OUR NEWS BUDGET for OUR SATURDAY SUBSCRIBERS

MONDAY

In Queen's County Magistrate's Court, John Carl Fall was committed to stand trial at the next session of Supreme Court, following the evidence given at the preliminary hearing on Wednesday. Roy Fall had been committed at a previous hearing and Magistrate Gaudet set down this morning as the hearing date for the third man of the trio Carl Prowse.

These men were apprehended and charged on Dec. 15 with possession of stolen goods, knowing them to be stolen. The case arose as a result of breaking, entering and theft of cigarettes valued at $1,200 on the night of November 27 from the premises of J. A. Montgomery and Co., Queen Street, Charlottetown. Mr. J. P. Nicholson appeared for the Crown, Mr. Allison Gillis represented the accused.

Yesterday afternoon at 3.00 o'clock a private Fleet Finch plane piloted by L.A.C. Jame Rae Franklyn of the R. C. A. F. Station, Summerside had a crash landing at the farm of Lloyd Afflick, Bedeque, near Bowness' Pond The cause of the crash is attributed to engine failure and the plane itself was badly damaged.

L.A.C. Franklyn was flying to Summerside from his hometown, Digby, N.S., when the crash occurred. He received severe facial lacerations and was taken to the Prince County Hospital for treatment and it was expected last night that he would be released today.

HALIFAX, Dec. 28 —(Special) — The Halifax Atlantics extended their winning streak over the Charlottetown Islanders here Saturday night as winger Billy Goold scored an over-time goal to give the Atlantics a 4-3 win over the Islanders in a bitterly fought game before a crowd of 4,570 fans. Goold's goal, a blistering 20-foot shot from the side of the net, climaxed the penalty-infested contest in which the two teams battled tooth-and-nail from beginning to end.

The little winger's counter, his second of the night, spoiled a terrific bid by the Islanders to snap the Halifax victory string. Twice the Islanders, led by their deluxe delivery boy Buck Whitlock, came from behind to tie up the game with spectacular efforts.

Halifax appeared to have the game won in the third period before the Islanders forced the contest into overtime with a brilliantly executed play that rocked the large crowd in the Halifax Forum.

Coach Murph Chamberlain lifted goalie Al Millar in favor of the extra forward with a minute and twenty seconds left in regulation time. Following a face-off in the Halifax end Whitlock got the puck, circled the net and slipped the disc into the far corner to make the count 3-3. The goal was Whitlock's second of the night.

TUESDAY

Both the landed quantity and landed value of fish on Prince Edward Island show an increase for the year 1952, reports Mr. J. J. Larrabee, supervisor for the Federal Department of Fisheries.

Cod shows a small decrease of 9,481 hundredweight in quantity landed with a decrease in landed value of $5,355, while haddock has an increase of 9,103 hundredweight with an increase in landed value of $42,478. Hake has an increase of 23,978 hundredweight and an increase in value of $51,611. Plaice shows an increase of 8,841 hundredweight and an increase in value of $30,937. These increases are due to trawlers operating out of Souris and the new processing plant located in Souris.

Lobsters, which are our most important fishery and account for about half the value of the fisheries on Prince Edward Island, show an increase in quantity landed of 1,170 hundredweight with an increase in landed value of $147,076, which is very encouraging to see our lobster catch holding up under the extensive fishing that is carried on.

Oysters show an increase of 11,522 hundredweight and $39,996 which is also encouraging and indicates a good profit to those engaged in the industry.

Group Captain A. G. Kenyon, C.D., Commanding Officer R.C.A.F. Station Summerside, yesterday afternoon received confirmation that the Air Navigation School at Summerside is to be moved to Winnipeg, Manitoba, some time in the fall of 1953.

The Operational Training Unit and 103 Air Rescue Squadron now stationed at Greenwood, will take over the facilities of Station Summerside when it has been vacated by the Navigation School.

Assurance was given last evening by Group Captain Kenyon and by Mr J. Watson MacNaught, M. P., that the change in the role of Station Summerside would not mean a decrease in the number of personnel stationed here except perhaps during the transition period.

The yearly mounting death toll due to highway accidents in this Province reached a new high in 1952, with a casualty list of 28 persons. Twenty-five such deaths were investigated by the "L" Division of the R.C.M.P., which occurred in various parts of the Island.

