

CRYPTOGRAMS

1. Form Control.--VIC TORYF ENKOB N FYN ROXEPN
OBECLFXV OB KOBQBMOP FNXTOBIPIRV: TI=
BNGNPOLFOM YIPEOBR MITGOBV.
Waltham, Mass.

PATRISTOCRAT

2. Swell Advice.--KWN MQ BRDFON RLHOGCJONCRG
NEON RAWLONWQ SRL WICK TCNE RLHOGCJ=
ONCRG NEON RAWLONWQ SRL HRRP.
New York, N.Y.

FUBINE

3. Why?--RCFABEDCGB SKLTO HDGJLUCK ECFABE=
DCGB JEDAHKCM VDHFMOCH. VDHG EFUC CFCG
BRDBJECH, KCFKG GRDBJECH. OFKCMBG JAFDP
GCOFKFBDLM TKSCG KCOFKFBDLM.
Swansea, Mass.

THE GRIFFIN

4. Fussy Dame.--QUAH BLONS, *CATS, YPOLZ CAT
IUPCNM PNTKBI ICAD CAST, RTADLZ VOAUX
RDATL, PEU ECITM TACKISH YOKE ECRUK.
Piedmont, Calif.

EMPTY

5. Ouch!--CHSTU OTB HUGXOPT. RHN UHMNLQS
KMAQBH SABPXH MHDB. EHRQM TSEPRQ ZQMN
STBA KTPUVQD PUBAF VPURAL NOLHE.
Bastrop, Texas.

HOODWINK

6. Good Recipe.--JBVKPZ OBVKPZ LXJU, FGDXBQM
FDJGX, IBJG YBXJZ MBKLYF, YJMVP FUBQGF.
IDXP NBQXZ, GBXFUV, RBVLXFRQ.
Centre Hall, Pa.

ARTY ESS

7. Fast Take-Off.--BELFRY UPFWARIC, UDGJFPB YDK=
MIWAQF PFWDQJ YSKABW, TOIKYC AKLQWC=
RMI JGDLVQFYC KTZPFYI.

SUE DOE

CHAT

This month we greet Mrs. E. R. Ong
and Don Kuehl, Elkhart, Ind., and Dr.
Louis W. Alston, Morganton, N. Car.

In the transdeletion by Atlas, C.P.
indicates "chemically pure."

The series of articles on The Dom
I Know should be kept up, opines Ix-
axar.

Hercules sends this answer to No.5
in April:

With zeal evangelic,
O, SILVER-TONGUED reverend,
Thou OVERINDULGEST

In strophes that never end,
While 'midst the outpouring
I hear Blackstone snoring.

Jack sent 25 Feb. sols too late for
previous credit.

THE ENIGMA

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REFLECTIONS OF A NEOPHYTE

By JOE CALICO

(Inspired by Ann Onymous' dig
at puzzle-making twerps)

Of one thing I am sure: It takes
Of cleverness a whole lot more
To solve than make the puzzles that
Enigma gives us to explore.

To write a simple flat or two
I have perhaps some little knack,
But cracking all Enigma's nuts
Needs all the wizardry I lack.

To me Enigma's pages are
A challenge to my sluggish wits,
A probing whip to goad me on
Where puzzleistic genius sits.

And yet my only hope--to seek,
Ah, but to reach the near approach
Of Thedom's scintillating shore
And on its fringe of riches poach.
Therefore, enough to know that if
To Thedom's art I'll add no whit,
I still can have a lot of fun
Just reaching out my mind to it.

REPORT OF CRYPTOGRAM COMMITTEE

During the year 1951, the caliber
of the cryptograms presented was on
a high plane. The simpler offerings
served to encourage the neophytes;
and the difficult ones challenged and
stimulated the more expert.

Chief among the contributors were
such stalwarts as Hoodwink, Comrade,
Sue Doe, Cryptox, and Fubine. A special
bouquet to Patristocrat for his
witticisms in his encipherments.

Among the solvers stood old faith-
fuls -- as Fiddle, Anti Que, Comrade,
X. Specked, Nollid, Evero, Hoodwink,
Empty, and others too numerous to men-
tion.

