

OUR READERS WRITE:

PROVOCATION OF THE PICKET LINES

Sir:

I would like to reiterate through the medium of your columns, the avowed intention of all our membership to observe all the facets of peaceful and orderly picketing at the plant concerned at all times.

In view of this statement, we view with dismay and alarm, that in spite of this declaration of our intentions, and the fact that of all the people who have appeared at the picket lines, and who so far have respected our lines, when we have explained our case to them, that an Acton member of the Legal Profession was the first person to show disrespect last Friday at 5:45 p.m.

He did not even let us explain our cause to him, but gave the impression that he was prepared to stop and let us put our case to him, but he suddenly gave his car the gas and broke through our lines in what may be said to be a forcibly and unprovoked manner.

In doing so, he nearly injured one of our members, who fortunately managed to avoid being ridden down. As a member of his profession, we always thought that his authoritative body expects when he is sworn into the legal profession that all members will act at all times peacefully and according to the facets of the statutes.

We now think, that we have the information as to why he did this act, and which could have led to proceedings in a Court of law against him, should anybody been injured, as a result of his completely unwarranted action.

He had two other persons with him in the car whom we suggest were there solely for the purpose of being witnesses in case of any law breaking on the part of our members, also evidence possibly for a High Court Injunction.

We ask this man, how he can bring disrespect to his profession by his actions and at the same time be looked at as an authority on law and order, by his hasty action?

We, that is the Union executive and all its members, reiterate once again that we will and do intend to picket the plant in a peaceful manner and in accordance with the law, at all times, with full recognition of both legal rights as concerning our position and that of the Public at large.

Yours truly,
A. E. Welch
(Publicity)
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ABOUT CHURCHILL CHURCH

At the time of church union Churchill church, a congregational church, had carried on for nine years, securing their own minister as a promise made to Mr. Swackhamer's mother that as long as he lived this little church would never be closed.

My father, Rev. Henry Caldwell, came in at the time of union and working on a basis of 25 miles a Sunday he conducted three and four services, two night ones. He drove by cutter in snow when he had to hire two teams of horses to make the trip and no time to eat between services in order to make them.

Many a time when we got to Churchill the roads were bad. Griffins came with two cutters and seldom ever missed and sometimes the old box stove at the rear of the church was the best place to keep warm. Many a time he preached to as few as seven people, but he always gave "His Message." One of his favorite sayings was, "A Minister who counts his Congregation is not worth his salt."

Many a time the circuit could not meet the minimum of payments. I was in high school and many times he did not see where he could get my train fare.

Two sisters were missionaries in China and Japan. Nine hundred dollars was a big salary for him. Half of what he had been receiving, but he never was heard to complain, nor my mother either.

He drove over 1,000 miles a month with the old Ford car visiting when roads were accessible for it to get through. He and an old storekeeper usually broke the road.

We had a few hens, a good garden and in early days a cow for milk and were grateful if we could buy a little coal. This is how this church and many more were established.

During this time at Churchill he had been in the Ministry 50 years. He had been here in Acton as a young man and I have records of the dates he preached here, funerals he conducted at Churchill and the "brick church."

This is how our country was built, by men whose great spirit and devotion to the cause of Christ were all that he and his family lived for.

May His Spirit Carry on in the lives and spiritual growth of our country and rural life today.
"May God Bless us all and not let the Ancestral Devotion die."

Lydia C.J. Kerr

Let's Play Bridge

by Bill Coats

I have written on this theme before but I feel it can bear repeating. Most bridge players quickly learn the basic ways of taking tricks and producing extra tricks. High cards, ruffs, finesse, long suits all become standard ways of making tricks. The next steps seem rather difficult - end plays, squeezes and the like are the property of the experts.

There is one other technique that is not too difficult to master. It's called a Dummy reversal and it's characteristics are not hard to spot. Dummy must have good trump support and the short suit or suits are in declarer's hand. Here is an example from a hand played at the Acton Bridge Club.

Neither side was vulnerable and the dealer was South.

NORTH
S - A 3 9 3
H - A 6 3
D - K 3 2
C - 9 3 2

WEST
S - 7
H - J 8 5
D - Q 9
C - AKQJ 10 5 4

EAST
S - 10 5 2
H - K Q 4
D - 10 8 7 4
C - 8 7 6

The bidding:
SOUTH WEST NORTH EAST
1 S 3 C 4 S All Pass

Opening lead - king of clubs.

