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## Blackwood on Bridge

By Easley Blackwood

My friend Mrs. Keen has a house full of prizes she won when she was playing party bridge. At that game partial scores mean little or nothing. Game bids and slams have an overwhelming importance.

Sometimes the stretching to reach game every time the bidding is opened results in mighty sketchy contracts—which require startling plays to fulfill. Mrs. Keen is expert at this sort of thing.

Mr. Champion opened the six of hearts against Mrs. Keen's three no trump bid. She won with the king in her own hand and studied the situation for a few minutes. She felt she could probably set up dummy's diamonds by leading the king, the ace, and then conceding a third round of the suit to the enemy. But sadly enough the remainder of the suit could not be reached because dummy had no entry.

South dealer  
North-South vulnerable

North (Mr. Dale)	South (Mrs. Keen)
S-6 3	S-Q 8 7 5 2
H-Q 10	H-7 5 2
D-A 10 9 7 5 2	D-Q J 8
C-7 5 2	C-8 4

West  
(Mr. Champion)
 East (Mr. Abel) || S-K 4 | S-Q 8 7 5 2 |
H-J 9 8 6 4 3	H-7 5 2
D-4 3	D-Q J 8
C-K Q 6	C-8 4

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1 C	Pass	1 D	Pass
2 S	Pass	3 D	Pass
3 NT	All pass		

shrewd. He noticed Mr. Keen's air of indecision and the glum expression on her face. He remembered the fact that she had won the first trick with the king of hearts when dummy's 10-spot would have sufficed. From these things he deduced the true situation.

"A little short of entries to the board maybe?" he said slyly. "Could be," Mrs. Keen replied. "Unless..."

"Unless what?" inquired Mr. Champion with a confident grin. "Unless you or Mr. Abel would be sweet enough to lead to the board for me."

**DISCARDS HEART, ACE**  
Mrs. Keen had finally seen a play which would bring her contract home. She laid down her king of diamonds, then led a small diamond to the ace. Next she led another diamond from dummy and discarded her ace of hearts.

Mr. Abel won this trick with the queen of diamonds and Mr. Champion (frowning now) dropped a small heart. From here on, if either defender leads a heart, the queen in dummy will win and the rest of the good diamonds will be run.

Mr. Abel returned a spade, Mrs. Keen ducked and Mr. Champion won with the king. He led another spade, Mr. Abel

## More Kids Welcome 'Hoppy'

When William Boyd—to most of Prince Rupert boys and girls just plain "Hoppy" now—again stepped off the Chilcotin Monday, there were still a lot of children and grown-ups to see him.

But the crowd was more orderly and Hoppy had more time for them. Nearly all the kids got either one of his aluminum-disc souvenirs, or autographs, which he signed steadily for half an hour.

And on the docks, at the side of the favorite cowboy star, stood his pretty wife, former Grace Bradley of the movies, who signed autographs and chatted with people along with her husband.

Many times Hoppy's familiar "Howdy, pardner," greeted a youngster, some of whom were no more than able to walk. And the kids ate it up as their favorite cowboy shook hands with them and chuckled.

A young father gave Hoppy a piece of paper on which to sign his name for "my little boy."

"Sign it Hopalong Cassidy," asked the father.

"We sign 'em all the same, just 'Hoppy,'" was the return.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd were at dinner when the Chilcotin docked, but the hundred or more youngsters waited patiently for more than half an hour to see the man who has been the object of admiration of movie-going kids throughout the continent.

correctly refused to go up with his queen and Mrs. Keen won with the nine.

She then laid down the ace and another club and Mr. Champion was in again. He cashed his second high club but now had nothing left but hearts. A heart lead put dummy in, and all the cards there were good. Three no trump—in spite of Mr. Champion's diagnosis.

## Crescent Shows Crossing Gulf

A trip across the Gulf of Alaska to Seward awaits the well known Crescent Shows carnival outfit which has arrived at the lumber assembly wharf here in fifteen railway cars for transfer to the Anchorage motor vessel Garland which is due here today to pick them up.

After making stands at Prince George, Vanderhoof, Burns Lake, Smithers and Terrace, the outfit, consisting of some fifty tons of equipment and personnel totaling sixty, reached here by special train Sunday morning.

Seward, Fairbanks, Anchorage, Juneau, Petersburg, Wrangell and Ketchikan are included in the Alaska itinerary and the show will stand here early in September.

Frank Costantine of New Westminster, who bought out Henry Meyerhoff of Pentleton, is now the owner of the Crescent Shows.

Adding Alaska to the circuit is a new venture and Costantine philosophically looks upon it as a "gamble."

## Old Chicago Music Dance

Story of the adventures of a Chicago dance hall queen of the days just before the turn of the century and her pursuit by rival swains comes to the Totem Theatre here in color from Thursday to Saturday of this week.

Betty Grable sings and dances in the leading role and the co-stars as the rivals for her favor are Victor Mature and Phil Harris.

The climax of the picture comes during the great Columbia Exposition of 1893.

