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The President, Jack Murphy, has appointed Dr. Alvin Baragar of Edmonton to fill the post of Executive Secretary until the next meeting of the CBF in October. Jean Erikson writes to say that she can think of no better person to assume these responsibilities. I know that Alvin will do a superb job.

The President is prepared to receive applications until September lst for the position of Executive Secretary so that a more permanent arrangement can be made.

We deeply thank Doug Drew for the excellent work he performed prior to his resignation as Executive Secretary. He resigned because of his many commitments which include the position of Director for ACBL District 2. He will be entitled and encouraged to serve as a CBF Board member.

Jean Latraverse, President of the Montreal Bridge League, has been selected to fill the term remaining as Director of Zone 2. He replaces Sam Maltin who resigned due to ill health.

Elections for Directors of Zone 3 and Zone 4 are due later this year. The term of office for a CBF Director is three years.

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by Marc Blond, Montreal

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This is so great - it's frightening. The 1974 Vanderbilt Winners used it and the 1975 Reisinger Winners (Hugh Ross, etc.) used it and Eastern Canada is beginning to use it. Ralph Cohen, at ACBL has it. So...USE IT!



By EDWARD B. JELKS, Ph.D. & RAYMOND L. SCHMITT, Ph.D.

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SAM MALTIN RETIRES AS DIRECTOR OF ZONE 2

J.T. Murphy, CBF President

On behalf of all bridge players in Canada and especially for those of us who were so closely associated with him on the CBF Board, I wish to thank Mr. Sam Maltin for his contribution to organized bridge in Canada. Due to ill health, Sam has retired as a Director of our organization.

Since its inception in 1967, Sam has been a Director of the Canadian Bridge Federation. He formulated the eminently successful Olympiad Team Trials for the CBF at St. Agathe and for this endeavor was justifiably, highly complimented. When he was Editor of the Canadian Bridge Digest the publication always reflected his excellent journalistic background and experience. Comments were always favourable and we appreciated the high ideals to which he subscribed.

At CBF Board meetings, this gentleman aimed to be constructive and worked consistently in the interests of Canadian Bridge. He will be sorely missed as a Director but as a colleague to all of us, we hope to hear from him in the future and still, to some degree, enjoy the benefit of his knowledge and good advice.

(Jean Latraverse of Montreal has been appointed to fill the remaining term as Director of CBF Zone 2. -Editor)



WORLD BIDDING CONTEST

Canadians Doug and Sandra Fraser were runners-up in the recently held International Bridge Academy's contest. They were only three points behind the winners: Dumesnil and Lachance of Paris who won with a score of 304.

THE LATE DAVE MUIR

Whenever a Vancouverite would go away to a tournament anywhere from Edmonton to San Diego, he would likely be asked "Do you know Dave Muir?". Just about everybody knew Dave Muir.

In World War I he was buried in the debris from the explosion of an enemy shell. He was pronounced dead, but he argued back.

If you asked him if he knew Culbertson, he could answer in the affirmative. They played together fifty years ago.

Once, after Henry Smilie and he had driven most of the night on their way back from a tournament in Montana he complained "You have driven 220 miles on that one hand".

When he was eighty he set forth as a passenger in a car bound for a tournament in San Francisco. The driver tried to make the 1300 miles non-stop, but after driving all day and half the night, he pranged another vehicle. The driver was killed, and Dave was taken to a small hospital nearby. As the two nurses were fussing over him, one said to the other "Shove it into him". Dave came back with "I should shove it into you". It made their night.

Last September Dave turned in his final score at Shaughnessy Military Hospital in Vancouver, aged 87.



BRIDGE COLUMNISTS

I am grateful to all Bridge Columnists that are forwarding columns which are of particular interest to all Canadians. These include Maurice Gauthier who writes in the Montreal Star and Jonathan F. Cohen who writes for the Silhouette (McMaster University student newspaper).

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NEW CBF EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

by Jean Erikson, Edmonton

Dr. Alvin Baragar, a member of the Northern Alberta Unit of the American Contract Bridge League, has been appointed the Executive Secretary of the Canadian Bridge Federation.

The CBF is an organization of major importance to Canadian bridge players. At present, for example, the Federation administers the funds raised by players for Canadian charities. This year a large donation will be made to the Canadian Kidney Foundation.

The organization publishes the Canadian Bridge Digest which reports the activities of Canadian players from coast to coast. Although the Digest is found in the ACBL Bulletin, Canadians are delighted with its contents which allow us to express ourselves as Canadian players.

The CBF organizes the competition leading to qualification to represent Canada in World Bridge Federation events. Dr. Baragar has been most disappointed in the lack of support of the Federal Government in events of this magnitude. Many countries fully support their teams and pairs in world events.

The CBF was instrumental in achieving the redistricting of the Maritimes and Quebec (1) and Ontario (2) into Canadian Districts within the ACBL.

Dr. Alvin Baragar was born in Manitoba and has received his Ph.D. His bridge playing activities began whilst doing post-doctoral studies at McMaster.

It must have been an omen of things to come, for on his second encounter with duplicate he received a Full Master Point - there has obviously been no slowing him down since.

Dr. Baragar recently won the open pairs in the Canadian National



Dr. Alvin Baragai

Regional in Toronto. Perhaps it is most important to note he played with a pick-up partner. He has represented, along with Diana, his wife since 1960, Trieste in a challenging match against Zagreb, during a sabatical from the U of A where Dr. Baragar is an associate professor in the department of mathematics.

Dr. Baragar became a life master in 1969. He was president of the Edmonton Unit from 1967 to 1969 and since then he has been the Unit CBF representative, which has allowed him the opportunity to become highly knowledgeable in the affairs of this organization.

In his new role as Executive Secretary of the CBF, Dr. Baragar will organize the program as decided by the Board of Directors. He would like to direct some of his attention towards attaining government support because he firmly believes bridge players deserve this.

Dr. Baragar and his wife reside in Edmonton. They have three children. Besides playing bridge - he is being threatened by the family to take up fishing! --Oh what stories!

I have been privileged to know Dr. Baragar for many years. I could think of no better person to assume his new responsibilities. I have found him a gracious opponent and a truly ethical player and person, and one who is not afraid to stand up for what he believes.

We wish you well.

CANADIAN CHATTER

To the Editor:

- Law 40 contains two relevant provisions. Players are given the right to make whatever call they please, specifically including calls that violate their announced system, so long as partner knows no more than the opponents. However, this right is limited by the authority given to sponsoring organizations (like the ACBL) to regulate the use of conventions.
- 2) The ACBL has adopted two relevant regulations that bear on "big 14" openings. They have authorized this opening as a Class B Convention, but qualify under that authorization the 14 opening must promise a "strong" hand, at least 15 points. And, it is illegal to psych this opening bid a "psych" is defined in terms of intent, as a deliberate attempt to mislead.

What all this means is that a "strong" 1 opening is not illegal just because it delivers 12 HCP instead of the 17 it promises. It is illegal only if, (a) the opening promises no more than minimum strength, by partnership agreement; or if, (b) the 1 bidder's aim was to fool the opponents by deliberately and grossly overbidding his hand. Neither (a) nor (b) is true of Mr. Cunningham's deal, since responder obviously expected great strength (he bid seven), and opener makes a bridge judgment that his extra winners compensate for his missing points, it is not the director's function to penalize him - that task is left to his opponents.

(I can speak with considerable authority in this area, both as Co-Chairman of the Laws Commission and as one of those chiefly responsible for drafting the ACBL's regulations.)

On another matter - Roger Solomon's article "Bird Droppings" seemed to me to be unfair to Eric Kokish, whose conduct at the Las Palmas Olympiad in no way reflected discredit on his country. Yes, Eric did protest vigorously against the absurd penalties for score corrections. But so did dozens of others from around the world, including the WBF Vice President, who was so furious that he deliberately incurred a penalty in order to bring a test case to the full Appeals Committee (on which I served) - he lost, since the Committee considered that rules, however ridiculous, must be enforced, and ought not to be changed in the middle of a contest.

Eric also ran into a reprimand from the Chairman of the Appeals Committee, for asking to learn in advance who would sit on a sub-committee (three members out of the fifteen or so of the full Committee were on duty each session) to hear an appeal he wanted to make. The Chairman over-reacted, reviewing Eric's request as a slur on the integrity of the Committee. Actually, Eric's point was not that some Committee members were biased, but that some were incompetent - he didn't want to bother bringing his appeal before people who didn't know enough about the game to grasp the bridge logic involved. This haughty attitude was surely tactless - still, it must be said, in mitigation, that the fear was well-grounded: some of the sub-committees contained not one half-way competent player. Indeed, the WBF President took steps to remedy this situation for the four sessions of the Final.

