1. Wrapscallions.--W I ETLCS I Z V T E P H F L I S L V FOHF MT OHPT H VFHZGT CIPTESRTSF LS

LSCFIS -- LSXGDULSC FOT

PATR ISTOCRAT

2. Oddity.--ABCDEF GH BIJDI KELF MBLI GH FLNs NDFFGBH: MONDPGBLF, RONPDIGBLF, PTDH

FDSLGBLF. IDADIFD BIJDI: JLBEGPDIOE.

ALPHA Philadelphia, Pa.

3. Patterned. -- BOX XESGR MIF HO MEGOG, EFO BES KNO EKNOS. EFPT KXE UIASR, XAKN IK POIRK KXE POKKOSR SOUOIKOG, NILO MECO IKKOFKAEF, LAY.: MESSAGES, CORRIDOR; KAK

IFAM, FEFRKEU.

CRYPTOX

State College, Pa. 4. Rude Pair. -- A B C D E F G K D L C M N, O P A R B S TNFXC.

CNDE OMNUBC TMGH. VMPCDL, MFT XJADR RNB=

JMC. TFCOMLQDN ENFRVTXG.

HOODW INK

Bastrop, Texas. 5. Got the Gate. -- BALTIMORE CITYM DUTOC BDXZWL= POE VRBMOTDL; DVFOBK PWXN BDRK. FDGWRT HDLKMI AXBDGOLC EOCWUX. ERPCOT

ULRXE VDAXBO.

COMRADE

Baltimore, Md.

6. Active Folks.--I F B T X D Q Y V J Q S K B, K V X P B F J Y X Y=

JQZB XJQBFDM BOFPVDQ OXZUVDF: MFYIWBR

DVZUBFJ QKSEXDV, KXDAVZB.

Minneapolis, Minn.

OUEZNA

CHAT

Hereafter votes should be cast for the best puzzle in an issue, and not just the best flat. But let us have more voting by solvers.

No. 44 in July has a U that should be H, to give Zero Fahrenheit as the answer. How the author made the faux pas I am unable to explain.

Roving Vic was in Minnesota at the last report, following a trip to the Mayo hospital. He was headed for Duluth next.

We extend a hearty welcome to Miss A. Irene Kinneman of Baltimore; also to Mrs. R. H. Wilde, daughter of Evergreen; and to G. Holstein (TAT) of Washington, D.C.

We hear that Cincinnatus died last May. This oldtimer made the 11-pentagon a specialty, and many fine examples came from him.

Si is now at The Rose Revived Im. Dewbridge, Oxfordshire, England,

Atlas writes that Davis, who died recently, was a retired B. & O. man,

THEENIGMA

OCTOBER, 1952

CENTRE HALL, PA.

No. 583

HELP WANTED By SOL

Methinks my brain grows more obtuse or flattists grow more clever. Whatever be my weak excuse. No list complete can I produce Despite my firm endeavor.

Long years ago when I was young I eschewed assisters. Ofttimes the asterisk was hung and oft my nom was found among The solo complete listers.

But now I show a bit of rust. I need collaborators. So when I find myself nonplussed, I'll do as others found they must--I'll join the syndicators. -----

NANTYGRAMS By ARCANUS

This newest evidence of my aberration--due to octogenarianism -- I have christened "nantygrams" -- not because it is sometimes difficult to differentiate between my anagrams and antigrams. Rather, the title is adopted because Loughead, in the "Dictionary of Given Names," declares that Nanty means "inestimable." (More applicable here would be the prefix "un.") My first impulse was to name the sketch "Insanagrams"--for obvious reasons.

With that preamble, I shall plunge in medias res, by stating that anagram-making is a wonderful art, with many beautiful ramifications -- and.

eke, many dark and devious pathways whereon daring travelers trek.

Of the anagram there are scores of families, genera, and species, the species most productive of grief to the creator and anger to the solver being the Almostia anagrammia. Illustratively, I append a typical quartet misbred in my puzzle atelier.

