

How to play Bridge AUCTION and CONTRACT by Wynne Ferguson Author of "PRACTICAL AUCTION BRIDGE"

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cards in the opponents' hands in such chance for game. That is what is The following hand is given as an meant by getting the trick that scores illustration of the dealer's failure to

In the play of the hands at Auction | opponents are playing the hand at and Contract there are numberless spades, and it is up to you to save opportunities to make good plays, but game. You can figure out how to take the most important one of all is the three tricks but cannot see any hope winning of the trick that scores game for the fourth trick. Then you should or saves it. For example, suppose the figure out in your mind what card declarer is playing spades and it is or cards your partner must hold to easily possible to make three odd but make that extra trick and play acthere is no apparent way to score cordingly. You will be surprised how game. That is the time for the de- often the card that you figure must clarer to do some deep thinking and be there, will be there and therefore endeavor to figure out some way to save the game. It is on close hands make game. Sometimes this can be of this type that the good player has done by mentally placing certain high such an advantage. The all-important trick of every hand is the one a way that game is possible. At other that either makes game or saves times it can only be done by letting game; so bend all your energies and the opponents have the lead in the concentrate all your thought on that hope that they will make a mistake one trick and, if it is in the cards, and thus give the declarer his only don't let it get away from you.

observe this rule and of the big loss

Diamonds-3

Spades-4

It is an easy hand with all the cards

exposed, but not easy if they are con-

cealed unless you stop to think and

illustration of the importance of play-

Hearts-noi

Clubs-K, 9

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Z two spades, A three hearts, Y three trick. The minute the dummy hand spades, B four hearts, Z four spades was placed on the table, Z should and A doubled. All passed and A have figured what cards A must hold opened the king of hearts and follow- to justify his double. The only excuse ed with the ace of hearts. How should for the double would be at least five small trumps and the ace, king of Solution: Z should let A hold this hearts. With any less holding in trick and discard a club or a diamond. trumps, A's double would have been unsound.

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By so doing, he could have made fiveodd in spades if A had then led either one of the other three suits, for in that case he could have taken A's trumps and his suit cards were all good. If A figure out how the unseen cards must had led another heart at trick three, lie to give you game. It is a fine Z should have trumped in the dummy with the king and then led four rounds ing for the all-important trick that

of trumps. He should then have led either clubs or diamonds until A made his last trump. In this way, Z could have made four spades. If, however, he trumped the two rounds of spades, his hand and led hopeless and he would lose his con-dependent upon failure or success. hopeless and he would lose his con- dependent upon failure or

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Z

If hearts are trumps and Z is in the is forced to discard the six of clubs lead, how can Y, Z win all four tricks and Y discards the nine of spades. B must now discard a club or a diamond. against any defense?

Solution: Z should lead the ace of He cannot discard the king of diadiamonds and discard the ten of clubs monds for, if he does, Z's four of in Y's hand. He should then lead the diamonds will be good. B, therefore, ten of hearts. Now A must discard is forced to discard the nine of either a club or a spade. He cannot clubs. Z now leads the four of clubs discard a spade for, if he does, Y will and Y wins the remaining two tricks. discard the jack of clubs and his nine It is a fine example of the "double of spades will be good. A, therefore, squeeze."

On Being Good Sports

By the Prince of Wales

I am full of admiration for those running voluntary organizations, but it struck me that the older people were to the fore. It is time the younger generation got down to leadership as well.

They are doing a lot, but, frankly, I am suggesting that they can do a lot more. It is up to us to see the youth of the country encouraged to exercise their minds and blow off steam, and help them to grow up good sports.

It would be a fine thing if all who are associated together for games were also associated in some form of service. I wonder, too, if the staffs of our great business houses, insurance offices and banks might not make themselves corporately responsible for some form of individual service that would enlarge the opportunities of boys and girls.

We are not here to consider how industrial or political action can help us in our present difficulties. We are here to consider how we our-

selves can help each other, and I am sure there is a lot that can be done. Wandering Housewives American passport statistics show that more housewives take trips abroad than women in any other occupation. In a list of 31 classified occupations, "housewives" received 13.09

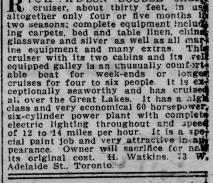
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