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I wish I could say that everyone who represented \underline{my} country in Las Palmas had conducted himself as well as Eric Kokish.

You are doing a great job with your magazine - congratulations!

Sincerely yours, Edgar Kaplan, New York.

(As most players know, Edgar Kaplan is Editor of Bridge World, a fabulous bridge magazine, in addition to serving as a District Director of the American Contract Bridge League - Editor.)

To the Editor:

On the off-chance that anyone remembers and is interested in the seven club hand reported last issue*, please allow this anodyne which the league organizer has importunated me to write.

He thought the article temerious, as the hectoring ruling was overturned the day following the incident. (It made no particular difference to the score of the match.) He further carried the case to ACBL authorities in Hawaii. Sadly, more than one of these people upheld the original cavilling ruling. Surely the laws are guidelines only, and we could avoid this kafhaesque situation.

East had some interesting comments about the hand itself: he remembers the two club bid being explained as depicting six (not five) controls, (this might have a bearing on the lead); perhaps the failure to double the four spade bid dictated against a spade lead; and partnership harmony might have been better served by even a paralogical spade lead.

Anyway, the point of the article was hopefully not to stultify West, but to deplore the mumpsimus application of the laws. Thanks Maud, you can put the Thesarus away.

John Cunningham, Toronto.

*(You have the right to remain silent - page 25, March Digest.)

Dear Digest Editor:

In your current issue under Chimo you have an item "We wish Sam and Karl's wife Lee a speedy recovery".

How many husbands are Canadian Bridge Federation wives allowed to have? Or is this an unconventional convention?

Yours truly, R.T. Bowman, Vancouver, B.C.

To the Editor:

I am an atrocious bidder, but a rather good dummy player. As a result I continually bid and make some improbable contracts at local duplicate tournaments. This has aggravated many players who play against me at a certain club. And each time they come to my table they are out to get my hide. They try to intimidate me by being impolite, psychic and even abusive at times. Naturally I lose my temper as well in retaliation. As a result many club members now erroneously regard me as a short tempered brute.

Any suggestions how to change this image?

Please print this letter. There may be more out there in a similar predicament.

Sincerely,
Rashid Tayyeb,
Toronto.

(I'd feel like Ann Landers if I responded. - Ed)

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RESULTS—CANADA-WIDE OLYMPIAD FUND, MAY 5, 1975

Number o	of sites: 33	Total donation: \$2,946.40
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To the Editor:

In the current Bulletin of the ACBL, we read that the President of the WBF reports that Facchini and Zucchelli of the Italian team at the Bermuda Bowl were disciplined for "improper conduct". The precise wording of the Federation's resolution was: "That Facchini and Zucchelli are severely reprimanded for improper conduct at the bridge table by Mr. (now he's Mister) Facchini touching the toes of Mr. (so is he) Zucchelli with his feet during the auction, and before the opening lead."

I play with a man off and on who shines his shoes with my trousers, whether or not he's my partner or one of my opponents. I have never, however, suspected him of cheating at cards. Some people have nervous habits like that and similar to those displayed by Mr. Facchini, and are nevertheless outstanding citizens.

In the whole of Mr. Julius L. Rosenblum's report of the incident, including the evidence of witnesses, there is not a jot or tittle of evidence (as the lawyers say) that either Facchini or Zucchelli cheated at cards, the unforgivable offence in bridge.

The Scots have a verdict in such cases that would have proved useful to the Executive Committee of the W.B.F.; Not Proven. For it was not proven. And in English and Canadian law, if there is a reasonable doubt of the guilt of an accused, he is to be found not guilty, which means much the same thing; it does not mean by any means that he is innocent.

If it has been proved that Facchini and Zucchelli had cheated at the bridge table, they should have been barred from playing bridge at any WBF event anywhere for life; if not, the matter should have been passed over. A severe reprimand brands them for life; in Italy as elsewhere in the bridge-playing world.

It reminds me of the story of the Justice of the Peace in the American west in the early days, who said to an accused person: "I'm finding you guilty of common assault, and I'm going to fine you \$5.00, but if I were sure you were guilty, you son of a bitch, I'd have made it six months."

Yours faithfully, S. Tupper Bigelow.

(Mr. Bigelow is a Toronto Judge.)

To the Editor:

Record Matchpoint Game?
Here is an interesting statistic for you.

Recently in a regular duplicate game of twenty-four tables, one pair played an 82.9% game over 24 boards. The pair was Kai Cheng and Gim Ong.

As if that was not big enough, another pair who have never played together before racked up an 88.1% game at the West Kildonan Bridge Club in a 4-table Howell. The pair was Maurice Berman and Al Bertrand.

Thank you. And keep up the good work for Bridge Digest.

Yours sincerely,

Gim Ong, West Kildonan Bridge Club, Winnipeg, Man.

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On behalf of the many patients and members of the Kidney Foundation of Canada, please accept my sincerest thanks for your support during 1975.

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The Foundation supports the research into the cause, prevention and treatment of kidney disease. It provides public education programs to encourage people to see their doctors when symptoms of kidney disease occur. It supports testing of school children and blood pressure testing in adults (high blood pressure can cause kidney destruction), in order to detect kidney disease at an early stage. It supports many aspects of the artificial kidney programs and the transplant programs throughout Canada. It publicizes the need for people to donate their kidneys for transplant purposes in order to help those persons whose kidneys have failed.

As you can appreciate these programs cost a considerable amount of money, and because the Foundation is a fledgling organization which is only just beginning to get going, the assistance which you are giving us is greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely, Ann Guimaraens, President, B.C. Branch.

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Please Wait

Domineering dame at the bridge table "I'm about to make a skip bid - Please wait".

Left hand opponent opens mouth and is informed she <u>must</u> wait 10 seconds. After 10 long seconds she received a condescending nod indicating she might now speak.

"I was only trying to tell you, you've bid out of turn".

MONACO WORLD OLYMPIAD CHARTER FLIGHT

Are you interested in a charter flight to Monaco in May 1976? If so please write the Executive Secretary, Alvin Baragar, before August 20,1975. If enough interest is shown the CBF will arrange a charter using proper travel agencies and Wardair Airlines. Bridge players and friends will see the World Olympiad and possibly stay 4 weeks in Europe. Further information will be provided at a later date.

CONJUGAL CONFLICT

Phil Wood tells about the battling husband and wife who came to a certain table violently excoriating (means ripping the hide off) each other for their performance at the last table. North passed. W (wife) eventually found time to utter a pass. South passed. H found strength enough to pass. North, while correctly writing up the passout, nevertheless decided to venture the call of one club (you don't need much to open in 5th). H & W got into the fray, competing with each other and ending up in 3 hearts. Down three, and the battle was on again. Engrossed in mutual recrimination, they proceeded through the next hand and on to the next table unblissfully unaware of the phantom nature of the 3 heart disaster.

MY BRIDGE CAREER

by Robin Wigdor, Toronto

PART IV: TOMMY STORIES

Playing with T.X. Greer (Tommy) is like beating your head against a brick wall. It's so nice when you stop. That's not being very fair, really. Playing with Tommy is like being the toad that agreed to ferry the scorpion across the river. The sting is there, you know, and perpetually poised ready to strike. It's just a question of time. It's also a bit like musical chairs, since you never know who the sting will strike. Most of the time, fortunately, one of the opponents gets stung, but you never can tell.

In real life Tommy is an operations research analyst and works for the Ontario Government. His wife is a concert pianist who doesn't play bridge, but the elder of his two children is already learning the game. As a matter of fact, Josh has already made one winning call in tournament bridge. During last year's transit strike, his mother was a little late picking him up from the Royal York (he'd joined us for dinner) and we started the first round with Josh on my knee. I was playing with his dad, of course, and Moose and Mary Paul were our opponents. Moose and Tommy passed, and Mary opened 1D in 3rd. I passed and Moose bid 1H. Tommy's pass was followed by Mary's 2D rebid. passed again, and as Moose pondered his next move, Josh stretched over to look at his hand. All of four years old, Josh looked Moose square in the eye and firmly told Moose to pass. As we roared, Josh started to cry. But, by God, 2D was the last makeable contract!

Such "table feel" must be inherited, and it stands to reason it was Tommy that passed it on, since probability analysis is always subordinated to "table feel" where Tommy is concerned. For example, while driving down to the Cincinnati Nationals a few years

back, we agreed 1NT could be opened with a singleton king if it "felt right". Well. I learned that with Tommy, once the policy is established, considerable scope can be taken in effecting its implementation. Over the course of the next twenty sessions, he opened 1NT not just with a singleton king, but also with a singleton ace, a singleton queen, a singleton jack, a singleton ten and miscellaneous random singleton spot cards. With Tommy, you must appreciate that one triumph compensates for a dozen disasters, and "table feel" can justify any atrocity.