Having turned the leaves of Holy Writ to Matthew VII, 6, I read: They strain at a gnat and swallow a came, and decided to anagrammatize that widely known figure of speech. Parultimately. Then, truckling to necessity, I sought to give the wreck appositeness—the truly vital quality of a perfect anagram—by messing with the quotation, abbreviating a conjunction; substituting another; and using a pointless apostrophe, as some of my misdeeds. Then, pretending that I had completed the flat, I typed this:

WRONG RANT AN' GAS. ALLOW GIANT CALAMITIES

Some men talk blatantly anent simple things that vex 'em, While ignoring vital matter until it

fairly wrecks 'em. Over trivia they quite too often weep and wail;

As to affairs, important? Oh, that's a wholly diff'rent tale.

"Blind Guides." saith St. Matthew. in a parabolist's quaint way.

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Answer: Straining at a gnat or swallowing a camel.

Thus I salved my conscience temporarily, by the doggerel, and the common sin of injecting extraneous adjectives, interjections, dedications, or other more or less irrelevant terms and phrases, however malapropos.

Next, I strayed into classical demesnes, and ushered into existence the following masterly work of art:

JEALOUS DISPOSITION BY THE FOUNT Little Willie gazed upon the crib where a newborn brother slept,

And Willie, angered by neglect, ground his teeth and wept.

Bitter draughts we drink as we quaff From the green-eyed monster's fountain;

Aye, Olympian gods must surely laugh As they gaze from lofty mountain.

Then they exclaim in language scarcely sacerdotal, "Behold that lad, brother-gods. In-dubi-ta-bly, TOTAL!"

Answer: His nose is badly out of joint.

The gentle reader will notice that the anagram (?) opened aptly enough, but closed with about as much appositeness, save as to rhymed clues(?), as exists between a humming-bird and Joe Stalin.

On recovery from a shame-stricken penitent's impulse (not necessarily insane) to become a felo de se, via strychnin, a gleaming Damascus blade, or a "Hopalong" six-shooter, I decided to continue my strolling along dishonor's pathway.

Therefore, having dallied in religious and classical fields, I adventured into the realm of ethics and magistracy. Papers today are filled with tales of "juvenile delinquency," so I evolved this chef d'oeuvre:

DUITE EVIL LAD, JUN. ENNE

Junior Enne is a thieving boy Whose wicked traits grieve and annoy Truant officers; uniformed "cops," Who know he steals from many shops, Never in his 13 years and 20 days Gave him a single word of praise. So magistrates sadly write him down As COMPLETE -- the worst in town.

Answer: A juvenile delinquent. Once more, you'll note I have had

recourse to subterfuge after an honorable start of 32 words along the "straight and narrow." In a desperate finish, however, I created an absurd name for my "hero," lugging it in by the ears, after the mode of oldfashioned melodramas with comedy relief

How oft have I inveighed fulminatingly against anagrams that make use of a few maverick letters, straying around, mooing and bawling, and how often, too, have I "eaten my words." by just such practices. In the following, the final two words of the anagram illustrate my point--although a touch of appositeness does remain to the thing.

"ST!" "AH!" "LO!" EXCITE MAN

Interjections of surprise or joy; Interjections, when things annoy! Varied emotions of mind or soul Are spelt, in truth by man's WHOLE!

Answer: The exclamations.

Wholly wisely, I might stop here, but I am impelled to use proof of a kindred, non-anagrammatic error, as to word-coinage--long since branded taboo in forms, although pardoned, at times, in flats. Therefore I append a beheadment. The flat seems legitimate at first glance, but there's a Musca domestica in the oleaginous ointment. The New International authorizes REMARRY and REWED, but ignores REMATE!

BEHEADMENT (8)

Says Cynic: "Endless love of wedded twain

Is just a foolish, empty dream; By flames of love, almost insane, At first; near-WHOLE, all couples seem.

"Drags a year of bitter strife, Marked by schism, deep and wide; Now they're NEXT -- she's another's wife:

He has a younger, fairer bride." Answer: Cremated, remated.

And this is my chance to say "Quod erat demonstrandum," in thoroughly \$64 style.

CHAT

Those of you who have sat in exams will appreciate the troubles of John in Cryptox's homonym.

Saving space is one of my aims in arranging copy. So, crypters, please use from 75 to 80 characters.

