

Winning Contract

By Howard Schenken and Richard T. Frey

There are many positions in which declarer strips all non-material suits and forces the defense to lead a crucial suit or concede a ruff-and-discard. Usually the defenders are helpless in such circumstances, but in today's deal from the World Par Championship, East and West could defeat the contract by exact play.

Val: NORTH
N-S ♠ 8762
♥ AK6
♦ K73
♣ 762

WEST EAST (D)
♠ 93 ♠ 104
♥ Q108 ♥ J7532
♦ AJ42 ♦ 1086
♣ 10984 ♣ KQJ

SOUTH
♠ AKQJ5
♥ 94
♦ Q95
♣ A53

The bidding:
East South West North
Pass 1♣ Pass 2♦
Pass 3♣ Pass 4♣

Opening lead: Club ten

North's hand poses a problem in response to one spade. A slight underbid of two spades is possible, but holding three key honor-cards, North should take some stronger action. Best is a temporizing bid of two diamonds, choosing the minor suit in which he has some strength.

South's jump-rebid of three spades is acceptable, showing that his hand is considerably more than a minimum opening. But as this bid suggests a six-card suit, even better would be three clubs. This would show strength and imply five spades. North might then venture three no trump, which is actually a better contract than four spades. The top bidding award was given to three no trump, which is extremely difficult to reach holding a nine-card fit in a major suit.

Playing four spades, declarer is doomed to lose two club tricks and one diamond, and his contract depends on not losing a second diamond. He wins the club lead, draws trumps and plays hearts, ruffing the third round. He then surrenders the lead in clubs and East takes two club tricks. To avoid giving a ruff-and-discard, he must broach the diamond suit, and this is a delicate matter. If the 10 is led, South covers and if the six is led, South plays low. In some case, West is helpless. Winning defense is to lead the eight-spot, which South does best to cover with the nine. West plays the jack, and declarer must eventually lose two diamond tricks. The diamond six is a vital card; if the six and five were interchanged, the contract could not be defeated.

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STYLE LEADER -- Heading Pontiac's parade of 1964 cars is this Grand Prix sports coupe above. With its "over and under" headlamps and new rectangular front parking and turn signal lamps, the Grand Prix uses its clean lines to suggest a longer, lower, wider look. The profile is highlighted by a thin roof line and large concave rear window. Floor console, bucket seats and special instrument panel treatment add a sports car flair. The 1964 Pontiac Catalina four-

door sedan below is completely restyled while retaining a strong Pontiac identity. In addition to new styling, colors and interiors, the 1964 Pontiacs feature a wide range of high-performance V-8 engines, improved suspension system and a complete group of accessories for added safety and comfort. Other Catalina models are a two-door sedan, a two-door sports coupe, a four-door hardtop, a convertible and six and nine-passenger station wagons.

Comment On Sports

Boxing
By Pete Fritchle

Washington, D. C.--Joe Giardello had fought Dick Tiger twice previously before he got his latest chance. It was a big opportunity and the former bad-boy made the most of it.

Tiger probably took his foe too lightly. Anyhow, after Gene Fullmer, Giardello was too fancy and tough for Tiger to handle. Not that Joey had done badly in the first two fights--the two had split those first two fights.

Tiger, 34, complained afterward Giardello wouldn't fight. But Giardello was playing his own game, his own way. He knew he had the fight won in the late rounds, and even though he seldom fought fifteen, during his career, he wasn't fagged in the late rounds in the December go.

At the end of those fifteen Giardello was the new middle-weight champion. And what's more, he didn't have a return clause contract to face. Nevertheless it was almost certain he would give Tiger a return--if not at once soon.

Giardello said afterward Tiger had been one of the few to offer him a chance and he appreciated it. Tiger's manager said he was sure Giardello would give the former champ a crack at the crown.

So there will probably be a fourth match. If there is, Tiger will go all out and it should be a lulu. But he is not a certain winner, even though he will be better prepared than

tally and in top condition physically, one can be sure.

For Tiger is no youngster--he's 34, a year older than the new champion.

About Giardello, he always was tough, even if considered a ten-round fighter. He fought Fullmer once and battled him to a draw, however, and this was when Gene was at his strongest.

