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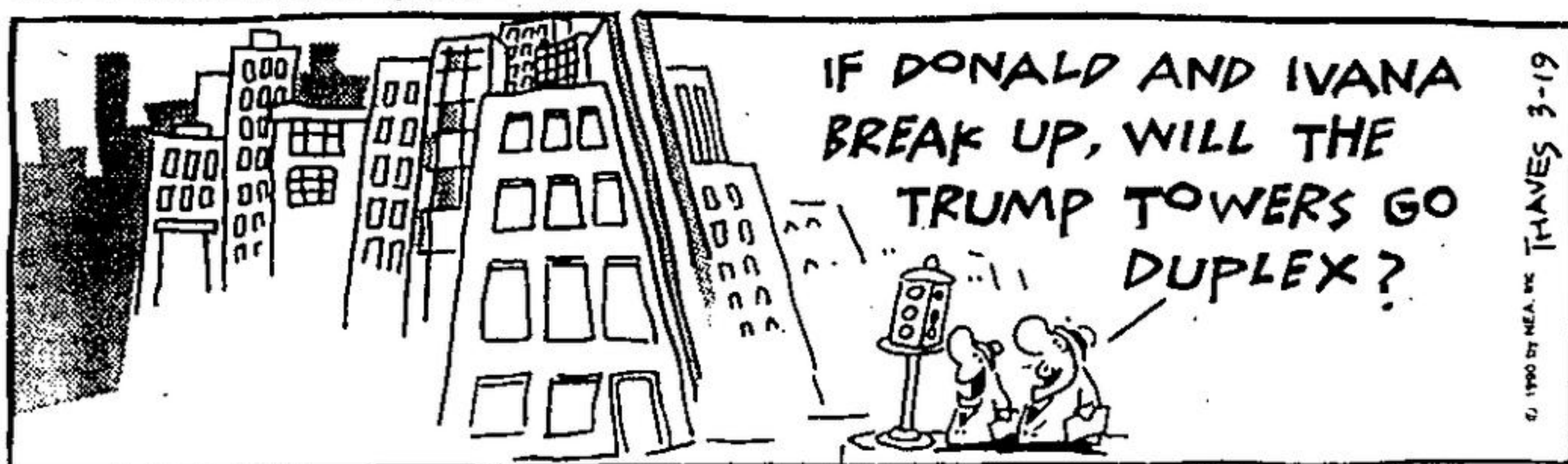
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## BRIDGE



JAMES JACOBY

### Your Birthday

March 22, 1990

In the year ahead you are likely to establish more ambitious objectives for yourself than you have in the past. This is all well and good, provided you do not take on more than you can handle.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** Action taken upon the advice of a know-it-all could lead you to a dead end street today. Less mistakes are likely if you give credence to your own insights and perceptions. Aries, treat yourself to a birthday gift.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** Focusing on the frailties of others today could cause them to take a closer look at you. When you're put under the magnifying glass, it might make you squirm with discomfort.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** Be very selective today regarding friends with whom you socialize. If you link up with someone who likes to impress others, it might spoil your day.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** Consider yourself equal to anyone with whom you're involved today, but not superior. Snobbish behavior on your behalf will cause others to lose respect for you.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** Guard against inclinations today to think you can perform well when you have only sketches information with which to work. Self-deception could lead to your downfall.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** A well-intentioned friend might tout you onto something today that this person feels will be good for you financially. Before jumping in, you'd better get a few more opinions.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** Without even trying, the attention of others will be focused on you today. This is well and good, provided you keep in mind that all who will be watching might not necessarily be your admirers.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** In managing subordinates today, be neither too harsh nor too wishy-washy. Above all, don't ask them to do things you won't do yourself.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** Business matters should be treated indifferently today. A failure to do everything that's required could turn a potentially profitable venture into a "bummer."

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** Your mettle may be tested in one-to-one relationships today. There is a possibility you might have to contend with individuals you usually make an effort to avoid.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** Today you might be a much better talker than you will be a producer. In the final tally, it's not what you say you're going to do that counts, but what you actually do.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** It's best not to try to mastermind the financial affairs of a friend today unless you truly know what you're doing. If you make an error, it could result in mutual losses.

<b>NORTH</b> 3-24-90	
♦ Q 8 6 3	
♥ 7 6 5 3	
♦ 4 3	
♣ 9 7 4	
<b>WEST</b>	<b>EAST</b>
♦ 10	♦ 9 7 5 4 2
♥ J 9 8 4	♥ 10 2
♦ 9 8 7 6 5	♦ 10
♣ K 10 3	♣ J 8 6 5 2
<b>SOUTH</b>	
♦ A K J	
♥ A K Q	
♦ A K Q J 2	
♣ A Q	
<b>Vulnerable: Both</b>	
<b>Dealer: South</b>	
South 2 ♣	West Pass
6 NT	North 2 ♦
	East Pass
Opening lead: ♦ 9	

## Even the rich have problems

By James Jacoby

Since the bidding system has not yet been invented that can inquire whether partner has the spade queen or club king, South had a difficult bidding problem. (At rubber bridge we should all have such problems!) South jumped to six no-trump, since he felt he might make it even if his partner held nothing at all.

Even with 35 high-card points in the combined hands, 12 tricks were in jeopardy. A-K-Q of hearts disclosed that that suit was splitting badly. West showed out on the second spade, throwing a small club. It would now be easy for declarer to overtake the jack of spades and take a club finesse. Since all the suits had broken badly, perhaps a simple finesse would work. But there was an even better way. Remember, West had shown four hearts, five diamonds and only one spade. So declarer played out his high diamonds, throwing clubs from dummy, and then he cashed the ace of clubs. If you think that strange, consider the defenders' remaining cards. West held a high heart and diamond, and, after declarer plays the club ace, only one club, perhaps the king. Declarer now plays the jack of spades. If West throws a red card away, that makes the corresponding red card good for the declarer. If he throws the club king away, declarer will score the club queen. If he throws a club other than the king away (suppose he started with J-10 of clubs), declarer holds the trick with the spade jack and now plays the club queen. East must win the club king and give up the last trick to dummy's spade queen.

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.

## 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: F equals C.

' V L A O Q Q J X B J ' Q  
 B S S Q X O P N Z J O .  
 K Z C Z N O R V L X J Q .  
 J X O N O P Z K ' J T O  
 B K M C Z N O  
 F Z C O T B F D Q R Z N  
 C O . - L O N N M  
 F Z Z K O M .

SOLUTION: "I guess that's all she wrote. No more fights. There won't be any more comebacks for me." — Gerry Cooney.