
- 11.00—Showcase
- 11.15—Kindergarten of the Air
- 11.30—Joan Marshall
- 11.40—Ruth Harding
- 11.45—Fighting Words
- 12.15—Jamboree Junction
- 12.30—Maritime Farm B'Cast.

- 1.00—CBC News and Weather
- 1.15—Pages from Life
- 1.30—Time out to Melody
- 1.50—Time Signal
- 2.00—Atlantic School B'Cast
- 2.15—The Happy Gang
- 2.45—Word of the Lord
- 3.00—Trans-Canada Matinee
- 3.30—Marine Investigator
- 4.00—Lolly Too Dum
- 5.00—Maritime Fis. B'Cast
- 5.30—The Story of Musical Strings
- 5.45—Legends of Long House
- 6.00—CBC Times
- 6.10—Maritime Sportscast
- 6.15—CBC News and weather
- 6.30—Rowhvide
- 6.45—Roving Reporter
- 6.50—Byline
- 7.00—Music in the Evening
- 7.15—Wednesday Recital
- 7.30—Continental Carousel
- 8.00—Musical Program
- 8.30—Introduction to Wed. Night
- 8.40—Willows Revisited
- 9.00—Profile
- 9.55—Death of Vivian
- 10.00—The Key Board
- 11.00—CBC National News Round-up
- 11.30—Recital
- 12.00—He re's the Weather and Sign Off

**Vacation Trains Are Popular**

It might not be a crack continental or luxury train, but, according to hundreds of vacationers who have travelled on it, the Overland Special, along with its western counterpart, the Bluenose Special, is the most travelling four for the least money in Canada.

Since they first took to the rails the Bluenose in 1949 the Overland in 1952; these special trains have been dubbed 'House Party on Wheels', 'Canada's Greatest Travel Bargain', and 'Canada's Coast-to-Coast Vacation Train' and with good reason, for these nick-names describe exactly the purpose of the travelling twins.

Originated by Mr. J. V. 'Jim'

**GETS FILM AWARD**  
LONDON (CP) — A Canadian film is included in the 1957 honours list announced Sunday by the British Film Academy. Producer Norman McLaren of the National Film Board received an award which gave his film, *A Chairy Tale*, top ranking among "films other than feature or documentary." The film, co-directed by Claude Jutra, also won a prize in last year's Venice Film Festival.

**NO CASES**  
For the first time in nearly 100 years, there was not a single case of diphtheria in Norway in 1957.

**DAILY CROSSWORD**

- ACROSS**
- Christmas song
  - Incites, as a dog (var.)
  - Cut, as a fowl
  - Suffers pain
  - Regions
  - See there!
  - Force (L.)
  - Cap
  - At home
  - Scorch
  - Prescription term
  - Biblical name
  - Honorable (abbr.)
  - Girl's nickname
  - Stringed instrument
  - Diefenbaker's land
  - Sound a
  - Fish
  - Messes
  - Polynesian drink
  - Fire's residue
  - Turkish soldier
  - Form of shooting
  - Charles Hughes
  - Affixes
  - Grown pale
  - DOWN
  - Of the nostrils
  - Even (poet.)
  - A. rela-
  - Measure (An-nam.)
  - Sunk fences
  - U.S. territory
  - Lettuces
  - Sofas
  - Actress, Maude
  - A. stripe (mil.)
  - Examinations
  - Pay attention
  - Mohammed call to prayer
  - Fresh
  - Yellow bugle

**MADE MESS**  
SALON ALLIAR  
TRIED PLANTS  
ARM PLANTS  
NI ATA OAP  
ZOO TAGAL  
ARRO BLATE  
SILPUSHOP  
GAS ASH ON  
ATTAIN ALA  
PRODS BLATE  
SINIAI TIVIE  
PRETS PLASS

Yesterday's Answer  
34. Pay attention  
35. Mohammed call to prayer  
37. Fresh  
38. Yellow bugle

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9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32
33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48
49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56

**DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE — Here's how to work it:**  
A X Y D L B A A X R  
is L O N G F L L A 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**  
'ILC JB HMHJB QG THWT, W JWM  
TQDQM W G JBGHKI QG THWT—  
EPQXJWM.

Yesterday's Cryptoquote: MINE EYES HAVE SEEN THE GLORY OF THE COMING OF THE LORD — HOWE

**ETTA KETT**

BYE FOR A WHILE! BUZZ ME TOMORROW!

THAT WAS DEBBY! WONDER WHY WINGEY DOESN'T CALL.

WINGEY!

