


Sunday, December 9

Board 1

South Deals ♠ A K J 3
 None Vul ♥ A 5 3
 ♦ 8 6
 ♣ 6 5 4 2

♠ 5 4 2		♠ 7 6	
♥ Q J 10 9 8		♥ K 4 2	
♦ 3 2		♦ Q J 10 9	
♣ A Q 10		♣ 9 8 7 3	

♠ Q 10 9 8
 ♥ 7 6
 ♦ A K 7 5 4
 ♣ K J

NS 4♠; NS 1N; NS 2♦; EW 1♥; NS 1♣;
 Par +420

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
			1 ♦
1 ♥	Dbl	2 ♥	2 ♠
Pass	4 ♠	Pass	Pass
Pass			

An Old Adage by Larry Cohen

This is the first of a series of hands to practice negative doubles.

Larry's comment: It's an old adage: "Set up your side suit. If you draw trumps first, you destroy entries and timing. By playing diamonds first and using trumps to get back and forth, it is easy to take 10 tricks. Try picturing the play if you were to draw 3 rounds of trumps and not set up diamonds. No good!