# THE CLASSIFIED CHALLENGE

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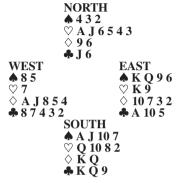
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### BRIDGE

Both vulnerable. South deals.



The bidding: SOUTH WEST NORTH EAST 1NT 20\* Pass Pass 30\*\* Pass **4**9 Pass Pass Pass \*Transfer \*\*Max with 4 hearts

Opening lead: Two of -

Today's deal is from a tournament in Brazil a few months ago. South was a top Brazilian player, Marcelo Branco.

East won the opening club lead with the ace and shifted to the king of spades. South won with the ace as West played the eight, discouraging in their methods. Declarer led the 10 of hearts for the ill-fated trump finesse. East won his king and cashed his queen of spades while Branco smoothly followed suit with the jack!

East-West were using "third and fifth" leads, so East knew that South had started with exactly three clubs. Who could blame him for thinking that South also started with a doubleton spade, ergo four diamonds. Not wanting to make a diamond play for declarer, East returned what he thought was a safe club. OOPS! Branco won his king, drew the remaining trump with the queen, and discarded one diamond from dummy on the queen of clubs.

Branco knew that West did not have the nine of spades, or he would have played that card to discourage at trick two rather than the eight. He crossed to dummy with a trump and led dummy's last spade, inserting his seven when East played low. The 10 of spades provided a discard for dummy's last diamond. Contract made!

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## SOLUTIONS TO

#### WEDNESDAY'S PUZZLES

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## UNIVERSAL **Sudoku Puzzle**

Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9 inclusively.

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DIFFICULTY RATING:  $\star \star \star \star \Rightarrow \Leftrightarrow$ 

by David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek Unscramble these four Jumbles. one letter to each square. Are you kidding me? We can actually defend ourselves with these! to form four ordinary words. I just think stones are better. **GINTE** ©2014 Tribune Content Agency, LLC All Rights Reserved. **OCIVE PAAREP** HE POKED HIS SKEPTICAL BUDDY WITH THE NEW SPEAR TO ---**SOWDAH** Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

(Answers tomorrow)

ABSORB

DEGREE

Answer: He asked if the mattress came with a warranty, and the salesman told him he could — REST ASSURED

UNFIT

Jumbles: DRESS

Yesterday's