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6 Prince Rupert Daily News
Friday, October 7, 1955.

B.C. NEWS BRIEFS

**Construction in Kelowna
Highest in Five Years**

KELOWNA (CP)—The biggest building boom in the last five years is under way here, city officials announced. Building permits issued in September totalled \$103,185 to bring the nine-month figure to \$1,208,777.

VERNON (CP) — Court house of officials said here they have not been notified by George Kramer, charged with the murder of his wife in West Sunderland, will be tried at the fall assizes Oct. 24. On the docket is a manslaughter charge from Penticton and a statutory offence from Vernon.

VERNON (CP) — The provincial cabinet will meet in Nelson Oct. 22, two days after it meets in Kamloops. Mayor Joseph Kary said Thursday. In Nelson the cabinet will officially turn the sod for the new \$3,000,000 West Coast bridge.

COURTENAY (CP) — Civic elections may be held this year in Courtenay for the first time in five years. City Hall officials said. Ald. Hale Stewart is expected to resign from council for business reasons. Ald. Percy Hanson and two Courtenay residents have indicated they may run for council.

PRINCE GEORGE (CP) — High forest fire costs of any district in the province were reported by the Fort George forest district. During the season beginning April 1, some 154 fires were reported in the district. All recent fires, including a grass fire which swept over 1,200 acres in the vicinity of McLeod lake have been doused by heavy rainfall.

PRINCE GEORGE (CP) — A month of good weather, coupled with an exceptionally active construction and sawmill season, has brought unemployment figures to an all-time low in Prince George with 300 men and 140 women seeking work.

PENTICTON (CP) — Three hundred residents attended opening sessions of the night school classes to be held here. Instructors and students have yet to iron out details of the course and to set meeting nights.

TRAIL (CP) — An improvement on the "apple for teacher" idea has been devised by school trustees here. As a goodwill gesture, the board made a mid-September salary advance of \$100 to all district teachers because some teachers had not received any salary since June.

HANLEY (CP) — B.C. Electric railway company was fined \$25 and \$1.50 costs by Magistrate William Hope here for skidding poles and continuing line maintenance near Hanley when the Vancouver forest district was closed.

The Steelworkers are trying to wrest control of the Aluminum Company of Canada employees from the Aluminum Workers Council (APL-TLC) which holds bargaining rights for 10 unions in the smelter.

Steelworkers' organizer Wally Ross, said in an interview his union will continue to press for a government-supervised vote to establish certification, regardless of merger talks between top officials of the rival groups in Washington, D.C.

Appeal to both sides to end their campaign was made last week by the B.C. Trade Union Congress.

BLACKWOOD on

BRIDGE

By EASLEY BLACKWOOD

Amazing Plays Happen Even in Title Matches

From time to time I get letters from readers of the column telling me that no intelligent human being would make some of the plays and bids I attribute to my characters in Mr. Masters' bridge club.

To show you that amazing things happen at the bridge table, even in the best circles, I give you today's hand. It was played in the 1954 World Championship team-of-four match between America and France. The names shown are those of the actual players.

The hand is also a part of my campaign against opening weakish hands where most of the high card strength and suit-length is in the minor suits.

A RECOMMENDATION

I would recommend a pass on the South cards. Mr. Bishop liked the hand. It appears that he liked it more and more as the bidding progressed. On the fifth round he fell completely in love with it, to the extent of re-doubling three no trump. He got a spade opening, found the king of clubs wrong and went down two.

When the French players held the North-South cards they got into a better contract, five clubs. However, they managed to go down three at that bid, undoubtedly, which obviously wasn't easy.

Of course, I realize that one hand doesn't prove anything. But if you will keep a record of your results when you open minimum hands which are quite unsuitable for no trump or major suit play, you will find that most of the points on such hands are going in the opponents' column on the score sheet.

COMPULSORY BID

The South hand in today's deal contains 14 points, counting distribution, and the books say this is a compulsory opening bid. It shouldn't be. The diamond suit is too broken to be useful at no trump. There is no support for spades and unless you are lucky enough to have partner bid hearts, you may well be in trouble from the moment you open it.

If the diamonds were spades, a suit "aimed" at a 10-trick

East dealer. Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH

Mr. Steen

♦ A Q 6 5

♥ 7 6 2

♦ none

♦ A J 10 9 8 4

♦ 7

WEST

Besse

♦ A J 10 9 8 7

♦ 7

♦ K 4 2

♦ K 9 5 4 3

♦ A Q 10 9 4

♦ 8 6

♦ K 3 2

EAST

Schneider

♦ A J 10 9 8 7

♦ 7

♦ K 4 2

♦ K 9 5 4 3

♦ A Q 10 9 4

♦ 8 6

♦ K 3 2

SOUTH

Mr. Bishop

♦ 3

♦ A Q 8

♦ K 7 5 3 2

♦ A Q 6 5

The bidding:

East South West North

Pass 1 ♠ Pass 2 ♠

Pass 2 ♦ Pass 2 ♦

Pass 2 NT Pass 3 NT

Pass Pass Dbl. Pass

Redbl All Pass

game, that would be another matter. But I recommend that you give serious thought to the proposition that a compulsory opening bid with a minor suit is not necessarily a compulsory opening when your principal suit is a minor.

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