"The Catholic Church in the Diocese of St Paul, from earliest origin to centennial achievement," is the title of a scholarly work recently published in St. Paul, Minnesota, the author being a former Prince Edward Islander, Rev. James Michael Reardon, P.A., and a brother of Mr. M. W. Reardon, and of Mrs John Connolly, Fitzroy Street, Charlottetown.

The work is fully documented from parish chronicles and other authentic sources, and contains several pages of references and a complete index. It evidently involved a great deal of research, and bears evidence on every page of being a labour of love. The general reader, as well as students of church history, will find it of great interest and value.

Father Reardon's last visit home was in 1948, when he was privileged to celebrate Mass at St. Dunstan's Basilica on the fiftieth anniversary of his ordination.

In Queen's County Magistrates Court before Magistrate Gilbert A. Gaudet, Carl Prowse, undergoing preliminary hearing for posession of stolen goods, knowing them to be stolen, was committed to the Supreme Court for rial at the next session. Mr. J. P. Nicholson appeared for the Crown, and Mr. Allison Gillis for the accused.

The goal hungry Charlottetown Islanders, led by the Buck Whitlock, Bob Gray and Walter Pawlshyn line walloped the Sydney Millionaires 7-0 at the Forum last night and moved back into a second place tie with the Moneymen in the M.M.H.L. standings.

Big Bob Gray greeted the return of his former team-mate Johnny Horeck with a three goal display and two of his goals came before seven minutes of the first period had been played. They proved enough to down Horeck in his debut here as coach of the Millionaires.

WEDNESDAY

Lieutenant-Colonel Russell C. Chandler, well-known Charlottetown businessman, died in the Prince Edward Island Hospital at 5:30 yesterday evening after a brief illness.

The late Colonel Chandler was taken to hospital the day after Christmas suffering from a back injury he received as the result of a fall but failed to recover.

Colonel Chandler was widely known in military and political circles as well as in the field of civic affairs. He served eight years in the Charlottetown City Council.

He was predeceased by his wife, the former Eleanor Unsworth, a few years ago. Besides his brother, Clifford, and his mother, Mrs. C. H. Chandler of this city, he is survived by two daughters, Sylvia of Boston, Mass., and Lorna, Charlottetown.

Mr. Fred Crossman, age 67, North Tryon farmer, early last evening was found dead beside his tractor in the ditch less than a mile from his home.

Mr. Crossman had been proceeding west on the highway leading to Cape Traverse when Brent Clarke who was travelling on a road leading from his home to the highway, saw the tractor gradually leave the road and go into the snow filled ditch.

When he reached the spot he found Mr. Crossman lying in the snow beside the tractor which had stalled when it plowed into the snow in the ditch.

In addition to his wife the late Mr. Crossman is survived by four sons and eight daughters They are: Harold, in Crapaud; Alden, in Niagara Falls; Clarence, in Truro; Austin, in Montreal; Winona, in Val D'or, Quebec; Noreen, and Crine, in Montreal; Dorothy, in Halifax; Mary, in U.S.A.; Flora Mae, in Kentville; and Pensy and Phyllis, in North Tryon.

Two new members were admitted to the Holman 25-Year Club at the second annual banquet of the club held at Robsons Restaurant last evening. They were Mr. Claude Hopgood and Mr. Borden Connell, who have now completed a quarter of a century service with the largest small town store in the world.

The banquet was presided over by the vice president, Mr. Harry Holman, who extended a welcome to all present and introduced the president of the firm, Mr. Robert Holman.

Mr. Holman in his remarks expressed his regret that Mr. Arthur MacDowell, the oldest member of the club, was unable to be present due to illness. On behalf of the firm he presented to each man a beautiful engraved wrist watch as a token of appreciation for long and faithful service.

SYDNEY, Dec. 30 —(CP)— Charlottetown Islanders took over sole possession of second place in the Maritime Major Hockey League tonight when they out-skated travel-weary Sydney Millionaires 6-2.

Islanders moved into a tie with the Moneymen Monday night when they swamped Johnny Horeck's boys 7-0 at Charlottetown.

