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Duranty, one of the great journalists of our time. When simply that the final contract was an impossible six which is based on the

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For those who might want to try to figure out how South can fulfill his six-spade contract on his own power. take a few minutes off to study the four hands. For those who want the solution

trump lead with his ace, after which he cashes three more trumps, gathering in the adversely-held pieces. On the last three trump leads, dummy's ace, king, and queen of clubs are discarded. Then follow four club leads, the board's four diamonds being discarded. South's fourth club lead is the four-spot, which East has no option but to win with his

As can be observed. East's remaining five cards are five hearts. After having been put into the lead with the eight of clubs, East has no choice but to lead a heart. thereby trapping his partner's queen, and enabling dummy to win five heart tricks. Thus South comes home with his contracted-for twelve tricks: four spades, three clubs, and five hearts. The reader will note that the slam contract could have been defeated immediately if West had opened his ace of diamonds at trick one, upon which East would have discarded a heart or a club At trick two, West would then have led another diamond, which East would we ruffed But it wil



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