PENETRALIA

Standard authorities: New International, 2nd Ed.; Century Atlas; and phillips' Dict. of Biog. 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.

AUGUST SOLUTIONS

1. Candy and flowers. 2. Inside out. 3. Inclined. 4. Disincline. 5. Larget. 6. H and L hinges. 7. Interlocal, citronella. 8. Dozen. 9. Thus. 10. Flagrant, fragrant. 11. Arty Ess. 12. Aweather, wheatear. 13. Assassination. 14. Herring, her ring. 15.

1, 2. By Al Gebra.

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ABFARAD KIDSMAN BROTULA ILOCANO FOREDAY DOTARDS ATENISM SCALARE RUDISTA MARARIE ALASTOR ANDRIEU NOSEEUM DAYMARE

Fatherhood. 16. Dyslogy. 17. Daffodil, red roses, order lid off ad. 18. Manage, menage. 19. S-urge. 20. Illimitable. 21. Pantry, paltry, pastry. 22. The professional golfers. 23. The professional soldiers. 24. The professional fighter. 25. The professional magician. 26. The professional musician. 27. The professional artist. 28. The professional artist. dancer. 29. The professional auctioneer. 30. The professional entertainer.

1. There's no better exercise for ...

2. Forget your watch, forget your... 3. Halfdrunk gaucho sang dismal.....

4. Naive diva, ecru toga awry, bade. 5. Anxiously probing timeworn parch-

6. Rheumy housecat miaoued, awoke...

5. By Sherlock Holmes.

KHA FAERT PORTIUS WAUKEENAH ANDROCLINIA AUTUMNALSIGNS AMMONIANITROGEN PRIAPISMOVIOLANES
TRANTERSANISHEREMEN
CAUCIONSERROTANEMONAL C A U C I O N S E R R O T A N E M O N A L
P E N N A M E S U C K A L E G S T I N G R A Y
U N C L E S A M A R K E T A B I L I T I E S T A T E W A

3, 4. By Sue Doe.

T E N T A L A V I O L A B I L I T I E S A T A T E W A
S U O N A T A S T E R I L I T I E S A I L A G E S
M A N S A L E
H A N D W R I T E
P I G S W H I S T L E
P I G S W H I S T L E
P I G S W H I S T L E
M U L T I G E N E R A T E LIB MULTIGENERATE LIEBENERITE NARRAMINE SATRONS PHRASES LORGNETTE HIPANDTHIGH BESETTING ROING NUE SETHING

CHAT

POPES

STING

EGG

H

PIGSWHISTLE

PEARISHED

SLISHER

ETTER

ELD

Apropos of No. 3, Nollid confesses that Larry is not leaving his farm. or having a sale. She merely chucked him into the rebus to give it human interest. The answer is marked "Rare" in the New Int.

Y. Knott's caution in his homonym should be sound. He's an M.D.

The No. 4 rebus is a joint affair by Emmo and his son M.U. Later. It's good to see the latter in the lineup.

The ONE in Molemi's beheadment denotes a proper name. I forgot to explain that at the end of the puzzle.

Congratulations to Boo-Jee Kay for her charade. This enthusiastic newcomer is advancing swiftly.

ENIGMA

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NEW PUZZLES

1. REBUS (4,5,3)

Love all ALL LIMB

"REBUS!" the wise Polonius cried Unto his son; and soon both died. FIDDLE St. Petersburg, Fla.

2. REBUS (6) (Suggested by #16 in March)

Hey diddle diddle! For the cows and the fiddle! Let the ALL hang high

Against the western sky. Flushing, N.Y.

3. REBUS (12)

SUB

Oh, have you heard the latest, Krewe? If not, we'll tell it all to you. Sale bills are posted for all to view; In Mason, sir, you'll find the clew, For Larry has sold his farm.

A REBUS he's having, so we've been told; It will last till everything is sold,

And he has pocketed all his gold; For Larry is leaving the farm.

Detroit, Mich.

4. REBUS (4,2,3,3,2,7)

(Partly phonetic)

TUTRUTAUTFUTFUTIUTC

There goes a crazy driver. 0, Sexton, start to dig! He REBUS on a busy street And zags where he should zig.

