

Humpty Dumpty

"COMPLETE FOOD STORES"

Humpty Dumpty is already ready for his customers. He makes your shopping trips delightful. See the system the Humpty Dumpty stores have to serve you. A sensible saving method combined with high grade merchandise.

COFFEE Hill Bros. 48c
Red Can, 1 lb.
Limit 2 Cans to a Customer

PEACHES—SARATOGA
No. 2 1/2 Can 15c
Sliced or Halves
Ripe Fruit in Syrup

TOMATOES—SARATOGA
No. 2 1/2 Can 10c
Packed from
Full Rip'd Tomatoes

BROOMS Humpty Dumpty Best 83c
(The Best Broom Money Can Buy)

CANADA DRY
Per Bottle... 22c By the Case... \$2.50
A Worthwhile Christmas Present

SPERRY'S PANCAKE FLOUR
Small 10c Large 25c
Served with Covered Wagon Syrup for a Delicious Breakfast

ALL BAR CANDIES 4 for 15c
LIBBY'S APPLE BUTTER
No. 1 Can 2 for 25c
Delightful, Spicy

PRUNES Medium Size 2 lbs. 19c
Santa Clara Valley Fruit in Paper Bags

JAMS 1 lb. Berry 27c 1 lb. Fruit 19c
TROPICAL 3 lb. Berry 60c 3 lb. Fruit 40c
PURE 5 lb. Berry 85c 5 lb. Fruit 60c

GOLD DUST Large Package 25c
Cleans Easily
TILLAMOOK CHEESE Always Excels Lb. 33c

Prices effective Grocery Dept.—Dec. 14, 15 and 17th

MEAT DEPARTMENT

"Where Quality Counts"

PURE LARD 2 lbs. 35c
For Shortening nothing equals Pure Hog Lard.

PORK LEGS 1 lb. 22c
Whole or Shank Roasts

Pork Shoulders 1 lb. 17 1/2c
Whole or Shank Cuts

Pork Loins—For Roasting 1 lb. 22c
(Center Cuts 5c lb. extra)

Lamb Legs—The Better Kind 1 lb. 35c
(4 to 4 1/2 lb. average weight)

Bacon—Eastern Sugar Cured 1 lb. 28 1/2c
(Half or Whole Piece)

PREMIUM HAMS
Half or Whole Xmas Wrap
1 lb. 31 1/2c
Always an acceptable gift.

PURITAN HAMS
Half or Whole Xmas Wrap
1 lb. 29 1/2c
Give them for Xmas.

POT ROASTS, lb. 22 1/2c

HAMBURGER, lb. 20c

SIRLOIN STEAKS, lb. 29 1/2c

Our Beef Roasts and Steaks will assure you a delightful meal.
For Cleanliness and Quality, patronize a Humpty Dumpty Market.
Prices effective Meat Dept.—December 15th

VEGETABLES SPECIALS

Burbank Potatoes, 14 lbs. 25c

Fancy Roman Beauty Apples, 6 lbs. 25c

Red Emperor Grapes, 3 lbs. 10c

Coachella Grape Fruit, 7 for 25c
(Large Fancy Fruit)

1401 Sartori Ave. Harry Lowe, Mgr.

Open City Zone for Used Cars

Council Grants Cabrillo Avenue Permit With Strings on License

Used car lots may be maintained in any part of the business district which is zoned to allow garages. This was the import of a decision by the council Tuesday night in the year-old controversy over the granting of a permit for a used car lot on Cabrillo avenue opposite the Torrance theatre. The license was granted with the stipulation that the lot be used only for the showing and sale of used cars, that no repairs on automobiles be made on the property, and the lot not turned into a wrecked auto graveyard. City Attorney Briney asked the council if they wished to make the permit temporary. He pointed out that if the council interpreted the ordinance as allowing a used car lot in any zone where garages may be operated, that interpretation would open all lots in the zone for the same purpose. The council decided to make the permit permanent, thus giving the ordinance the interpretation to which the attorney referred.

Plan Addition to M. E. Church

Plans are being submitted for an addition to be built on to the Methodist church on El Prado. With the membership of the church growing rapidly, more space is essential. The new addition will house Sunday school classrooms.

BASEBALL SUNDAY

Reginald Denny's All-Stars will be seen for the second time on the local diamond when they meet Ed Tamsey's men at C. M. O. Park on Sunday, Dec. 16.

Offer Furniture Free with Home

Keystone Company Has Attractive Plan For Torrance Workers

The person who wishes to purchase a well-built home in the Torrance district and consults the Keystone Finance and Building Corporation between now and Christmas may secure all the furniture for a five-room house free of charge. The company, which recently completed an attractive group of homes next door to the Carson street school in Keystone at the corner of Carson and Main streets, is making this special offer to last until Christmas day. The homes are guaranteed as to construction and workmanship and are offered on the easy payment plan. In addition the company insures any buyer in reasonably good health against sickness or death. This unique insurance plan provides that in case of sickness the buyer's payments are made for him and in the event of his death a free and clear deed is presented to his heirs. The Keystone Finance and Building Corporation stands ready to build as many homes as are required in the Torrance district and is expending a large appropriation in bringing the message of its purchase and insurance plan to the attention of men who work in Torrance but live elsewhere. The Weisitz Investment Company, realtors, are exclusive agents for the homes. Their office is at Carson and Main streets. Houses may be purchased furnished or unfurnished. No assessments stand against the property. The free furniture offer will not hold after Christmas, Mr. Weisitz says.

