

BLACKWOOD on BRIDGE

By EASLEY BLACKWOOD



Dummy Reversal Play Powerful Trick-Maker

The dummy reversal play is a powerful trick-maker. Miss Brash won five trump tricks in today's deal, which is the same number she would have won if she had held A K Q J 10 of spades in her hand, with two small spades in dummy.

Mr. Champion led the deuce of hearts and dummy's ace won. Miss Brash made a mental note of the fact that the trump suit was slightly weak. However, there was nothing in her manner to indicate that she was in any kind of distress.

BRASH "COVERS UP"

Playing as if the situation was a routine one, she led a heart from dummy at trick two and ruffed it. She entered dummy with a low club to the king and ruffed another heart. A small diamond to the king put dummy in again for another heart return and ruff.

The ace of spades was now cashed and followed with a diamond lead to dummy's ace. Next came the king of spades on which Miss Brash calmly discarded a small club. Mr. Champion frowned at this development and began to get a little red.

North dealer
Both sides vulnerable
North (Mrs. Keen)
S-K 6 5
H-A J 10 6
D-A K 6
C-K Q 5

West (Mr. Champion) East (Mr. Abel)
S-Q J 10 H-9 8 7
H-K 8 7 2 H-Q 9 5 3
D-10 9 8 3 D-J 5
C-J 8 C-10 9 7 2

South (Miss Brash)
S-A 4 3 2
H-4
D-Q 7 4 2
C-A 6 4 3

The bidding:
North East South West
1 C Pass 1 S Pass
3 NT Pass 4 C Pass
4 S Pass 6 S All Pass

On the lead of dummy's last spade, Miss Brash discarded a small diamond, both opponents followed suit and Mr. Champion won with the queen. But Miss Brash had the last three tricks with the queen of diamonds and the two high clubs.

CHAMPION ANGRY

"The things that happen to me in this game..." snarled Mr. Champion. "How could you jump to six on a spade suit like that? If you wanted to bid six why wouldn't you try six no trump?"

"We couldn't make six no trump," said Miss Brash sweetly.

"That's not the point, Mr. Champion screamed. "But do you realize that to make six spades you had to find the spades divided 3-3 and the hearts 4-4?"

"You call that a lot to expect?" Miss Brash asked.

Mr. Champion was speechless for a moment. Then, "I'm surprised you didn't bid seven spades," he remarked.

Miss Brash explained that "I bid much more conservatively than I used to," she said.

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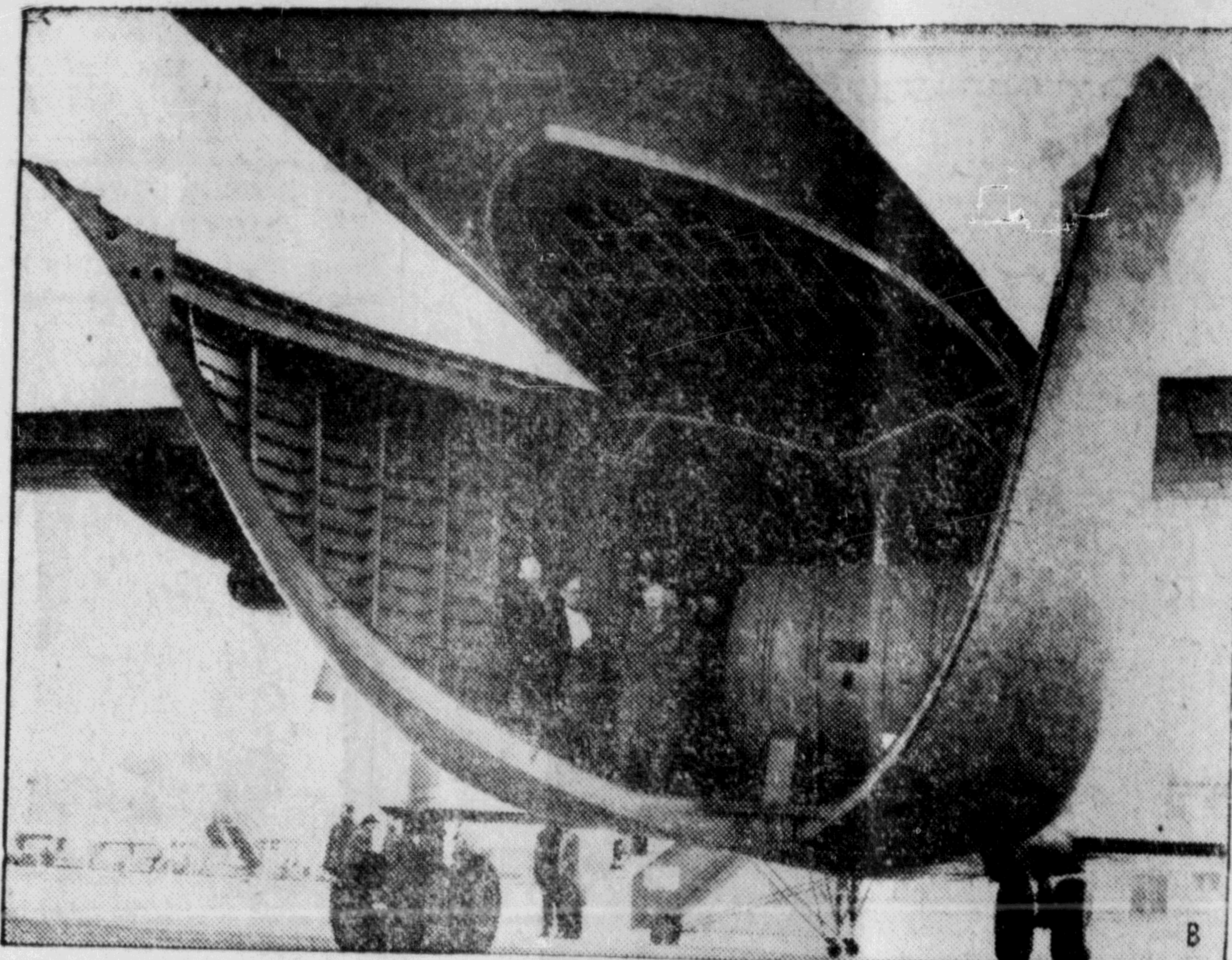
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Australians Preparing for Vote May 29 To Elect 123 Representatives to House

