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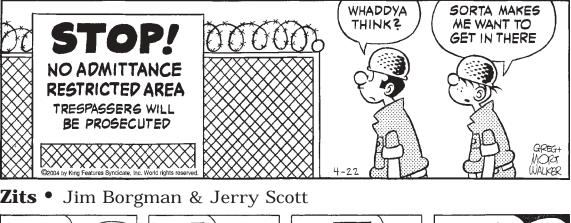




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Girl's dream gets a lot of support

DEAR READERS: Last week I printed some of the letters I received in support of the 13-year-old girl, "I Have a Dream," who aspired to be president of the United States. Her teacher and classmates ridiculed her. The letters have students had been told that only a class, broke out in uproarious been wonderful and deserve to be shared. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I was deeply touched by that girl's letter. Her "teacher" needs to find another profession, and her parents need to find a lawyer to file a bullying case against the school district for doing nothing to stop the harassment.

ASK IT

YOURSELF. I'M NOT

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Any court judgment that results from the suit should be used to send that forward-thinking young lady to a great prep school and to pay for her college education. If there's money left over, she should put it toward her very first political campaign — perhaps running for a seat on the local school board. Hey, you have to start somewhere.

- SHE'S GOT MY VOTE, KAHULUI, HAWAII DEAR S.G.M.V.: Not a bad idea. You should be her campaign manager.

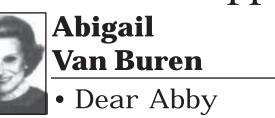
censed psychologist. A number of we all wish her success in her puryears ago, I surveyed 1,500 boys suits. and girls attending five elementary schools in Miami.

I asked them to answer "yes" or "no" to a series of 10 questions, which included if they had ever thought of becoming president of the United States when they grew up.

To my surprise, I discovered more girls than boys answered

Bridge

Contract — Four Spades by South. Opening lead — queen of hearts. NORTH **♦** J 10 9 8 7 ♥A 3 ♦ 9 8 7 ♣A 5 4 WEST EAST ♠ 6 5 4 ♥ Q J 10 8 7 6 5 4 ♥9 ♦ K J 10 6 3 2 ▶Q **♣**K J 10 6 3 2 **†**() SOUTH ♠ A K Q 3 2 ♦ A 5 4 **•**987



male could be president.

Through my nonprofit foundation. Women Are Wonderful ered, he told me there were secre-Foundation Inc., I do all I can to promote female leadership.

Young women deserve all the support we can give them to real- other male-dominated field, and I ize their ambitions.

PH.D., WESTON, FLA. the job.

DEAR DR. RUBEN: And because of people like you, she is getting it.

DEAR ABBY: Please encourage that bright young future leader to check out The White House Project at www.thewhitehouseproject.org. It's an organization dedicated to electing a woman to the White House and other positions of political leadership.

It has an area called "Girl-Zone," which highlights areas where girls can become politically active, and participating Girl Scouts can earn their White House written by Abigail Van Buren, also leadership patch. And, Abby, DEAR ABBY: I am a state-li- please tell "I Have a Dream" that was founded by her mother, Pau-

-POLITICAL FEMINIST IN HOUSTON you for another great resource.

DEARABBY: Back in the '60s, during my senior year, a member check or money order for \$5 (U.S. of the FBI came to speak to our class about recruitment. I inquired Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount about female agents, and the Morris, IL61054-0447. (Postage "yes." I also learned that half the agent, as well as my entire senior is included.)

laughter.

When the agent finally recovtarial positions within the agency, but nothing more.

I eventually wound up in anhave realized that gender has - ANN MOLIVER RUBEN, nothing to do with the ability to do

I smile today when I see female agents representing the FBI. I wonder sometimes how difficult it was for that FBI agent to adjust to women "infiltrating" his domain.

So, please tell that girl to hang onto her dream and realize that her tormentors are the ones who will be stuck in dead-end, unfulfilling positions (and wonder where they went wrong), because they never learned to dream "big."

- SUNNY WILSON

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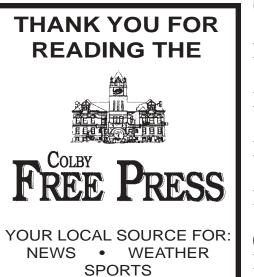
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Double-Dummy Problem

It is an ancient privilege — accorded to kibitzers and irate partners alike to point out, after the play is completed, how declarer should have played the hand he has just finished butchering.

In fact, it is said that the right to criticize declarer and call attention to his inadequacies — after seeing all 52 cards, of course — has been standard practice for just about as long as the game itself has existed.

All of which leads us to this case where kibitzer, butcher and any and all other comers are challenged to make 10 tricks with spades as trump.

It is strictly a double-dummy proposition, which means you can look at all four hands and take advantage of everything you see. Best defense is, of course, assumed.

To get right to the heart of the matter, to make the contract you must win the opening heart lead with the ace and play your king on it!

This unusual play — by which you voluntarily increase your four losers to five — permits the contract to be made. Without it you are sure to go down.

After the opening trick, you draw three rounds of trumps, cash the minorsuit aces, then put West back on lead with a heart. You also let him win the next two heart leads, discarding two diamonds from dummy and two clubs from your hand.

You then claim the balance, since you can ruff two diamonds in dummy and two clubs in your hand.

"Is it okay to use a bookmark in a magazine?"

Crossword

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