It was revealed further that, of
the total solvers of the year, about
65 percent directed their efforts to
the fascinating cryptogram.

I. N. Joyum, Lu, Reynard
Committee

REPORT OF FORMS COMMITTEE

All Forms Committee Reports start
with the work of Sherlock Holmes and
this is no exception. Particularly
dazzling were his pyramids on DOUGLAS
MACARTHUR and the unexpected LIKE A
HOUSE AFIRE sitting demurely on a 17
base. Arty Ess is showing more of his
own work--and well he might, for his
is a master's touch. Especially note-
worthy are Arty's artistic 13-dia-
monds, of which SHOOT THE WORKS and
IN THE WINDS EYE are especially fine
examples. Arcanus and Sakr-el-Bahr
have contributed fine work in the
past six months. One of this commit-
tee's favorite features every month
is the pair of 7-squares over the
nom of Al Gebra.

The committee echoes Al Gebra's sug-
gestion that his treatment of the 7-
square might well be extended to the
8-square. In this connection, Arty's
work with the 13-diamond might well
be tried on the 11-diamond, by the
Krewe at large. L.D. R.'s pair on
QUICKSILVER are a case in point. This
particular form is not too demanding

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addressed.

Files of League puzzle literature
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phia, where they may be consulted by
anyone interested.

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and the unabridged New Int. should be the only ref necessary. Interesting 11-letter words and phrases are plentiful, and, given the inclination on the part of the Krewe, there is no reason why the forms section should not blossom out with dozens of new noms. That is badly needed and we urge the Krewe to give form construction a try. Even though the beginning be humble, remember that the masters like Sherlock and Arty were tyros once.

For the statistically minded, there were 40 forms published in Enigma in the period Sept. to Jan., inclusive; 7-squares predominated, thanks to the ability and industry of Al Gebra. A total of 12 such forms appeared in the 5 issues reviewed; 9-squares were next in appearance, with 8 examples. Ten diamonds were published, 6 of the 9-diamond variety, two 11's, and two 13's. Four pyramids were shown and one each of the following: 6-square, star, 8-square, half-square, reversed decagon, double inverted enneagon.

Only 10 noms appeared in the forms section during the five months. Al Gebra had ten 7-squares published, while Arty and Sherlock showed seven forms each. Empty and Sakr-el-Bahr appeared four times each and Gordian Knotter three times, Darkness, Arcanus, L.D.R., and Orion complete the list of constructors for the time under consideration.

Hoodwink, Sue Doe, Bick
Committee

PROPOSED REVISED CONSTITUTION

CODE PROVISIONS (Unchanged)

REGULATIONS

Article I. NAME

The name of this corporation is the National Puzzlers' League.

Article II. PURPOSES

The objects of this League shall be to bring together all who are interested in the art of puzzling, and to advance and perpetuate the interests of Puzzledom.

Article III. MEMBERSHIP

Any person who is actively interested in Puzzledom shall, upon payment of a subscription to the Enigma, become eligible for election to membership at a following meeting of the League. Membership shall cease if dues are not paid.

Article IV. OFFICERS

The officers of the League shall

be a President, First Vice-President, Second Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Official Editor, Editorial Secretary (each having the powers and responsibilities usual to such titles), and Ohio Trustee. These officers shall constitute, and hold the same offices in, the Board of Trustees, which shall conduct and control the powers, property and affairs of the League. Officers shall remain in office until their successors are duly elected and any vacancy shall be filled by the Trustees for the unexpired term.

Article V. ELECTIONS

Officers shall be elected at each Fall convention of the League. If such convention be not held, the Trustees shall conduct a ballot by mail.

Article VI. AMENDMENTS

Any proposed amendment must be submitted to the full membership. Not less than sixty days later it shall be voted on either by a convention or by mail ballot. Two-thirds of the votes cast shall be required for adoption.

BY-LAWS

Article I. DUES

Annual dues shall be three dollars, which shall include a subscription to the Enigma.

Article II. CONVENTIONS

The President shall nominate Fall and Spring Convention Chairmen, who shall name their own committees. Each such committee is authorized to incur expenses for its convention not to exceed \$50, which sum shall be paid by the Treasurer.

