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THE HERALD'S PLATFORM FOR TORRANCE

1—Ornamental Lighting System.

2—Interchange of Freight Between P. E. and Santa Fe.

√3—Western Avenue Bus Line.

4—Hollywood-Palos Verdes Parkway.

5—New School North of Carson St.

6—Aviation Field.

7—Co-operation of All Torrance People, Firms, Industries and Other Agencies, to Induce Torrance Workmen to Live in Torrance.

8—Adoption and carrying out of a well-conceived city plan to guide the growth and development of Torrance.

9—The conduct of All Local Affairs in a spirit of Neighborly Friendliness and Constructive Co-operation to the End That the Peace and Prosperity of All May Be Encouraged by an Alert Civic Consciousness and Patriotism.

EVERYONE CAN HELP ON THIS

THE many houses now under construction in Torrance will be sold on easy terms, a few hundred dollars down and the balance like rent.

To persons working in the city but living elsewhere this condition presents an easy way out of the high cost of commuting and the waste of time taken in traveling miles to and from work every day.

Another striking fact about the houses for sale in Torrance is the fact that dwellings in Los Angeles and other cities are selling for almost $1000 more than is being asked here.

The dwellings in the Manchester avenue district, for example, are bringing from $750 to $1200 more than better houses in Torrance are selling for today.

The reason evidently is that people expect high prices in Los Angeles and regard a home in the metropolis as worth more than even a better home in a smaller city like Torrance.

Yet Torrance has every advantage to offer as a place of residence. Taxes are much lower than in Los Angeles. Torrance is staggering under no heavy burden of bonded indebtedness.

Do you know some person who is working here and living elsewhere? If you do, present to him the fact that unusually attractive homes may now be purchased in Torrance on unusually attractive terms.

We have no doubt but what scores of men who now drive miles to and from work every day would buy homes in Torrance if they knew actual conditions here. But they drive in and out quickly without witnessing the development that is taking place here.

It is to the advantage of every resident of Torrance to have the city grow. If the persons living here now will help to promote the sale of houses now going up or recently completed, more homes will be built and the already splendid growth of Torrance which started with the new year will be given new impetus.

The writer is acquainted with a number of persons who were reluctant to move to Torrance, who finally did so and who now say that they wouldn't live anywhere else.

Torrance offers to the person who works here proximity to the job, beautiful surroundings, good schools, nearness to the ocean, the finest summer climate in Southern California, low taxes, the joy of being a part of a rapidly growing community, fine new dwellings at rock-bottom prices and on easy terms.

Let's all preach the advantages of Torrance to the workers of this city who live elsewhere.

How to Play BRIDGE

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ARTICLE No. 29

"Don't play before you think" is a good slogan and should be easy of application. Only a very few players, however, really follow the advice at the proper time; that is, before they play or lead to the first trick. If you are the leader, mentally review the bidding before you decide upon the proper lead. After the dummy hand is placed on the table, review the bidding again before you play to the next trick. Many games are won or lost by the play of the first three tricks, so be sure that you take plenty of time and decide on your course of action at the first trick. "Think before you play" is the advice to follow at all times. The failure of a player to observe this advice is well exemplified in the following hand:

Y: Hearts—A, J, 8, 5; Clubs—K, 8; Diamonds—A, Q, 10, 9; Spades—10, 4, 3

A: Hearts—K, 7, 3; Clubs—A, Q, J, 7; Diamonds—K, J, 8, 7; Spades—K, 8

B: Hearts—Q, 10, 4; Clubs—10, 6, 5, 4, 2; Diamonds—6, 4, 2; Spades—Q, J

Z: Hearts—9, 6, 2; Clubs—9, 3; Diamonds—5, 3; Spades—A, 9, 7, 6, 5, 2

No score, rubber game. Z dealt and passed, A bid one no-trump, Y doubled, and B passed. Z bid two spades, and all passed. A opened the ace of clubs and followed with the seven. Z won the trick in dummy and led the trey of spades, winning the trick in his own hand with the ace. He now led the trey of diamonds, A played the seven, and Z the nine from Y's hand, winning the trick. Here is where Z failed to think. He should realize that if he can get his hand in he can finesse the diamond again and thus obtain a heart discard. He could do this by leading the ten of spades from dummy (Y's hand), which A would take with the king. Then, no matter what A would lead back, Z could get the lead in his own hand with a trump and thus be in a position to lead the diamonds. Unfortunately for Z, however, he played the four of spades, without first giving a little thought to the matter. A won the trick with the king of spades and led his king of hearts. Z couldn't afford to win this trick, for he had no way of getting his own hand in the lead. The ten of spades which he had thoughtlessly left in dummy blocked his spade suit. As a result of this bad play Y-Z only scored three odd on a hand where a game should have been easy. Like everything else, you get much better results in auction by thinking before you get into trouble, not afterwards.

Answer to Problem No. 33

Y: Hearts—A; Clubs—A, Q, 3; Diamonds—10, 9, 8, 7, 3; Spades—A, 10, 9, 7

A: Hearts—9, 6, 5, 3; Clubs—6, 5, 2; Diamonds—A, K, J, 5; Spades—5, 3

B: Hearts—K, Q, J, 2; Clubs—K, J, 8; Diamonds—Q, 6, 4, 2; Spades—K, 4

Z: Hearts—10, 8, 7, 4; Clubs—10, 9, 7, 4; Diamonds—none; Spades—Q, J, 8, 6, 2

No score, rubber game. Z dealt and passed. A bid one diamond, Y one no-trump, and B passed. Z bid two spades, all passed, and A opened the king of diamonds. How should Z plan the play of the hand? Y should trump the king of diamonds and then play for a cross ruff. If he should lead the spades and finesse he cannot go game, for B would win the first spade trick and lead spades back. Therefore, after trumping the diamond lead Z should return a heart trick. He should then cross ruff diamonds and hearts. In this way he can trump hearts three times and diamonds five times. These tricks, with his ace of hearts and at least one club trick, will score game easily.

Answer to Problem No. 34

Y: Hearts—A, J; Clubs—A, 7, 5, 4; Diamonds—none; Spades—K, 5

A: Hearts—Q, 9, 5; Clubs—9, 6; Diamonds—none; Spades—Q, 10, 8

B: Hearts—none; Clubs—Q, J, 10, 2; Diamonds—none; Spades—9, 6, 4, 2

Z: Hearts—none; Clubs—K, 8, 3; Diamonds—Q, 7; Spades—A, J, 7

There are no trumps, and Z is in the lead. How can Y-Z so play the hand that they can win all the tricks against any defense? Z should lead two rounds of diamonds, discarding the four and five of clubs from Y's hand. A should discard the six of clubs and the five of hearts. B should discard the deuce of clubs and the deuce of spades. Z should now lead the king of clubs and the trey of clubs, winning the second trick in Y's hand with the ace. A follows suit on the first round of clubs, but on the second round he is forced to discard the eight of spades. He cannot discard another heart or Y's hearts will be good. B follows suit on both rounds of clubs. Y should now lead the ace of hearts, and B is forced to discard either the queen of clubs or the four of spades. If B discards the club Z will discard a spade. If B discards the spade Z will discard the club. Therefore, in either event, Y-Z must win the balance of the tricks. It is a pretty problem in forcing discards, and should be carefully studied.

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