Blackwood on *Bridge*

By Easley Blackwood

All of the hold-up plays I have shown you in recent columns have been made at no trump contracts. Sometimes the hold-up is a valuable weapon at suit contracts too. The reasons for the play are basically the same.

Today's hand is an example of a hold-up made in an attempt to exhaust one opponent in a suit, so that on gaining the lead he cannot return the suit to win established tricks.

South dealer
East-West vulnerable

Mr. Dale
S—9 6
H—A Q 6 4
D—8 6 5
C—A Q 10 5

Mr. Abel
S—10 7 5 3
H—9 2
D—K Q J 10 3
C—7 2

Mr. Meek
S—A Q 8 4 2
H—5 3
D—7 4
C—K 8 6 4

Mr. Masters
S—K J
H—K J 10 8 7
D—A 9 2
C—J 9 3

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1 H	Pass	3 H	Pass
4 H	All pass		

Mr. Abel opened the king of diamonds, Mr. Meek played the seven spot and Mr. Masters followed with the deuce. A diamond was continued and this time Mr. Masters won with the ace. He cleared the hearts in two rounds and then laid down the nine of clubs, playing the five from the dummy.

Mr. Meek won with the king of clubs. As you see, if he had held a diamond at this point, his side could have quickly cashed another diamond and the ace of spades, defeating the contract.

But, lacking any diamonds, he was practically powerless. Desperately he led the ace and another spade. Mr. Masters won the second spade lead with the king and took the rest of the tricks, discarding his losing diamond on the fourth club in dummy.

How did Mr. Masters know that a hold-up at trick one would be a winning play? Well, he didn't know for sure. He looked the hand over and saw that he didn't have anywhere near 10 tricks in top cards—unless the club finesse was right. In that case he would have five hearts, four clubs and one diamond.

But what if the club finesse were wrong? Then it would be convenient indeed for Mr. Meek to be out of diamonds when he won his king of clubs. In other words, Mr. Masters' hold-up play wasn't a sure thing—it merely added to his chances.

Always be on the lookout for these plays that increase the odds in your favor. Mr. Masters is. That's why he is a winning player.

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Intimacy In Census

By HAROLD MORRISON
Canadian Press Staff Writer

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In a door-to-door visit to the men and women of Canada, the 18,000-member army of census-takers will get an unusual chance to see how Canada really lives, how neighbors compare in living standards, in tastes, in income, in family growth.

More than that, they'll get a chance to meet people they've never met before, get a cross-section review of a town's development and a better understanding of local problems. Those are the things that help round out a good citizen.

The census-takers might be anybody, someone like yourself or someone like your neighbor. But you may be assured: the information you give is secret. That's the law.

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They'll probably get, too, university students on summer vacation, housewives with time on their hands and the like. So you see, the person at your door won't be too different from yourself. And that is the way officials want it to be.

They believe you won't be so stand-offish if you realize the person you're talking to pretty well shares the same kind of problems you do; the same kind of home ;the same kind of family life. That helps make for sympathy and understanding and for co-operation.

And co-operation — above all else—is what the officials need.

For what good is there in trying to get a census done, if you won't answer questions—even if it is against the law? So one of the first things the census-taker will be taught will be to get your co-operation.

However, just before he or she undergoes four days of traning, the potential census-taker will have to take a brief test, answer a few brain twisters to get his mental rating. The test won't be difficult, but it will include some rapid arithmetic problems. That will show the census-taker's ability to add, subtract and multiply.

Outside of that and the ability to speak the language of the district he is surveying, there are almost no limitations as to who can be a census-taker. So expect to see almost anyone—even your neighbor. And if you are at all dubious, you soon can find out if it is a real census-taker or just your neighbor snooping.

Just ask him or her for the census-taker's identification card. It is a little green card that fits into a wallet or purse. Every census-taker will carry one.

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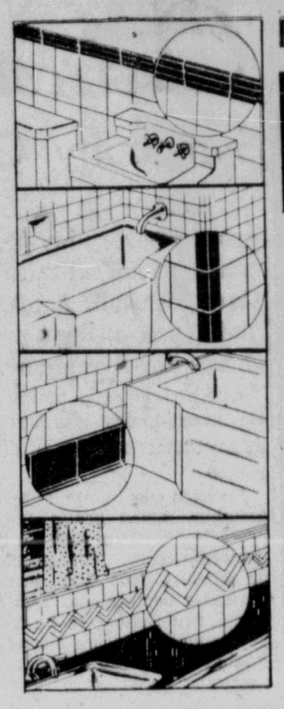

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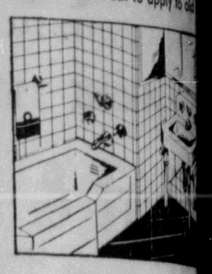

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