Article III. STANDING COMMITTEES

As soon as possible after each election, the President shall designate Standing Committees, which are to be published in the Enigma. These Committees shall be:

Membership Flats Forms
Cryptograms Publicity

Article IV. PROXY BALLOTS

Members may vote by proxy ballot at any election, but proxy votes shall be counted only on the first ballot for each office.

Article V. AMENDMENTS

A majority vote either by mail or at a convention shall be required for amendment of these By-Laws.

Mr. Ree, N. Jineer, Ambrose
Committee

PENETRALIA

Standard authorities: New International, 2nd Ed.; Century Atlas; and Phillips' Dict. of Biogr. Reference. Words from other references must be tagged. Use the mark (#) to indicate an obsolete word and the page number to denote an out-of-place word.

MAY SOLUTIONS

1. Left-handed. 2. Safari. 3. Overproud and underhonest 4. Dampers and drafts. 5. Bittern. 6. Animadverts, maidservant. 7. Forequarters, four

1, 2. By Al Gebra.

EMISSIV	FUCATED
MANTENO	UGOLINO
INPETTO	COWBELL
STETTED	ALBIRO
SETTIMO	TIERRAS
INTERMO	ENLEAFS
VOODOOS	DOLLOSSE

3. By Sherlock Holmes.

	M L E C H C H H A
	M O U R I E R E S
	T A R N A T I O N
	C O R T A N I N E
	G A L I A R D E S
	P A U M E R I E S
	P E R T A T I E S
	C O R T I C O U S
	H O U Y H N H N M

4, 5. By Arty Ess.

MASSCAKES	MALASADES
AETNAMINE	ARARIBINE
STREBELIA	LATINLESS
SNEVEREST	ARIANISES
CABERIVER	SINNAMINE
AMERICAN	ABLIMENTS
KILEVALLY	DIESINGIA
ENISENLIA	ENSENTING
SEATROYAL	SESSESAGE

CHAT

The period in the last line of #46 marks an abbreviation and is followed by a Roman numeral. I believe the solver is entitled to this info.

The answers to the two rebi in #24 are words that form a transposal. It is a clever idea.

Read the proposed new Constitution and By-Laws printed this month, for you will vote on them Labor Day.

Related March sols came from Orion, 24-0-0, and Dhumbb Bhelle, * 22-0-2.

quarters. 8. Frie(n)d. 9. Ha, me no sell! A rebus, idead, is "uber alles"! One M---ah!! 10. Kiss the missus: miss the kisses. 11. Utica. 12. Palate, pallet, palette. 13. Basket. 14. Parking 15. Stripe ripest, sprite, priest, esprit 16. The Truman Administration. 17. Honi soit qui mal y pense. 18. Tennis champion. 19. Comradeship 20. Bachelor 21. Womankind. 22. Abecedarian 23. Achievement. 24. Spectacular. 25. Saturnalian. 26. Smithereens. 27. Recommendations. 28. Purchases. 29. Subordinate 30. Rhabdomy. 31. Maid of Orleans. 32. The Maid of Orleans. 33. The morning after. 34. Terpsichorean.

1. In the legalized banditry indus-
2. Two men went hunting. What they...
3. Crumpled strata striped with....
4. Outlaw hombre, astride pinto....
5. Dark dismal crypt yields flint....
6. Brawny lackwit workman swung....

6. By Arcanus.

	C
	C O F
	P O R A C
	H E N P U E S
	P U R T E S T E D
	T A P P E S T E R E S
	T U R P E N T I N E G U M
	T H U R P E N T I N E S H R U B
	T H O M A S D E H A S T A N G E S

7. By Blackstone.

	B
	A C
	S H S
	B A S K E T B A L L
	C H E R R Y P I E
	S T R E N E R S
	B Y N O T E S
	A P E T A L A E
	L I R E L L I N E
	L E S S A I N T E S
	E N T
	E E
	S

Responding to my request for cons, Martelia quipped: "Veg. garden. Nuf sed." Highly informative, eh?

Somehow, I lay out so many puzzles for an issue that I have too little space left for Chat.