A four-point splurge by Roy (Buck) Whitlock led the attack for the Isanders. Whitlock started them on the road to victory midway in the opening frame when he took a passout from Bob Gray to beat Pidsodny. Minutes later Gordon netted the disc to end the period at 2-0. Scoring two unanswered tallies in the second heat and matching two Sydney goals in the final canto the Islanders were given little trouble from the tired Mills.

FRIDAY

Traditional New Year's calls on dignitaries and friends yesterday were made under highly favourable weather conditions. The relative mildness, clear sunshine and good driving or walking added zest to the occasion. A very large number of citizens took part in these observances.

The most outstanding receptions were those of His Honour Lieutenant Governor T. W. L. Prowse, His Excellency James Boyle, D.D., Bishop of Charlottetown, and His Worship Mayor J. D. Stewart. At each of these functions the attendance was the largest in many years, if not on record.

The funeral of the late Lt.-Col. R. C. Chandler, E.D., was held yesterday morning from the MacLean Funeral Home to Central Christian Church where service was conducted by the Rev. Marvel D. Dunbar. Interment was in the People's Cemetery. At the grave, the Legion Burial Service was read by the President of the Charlottetown Branch, Charles Sinclair. The Last Post and Reveille was sounded by Bugler J. W. P. Neilsen. Members of the City Council and members of the Canadian Legion attended in a body.

Mr. Allie W. Oatway and Everett J. Keough, both of Borden were taken to the Western Hospital at Alberton early yesterday morning after the car in which they were driving went out of control on a curve at West Devon, went through a number of guard posts and into the ditch for a considerable distance before coming to a stop.

Keough, who was driver of the car, was released from hospital during the day. Oatway was transferred to the Prince County Hospital at Summerside and is reported suffering from a fractured shoulder and collar bone and facial cuts and bruises. The automobile, a 1951 Mercury, was badly damaged.

Mary Theresa Gallant, born at 1 p. m. yesterday afternoon was the first and only baby born at the Western Hospital, Alberton, on the first day of the new year. A daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edmund J. Gallant of the village of Tignish. The baby weighed seven pounds and five and one half ounces and is the lucky winner of a host of gifts donated by Summerside business firms. Both the mother and the new baby are doing well. Mr. and Mrs. Gallant have six other children.

An eight pound baby girl born at 4:10 p. m. yesterday afternoon to LAC. and Mrs. Percy Griffin, 478 Slemon Park, R.C.A.F. Station, Summerside, was the first and only baby born at the Prince County Hospital on the first day of 1953.

She hereby becomes the fortunate recipient of a host of lovely gifts donated each year by the Summerside merchants to the first baby born at the Prince County Hospital.

LAC. and Mrs. Griffin, who have four other children, were former residents of Mt Stewart, P.E.I. and Mrs. Griffin, before marriage was Miss Evelyn Stewart of Tracadie.

Both mother and daughter were reported to be doing nicely. Dr. A.R. Grant is the attending physician.

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A meeting of the West Prince Hockey League was held yesterday afternoon in the O'Leary rink with Jack Rochford as chairman. Representatives of Alberton, O'Leary and Mount Pleasant teams were present.

The by laws which applied for the year 1952 were adopted with some changes, and the schedule for the year was drawn up. Election of officers resulted as follows:—president, Dr. L. G. Dewar, re-elected; vice president, Claude Hayes; secretary - treasurer, J. R. Rochford. Executive, E. W. Turner and Ralph Adams of O'Leary, Harold Phillips and Beecher MacDougall of Mount Pleasant and Jack Rochford and Robert Profit of Alberton.

BIRTHS

CROKEN — At the Charlottetown Hospital on January 1, 1953, to Mr. and Mrs. Allison Croken (nee Ruth Duffy) a daughter.

WALKER — At Victoria Public Hospital, Fredericton, N. B., December 26th, 1952, to Mr. and Mrs. Warren C. Walker (nee Doris Boisner) a son, Warren Scott. Weight ten pounds one ounce.

MUNROE — At the Prince Edward Island Hospital on December 20th, 1952, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Munroe, Charlottetown, a son. Stillborn ..

MacSWEEN — At Women's College Hospital, Toronto, Ont., on December 5th, 1952, to Mr. and Mrs. Horace MacSween (nee Beverley MacQuarrie, North Milton) a son, Douglas Horace. 6 lb. 14 oz.