I HEARD YOU TALKING TO HIM ABOUT TEN TIMES THIS MORNING! ISN'T THAT ENOUGH?

YES- I MEAN I GUESS! BUT HE HASN'T CALLED ALL AFTER-NOON.

I WONDER IF HE'S SICK OR SOMETHING!

**MUGGS & SKEETER**

COME ON JUNIOR...DON'T BE AFRAID OF IT...

PA WHAT ARE YOU DOING WITH JUNIOR?

TRAINING HIM TO BE A PIPE RETRIEVER...I'M ALWAYS MSLAYING MY PIPE AROUND THE HOUSE...

NOW I'LL GO IN THE NEXT ROOM AND TEST HIM...

ALL RIGHT, JUNIOR...FIND MY PIPE AND BRING IT HERE!

**OUR BOARDING HOUSE MAJOR HOOPLE**

YEP GUESS IT'S NOT A NIGHT-MARE!—THAT'S JAKE, NOT A FAT CHINESE IDOL PARLOR STATUE!

I'LL BRING HOME A STRONG BOX TOMORROW FOR OUR GOLD BRIDGEWORK AND CLUFF-LINKS!

GUESS IT'S TRUE THAT THE RAILROADS ARE RUNNING MORE FREIGHTS THAN IN THE OLD DAYS!

LESSEE, THOUGHT I HAD A FINER IN HERE WITH THESE FIFTIES—YEAH, HERE IT IS—GIVE YOU SCARE-CROWS KINDLY, FETCH ME FIVE PARAGON PANATELAS—THEY COME IN INDEEJILL GLASS TUBES!

Y-Y-Y-YOU MEAN ONE BUCK FOR ONE CIGAR?

GRANDMA  
TILLY THE TOILER  
HENRY  
MICKEY MOUSE  
SECRET AGENT X-9  
THE LONE RANGER  
JOE PALOOKA  
L'L' ABNER

MY, WILBUR, YOU MADE THIS PICTURE FOR ME?

GOODNESS, I'M SO SORRY I HAVE NO COOKIES! I'LL GIVE YOU IN RETURN...

NO COOKIES, GRANDMA??

WELL, I'LL BRING TH' PICTURE BACK SOME OTHER TIME!

TRAINS UNRULY HAIR

WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH YOU?

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CERY

GOING INTO BUSINESS, EH?

YEP! I CAN USE THE MONEY!

OH, BOY! MY FIRST CUSTOMER!

I ALLUS LIKE SOMEONE TO SIT WITH ME WHEN I WATCH THIS SPOOKY SHOW!

HERE ARE YOUR PLANE RESERVATIONS, PHIL...AND THE LEGAL PAPERS YOU'LL NEED.

I'LL CHECK THEM OVER. I HOPE YOU PACKED A RABBIT'S FOOT IN THERE, TOO.

A few hours later Phil is on a plane bound for Tropicana Island...

A day and several stops later...

THIS IS AS FAR AS I CAN GO. YOU'LL HAVE TO USE HORSES OUT OF HERE.

I HOPE I DON'T HAVE TO SHOVE THE LAST FIVE MILES IN MY SHOES.

THE JUDGE'LL PROBABLY SENTENCE YOU TO HANG FOR TRYIN' TO HELP A KILLER ESCAPE.

THINK SO, SHERIFF?

YEP! YOU'RE AN ACCESSORY AFTER THE FACT.

WHAT THE--

SO, MISS GANNIS—I'VE ANSWERED ALL YOUR QUESTIONS. I HOPE YOU ARE CONVINCED THAT I AM NOT A—HA—HA—FIEND!

WILL...I GUESS WE OUGHTA GO NOW, MISS MY. IT'S LATE!

BEFORE WE LEAVE...I'D LIKE TO LOOK AROUND THE...

BOOM! EEEYOW!

THAT WAS AN EXPLOSION!

ANY THAT WAS A HUMAN BEM? SCREAMIN'??

I WILL L-LOOK INTO IT.?

YOU UTTER FOOL? YOU LET HIM ESCAPE... NOW I WILL HAVE TO DISPOSE OF MISS GANNIS AND THE FAT ONE!

BRING BRING

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WAIT, STRANGER! WHAT IS YOUR GOIN'?

AH IS DEE-LIVERIN' THESE GROCERIES TO MISS PANTINGHAM'S SCHOOL FO' GALS?!

LOOK AT ME!!—AH WAS TH' DELIVERY BOY, LAST YAR!!

YO'IS IN TERRIBLE SHAPE!!

YO'WOULDN'T BELIEVE IT—BUT AH IS JUST YARS OLDER!!