Better begin to plan for the Labor Day convention at Martha's Vineyard.

Many thanks to those puzzlers who heeded my appeal for verse headers.

Gazetteers show some queer letter combinations. Note the L's in def 12 of Arcanus's halfsquare.

NEW PUZZLES

1. REBUS (13)

T I T I U M

That the REBUS was thick-headed,
Zoologists agree;
No room for thought or reason
Within his skull had he;
So this unwieldy creature
Is not found on earth today.
I wish some other misfits
Would likewise fade away.

Attleboro, Mass.

CAPTAIN TO

2. REBUS (7)

B
T

Another name is MY WHOLE
For a kind of amphibole.

Bastrop, Texas.

HOODWINK

3. REBUS (10)

M O S P

Our lives in open REBUS
Are very much controlled
By rain and sun and temperature;
We plan for heat or cold.

Ferndale, Mich.

ALLEZ

4. REBUS (11)

B
E

THIS HERE describes Miz Medders,
Soul-drivin' she-Legree;
Pore Eph, long with th' deaders,
At rest in peace is he.
Yit here am I, so bossed an' tried,
Th' devil urges sooycide!

Bolivar, W. Va.

RAYLE RHODER

5, 6. PHONETIC REBI (1,5,3; 4,4)

I

On a laddie, it is striking,
And it means he has been struck.

II

On a lass, they're to my liking;
If they ogle, you're in luck.

Flushing, N.Y.

IXAXAR

7. WORD DELETION (11; 3,8)

LAST is the quietness which comes
When Age, uneasy, drags our feet.
Now milder pastime pleasure sums,
To FIRST in Puzzledom a treat.

Perhaps you've had more than your
share

Of Luck, or TOTAL shall we say;
That gift of finding as you fare
Treasure unsought along the way.

Denver, Colo.

L.D.R.

8. TRANSPOSAL (8)

I

Far above the deep blue sea
They circle all day,
Plummeting suddenly:--
Fresh fish on the way!

II

(Allow poetic license):
Are you braced, men?
They'll keep you in suspense
With a hold-up, then!

SUE DOE

9. DELETION (10,9)

FIRST causes can drive you to drink
But TWO friends can help you, I think.
State College, Pa.

CRYPTOX

10. PHONETIC CHARADE (7)

MY FIRST three different ways you
spell,
Yet here is a fourth, I am prone
to tell:

MY SECOND extends beyond the hand,
Bedecked by silver, gold, or iron band;
MY TOTAL goes forth to visit places,
Mountains, cities, and the wide open
spaces.

Whitestone, N.Y.

OEDIPUS

11. HOMONYM (4; 4)

Although I am no longer young
And full of go,
I still can ONE a pretty face
With quite some skill;
And no matter how the years
My actions slow,
I'll never see a shapely TWO
Without a thrill.

Waldorf, Md.

JOE CALICO

12. ANAGRAM (9)

LOIS HAS IT. What a shame!
Friends all whisper Lois' name.
But they won't tell her, never fear.
Without it she would be a dear.

Corinth, Miss.

FRED DOMINO

13. TRANSPOSAL (4)

My child went fishing for a whale
But came home with a FIRST.
Was he dejected? Not one bit!
He held it high for me to see
As happily he told his tale
'Tween TWO of cocoa to end his
thirst.

To him his catch was as great a hit
As the biggest whale in the sea.

Baltimore, Md.

IFANDOR

14. RIDDLE (4)

To a thousand add nothing
And what do you get?
You will "show me,"
On that you can bet.
If to that total you'll add one, you
Will see "me" as sure as you do.
Now, while you're adding, just for
the fun
Add fifty more and your "labor" is
done.

Bastrop, Texas.

HOODWINK

15. HOMONYM (5,6)

One may PRIME
"Symbiosis"
Of aphids and ants

To the Arctic FINE
One knows is
A union of plants.

Flushing, N.Y.

IXAXAR

16, 17. TRANSPOSALS (Both 11)

The FIRST descent from train will be
Perhaps a waiting friend or lover.
The LAST, a qualifying phrase,
A trifle harder to discover.

