

CONTRACT BRIDGE

By B. JAV BECKER

South dealer. Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH
 ♠ A 3
 ♥ Q 6
 ♦ A K 10 5 3
 ♣ A Q 9 7

WEST
 ♠ Q J 9 8 2
 ♥ 7 5 2
 ♦ Q 9 8 4
 ♣ 10 2

EAST
 ♠ 7 6 5 4
 ♥ J 6 2
 ♦ K J 5
 ♣ K J 5

SOUTH
 ♠ K 10
 ♥ A K J 10 8 3
 ♦ 8 7 4 3
 ♣ 6

The bidding:
 South West North East
 1♥ Pass 3♦ Pass
 2♥ Pass 4♣ Pass
 4♥ Pass

Opening lead—queen of spades. The point is declarer shouldn't rely on luck when he plays a hand, but should always look for a substitute, namely an item called skill.

In some hands declarer can't do more than rely on his luck, because the hand may stand or fall on a finesse, or a suit break, or an opponent's error, or what have you. But always he should be on the lookout for ways to increase his chance of success and not just rely on the way the opponents' cards happen to be distributed.

The casual declarer in looking at this hand, may think the result depends only on the location of

the king of clubs and, after drawing trumps, take the club finesse, lose it, go down, and then blame his bad luck.

This view is a long way from the fact. He has a much better than 50 percent chance if he takes full advantage of his possibilities. He has a diamond suit to work on and establish, which, if all goes according to Hoyle, will eliminate the necessity for a successful club finesse.

So South wins the spade with the king, plays a diamond to the ace and ruffs a low diamond. He then plays the ace of hearts and a low one to the queen and neither both defenders follow. A low diamond is ruffed high.

Both opponents have followed to diamonds three times, so they must have been distributed 4-3. Everything is hunky-dory. The K-10 of diamonds are both tricks.

The lone trump that is out is drawn. Twelve tricks are in the bank. It costs nothing to finesse the club now and try for all the tricks. It loses, but it's a minor casualty. The slam is made.

South started with eleven top tricks. He fooled around with diamonds hoping they'd produce the twelfth. They did. If diamonds

Howe Predicts Economy Will Reach Record Pace

EDMONTON (CP)—Trade Minister Howe predicted Wednesday the Canadian economy will expand this year at the fastest pace in history.

"We are in the full swing of a great period of development," he told the Edmonton Junior Chamber of Commerce. "I fully expect, just as everyone who has a knowledge of what is going on expects, that Canada will expand during 1957 at a faster rate than ever before in history."

His prediction appeared at variance with that made by Finance Minister Harris in his March 14 budget. Mr. Harris forecast national production would rise to a new high but that the rate of climb would be less than half the 1956 peak.

DIFFERENCE IN FIGURES

If Mr. Howe's prediction is fulfilled, it could mean a gross national product—value of all goods and services produced—of more than \$33,000,000,000 compared with the \$31,200,000,000 forecast by Mr. Harris.

It also could mean a much larger federal surplus than the \$12,000,000 forecast by Mr. Harris for the current fiscal year. Last year he showed a surplus of \$282,500,000, more than double the \$113,000,000 he predicted.

Mr. Howe touched on the expansion outlook in defending the government's policy on restraining credit growth. He agreed the policy was not universally popular but argued that the government would have been drier in its duty and business would have suffered if the administration had taken no action.

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The statements were in a text of the speech issued to the press before delivery.

Defence Contracts Awarded In March

OTTAWA (CP)—Contracts totalling \$12,848,463 were awarded in the last two weeks of March by the defence production department and Defence Construction (1951) Ltd.

Largest single contract valued at \$1,355,000, went to Bell Telephone Company of Canada.

Several contracts were awarded for the charter of aircraft, the largest, \$548,104, going to Wheeler Air Lines Ltd., St. Jovete, Que.

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Jordan Has Had Many Troubles For More Than 6,000 Years

By ARTHUR EDSON

WASHINGTON (AP)—This isn't the first time problems have come to the land of Jordan.

Today there are strikes and political strife, another big batch of troubles for a country where history got a head start.

As long ago as 6,000 B.C. man was trying to use water from the Jordan for irrigation. He still is.

Moses passed this way, leading the children of Israel toward the promised land. In Biblical history Gilead, Ammon, Moab and Edom roughly made up what now is Jordan. Ruth, Elijah and Elisha were natives.

Each civilization—Greeks, Roman, crusaders, Turks—has been attracted to this strange country with the deepest inland depression on earth, the Jordan Valley and the Dead Sea.

In some spots the narrow Jordan Valley is 2,000 feet below the surrounding countryside. The Dead Sea is 1,286 feet below the Mediterranean.

Jordan means "descender" or "downcomer," appropriate for a river that drops so far. The Romans called it the Dead Sea because neither plant nor animal can live in its mineral-filled waters. The Jews called it the Salt Sea.

Modern Jordan got its start as Transjordan in 1921, placed under

British mandate by the League of Nations. Twenty-five years later it became, to give it its full title, the Hashemite kingdom of Jordan.