The next time Tommy tried something like this, he found it a bit dicier, and thereby hangs a tale. We'd recently adopted step responses to 2C forcing opening bids. A new toy! The first part of the story is set in an IMP league match at the St. Clair club. Tommy opened 2C with:

S. x H. AKQxxxxx D. Qx

C. xx

This hadn't worked out too well, and we'd had words about the requirements in our partnership for opening with an unlimited force.

Two days later found us playing in a Toronto Sectional. We'd had a poor session, and on the last round Tommy was out for blood. On the first board he'd tried Flannery with an 8-count, and we'd reached a 19 point major suit game, making. On the final board of the session, sitting in third, I heard this remarkable auction:

LHO TOMMY RHO ME
2C 3C P*
P P
* showing O - 3 H.C.P.

They were on for 6S and 7C, Tommy having the same hand as the one before, but without the side queen! "It felt right", he said.

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What was I to do? I called the Director and explained that in my opinion we had a private understanding that had injured our opponents not that giving them redress was my objective particularly - I just wanted him to stop it. The ruling was in our favour. Tommy was entitled to open 2C if he felt like it. Had he been properly penitent, it would have stopped there. But he smirked. So I protested the favourable ruling! Tommy stopped.

There is nothing Tommy likes better than to turn the tables on someone who's trying to put something over on him. The April, 1975, Bridge World provides a good example of what I mean. The opponents have bid confidently to 3NT after your spade overcall. Partner has come out to 4C, been doubled and has redoubled to show a red two-suiter. You're 2-1 in hearts and diamonds. A disaster is pending, and you're going to have to play it. What would you bid? Kehela found the Tommy action: bid 4D, and then redouble! Two can play at that game!

Usually, though, the tables are turned on an opponent. For example:

Jxx KQxx AQ109x x KQ10

Axx xx AK98x

Tommy was in 3NT after his RHO had overcalled in spades, and a high spade spot was played around to the king. Tommy played a diamond to the ten and the young expert on his right smoothly scooped up the trick with the king and fired back a small spade, west completing an echo. His second diamond went to the ace and the queen was cashed next, and east followed with the jack! The double squeeze that followed to make six was almost anti-climactic.

East was stewing by the end of the hand. How could Tommy make such a play? Tommy turned to him and gloated "I read the same book" he said.

Table feel.

In the fifth and final part of the story, Bernie and David and Sheila and Tommy are each going to tell a Robin story. Stay tuned.

P.S.

A couple of close friends, having read the David stories, asked why I'd left out the best one. They knew it used to be a secret, but surely, after all these years...The reason I'd left it out was that I still blush whenever I think about it. However.

One of the major stumbling blocks when I joined forces with Dave Bryce, one of the key partnership disagreements, was psychics. David liked the occasional psyche and even had a special favourite. Two no trump. In first! Thank God for small favours, only white on red. I was vigorously opposed to such "active" tactics. I wanted a partner I could rely on. After all, my heart was still recovering from Bernie's balances.

Well. We arrived at the following compromise. I had more master points, so the partnership didn't psyche. In the psychic controls section of our card we printed B.I.R.T.H. We'd sit down with new opponents or new opponents would arrive and "What's B.I.R.T.H.?" one would ask.

"A type of control" David would say. If they didn't get it, I'd start to make a speech about the impossible educational system that allowed people to get past puberty without knowing...A good moment for one-upmanship if they'd asked in a nasty tone.

That isn't what it meant, though, not really. It meant <u>Bryce Invites Robin To Hang</u>. (Him, you see. If he psyched.) And for almost a year there were no psychics. Perhaps he worried that while he took

it in the bridge sense, I might take it literally.

Then one day, in first, I picked up:

xxxx xxx xxxx and thought to myself "David's two no trump". At least I intended to think it to myself. What I did was bid two no trump. If it had been a disaster I'd have almost been happy. Unfortunately, we got a top. "I don't like to say 'I told you so'" said David, but in your case I'll make an exception. "I told you so!" He still says it from time to time.

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ACBL CANADIAN CHARITABLE FUND

by trustee Maurice Gauthier, Montreal

Relating to the letter sent to ACBL Club Owners by Alan Oaks, Executive Secretary of the ACBL Charity Foundation - item (4) on the second page. The item reads: "Receipts for your players...not available in Canada".

For Canadian clubs sponsoring Charity sessions for the benefit of the Kidney Foundation of Canada and the Kidney Research Foundation of Saskatchewan (Canadian Charity of the Year), receipts for your players are available upon request from the Head Office of the Kidney Foundation of Canada, 5780 Decelles Avenue, Suite 200, Montreal, Quebec, H3S 2C7.

The report of the March 14 ACBL Canada-wide Charity Game has just been issued and it shows that sessions were held in 38 Canadian cities with 2,112 players taking part.

Net proceeds of \$3,821. were added to the charity fund.

Provincial participation was as follows:

PROVINCE	TABLES IN PLAY	NET PROCEEDS
Ontario	171	\$1,311.00
Quebec	139	972.00
Alberta	52	360.50
Nova Scotia	42	303.00
British Columbia	35	245.00
New Brunswick	33	236.50
Manitoba	29	203.00
Saskatchewan	18	127.00
P.E.I.	9	63.00

Trophies for this tournament were donated by Joseph E. Seagram and Sons Ltd., and were won as follows:

ZONE 1

The Maritimes: NS-Mr. & Mrs. G. Callaghan (Charlottetown); EW-F. Hunter, S. Karis (Antigonish).

ZONE 2

Quebec: NS-Mrs. V. Beaulieu, Mrs. J. Labrecque (Sherbrooke); EW-Mr. & Mrs. J. Priebe (Dorval). Novices (overall) - D. Goodman, H. Cross (Montreal).

ZONE 3

Ontario: NS-Mrs. R. Browning, Mrs. K. Millree(Aurora); EW-L. Ward, R. Starfield (Welland). Novices (overall) - F. McLeod, M. Fournier (Sault Ste. Marie).

ZONE 4

Manitoba: NS-Mrs. E. Blankstein, Mrs. H. McGlynn (Winnipeg); EW-Mr. & Mrs. L. Udow (Winnipeg).

ZONE 5

Alberta: NS-W. Ellert, R. Thielen (Lethbridge); EW-W. Lam, K. Hutchings (Edmonton).

ZONE 6

British Columbia: NS-Mrs. A. Chenoweth, W. Klass (Merritt); EW-Mr. & Mrs. D. Driedger (Merritt).



LANGLEY, B.C. CLUB CEASES OPERATION

This club recently donated their residual funds of \$276.63 to the ACBL Canadian Charitable Fund.

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THE ROAD TO MONACO

by Frank Vine, Toronto

Twelve tough teams met in combat at Toronto's Royal York Hotel on the weekend of April 5th, in the second round of the Olympiad Trials. The object? To select a team Canada for 1976.

Each team was to play five matches of 28 boards. Six survivors would then go on to the next round to be held the weekend of May 10th. Sometime in the fall, one team of four players will emerge victorious. They will be joined by Eric Murray and Sammy Kehela to form our Olympic Team. There are those (including me) who think this latter provision is somewhat unfair. It could hardly be called democratic. But them's the rules.

One of the favourites (Forbes, Sheardown, Lebovik and Bandoni) found itself unexpectedly unable to attend at the last moment and had to withdraw. A substitute team (Litvak, Branson, Milgrom and M. Paul) was called in as a hurried replacement. This raised havoc with the smooth organization of the event but was a stroke of luck for your reporter, since Litvak and Branson are probably the best slam bidding partnership around and are always a lively pair to watch. Moreover, the cards seem to follow them around. Here is one interesting sample.

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} With no one vulnerable Litvak \\ held \end{tabular}$

S. K Q 5 3 H. A K Q J 9 6 D. Q 10 2 C.

and heard his partner open the bidding with a spade and his opponent, Karen Allison (B. Gowdy, Allison, L. Vine, D. Cowan) overcall 2 Spades. This was explained as being a light take-out double with five hearts and

short spades. After a tiny twenty minute pause to consider the alternatives, Litvak emerged with "double".

It went Five Clubs on his left by Gowdy, Pass, Pass, back to Litvak, who countered with "Six Clubs".

