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BIG JIM SPEAKS—Members of the 2nd Battalion, F.P.C.L.I., gather to hear an address by their commanding officer, Lt.-Col. J. M. (Big Jim) Store of Salmon Arm, B.C. This Canadian Army photo was taken in the Patricia's camp in Korea, near Pusan. (CP PHOTO)

Blackwood on Bridge
By Easley Blackwood

The abuse of a certain part of the Blackwood Convention loses untold thousands of points. I refer to the minor suit rule of one and two.

If you are considering a slam that will play only in clubs, you should not bid four no trump unless you hold at least two aces. If you are considering a slam

on a hand that will play only at diamonds, you should not bid four no trump unless you hold at least one ace.

Think this over and the reason will be clear. Suppose your agreed suit is clubs. If you have only one ace, bid four no trump, and find partner with only one ace, he must bid five diamonds. And now you are overboard. There is no way to get back to five clubs where you belong.

Playing the Blackwood properly you would have two aces when you bid four no trump and now there is no danger of getting into trouble. If partner has no aces, he will bid five clubs and since that is your agreed suit you will simply pass. If partner shows one ace you should be all right in six clubs.

Similarly if your agreed suit is diamonds and you bid four no trump with no aces in your hand, you are cooked if partner responds five hearts showing two aces. The only way to get back into diamonds is to go to

six—and you are off two aces. Remember the minor suit rule of one and two. Don't use the four no trump bid when there is any reasonable chance that partner's response will prove embarrassing. All vulnerable. South dealer.

North (Mr. Champion)		East (Mrs. Keen)	
S-A K Q	H-8	S-J 9 7 2	H-Q 10 7 6 5 2
D-7 6 5 2	C-8	D-A 8 4 3	C-2
South (Mr. Muzzy)		West (Mr. Abel)	
S-8	S-10 8 5 4 3	H-K J 9	H-A 4 3
H-K J 9	D-A 8 4 3	D-K Q 9	D-J 10
D-K Q 9	C-A Q J 10 5 3	C-8	C-8

The bidding:
South: 1 C, 4 NT, 6 C
West: Pass, Pass, All pass
North: 3 C, 5 D
East: Pass, Pass

Many Missionaries Arc Still in China

OTTAWA—According to the Department of External Affairs there are still between 200 and 250 Canadian missionaries in China. They are located in different parts of that country. A report from Hong Kong is to the effect that nearly all of the 2,000 Protestant missionaries in Communist China have decided to leave soon.



NEW WEAPON—A group of the P.P.C.L.I. in Korea have already undergone instruction in the use of flame-throwers. The instruction took place at a U.S. base at Highlea, near Pusan, under supervision of American army officers. Capt. Andy Foulds of Vancouver is shown in this Army photo, demonstrating proper stance for use of the weapon. (CP PHOTO)

Mrs. Greenwood, Terrace, Dies

TERRACE—Mrs. A. M. Greenwood, 73, resident of Terrace for the past four or five years, passed away in her sleep early on Wednesday morning at her home here on Lazelle Avenue. Ailing for some time, she had been cared for by Mrs. George Hull who stayed the night with her and who found her dead in the morning. The deceased is survived by one son, Lawrence, of Victoria and a daughter, Mrs. Ella Heise of Prince Rupert, who came up on Thursday morning's train, and who is staying with Mrs. E. T. Brooks. The funeral will be held from the Pentecostal church this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

TERRACE TOPICS

F. Baker, accompanied by his son, Clarence, left on Tuesday's train for Prince Rupert where the latter will have a medical check-up on his hand. Mr. Baker will go on to Vancouver for medical advice and a possible operation.

Armine Boas, sanitarian, was a weekend visitor to Terrace from Prince Rupert.

The teachers' school, inaugurated by the Parent-Teacher Association, have started again after the holiday recess. This week, Mr. Hamilton of grade five had the parents of his class out to the school and tea was served in the teachers' room.

Hans Koch returned on Thursday morning's train from Vancouver where he has spent the past two weeks with Mrs. Koch who will be returning to Terrace next week.

The Civic Centre Choral group held their usual practice last Monday evening and are well into rehearsals for a production scheduled for April 5.

Air Passengers

To Vancouver (today)—A. B. McDermott, A. Martin, G. Gavin, G. Burns, B. Allan, J. Woods, R. J. Holmes, W. Miller.