WILSON—At the Tyne Valley Hospital on Wednesday, December 24, 1952, to Mr. and Mrs. George A. C. Wilson, Ellerslie, a son, Eric John.

CLARKE — At Brandon General Hospital, Brandon, Man., on December 21st, 1952, to Mr. and Mrs. Lester Clarke (nee Ruth Small) a son, 9 lbs. 11 ozs. Ronald Edward

CURRIE—At the Charlottetown Hospital on Dec. 29, 1952, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Currie, a son, Ernest Charles, 10 lbs, 8 oz.

GRAHAM—At the King's County Hospital, December 27, 1952, to Mr. and Mrs. Grant Graham, Gaspereaux, a son.

MARRIAGES

MacKIE - MARTIN — At Trinity United Church Manse on Dec. 24, 1952, by the Rev. J. T. Irwin Marion Emily Martin, Orwell, to Henry Harold MacKie, Southport.

STEVENSON - HOOPER — At the Rectory, Milton, on November 26, by Rev. A. E. Piercey, Gladys Marion Hooper of Milton to Robert Louis Stevenson of Amherst, N. S.

KURYLYK - COURT — On Saturday, November 29, 1952, at 4 o'clock in Bonar Presbyterian Church, Toronto, Ont., by Rev. J. G. McGillvray, Urena Linda, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Beecher Court, North Rustico, P. E. I., to Alex Kurylyk, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kurylyk, Toronto, Ont.

DEATHS

SMITH—At New Argyle on Thursday, Jan. 1, 1953, Frank H. Smith in his 72nd year

BETTS—At Bunbury on Sunday, Dec. 28, 1952, Gerald Paul Betts, aged 4 months, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Betts.

MYERS—At Hazelbrook on Dec. 28th, 1952, Aubrey A. Myers in his 76th year.

ELLIS—At Dunstaffnage, Dec. 27, 1952, Charles C. Ellis in his 87th year

HARPER—At 251 Queen St, Charlottetown, Dec. 27, 1952, Lorne Harper in his 68th year.

WEEKS—At Alberton on Sunday, Dec. 28th, Carl H. Weeks in his 65th year.

HARRINGTON—At his residence 109 Pownal St., on Dec. 27th, Mr. Reginald Harrington in his 68th year.

SUTHERLAND—Passed away in Summerside on Saturday, December 27th, Eleanor M. Sutherland, wife of the late J. S. Sutherland of New Brunswick.

CROSSMAN—Suddenly at North Tryon, Dec. 30, 1952, Frederick D. Crossman in his 68th year.

CHANDLER—At the Prince Edward Island Hospital on Tuesday, Dec. 30, 1952, Lieut. Col. Russell C. Chandler in his 56th year.

MacKAY—Suddenly at the Prince Edward Island Hospital Tuesday, December 30th, 1952, W. R. MacKay in his 70th year.

CAMPBELL—At the Prince Edward Island Hospital, Monday, December 29th, 1952, Shelley, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Campbell, Charlottetown.

CURRIE—In Roxbury, Mass., Dec 19th, 1952, Leslie W., of 12 Gayland Street, son of Amelia and the late William D. Currie.

BISSETT—At Halifax on Sunday, Dec. 28, 1952, Clarence N. Bissett.

EGAN—At his home in St. Andrews on Monday, Dec 28, 1952, D. Frank Egan in his 83rd year.

MURPHY — At Charlottetown on Jan. 1, 1953, Mr. William Murphy, in his 83rd year.

CROKEN — At the Charlottetown Hospital on January 1, 1953, Baby Croken, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allison Croken.

CLINTON — At the Charlottetown Hospital January 1st, 1953, Mr. Bernard Clinton in his 48th year.

TUCKER — At the Prince County Hospital Dec. 31st, Mrs. Sterling Tucker of Central Bedeque in her 69th year.

CROSSMAN — Suddenly at North Tryon, Dec. 30th, 1952, Frederick D. Crossman in his 68th year.

KING — At Maddigan, Tacoma, Washington, on December 24th, 1952, Arthur Allison King in his 20th year

Mermaid W.I. Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of Memorial Women's Institute was held at the nome of Mrs. Cyrus MacDonald with nine members and two visitors present.

