RESPECTED BY OLD, TRUSTED BY YOUNG

Japan's New Premier a 'Modern'; Many Talents

Japan's new premier, recently called on by the emperor to head a new cabinet owing to the continued illness of Premier Yuko Hamaguchi, is Reijiro Wakatuki, man of many talents, old hand at the political game, and Japan's "reserve line" in premiers. It is the second time he has accepted the task.

"The man is a successful blend of the old and the new," says the New York Times. "He has the Samurai traditions, the dignity and sufficient years (he is now 65) to command the respect of the older school of Japanese thought; and he has a willingness to accept Western ideas that commonly appeal to the younger, more liberal groups.

"As finance minister in 1924 he proved an expert on tax laws. As home minister, later, he helped frame the present universal suffrage act. He has visited America twice on official missions, first as financial commissioner to New York, London and Paris after the war with Russia, and second as head of the Japanese naval delegation bound for the London Conference.

"He is an athlete, writes poetry, is unobtrusively friendly and is enough of the politician to weigh first his thoughts and then his words."

Ruler's Choice

When Premier Yuko Hamaguchi and his cabinet resigned, Emperor Hirohito of Japan directed Reijiro Wakatuki, above, to form a new cabinet. Wakatuki, a former premier, was deputy chief delegate to the London Naval Conference last year.

PIONEER OF WEST DIES AT EDMONTON

The death at Edmonton on April 18 of the mother of George L. Gauvreau, of the C. P. R. telegraphs staff, Vancouver, marked the passing of one of the real pioneer women of the Western Prairies.

Mrs. Gauvreau had lived in Edmonton for 42 years, having come there from Prince Albert by buckboard with her husband, the first Dominion Land Agent.

The grandfather of George L. Gauvreau here published the first newspaper west of Winnipeg in Battleford in 1878. It is still in operation as the Saskatchewan Herald. It was this paper which published the Queen's proclamation as a result of which the rebel leader, Louis Riel, set a price of $5000, dead or alive, on the head of the publisher.

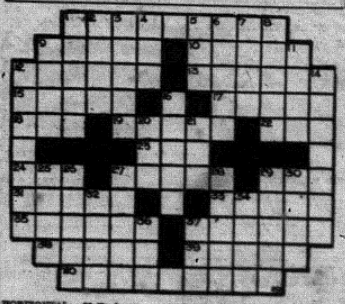
Pierre Gauvreau of Peace River, Alta., is another son who attended the funeral of the pioneer mother at Edmonton. It was the first time that all members of the family had gathered in thirty years.

FORGERY CHARGED

KINGSTON, May 1.—A warrant has been issued against Sergt. Major W. K. Wood, staff sergeant, at the pay office of Military District No. 3, headquarters, charging him with forgery in connection with pay cheques. Wood is at present absent without leave.

SUN CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Solution Will Appear Tomorrow



HORIZONTAL: 1 Violent windstorm. 6 Rinsing machine. 10 To decorate. 11 Redingotes. 13 Idea. 14 To tolerate. 17 Gnaw. 18 Born. 19 Nimbus. 20 Time. 22 Part of the foot. 24 To stick. 27 Chosen by ballot. 29 Night of precedence. 31 To down. 32 Bones. 33 Large gully. 37 Makes amends. 38 To happen again. 39 Inclined. 40 Diplomatic agents.

VERTICAL: 1 To inscribe. 2 To persuade. 3 Tired. 4 Scarlet. 5 Pallid. 6 Image. 7 Short letter. 8 To propel an auto. 9 Stalk of sugar. 11 Christmas carol. 12 Rising house in England. 14 Just retribution. 16 Salvation Army band. 20 Indian tribe. 21 Shelter. 25 Three-handed scrabble. 26 Donor. 27 Goddess of beauty. 28 Devil. 29 Languishes. 30 In bed. 32 Pastilloua. 34 Gone astray. 35 Silkworm. 37 One in cards.

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

CONTRACT BRIDGE

By ELY CULBERTSON

The "finesse" value of honors is dealt with by Ely Culbertson in today's article by this eminent authority on auction bridge. Mr. Culbertson holds that the precise trick value of single honors depends on the position of missing higher honors or honors of the same suit. Their position of missing higher honors and distribution of suits determines the precise definitive worth of honor combinations, he contends.

Auction players will find a lot of information and real pleasure in analyzing this series of articles appearing in Vancouver exclusively in The Sunday Sun.—EDITOR.

