

YANKS PLAYING MAH JONGG BUT CHINESE POKER!

PHILADELPHIA (INS)—Poker is a more common game in China than the well-known Mah Jongg, according to a Chinese student at the University of Pennsylvania...

SCRIBES MEET IN FEBRUARY

EUGENE, Or. (AP)—Plans for Oregon newspaper men to be held at the University of Oregon February 15 and 16, are virtually completed, according to officials in charge of the program.

Erie W. Allen, dean of the school of journalism, will be one of the principal speakers. He recently returned from a tour of Europe and will tell the Oregon publishers of his impressions of the newspapers there.

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ESSAY CONTEST IS ARRANGED BY AMERICAN LEGION

PORTLAND, Or. (Special)—To arouse greater interest in the development of good citizenship, a state-wide essay contest is being conducted among the high school students of the state on the subject "Peace-Time Patriotism" by the American Legion, Department of Oregon.

The contest will be open to all students enrolled in the ninth, tenth, eleventh and twelfth grades of the public schools of Oregon. Each essay is to be from 400 to 600 words in length.

The purpose of the contest is to create a state-wide public sentiment in the duties of citizenship. Mr. Cassius R. Peck, Chairman of the American Legion Commission of the Oregon Department of the American Legion in outlining the contest, "Each child knows that it is a patriotic duty to shoulder a gun in defense of country, but very few children ever get the angle that it is just as much a duty to arm themselves

with an intelligent ballot in defense of their country. Committee of Americanism, American Legion, Department of Oregon, Cassius R. Peck, Chairman, Portland, Ore.; Frank C. McCulloch Baker, Raymond Anderson, Corvallis; Phil Hammond, Oregon City; J. A. Buchanan, Astoria; Carl Huston, St. Helens; John Ferguson, Marshfield; George Nisical, Prineville; James C. Johnson, Gold Beach; Frank H. Grimes, Bend; Carl Winkler, Roseburg; W. E. Williams, Condon; Dr. George G. Carl, John Day; Robert M. Duncan, Burns; Dr. Vestal H. Abraham, Hood River; Carl Y. Tengwald, Medford; G. A. Gabriel, Madras; Gladwin Smith, Grants Pass; H. E. Getz, Clatskanie; Mark Gunther, Lakeview; S. S. George, Eugene; G. B. McCluskey, Toledo; Frank Sellmaecher, Albany; Earl T. Blackaby, Ontario; Robin Day, Ladd & Bush Bldg., Salem; J. E. Higley, Heppner; Jacob Kanizer, Coast House, Portland; Joe Helgeson, Tillamook; Earl T. Jones, Wasco; Dr. J. E. Shearer, Tillamook; Cyril Probstel, Pendleton; Hugh Brady, La Grande; Earl Hanna, Enterprise; G. W. Dalgle, The Dalles; Watt Long, Forest Grove; Carl Hendricks, Fossil; Roy Tate, McMinnville.

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REICHSBANK HEAD, Dr. Djalmar Schacht, shown here, is the new president of the German Reichsbank. He has just recently arrived in London for a conference with British bankers and to appeal for financial help for impoverished Germany.

BRITISH POLICY IN INDIA TARGET OF MANY CRITICS BOMBAY, (AP)—New light has been thrown upon the purposes of Mahatma Gandhi by the visit of an English journalist, Drew Pearson, to the imprisoned politician's former home at Ahmedabad. The reporter was escorted by Gandhi's wife and sons and recounts his experience in the columns of the Voice of India.

After giving a colorful picture of the Gandhi home and its surroundings, Mrs. Pearson writes: "After we adjourned to Gandhi's room, I sat under his picture, talking with his two sons and his secretary, Ramdas, the elder son, had just returned from South Africa. The younger son, Devadas, and Desai, the secretary, had been released from prison sentences of nine months and one year respectively.

"I asked if Mr. Gandhi desired India's complete separation from the British Empire. "No," replied Devadas, "he wishes only the self-government enjoyed by Australia and New Zealand. He says that if the English become Indianized, we can accommodate them. If they wish to remain in India along with their own civilization, we have no room for them.

"My father thinks that English voters make their newspaper their Bible. Their views swing like a pendulum, following the man who is a powerful orator or who gives many recitations. He believes that if India copies England she will be ruined.

"The English are too commercial," broke in Ramdas, "Father used to quote Napoleon, who called them a nation of shopkeepers. He was fond of the story told of the late President Kruger, who, when asked if there was any gold in the moon, replied it was extremely unlikely because, if true, the English already would have annexed it. They wish to convert the whole world into a market for their goods. We can always understand them if we remember that money is their god."

GERMANS IN RUBBER Start Feeding Their Own Hungry DUESSELDORF, (AP)—Unemployment in the occupied area of the Ruhr, which persists to an extraordinary degree despite the agreements between the French authorities and German industrialists, has had the effect of stimulating a feeling of responsibility well-to-do Germans who heretofore have had the reputation of being more or less indifferent to suffering.

Within the last two months the better class families, realizing that the municipal authorities were practically helpless to cope with the spectre of hunger, have responded generously, with the result that many of the homeless unemployed are receiving at least one substantial meal a day.