The meeting opened by repeating the Club Women's Creed in unison. Roll call was answered by members paying fees for the coming year.

The president gave her report for the year, and thanked the members for their co-operation and help. The secretary-treasurer then gave her report, which was adopted as correct.

Following are the officers for coming year:

President, Mrs. Russel Matheson; vice-president, Mrs. Joseph Lacey; secretary treasurer, Alice McCarthy; auditors, Mrs. W. L. MacEachern and Mrs. Joseph Lacey; directors, Mrs. Cyrus MacDonald, Mrs. Joseph Matheson, and Mrs. Joseph Doyle; school committee, Mrs. Bennett MacDonald; sick committee, Mrs. Daniel Farquharson; program committee, Mrs. Bennett MacDonald and Alice McCarthy.

Mrs. Joseph Doyle invited the members to her home for the December meeting, where roll call was to be answered by an exchange of Christmas gifts and a dime.

Lunch was served by the hostess assisted by the committee in charge. The meeting then adjourned.

Strange But True

By P. H. MacArthur

In today's colum I am going to tell my readers about some people, who though facing heavy handicaps, are nevertheless, doing things that would put most normal folk to shame.

My first item is from Columbus, Ohio, about 18-year-old Ada Baer who has lived in an iron lung for five and one-half years. Recently Miss Baer received her high school diploma. Unable to write, Ada was given oral examinations and passed every subject. She hopes to graduate from college and become an author!

Crossing over to North Dayton, Ohio, let me introduce "Aunt Mary" Seulliger who operates a lunch room near a high school. Well, there's nothing remarkable about running a lunch room, but listen to this: Mrs. Seulliger likes helping children who need help. So she's adopted 50 orphan prisoners of war, and displaced persons. She has sent more than 700 parcels overseas, containing such items as food, clothing, toys and medicine.

This is rather amazing when we learn that the little woman with the big heart is an invalid herself.

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In our sister province, in the city of Lunenburg, N. S., lives a paralyzed man who is Nova Scotia's leading artist. Name: Earl Baily: age 46.

Unable to use his arms or legs since childhood — polio did it — he has achieved considerable fame as an artist through determination and courage. He holds the paint brush between his teeth.

Not only can this remarkable fellow paint landscape and marine scenes praised by critics, he can also operate a typewriter and shave with an electric razor without the use of hands or feet.

His mother knew her boy would be in a wheelchair most of his life, so she encouraged him to help himself. One day she placed a pncil between his lips and prvaded him to try to write.

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It cost Earl plenty of effort, but he did learn to write in time. Then his mother placed before him water colors and a brush and told him to see what he could do with those His first efforts were crude, but the boy's perseverance plus his natural talent soon came to the fore and paid off.

Today at 46, Baily is proclaimed the finest painter of marine scenes ever produced in Nova Scotia. His paintings have also been displayed in galleries in the U. S. A. Three is his best productions will be reproduced on Christmas cards this year.

Baily works for about four hours every day at his painting. It takes him six days to complete a canvas.

"But how"? you ask, "does he pound the keys of a typerwriter?" Tiny rubber tips fitted to each key is the answer.

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In the village of Crapaud, Prince Edward Island, lives a most interesting character in the person of Mrs. Elizabeth Luque. In spite of the fact that Mrs. Luque has been a whool-chair patient for over a quarter of a century, she still manages to keep cheerful and busy. What does she do?

Well, for one thing, she does just about the nicest needle work you ever saw, with a pair of the most crippled hands you ever saw.

Too, Elizabeth Luque is a correspondent par excellence. And in spite of those crippled hands her letters are quite legible.

Last year she slipped out of her wheel-chair long enough to take an auto ride to the United States and back.

On this trip she was accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Gordon Thompson, of Cornwall, who performed the duties of attendant nurse.

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Lastly, I shall tell you about my neighbor and good friend Daniel Gass, who lives in the same village as your scribe. Danie is a T. B. patient. Confined to his bed for 17 years, he can still wear a big smile and think up clever ways in which to earn a few extra shekels in these trying financial times.