Declarer ruffed the opening lead, and proceeded to take out trump. When the diamond finesse failed, declarer had to trump another club. This left him with no trump and he went down losing a club, a diamond and two hearts.

Actually, he didn't lose four tricks so much as he didn't make ten. It all depends on your point of view.

If declarer had made a more careful plan at the beginning he could have got ten tricks quite easily. He needed to use what is called a "Dummy Reversal". The declarer should have used his trumps for ruffing and dummy's trump to draw trump. This is a reversal of the usual procedure.

If declarer can ruff three clubs in his hand, he can then take four spade in the dummy. This, together with the heart ace and the diamond ace and king, comes to ten tricks.

Declarer should ruff the club lead and cash one and only one trump. This is to make sure that trumps aren't split four-nothing.

A diamond to the king, allows another club ruff. A heart to the ace, and the declarer can ruff dummy's last club. At this stage there is only one spade left in South's hand but there are three in dummy's. Declarer leads his last trump and must be careful to win in dummy. He can now extract the opponents trump and lead a diamond to the ace. The fall of the diamond queen serves as a bonus for declarer's fine play.

Last week's winners at the Acton Bridge Club were: first, Duke Wilson and Jack Coats; second, Merl Harris and Bill Coats; third, Pat Jeffares and Mrs. Katherine Coats; fourth, Glenn Banks and Gloria Coats.

NO, DON McISAAC, isn't holding this large elm tree up unassisted. It's another of the weird trees which dot the farm of Alex J. McIsaac, R.R. 4, Acton. (Staff Photo)

A. G. McTavish dies retired to Florida

Word has been received by Acton friends of the passing of Archibald Gordon McTavish in Winter Haven, Florida recently after an illness of a few months. Mr. McTavish was born on Lot 28, Fifth Line, Nassagaweya, a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Angus McTavish, and attended the Bloomsbury School. He was in his 72nd year.

For many years he lived in Detroit, and was a dispatcher for a baking corporation. After his retirement, with his wife, he retired to live in Winter Haven, Florida.

He is survived by his wife, Mayo, a stepdaughter, and a sister, Mary, Mrs. Covert, all in Florida, also a sister, Edith, Mrs. Burkholder in Toronto.

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Library Report

By Mrs. Isabel Watson

Owing to the generosity of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Middleton the Library shelves now boast of having two complete sets of the National Geographic - 1966 and 1967. The staff at the Library, the Library Board Members and the reading public tender our sincere thanks for this gift.

A most timely addition to our books is *Federalism and the French Canadians* by Pierre El-Hot Trudeau. This book contains nine essays in which he sets forth with his brilliant logic his concept of Canadian Federalism which has already begun to influence the constitutional changes in Canada.

For the wood-bag carpenters to assist them in every phase of building from blue print to the finished product there is "Building Construction, Materials and Methods" by H. G. Miller. There are dozens of illustrations to help understand the written word about this subject that so many people are working at each spare minute.

A new play by Arthur Miller is "The Price" for those who enjoy this type of reading. This is one of many from this author's pen.

"Airport," Arthur Hailey's newest novel, is an engrossing and enjoyable tale with little-known and fascinating detailed information. This has been recently reviewed in the Toronto papers and as is usual with this author's books, promises very interesting reading.

There is a new James Bond mystery, espionage story picked up by Robert Markham from where the famous Ian Fleming left off with a special touch of

his own imaginative impetus to add to the Bond Saga. "Colonel Sun" should bring extra interest to the readers of this type of novel.

"The Naked Ape" by Desmond Morris, an eminent zoologist, offers his comparison of Man to 102 other Species of Apes. This should certainly prove to be interesting reading to those who believe in evolution and also equally so to those who do not. Ernest Ingham has assembled seventeen essays, in which he has interviewed different black

Americans on what it means to be black in all the different countries or cities, in Europe, Zurich, Paris, Berlin, Stockholm, Rome and also in Africa, in such places as Tanzania and Ghana. This author has travelled widely in U.S. and abroad on "Look" assignments. He is a senior editor of this widely-read magazine and gets his material first hand by going after it whether it be abroad or here in North America.

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