FIRST, one transported, olden days,
An English convict fits in nicely.
The LAST, a muttered spell's a key,
The white, the black, the ape's,
precisely.

Denver, Colo.

L.D.R.

17. HOMONYM

Now I dont keer fer gals wots large,
Like an 8 wot swims th' sea;
But if she's rich, got 4.1.3.
She'll lookdurn good, b'gosh, t' me,
Though built like a lumber barge.

Bolivar, W. Va.

RAYLE RHODER

18. TRANSPOSAL (5)

The golfer's shoes were made of TWO-
hide, though
He was no Elk (at heart he was
all Lion.)
One day befell him several haps
of woe;
He cussed them all to ONE (he lived
in Zion.)
His ball dropped in the water near
the bank,
And when he shot, the shaft slipped
from the FOUR;
He played it standing on a THREE
(a plank).
The clubhead flew and reached the
other shore.
His ball fell into many FIVE un-
mapped,

His swearing was artistic distingué,
His tongue, the only thing he had
untrapped
At sunset, struck his *SIX, and
slipped away.

Brookline, Mass.

HOHO

19. DOUBLE WORD DELETION (7;4,4;3)

In the land of Tapalami
Lived a brave called Fearless Eagle;
There he wed the chieftain's
daughter--

Pretty Smiling Beaver was she.
Early on one morn, the couple
Paddled blithesome in their kayak,
Heading for a sheltered islet,
There to bill and coo together.
Late that evening in the starlight,
Joyful from their games of pleasure,
They their craft WHOLE at a landing,
Hastened to their tepee FINAL--
PRIMAL with mem'ries overpowering:
She, enraptured from diversion;
He, to rest and ease his SECOND
Which from paddling caused dis-
comfort.

Washington, D.C.

SOBER-KAY

20. THIRD-LETTER CHANGE (9)

Nobody will be ONE your friend
Unless you quickly condescend
To start TWO each one you have lost,
By service, whatso'er the cost;
Do strive in THREE those that are
left,
Lest you of all friends are bereft.

Canaseraga, N.Y.

NAT PAL

21. ANAGRAM (3,6,2,7,4)

Scene: MISHAP IS BEFORE THE COURT
I.E. SOME CHAP RUES TROTH FIB
HE IS BEFORE A COURT THIS P M

Girl: "FIE! HE ABORTS ME COURTSHIP!"

Judge: "HE IS BUM; CASE TO HER
PROFIT!"

SUE DOE

22. FIFTH-LETTER CHANGE (6)

Sixteen matched ONES Smithsonian has
The finest on this TWO.
They flash their crystals in
the light
To dazzle me and you.

Ferndale, Mich.

ALLEZ

23. CHARADE (8)

ONE, dear Phyllis, let us go
To the theatre, to the show,
Not a play or "movie" drear
Where one sheds a bitter tear

As the thwarted hero TWO,
Or the heroine suffers through--
No, indeed, no agonies--
Give us TOTAL, if you please!
Flushing, N.Y. IXAXAR

24. TRANSPODOUBLEBUSOGRAM (8)
FIRST
H S
These are outright gifts or grants,
Especially to mendicants.
LAST
M
Thrice more power-ful than ten;
Ten yen have this many sen.

ANAGRAMS
25. O, YES, DRILL
26. ENTERS PATE
27. IT'S A GIN BAN
Rothesay, Scotland. CASTET

28. TEST MEN'S ANGER
Whitestone, N.Y. OEDIPUS

29. LOT SPILT EONS AGO
30. ENTER PASTOR
31. ANTE NIGHT REFORM (3,7,5)
Brooklyn, N.Y. ARCHIMEDES

(Can you find a "Dark Horse" here?)
32. U.S.A. FAVOR SEEKER SET
A NET *(7,5,8)
33. HE'D RETURN PARTY MAN,
SIR *(9,5,6)
34. NOW HAS EVER A WIDE, DELIGHTED
GRIN *(7,6,5,10)
35. WON HEARERS OVER GOLD STAN-
DARDS *(8,6,6,7)
36. R.A.T., BEST ORATOR, AN
HONEST FLOP *(7,6,8,4)
37. TRUMAN CURED ALL--GAGS A HERO
TRUMAN RECALL GAG'D U.S.A
HERO *(7,7,9)
38. GOOD MAN WHO SERVED N.Y.
DUE TERM *(8,6,6,5)
39. O.K.'D ON SERVICE IN
REFORM *(9,5,6)
40. LA, JUST BORN IN ENERGY TO DO
A CHORE *(7,5,5,6)
Corinth, Miss. FRED DOMINO

