

LET'S PLAY BRIDGE

BY BILL COATS

Here is an interesting hand that came up in a rubber bridge match. It's difficult to bid slam and difficult to make slam. May be it's just as well for you cannot make twelve tricks you shouldn't bid to that level.

North dealt with both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
S-A 983
H-A K J 7 2
D-Void
C-K 10 7 4

WEST
S-10 4
H-Q 10 6 3
D-A K 10 4
C-Q J 5

EAST
S-J 6 5
H-8 5
D-J 8 7 5 2
C-9 8 2

SOUTH
S-K Q 7 2
H-9 4
D-Q 9 6 3
C-A 6 3

The bidding:
NORTH EAST SOUTH WEST
1H Pass 1S Pass
3C Pass 3NT Pass
4S Pass 4NT Pass
5H Pass 6S All Pass

Opening lead - King of diamonds.

There are two inferences that can be drawn from North's bidding. Both of these helped South bid the slam. When South responded one spade to North's opener, it increased the potential of North's hand. His jump shift to three club announced a big hand, usually at least 19 points, and put a game force into effect. South kept the bidding open with three no trumps. Now North supported spades. When a player bids three suits and includes a jump bid he can have at the most a singleton in the fourth suit. After checking for aces, South bids the slam knowing that there is at the most one diamond loser.

Although there are no apparent quick losers in the North-South hands, it is difficult to count to 12 tricks. There are four spade tricks plus a ruff, two club tricks and possibly four heart tricks - and that's only 11. It's too much to hope for a three-three split in hearts plus the queen in West's hand. Declarer could try for a split in clubs, but even then the heart finesse must be right. Declarer decided to try for a heart finesse or a three-three

split in hearts not necessarily both plus an additional diamond ruff. The opening lead was ruffed in dummy and a low spade led to declarer's hand. A heart was led and the heart finesse taken. With this hurdle over, declarer set about to obtain his second diamond ruff.

He entered his hand with a club and ruffed a diamond. The spade ace was cashed, one more high heart taken and a low heart was led. If East ruffed, declarer could over ruff. If East discarded, declarer could ruff low and then take out East's last trump. The club king provided entry to dummy's good hearts. In all declarer lost just one club trick.

Acton Bridge Club: Mondays winners - 1st Mr. and Mrs. J. Coats; 2nd, Mrs. Betty Ashley, Gloria Coats; 3rd, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Dickson; 4th, Mrs. Helen Hyde, Kay Campbell.

WILL BE TEACHING



On May 25, at the spring convocation of Waterloo Lutheran University, Robert Thomas McMenemy, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. McMenemy, 20 Shelley Street, received his Bachelor of Arts degree in English and history. Bob, a Georgetown District High School graduate, will attend an Ontario teacher's college in the fall.

CLERGY COMMENT

PUBLIC FUNDS FOR SEPARATE HIGH SCHOOLS

by Rev. Leslie Wilton, First Baptist Church

In Canada education is a Provincial, but not a Federal, responsibility. Among the provinces, Ontario has a system superior to most and second to none. An already expensive program is now complicated by requirements of bilingualism which we have accepted as a fact of life. A new crisis has been precipitated by the recent campaign seeking public funds for separate high schools through grade thirteen.

The reasons for this campaign have been widely publicized and are fairly obvious. Devout members of the Roman Catholic community and of some other denominations are genuinely concerned about the impact of secular schools upon their youth. Their solution has been to establish a separate school system where the young people are not exposed to alien influences but can be indoctrinated with the accepted tenets of their own religious group. This system has become both extensive and expensive to the communities involved. Recent developments have aggravated the economic difficulties.

Diversification of syllabus and the updating of facilities is causing operational costs to skyrocket. The current massive influx of immigrants from Roman Catholic communities in Europe is demanding an immediate multiplication of Separate School facilities. Costs could be astronomical. In the past, multitudes of her devout sons and daughters have been prepared to serve for a pittance in the institutions of the Church. Now a change is evident. Insistence among Quebec teachers in parochial schools that their salaries compare favorably with those received in public schools, is symptomatic. This could spell a drastic increase in school budgets. All these conditions have created a situation of financial crisis. The whole future of the Separate High School system could be threatened.

Under these circumstances, the cautious position taken by the secular press, the resistance reflected in the Keiller Mackay Report, and the rather adamant attitude of the government, opposing the extension of grants, may seem puzzling. The grounds for resistance are not well understood by the general public.

The arguments are set forth in a statement of the Inter-Church Committee on Protestant-Roman Catholic relations. This Committee represents the following Canadian churches: Anglican, Baptist, Disciples, Presbyterian, United and Salvation Army.