How to Play BRIDGE

Series 1928-29 by Wynne Ferguson
Author of "PRACTICAL AUCTION BRIDGE"

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There is no better way to improve your game than by a study of the manner in which good players bid or play in certain hands, but to get this result, you must really study the hands and particularly the principle involved. Most players, however, only look over a problem hand in a cursory manner and thus obtain little or no benefit. Here is a hand that illustrates a principle of play that should be understood by all players; namely, "throwing the lead".

Example Hand

Hearts—10, 8, 6, 2
Clubs—6
Diamonds—K, 10, 9, 5, 2
Spades—A, 9, 3

Hearts—K, 9, 3
Clubs—K, Q, J, 10
Diamonds—4
Spades—K, Q, J, 10, 5

Hearts—A, Q, 5
Clubs—A, 9, 4
Diamonds—A, Q, J, 7, 6
Spades—7, 2

No score, rubber game. Z dealt, bid one no trump. A bid two spades, Y bid two no trump, B and Z passed and A bid three spades. Y and B passed, Z bid three no trump, A doubled and all passed.

A opened the king of spades and Z held off until the third round of spades, winning the third spade trick in Y's hand with the ace.

Z then led five rounds of diamonds on which A was obliged to discard four times. He could discard only two clubs or two diamonds would be good. The other two discards could be one spade and one heart.

At the ninth trick, therefore, Z should play the ace of clubs and a low club, forcing A in the lead with the king of clubs. A can now make his spade trick and then must lead away from his hearts up to the ace queen in Z's hand. Played in this way, Z makes three odd game and rubber, and there is no defense. Learn to "throw the lead" into an opponent's hand when by so doing you will force a lead to your advantage.

Here is a pretty hand that will make you think. Figure out how you would play it and then compare results with the analysis that will be given in the next article.

Problem No. 7

Hearts—A, 9
Clubs—9, 7, 5, 3
Diamonds—9, 8, 4
Spades—J, 10, 7

Hearts—K, 8, 5, 2
Clubs—K, 10, 8
Diamonds—A, J, 7
Spades—A, K, 5

No score, rubber game. Z dealt and bid one no trump. A and Y passed and B bid two diamonds. Z bid two no trump, all passed and A opened the queen of diamonds. Z allowed the queen to hold the trick and A then led the six of diamonds. Y played a low diamond, B the king, and Z won the trick with the ace. How should he plan the play of the hand?

Answer to Problem No. 6

Hearts—4, 3
Clubs—none
Diamonds—5, 4, 3, 2
Spades—4, 3

Hearts—J, 10, 9
Clubs—9, 8
Diamonds—none
Spades—J, 10, 9

Hearts—A, 2
Clubs—A, 4, 3, 2
Diamonds—none
Spades—A, 2

If diamonds are trumps and Z is in the lead, can Y Z win all the tricks against any defense?

Answer: Y Z can make all the remaining tricks, as follows: Z should lead the deuce of clubs, trumping in Y's hand with the deuce of diamonds. At trick two Y should lead the five of diamonds. B cannot discard a club, for if he does Z can take the lead and set up a club trick, thus easily giving Y Z eight tricks. At trick two, therefore, B is obliged to discard a heart or a spade. As the suits are exactly the same, suppose B discards a heart. What ever suit B selects, Z should follow the discard. Thus, if B discards the queen of hearts, A's discard at this stage is immaterial, but let it be the suit which B does not discard, in this instance, spades. At trick two, therefore, B discards the nine of spades.

At trick three Y should lead the trey of hearts, the suit B discarded. Y wins the trick with the ace, A following suit. At trick four, Z should lead the ace of clubs. All follow suit except Y, who should discard the trey of spades.

At trick five Z should lead the four of clubs. A can discard the ten of hearts. Y trumps with the three of diamonds and B follows suit.

At trick six, Y should lead the four of diamonds. B cannot discard his last club or Z's trey of clubs and ace of spades will win the last two tricks. B is forced, therefore, to discard the queen of spades. Z discards the trey of clubs. A cannot discard the jack of hearts or Y's four of hearts will be good. A is forced, therefore, to discard the ten of spades.

At trick seven, Y should lead the four of spades and Z wins the next two tricks with the ace and deuce of spades. This is a pretty problem in discarding and should be carefully studied. Many a game and rubber is won by forcing opponents to discard to their disadvantage, so any problem illustrating such tactics cannot help but be valuable. In working out these problem hands, be sure to lay out the hands and follow the solution very carefully, playing the cards named on each trick from each hand. In no other way can the reader obtain the maximum benefit.