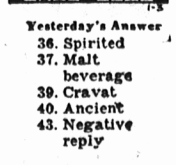
DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1. Rodents (So. Am.)
6. Chinese silk fabric
9. River (U. S.)
10. Kind of prickly pear
12. Always
13. Merited
15. Spread grass to dry
16. Medieval story
17. Warrant officer (abbr.)
18. Noblemen
20. Covers with gems
23. End
26. Choice group
27. A squama (Zool.)
28. Lament
29. Excessively (U. S.)
30. Slants
32. Public notice
34. Pitcher with a lid
35. Constellation
38. To dry up
40. Consisting of spoken words
41. American Indian
42. Long, tapering medieval dagger
44. Evening sun god (Egypt.)
45. Of a sod

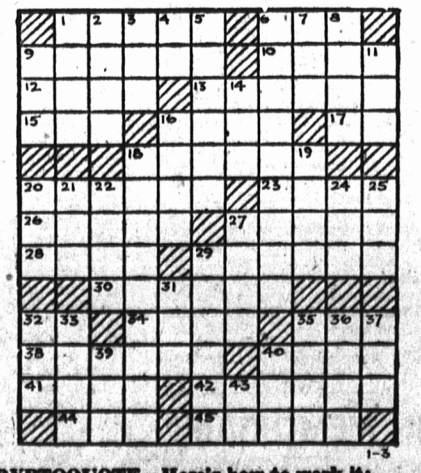
DOWN

1. Cover with asphalt
2. In bed
3. Vehicle
4. Like
5. Scissors
6. Throttles
7. A vandal
8. Afresh
9. Damp
11. Fuss
14. Past
16. Identical
18. Birthplace of Jesus
19. Tart
20. Egyptian god
21. High priest
22. Light, two-wheeled vehicles
24. Entire amount
25. Place
27. Affirm
29. Musical dramas
31. To be in debt
32. Solemn wonder
33. Earth
35. Biblical name



Yesterday's Answer

36. Spirited
37. Malt beverage
39. Cravat
40. Ancient
43. Negative reply



DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE—Here's how to work it:

A X Y D L B A A X E
is L O N G F E L L O W

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

A Cryptogram Quotation

R T D Q Z T Y L B L Z L B U V I F A T E R O C ' D, E L S O F L A L S — V Z C V L S.

Yesterday's Cryptoquote: THAT MAN MAY LAST, BUT NEVER LIVES, WHO MUCH RECEIVES BUT NOTHING GIVES. —GIBBONS.

BURGESS BEDTIME STORIES

By Thornton W. Burgess

PETER WISHES HE WERE HOME

Wishing never wins a prize,
Only he who works and tries.
—Old Mother Nature.

Peter Rabbit is naturally happy-go-lucky. He doesn't do much worrying. That is, he doesn't worry about what may happen, only when something does happen. He should have been at home in the dear Old Briar-patch. He wasn't. He was over in the Green Forest, and that was no place for him to be.

Peter had met Thunderer the Grouse and Mrs. Grouse and had learned some bad news. He had learned that Terror the Goshawk, one of the biggest and fiercest of the Hawks, was in the Green Forest. He had come down from the Far North where he lived. Of course this meant just one thing, that food up there was so scarce that he had had to come down to where there was better hunting. When he had parted from Mr. and Mrs. Grouse they had repeated some advice, which was that he should go home to the dear Old Briar-patch and stay there.

"They ought to know that I can't go home in broad daylight," said Peter to himself. "It would be silly of me to try to cross the open land where there isn't even a bush to hide under. I'll stay over here until night. Perhaps that fellow isn't around at all. Anyway, if he is, he won't catch me. I guess if those Grouse can dodge him, I can. There's a bramble-tangle I can spend the day in, and I'll be safe there."

But Peter didn't go straight over to that bramble-tangle. He did a little wandering first. He had to satisfy his curiosity. He forgot all about the bad news. He was heedless. Of course he should have been watching all the time for that big hungry hunter from the Far North, but he wasn't. The result was that it was just by sheer good luck that he caught a glimpse of Terror the Goshawk just as Terror was starting to swoop at him. Fortunately, a bramble-tangle that Peter often used was close by. You should have seen Peter race for that. Those long hind legs of his had never taken him over the ground more rapidly. That white tail of his had never bobbed up and down faster. He dodged once, and it was just in the very nick of time. The tip of one of Terror's great wings actually brushed Peter as he dodged. A moment later he plunged headlong into one of the little paths he had cut under that tangle of briars and brambles. With a little sigh of thankfulness he squatted where the brambles were thickest, and looked back to see in which direction Terror would fly away.