LEMMO LATER Middlesing, Mich. 5. BEHEADMENT (6)

'Neath springtime skies in genial

How easily one's work gets done! But here, where April's winds blow TWO,

One shivers, coughs, and muddles through.

MOLEMI St. Louis, Mo.

6. CHARADE (12)

Once upon a Sunday, many years ago, Nodding in his buggy, with old Dobbin walking slow,

Pastor Poorman fell aslumber and the FIRST fell from his grip.

Then a hoptoad frightened Dobbin to start him on a rip! When Pastor Poorman wakened, he was seated on the ground; His SECOND was all dirty, and the

buggy strewed around. It pays to lead a righteous life and know your credit's good --

Pastor Poorman made a TOTAL, as you'd surmise he would.

Wilmington, Del. BOO-JEE KAY

7. CURTAILMENT (4,3)

One placed above the tractor seat Will shade me from the summer heat. As sure as you are born, her aid She gave when you your debut made.

The whales at sea have lots of fun As do the boys when holding one Down on the street as gals go by. "A pretty pair," we hear them sigh. Mason, Mich. LARRY

8. TRANSPOSAL (9)

FINAL is a leucocratic porphyry with phenocrysts, A groundmass of anorthoclase, and a little amphibole.

Dafila acuta tzitzihoa Is PRIMAL, according to Noah.

Los Angeles, Calif.

9. HOMONYM (6)

She eats each meal like one who's at a feast,

Or barbecue, or PRIME, where appetites

Are whetted by the tangy outdoor air And one bite calls for three (or eight more) bites.

Three times a day like this quite did the job;

Her figure now is fat, obese -yea, FINE,

Beware, dear gals! To keep that gracile form, Be careful how you breakfast, lunch, and dine.

Y. KNOTT Ennis, Texas. 10. TRANSPOSAL (9)

The lake's a-sparkle in the sun, The "waterbugs" are out in droves. This way and that the motorboats run, The PRIMAL glide in and out of

coves: Sailboaters have a lot of fun.

But clouds appear and begin to The air whips up quite a breeze: It will storm within the hour. The boaters gather beneath the trees

And wait the LAST of the shower.

SUE DOE

11. TRANSPOSAL (10) That prophecies (Apocalypse) Are being now fulfilled's the gist of what a FIRST believes. Of tips,

The best he's but another ist.

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There is no question in my mind. Than beauty, SECOND'S commoner. In every turn I take I find Fair things to make my pulses stir.

Man labors with THIRD zeal for fame. To win success at any cost: Forgetting that both he and name

In tides of time will soon be lost. L.D.R. Denver, Colo.

12. HOMONYM (7;8)

I am quite sure you will not find A monk wearing a PRIMAL; But if you do you will remind

It's anything but FINAL.

ORION Baltimore, Md. 13) FINAL LETTER CHANGE (7) Complein

"Workers of the world, now ONE" Buzzed a Soviet bee as he flew. "No more queens, and no more drones And no more honey-Tivo."

London, England, ROGER G. M'GREGOR

14. HOMONYM (8; 5,4)

Oh, for the comfort of a picnic Along the ocean's shore! But sand flies plague us constantly We're pestered by 5 4. Perhaps by Nineteen Ninety-Nine. These tiny mites abate Thru use of new insectcides. When our outings gay so 8.

SOBER-KAY Washington, D.C.

15. TRANSPOSAL (11)

What a dire calamity Upset our way of life!

It made our little family TWO, with lamentations rife. Mishaps pervaded everywhere: Mom's coffee tasted flat. Since water in the reservoir Was ONE; sick were our dog and

Pop's Old Fashioneds were so much muck,

No matter how he tried To blend the drops of H20 And all the goldfish died.

Falls Church, Va. B. NATURAL 16. TRANSPOSAL (7)

A blind man worked at making brooms With great and FINAL care He was an artisan whose skill His cross could not impair.

He worked outdoors in sunlight, For PRIMAL he could tell That God had made this world of ours Both wonderful and well.

17. DELETION (7)

Staggering across the desert, Hungry, weary and athirst,' I had almost lost all hope In that heat that is accursed.

When suddenly a lake appeared. Ah! Life! My thirst can be SIX! I SEVEN not my speed; I ran--Toward a mirage! What a fix!