THE "FINESSE" VALUE OF HONORS

Excepting aces and long sequences, the bidding value of lower honors is based upon their finesse value in actual play. The precise trick value of single honors, such as K x, and of combined honors such as A, Q, or K, J, 10 depends on the position of missing higher honor (or honors) of the same suit.

As it is prudent to assume that the missing higher honor is held by one of the opponents, and by parities, the chances are then exactly for or against a successful finesse.

In bidding valuations we have accordingly half or probable trick values in distinction to the full trick estimate for aces and kingqueens. Two such half trick values are about equivalent to an ace.

For instance, K Q is worth 1½ honor-tricks and K x is worth ½ giving in all 2 tricks which is for all practical purposes equivalent to an A, K, or two aces.

LOWER HONOR VALUES

The lower honor values such as an isolated queen or a knave are too indefinite and variable to justify mathematically any fractional or point count. They are minor but important factors to be noted during bidding as plus values. Two such plus values are about equivalent to ½ trick. For instance, a K x equals roughly a queen and a knave in different suits.

In conclusion. The position of missing higher honors and distribution (length) of suits determines the precise defensive worth of honor combinations. The honor values in the standard table are based on two prudent assumptions:

(a) That the missing higher honors are held by opponents and their position is unknown; and

(b) That the distribution (length) of suits is not too irregular to expect that honors will be ruffed (and definitely trade worthless) on the second deal.

As the bidding unfolds, the first assumptions are replaced or modified in the light of more precise information.

LAST WEEK'S PROBLEM

Both sides vulnerable. South bids one heart; West doubles; North passes. What should East bid, holding:

Spades 8, 5, 4.
Hearts J, 7, 2.
Diamonds J, 10, 9, 2.
Clubs J, 8, 7.

Solution: Two clubs. In auction, the writer has an almost instinctive aversion for responding to a take-out double with one-suited hands. Because the suit is stopped. The hand should offer at least a trick in addition.

Partner, who is not a hero in matters of restraint, will probably hold a stronger hand than usual precisely because the dummy is blank. Even the slightest encouragement should therefore be avoided, for no player will, or should, read his partner for an absolute blank.

In contract, where game bids are tempting and penalties are heavy, it is vital that a no-trump response should show some semblance of a trick. And there is no sharper note of warning to partner than a two in a minor.

INFERENCE CLEAR

Like all methods in the forcing system, this is not a special convention but an inference which can be reasoned out for any system. Some of our solvers suggested a pass on the grounds that opponents will not score game. A pass, in this situation, is unthinkable, first because partner (who will not forget) will become demoralized for 500 years, and second, because the overtrick values alone for doubled contract made will be worth more than the game.

No. It is best to stand by and take the medicine, especially in view of the fact that nine times out of ten the bid probably will not be played.

"Today's Problem

South dealer, with no score, bids: Spade: hearts: Diam. A, K, Q, X, X. X, X, X. Clubs: X, X, X, X.

What should South do?

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Old Gardener Says

M. S. REYNOLDS, F.R.H.S.

M. S. Reynolds

D. I. Ladner, writes to say that, as there are only two kinds of asparagus, white and green, will I kindly name a variety of each that Mrs. Washington, a green kind? About three hundred pounds should a good four-year-old plant produce per season, on average?

Answer — Today there are many varieties of asparagus. Columbia is a white, but most of the others are green, to plant. And there is a French purple one. Argenteuil, also Conover Colossal, Mary Washington, Palmetto, etc.

If you cut on an average one pound per plant per season, you will be doing well. You can quite easily overtrick asparagus beds, and pay for it dearly.

HOMESICK BRIDE SHALL SHE QUIT?

Fight the Battle, Advises Dorothy Dix

DEAR MISS DIX—My girl friend and I have had an argument that we have agreed to leave to you to settle. She says if a fellow is in love with a girl he cannot find anything at any fault with her physically and that everything she does or says is perfect. But I claim that a chap, who really loves a girl can still find just as many faults and imperfections in her as in any one else. Which of us is right?

A. AND B.

Dorothy Dix Says "Stick It out!"

Answer:

You are, of course, No human being is perfect, and any man who really believed a girl to be without flaw in mind or body or temperament would be a fit subject for an alienist. He would be the victim of delusions and seeing things that were not there.

