

BRIDGE

in BIRMINGHAM

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Bridge Association

Hugh Stevenson is a well-known duplicate bridge player in the Birmingham area. "Sandy" as he prefers to be called, usually has the hand figured out in advance. In our hand today, you will note that perfection that was needed to bring in the contract, one that was defeated at the same bid.

- WEST EAST
- ▲ J 7 7
 - ♦ A Q 8 5 4
 - ♣ 8 7 6
 - ♠ 4 2
- SOUTH EAST
- ▲ K 10 3 2
 - ♦ K 9 3
 - ♣ A Q J 3
 - ♠ Q J 10 9 7 6 5 3

THE BIDDING:
SOUTH WEST NORTH EAST
1 ♠ pass 2 ♣ pass
2 NT pass 3 NT all pass.
Opening lead ♣ 4.

Sandy won the first trick with his ace of clubs and at this early point, made the lead that would bring in the contract.

Instead of trying the hearts and then the spade finesse, he played a low spade and went on with the jack in dummy. East won this trick and returned a club to take out South's last stopper.

ON THE NEXT TRICK, Sandy again played a low spade to the queen and when East showed no winners, he was now able to win four tricks in this suit.

Next, he played the heart 10 that was covered by the jack and the dummy's queen forced East's king.

East, having discarded a low diamond on the third round of clubs and a low heart on the fifth round of spades, now attempted to fool Sandy by returning the queen of diamonds.

IF SANDY would duck one round, he could then play the ace and defeat the contract. However, Sandy was up to the situation. He played the king and returned a heart to claim the balance of the tricks.

Kay Clinton has announced that the June 25 session will end her club for the summer and that she will resume at the Community House with a master-point game the first Monday evening in September.

SOUTHERN Michigan Bridge Association will make it possible to play in a national tournament here in your community. On July 30 at 2:30 p.m., the boards of the National Tournament will be duplicated and played here for sectional master-points.

Those who wish to compete will be playing against the entire country. More details later.

Birmingham Original
"Song of Detroit" an original composition by Dean Coffin, 1150 Peritan, Birmingham and Isabelle Hino-Buch, 1115 Lakeside, Birmingham, will be featured in this summer's International Freedom Festival in Detroit.

Green's Show B'ham Conservatory To Present Recital Salute to BAA

As a special tribute to the Birmingham Art Association Green's of Birmingham has an exhibit painting by three well-known area artists: John Coppin, Virgil Exner and Morgan Douglas.

In the Coppin collection are the original pictures. Coppin painted for the AAA magazine. Oils and water colors of Michigan sports, water scenes and landscapes.

The Exner water color group includes detailed summer and winter landscapes reflecting American and European countryside.

Douglas has a wide assortment of water colors depicting American and European landscapes and winter ski scenes.

Green's salute exhibit went on display Tuesday, June 19 and will continue throughout the Birmingham Art Festival. Display hours are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Art Display Opens At Galleries Here

Opening today at Jacobson's is an exhibition of oil, gouache and water color paintings by Dorothy and Frederick Simper.

The paintings can be seen from 1:30 to 10 p.m. today and from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. daily through July 6.



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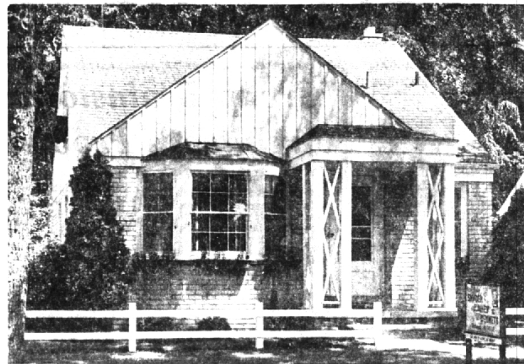
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