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JACOBY on Canasta

This business of being a card authority sometimes gets me into more trouble than I've bargained for. People write to me from various parts of the world with a touching confidence in my ability to understand any language.

For example, a letter from Sherbrooke, Quebec, asks me in French whether or not it is permissible to freeze the pack before both sides have had their initial meld. What with a dictionary and my memories of schoolboy French of some thirty-odd years ago, I managed to work out what was being asked. But I'll be darned if I can answer it in French, outside of saying "Mais, oui."

In plain American, that means "Go right ahead and freeze the pile, if you want to. You don't have to wait until any initial meld has been made." Isn't it wonderful how just two words of French means all of that?

I can see why the newcomer to Canasta finds this situation a bit puzzling. Until your side has made its initial meld, you cannot take the discard pile except with a matching pair of natural cards (and of course, the full count.) So, the beginner asks, why would your opponent bother to freeze the pack before you have melded? You need a pair of natural cards in any case.

This is perfectly true, but it is still sometimes wise to freeze the pack before your opponents have had their first meld. For example, suppose both sides need 120 points. Each player makes five or six safe discards, so that the pile is well worth struggling for. You draw from the stock pile and hold the following 12 cards:

Joker - Joker - Joker 7-7 8-6 5-6 4-2

This is a dream hand, of course. It's a cinch that a low card will be thrown to you very soon—provided the pack hasn't been given away in the meantime by your partner. You can well afford to throw the deuce, freezing the pack.

You don't really care about freezing the pack, of course. Your chief purpose is to warn your partner to play as safely as possible; and your secondary purpose is to make a safe discard of your own.

So many questions have been asked recently about two-hand Canasta, that today I will continue the discussion of this fascinating game. The best form of the game is that in which you draw two cards only, one card, and in which you need two canastas to meld out.

In some hands your opponent manages to win the first discard pile, and you then decide to play for the pile instead of competing further for the pile. In other hands you may go for the fast out without ever trying seriously for the discard pile.

The sort of hand that encourages you to play for out usually contains two ready-made bases of four or more cards. For example, you may be dealt such a hand as: Joker, A-A-A-A, Q-Q-Q-Q, J-J, 10-8-2.

Since you will need two canastas to meld out, you are quite a distance from the need of your road. Nevertheless, it is a fairly good start. You will begin by throwing a ten, eight, or six—depending on what is still unmatched after you have drawn two cards from the stock. In making your early discards, you must follow the principle of diluting the discard pile. If your opponent discards a ten, try to avoid discarding your own ten for a while.

You will discard it eventually, since you cannot afford to clutter up your hand with useless cards when you are playing for out. But you will try to discard it after your opponent has already picked up the first discard pile.

The reason is very simple. Whenever your opponent picks up the discard pile he gives up the chance of drawing two useful cards from the stock pile. In particular, he will never find wild cards in

Dr. E. P. Jordan

The appearance of the physical changes of adolescence may come as quite a shock to a young girl unless they are explained in advance.

Every girl approaching this age should be properly instructed, preferably by her mother, and made to realize that about one and one-half million other girls in the country are going through the same thing at the same time.

The changes of adolescence should be accepted as a step toward maturity by the girls and their parents. Before they take place, however, girls should know what to expect and should have an understanding of what the changes mean. When they do not understand, an unexpected event may cause some emotional distress. The information supplied should be given in a completely matter of fact way.

It should be explained that the changes about to develop are the result of increased activity on the part of those hormones or internal glands which have to do with femininity. This increased glandular activity does not take place at once and it takes several years before their full function is completed in the fully grown and developed woman.

The physical changes of adolescence in girls do not always come at the same age nor are they completed at the same rate of speed. There is usually no cause for alarm if the changes are delayed until fifteen or fifteen, or if these changes start before thirteen.

The age when adolescence begins varies with different families and with racial background, climate, and perhaps other influence.

After adolescence begins, and usually for two or three years later, girls are normally somewhat more nervous and less consistent in their behavior than they were before, or will be later.

They often cry easily, become uncooperative in their actions with others and may fly off the handle at members of their family for no apparent reason.

The youngsters themselves ought to understand this and to control themselves as much as possible. It is not fair to others to behave unreasonably no matter what the excuse.

Parents should also understand that these things do happen and they should not worry about the seeming personality changes which often occur.

When unreasonable behavior on the part of adolescent girls does break out, parents are well advised to ignore the outbreak, to take it calmly and yet continue to be firm about those things which really matter.

