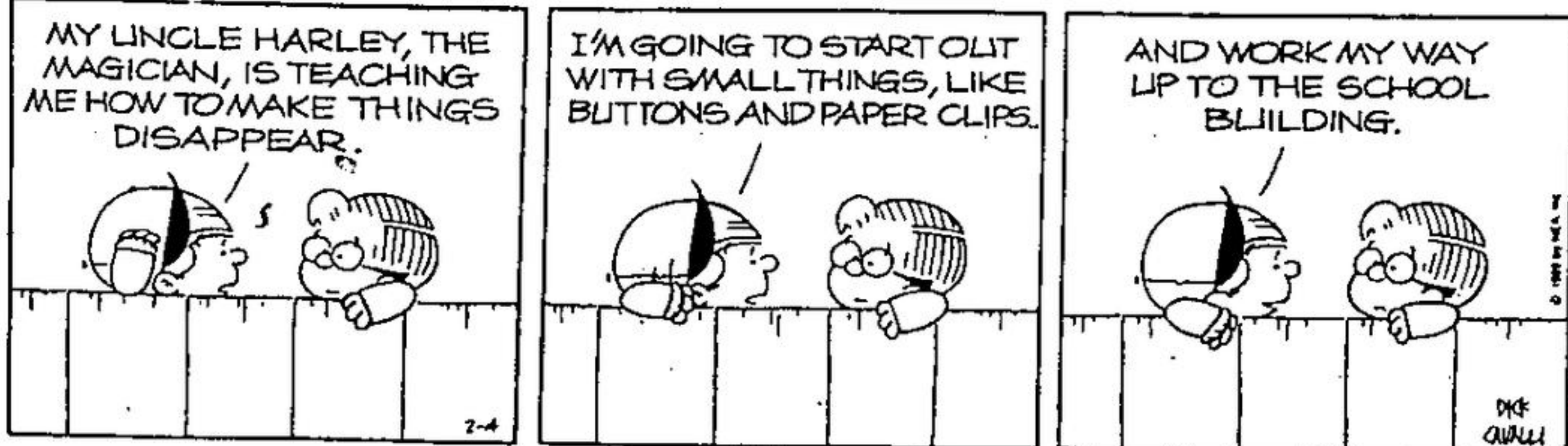


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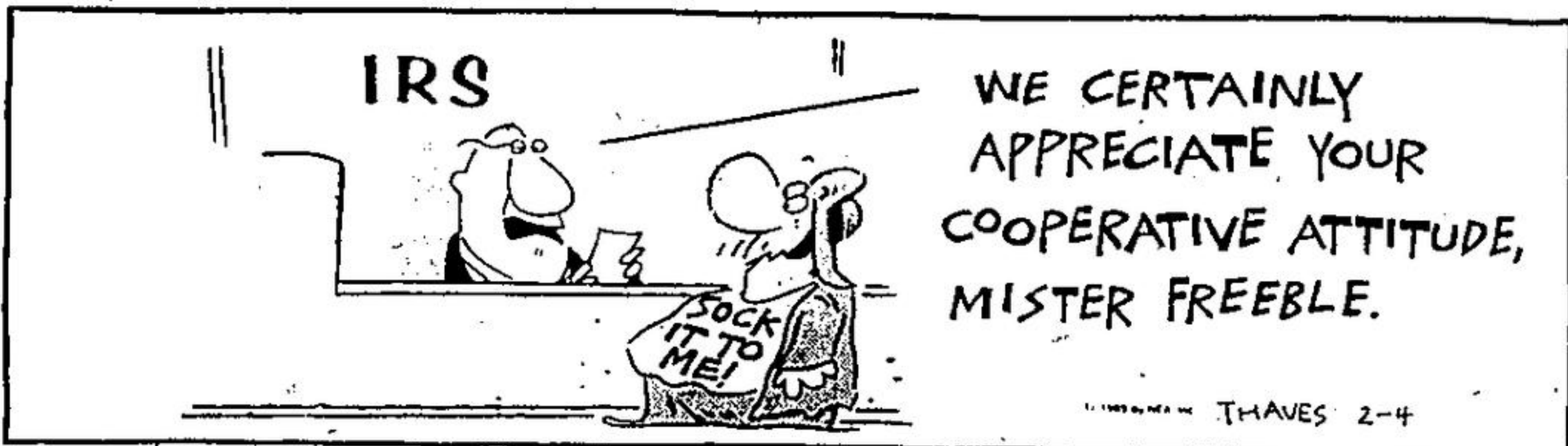
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Your Birthday

