

# Let's Play Bridge

by Bill Coats

Unless you have read some books on bridge or talked with tournament bridge players, you probably have never heard of the "Law of restricted choice". This law is based on mathematics but you do not have to be a mathematician to take advantage of it and use it.

Opening lead - King of Clubs. Declarer won the opening lead with the ace and took stock. Although declarer cannot develop another club trick by himself, the defense cannot lead clubs without giving declarer a trick.

Declarer can count on three spade tricks, one in hearts, three in diamonds with normal splits and one in clubs. That's only eight and it's not enough.

As a start declarer laid down the diamond ace. West's jack came as a pleasant surprise. Was it jack singleton or queen-jack doubleton? It may surprise you to know that the odds are almost two to one that it's a singleton. Thus the law of restricted choice.

Declarer cashed the ace and king of spades and led to the queen. He then led the diamond nine and let it ride. West showed out so declarer repeated the diamond finesse. Three no trump on the nose with three spades, four diamonds and two other aces.

Last week there were five tables in play at the Acton Bridge Club. We divided into fields and here are the winners.

North-South: First, Bill Wandel and Bill Coats; second, Betty Ashley and Harry Arbie.

East-West: First, Frank Martin and Tom Warnes; second, Pat and Gwen Jeffares.

# NEWS of the district

## More shopping hours

Milton stores should be open to serve their customers six days a week plus Thursday and Friday nights until 9 p.m., directors of Milton Chamber of Commerce agreed at their June meeting.

They approved a resolution recommending to Milton Council that stores be open all day Monday to Saturday, plus the two evenings. The policy would go into effect on Monday, August 17.

## Teachers' salaries up

Representatives of Wellington county public school elementary teachers decided to agree to a 1970-71 salary contract.

The 21 representatives meeting at Alma discussed the county board of education's offer in a five-hour session before ratifying the pact which will affect nearly 600 teachers next year.

The board offered an average eight per cent increase but the representatives noted that about 85 per cent of the county's teachers will receive a minimum increase next year.

Mr. Harris said that this was the first contract in his six years of experience as a negotiator that every group covered by the contract made some monetary gain.

Under its terms, the lowest paid teacher in the county would receive \$5,300 and the highest would get \$13,800.

More than half the county's nearly 600 elementary teachers next fall will be in Category 1 which has a \$5,300 minimum and \$7,200 maximum.

Wellington's 466 secondary school teachers will receive an average 8.8 per cent increase next year under terms of a settlement reached in mid-April.

## Foot for feat

GEORGETOWN—Charles Burns, the 82 year old walking wonder who carried Georgetown sponsorship for the full 31 miles in the May 2 Miles for Millions marathon is going to receive a foot for his feat. And so is somebody else, although Miles for Millions officials still haven't declared the second recipient.

The trophies, donated by Y World Service official, Mrs. Merl Diplock, will be given annually to the oldest and youngest completing the Georgetown Brampton areas' Miles for Millions Walk.

While Mr. Burns is a shoe in for the 'oldest' award, the walk committee is still trying to determine who was the youngest to go the distance. At the moment, the most likely candidate is Paul Halley of Brampton who will be seven years old on July 9.

The trophies are in the shape of a foot - naturally.

## Antiques for rehabilitation

An old barn near Elora will be turned into a showroom for Canadian pieces and imported 19th century British furniture which have been refurbished by the workers at Bon Accord Farm, a project of the Addiction Research Foundation of Ontario.

Bon Accord Farm is a men's rehabilitation farm community established in 1967. The men come to Bon Accord to do something about serious drinking problems which have affected their ability to maintain employment and function effectively in normal society.

From the very beginning, staff and residents at Bon Accord sought means of providing a meaningful, worth while work program which would help residents strive for independence economically.

Bon Accord antiques was set up along with beef and other farm production under professional supervision as a part of the rehabilitation program. It cannot really be classified as a "normal" business because the aim is not to become competitors with other antique businesses.

## Hole in one

ERIN—The second hole-in-one this season was scored at Hilltop Golf Club.

Twenty-three year old Jay Fox of Guelph recorded the thriller on the 7th hole, using a 7 iron on the 153 yd. hole. Jay was playing in a threesome with Dave Hales of Guelph and Bill Patterson of London.



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