Wee Mitchell Baby Goes Home to Mama

Baby Mitchell, the tiny mite kept alive for so many weeks in an incubator at the Jared Sidney Torrance Memorial hospital, was returned to the home of the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Mitchell of 2309 Andree avenue, last week. When returned, the baby weighed a fraction less than 4 pounds.

BICYCLE STOLEN

Warren Raynes reported to the Torrance police that his bicycle had been stolen from the grounds of Torrance High School some time Tuesday afternoon. The bicycle had a black frame with blue spots, and black fenders. Warren lives in the shoeing strip, at the corner of Wilmington and Meyer.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Gardner and children have all been ill with the flu, but Mr. Gardner is much improved and able to return to his market on Narbonne and Weston.

Santa Claus in Torrance Thursday

Santa Claus will be in Torrance Thursday evening, December 20, and will preside at the big Christmas tree to be erected on the vacant lot by the city hall.

He will have gifts for all the kiddies, and a merry time will be had by all. Members of the fire department, in conjunction with the Chamber of Commerce are making plans for a huge Christmas celebration at that time. The churches are co-operating on a joint program of Christmas carols and tableaux.

The Torrance high band will play, and other numbers unannounced at this time will be on the program. The Christmas tree will be about 25 or 30 feet tall, and decorated and lighted with electric lights. A. W. Malone is in charge of the decorating.

Mr. and Mrs. John Eggers are driving a new roadster.

Hill Furniture Company to Open Store in Torrance Friday With Grand Opening Sale

Bringing to Torrance the experience of 20 years in the furniture business, H. Hill, tomorrow will open the Hill Furniture Company's new store at 1805 Gramercy avenue, next to the Deacon Drug store. Mr. Hill is the son of W. H. Hill, owner of the Hill Rug and Furniture Company, well known home furnishing house in Long Beach. A grand opening sale starting Friday, December 14, is advertised on another page of this issue, and features a wealth of gift furniture at sharply reduced prices. "Our policy will be to handle a good dependable line of furniture at moderate prices," Mr. Hill stated, "and we have buying connections which will enable us to sell furniture and home furnishing at prices far below those usually asked."

H. Hill, the proprietor of the new store, has had a wide experience in interior decorating and buying and selling furniture. He is enthusiastic over the prospects of Torrance and is issuing special inducements for local people to visit his store during the Grand Opening Sale, which begins Friday, December 14. WILL SEEK GAS BID. The Council Tuesday night instructed the city clerk to advertise for bids for the sale of gasoline to the city during 1929. Mr. and Mrs. P. G. Briney have been ill with the flu.

Hill Furniture Company

ANNOUNCES GRAND OPENING SALE

OF FURNITURE

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14

Torrance's new furniture store. Just in time for Christmas. A splendid stock of bright new furniture in which one will find many pieces that will make desirable gifts. Floor Lamps, End Tables, Tilt-top Tables, Smokers, Lamp Shades, Occasional Chairs, Silk and Velour Pillows, Dining Room, Bed Room and Living Room Furniture. In fact a large and complete line of high grade merchandise for every home.

OPEN EVENINGS TILL CHRISTMAS

A cordial welcome is extended to the public. While here during the opening be sure and register. Particulars will be given to you when you attend the Grand Opening Sale.

DON'T FAIL TO REGISTER BEFORE DEC. 24

'XTRA SPECIAL
8-piece Walnut Bed Room Outfit, consisting of Bed, Vanity, Chest, Bench, Spring, Mattress and Pair of Pillows.
\$89.00

MAGAZINE RACKS Beautifully decorated Magazine Racks at 99c	BRIDGE LAMP AND SHADE Beautiful wrought iron standard. Choice of 3 different styles of shades, complete \$1.95	OCCASIONAL CHAIRS Newest designs in these chairs. \$17.95	DA-BEDS Best of construction with heavy cretonne Pad. Special \$23.50
SMOKERS A real gift for HIM. Wrought Iron Smokers. Only 99c	SILK PILLOWS Your choice of beautiful silk pillows, only \$1.95	3-PIECE BED ROOM OUTFIT Consists of Bed, Cell Spring and Mattress. \$21.85	FLOOR LAMPS One of the newest creations in Floor Lamps. Complete \$5.95
MIRRORS Beautiful mirrors with attractive Polychrome frames \$1.95			END TABLES Mahogany End Tables, chair height, only \$1.95

'XTRA SPECIAL
8-piece Living Room Outfit, including 3 Piece Jacquard Velour Suite, web bottom construction, Nachman Spring units. Bridge Lamp and Shade, Smoker Tilt-Top Table and Magazine Rack.
\$98.00

Hill Furniture Co.

"HOUSE OF GREATER VALUES"
1805 Gramercy Ave. Torrance, Calif.