Baltimore, Md. IFANDOR

18. BEHEADMENT (6)

My TWO to ONE the argument Was really all in vain; No more had I departed than They started over again.

Ferndale, Mich.

ALLEZ

19. SECOND LETTER CHANGE

On Sunday we ONE and pray for peace, Hoping the war soon will cease; Meantime a TWO bombards the Chinese; What's the use of getting down on

our knees? darn vo 20 SPOONERGRAM (4,4; 4,4)

form doo Busy Farmer Brown's new neighbor Was apparently too lazy to labor, But hung around the barn's big doors While Farmer Brown was doing chores, And talked and talked of many things Such as cabbages, politics and kings And proved to be just a FOUR FOUR While hanging round the big FOUR FOUR.

Norwalk, Conn. 21. CHARADE (10)

When tourists "do" your city, The ONEs are never missed; They seem to lure, with glamor That folks cannot resist.

Give me the dancing billows (Not TWO* Sea; that's too rough). Don't waste your time in TOTAL--Eight hours is quite enough.

Canaseraga, N.Y.

NAT PAL

EXCEL C. ORR

22. HOMONYM

If John goes to college To accumulate knowledge--If he then is "A" CDEABA One might say he's ABCDEABA.

State College, Pa.

CRYPTOX

EMMO W.

If you hug a girl and love her, and she doesn't fall in love

with you, All your wooing will be but a

ONE. All your effort merely gone to TWO.

MIDURNDIST Waldorf, Md.

ANAGRAMS

24. THE CALM PIG

ROVING VIC N. Little Rock, Ark. 25. AH, DERBY HATS HERE (3, 12) 26. OH, PET SOPHISTS DINE (3, 14)

Lansing, Mich.

ANTIGRANS

27. NICE LOVE 28. CAN NOT SEE LAD (2, 10) 29. I'M A LESS THING

30. LA, NOT IRE ACT 31. SOUL'S NICE AIMS 32. HELP UNTO A BAD SINNER (3,12,3)

33. NO, IT AIN'T A FINANCING SUM (2,13,6) 34. PET CRIME-LADEN SPOT (6,11)

35. SO PERT, I RAN ACTS

Corinth, Miss. FRED DOMINO

1, 2. HALFSQUAR'S

1 (Dyeing) A black obtained by the interaction of nutgalls, pyroligneous acid, and a ferric salt. 2. Having six sepals. 3. Explorers. 4. A native of Malabar. 5. A form of butane (pg. 1316) 6 Keratins. 7. Apparent#(Oxf.)
8. Makes late. 9. Blazz#(lst Ed.) 10.
Erudition. 11. One of an Arab tribe
at Medina. 12. Letters C. 13. K.

1.0. 2. Early bronze coin of China 3. Chinese dynasty, 598-618. 4. CULN (Wr.Pr.) 5. GARVA (Times At.) 6. One who nerves. 7. A place where books are bound. 8 Rom. orator and jurist, 5th cent. 9.18cm. 0.14tor and jurist, on which cards are played (404). 11. An overseer. 12. Dustiness. 13. A fangiful classification of animals (by Swainson).

Centre Hall, Pa. ARTY ESS

-3. PYRAMID

Across: 1. S. 2. To ask. 3. Tatarian. 4. KOLELET (Map Index Fr.) 5. Enumerates. 6. To make homogeneous. 7. Interest paid by the debtor for default (pg. 1294) 8. Com., Friesland; prov. Netherlands (N.I. Gaz.)

Down: 1. 0. 2. The realm of darkness. 3. Men. 4. Same as NAUNT (1st

Ed.) 5. KUMAD (Balf.) 6. An old measure of S. Italy (1.58 bu.) 7. BALE-GIN (Phil. Gaz.) 8. Town, Mongolia SW Lake Tsadam. 9. GALANTE (Hughes) 10. RETEER (Oxf.) 11. TEARA (P.G.India) 12. Stead (Ref.Sp.) 13. Ease. 14. Sol-fa syllable. 15. L.