ANTIGRAMS
41. A TIDY MEND
Rothesay, Scotland. CASTET

42. SONS ROUSE CALM

43. TOPS OIL
44. I UNFROZE THE EAR (4,10)
45. UNMORBID
Brookline, Mass. HOHO

1, 2. HALFSQUARES
1.G. 2.Short for COVE# 3. The sun.
4.Loss#(1st Ed.) 5. TEPPE(Ind.Geog.)
6. T., San Patricio Co. Texas; 24 W.
of Rockport. 7. Battart (Enc.D.) 8.
BUTALA (Lipp.Gaz. var.) 9. SATYAVATI
(Dowson's Dict.) 10.Titivates(Wr.D.,
pg. 167). 11.Quinquevalent. 12. Sev-
en-sided. 13Legal name for a corpo-
ration. 14.The yellow-flowered Scol-
ymus hispanicus.
Worthing, S. Dak. SHERLOCK HOLMES

(With thanks to Sherlock Holmes)
1. B. 2.Scotch var. of CALL. 3.GAC
(Andrees). 4. To throw. 5. Any oint-
ment of which the base is non-fatty
material. 6.Sister#(1st Ed.) 7. MAU-
SOLI (Lemp.) 8.SAN CARLO (Ind.Geog.)
9. The genus Glossocoma (Enc.Dict.)
10. Winter cress. 11. Ital. astrol-
ger; 17th century. 12. CASTELLILUBI
(Lipp.) 13. An antibody which causes
lysis of bacteria antigenic to it.
Iowa City, Iowa. ARCANUS

3. DIAMOND
1.F. 2. A sack. 3.TEIRI (Andrees).
4. Maroon# (Oxf.) 5. Tarlatans (Oxf.
var.) 6.Resembling in style the work
of Bernini. 7. Justly. 8.Making gro-
tesque. 9. At right angles # (Oxf.)
10. Inquiry (var.) 11. Swain# (Oxf.)
12. The C.G.S. unit of work. 13. E.
Centre Hall, Pa. ARTY ESS

4, 5. SQUARES
1.Fine grade of calfskin for bind-
ing law books. 2. In coelenterates,
radii of the third order. 3. Crying
like a pig#. 4.Canine. 5. Dense rock
composed of quartz and albite. 6.The
wood of a Mexican tree, which yields
a perfume. 7. A symbol for affected
modesty.
1. Bible name (pg. 5). 2. European
wrasses. 3. One who makes excessive
use of "he." 4.Slim. 5.Town, Derain,
Turkey. 6. Anserine (var.) 7. Breech
cloth worn by savages.
Arlington, Va. AL GEBRA

6. 7. DIAMONDS
1. G. 2. The masses. 3. Teacher #.
4. The law of the land. 5. Specified.
6. An extreme or inexplicable diffi-

culty. 7. An appendage. 8. Scotch en-
gineer and physicist, 1820--1872. 9.
Wen#. 10. A mean, worthless fellow.
11. T.
1.M. 2. A sea-gull. 3. Preface. 4.
Sprinkles with powder. 5.Supplies,
furnished to a prospector. 6.Illicit
distillers (slang). 7.Sets right. 8.
Intent. 9. Flag (Scot.) 10. The bit-
ter vetch. 11. S.

SUE DOE
-----o-----
46. PALINDROME
(Because of its timeliness this flat
is added at the last moment)

In nineteen fifty-two, Chicago
Both national conventions hosted;
Both had dark horses, lying doggo
While candidates were getting
roasted.
Republicans held their meet early,
Some delegates appeared fanatic--
The choice of their mad hurly-burly
Might influence the Democratic!

