Partner opens the bidding

with one spade. What do you

A.-Two diamonds for two clubs). Your hand is too strong

or a jump raise to three spades, which should be limited to hands of 13-16 points. Your hand revalues to 17 points in support of spades, and you should plan to bid both of your minor suits

before jumping in spades in order to pinpoint your shortness

Q.6-Neither vulnerable, as

♦AQ107 ♥KJ987 ♦K6 **♦**92

Pass 3 + Pass

- Four spades. Do not bid four

hearts-partner will construe that as a slam try. You do not have much more than a minimum

opening bid, and if partner has no more than he has promised.

slam should be against the odds.

Q.7-As South, vulnerable,

◆Q10762 ♥865 ♦75 ◆654

Pass 2 NT Pass

The bidding has proceeded:

North East South West

What action do you take?

A .- Bid four hearts. Your hand

features. You do have three

trumps, a doubleton and a queen which might be useful. Since you

have already located a satisfactory fit in hearts, there is no

point in introducing your weak spade suit. The raise to game does not promise much from you.

Q.8-As South, vulnerable,

♦KQ873 ♥81 ♦AKQ76 **♦**K

Pass 2 NT Pass

Pass

The bidding has proceeded:

South West North East

Pass 3 +

Pass 5 4

A.-Partner is marked with the

two black aces. It is also most likely that he holds the king of

not without some redeeming

Pass

The bidding has proceeded:

South West North East

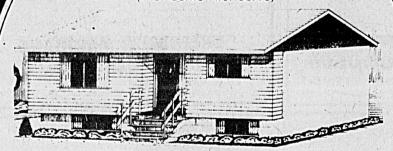
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Q.1-Both vulnerable, as South you hold: **♦J762** ♥KQ32 ♦J7 **♦**A104 The bidding has proceeded: South West North East

Pass 1 ♥ 1 + Pass

What do you bid now?

A.—Three spades. That shows a hand which is worth close to an opening bid, but is not forcing since you are a passed hand. West's opening bid has somewhat deflated the value of the king-queen of hearts-had your heart and club holdings been reversed, you should have considered raising to game.

Q.2-East-West vulnerable, as South you hold:

♦AK852 ♥A6 ♦10963 **♣72** The bidding has proceeded: East South West North Pass 2 + 1 +

Pass What action do you take?

A.—Pass. While partner has you hold: some values for his raise, he cannot have enough to encourage you to bid on. You do not have when the state of unrealistic to expect him to cover enough of your losers.

Q.3-Both vulnerable, as South you hold:

◆K73 ♥A82 ◇K9 ◆109842 The bidding has proceeded: North East South 10

What do you bid now?

A .- This is an awkward hand. You are too good for a mere raise to two clubs, but not quite strong enough for a jump to either three clubs or two no trump. If there is any game, it is most likely going to be in no trump, so you can describe your 10 points and balanced hand with a free bid on one no frump. That should place?
partner in a position to evaluate What do you bid now? the prospects.

Q.4-East-West vulnerable, as South you hold: **♦**A6 ♥KQ10962 ♦A83 **♦**85 The bidding has proceeded:

North East South West Pass Pass 1 ♥ 1 ♠ Dble. Pass Pass 2 + Pass Pass Pass 2 🛡 Pass What action do you take?

-It is only a question of which is the better game—three no trump or four hearts. The auc-tion suggests that the heart game might be safer. Everything points to partner having only one stopper in clubs—with a stronger holding in that suit, he would probably have double two clubs rather than pass the auction to you for a decision. So our vote goes to four hearts.

Q.5-As South, vulnerable,

hearts, and we would not fault you if you decided to bid the slam-provided you bid it in no trump to protect the king of hearts from the opening lead. However, our top award goes to a bid of five diamonds, which em leaves it up to partner to bid slam if he does indeed have the Your play to the first trick

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