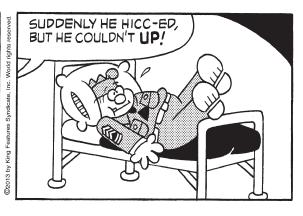




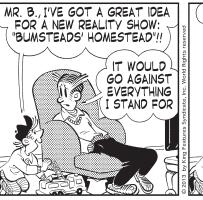


Beetle Bailey • Mort Walker





Blondie • Chic Young







Hagar the Horrible • Chris Browne



Mother Goose and Grimm • Mike Peters



Sally Forth • Greg Howard





Todd the Dinosaur • Patrick Roberts



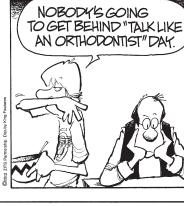


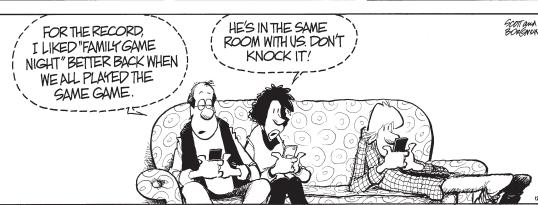


Zits • Jim Borgman & Jerry Scott











Terry Kovel

Antiques and Collecting

Art sidelines offer good value

Artists often create many different kinds of paintings, etchings, prints, ceramics, jewelry, furniture, marble sculptures, bronzes and perhaps designs for commercial products. So it is pos-

sible to buy a piece of jewelry by Alexander Calder for far less than one of his large mobiles. Or an electric fan or pedal car designed by Viktor Schreckengost, who is best known for making the ce-

Works by famous artists can be part of your collection if you buy war bond posters (Norman Rockwell) or advertising figures (Maxfield Par-

American artist and decorator who worked in the Wood Carving Co. and later at Tiffany.

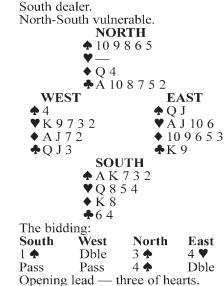
De Forest's furniture was modeled after chairs he had seen in Indian palaces. It was hand-crafted of teak, brass and other materials. A pair of 1881 chairs designed by de Forest sold for \$242,500 at Bonhams New York in September. But bidding on the chairs may have gone that high because de Forest used them in his own home – and they were later purchased by William Randolph Hearst, the famous newspaper publisher.

Q: I have some old postcards with colored drawings of the head and shoulders of pretty women wearing big hats or Indian headdresses. The pictures are copyrighted by Schlesinger Bros., New York. What are they worth?

A: The Schlesinger brothers were photographers in business in New York from 1907 until the 1920s. The company published greeting cards as well as postcards. The pictures on your postcards are hand-colored photomechanical reproductions of pencil drawings. They also were produced in a large size, suitable for framing and hanging on the wall. Postcards with pictures like yours sell for about \$10 each.

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Bridge • Steve Becker



The 2002 Rosenblum Open Teams – emblematic of world bridge supremacy - was won by a veteran Italian squad, which easily defeated an Indonesian team, 160 IMPs to 70, in a 64-deal final. The event drew a total of 160 teams from all over the globe to Montreal that summer.

When the Italian pair of Mario D'Avossa and Stelio Di Bello held the North-South cards, the bidding went as shown. D'Avossa's initial raise to three spades - on a hand with which most players would bid four immediately - had the effect of trapping Meckstroth and Rodwell into doubling D'Avossa's subsequent four-spade bid Against this contract, the Americans could collect only a diamond trick and a club trick, so Di Bello finished with a score of plus 990.

judged correctly to sacrifice against four spades by bidding five hearts, which was doubled and defeated only one trick - plus 100 for the U.S The difference of 890 points gave the Italians a 13-IMP pickup on the deal, enough to win the match by 6 IMPs and earn them a place in the

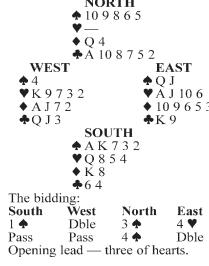
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strange legs fencelike back on this chair are copied from Indian designs. A pair of these chairs sold in September for \$242,500 at a Bonhams auction in New York. They were created by Lockwood de Forest, who also was known for his paintings and other designs. ramic "Jazz Bowl," an icon that has sold for as

much as \$200,000.

rish) or teapots (Michael Graves). Lockwood de Forest (1850-1932) was an

American Orientalist style, influenced by his travels in India and the Middle East. By 1915, he had moved to California, and his paintings were typical California landscapes. Today collectors are again searching for some of his furniture, jewelry and textiles made after 1879 at the Ahmedabad



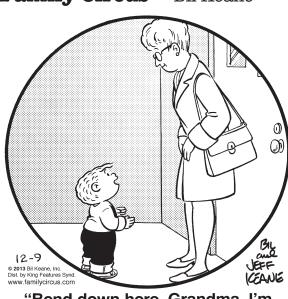
Famous Hand

Today's deal occurred in the round of 16, when a second Italian entry of upcoming young stars ousted the former world champion United States squad of Richard Freeman, Bob Hamman, Jeff Meckstroth, Nick Nickell, Eric Rodwell and Paul Soloway. The Americans led by 7 IMPs as the deal – the last of the 64-board match – got under

At the other table, the Italian East-West pair

quarterfinals.

Family Circus • Bil Keane



"Bend down here, Grandma. I'm gonna give you an early Christmas present."

Conceptis Sudoku • Dave Green

7		4			8		3	
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3				8	5			
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Difficulty Level *

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 the last Sudoku puzzle is at right.

3	7	8	5	1	4	2	6	9
5	2	9	3	7	6	8	4	1
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6	8	3	1	5	7	9	2	4
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7	3	2	8	9	5	4	1	6
8	5	4	6	3	1	7	9	2
9	1	6	7	4	2	3	5	8

Cryptoquip

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Today's Cryptoquip Clue: H equals T

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42 Nervous

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Crossword • Eugene Sheffer

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Makes	54	Huron		bird		try tool
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corn		course	8	"Saw"	29	"Gosh!"
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tion	57	Tear	9	Stretch		down
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beverage	DC	NWN	10	Take a		lander
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