

OBITUARY

Barrington M. Clowes, one of the leading personalities in Welsh Bridge has died of a heart attack at the age of 54. Barry Clowes and Paul Spurway were Wales' top pair in the early 'sixties, winning most of the major honours the principality had to offer. At Windsor and St. Mellons they were members of the Welsh teams that beat England in the Camrose matches. In 1974 Barry founded the Gwent Bridge Academy in Newport and devoted the remainder of his life to the successful development of bridge in that area. Barry had charisma. He never failed to charm all those he met. His involvement in the administrative side of bridge was turbulent, for, once set on a course, Barry was not a man to be deflected. A complex and exciting character with an aggressive sense of humour, he inspired loyalty in the widest range of people. We shall miss him.

He leaves a widow, Nora, and two grown-up children. To them we give our sympathy.

Patrick Jourdain