To Sandspit (today)—T. Bruce, H. J. Young.

From Vancouver (yesterday)—Mrs. Smith and infant; Mr. Falls, Jung Jan Paw, Burton Smith, Charles Currie, Mr. Judd, Sid Gonick, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Strachan.

From Sandspit (yesterday)—G. Tuck, A. H. R. Howell, Mrs. E. Chapman, B. Charest.

To Vancouver (yesterday)—A. G. and G. L. Prince.

To Sandspit (yesterday)—J. F. Branham.

Young Tame Elk Is Family's Pet

FRANKLIN, Man. ① — The Walter MacDonald family here has been adopted by a young elk.

It happened when Dick MacDonald, 14, stepped outside the farmhouse last October. The scraggy animal came up and started nuzzling him.

It turned out that neighborhood people had smuggled the elk when a baby from Riding Mountain National Park, 40 miles north of Franklin.

They bottle-raised it and when they left the district the young animal was turned out to fend for itself.

Now one of the elk's best friends on the MacDonald place is Wendy, a big, playful Labrador pup.

The elk and pup made up a new and exciting game. Each would tear around the house full tilt, meeting again mid-way. There would be excited barking from the pup and near-hysterical trumpets from the playful young elk.

The game guardian at Neepawa decided that to return the tame animal to the National Park would mean its certain death at the hands of some hunter. He asked the MacDonalds to hold on to it until after the hunting season.

The young elk spends the night curled in the straw that covers the MacDonald's plumbing. During the daytime it follows whoever has chores to do around the place.

Eritrea Moslems Suspect Copt

By OSCAR RAMPONE

ASMARA, Eritrea (AP) — The 500,000 Moslems of Eritrea look with some suspicion to future rule by Haile Selassie, the Coptic Christian Emperor of Ethiopia.

The United Nations' General Assembly voted last month to federate this former Italian colony along the Red Sea coast of East Africa with Selassie's kingdom of Ethiopia.

The federation plan is a compromise between demands for independence and demands for outright union with Ethiopia.

The assembly thus disposed of the last of Mussolini's pre-war African colonies, Libya on the Mediterranean is to become fully independent by 1952, Italian Somaliland, down the east coast of Africa from Eritrea, is under a 10-year Italian trusteeship pending its independence.

A UN commissioner will help the 1,000,000 Eritrean blacks get ready to run their own administration under a federation with Ethiopia.

The British have been governing Eritrea since its capture in 1941. The British administration will continue until the turnover date in 1953.

MOSLEMS NOT SATISFIED

Moslems, forming half the Eritrea population, have accepted the UN decision although they are not satisfied with it. The people split down the line, and the commission split, too. That accounts for the compromise.

The Moslems were the backbone of the independence group. Some wanted to unite part of Eritrea with the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan, also a Moslem country.

The unionist group was composed chiefly of Coptic Christians. They were sympathetic to Ethiopian claims for unity.

The Moslems argued that Eritrea is far more civilized than Ethiopia because of 70 years of Italian rule. Moslems fear that they will not enjoy the same rights as the Copts in an Eritrea dominated by Ethiopia. The Coptic religion is one of the oldest Christian sects.

Eritrea is a poor country, with some agriculture and limited mining activities, badly disturbed by bandit terrorism. The people vary widely. There are 12 racial groups, each with its own language and customs.

But federation of Eritrea with Ethiopia will satisfy one of

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Taranger Head Of Fishermen

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Vice-President, Dave McPhee, re-elected.

Secretary-treasurer, Ray Gardner, re-elected.

Recording secretary, Lorne McMullen.

A special meeting has been called for January 25 to form a women's auxiliary. Membership will be open to wives, mothers, sisters and other female relatives of fishermen and shore workers. Delegates to the annual meeting of the union at Vancouver

Ethiopia's most pressing demands—a free outlet to the sea through the Red Sea ports of Massawa and Assab. Ethiopian official opinion appears satisfied with the compromise solution at least partial justice.

Under the federation plan the central Ethiopian government is expected to control foreign affairs and trade, finance and defence. In all other matters Eritrea is expected to have full home rule.

Gyro Party At Dominato Home

Prior to the sailing by Prince George last night on his return to their home in Penetion, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson were honored at a party at home of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Dominato, Taylor Street. Hosts were Mr. and Mrs. Dominato and Mrs. E. D. Forward. G. Gyrettes were the guests.

