

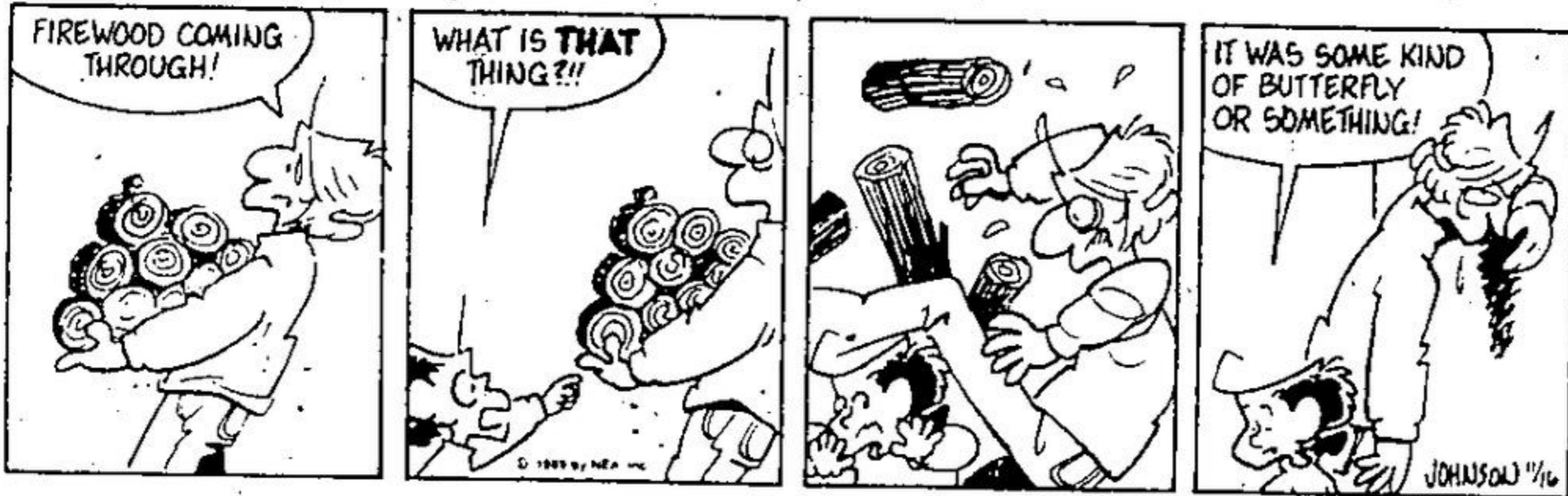
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## Your Birthday

Nov. 16, 1989

In the year ahead you might be exposed to more opportunities than you have been in the past. Don't let these golden gifts slip through your fingers because of indifference.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** There's a possibility today that you may attempt to construct some plans upon a faulty premise. Double check your information before laying out a blueprint for your launching pad. 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.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** Avoid debt: spending today, because the monies on which you may be counting might not come in on schedule. Don't buy if you can't cover it with what you have in your wallet.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** Someone with whom you're getting more closely involved might reveal some aspect of self-centeredness today. If these revelations are evident, they should not be ignored.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** Let your compassionate qualities govern your behavior today, but don't be a patsy. Make sure the assistance you extend is for the right people and the right reasons.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** If you've been watching your waistline, be sure to guard against overindulgence today. Remember, obesity is the penalty we pay for exceeding the feed limit.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** From your perspective today it might appear as if others are getting the breaks denied you. Remember your lot in life is what you make it.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** Know-it-all are the types of people you personally find unattractive. Be mindful of your behavior today so you don't give friends reasons to think you fit into this classification.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** Unless you're thoroughly expert at what you are doing, be careful today about managing expensive enterprises for others. Mistakes on your behalf could put the operation in the red.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** Giving and receiving is a two-way street and it's imperative you keep this in mind today. Be as generous in return as others are with you.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** Not doing today what you can put off until tomorrow is a policy that could put you on the track to problems. What you neglect could become much more difficult with time.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** Someone you deem to be an important social contact might be very liberal with promises today. Unfortunately, this person is a better talker than deliverer.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** It won't help your image today if you make a mistake and try to cover it up and shift the blame to someone else. If anything goes wrong, try to correct it instead of looking for a scapegoat.

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NORTH 11-15-89  
♦ Q 10 6  
♥ J 9 5 2  
♦ A 6 5 2  
♦ 7 5

WEST EAST  
♦ K 9 7 ♦ A J 8 2  
♥ Q 10 6 ♥ 8  
♦ K Q 10 8 3 ♦ J 9 4  
♦ 10 8 ♦ Q J 9 4 2

SOUTH  
♦ 5 4 3  
♥ A K 7 4 3  
♦ 7  
♦ A K 6 3

Vulnerable: East-West  
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
1♥	Pass	2♥	Pass
3♦	Pass	4♥	All pass

Opening lead: ♦ K

## Put little ones to good use

By James Jacoby

Willy Nilly thought his contract reasonable, so he won dummy's ace of diamonds and immediately played A-K of hearts. Too bad — West was left with the high queen of trumps. Willy played A-K and ruffed a club, ruffed a diamond back to his hand, and ruffed his last club. Meanwhile West, with only two clubs originally, had discarded one diamond and a spade. Willy now ruffed another diamond and had nine tricks in, but the 10th trick was in never-never land. Whether he played a spade or his last trump, the defenders had the rest.

He turned plaintively to the kibitzer, Careful Charlie, and asked, "What could I do about it?"

"Try ruffing a diamond at the second trick," was the reply. "You can then play as before, but West will be up against it. If he discards a diamond on one club ruff and a spade on the other, you will be able to make all the trumps in your hand by ruffing three diamonds. If West throws two diamonds away, then the last little diamond in dummy becomes a winner and you simply cash it, either taking the trick or forcing West to use his trump queen on that good diamond."

Charlie's lesson was a good one. If your approach to making your contract is to crossruff, try to make as many little trumps as you can, in both hands. Don't allow a defender with the high trump to get in and draw your small trumps that you need for ruffing purposes.

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: Z equals C.

F Z F C M J N E  
G C D R M C D B X P M  
A K X K X P U B K D B  
K X C P A K M P K M  
L X M B Q K C X N L K F  
C M G E D L K Q  
K M P C H O X C L F P

SOLUTION: A careful driver is one who honks his horn when he goes through a red light. — Henry Morgan.