In Gene's third fight with Tiger, he was definitely not the old Gene Fullmer. Tiger won their first go, Gene probably won the second (it was ruled a draw) and that was a major all-out effort. In the third Gene had had it--it was obvious.

Giardello was a different cup of tea and this was certain to be change of pace confusing to Tiger. The former champ will probably be tougher for Giardello in the next go, but having waited so long, few could blame Joey for wanting to keep the crown a short while before contracting for another Tiger fight.

No Shifts In 1964

Washington, D. C.--Senator Humphrey confidently predicts that top Democratic Senate leaders will retain their posts in the new session of Congress.

Humphrey, the assistant Democratic leader, added that President Johnson had talked this over with the present Senate leaders and expects to work closely with them on his new proposals.

College Schedule

The Louisburg College Hurricanes take on the College of The Albemarle from Elizabeth City here Saturday night at 8 p.m. and then meets the Newport News Apprentice School on Monday night.

Prior to the varsity game on Monday night the College JV's will play the Apprentice JV's.

The Hurricanes hold a 96 to 88 earlier victory over the Apprentice School.

LBJ Confered With Aides

Washington, D. C.--President Johnson recently summoned five top aides to the White House for a conference on the budget he will send to Congress in January.

They were Treasury Secretary Dillon; Kermit Gordon, Budget Director; George W. Ball, Under Secretary of State; David E. Bell, director of the Agency for International Development; and Roswell L. Gilpatric, Deputy Secretary of Defense.

Crooked people are quick to suspect other individuals.

LBJ-NK Meetings?

Washington, D. C.--President Johnson has stated that he would meet with Soviet Premier Khrushchev or any other world leader--"at any time there is any indication a meeting would be fruitful and productive."

Meetings have been scheduled with West German Chancellor Ludwig Erhard, the president of Canada, the president of Mexico and others if meetings would be mutually desirable.

New Missile Test

Washington, D. C.--The Air Force will start early next year to launch a new breed of test missiles whose job will be to help American scientists find ways to elude Soviet antimissile defenses.

The missile is called Athena. It will carry an instrument-laden warhead similar to those used on intercontinental ballistic missiles. High-powered radar will study their flights, particularly as the warheads reenter the atmosphere.

Got Off Light

Judge--GUILTY or not guilty of this charge of murder? Prisoner--None of yer business! "Thirty days--Contempt of court!"

Hygiene Forever

"Doctor told me to sleep with both windows open."
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Health And Beauty

Food, Not Pills Important

It seems the vitamin-mineral pill fad is dying down. For a time, a great many people were sold on the idea that nutritional health could be bought at the drug store. While vitamin and mineral supplements are useful to a physician in treating deficiency diseases, they are not needed otherwise in most cases. It is possible they may even cause sickness if taken in too large amounts.

There have been clinical cases of vitamin A poisoning due to overdoses of concentrates. Doctors tell us that overdoses of vitamins are especially dangerous for children. If you think your children are malnourished and yet you have been feeding them plenty of the foods that they need, you had better see a doctor.

Food plays an important part in treatment of people who are diseased or injured. Far too

little attention has been given to nutrition as an aid to curing and healing. Some doctors say that therapeutic nutrition in hospitals has not kept up with recent advances in the field of therapeutic nutrition.

The majority of therapeutic diets outlined in various hospital manuals do not supply the nutrients necessary to maintain good nutrition during acute illness. Extra attention should be given the requirements of the convalescent and this is recognized by doctors to be a very important phase of rehabilitation medical care.

Sometime ago the Committee on Food and Nutrition of the National Research Council reported that a moderately active man should be eating about 884 pounds of fruit a year. This should include about 633 pounds of fresh produce. The Council

suggests 1,000 pounds of fruits and vegetables a year for a boy of 13 to 15.

Milk is said to be almost as important in maintaining good health in old people as in children. Every person should drink at least a pint of milk each day. If you are under eighteen or over fifty, you should be drinking at least a quart each day.

All appetizing meals include meat for most of us. Meat is an outstanding source of top-quality protein and healthy tissues in all age groups. Meat provides valuable amounts of B vitamins and blood building iron.



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