Iowa City, Iowa. ARCANUS

4 to 7. SOUARES

1. Island, Norway, N of Tromso. 2. Town, Nigeria S. on Niger river. 3. Put in the ground and covered. 4. An East Indian shrub. 5. Portug. measure 282 yards. 6. Ashrafi. 7. Resembling fungi of the genus Oidium.

1. Furnished with wattles 2. Methyl phenyl ether. 3. A small buffalo of Mindoro. 4. Var. of CZARIST, pg. 660. 5. Golden orioles of Durope. 5. Springy. 7. The German language.

Princeton, N.J. AL GEBRA

1. ACHASTIAL (Worc.) 2. Increase#.
3. German mineral water (Enc. Brit.)
4. Asperness#(Std.) 5. Silence# (1st Ed.) *. Tenanted#(Oxf.) 7. Suburb of Stockholm, near Ekelund (E.B.) 8. A becoming acid. 9. Lens-edge grinder (Occup. Titles).

Palm City, Fla.

1.0LD BAHAMA (Sc.-B1.) 2.LERR RIVER (Blackie). 3. Moving slowly (Chamb.) 4. R., Matto Grosso, Brazil, enters Rio Ivinheima. 5.ARTHURTON (Longman) 6. Exhilarating (Fost.) 7. AVINTAINE (Wr.Pr.) 8. MENTONNER (Fost.) 9. Money changers#.

Worthing, S. Dak. SHERLOCK HOLMES

CHAT

Of No. 8, Sol says: Ixaxar's PENTACLE-TENTACLE leads me to try to go him one better. To assuage the ire of those who find the solving difficult, I will award the solver whose correct answer reaches you with the earliest postmark, the sum of \$2, plus another \$2 to the NPL treasury. (Its a chance for all. Let's go!--Ed.)

I'm curious to see what solvers do with Orion's homonym. It seemed to me shy of clear clues. Prove me wrong, Krewe experts.

Allez drove me to Webster, to find out if her TWO meant what it seemed to mean. It did!

Well, Blackstone's out of circulation. Wed Charlotte Packan on Aug. 8 in Akron, Congratulations to both,

MONTANI SEMPER LIBERI By RAYLE RHODER

OCTOBER, 1952

Wal, I've come back from Worshin'ton From seein' sights, a lot: Amongst 'em wuz a speshul 'un Not I have not fergot. Now, most o' wimmen in Then Thar Must have a lotta sons Way off, a-prodigallin', whar Thar ain't no shootin' guns. Fer most o' wimmen I seen in Th' roads o' Trumantown Own Fatted Calves--some few be thin--All shades o' tan an' brown. An' all the gals look pore an' froze. No frocks atall they wear: But go out in their underclothes --Most o' 'em durn nigh bare! Th' men don't wear no hats no more--Bald heads like they know strife --But they've got autos by the score wot make ye skip fer life.
The sights I seen wuz funnylike: Neckties on dawgs I see; An' ev'ry sassy leetle tyke Stopped still an' hooted me! But nary 'Nigma did I see On newsstands loaded down. B' gosh! it wuz no place fer me--Dadburned ol' Trumantown! But yit I showed m' manners, fer I paid Wite House a call; Yit hair ner hide o' Him or Her I never seen atall.

Oh sure they knowed 'at I wuz thar,
But didn't like m' beard;
Mebby they thunk m' coonskin quare,
An' both felt sorter skeered.
But gosh! 'wuz wuth m' trip t' see Abe Lincoln, full mansize; From out his frame he looked at me With sad an' ha'ntin' eyes. Uhhuh, I seen a lotta things This last time I wuz down, But nary 'Nigma, no, b' Jings, In that thar low-brow town! So back I hiked t' mount'ins blue

I joyed t' hear th' Houndawg "Woo-o-o" An' see his frantic tail! -----

CHAT

An' Miz M's pone an' kale; A town 'thout 'Nigmas, old or new, Be too durn dumb fer Rayle!

