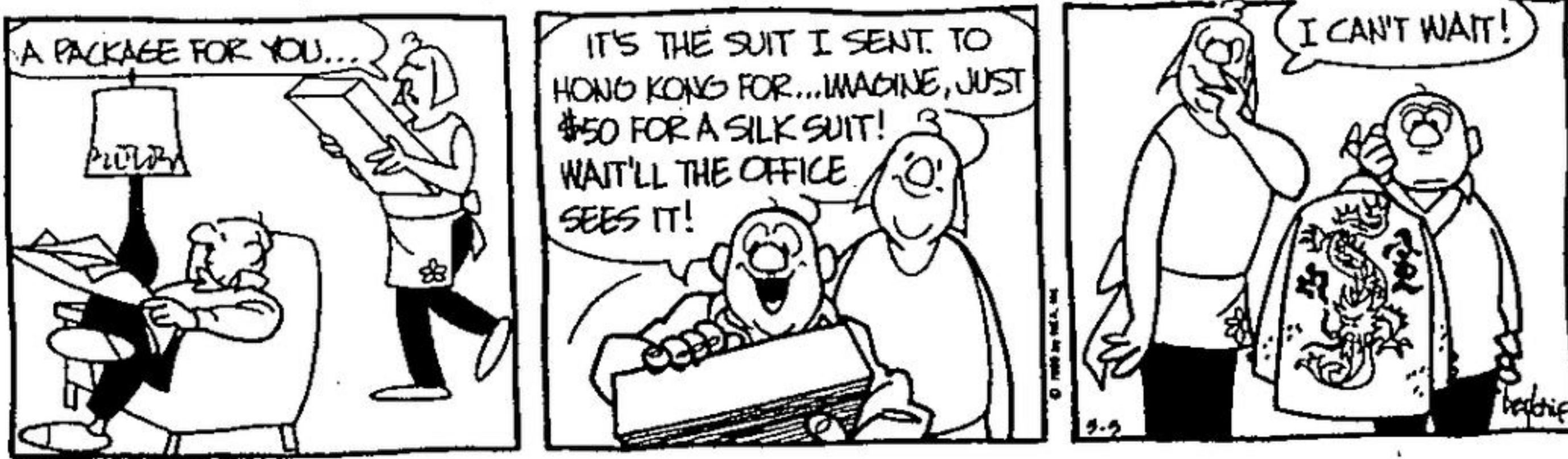


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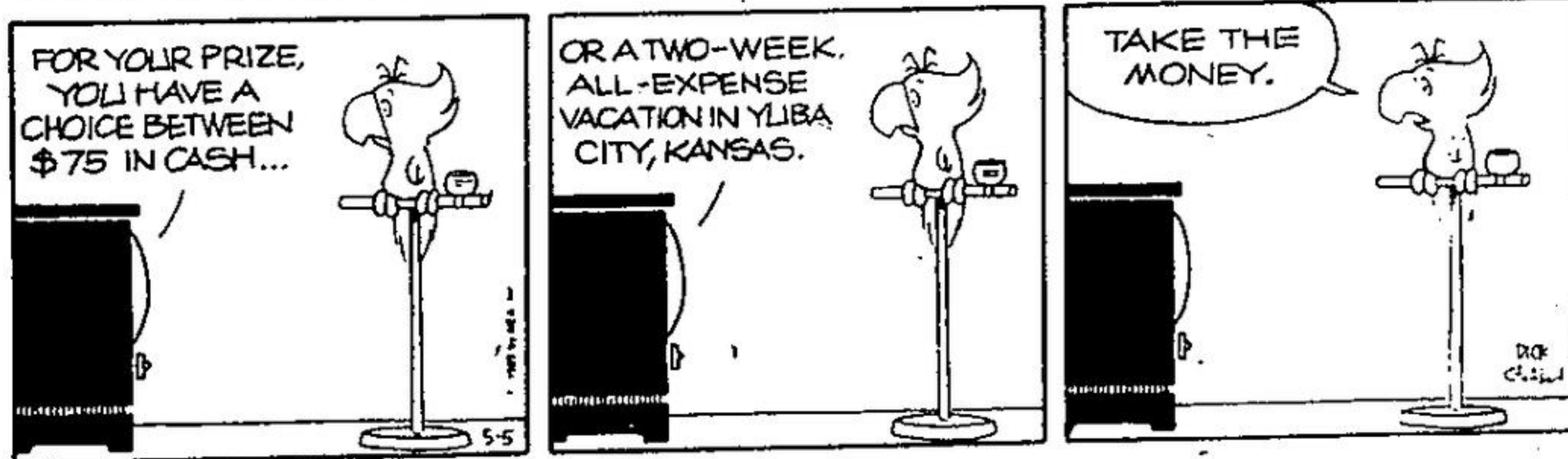
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