Peter shivered as Terror glared in at him.

To his unpleasant surprise Terror wasn't flying away. Terror wasn't flying at all. The big gray hunter was on the ground just outside that little bramble-tangle. He was just outside looking in. And there was such a fierce hungry look in those yellow eyes of his, that Peter had a most uncomfortable feeling. All of a sudden he didn't feel so safe. All of a sudden that bramble-tangle seemed much smaller than it had ever seemed before. All of a sudden those briars and brambles over his head and around him seemed much fewer and farther apart than they ever had seemed before.

Terror walked around just outside that small bramble-tangle. He was awkward, as all the big Hawk folk are when on the ground. But Peter didn't notice the awkwardness. What he did notice was that Terror acted very much as if he might be able to get in there. Peter shivered as Terror glared in at him. How big that hooked bill was! How sharp the point of it looked! What great claws he had! How stout those big yellow feet of his looked! Perhaps he could pull those briars apart. Peter shivered some more.

Peter wished that he were at home safe in the dear Old Briar-patch. He had often wished that, but never had he wished it more than he did now.

"I should have known better than to have come over here. I really should. But then I didn't know that this fellow was around. Had I known, I wouldn't have come," thought Peter.

The big Hawk walked all the way around the bramble-tangle. Then he did something that Peter hadn't thought possible. He began to force his way in under the brambles and briars. Yes, sir, he did just that. He was going to drive Peter out. He couldn't hope to catch him in there, but if he could drive him out he might have a chance.

Peter waited just as long as he dared. Terror kept right on forcing his way in. Somehow, he didn't seem to mind those brambles and briars.

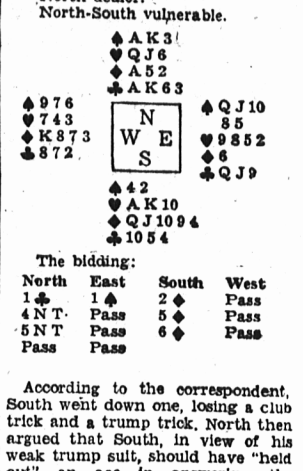
Contract Bridge

By Josephine Clubertson

THE PLAY WAS THE THING

A correspondent states that the hand below caused quite a to-do, and asked for comments on the bidding. It is strange, however, that he was not interested in the play!

North dealer.
North-South vulnerable.



The bidding:

North	East	South	West
1 ♣	1 ♠	2 ♦	Pass
4 N T	Pass	5 ♦	Pass
5 N T	Pass	6 ♦	Pass
Pass	Pass		

According to the correspondent, South went down one, losing a club trick and a trump trick. North then argued that South, in view of his weak trump suit, should have "held out" an ace in answering the Blackwood, to protect himself from getting to a slam.

In the first place this reviewer disagrees emphatically with North and considers South's bidding eminently correct. But in the second place, South could have made the contract!

In all probability, West opened his top spade—not that the lead mattered. Presumably, South then entered his hand with a heart and took the diamond finesse. Naturally, West refused to cover, and a second finesse revealed the situation. Then, since South had to figure on losing a club, he should have proceeded as follows:

He should have cashed dummy's second spade honor and ruffed a spade, then cashed his other heart tricks and the A-K of clubs. Now he should simply exit from dummy with a club—and as the cards lay, the defenders would be helpless. East would have to return a spade or a heart. South would ruff with the nine of diamonds—and what could West do! If he over-ruffed with the diamond king, dummy would over-ruff him with the ace; and if West preferred to play a small trump under South's nine, dummy would discard its last club and take the thirteenth trick with the trump ace. In short, South had a beautiful opportunity for a "smother play."

The Neighbors

By George Clark

"I don't feel middle-aged, but these new leading men look to me like high school boys."

Solution To Last Saturday's Crossword

OUT OUR WAY

J. R. Williams