

## Blackwood On Bridge

By Easley Blackwood

I will agree with you that Mr. Dale, the expert on bridge Humanics, pushed his cards pretty strongly today to reach game in spades. Of course he did have a good hand, but he was romancing just a little when he kept barging ahead opposite a weak-sounding partner.

As you know, Mr. Dale considers not only the cards he holds but also the quality of the defense he is likely to get. Mr. Muzzy, the master of discovering and executing wrong plays, was on Mr. Dale's right. On his left was Mr. Abel, usually a good player, but one who is easily thrown off his game by his partner's errors.

If you don't push your cards playing against Abel and Muzzy, you should never push them. Look at the defense Mr. Dale got on this hand.

South dealer.  
Neither side vulnerable.  
North  
(Mrs. Keen)  
S-K 10 3  
H-Q 10 3  
D-6 4 2  
C-J 10 3 2

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

South (Mr. Dale)  
S-A J 6 5 4  
H-A  
D-K 7 5 3  
C-K Q 7

The bidding:  
South West North East  
1S 2H Pass Pass  
Dbl. Pass 2S Pass  
3S Pass 4S All pass

Mr. Abel opened the seven of hearts and the ten was played from dummy. "Not through the Iron Duke," said Mr. Muzzy, coining a phrase, as he roared up with the king of hearts. Mr. Dale won with his singleton ace and eyed the good queen in dummy with considerable satisfaction.

The old boy now led a small spade to the king and returned dummy's ten of spades. "Wait a minute, where is the lead?" asked Mr. Muzzy at this thought. Any thought Mr. Dale might have had about going up with the ace of spades at trick three was now dissipated. Undoubtedly the queen of spades was in Mr. Muzzy's hand. And even after Mr. Muzzy was convinced that the lead was actually in dummy, he did not cover the ten of spades, which play would have given him a sure trick in the suit.

Well, that did it. Mr. Dale took another spade finesse, extracted

Mr. Muzzy's last trump and then laid down the king of clubs. Mr. Abel won with the ace and could do no better than return a heart which dummy's queen won. Mr. Dale discarded a diamond on that trick and threw another diamond on dummy's fourth club. He had to concede two diamonds at the end, but he made his contract.

Mr. Champion, who always makes the "right" bid, probably would not have been in this game. But Mr. Dale tries to make the winning bid, not necessarily the right bid. He knows it is just as important to look at the people as it is to look at the cards.

For medical attention, Reuben Munro, a native boy from Alyansh, was flown into Prince Rupert by Norman Jermyn, G.C.A.'s pilot, yesterday. Capt. W. C. Poulton, district commander of the Salvation Army, who has been stranded at Alyansh for the past three weeks due to ice conditions on the Naas River, returned by the same plane.

Heavy Christmas mail—52 post office bags full—were delivered to Alyansh in two separate mail flights by the Queen Charlotte Airlines' pilot, Norman Jermyn, yesterday.

For action use News classifieds.

## Bill Hanson Passes Away

Son of Former Member For Skeena Dies Suddenly in Toronto

Olof Hanson jr., better known as "Bill" Hanson, died suddenly yesterday in Toronto to which city he had moved only two weeks ago from Smithers. He was the son of Olof Hanson, prominent district industrialist and former M.P. for Skeena, whose office here was advised late yesterday of his demise. The news will be received with a deep sense of shock by many local friends.

Bill Hanson had been in ill health for years and it was his condition that made it seem advisable to leave for Toronto.

Thirty-five years of age and born in Prince Rupert, deceased received his education in Prince Rupert and went to McGill University where he took his Bachelor of Commerce degree. Later he was articled for the practice of law in Toronto but gave that up for health reasons. Early in World War II he enlisted in the Royal Canadian Air Force but was discharged on account of his health. He then joined the staff of his father's concern, Hanson Timber and Lumber Co., and had been at Smithers since then until moving East.

In addition to his mother and father, who will have the sympathy of many friends, "Bill" Hanson is survived by his widow, Jean, daughter of Capt. and Mrs. David Ritchie, Prince Rupert, and one sister, Mrs. Donald (Linnea) Sutherland of Victoria.

First advice of the death received here did not indicate the funeral arrangements.

Mrs. C. Paulson arrived in the city a few days ago from Terrace for a visit with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Haverson.

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## Shower Honors Irene Paulsen

Miss Irene Mostad and Mrs. Knut Rysstad were joint hostesses at the home of the latter last Thursday evening in honor of Miss Irene Paulsen whose marriage to Otto Mostad will take place shortly.

The evening was spent in playing various games after which a basket of gifts was presented to the bride-to-be. Following this refreshments were served.

Those present were: Miss Irene Paulsen, Mrs. Peter Wikdal, Mrs. Olof Mostad, Mrs. Jacob Hansen, Mrs. H. Wilkinson, Mrs. S. Postulo, Mrs. F. Mostad, Mrs. Olav Rysstad, Mrs. H. Blake, Mrs. E. Lindseth, Mrs. R. Fossum, Mrs. V. Fossum, Miss Irene Mostad, Mrs. Knut Rysstad.

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**THURSDAY - P.M.**  
3:30—Listeners' Choice  
4:00—The Sunshine Society  
4:15—Stock Quotations and Int.  
4:30—My Shipmate Jimmy  
4:45—Young Man with a Song  
4:55—CBC News  
5:00—Int. Comy.  
5:10—There's Music in the Air  
5:20—Musical Program  
5:45—"Canada at Work"  
6:00—Supper Serenade  
6:15—English Favorites  
6:30—Musical Varieties  
7:00—CBC News  
7:15—CBC News Roundup  
7:30—Eventide  
8:00—Citizen's Forum  
8:30—Citizen's Forum News  
8:45—The Metre Reader  
9:00—CBC Vancouver Concert Orchestra  
9:30—St. Andrew's Day Prog'm  
10:00—CBC News  
10:10—CBC News  
10:15—Dateline: Edmonton  
10:30—Fairmont Hotel Orch.  
10:35—Interlude  
11:00—Weather Report and Sign Off

**FRIDAY - A.M.**  
7:00—Musical Clock  
8:00—CBC News  
8:10—Here's Bill Good

8:15—Morning Song  
8:30—Music for Lovers  
8:45—Little Concert  
9:00—BBC News and Comy.  
9:15—Morning Devotions  
9:30—Morning Concert  
9:50—Time Signal  
10:10—Morning Visit  
10:15—Carson Robison and His Buckaroos  
10:30—"Melody Time"  
10:45—Musical Kitchen  
11:00—Kindergarten of the Air  
11:15—Roundup Time  
11:30—Weather Forecast  
11:31—Message Period  
11:33—Rec. Int.  
11:45—Scandinavian Melodies

**FRIDAY - P.M.**  
12:00—Mid-Day Melodies  
12:15—CBC News  
12:25—Program Resume  
12:30—B.C. Farm Broadcast  
12:55—Rec. Int.  
1:00—Concert Hour  
1:30—Musical Program  
1:45—Women in Jobs  
2:00—School Broadcast  
2:30—Records at Random  
2:45—Solo Guest  
3:00—The Music Box

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