Now it was Gowdy's turn to think. He finally emerged with Six Hearts, Branson joined in with Six Spades, Allison passed, and Litvak had the Grand-daddy of all problems. If Gowdy was being honest he rated to be void in hearts and was waiting to bring down his fist on six spades, which would be creamed by a heart lead. But what could Litvak do? After an eternity, he came up with the master bid, "Seven Hearts".

If this was the bid of the year, Branson's pass was the pass of the year. He knew his partner had spades, he knew that one opponent had at least five hearts. And despite all this knowledge and with the sweat popping on his forehead, he passed, and so did Allison (rather timidly, I thought).

Gowdy led the Ace of Clubs and Branson put down

S. A 10 9 8 7 6

H. 8 2

D. K 9 6

C. K8

For one dazzling moment Litvak had visions of his name in the history books. If he could get to dummy to finesse the heart 10, then he could dispose of three diamonds, one on the King of clubs, and two on the long spades. After cashing one heart to confirm the void, he held his breath and led a spade to dummy. Alas, Allison ruffed and cashed the Ace of diamonds.

At the other table, North failed to open the bidding and six hearts was reached, down one on a similar defence.

Speaking of Bruce Gowdy, who doesn't happen to play in too many tournaments, there are many among us who consider him to be Canada's best dummy player. Here he is in action on a little gem of a hand.

North S. A 10 8 5 H. K 9 6 4 2 D. 10 4 C. K Q South S. Q 9 6 H. J D. J 5 4 2 C. A 9 7 4 2

After partner had opened the bidding with Two Diamonds (Flannery) Gowdy closed the auction with a bid of Two Spades. The defence began with Ace of diamonds, and a small diamond to the King in the east hand. The four of spades was returned, Gowdy played the six, West the three and Gowdy the five from dummy. Gowdy now led the Jack of hearts, went up with the King and lost to the Ace. Back came two of spades to the nine, the Jack and the Ace. Gowdy cashed the King, Queen of clubs, ruffed a heart with his last trump, cashed the Ace of clubs, everybody following and pitched a small heart from dummy. Now he led the Jack of diamonds in the following position.

North
S. 10 8
H. 9 6

 West
 East

 S. K 7
 S.

 H. 8 7
 H. Q

 D. Q 9 6

South

D. J 5
C. 9 7

On the lead of the diamond, West was skewered. He actually discarded his low heart and Gowdy ruffed the diamond with the eight of spades and banged down the nine of hearts.

East had to return a diamond and Gowdy had to score his ten of spades on a "coup en passant".

Both Litvak and Gowdy qualified for the next round. The other qualifiers were Joatcham (Hart, King, and M. Cummings) Carruthers (Gouba, DeFalice and Schoenburg), Phillips, (Pribby, Pugh and Joyce Phillips) and Aarons (Kissin, Chapman, Sabino). This last team is famous for its disciplined bidding. On one hand Kissin held

S. K 10 9 8 7 6 H. A K Q 2 D. C. A 6 4

and heard his partner, Steve Aarons, open with three no trump, promising a solid minor suit. Kissin could not resist showing his class and leaped to six diamonds on his void. As Aarons put down the dummy, he stated (very prophetically) "Sorry, partner; I owe you the Jack". He was right. His hand was

S. Q 3 2 H. 6 D. A K Q 10 9 7 6 C. 8 5

Diamonds broke 4 - 2 and the declarer had to lose one trump and the Ace of spades. At the other table, six spades was reached on a bidding sequence that had far more sense and much less verve.

Who will survive the next round? All of these are good teams and it isn't easy to pick a winner. If pressed for a guess, however, I'm inclined to favour Carruthers, Gowdy and Aarons. I'm often wrong, but I'm never shy.

(The representatives of this and other CBF Zones will meet late October or early November to select a team of four which, with Murray and Kehela will be the Canadian Open Team at the World Olympiad in Monaco next May. A Canadian Ladies team will also play in Monaco. - Editor)

HE WHO HESITATES...

by Mrs. Mae Lewin, Winnipeg

The Bard certainly did not foresee the kettle of fish when he made the remark. When it comes to Bridge, he who hesitates is often not lost. At the ordinary bridge club many players hesitate and bid and play, though unconsciously, on partner's or opponents' mannerisms.

A case in point:

97 Q64 R AQ97643 108543 0J6 AK103 8 J9 KQ105432 ΚJ 86 AK2 J9752 A76 102

This was the auction:

W	N	E	S
	3C	3D	3н
P	4 H	P	P
P			

Now the \$64,000. question is: Who hesitated on that auction? Give up? In fact, all four players did and both West and North took advantage of their respective partner's hesitations.

North had a legitimately looking preemptive 3C bid but he took so long in making up his mind before making the bid that everyone at the table knew he might have a problem. Hence the atrocious 3D overcall by East, who, for reasons known to himself, stepped into the fray. Now it came South's turn to squirm and finally came out with the 3H bid, to leave all his options open, perhaps. West had problems no end and could not make up his mind to best describe his hand. 4S? 3S? At this stage. East unconsciously threw his cards face down on the table. This clue was not lost on West, who passed! rather reluctantly. North was also clued in and figured that South might have a good fit in clubs and ventured on to 4H.

Now assess the fault, if you dare.

Had this hand been played at a national tournament none of the twitching and squirming would have occurred. But even good players have problems. Certainly any player may legitimately admit that he requires the time to make a crucial decision at an awkward level in a competitive auction. Thus, any action, while reasonable, must be automatic under the circumstances i.e., the action must be clearcut and any doubtful action is barred after a long hesitation. Is this the solution then? This is well and good if you are judged by your peers, who know just as well as you what a reasonable action is.

At a lower level, who is to know what action is reasonable when the person making it may not know himself. Assess this situation, which occurred at an ordinary duplicate club game.

	J6	
	Q1097	
	KQ7542	
	6	
KQ54		A1082
AK3		86
J93		86
QJ4		A10972
	973	
	J542	
	A10	
	K853	

This was the auction:

W	N	E	S
1NT	2D!	3C#	P
3 S	P	48	(end)

= hesitation, no prior agreement
of the 3C bid, but partner will
know!

After the hesitation, West knew that East had a problem and thus made the chance-giving two-way bid of 3S. His wildest ambitions were realized when East was able to raise and the cold spade game was reached. See?

One need not suffer from any handicap at all, for he who hesitates is not necessarily LOST.

CANADIAN INTERCOLLEGIATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

by David Bryce, Toronto

The up and down Canadian Intercollegiate Championships were down again as only four schools sent teams to Toronto over the March 1st weekend.

No one really believes that bridge is out of fashion on the campus, but organizational difficulties perennially plague this event. The Intercollegiates have never been truly national in character, although in past years they included as many as eight or ten schools playing at as many as thirty tables. Recently, however, the event has become more and more southern Ontario-ish. The 1975 running was saved from this fate as Lakehead University sent eight players the eight hundred plus miles from Thunder Bay. Toronto, York and Waterloo were the other contestants.

A ten-table open pairs event was dominated by Toronto players. They took five of the six places including the top spot, garnered by R. Yeung and C.W. Chan who scored more than five boards above average. Second went to David Ingham and John MacDonald of Waterloo, two boards behind.

Ingham and MacDonald took first in the team game, with Paul Leer and Steve Levy as their teammates. With only ten teams in the field, a complete round-robin of nine six-board matches was run. After the first session a "dark-horse" Toronto team led the field with 64 of a possible 80 victory points. But the Waterloo group was a mere 3 VPs behind. They played a steady second session to come in almost a half-match ahead of a strong Toronto team (Roy Dalton, Roy Hughes, Abe Greenspan and Dave Colbert) who mounted a formidable stretch drive.

The future for Intercollegiate bridge in Canada looks dim indeed, as the championships may not be held at all next year unless better representation can be assured in advance. Distance is the great obstacle in this Country of course: but can a more viable format be worked out? One suggestion has been to hold a series of regional playoffs with only the leading contenders coming together for a final round. The writer is willing to be a clearing house for ideas and to facilitate exchange of information between representatives of all Canadian schools interested in preserving some form of Intercollegiate competition. Write c/o Hart House Bridge Club, University of Toronto.

1975 NORTH AMERICAN COLLEGE BRIDGE

McGill University of Montreal finished third behind winners University of Missouri and runners—up Yale. One Canadian and 15 US colleges entered the 1975 North American Intercollegiate Bridge Championships in Chicago April 25-26. Play was conducted at 140 institutions with nearly 3200 collegians meeting in the initial rounds.

Mark Rosenbloom and Mark Molson of McGill put in a creditable performance by scoring above average in all three rounds to finish with 339.5. The winning score was 351 and average was 315.