One delegate, Mike Orsi, worried
About the candidate selection,
To other delegations scurried,
Appealing for a Taft defection.
Ohio's son he didn't favor,
Bob's steady gains he kept on
scorning.
At last, discouraged, our arm-waver
Raised high a banner with this
warning:

*I*O!
*.*O, *O *O* *U* *A* *O* *A**
U* -- *O *O* *O* *O*. I*!
Milwaukee, Wis. EVERGREEN
-----o-----

C H A T
With many other puzzlers, I think
Nyphe deserves a memorial number of
the Enigma. A 32-pager will cost in
the neighborhood of \$140. I am quite
willing to arrange the material sub-
mitted and type it; but I would like
some other person or persons to col-
lect the needed cash. The issue will
not be sent to the printer until the
money is in hand. Who will volunteer
for this work?

Evergreen, who retired from rail-
road service last December, has just
sold his home in Milwaukee, and will
locate in Arizona or New Mexico. His
address: c/o Mrs. R. H. Wilde, 6235
Eckleson St., Long Beach 11, Calif.,
until further notice.

C H A T
In No. 19, two different 4-letter
words taken from the 7-letter TOTAL
are keyed as PRIMAL and SECOND. The
joined ends form the same 3-letter
word (denoted by FINAL) after each
deletion.

Fred Domino broke his left arm at
his elbow in May, and now Freddie is
his left arm.
News reaches us that Davis died at
Atlantic City recently. Details are
not known at this moment.

Al Gebra will spend the next year
at Princeton, studying to become a
statistician.

Dorse writes that Vogue, interested
in puzzles, would like to reprint two
charades from Enigma of 10 years ago.
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FINANCIAL REPORT
Receipts in May: \$1-Doc, Hoodwink,
L.D.R. \$2-Beryl, Hoho, \$3-Sober-Kay,
Martelia, Pericles, Neophyte, Mrs.
Schrock, I Tappa Ke, Oslo, Boojum.
\$3.50-Mrs. Ong. \$5-Jemand.
Balance, May 1.....\$789.49
Receipts as above.... 39.50
Total..... \$828.99
Printing June Enigma 32.99
Editorial secretary. 3.00
Postage stamps..... 3.00
Addressograph exp... 1.56
Total..... 40.55
Balance, June 1..... \$788.44
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APRIL SOLVERS
EVERYTHING: Sue Doe,* Hoodwink, X.
Specked, Nollid, Evero.

FLATS: Complete, 34-Rayle Rhoder.
33-Larry, Allez, Hoho. 32-Emmo W.,
Dhumbb Bhelle,* Sol, Lu, Empty, Fid-
dle. 31-Ifandor, B. Natural. 30-Sa-
lome, Lady Lila. 29-Alpha. 28-Bick.
26-Genesias, Dunroven, Penny, John-
nie. 25-I.N. Joyum, Ixaxar. 24-Atlas,
Oedipus. 22-Oslo, Blackstone. 21-Jack.
20-Boo-Jee Kay, Orion. 19-Jemand.*
17-Neoteric.* 16-Osapple, Billy Goat.*
Amor. 15-Anti Que. 13-Plantina. 12-
Excel C. Orr.* 10 or less-Daft, Sue
de Nymme, Cuprite, L.D.R., Arcanus.
Sherlock Holmes.

FORMS: Complete, 7-Hoho, Lu, Empty,
Fiddle. Sol, B. Natural, Lady Lila,

CRYPTOGRAMS

1. Plain Speech.--EGXCKGRM EOME VIC TORM BIG
OTBOME SOTTE O EXORC O EXORC OZR BIG
PZGBE OTT VIC OZEBCEWE QE CSIG.

Waltham, Mass.

PATRISTOCRAT

2. A Week, Anyway.--TO ZRYAWL SWW CO UDPOMOZP=
OL UD PRO EAPAMO, COKSAZO UP UZ TR=
OMO TO SMO IYUDI PY ZFODL PRO MOZP
YE YAM WUGOZ.

Chicago, Ill.

