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South dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH			
♠ —			
♥ J 10 8 5 3			
♦ K 10 6 4			
♣ A 9 8 4			
WEST		EAST	
♠ Q J 9 8 6		♠ K 10 7 5 3 2	
♥ Q 4		♥ K	
♦ Q 7 2		♦ J 8 3	
♣ J 3 2		♣ Q 7 6	
SOUTH			
♠ A 4			
♥ A 9 7 6 2			
♦ A 9 5			
♣ K 10 5			

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1 ♠	1 ♠	2 ♠	4 ♠
5 ♠			

Opening lead — queen of spades.

This remarkable hand, played many years ago by Clagett Bowie of Baltimore, features an extraordinary endplay.
Bowie had bid six hearts fully aware that if his partner had a spade void, his ace would be of doubtful value. However, he also thought that his six-heart bid might induce the opponents to bid six spades.
The slam seems impossible to make, even if you see all four hands. Declarer has a certain trump loser and also a loser in both diamonds

and clubs. But Bowie made the contract and, furthermore, could not be defeated!
He ruffed the lead in dummy and led a heart to the ace. Then, to set the stage for the endplay he visualized, he trumped the ace of spades in dummy!
Bowie next led a trump, and after winning with the queen, West had no safe return. If he led a spade, declarer would ruff in dummy, discard the club five and then establish an extra club trick in dummy by ruffing the third round. If West instead returned a club or a diamond, South would score four tricks in that suit and simultaneously avoid a loser in the other suit.
If, for example, West led a low club and East played the queen, West's jack could then be overcome via a finesse. Or if West led the club jack instead, East's queen could then be trapped by going up with dummy's ace. The same was true if West shifted to a diamond. All roads thus led to 12 tricks.
Note that if Bowie had discarded a club or a diamond from dummy instead of ruffing the ace of spades at trick three, the slam would have failed. After being thrown on lead with the trump queen, West would have returned whichever suit Bowie had discarded from dummy. The setting trick would then have come from the other suit.

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JUMBLE

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

NPDA	□	□	□	□
CNHMU	□	□	□	□
WNWDIO	□	□	□	□
SARYSG	□	□	□	□

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THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME
By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

WITH THE WEEKEND OVER, THE JUMBLE CREATORS STARTED WORKING ON ---

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

□	□	□	□	□	□	□	□
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(Answers tomorrow)

Saturday's Jumbles: MODEM PANIC TRIPLE NONFAT
Answer: When they ran out of lettuce for salads, she told the staff to — "ROMAINE" CALM