The first objection mentioned is usually financial. The Prime Minister of Ontario has stated that "our society has simply not enough wealth to support a dual system beyond the elementary level." This argument is used because of its familiar appeal. Though the leaders of all Provincial political parties concur in the above judgement, the argument is not too convincing. Governments can usually find money for anything which they deem desirable.

The fundamental objections are not financial, but political and social. The key question is the relationship of Church and State. In European countries these two are partners and state churches are recognized and supported by state funds. Our Western tradition is that education is the responsibility of the state and religion is that of the church. Each is free in its own sphere. Ours is an increasingly pluralistic society. To force religious groups or individuals to contribute to the religious institutions of another faith, to whose tenets they take violent exception, is an infringement of religious freedom.

The necessity for separate high schools is questioned by many Roman Catholic parents who, in increasing numbers, insist on sending their children to public schools. Some Separate School Boards have already made arrangements for their schools to become public schools. The population of New York State is over 40% Roman Catholic. In a recent plebiscite which would have permitted the expenditure of state funds on parochial schools, the bill was defeated almost three to one.

Another very strong objection is that the parochial school system from kindergarten to the university level isolates a large segment of Canadian youth from their contemporaries. At a time when national unity has become a goal of all our people, the segregation of our youth through all their formative years is most divisive and damaging. Such a program is diametrically opposed to the new spirit of ecumenicity which characterizes the best thought of the Roman Catholic community today. It is realized that in our day, any plan to insulate our generation against exposure to all shades of belief and unbelief, is doomed to failure. This suggests that the primary purpose of parochial schools is no longer practical.

Norval's Futuristic City Moves One Step Closer

The proposed \$1 billion, futuristic city near Norval, which will house 25,000 people, one step further last week as civil development.

The plan was unveiled May 12 at a Chinguacousy council meeting by representatives of Ar-Jel Developments Limited, Weston owners of the 2,200 acre site.

A self-supporting town housing 47,000 people will be established in the western sector of the township if final approval is given. It would be bounded on the south by Highway 7 near Norval, on the north by Side road 16, west by the Town line and east by a line between the Fourth and Fifth Lines West.

The unique radial core community is designed to eliminate cars entirely from a central area. The central core will have a three acre covered market and an arts centre with both live and movie theatres. A golf course and considerable open space are also planned. It is hoped the new development could be under way within two years if all approvals come through.

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SERMON: "IN TRUST WITH THE GOSPEL"
The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be celebrated

Kerr Appointment Rules Out Snow for Cabinet

When Jim Snow introduced his standard building code re-solution in the legislature in March, 1968 there was some general speculation that the Halton East MPP might be a future candidate for minister of public works.

Now that his Halton West running mate, George Kerr has entered the cabinet as energy and resources minister — Kerr is senior to Snow in legislature cabinet rank is ruled out for Snow.

Approached after Kerr's appointment, "Big Jim" said he had plenty to do as vice chairman of four standing committees — public accounts, agriculture, government commissions and standing orders and printing.

Snow gets the "Big Jim" tag around Queen's Park because with Kenora's Leo Bernier and Ontario South's William Newman, these are the largest men in the legislature, after the fashion of professional heavy-weight boxers. He also shares with Bernier and Newman the fact that their names have also been kicked around as cabinet material.

The Halton East member's husband died many years ago, and she leaves one son, William of Georgetown and a daughter Irene, Mrs. John Rossiter of Van Nuys, California; and two sisters, Mrs. William Emmerson (Mary) of Hillsburgh and Eibel of Georgetown. She was predeceased by sisters Mrs. Sarah Mawson and Jane Ann of Durham and brothers James and Joseph of Georgetown and John of Durham.

Annie Young Resident Of Town 40 Years

A Georgetown resident since 1929, Annie Young, 81, died at her home, 9 Margaret Street on June 7.

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standard building code proposed by chairman, Snow has also resulted in a committee on served on the education, high-code and possibly its implem- ways and transport and natural entation. Snow also introduced resources committees. He is well regarded for committee work because his career has combined two of the most important economic elements in Ontario today — agriculture and construction.

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PROCLAMATION
Cedarvale Centennial Community Centre Day
Saturday, June 21st, 1969
In accordance with a resolution passed by council, June 2, 1969, I hereby proclaim Saturday, June 21, 1969, Cedarvale Centennial Community Centre Day, in the Town of Georgetown and urge all citizens to attend the Open House, commencing at 12.30 p.m. at the Cedarvale Centennial Community Centre.
(3022) WHILDON EMMERSON, Mayor

HALTON HILLS Ratepayers Assoc. GENERAL MEETING
Monday, June 23rd 8.00 p.m.
Georgetown High School Cafeteria
Election of Officers and Board of Directors 1968-69 Reports
Discussion of overcrowding of Kennedy School with guest speaker.
E. S. LAVENDER Ass't Supt., North Area Halton Board of Education