THE GREEKS HAD AWORD FOR IT

Henry Smilie, Vancouver

The word is Eurhythmy, meaning perfect harmony between physical capabilities and intellectual faculties. The thought was basic with Greek philosophers when the original Olympic games were played. 80 years ago when the Olympics were revived, a latin motto was adopted, "Citius, Altius, Fortius" (swifter, higher, stronger).

I urge our Olympiad contestants to be in top physical condition. Physical stamina may well be the deciding factor.

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Canada at the 1972 Olympiad

CONCLUDING INSTALLMENT by Richard Brown Dartmouth NS

Again, the final hand of the set was a Canadian disaster:

Dlr: West Vul: E-W

> NORTH S: K J6543 н: D: AK8642

> > C:

WEST EAST S: A9864 S: 0J1073 H: H: AKQ1092 AKQ643 D: D: J5

SOUTH S: 52 87 H: D: 10982 C: J10753

OPEN ROOM:

C: 09

West	North	East	South
Soloway	Murray	Hamman	Kehela
1D	Pass(!)	1S	Pass
4 H	4S(!!)	5C	Pass
5D	Pass	5 H	Pass
6D	Pass	6 H	Pass
6S	All Pass		

CLOSED ROOM:

Charney	Goldman	Crissey	Lawrence
1D	2NT	3s	6C(!)
65	Pace	75	All Pace

In the Open Room, Murray must have thought he was missing a card when he failed to overcall. His subsequent four spade bid was an attempt to catch up on the auction but it only succeeded in mystifying Kehela and the good seven club save was missed. But in the Closed Room the Americans jumped all over the Crissey-Charney auction so Crissey 'took a view' that if they needed a spade finesse for seven, it was likely to be on. In a way he was right. However, the swing was 17 IMP's to the U.S. and the session ended with the States winning 52-13 for an overall lead of 47 IMP's.

For the third session, Lando replaced Crissey-Charney with GowdyPhillips, but it made little difference as Canada's luck hit rock bottom. The fifth board touched off a series of seven swinging hands on which the States gained 48 IMP's. The final total was 77-10 and the U.S. now had a 114 IMP lead!

The final 16 boards saw Murray sit out for the first time in the tournament so it was now up to Bill Crissey to provide the action as he inherited the coveted North seat. His first opportunity should have met with more success.

Dlr: North Vul: None

S: A83 H: 1064 D: C: J10932 WEST

S: 9642 S: KQJ1075 KQJ83 H: H: A2 D: D: J764 Q C: AQ7 C:

SOUTH

NORTH

S: H: 975 AK10953 D: C: K654

EAST

CLOSED ROOM:

North	East	South	West
Crissey	Hamman	Charney	Soloway
1s(!)	Pass	2D	2 H
Pass	3s	Pass	4C
Pass	4 H	All Pass	

Crissey's psyche effectively stole the opponent's spade suit when Soloway did not read Hamman's three spade call as showing spades. This led to a terrible heart game but the winds of fortune had not changed as the hearts split and the club finesse worked, so Soloway had no difficulty in making the hand for no swing.

Crissey must have recalled Forquet's bid in the Italy match when he was dealt the following:

Dlr: North Vul: E-W

NORTH
S: Q9875
H: KQ9543
D: 3
C: J

WEST EAST S: AK S: J10643 H: H: AJ8 AKJ8 n٠ D: Q AK973 C: C: Q1086

SOUTH
S: 2
H: 106
D: 10976542
C: 542

OPEN ROOM:

North East South West
Wolff Gowdy Jacoby Phillips
Pass Pass 3D 3NT
All Pass

CLOSED ROOM:

Crissey Hamman Charney Soloway 4H(!) Pass Pass Dble Pass 4S Pass Pass Dble All Pass

In the Open Room, Jacoby's super-light pre-empt kept the Canadians out of the cold grand slam in clubs as Gowdy could hardly act over his partner's bid of 3NT. Crissey

accomplished the same purpose by a different route in the Closed Room when he disregarded his spade suit by opening four hearts. When four spades came back to him, he thought he had struck gold so he decided to sweeten the pot by doubling. Hamman made five without breathing hard and the U.S. ended up winning the quarter 38-34 for a final score of 203-85, Canada's largest setback in International competition.

Meanwhile, the Blue Team was having no trouble in disposing of the French by a score of 178-88 so the Aces and the Italians would meet for the World Championship in an 88-board final.

In that encounter, even though their lead was only 28 IMP's with 24 boards remaining, the Italians were in control throughout and they posted a 203-138 victory. In the play-off for third place, Canada restored some of its honour by trouncing the French 167-87. For Canada, Eric Murray had missed only 16 hands of the tournament, setting a record by having played 892 deals of bridge, a truly amazing feat of endurance. Also, by virtue of their second consecutive 3rd place finish in Olympiad play, Canada could technically be considered as owning the best professional bridge team in the world, which is a fitting tribute to a fine group of gentlemen.

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WHAT'S TRUMPS?

by Betty Poo, Winnipeg

I held this hand at rubber

bridge: 86 5 102 AKQJ10764

Is this hand worth an opening bid? Now what was it that partner had said about a preemptive bid on a long suit and no points, or is it lots of points and no suit? Right hand opponent cut short my thoughts with a strong lNT opening bid. Not knowing what to do, I decided to pass to hear left hand opponent bid game in no trump.

I could not contain myself any longer and ventured a double. This

was promptly redoubled by the opponents while partner died a thousand deaths as I began with the fourth best club. I carefully reeled in the first eight tricks and 2200 points richer on this layout:

	KJ10 KQ93 QJ54 83	
86		9432
5		87642
102		987
AKQJ10764		2
	AQ75	
	AJ10	
	AK63	
	95	

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EDMONTON STRESSES IMPS

Lucille Ellestad, Edmonton

For several years Edmonton's top bridge players have concentrated on IMP competition, a fact which I believe explains why Edmonton teams consistently finish high in Regional team competition and why they have done so well in the Grand Nationals. For the last two years District 18 has been represented by an Edmonton team in the zonal playdown and usually their toughest competition in getting there has been another Edmonton team.

Challenge matches of 32 boards between two strong teams take place frequently at one of our local clubs. This has to be the best form of competition to provide practice for the participants and sharpen up their performance. In the rehash session that follows the match, no mistake or missed opportunity goes undetected. Weaknesses or strengths in bidding systems show up and as new or undiscussed situations occur. treatment can be considered and agreed upon. Team competition is such a completely different game from match points that you cannot really hope to improve your team

performance by playing duplicate bridge for practice.

To help the level of women's team play here, one winter Lee Barton organized a Women's IMP League for the keener Edmonton women. Three teams met every two weeks and Lee plus two others of our top men players gave lessons, watched, pointed out errors, and generally provided guidance in team competition. I know that every woman who participated appreciated the time donated by the gentlemen involved and benefited greatly from their increased knowledge of IMP strategy. It was hoped that Edmonton and Calgary might develop a friendly Women's Team Competition to be run in conjunction with a sectional tournament but as yet this has not come to pass. Interest in Women's Teams should rise again this year with the competition for the 76 Olympiad. Indeed I'm sure interest in team competition will be high for both men and women this year as all serious bridge players would be eager to put forth a great deal of effort to have a chance to represent Canada in Monaco in 76.

CONTROL CONTRO

CANADIANS AT THE SPRING NATIONALS

Maurice Gauthier

Good news from the ACBL Nationals in Hawaii, where the Canadian players were in much evidence throughout the tournament.

Dave Saltsman and Don Piafsky of Montreal started the trend when they were runners up in one of the ACBL National events - the National Open Pairs. This was a four-session competition that drew 524 pairs of the finest players in ACBL-land.

This same pair also finished fifth in the Western States National Championship's Open Pairs (Flight A), a two-session affair with 332 pairs in play.

Incidentally, the winners were another pair of Canadians - Raymond Fortin and Denis Lesage of Ste. Foy and Quebec City respectively. Then three Canadians, Sharyn Kokish of Montreal, Sydney Isaacs of London, and Bruce Elliott of Toronto added Dr. R.K. Fleischman of Hilo, Hawaii, to their trio and won the 168-team WSNC Mixed Swiss Teams game.

The Novice Pairs event was won by Marion and Karl Weckworth of Prince Albert while two Montrealers, Peter Nagy and Joseph Silver, ranked fifth in the WSNC Masters' Pairs, an event that drew a star-studded field of 524 pairs.

Let us not forget Torontonians Sam Kehela and Eric Murray. They were members of the Aces team that reached the semi-final round of the Vanderbilt Knock-Out Teams feature, the winners of which become eligible to enter the trials held later in the year to name the team that will represent America in the next Bermuda Bowl game.