Clean Kidneys By Drinking Lots of Water Take Salts to Flush Kidneys if Bladder Bothers or Back Hurts Eating too much rich food may produce kidney trouble in some form, says a well-known authority, because the acids created excite the kidney. Then they become overworked, get sluggish, clog up and cause all sorts of distress, particularly backache and misery in the kidney region, rheumatic twinges, severe headache, acid stomach, constipation, torpid liver, sleeplessness, bladder and urinary irritation.

The moment your back hurts or kidneys aren't acting right, or if bladder bothers you, begin drinking lots of good water, and also get about four ounces of Jad Salts from any good pharmacy; take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys may then see fit. This famous salt is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithium and has been used for years to flush clogged kidneys and stimulate them to activity; also to neutralize the acids in the system so that they no longer irritate, thus often relieving bladder disorders.

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FIJIAN'S FIRE WALKING SHOW ON SOUND BASIS

SUVA, Fiji Islands, (AP)—Circusism has invaded even this remote region. The natives at a recent ceremonial not only set up booths for the sale of refreshments but charged visitors three shillings each for the privilege of watching the event.

The occasion was a "fire walking" and the shrewdness which has lately become characteristic of the Fijians was evinced in that the tourists who came to view the event were permitted to travel many miles to this island, and then climb a difficult hill nearly all the way to a natural amphitheatre before the demand for payment was made.

The "fire walking" itself is an interesting ceremony performed by natives. Little is known in explanation of the fact that their feet apparently are impervious to great heat. So far as observers have been able to ascertain, the performers walk barefoot and unharmed on stones which are virtually red hot, having been heated for hours in a fire pit. Afterward leaves, brush and bits of wood are thrown over the rocks, the heat of the latter being evidenced by the smoke or flame which immediately bursts forth.

The native version of the origin of the ceremony is that in the distant past a Fijian traveling in the bush met an elf, whom he suspected of being an evil spirit. The native captured this supernatural creature and threatened him. To save himself the elf offered as a gift any power the native chose. The Fijian chose and was granted the ability to handle or walk thru fire unharmed, which power has descended to members of his family even to this day.

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ARTICLE No. 5 If players stopped to realize how many games and rubbers are "chucked," that is, lost by bad bidding or bad play, they would be more anxious to improve their game. One expert claims that four out of every five rubbers are "chucked."

That may appear exaggerated, but if you will keep track of the various bids and plays that turn out to be incorrect, you will begin to agree with the expert's opinion. The following hands are representative examples of "chucking."

Hearts—None Clubs—6, 2 Diamonds—A, 10, 8, 7, 3, 2 Spades—A, Q, J, 9, 5 Hearts—K, Q, 10, 9, 6, 5, 3, 2 : A Y B : Clubs—9, 4 Diamonds—K Spades—K, 2

Y dealt and bid one spade, B bid two hearts and Z bid three clubs. This is a better bid than two no-trump, even with a double stopper in the heart suit. Z has a void diamond suit and only one spade so that a no-trump bid might go very badly. A passed three clubs and Y correctly bid three diamonds. B bid three hearts and Z, having located the diamond suit, now bid three no-trump. A passed and Y now made the great mistake of bidding four diamonds. This was a bad call, for the bidding had indicated Z's double stopper in the heart suit and therefore a better chance for game in no-trump. B passed and Z, feeling that Y could not go game in diamonds, decided to bid five clubs. A passed and Y suddenly decided to bid five no-trump—another bad bid. Needless to say, Z could have made five clubs or three no-trump but was unable to make five no-trump. Y "chucked" this sure game by the worst kind of bidding.

If there is one type of hand that seems to confuse good players more than any other, it is the two-suit, or a hand that has two suits each of which contains five or more cards. Such a hand is very powerful and should be bid with the purpose of informing partner as to the two suits and letting him choose which offers the best chance for game. When your opponents are bidding two suits, do not be over eager to double. A two-suit is the strongest hand that can be held at Auction; do not double such a hand unless sure of your double. The following represents this type of hand:

Hearts—A, K, 9 Clubs—A, K, 7, 2 Diamonds—9, 7, 6 Spades—Q, 4, 2 Hearts—J, 6, 3 Clubs—10, 6, 4, 3 Diamonds—Q, 8, 3 Spades—A, 8, 6

Y dealt and passed, A bid one heart, Y one no-trump and B passed, Z now bid two spades, A three diamonds, Y three spades and B four hearts. Z now bid four spades, A five hearts and Y doubled. Under ordinary circumstances the fact that A was bidding two suits and to such high bids, should have indicated to Y that A held a freak hand. When a player can bid five in a suit without the ace king, he must have a very unusual hand. As a result, A made five hearts doubled while Y-Z could have made five spades. It goes to show how many games are "chucked" by bad bidding. Since an error in judgment in the bidding is always more costly than in the play, one cannot be too careful.

Problem No. 3 Hearts—Q, 8, 4, 2 Clubs—K, Q, 7, 2 Diamonds—A, Q, 7, 2 Spades—7 : A Y B : Hearts—K, 9, 7, 6, 3 Clubs—10, 6, 4, 3 Diamonds—K, 5, 4, 3 Spades—K, 5

Spades are trumps and Z is playing the hand. The problem is for Z to make four tricks against any defense after A leads the jack of diamonds. The solution will appear in the next article.

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