

Man Fined \$50 On Liquor Charge
Richard Howell Roberts, no fixed address, was fined \$50 after he was found guilty by Magistrate W. D. Vance in police court of a charge of supplying liquor to an Indian.

Mrs. Kathleen Collison pleaded not guilty to being in possession of intoxicants but was found guilty and fined \$10. Counsel for defence in both cases was Robert Blair.

Writers May Have Fun With Unfinished Play

LONDON (Reuters)—George Bernard Shaw's last play, unfinished when he died three years ago, may provide writers with the same fun they have had trying to write an ending to Charles Dickens' unfinished "Edwin Drood."

But there are only 16 poorly-typed and heavily-corrected pages of "Why She Would Not—A Little Comedy," comprising a rough draft of the first five scenes.

There is little great or even funny writing in the play—Shaw was 94 when he died, with nearly 50 plays behind him. It seems largely a reversal of "The Millionaire," with a man the money-making main character instead of a woman.

The manuscript now is in the British Museum, where it was deposited after two well-known dramatic critics and a number of literary experts decided there was no point in trying to publish or produce it.

It can be read by anyone interested enough to ask for it, but since it was deposited Dec. 4, only two persons—both journalists—have read it.

The museum piece is a carbon copy and no one seems to know where the original is. The copy was found among Shaw's effects after his death.

BLACKWOOD on BRIDGE

By EASLEY BLACKWOOD

Losing Tricks Early Often Pays Off

Mr. Muzzy was kibitzing Mr. Champion in today's deal and he was completely mystified by the great one's play at trick one. The hand was bid in routine fashion, Mr. Dale opening with a sound, though minimum, one diamond call and Mr. Champion responding with a jump to two no-trump. Mr. Dale, with a balanced hand and no five-card suit, correctly went on to the no-trump game.

North dealer
Both sides vulnerable

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

West (Mr. Abel)
S-A Q 9 6
H-9 4 3
D-10 5 4 2
C-10 4

The bidding:
North 1 D
East 3 NT
South All Pass
West Pass

afford to take the first trick with the ace because that would mean that Miss Brash would be in on either the second or third round of the suit. Her expected spade return would then defeat the contract.

So Mr. Champion lost his club trick at once. He lost it to the player who could not hurt him with a spade lead.

Boy Remanded In Man's Death
NANAIMO (CP)—A 15-year-old boy is in custody here in connection with the death of 45-year-old George Harold Kenny. RCMP reported Kenny was fatally injured in an early morning fight at his home in South Wellington, six miles south of here.

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CMS Workers Reject Plan To Cut Hours

TRAIL, B.C. (CP)—Workers at the Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company plant here have turned down a union proposal to reduce the work week at the plant from 48 to 40 hours.

Officials of the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers (Ind), Local 480 said the vote was 1,227 against the proposal and 1,033 for. The union-conducted vote was held after union leaders suggestion a reduction in the work week to prevent the impending layoff of some 200 workers at the beginning of the year.

The company announced earlier this month that some 200 workers would be laid off when zinc production at the big smelter is reduced 25 per cent beginning Jan. 1. The company said the production cutback was necessitated by lack of markets.

Midwest Hit By Freezing Temperatures

CHICAGO (AP)—Icy blasts from central Canada sent temperatures tumbling Wednesday to 20 degrees below zero in the mid-west United States.

It was the coldest weather of the season over the north-central region, and freezing temperatures extended south into Texas. It was around freezing early today in parts of northern Florida.

Snow covered most of the mid-west cold belt, and northerly winds ranging up to 25 miles an hour resulted in drifting in some areas.

North Dakota and Minnesota were the coldest states. It was 20 below early today in Fargo and Grand Forks, N.D., as the cold air pushed across the border and headed east and southward.

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Murder-Suspect To Go Home For Christmas

VANCOUVER (CP)—A pretty, 25-year-old mother, charged with murder, will spend Christmas at home with her husband and three children.

Mrs. Alberta Brown was freed late Wednesday from an Oakalla prison farm cell and walked into the arms of her young husband.

She was released on special bail of \$5,000 by Mr. Justice J. M. Coady in the British Columbia supreme court.

Mrs. Brown was charged with murder last Saturday after 45-year-old Ollie Johnston, a telegraph lineman, was fatally injured outside the woman's home at Mission, 45 miles east of here.

Johnston was shot when he attempted to force his way into Mrs. Brown's home at midnight. She told police she fired a shot through the front door. Johnston, she said, had been "bothering" her.

Yesterday, Tom Goode, member of parliament for Burnaby-Richmond, said he probably would intercede with the minister of justice to enable Mrs. Brown to be with her family at Christmas.

Although bail is rarely granted in murder charges, it was reported that Mrs. Brown's family has been advised that special circumstances in her case made it possible for her to spend the holiday at home. Her husband returned from Kamano, where he was working when the shooting occurred.

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