CANADIAN MASTER POINT WINNER

Hopefully this year (certainly next) the Dave Richmond trophy will be awarded to the Canadian player who earns the most master points in a year.

In 1973, the McKenney list - for players who earn 300 or more master points in a calendar year - contained 319 names of which 8 were Canadian. We improved our performance from 2.5 to 4% in 1974 since 14 of our members made the new list which contained 351 names. Following are the Canadians who were included (an asterisk signifies that they were also on the 1973 McKenney list):

RAN	K NAME & CITY WON	1974
64	John Carruthers, Toronto	522
88	*Dr. Adolph Feingold, Ottawa	482
104	*Joseph Silver, Montreal	460
117	David Curry, Ottawa	450
122	*Eric Kokish, Montreal	445
146	Laurence Betts, Delta BC.	415
180	*Dom Di Felice, Hamilton	377
207	*John Guoba, Toronto	351
227	Gary Harper, W. Vancouver	340
230	*Allen McDonald, Ottawa	338
258	Bob Connop, Vancouver	326
268	Ray Jotcham, Scarborough	325
267	Alex Kisin, Downsview Ont.	322
274	George Holland, Ottawa	321

POINTS

NICKEL BELT SECTIONAL

February, 1975

Bill Wallace, Falconbridge Ontario

The friendly competition that has existed between the Sault Ste. Marie and Sudbury players was further enhanced as Sault captured the two Blue Ribbon events at the Nickel Belt Sectional. Ruth Lewis, Sue Sanders, Randy Bellerose and Fred Smith took the Swiss Team over Kirkland Lake's Kevin Conway, Oscar Doner, Carl Reinholt and Mike Sandrin, while Dave Holgate and Dave Myers edged Doug Martin and

Brian Thomas of New Liskeard in the Open Pairs. Sudbury took the rest of the top awards as Nancy Craig and Art Romanick beat out Jean Racine and Helen O'Rourke in the consolation, Roger Solomon with Robert Whissell and Roger Frenette with Lloyd Harris were one-two in the Masters, while Ken Braumberger and Bob Richer took top honours in the non-masters over Stephen Mensour and Algi Remeikis.

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THE WASHINGTON COVER UP — CONCLUSION

By Sharyn Kokish

For the first sixteen boards of the third quarter, Kokish-Silver went in to play Reinhold-Wolff while Goldman-Lawrence faced Katz-Cohen. 'With 64 boards to go there was still plenty of time', most of us thought. Nevertheless on the very first board, Silver took direct aim at the fences.

Dealer: North Vulnerable: None к6 9543 к Ј 9 3 854 QJ 1042 A76 KQJ2 Q1064 Α2 9732 AK106 A98753 108 875 QJ

Wolff and Goldman both declared 3NT uncontested. Joey led the ten of hearts! Wolff banged down the A,K of clubs and had time for a spade trick, plus 430. Not that Wolff wouldn't have made it anyway, but he should have been given a tougher time. This lead did not make the New York Times bridge column...perhaps because of loyalty on the part of the columnist, but more likely because of its utter obscurity.

In the other room, Cohen led a Journalist spade three, won the return and cleared the suit. Goldman now had a known "dangerous" opponent, so he too played off the best clubs (perhaps aided further by Katz's discard of the club four on the third spade) with gratifying results. However, if south had ducked the second spade, declarer (with no clue to the distribution) would have had a choice of plays and might well have tried the double club finesse. The extra entry to dummy would have been a

classic Greek gift. But...no swing, folks.

Shortly thereafter.....

Dealer: South Vulnerable: E-W

	6	
	A3	
	KQ976	
	AQ965	
AK102	-	J973
Q10985		KJ76
10		5432
KJ4		8
	Q854	
	42	
	AJ8	
	10732	
OPEN ROOM		

OPEN ROOM

<u>N</u> (DK)	E(BG)	$\frac{S}{P}(LC)$	$\frac{W}{1H}$
2NT	3н	5C	DBL
T)	-	Τ.	

CLOSED ROOM

<u>N</u> (EK)	$\underline{\mathbf{E}}(\mathtt{BW})$	$\frac{S}{P}(JS)$	<u>W</u> (BR)
2 D	2 H	3D	3H
4C	4 H	4NT	P
5C	P	P	P

Tempo can be an enormous factor in competitive auctions. Both sides have a pretty good shot at making game and both have fair defensive prospects as well. This deal is an example of two different tactical approaches and two different evaluations of the same cards.

Katz and Cohen had the standard "unusual" pressure auction, taking their two-way shot quickly and effectively. Lawrence was pretty sure the opponents were saving so he doubled. He led the spade King and switched to a heart. Cohen, won, crossed to a diamond and led the club 10,K,A,8.

Now when he tried to get back to his hand with a diamond to pick up Lawrence's trumps, Mike ruffed, put Goldman in with a heart and got a second ruff. Since 4H can be defeated and might not be bid, plus 300 was a very fine result. So much for the "bash" approach.

Joey and Eric also use the unusual notrump but the north hand is not one that lends itself to that conventional treatment. It's a hand with too much defense and not enough offense, the type of hand that leads to "phantom" saves all too frequently. None of this is to imply that 5C is a bad contract, because it isn't. Since both sides bid 5C, it seems that methods and evaluation had little to do with the result, but in the closed room, North would have doubled 4H at his third turn had he gotten the opportunity to do so. South, however, had good reason to continue over 4H and the auction had the effect of averting the double. Declarer played a club to the queen and went down one when the trumps didn't divide. This was the scientific approach. Whether you bid brutally or delicately, it seems you can't get to defend 4H. Maybe you shouldn't.

The Canadians missed an opportunity to beat 2NT on board 5 when Reinhold got his side a trick too high, but Goldman-Lawrence rested safely at the one-level.

These were the East-West cards on Board 6:

KQ764	Void
AQ96	K73
92	AKQ1053
AQ	к863

Lawrence-Goldman		Reinhol	d-Wolff
	1D		1D
18	2C	18	2 D
2 H	3D	3NT*	6 D
3NT*	P	P*	

*hesitation

A pretty good grand slam, but neither auction will win a beauty contest. To his credit, Reinhold thought almost as long over 6D as he did over 2D. Wolff took a "well-calculated" shot and apologized for precluding the grand slam. The Goldman-Lawrence auction was in keeping with Eastern Scientific methods. Goldman showed a good 6-4 with his

sequence and Lawrence had a tough decision. He was sure that his side was missing the spade Ace or the heart King, so he needed solid diamonds plus some extras to have a good play. In retrospect it seems that both partners should bid again. You be the judge. In any case, a potential 13-imp pickup turned into a 12-imp loss.

This was followed immediately by:

Dealer: Sou	- L	
Vulnerable:	Both	
	J9874	
	AJ8	
	KQJ2	
	4	
AQ63		К5
1075		K942
10643		7
AK		J98762
	102	
	063	
	À985	
	Q1053	
OPEN ROOM		

1S	DBL	lnt	P
P	2C	P	P
2 D	3C	DBL	all pass
CLOSED	ROOM		
<u>N</u> (EK)	$\underline{\mathbf{E}}(\mathtt{BW})$	$\frac{S}{P}(JS)$	$\frac{\mathbf{W}}{1}\mathbf{D}$

S(LC)

W(ML)

E(BG)

N(DK)

1S South's double of 3C at the state of the match (60-implead) must have been predicated on his confidence in choosing the best opening lead. This he duly did the diamond Ace. Had he led a spade, the suit in which his partner overcalled, Goldman would have made the contract by throwing his diamond loser on the third round of spades while south trumped with a winner. In practice, Goldman misread the position and lost a trick in the play to finish down two. So Katz-Cohen picked up 9 imps on a hand where everyone else in the world would win or lose 1 imp. However there is a very fine line between genius and insanity.

Up until now, things had been pretty quiet in the closed room, but on Board 8, opportunity knocked once more for the Kaplan team.....

Dealer: Vulnerabl		9	
		103	
		98	
		AKQ1096	
		763	
AJ98		,03	KQ764
AJ104			Q652
3			74
AK109			J8
AKIO		52	30
		K73	
		J852	
		Q542	
OPEN ROOM			
<u>N</u> (DK)	E(BG)	<u>s</u> (LC)	<u>w</u> (ML) 1C
3 D	P	3NT	DBL
P	4S	A11 Pa	
CLOSED RO	MC		
<u>N</u> (EK)	E(BW)	<u>s</u> (JS)	<u>₩</u> (BR) 1C
1NT	2 S	P	48

This becomes a pretty good slam after the weak jump to 3D, but is not worth considering after the INT overcall, even though Wolff might have doubled INT. This was proven in the play when Wolff tried to sneak a heart through North only to lose to the onside King. Perhaps Goldman should venture a negative double over 3D or failing that, a cue-bid over Lawrence's double of 3NT. Alas, we gained only 1 imp on this board, but things were starting to happen...viz....