The Royal Hashemite Jordan has little in common with another Arab group which has been in the news lately. Old King Abdullah of Jordan disliked old King Ibn Saud of Saudi Arabia. This lack of affection was royally returned.

The Arabs have a proverb: "I and my cousins against my cousins."

Of the 1,440,000 persons in Jordan, more than a third are Arab refugees from Palestine, living, unhappily and unhelpfully, on relief.

Consumer Credit Debt Is Mounting

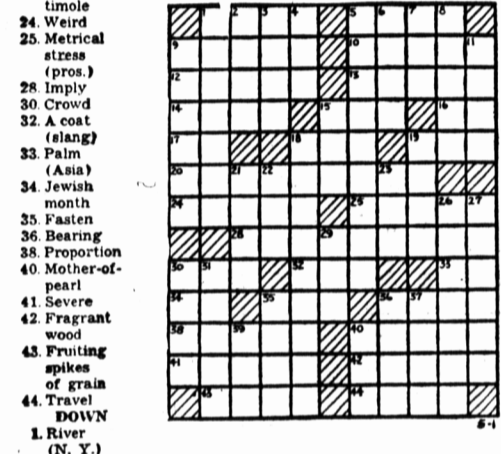
OTTAWA (CP)—Canada's consumer credit debt rose to a record \$2,469,000,000 at the end of 1956, the Bank of Canada reported today.

This is an increase of \$69,000,000 in the last three months of 1956 and a boost of \$267,000,000 in the year.

The debt is the amount of money consumers owe for things they buy on time.

DAILY CROSSWORD

- ACROSS**
 1. Choking
 5. Steals
 9. Rent again
 10. Ways out
 12. Foe
 13. Mercenary
 14. Busy insects
 15. Writing implement
 16. Music note
 17. Like
 18. In so far as
 19. Tree
 20. A septimole
 24. Weird
 25. Metrical stress (pros.)
 28. Imply
 30. Crowd
 32. A coat (slang)
 33. Palm (Asia)
 34. Jewish month
 35. Fasten
 36. Bearing
 38. Proportion
 40. Mother-of-pearl
 41. Severe
 42. Fragrant
 43. Fruiting spikes of grain
 44. Travel DOWN
 1. River (N. Y.)
- DOWN**
 2. Opposite of
 3. Jewels
 4. Pippen
 5. Disclosing
 6. Farm animals
 7. Storage area
 8. Booth
 9. To found again
 11. Bang
 15. Young dog
 18. Asks
 19. Girl's name
 21. Stiffly
 22. Metal
 23. A shield
 26. Spoke
 27. Fish
 29. Electrified particle
 30. Jolts
 31. Subside
 35. To whiz
 36. Masculine
 37. Image
 39. Beverage
 40. No (slang)



DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE — Here's how to work it:

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, length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

A Cryptogram Quotation
 HJ JHK TYH UZKXG SXN NKTZL
 XDM ZFJH DSK HJUEKHKN JQ
 YHJDSKL FKLJH—AXEY TYDSKL

Yesterday's Cryptogram—FD RATHER SEE A SERMON THAN HEAR ONE ANY DAY—EDGAR GUEST.

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 2:45 p.m.—Afternoon Musicals
 4:28 p.m.—Sign On
 4:30 p.m.—Howdy Doody
 5:00 p.m.—Hidden Pages
 5:30 p.m.—Circus Boy
 6:00 p.m.—Open House
 6:30 p.m.—CFCY Television News
 6:40 p.m.—Weather
 6:45 p.m.—CBC News
 6:55 p.m.—Weather Guide
 7:00 p.m.—Tales of the Texas Rangers
 7:30 p.m.—Disneyland
 8:30 p.m.—Cross Canada Hit Parade
 9:00 p.m.—Kraft Theatre
 10:00 p.m.—Folio
 11:00 p.m.—CFCY Television News & Weather
 11:05 p.m.—Wrestling
 12:05 a.m.—Sign Off

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 Television Programme Schedule

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1:30 p.m.—F.M. Concert Hall
 2:35 p.m.—News
 2:50 p.m.—Coffee Chatter
 3:00 p.m.—At Home with Helen Crocker
 4:00 p.m.—Uncle Jack at the Flats
 4:15 p.m.—People and Places
 4:30 p.m.—Howdy Doody
 5:00 p.m.—Hidden Pages
 5:30 p.m.—Circus Boy
 6:00 p.m.—The Merry-makers
 6:30 p.m.—Early Evening TV News
 6:45 p.m.—Weather
 6:50 p.m.—Sports
 7:00 p.m.—Bunkhouse Boys
 7:30 p.m.—Disneyland
 8:30 p.m.—Cross Canada Hit Parade
 9:00 p.m.—Kraft Theatre
 10:00 p.m.—The Unburied Dead
 11:00 p.m.—CBC TV News
 11:10 p.m.—CKCW TV News and Weather
 11:15 p.m.—Billboard
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