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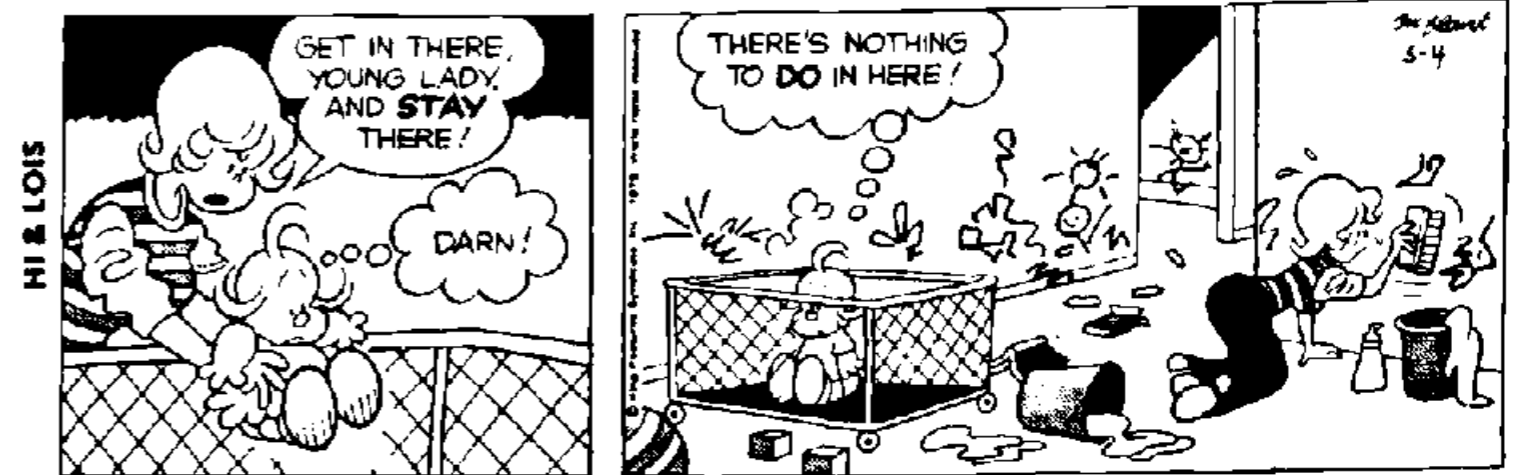
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Crossword Puzzler

Answer to Monday's Puzzle

ACROSS 57 Portico

1 Church benches
5 Snake
6 Obese
12 Landed
13 Mark left by wind
14 Time gone by
15 Liquid
17 Creating a disturbance
19 Wanted
21 Goddess of discord
22 Winter vehicle
24 Note of scale
25 Bitter vetch
26 Dance step
27 Mark melancholy
29 Parent (colloq.)
31 Abstract being
32 Above
33 Man's nickname
34 Cushion
35 Central degree (abbr.)
36 Handies
38 Inlet
39 Yell
40 Pronoun
41 Microbe
42 Spore
44 Protoplast
45 insect
48 Goes by water
51 Unit of Samese currency
52 Shell
54 Highlander
55 Things in law
58 Station

DOWN
1 Animal's foot
2 Guido a high note
3 Ate
4 Spirited horse
5 Conjunction
6 Abbreviated
8 Theater sign (abbr.)
9 Bazaars
10 Vedic god of the altar fire
11 Clothing
16 Felix, again
18 Gull-like bird
20 Arrive in lots
22 Huzzah
23 Night
25 Light
27 Certain
28 Tropical fruit
30 Couple
31 Man's name
34 Forecast
36 Temporary shelter
37 Wonders
41 Turf
42 Hilarity
43 Hereditary
44 granted
45 Singing voice
46 Pronoun
47 Snake
49 Game at cards
50 Music as written
53 Mountain (abbr.)

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Contract Bridge

B. Jay Becker

You Have to Learn to Worry

South dealer.
North-South vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ K 10 8
♥ J 8 6 5
♦ 8
♣ A K J 5 4

WEST
♠ J 7 6 5 2
♥ A
♦ 6 3
♣ Q 10 9 8 2

EAST
♠ Q 9 4 3
♥ 4 3 2
♦ 10 9 7 4 2
♣ 7

SOUTH
♠ A
♥ K Q 10 9 7
♦ A K Q J 5
♣ 6 3

The bidding:
South West North East
2♥ Pass 3♣ Pass
3♦ Pass 3♥ Pass
4NT Pass 5♦ Pass
6♥

Opening lead - eight of clubs.