Board 10:		
Dealer: East		
Vulnerable: Bo	oth	
	983	
	A109	
	J	
	к76432	
AQJ1076		K
6		KQJ532
К6		A10543
A1098		5
	542	
	874	
	Q9872	
	QJ	

OLEM KOO	<u> </u>		
<u>N</u> (DK)	E(BG)	<u>s</u> (LC)	$\underline{W}(ML)$
	1H	P	1S
P	2 D	P	3S
P	4 S	All Pass	3

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CLOSED ROOM

<u>и</u> (ЕК)	$\underline{\mathbf{E}}(\mathbf{BW})$	<u>s</u> (JS)	<u>w</u> (BR)
	1 H	P	18
P	2 H	P	38
P	4 D	P	5C
DBL	5 D	All Pas	s

Another opportunity for Kaplan, with slam in spades being a reasonable proposition. Goldman-Lawrence didn't get there but picked up 13 imps just the same as Reinhold-Wolff had entirely natural auction to the worst possible game. 45 made 6 but 50 went down 200.

Kaplan quickly gained 11 more as Reinhold-Wolff failed to reach game after Silver started proceedings with a very light notrump, and Katz-Cohen found the wrong partscore.

One more opportunity came along before the end of the set. Katz and Kokish both held 6 95 AKQ10765 K102, at unfavourable vulnerability. Both overcalled 2D, but Katz tried 3D after his RHO balanced with a double. Goldman doubled and Katz was going for 800, but the defense tangled a trick and allowed him to escape for down 2. Wolff-Reinhold got to a very touchy 4H game on the cards that Goldman-Lawrence held, and Wolff brought it home with good play. So again the gain was only 2 - but it might have been more.

Kaplan gained 12 imps on the set and trailed by 63 with 48 boards to play. In my own mind this session was the real key to the match. Too many opportunities were wasted and the opponents had not played well, but their lead was still substantial.

"At least you picked some up," I squeaked.
"Wonderful," he replied.

But I thought the team was taking adversity pretty well. Everyone was still speaking, nobody was grinding his axe. I felt almost confident for them, as the game broke for dinner.

The next set of boards, the last half of the third quarter, were genuinely exciting. Unfortunately

the boards were enjoyable only if you were rooting for the Corn team.

The Crossleys faced Katz-Cohen in the closed room while Eric and Joey played on View-Graph against Sontag-Weichsel. For a change, I watched the show with the masses, which turned out to be a mistake.

Things started well, with a 2-imp pickup on board 17. Board 18 was a push, and this was 19....

Dealer: South Vulnerable: East-West 097 Void KQJ65 AJ854 A102 к8 K0543 J10976 A43 1098 Q3 K72 J6543 A82 72 1096

OPEN	ROOM

<u>N</u> (JS)	$\underline{\mathbf{E}}(\mathbf{PW})$	<u>s</u> (ek)	<u>w</u> (AS)
		P	1 H
DBL	2NT*	3s	4 H
4S	P	P	5 H
P	P	P	
*heart raise			

CLOSED ROOM

<u>N</u> (DK)	E(BC)	$\frac{S}{P}(LC)$	<u>₩</u> (DC) 1H
2NT	4 H	48	P
P	P		

Camp followers of the Kaplan team were delighted with the developments in the open room where Sontag-Weichselmisjudged their assets and pushed on to 5H, going down 200. Unfortunately 4H would have gone down also, but 200 in the bag looked good.

The north hand does not lend itself to any single obvious course of action, and Katz's 2NT was certainly feasible. That doesn't really explain Cohen's 4S bid. Maybe Katz was supposed to pull it with an unsuitable hand. Maybe Cohen believed his opponents had to have the other ten hearts and Katz couldn't be 6-5 or longer in the minors. Maybe he

was just lucky. In any event, the Crossleys judged well to sell out to 4S.... but they forgot to beat it. Dave led a small trump, 7,8, Jack. Declarer led a diamond and Dave won the Ace. Now he switched to the heart 3. Declarer ruffed in dummy and led the Queen of spades. won and could have still beaten the contract by shifting to clubs, but he played another heart and Cohen was home. He played diamonds until Dave ruffed but the Ace of clubs was still in dummy to get back for the rest of the diamond winners. Perhaps Dave should have worked it out. Kaplan lost 6 instead of gaining 6. I looked for someone to commiserate with, but most faces were conspicuously happy. Curses! I was in the midst of the enemy camp.

Board 20 was next....

Dealer: West		
Vulnerable: Bo	oth	
	Q2	
	5	
	AKJ8742	
	QJ5	
843		AKJ95
A10876		К9
Void		Q10
109762		AK84
	1076	
	QJ432	
	9653	
	3	
OPEN BOOM		

OPEN ROOM			
<u>N</u> (JS)	E(PW)	<u>s</u> (ek)	$\frac{\mathbf{W}}{\mathbf{P}}(\mathbf{AS})$
1D	DBL	2 D	2 H
P*	2 S	P	48
P	P	P	
CLOSED ROO	<u>M</u>		
<u>N</u> (DK)	E(BC)	<u>s</u> (rc)	$\frac{W}{D}$ (DC)
1D	DBL	P	1 H
2D	2S	3D	48
P	P	P	

*Silver didn't want to push the opponents to a slam he thought they could make by giving East a clue to his partner's diamond shortness.

I was happy to see the open result, even though a straightforward jump to 5D by Silver would undoubtedly have bought the contract for a

penalty of only 500 points. It seems strange that so little obstruction could keep East-West out of their good slam. The South hand must be worth a raise over the double even in the good old USA where everything else is overpriced, a raise is still cheap. Maybe West should be more aggressive, since his hand has been limited by his failure to jump at his first opportunity. But this was just another flat board.

Then came board 21.....

Dea	ler:	No	rth

DCGICI. NOI		
Vulnerable:	North-South	
	942	
	K10873	
	Void	
	KQ765	
J10		AKQ87
962		Q54
A643		K952
AJ94		8
	653	
	AJ	
	QJ1087	
	1032	
OPEN ROOM		

<u>N</u> (JS)	$\underline{\mathbf{E}}(\mathbf{PW})$	<u>s (</u> ek)	<u>w</u> (AS)
P	18	P	1NT*
P	2 D	P	2S
P	P	P	
CLOSED R	<u>M00</u>		
$\frac{N}{P}$ (DK)	E(BC)	<u>s</u> (LC)	$\underline{W}(DC)$
P	īs	P	NT*
P	2 D	P	3 D
P	3s	P	48
DBL	5 D	DBL	all pass
	* forci	ng	

The East-West cards are in the

danger zone. Both hands have enough to make some move toward game, but there is no ideal way to try for game without getting involved, yet it is tempting to push on beyond the twolevel. Sontag-Weichsel took the conservative course and rested in 2S and were vindicated when the defense took the first 6 tricks. Dave Crossley was not in a position to be conservative on marginal hands so he took his calculated risk and raised 3D with the knowledge that his brother might have only three of them.

Bob might have completed his pattern with 3H at this point, but he chose to rebid his good spades. Dave was almost trapped into bidding game at this point because Bob might have been interested in his J10 of trumps.

The Crossleys were unlucky to run into the horrible diamond break and Katz's timely double turned a small loss into a big one when 5Dx went down 500. Gloom. My Kingdom for a crying towel.

Was there any justice on board 22? I doubt it.

Dealer: Eas	t	
Vulnerable:	East-West	
	Q2	
	K108652	
	A6	
	AJ2	
K74		953
A3		J94
КЈ985		Q103
974		Q853
	AJ1086	
	Q7	
	742	
	K106	

OPEN ROC	<u>M</u>		
<u>и</u> (JS)	$\frac{E}{P}(PW)$	$\frac{S}{P}(EK)$	$\frac{W}{P}(AS)$
1H	P	18	P
2 H	P	3н	P
4 H	P	P	P
CLOSED F	ROOM		
<u>N</u> (DK)	$\frac{E}{P}(BC)$	$\frac{S}{P}(LC)$	$\frac{W(DC)}{1D}$
1H	P	18	P
211	TO.	TO CT	σ

Dave Crossley's light opening bid got his brother off to the best opening lead, but even after a diamond start, game is a very good proposition.

