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NORTH

S—Q 8
 H—Q 8 6 5 2
 D—A K J
 C—A K Q

EAST

S—7 6
 H—J 9 7
 D—Q 9 3 2
 C—J 10 8 6

SOUTH

S—K 5 4
 H—A 3
 D—10 8 6 5
 C—9 7 5 2

The bidding: N E S W
 1H P 1NT P
 3NT P P P

Opening lead: Jack of Spades.

The novice bridge player is always amazed when he sees an expert discard a good ace or king while defending a hand in order that he may defeat the contract. The above hand is a good example that even a non-expert can indulge in if he is willing to concentrate a little.

The jack of spades is captured by North's queen; East plays the seven. South now leads a small heart to his ace. To beat the contract West must pitch his king! If West does not, he will be forced to win the second or third heart. With West in the lead, South has an additional spade stopper and since the hearts will set up with the play of the queen from the board, South has no more worries. West's only hope to defeat the contract is if East holds the jack of hearts with two little ones, and can get in and lead a spade through South's king in time. It is obvious that the declarer has the king of spades and does not have the ace of hearts. If East had the king of spades he would have played it on the first round; since he played the seven, South's king must still be protected. If South had the jack of hearts, he would have finessed hearts the first time he played them. If South holds three hearts, the contract can never be defeated, and West is only throwing away one trick.

If West pitches his king of hearts under the ace, South cannot make the contract. South can take eight tricks at most, one spade, two hearts, two diamonds, and three clubs, before he must let East in.

—Jerry Davis '56

calendar of events

WEDNESDAY, MAY 22

Reading Period—Biochemistry May 24.
 Biology Department—Biochemistry Division. Colloquium: "Enzymatic Mechanisms in the Synthesis of Glycinamide Ribotide." Standish C. Hartman (S). Tea will be served in Room 16-711 at 2:30 p.m.
ROOM 16-310, 3:00 p.m.
 Electrical Engineering Department. Colloquium: "Some Mathematical Experiments on Machines." Professor Stanislaw Ulam, Mathematics Department. Refreshments will be served in Room 10-280 at 4:30 p.m.
ROOM 10-250, 3:30 p.m.
 A. D. Little Lecture Committee. Arthur Dehon Little Memorial Lecture: "Generation of Greatness: The Idea of a University in an Age of Science." Dr. Edwin H. Land, President of Polaroid Corporation.
KRESGE AUDITORIUM, 8:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, MAY 23

Electrical Engineering Department. Seminar: "Electronic Processes in Solids." This is a continuing series of lectures by Dr. Pierre Aigrain, Professor of Physics at the Ecole Normale Supérieure, Paris, and Visiting Webster Professor of Electrical Engineering. The final lecture will be presented on Tuesday, May 28.
ROOM 10-275, 3:00-4:30 p.m.
 Freshman Outdoor Track Team. Meet with Moses Brown School.
BRIGGS FIELD, 3:30 p.m.
 Mathematics Department. Harvard-MIT. Joint Mathematics Colloquium: "Complex Analytic Coordinates on Almost Complex Manifolds." Professor Louis Nirenberg of New York University. Tea will be served in Room 2-290 at 4:00 p.m.
ROOM 2-390, 4:30 p.m.
 Staff Players of MIT. Final supper meeting of the season. Play reading of B. Thomas' "Charley's Aunt." Supper at the Faculty Club at 6:30 p.m. For reservations, call extension 862.
FACULTY CLUB PENTHOUSE, 8:00 p.m.
 Lowell Institute School. Graduation Exercises, with address by Mr. Frederick W. Argue, Engineering Vice President of Stone and Webster Engineering Corporation. Exercises also include an address by Professor J. P. Den Hartog and presentation of the Charles Francis Park Medal. Dr. Ralph Lowell, Trustee of the School, will award certificates. Dr. Arthur L. Townsend, Director, will preside.
HUNTINGTON HALL, 8:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 25

Examination period—May 25 through May 31.

TUESDAY, MAY 28

Seminar: "Electronic Processes in Solids." This is the last in a series of lectures by Dr. Pierre Aigrain, Professor of Physics at the Ecole Normale Supérieure, Paris, and Visiting Webster Professor of Electrical Engineering.
ROOM 10-275, 3:00-4:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 29

Mathematics Department. Continuum Mechanics Seminar: "Melting Near the Stagnation Point of a Body in a Hot Stream." Dr. Leonard Roberts, Mathematics Department.
ROOM 2-147, 4 p.m.

MONDAY, JUNE 3

Biology Department—Biochemistry Division. Harvard-MIT. Biochemistry Colloquium: "Uridine Nucleotides and Carbohydrate Metabolism." Dr. Luis F. Leloir, Director, Fundacion Campomar, Instituto de Investigaciones Bioquímicas, Buenos Aires, Argentina.
MALLINCKRODT MB-29, HARVARD, 8:00 p.m.

SENIOR WEEK

FRIDAY, MAY 31

Senior Class Banquet.
ROCKWELL CAGE, 6:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, JUNE 1

Senior Class Party: "Mystery Night."
BAKER HOUSE, 8:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, JUNE 2

Boston Pops Orchestra Concert.
SYMPHONY HALL, 8:00 p.m.

MONDAY, JUNE 3

Senior Class Moonlight Cruise.
ROWES WHARF, 7:45 p.m.

TUESDAY, JUNE 4

Annual Commencement Formal Ball.
THE SHERATON-PLAZA HOTEL, 8:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, JUNE 6

R.O.T.C. Joint Army and Air Force R.O.T.C. Commissioning Exercises.
KRESGE AUDITORIUM, 10:30 a.m.
 Baccalaureate Service. Baccalaureate Service, with address by Dr. George R. Harrison, Dean of the MIT School of Science.
KRESGE AUDITORIUM, 3:00 p.m.

FRIDAY, JUNE 7

Commencement. Graduation Exercises, with Commencement Address by Dr. John W. Gardner, President of the Carnegie Corporation of New York. Address to the Graduates by Dr. James R. Killian, Jr.
ROCKWELL CAGE, 10:30 a.m.
 Luncheon and Reception. Commencement Luncheon and President's Reception for Seniors and their guests. Luncheon tickets are \$2.50 per person.
DU PONT COURT, 1:00 p.m.

MONDAY, JUNE 10

Alumni Day Luncheon. Luncheon for alumni and guests; address by Dr. James R. Killian, Jr.
DU PONT COURT, 12:00 Noon
 Dedication. Dedication of Karl Taylor Compton Laboratories. Principal address by Dean George R. Harrison.
COMPTON LABORATORIES, 2:30 p.m.

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