

The Lomita Music Study Club held a semi-monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. A. Lewis-Schwarz last Thursday evening.

Mrs. L. C. Walker of Narbonne avenue attended a bridge luncheon given Thursday by Mrs. Roy Stillson of Los Angeles.

Mrs. B. A. Beckham was on the air with vocal solos Monday evening, broadcasting from KFVB in San Pedro.

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**Easy Lessons in AUCTION BRIDGE**

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ARTICLE No. 11

We cannot all hold good hands, but we all can hold our tempers. Many a game and rubber is lost by bad temper, an inexcusable fault from every angle. The writer saw this well exemplified the other night. Two fairly good players had cut together for several rubbers and were not only holding bad cards but also getting bad "breaks." After several such hands, one of the players lost his temper completely and began to blame his partner for their bad luck. This naturally didn't help, so they went from bad to worse. Finally, after one hand in which a very bad and unexpected "break" of cards caused a big loss, the hot-tempered player said: "Well, partner, I have lost all confidence in you." The very next hand the partner made an invidious double, but the hot-tempered one refused to bid, saying: "I know very well what you want me to do, but I'll be hanged if I follow your ignorant orders." As a result of this childish loss of temper their opponents went game and rubber. Don't allow yourself to lose your money but lose your friends. There's no better way to lose several of the hands that caused this strong difference of opinion were rather interesting and instructive.

**Hand No. 1**  
Hearts—8, 5, 3  
Clubs—10, 7  
Diamonds—9, 3  
Spades—A, 8, 6, 5, 4, 3

Y :  
A : Z : B :

**Hand No. 2**  
Hearts—K, Q, J, 9, 7  
Clubs—A, K, 4  
Diamonds—K, J, 10, 8, 2  
Spades—none

No score, first game. Z dealt and bid one heart, A one spade, and Y and B passed. Z bid two diamonds, A two spades, and Y and B passed. Z now bid three diamonds, A passed, Y bid three hearts, B and Z passed, and A doubled. All passed and A opened the king of spades. How should Z plan the play of the hand?

**Hand No. 3**  
Hearts—A, 9, 6, 2  
Clubs—K, J, 8, 4  
Diamonds—K, J, 10, 8, 2  
Spades—9, 7, 5, 2

Y :  
A : Z : B :

**Hand No. 4**  
Hearts—K, 7, 5, 3  
Clubs—7  
Diamonds—A, K, J, 8, 3  
Spades—J, 7, 6

No score, rubber game. Z dealt and bid one club, A one diamond, Y one heart, and B one spade. Z now bid two hearts, A two spades, Y three hearts, and B three spades. Z now bid four hearts. What should A now bid with the foregoing hand?

An analysis of these four hands will be given in the next article. They are not tricky but usual, ordinary hands that come up constantly. Study them over and be ready to compare your reasoning with the writer's opinion.

**Answer to Problem No. 7**  
Hearts—7, 4, 2  
Clubs—Q, 7, 2  
Diamonds—none  
Spades—Q, 6

Y :  
A : Z : B : Hearts—none  
Clubs—J, 4, 3  
Diamonds—J, 10, 5, 4, 3  
Spades—none

Hearts—Q, 10, 6  
Clubs—K  
Diamonds—K, 6, 2  
Spades—7

There are no trumps and Z is in the lead. How can YZ so play the hand that they will win five of the eight tricks against any defense? The solution of this problem has already been given but a possible defense by B was suggested for analysis. At trick one Z should play the king of clubs and Y should play the seven. Z should then follow with the seven of spades. A should win this trick with the king. It was suggested that A should now play the king of hearts and follow with the nine. If Z plays the six of hearts on A's king and wins the second round of hearts to B's hand. When A four tricks, for Z will have to lead diamonds to B's hand. When A leads the king of hearts, Z should play the ten of hearts and win the second round of hearts with the queen. He should then play the king of diamonds and lead a low heart. A must win this trick with the jack of hearts. No matter what he now leads, Y must make his queen of clubs and queen of spades. This variation is very instructive and should be carefully noted. Play it out and notice the proper play by A and Z.

Earl Wilkins of Owensmouth was a weekend guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Wilkins, of Walnut street.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Parsons and family, of Poppy street, were entertained Sunday by Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Pallister of Covina.

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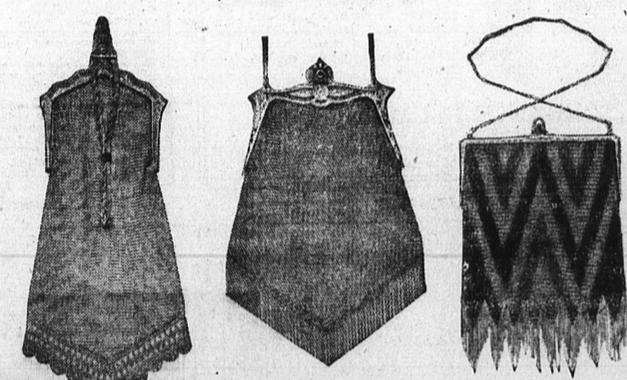
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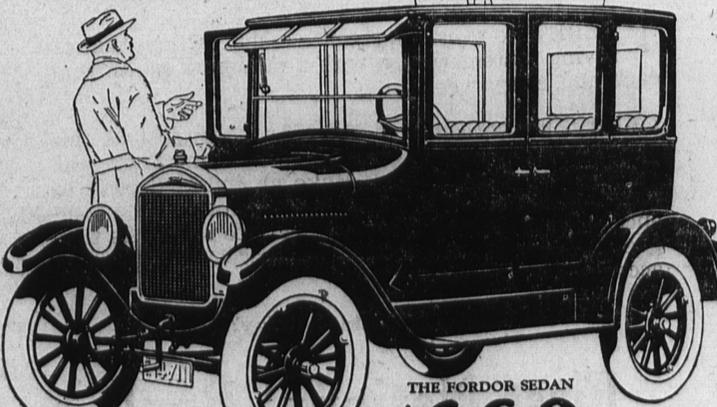
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