Feb. 2, 1989

The year ahead may turn out to be one of your most successful periods materially. Events could unfold in ways that will put you in the right place at the right time.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** It's best to keep your ambitious objectives to yourself today instead of discussing them with others. You'll be much more effective if you can use the elements of surprise at the right moment. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you to understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail \$2 to Matchmaker, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** Something may occur today that will kindle a future hope. However, you must be sure to follow through tomorrow with the enthusiasm that fires you now.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** Something quite unexpected may occur today that will have the potential of either enhancing or diminishing your reputation. Fortunately, you'll handle it like a champion.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** Defend your views today, especially if they are challenged by a person whose misinformation could harm a friend who follows your adversary's advice.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** Be both money-minded and profit-conscious at this time, because there is a possibility you can enter into some type of arrangement that could generate funds for you through a new channel.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** Have an in-depth talk today with your mate regarding an issue that has caused dissension lately. Much good can come from such a discussion.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** This can be a very productive day for you, provided you apply yourself properly. Use your hands, mind and time for constructive endeavors.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** Good things could happen for you today through people you'll be involved with socially. Don't turn down any invitation you get to participate in activities of this nature.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** If you have a business connection you would like to strengthen, invite this person to your place today instead of a commercial watering hole.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** Try not to let others involve you in situations that keep you tied down to one place too long. You need both mobility and independence today to be at your best.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** Lay your groundwork today for what you hope to accomplish financially later in the week. If you look ahead a bit now, it will enhance your chances for gains.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** Try not to delegate important matters to others today even if you're a bit cramped for time. You are the one who can get things done better than your surrogates.

NORTH 2-1-89			
♦ A Q J			
♥ K 5			
♦ 8 6 3			
♦ 9 8 5 4 3			
WEST			
♦ K		EAST	
♥ Q 10 7 4 2		♦ 10 9 6 5 4	
♦ J 5		♥ J 3	
♦ Q J 10 7 2		♦ K Q 10 9 7	
		♦ 6	
SOUTH			
♦ 8 7 3 2			
♥ A 9 8 6			
♦ A 4 2			
♦ A K			
Vulnerable: Both			
Dealer: South			
West	North	East	South
Pass	3 NT	Pass	1 NT
Pass			Pass
Opening lead: ♦ Q			

## Self-serving generosity

By James Jacoby

When declarer generously lets you take your tricks, be suspicious. After today's simple auction, West made the apparently safe lead of the club queen. Declarer won the ace of clubs and made the natural play of a spade. When West's king came up, declarer returned to his hand with the king of clubs. If East had a second club, declarer might eventually set up dummy's last club for the game-going trick. But East let a low spade go. Declarer now exited with a low diamond.

West came in with the diamond jack, but East overlooked with the queen and continued with the king. Declarer took the ace and played another diamond. East happily won the 10 and cashed the good nine as South discarded a spade from his hand and a club from dummy. Meanwhile West had thrown a club and a heart. East then cashed his fifth diamond. South threw another spade and threw another club from dummy. West let another heart go. East then played the heart jack to dummy's king, and declarer cashed the Q-J of spades. West could discard the club 10 on the spade queen but had no play when the jack of spades came next. If West threw the club jack, dummy's club nine would be a winner. And if West shed another heart, declarer would take the rest with his A-9-8 of hearts. All this could have been avoided if East had been wary of declarer's generosity. If East does not cash his fifth diamond, the squeeze on West will not operate.

James Jacoby's books "Jacoby on Bridge" and "Jacoby on Card Games" (written with his father, the late Oswald Jacoby) are now available at bookstores. Both are published by Farrar Books. © 1989, NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE ASSN.

## CELEBRITY CIPHER

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another. Today's clue: T equals K.

RPN HQXRNO, HPNJ PM XA  
 IKAD IJ IQRXAR, XA  
 ADCNDJN HPD IWCXRA HPIR  
 DRPNQA WDJ'R WIGN  
 QNZNIK, — NKXI TIFIJ.

SOLUTION: The writer, when he is also an artist, is someone who admits what others don't dare reveal. — Ella Kazan.