Weichsel found the diamond lead without any help, thank you, so Silver had to lose a spade, a diamond, and 2 trump tricks for down one. That was 5 imps more. At this point, the obviously New York oriented cheering section around me went beserk. "Double Dummy," they were screaming. "Outasight," they gurgled.

Golly gee, all they did was lead a diamond.

What was a girl to do? Poke out their eyes? Shout them down with a series of choice insults regarding the inadequacy of the closed room contract reached by their own gladiators. Just as I was about to glue their hair to their seats, a communal wail arose from their mutual throat, breaking my concentration and bringing a ray of hope to my grief-struck heart...it seems Kaplan was about to win some imps.....

Board 23:

Dealer: South Vulnerable: Both

AK9864 J54 102

102 52 10 1032 AKQ76 5 KJ73 AK98764 J53 QJ73 98 AQ9864 Q

OPEN ROOM

<u>N</u> (JS)	<u>E</u> (PW)	<u>S</u> (EK) 1D	<u>₩</u> (AS) 3C
DBL	3Н	3\$	4 H
48	5 C	P	P
5.0	TO CT	TO CT	TO.

CLOSED ROOM

<u>N</u> (DK)	$\underline{\mathbf{E}}(\mathbf{BC})$	$\frac{S}{P}(LC)$	$\frac{W}{3C}$
P P	5C	P	P

When Larry Cohen chose not to open the South hand, the Crossleys bid quickly to one of their two makeable games, effectively shutting out the opponents 10-card spade fit en route. Kokish-Silver judged correctly to take the vulnerable save (Silver was properly impressed with the symmetry of his minor suit honours) and nobody doubled. That was 11 big imps for Kaplan.

"Take that, you teenie-boppers," I mentally gloated.

But that was my last chance for revenge in this set. Corn gained 67 consecutive imps over the next eight boards starting with.....

Board 24:

Dealer: West Vulnerable: None Δ2 A832 J1086 743 104 KJ875 KQ1095 64 AQ95 Void A108652 KQ 0963

J7

J9

E(PW)

K7432

S(EK)

W(AS)

OPEN	$p \cap \cap M$

N(JS)

P

			ΤH
P	18	P	2 D
P	3C	P	3NT
P	4 C	P	4 D
P	5 C	P	P
CLOSED R	100M		
<u>N</u> (DK)	$\underline{E}(BC)$	<u>s</u> (LC)	<u>w</u> (DC)
P	2C	P	2 D
P	28	P	35*
P	48	P	5C

*does not promise spades.

P

Two obscure auctions leading to the same contract. Both Souths led a trump. Bob Crossley passed the ten of spades around to the Queen and went down one soon afterwards. Weichsel led an inspired spade to his King and led a heart to the King North had to duck to have any chance to beat the contract, but he won the Ace, cashed the spade Ace and led another trump (perhaps influenced by the strange auction). Weichsel ruffed himself in, drew the last trump and exhaled mightily when the heart Jack showed up late in the game, 10 imps.

Then Kokish-Silver played 1NT, down 50, while the Crossleys played 2NT, down 200. 6 imps more.

This was	Board 26:	
Dealer: East		
Vulnerable: B	oth	
	KQJ83	
	J4	
	KJ10862	
	Void	
10972		Α
107		A965
Q7		954
KJ1063		Q9754
	654	
	KQ832	
	A3	
	A82	

OPEN	ROOM
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<u>N</u> (JS)	E(PW)	S(EK)	<u>w</u> (AS)
	P	1H	P
18	P	2S	P
4S	P	P	P

CLOSED ROOM

<u>N</u> (DK)	E(BC)	<u>s(</u> LC)	$\overline{M}(DC)$
	P	1 H	P
18	P	1NT	P
3D	P	3s	P
48	P	P	P

Both declarers won the club lead, led a trump to the King and Ace, ruffed the club return and laid down a second high trump (probably too quickly) only to discover that they were in serious trouble. logically elected to play East for the diamond length and the queen of that suit, so he passed the Jack around losing to the doubleton Queen. He finished down 200. Katz, who officially stated later that he didn't want to go down too many, led to the diamond Ace and smelled like a rose when the Queen popped up for him on the way back. 13 more.

These were the East-West cards on Board 27:

WEST	EAST
AJ	K104
AJ8	KQ7432
AK1064	85
AK9	76

There is nothing particularly exciting about this combination, but remember the West hand when examining the very next board. But what happened on this one, you might ask? Watch.....

Sontag	Weichsel
2NT	4D*
48	5D*
5NT	7 H

*Gerber

Dave C.	Bob C.
2C	2 H
5NT	6 D
6H	TP

Weichsel expected to have a virtual claim since dummy rated to have a queen somewhere to make up his point count (24 was a minimum) but the queenless dummy he found was equally suitable. The Crossleys just had a misunderstanding. That was a further 11.

On 28:

West	East
AKJ4	Q7
AK6	J84
AJ109	K864
A5	J1084

Sontag	Weichsel	
1C	1D	
1H* 2NT***	15** 35****	
3NT	4NT	
6D	P	
Dave C.	Bob C.	
2C	2 D	
2NT	3nT	

*Forcing, might be artificial.

**Relay

***Forcing

****Minors

Note that Sontag treated his two consecutive balanced 24 counts in completely different ways. He said that he really wanted to try out this auction because they hadn't used it yet. The slam was marginal, but Weichsel made it, 10 more.

On Board 29, Kaplan went down in partscores at both tables to give Corn another 5 imps, and this led shortly to Board 31...

Dealer: Sou	th	
Vulnerable:	North-South	
	A10543	
	43	
	54	
	KQ94	
97		к6
Q876		J5
J62		K1093
AJ75		108632
	QJ82	
	AK1092	
	AQ87	
	Void	
OPEN ROOM		

OLDIA	KOOM			
<u>N</u> (JS)	E(PW)	<u>s</u> (ek) 2h*	$\frac{\mathbf{W}}{\mathbf{P}}(\mathbf{AS})$
4S		P	5D	P
58		P	P	P
	*4S,	5н 11-	16 HCP	

CLOSED R	<u>NOOM</u>		
<u>N</u> (DK)	$\underline{\mathbf{E}}(\mathtt{BC})$	<u>s</u> (LC) 1C	<u>₩</u> (DC) 1D*
18	3 H	DBL	P
P	P	P	
*h	earts?		

Bob and Dave use a method known as IDAK to destroy the opponent's forcing club auctions. Unfortunately on this hand they did not find their best suit fit and went for 1300. However even this apparent disaster could have been nullified if Kokish-Silver could reach and make 6S. Again unfortunately, their bidding machinery may have been too accurate. While the South hand may be a little on the strong side for the opening bid chosen, all other courses of action were less appealing. He could have opened 1H intending to reverse into spades over 1NT (partner would not respond 1S to 1H on a fair 4-card suit) but was a little light in high cards, or he could also have started with 2D, 17-24 3-suiter. Whatever you prefer, his 5D bid over 4S completed an exact description of his distribution and high-card structure. North, with terrible club duplication, could not go on either, so they played 5S, made 650, and lost 12 more. I was getting progressively more

annoyed with the View-Graph commentator who was becoming very patronizing in his remarks as the score mounted. On this hand he said that South took a very unusual course of action with his cards and tried to catch up later for his earlier underbid. I wanted to call him several filthy names but I was too depressed by now. The quarter ended with a bang as Kaplan gained two imps in overtricks on Board 32. 88-15.

I knew Eric wouldn't believe the score when he came out. He and Joey had played very well on View-Graph and the opponents had done a few bad things to go with the good ones. Here I was in the middle of 50 screaming females who were becoming hysterical with every winning finesse, and now I had to fight my way to the exit to console my husband. This was not going to be pleasant.

I rushed to his side. Someone had already told him the score. The silence was deafening.

"Take it easy, kid," I ventured.

But how could anyone take it easy under the circumstances. A voice in the background said something about conceding with 32 boards to go, 133 imps down. Fortunately the voice had no face, because my husband leaped in his general direction like a tiger. He hadn't given up. I wasn't nearly as miserable any more.

They picked up 43 imps over the last 32 boards to make the score more respectable but the match was really over by then and the other guys were coasting a bit. I feel like he does....a little bit bloodied, but not ashamed. It's tough to be close to a team that's losing a battle, but these guys will all be back again soon for more. Maybe they just ran out of boards. The other team played well, but they certainly got all the breaks.

That's the way I saw it folks. We have nothing to hide.

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CONSOLATION - New entries welcome	7:30 p.m.
NOVICE PAIRS (Under 20 MPs)	

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