SUE DE NYMME

3. All Aboard!--AZB YC BXZ DYCWZCB EYC VFCU
GFAYC FCU GXYYH BXECAT IH SYJ *C.*H.*R.
Philadelphia, Pa. SALOME

4. Hint to Duffers.--RSTW XYZR CDXF GHKK LSYG
CFHM WTSR KFTX WTHK P' CZV DMXT KPMB

XZPJ.

Morristown, N.J.

DEEGEE

5. Watch Closely.--ABCDE FDCGHK LMNOKGPF B MRKF=
PQEBD PUMCEBYFDPZ UPQLBOXDBK LXBDFPY
LIFCGPZ PGOCFR. KLUB KVLA!

Bastrop, Texas.

HOODWINK

6. Spirit Humbled.--BALTIMORE WXZCU FTXGRJ KZCU
SZLRM. YIDQZMW HEAXJ JZOFT, FTRSXC GOI=
DHCRJ; OTEAKM TAEGRDXM CZDQRJ TADR TRX=
EOGZFP.

Baltimore, Md.

COMRADE

7. Successful Defense.--UNKEMPTG OWKSGRA BILKYWG
OFLNTBI ENMJLKV. IWKRPB QWRALT BKRJG
SRNYIF YKPAMQ, FIKWJ ELBV JLKMPVW
RTKNOI.

SUE DOE

Rick, Oslo, Jemand,* Neoteric,* Billy Goat,* L.D.R., Arcanus, Sherlock Holmes, 6-Genesian, Dunroven, 5 or less-Larry, Atlas, Excel C. Orr,* Cuprite, Sue de Nymme.

CRYPTS: Complete, 6-Reynard,* Comrade,* I. N. Joyum, Anti Que, 5-Co-leth,* Lu, Empty, Fiddle, Bick. 4-

Lady Lila, Alpha. 3-Penny, Johnnie, Oedipus, Oslo, Neoteric,* 2-Genesian, Dunroven. 1-Emmo W., Dhumbb Bhelle,* Ifandor, Boo-Jee Kay, Billy Goat,* Amor, Sue de Nymme, Daft, Cuprite, Sherlock Holmes.

Total solvers, 51. No. 5 was voted the best flat in April.

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VERBUM SAPIENTY

By SUE DOE

There's a frown on the face of Ye Ed,
Poor old Arty is tearing his hair,
And you know that his unhirsute
head

Hasn't got any foliage to spare!
Why the gloom that pervades
Arty's lair?

Are things going from bad to much
worse?

What accounts for the editor's
care?

There's a shortage of headers in
verse.

In the doldrums is Rufus the Red.
He just sits with a blank vacant
stare;

And it seems that as heavy as lead
Is the onerous load he must bear.
How about helping out with our
share

Before Arty is fit for a hearse?
Let's all add to the Nig's bill
of fare:

There's a shortage of headers in
verse.

Of a night Arty's tossing in bed,
He's upset by a horrid nightmare,
Or a worry he just cannot shed.

There's a reason for his mourn-
ful air:

An affliction both painful and
rare--

It's isthmalgia; ask any nurse--
It's a pain in the (stet!) der-
riere:

There's a shortage of headers in
verse.

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Krewe, respond with good grace and
a flair;
Let us rid Arty Ess of his curse.
Be the answer to his fervent prayer--
There's a shortage of headers in
verse.

THE GOLF CLUB TRAGEDY

OR

JERRY'S GREAT RIDDLE

By EVERGREEN

The action in this lively (?) tale occurred some twenty-five years ago, up at the Weewin Country Club, in the clubhouse. Oh, yes, to keep a meticulous record, it happened in the Red Room of the clubhouse. They also have a Blue Room there. In the interests of the games and contests the club stages, the members are divided into two camps--and it's the Reds versus the Blues, with the best team invariably winning--they claim. A convenient set-up for a murder, say you? Well, maybe. At least, the numbers of people milling round at all hours of the day and night might easily give the opportunity, the normal rivalry and jealousy engendered by the afore-said contests could doubtless supply the required motive, and it would be about the easiest thing in the world to pick up a mashie-niblick for the "blunt instrument." Still, emphatically, this is no vile whodunit you're reading. Comes mayhem, possibly, but never murder!

Jerry Best and Silas Lammermoor were Reds. Also bosom companions and

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