Being in love with a girl wouldn't make you think that she was as beautiful as Dolores Costello if she happened to have carroty hair and a snub nose and a freckled face. Nor would it make you think a girl slim and willowy if she was fat and chubby. Or brilliant and scintillating in wit if she had just an ordinary set of feminine brains and was a quiet and demure little thing with nothing to say for herself.

But the fact that you didn't think the girl a paragon of beauty and cleverness wouldn't keep you from loving her. Because you didn't consider her something she was not and attribute to her qualities she did not possess it would not keep you from thinking her the one girl in the world for you.

A girl is certainly silly who demands that her sweetheart shall think her perfect before marriage, but if such a thing were possible he would be the most disillusioned of mortals after marriage, when he discovered that she had been the victim of a hallucination.

DOROTHY DIX.

DEAR MISS DIX—I have been married only a few months. My husband wants to transfer him from place to place all around the country. He has a fine position, and there is advancement in it, only I get so homesick that it make life miserable for both of us. Would you make him quit his job and go back home or would you try to stick it out?

HOMESICK BRIDE.

Answer:

Be a good sport and stick it out. Don't be a poor weak creature without enough backbone to do the right thing and the thing that will help the man you love.

Don't make your husband sorry he married you. That is what he will be if you keep on with the crybaby act, weeping to go back to mother and the girls. He will curse the day he married you if you blast his prospects in life by forcing him to give up his big opportunity and go back home and settle down into some little job that hasn't any future to it.

DOROTHY DIX.

DEAR DOROTHY DIX — My mother died seven years ago, leaving my father and ten children, all the children grown and with college educations, which both mother and father worked hard to give them. We are all married except three girls and we all have good positions, earning more than our living. Father is so lonely and he wants to marry again. He is over 60 and the woman he wants to marry is about 50. He is still active, has a good job and some money saved up. We girls have bitterly opposed our father's marrying, not because we object to the woman but because we feel do not want another woman to have our dear old dad. Are we wrong? Are we selfish?

PERPLEXED.

Answer:

If the woman is suitable, I think you are very wrong and foolish in opposing your father's marrying again. He isn't old as age counts nowadays, and has probably many years of life ahead of him and he needs a companion for the last lap of the journey.

And children cannot give a satisfying companionship to their parents no matter how dutiful they are, because the two generations are not really interested in the same things. Do you think it entertains your father to tell him about the good times you have? It is like reading the menu of a feast to which you are not asked. Do you think he really wants to chug out with you and your young friends and be dragged out of his bed and he is asked not of companion and that he is more or less of a wet blanket on the season.

DOROTHY DIX.

Uncle Wiggily Plays Ball

(By Howard R. Garis)

"Well, there he is, fast asleep," whispered the Bob Cat to the Fox as these two animals, who had been looking for Uncle Wiggily, saw the old rabbit gentleman lying in the woods beside a stone.

"Yes, fast asleep," agreed the Fox. "But what is that on the ground near him?"

"It's a bag," the Bob Cat served, taking another look.

The Fox and the Bob Cat walked on quiet tip toes toward Uncle Wiggily, who was fast asleep with a bag beside him.

"The old rabbit gentleman had gone to get some oranges so Nurse Jane could make a cake, but on the way home with his bag of fruit he had fallen asleep.

Then Jackie and Freelie Sow Wow, the puppy dog boys, playing around, had seen the sleeping rabbit and thinking the oranges might be for them they took all but one, which they left in the bag.

But in place of the oranges, three tricky little doggie boys put round, yellow stones.

So just as they were going to attack Uncle Wiggily the little old lady came skipping along.

"Look out, Uncle Wiggily! Look out!" croaked the little old lead lady. Mr. Longears jumped up and hid behind the rock near which he was asleep.

Uncle Wiggily also took the bag of yellow, hard stones, which he thought, was oranges, with him.

"Play ball!" cried Uncle Wiggily and taking from the bag what he thought was a soft orange, but which really was a hard yellow stone, Uncle Wiggily threw it at the Bob Cat. The Bob Cat caught the stone on his nose. So did the fox. And they both fell over.

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YOUR BABY and MINE

By MYRTLE MEYER ELDRED

BREATH-HOLDING MAY BE CONSCIOUS OR UNCONSCIOUS TYPE

When the child lets out a whoop of rage, stops suddenly, and holds his breath until his terrified mother throws water at him, hammers his back or screams to him to stop, he has breath-holding in a new and valuable asset to his bundle of tricks. Such breath-holding, generally accidental at first, can be called into play whenever there is need for subjugating his family.