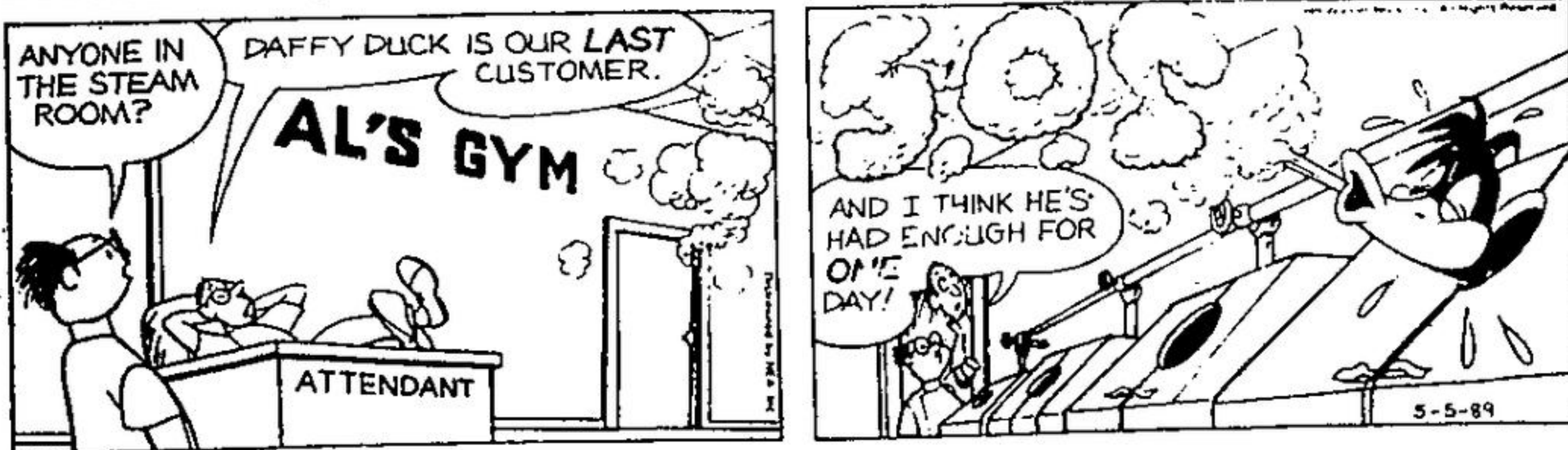
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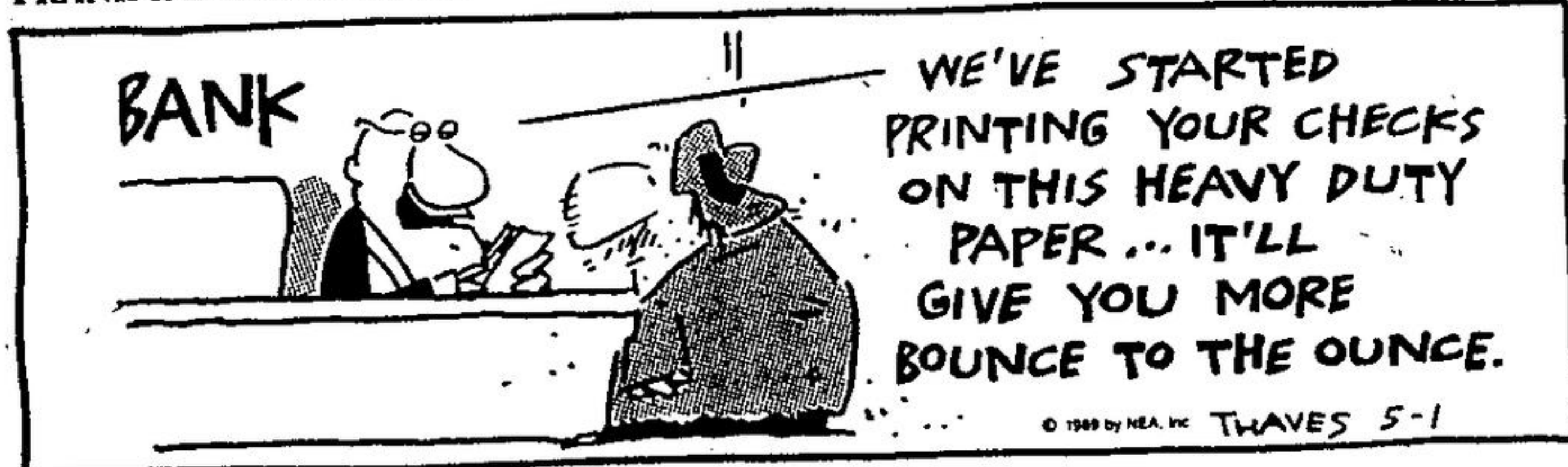
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## ASTRO-GRAPH