SYDNEY, Australia (AP) — Australian voters on May 29 will elect 123 members of the House of Representatives for a term not to exceed three years.

Prime Minister Robert Gordon Menzies, leader of the Liberal-Country party coalition, seeks re-election in a four-week campaign in which increased social benefits and communism have been the dominant issues. Opposed is the Labor party led by Dr. Herbert Veze Ewart.

A total of 298 candidates have been nominated. At dissolution of the Liberal-Country party coalition held 68 seats and the Labor Opposition 53.

TWO RESTRICTED

Of the 123 members in the House all but two hold full voting rights. The two members representing the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory (Canberra) vote only on matters concerning their constituencies although they have the right to debate any matters before the Assembly.

Most of the constituencies have about 40,000 electors, but there are fewer than 10,000 voters in each of the territory seats.

The Australian Senate has 60 members normally elected for a

six-year period with half of the membership standing for re-election every three years. Usually Senate elections are held simultaneously with those for the House of Representatives, but the dissolution of both assemblies in 1951 threw the normal electoral procedure out of gear.

After the dissolution an election was held to choose 60 new senators, 30 of whom held office for three years and the remainder for six years.

The election was held in April 1951, but the new senators' terms dated back to the preceding July 1. Consequently a Senate election had to be held last year, when 30 new members were chosen. The next Senate election will be held in 1956.

VOTING QUALIFICATION

All British subjects over the age of 21, with the exception of Australian aborigines, are entitled to vote provided they have lived in Australia more than six months.

The three main parties are the Liberal party, the Country party and the Labor party.

The Liberal and Country parties have been associated in government and in opposition for

Chuck Davey 7-5 Underdog

CHICAGO (AP) — Chuck Davey, who was given a boxing lesson by welterweight champion Kid Gavilan in his last Chicago Stadium appearance, steps into the same ring tonight against slugging Vince Martinez as a 7-to-5 underdog.

Martinez, 25-year-old Paterson, N.J. fighter, is ranked sixth in the welterweight bracket and has 20 knockouts among his 33 victories in 36 fights. It is his first Chicago start.

Davey, 23-year-old former Michigan State collegiate champion with a master's degree in education, returns to the scene of his most disastrous bout.

On Feb. 11, 1953, Gavilan stopped the one-time television gladiator boy in the 10th, handing the southpaw swinger his first defeat in a rapid build-up to the championship bout.

Gavilan did his job with such thoroughness and comparative ease that Davey was reduced in stature to just another welterweight.

But instead of forsaking the ring, as some expected, the quick-fisted Davey started his campaign all over again. Since that time he has had six bouts, winning half of them.

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Theatre Stages Play Contest For Children

People with a flair for inventing stories for children are being given a chance to capitalize on their talent by the Community Children's Theatre of Vancouver.

The Theatre is staging its second annual playwriting competition, with increased prize money, including a top prize of \$200 offered.

Plays for children aged 6 to 12, to be acted by adults are eligible. The competition closes September 30 and results will be announced by November 30, 1954.

The contest is open to residents of Canada only, and the play must be written in English, but there is no entry fee and no restrictions on subject matter, locale of play nor number of entries per contestant.

First production rights for Vancouver and New Westminster for the winning play become the property of the Community Children's Theatre for one year, and the sponsor guarantees the play will be produced within that year.

Entries and requests for rules should be addressed to Mrs. Galt Martin, Secretary, Community Children's Theatre, 1764 Allison Road, Vancouver 8, B.C.

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