Up to 1926 victims of pernicious anemia almost always died from it; anyone who had this disease of unknown cause lived on the average only a little over three years after the onset.

Today, death from pernicious anemia in the properly treated patient is rare.

A person with pernicious anemia has difficulty in telling when the pulse is soft, first started because they develop so gradually. Usually the first feeling is one of languor, or lack of pep.

The face becomes pale, the whites of the eyes look pearly, the muscles seem to be flabby, the pulse is soft, and there is a slight jerk, especially when the person is excited.

An uncomfortable feeling of fatigue appears on even slight exertion. The whole surface of the body looks whitened, smooth and rather waxy.

When the disease goes untreated, the paleness becomes worse. A small amount of swelling is likely to develop around the ankles; the appetite fails. Eventually the sickness may become so severe that the patient cannot even rise from bed.

Symptoms such as these, although typical of pernicious anemia, are not sufficient to make a diagnosis. The diagnosis is made principally on the results of the examination of the blood under the microscope and on the absence of acid in the stomach secretion.

The famous physician and research scientist, Whipple, laid the foundation for the conquest of the disease by his careful studies on oogs.

Following Whipple's fundamental research work, two Boston physicians, Minot and Murphy, introduced the treatment of pernicious anemia with liver.

After reporting a small group of patients who had improved following liver treatments, these workers and others went on to prove beyond any doubt the value of liver, and a diagnosis is made early and liver treatments started promptly, the results are almost always good. Liver by injection or by mouth is standard treatment today.

Liver will prevent the progress of the disease and restore the vigor of those afflicted with this kind of anemia.

The conquest of this highly fatal disease is a real triumph of combined medical research in the laboratory and on patients.

Even further improvements in treatment have come from the discovery of crystalline vitamin B-12 and perhaps even this is not the end.

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By DEB ADDISON

What do you think of Gen. Eisenhower's announcement? This is an oft repeated touch-off of conversation this week.

The realistic answer is that it gives the Republicans a wide choice in four strong men who are out for the party nomination for president.

Sen. Taft is the strong man within top politics who is long on integrity, courage, stability, and on-the-job experience.

Gov. Warren is the strong man within secondary league politics who is long on popularity outside the Republican party and is a self-styled progressive.

College Pres. Stassen is the young man who developed a strong following in the last campaign, and since has stayed in the outer fringes of politics.

Gen. Eisenhower is the big man of the time outside of politics who has tremendous personal popularity and a record of great ability and integrity. His only political identification to date is with the present foreign policy. He is the hope of those who are looking for a great leader to arise above the murk of the times and lead us out of the wilderness.

There was a story from Eugene the other day which shows how the new postal regulations have smoothed things out.

A commercial printer went in to the Eugene postoffice to buy 10,000 penny post cards. He was told that they're now two cents a piece but that in lots of 50 or more there is a 10 per cent surcharge.

Okay, says he, I'll buy them in lots of 49. He was sold the 49 postals, and was then told to go to the end of the line and wait his turn for any more.

So he put one of his employees in line to buy lots of 49 cards until he had 10,000. Forty five minutes later the man left with the 10,000 cards, having saved 20 dollars—and the postoffice man closed his window to start straightening out his records.

We've always said that Herald and News advertising brought business from a long way off, but this one takes the cake.

This week Derby's Music Co. arranged a record player and album of records to M-Sgt. James A. Deveny of the English army in Chester, Cheshire, England. It was sold directly from an ad in the paper.

Deveny sent a clipping of the ad and a money order for the paper. Maurice Miller (H&N circulation manager) with instructions on making the purchase.

The postage was nearly as much as the purchase price, but everybody's happy—and, it pays to advertise.

Need for Teenage Hangout Told in Recreation Report

By HALE SCARBROUGH

The 1951 annual report of the Klamath Falls Recreation Department again stressed the need of this city of a "recreation center" or "community building" to serve as a congregating point for teenagers, and more or less laid at the door of the city blame for conditions which sent six teenage boys to prison a couple of weeks ago.

Bob Bonney, Recreation Director, penned the report and in presenting it to the city council he pointed out that improper parental guidance, being allowed to quit school and family irregularities were also situations which led to the sending of the six boys to prison.

Another school of thought would absolve the city of practically all blame. The home proper and strict parental control, probably would have averted the whole mess.