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## Your Birthday

May 4, 1989

You're likely to have an unbridled thirst for knowledge in the year ahead. These powerful desires will be triggered by a personal drive for self-betterment as well as a need for material gratification.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** Leadership ability is likely to be your strong suit today. If those with whom you're involved are hesitant or indecisive, you'll probably adhere to your inclinations to step in and take charge. 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.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** A condition that has been retarding your progress has a good chance of being alleviated today. Progress will be more rapid after you are free from this restriction.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** Make an effort today to put something social together that includes friends you think of as being the most exciting and unusual among your pals. It should be fun.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** Focus your efforts and energies today on things that you can do to enhance your career. Try the untried — nothing ventured, nothing gained.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** There's a chance you might be challenged today on a subject you know extremely well and about which you feel very strongly. I wouldn't want to be your adversary.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** Friends who feel they are the victims of circumstances should look to you for inspiration today. You'll be able to show them how to rebuild their phoenix from its own ashes.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** It looks like you will be at your best today if pressured into a corner and have to come up with quick answers. The tougher the questions, the better you are likely to perform.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** Motivation to be the leader among your peers could be uppermost in your mind today. You might even take some clever measures to escape being numbered among the rank and file.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** If you don't take yourself or what you do too seriously today, people with whom you'll be involved will begin to emulate your behavior instead of letting the whole project get too heavy.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** You're likely to feel extremely protective of those under your guidance today and you may even go to unusual lengths to safeguard their interests and security.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** Even though your emotions are likely to be very strong in defense of what you believe today you're still not apt to be unreasonable when your concepts are challenged by others.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** You could have a slight touch of genius today pertaining to things material. If something opportune develops, you'll know how to use it to your maximum benefit.

NORTH 5-3-89			
♦♦♦♦			
♥ J 9 4 3			
♦ A K J 7			
♠ A J 10 8 3			
WEST		EAST	
♦ K Q J 10 4 3		♥ 9 8 5	
♥ K 10		♦ A Q 8 5	
♦ 10 8 6 5		♥ 9 4 3	
♠ 7		♦ Q 6 2	
SOUTH			
♦ A 7 6 2			
♥ 7 6 2			
♦ Q 2			
♠ K 9 5 4			
Vulnerable: Neither			
Dealer: West			
West	North	East	South
2♦	Dbt.	3♦	4♦
Pass	5♦	Pass	Pass
Opening lead: ♦ K			

## Many angles

By James Jacoby

There are two interesting aspects to this deal. The first is the play in five clubs after West has opened with a weak two-spade bid. Today's declarer won the ace of spades, shedding a heart from dummy, and then played A-K of clubs. He then played four rounds of diamonds, shedding heart losers. That would have been fine if East had ruffed in, but East simply discarded on the fourth diamond. Then, when a heart was led, East took the ace and cashed the queen of clubs, shortening declarer's trumps that were needed for ruffing dummy's losing hearts. Best of course is for declarer to simply cash the club ace and then play on diamonds, since South can afford to allow the defense to make a trick with the queen of clubs, but cannot afford to let a defender draw a third round of his trumps with that club queen.

The second interesting aspect is that any chance for South to make a game in clubs would disappear if East-West had a partnership agreement that I heartily recommend. If East could have bid three hearts as an artificial lead-directing bid, the defenders would take the first three heart tricks against a club contract. This agreement only applies when the opponents double your partner's weak two-bid for takeout. If you adopt this method, it is also sensible to agree that two no-trump over an opposing take-out double announces that you wish to play in your own long suit. Partner bids three clubs by agreement, and you pass with long clubs or bid your actual long suit.

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 Pharos 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: K equals P.

C W M O T U T F  
 Y U O U L C Y N Z U J J U L  
 J X C Y J X U  
 F J A K T G U F J W C Y  
 R M Y Y U R J U G Q T J X  
 T J . - Z U Y X U R X J .

"SOLUTION: 'A' movie is never any better than the stupidest man connected with it." — Ben Hecht.