Some of the old timers of vaudeville are seen in the picture including Reginald Gardiner and James Barton.

Old and new song hits are featured in the picture including "Baby, Won't You Say You Love Me," "Wilhelmina," "Down on Wabash Avenue," "Shimmy Like My Sister Kate," "Honey Man," "Floating Down the Old Green River," "Walking Along With Billy."

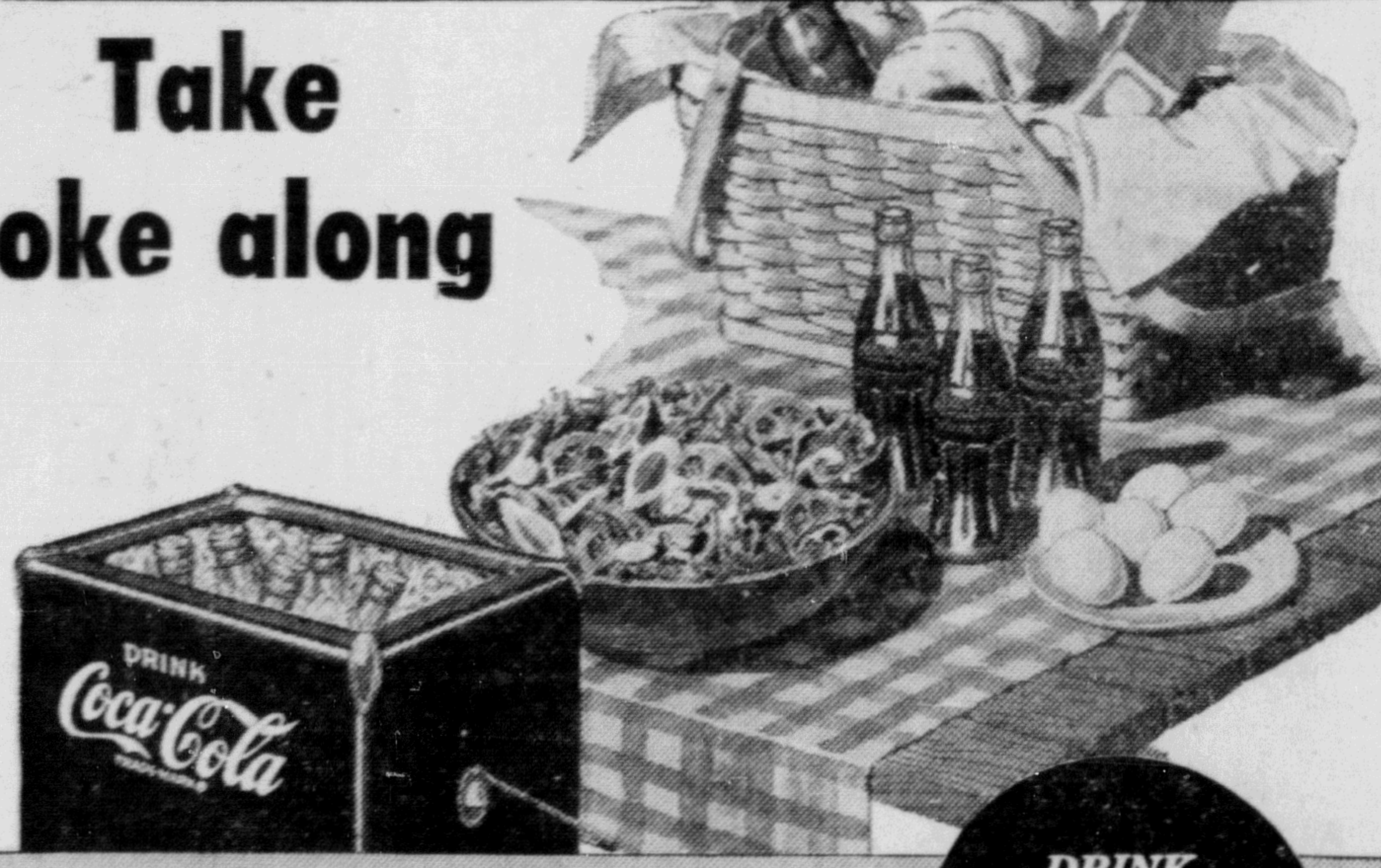
## Caught in Winch Head is Injured

Patrick Hill, 17-year-old Kitkatla fisherman, is doing well in the Prince Rupert General Hospital after having suffered painful injuries in an accident aboard the seiboat Aleutian Island Monday off the west coast of Banks Island.

The Aleutian Island, owned by the Canadian Fishing Co. and skippered by Joe Innes of Kitkatla, was seining sockeye when Hill's gloves became caught in the winch and he was whirled around with the result that his head was badly cut.

A radio appeal brought a Queen Charlotte's Airlines plane and Hill was picked up and transported to Prince Rupert. The plane was met by the ambulance which took the young native to the hospital.

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HE TOLD ME IT MADE AN OLD MAN OUT OF HIM BEFORE HIS TIME—HE HAD ME IN TEARS.  
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