Nevertheless, Bonney's idea is that the city should provide a sort of hangout for teenagers where they would at least be exposed to wholesome methods of burning up excess energy and thrill-seeking.

By establishing such a center could the city determine how successful it might be. Maybe the youngsters would take to it, and maybe they wouldn't.

It should be worth a try. I can't help remembering a couple of remarks overheard in recent days.

Said one of the six boys sent to prison after the 10-year sentence was passed:

"This is a hell of a joke to play on a juvenile."

Said another young fellow after being refused admission to the drug store:

"Where do they expect us to hang out, in the taverns?"

Dope Sheet Gives All The Dope About Your Senators

By ED CREEGH
(For Hal Breigh)

WASHINGTON (AP) — So you know a thing or two about Congress? Then tell us:

1. Which members of the present Congress have nine children apiece?
2. How many members were born outside the United States?
3. Which congressman has made a hole-in-one—no once, but twice?
4. What congressman's wife has "Pocahontas" for a middle name? You can find the answers to these and heaven knows how many other questions in the new "Dope Sheet" edition of the Congressional Directory, now being distributed.

In case you can't wait, here are the official answers to the questions above:

1. Reps. Rabaut (D. Mich.) and Kelley (D. Pa.) are the most persistent parents. Rabaut has three sons and six daughters, Kelley three daughters and six sons. No wonder, there are so many Democrats around.
2. Nine members were born outside the U.S., including Rep. Franklin D. Roosevelt Jr., (D-N.Y.) who first saw the light of day at his folks' summer place in New Brunswick, Canada.
3. The golfing congressman who has made a hole-in-one twice is Rep. McMullen (D-Fla.).
4. "Pocahontas" is the middle name of Mrs. Thomas Bahnsen Stanley (D. Va.). Her maiden name was Anne Pocahontas Bassett.

This barely scratches the surface of the no-doubt fascinating facts that can be dug out of the blue-covered directory.

Did you know, for instance, that Rep. Mike Mansfield (D-Mont.) never went to high school—but became a history professor at Montana State University?

Or that Sen. Langer (R-N.D.) by his own account, is the "only person ever arrested in any English speaking country for filing an affidavit of prejudice against a

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THE YEAR'S SLATE gets a going over by new officers of the Klamath County Dairy-men's Association who were elected in the group's annual meeting Saturday at the Winema hotel. They are (l to r) J. D. Vertrees, secretary; Pres. Lawrence Geraghty and Vice Pres. George Reiling.



ELECTED NEW PRESIDENT of the Klamath Falls Exchange Club this week was Martin Brauner (right), pictured with Bob Mitchell (center), the new vice president, and J. L. Calhoun, retiring president of the organization.

Chrysler Asks Cost Boost

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Chrysler Corporation applied to the government Thursday for higher factory wholesale ceiling prices for its four makes of cars.

The increases, asked by Chrysler under the Capelhart Amendment to the Economic Controls Law, would range from \$53 to \$88.

The Capelhart Amendment requires the Office of Price Stabilization to allow manufacturers to use their pre-Korean prices and add all cost increases through last July 26, in figuring new ceilings.

U.S. Military Installations Total \$24 Billion For '51

WASHINGTON (AP) — The United States will have 24 billion dollars worth of new military installations and equipment to show for its defense efforts at the end of the current fiscal year, Secretary of Defense Lovett said Thursday.

Lovett made his report at a private session of the Senate Armed Services Committee. His \$24 billion dollar estimate for camps and bases, tanks and airplanes, by June 30 appeared higher than previous figures released by mobilization officials.

The defense secretary handed

Scott May Run For Treasurer

PORTLAND (AP) — Leslie Scott, Portland Republican, may run for state treasurer again. He held the office from 1941 to 1949.

Scott said Wednesday he was considering the campaign, but had not made up his mind.

Two other Republicans already have indicated they may seek the office now held by Democrat Walter Pearson. They are Sigfrid Unander, Republican state chairman, and State Sen. Jack Lynch.

Sprague Asks Reapportionment

PORTLAND (AP) — It will be up to the people of Oregon to bring about sensible reapportionment of the state, Ex-Gov. Charles A. Sprague, Salem publisher, said here Wednesday.

Legislators just won't do a good job of it, because no legislator wants to reapportion himself out of a job, Sprague told the League of Women Voters.

The only defensible way to reapportion the state is by population, he said, adding that an initiative measure to bring it about should be started before the legislature passes an ineffectual bill.

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