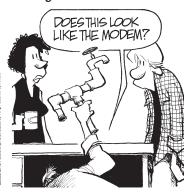
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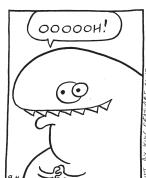
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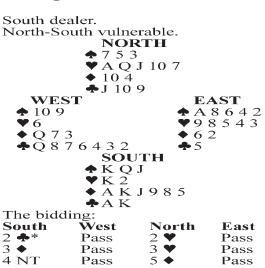
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This is a logic-based number placement puzzle. The goal is to enter a number, 1-9, in each cell in which each row, column and 3x3 region must contain only one instance of each numeral. The solution to today's Sudoku puzzle is right.

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#### **Bridge**

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#### Opening lead — ten of spades. It's So Easy When You Know How

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It would be wonderful to always be able to see the defenders' hands when you become declarer. In that case, you'd presumably get every possible trick you were entitled to.

But, alas, bridge isn't played that way, and you must do the best you can without seeing the adverse cards. This doesn't necessarily mean you'll suffer because your vision is restricted. On the contrary, on most hands your results should parallel what you could accomplish if you saw all 52 cards.

Take this case where you are in six notrump. East wins the spade lead and returns a spade to your king, bringing you to 11 sure win-

There are two suits that might provide you with the all-important 12th trick. One is clubs, where cashing the A-K might drop the queen and make dummy's jack a trick. The other is diamonds, where you might pick up the queen either via a finesse or by cashing

Note that in the actual hand both approaches would fail. But note also that correct play makes the slam. The proper approach is to thoroughly investigate the opposing distribution before committing yourself in the key suit, diamonds.

Accordingly, you cash the queen of spades, ace of diamonds, A-K of clubs and five heart tricks, reducing your hand to just the K-J of

As these tricks are being cashed, you learn that West started with two spades, one heart, seven clubs and, therefore, three diamonds. At the point where dummy's last heart is played, you know for a fact that West must discard from a holding consisting of two diamonds and the queen of clubs. Since he cannot spare the club queen, he discards a diamond.

You thereupon lead a diamond to the king, knowing full well that, come what may, one opponent or the other will produce the queen on this trick and give you the slam.

Tomorrow: Bidding quiz. (c)2008 King Features Syndicate Inc.

## Family Circus • Bil Keane



"If God is way up there in Heaven, shouldn't I pray a lot louder?"

### Crossword

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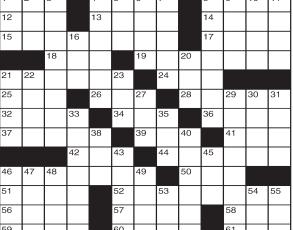
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