INTENTIONAL OR INVOLUNTARY?

Holding one's breath to the point of suffocation is pretty impossible even for the child, and involuntary breath could happen if his mother took our look at his face, and immediately, in a flash, decide what has held the breath while counting sixty, and under-water swimmers who can hold it for two minutes or more should provide authority enough that there is need for sympathetic understanding.

Involuntary breath-holding is nothing to be concerned about. Obviously, for the child who is frightened by his mother who is watching him, every second is ten minutes long.

The breath-holding child who knows that it is a type of breath-holding, however, which is entirely involuntary. Reflexes in this are when the child is [illegible] making any conscious use of such a weapon. There are day babies who have long breaths if they become frightened or angry. In a small number of cases this is due to a premature fear on over-large thymus gland. This gland is largest in infancy. It is located in the upper chest and when excessive in size, respiration may easily be affected. When it is so large in infancy, it will cause other alarming symptoms. Breath-holding on slight provocation is one of these. Another symptom is a wheezy breathing, a sort of croaking noise which some babies make almost constantly. And which mothers are wont to [illegible] a "constant cold in the chest."

Not Mischievous

The baby who constantly exhibits one or two of these symptoms needs extra attention, and discipline. He should not be accused of having a temper any more than he should be accused of having a chest cold. He should be helped to draw his breath when he has these exclamation spasms. Changing his position, gently and holding him upright with little Fear, may be a relief of pleasant-minded mind.

RUPTURE
— CONQUERED —
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HERE'S TODAY'S PRIZE RECIPE

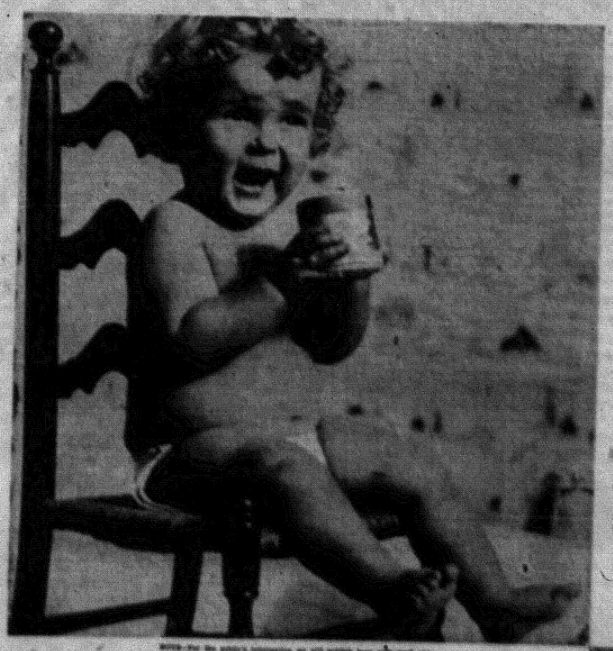
A prize of $1 will be awarded each day for the best recipe sent in to The Vancouver Sun readers. Address letters to the Recipe Editor, The Vancouver Sun. Write clearly on one side of the paper only. Today's award for the best recipe, which appears below, goes to Mrs. Robert McKean Waugh, 421 Victoria Road, Sandgate.

HALIBUT A LA KRAFT

2 cups milk — salt, pepper and paprika
2 tablespoons butter — 2 cups Kraft Canadian grated cheese
2 tablespoons flour

Make sauce with the milk, flour butter, seasoning to taste. When thick add grated cheese. Arrange half-inch slices of fresh halibut in buttered baking dish, pour cheese sauce around them and bake in a moderate oven until halibut is tender. Remove the fish to a serving platter, surround with the sauce and garnish with sliced tomatoes and parsley.

MILK BUILDS *Sound* TEETH *and* STRONG BONES



THE foundation for good second teeth must be laid before your child cuts his first baby tooth. Legs must be straight and sturdy long before baby takes his first faltering steps. But he cannot build strong teeth and bones without the material in his body from which tooth and bone structure is formed. Milk contains calcium, the element which builds bone and teeth in the miraculous laboratory of the human body. Milk is the only food from which your child can get in a natural manner the essential calcium for healthful growth. And the rate of growth is greater during the period from birth to six years than any other time in life. In these years the basis of a sound constitution is formed. Upon what your child eats today depends his strength and stamina in later life—his capacity for a vigorous, healthful and useful life.

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The Medical Research Council recommends a quart a day for each child. [illegible]