Mr. Hunt, has been in the to instal 1951 Gyro Club officers. He is past district governor.

Larry Disher, charged with manslaughter following the death of Mrs. Jennie Ritchie November from injuries received when struck by an automobile has been remanded for preliminary hearing January 27. He appeared in magistrate's court this morning.

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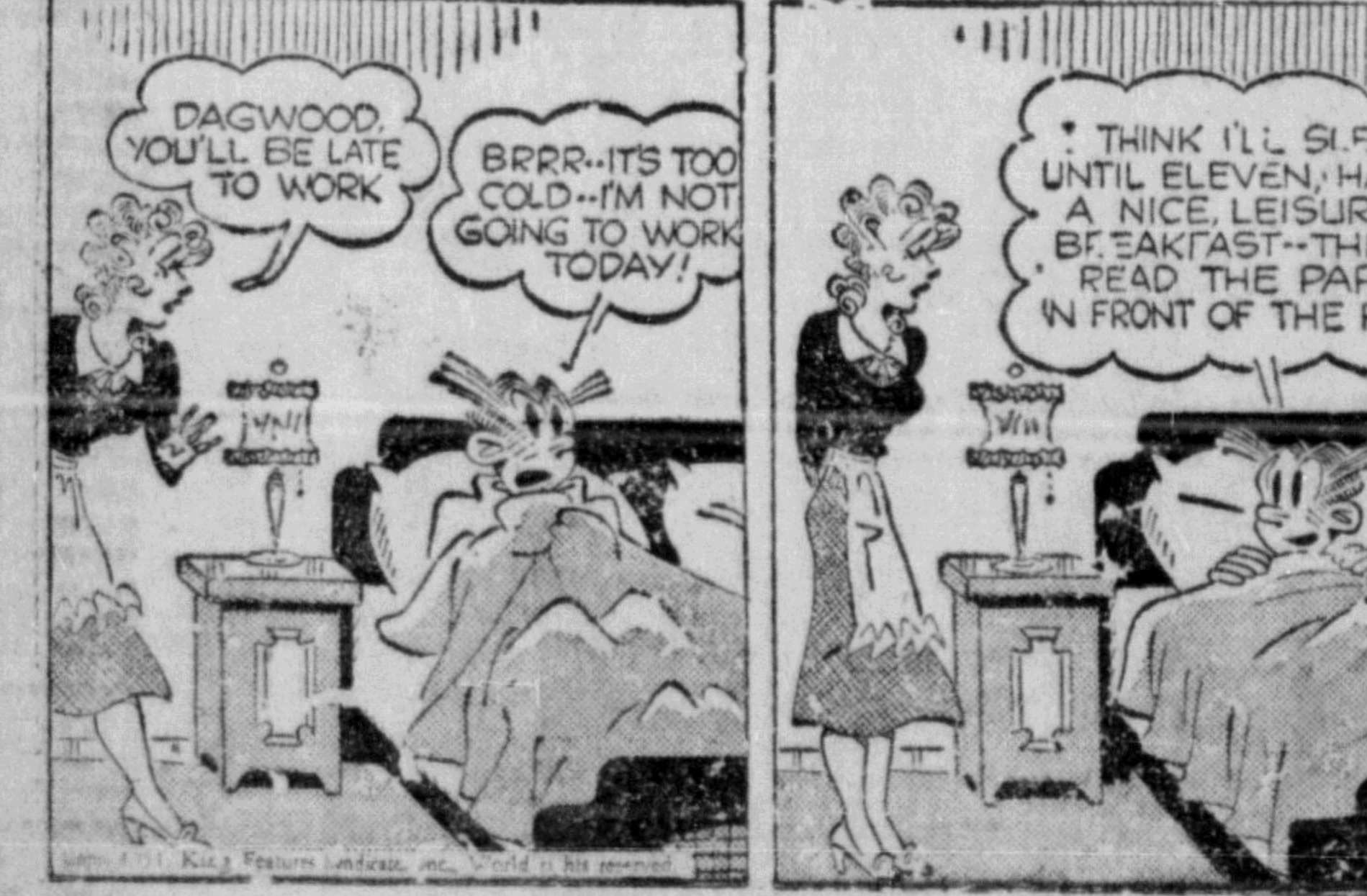
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