To be a good dummy player you must be able to relax merely because the particular contract you're playing seems easy to make.

Take a case like this one, where you're in six hearts and West leads a club. If you win it in dummy with the king and return a trump, as most declarers would, you go down one. West wins the trump with the ace, plays another club which East ruffs, and you wind up going minus 100 instead of plus 1,630.

But if you're the worrying kind you make the contract. As soon as dummy comes down, you start fussing about what can happen to stop you from making the slam. It wouldn't take you too long to conclude that the only real danger is the possibility of a club ruff.

West's club lead, in the face of North's club bid, looks mighty suspicious. It seems likely that he was either trying to get a club ruff for himself, or trying to give his partner one.

The right thing to do under these circumstances is to look for a countermeasure to stop this from happening. Fortunately, when you study the situation, you find that something can be done to nip West's plan in the bud.

Accordingly, at trick two, you play a low spade to the ace, then cash the ace of diamonds and ruff a diamond in dummy. After discarding a club on the king of spades, you play a trump to force out the ace. Only then can you afford to relax.

The hand goes to show that a little worrying at the right time and the right place can do a lot of good.

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Tomorrow: Card reading.

ASTROLOGICAL FORECAST

by Sydney Omarr

Wednesday, May 5, 1976

Looks like her horoscope: Lily Tomlin. Sun in Virgo, Moon in Pisces, Mars in Leo. Sense of drama, timing, comedy combine here and in the rest of the chart that is actress-comedy star Tomlin. She is much more, a social commentator, one who touches us to laugh at our own foibles. She is an angel, according to her horoscope, but she can be angsty. Do you share some of her "planetary positions"?

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Strong emphasis on solidity, disruptions, contradictions, unfinished business that, in actuality, is finished. Smooth rough edges, despite family pressure. Dance to your own tune, despite individuals who want to pull rank and equate age with wisdom. Be you!

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Relatives shove, push—and some close neighbors "assume" the same posture. You have strength. You have responsibilities. You need not back down from standards, principles, objectives. Know it and act accordingly. Avoid traffic and short trips, if possible.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Money pressure is evident. Budget cracks, squaks and groans. Aries, Libra could be in picture. You get rid of losing proposition—and no tears need be shed. Know it and look toward future. Your potential is enormous!

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Take initiative. People know you mean business. Maintain posture of independence. Exhibit qualities of inventiveness, creativity. New project could succeed—and pay dividends. Leo, Aquarius figure prominently.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Backstage activity is intensified. You are called on to attend to or visit one who is incapacitated, confined, restricted. Aura of glamor prevails. You may have some unpleasant duties, but you make a marvelous impression!

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Friends have problems and no hesitancy in telling you about them. Maintain personal balance—and humor. Be flexible—get thoughts, concepts on paper. Gemini, Sagittarius persons are likely to be in scenario.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Professional superiors have problems—timing is off and you could be "called in" for consultation. Be direct, frank. State your case in forthright manner.

You get chance now, in aura of adversity, to show that you can come through during crisis time.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Creative resources surface. Pressures are relieved. Self-expression is accentuated. Gemini, Virgo and Libra persons could be in picture. You are able now to analyze, to piece together bits of information for complete story.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Make domestic adjustments—including concessions. If you strive for and achieve harmony, you will be doing yourself the greatest of favors. Know it: act accordingly. Taurus, Scorpio and Libra are part of scenario.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Partnerships, legal ties, even marriage, are under pressure. Avoid tendency toward self-deception or fall prey to your own "illusions." Escapes, Virgo could be involved. Now is time to improve techniques.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Organize. Separate fact from fantasy. Accept added responsibility with understanding that rewards will be greater. Capricorn, Cancer persons figure prominently. Those who perform special services could maintain rebellious posture. Don't force issues.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Love is paramount—you feel alive because you know the meaning of love. That makes this a most important time! Aries, Libra are in picture. One you care for confides problem—you grow in process of understanding.

IF MAY 5 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY you are analytical, fond of travel, capable of expressing yourself in writing. You are attractive to opposite sex. Gemini, Virgo persons play important roles in your life. Your home life style changes this year—September and November are significant months. You are a good photographer, capable of getting messages across—and when you so decide you can sell anything!

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