Nice words for a transpo, B. Nat! Mrs. E. C. Ong takes EASY as a nom

and Don Kuehl selects DONKEY, while Miss Kinneman chooses MANNEKIN. Make these additions to your Roster. Easy sent a 32-2-2 list of June sols too late for regular credit. Our newcomers make splendid solvers.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Receipts in August were: \$1-L.D.R. \$1.50-Numero. \$3-Mephisto, Doc, Shyrene. \$5-X. Specked, Nollid, Evero (Nypho Mem.); Sherlock Holmes, Ifandor, Cryptox(Nypho Mem.), Emmo W. \$10-Sakr-el-Bahr (Nypho Mem.)

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JULY SOLVERS

EVERYTHING: Ajax, Sue Doe,* Hood-wink, B. Natural, Sober-Kay, Nollid, X. Specked, Evero.

FLATS: Complete, 46-None. 45-Sol, A. Chem, A. Chemem, 44-Rayle Rhoder, Empty, Lu, Daft, Dhumbb Bhelle, * Allez, 43-Genesian, Dunroven, Fiddle, 42-Salome, Bick, Roving Vic, * Lady Lila, 40-Evergreen, * 37-Emmo W, 36-Alpha, Penny, Johania Alpha, Penny, Johnnie, I. N. Joyum. 35-0slo. 34-Ifandor, Nat Pal. 32-Boo-Jee Kay. 31-0saple. 30-M.U. Later, Anti Que, Easy, Zordo. 25-Shyrene. 24-Plantina, Amor, Atlas. 21-Jemand. * 20-Excel C. Orr. * 19-Midurndist* 18-Arcanus. 17-Jack. 16-Neoteric. * 13-Arcanus. 17-Jack. 16-Neoteric. * 13-Arcanus. 18-Arcanus. 18-Arcanus. 19-December 19-Dec Grulla, 10 or less-Neophyte, Patristocrat, Doc, L.D.R., Sherlock Holmes.

FORMS: Complete, 7-Sol, A. Chem, A. Chemem, Empty, Lu Daft, Genesian, Dunroven, Fiddle, Bick, Lady Lila, Oslo, Jemand, * Neoteric, * L.D.R., Sherlock Holmes. 5 or less-Ifandor, Easy, Shyrene, Atlas, Arcanus, Doc.

CRYPTS: Complete, 7-Reynard,* Co-leth, A. Chem, A. Chemem, Empty, Lu, Daft, Bick, Roving Vic,* Penny, Johnnie, I.N. Joyum, "Fiddle, Lady Lila. 5-Anti Que. 3-Evergreen, * Emmo W. Alpha, Oslo, Ifandor, Boo-Jee Kay, M. U. Later, Easy, Zordo, Shyrene, Amor, Atlas, Neoteric, * Neophyte, Doc. 2 Jernal * Stealth, Westerney, English 2-Jemand, * Sherlock Holmes.

Total solvers, 57. No. 19 was chosen as the best puzzle in July. -----

CHAT

Jemand suggests some small, easyto-solve forms be printed each month to encourage solving by the tyro. I have always thought that Enigma is a magazine for adepts. Still. I'd like to know what the Krewe thinks.

1. More Patterns.-ABCDEBE CFGHBFB KDLN *A C O G E C E DBKPRBR FL HBCSB TCFUSB GCAUFCF FL VC= DFUXUVCFB UT XPDDBTF *LHZNVUCE. EBSURBR VHCT KLD NCYUTO RFCTE RBXPDBD.

2. Strong Arms. -T CAIEVU CNDRVIK MCVKLI IKCEFWL KCEWLYD. IAHYVLC, UCGINVFW KLECOGH YER= AILH, SLOAGHI GFVOACR; WVCH VFXGCLY, CA=

REFUL SHEIKLY, THAK JAKLY F.W.

3. Hot Rodding.-PCYMH PRVW ORGBVCALW IREHTPG Piedmont, Calif. (PMTXERM), CBQRITSRH MTU, WTXRMUV FHRIYK

SYAVRSPB. CRHWBU PHROTYM REMYFWHK.

4. Foiled Getaway.-S G W M R V N P R G M T T M G D T L W R, R P G V Bastrop, Texas. SHBRHD, WZMX RLWZ KWTX IHRL KGFC LGWM.

Morristown, N.J.

5. Curious Brat. -- B X F Z U Z P D U J M X U P (L X T I J V E Q J F U = ZODKI), QKLJA VUPMTXAFZ (TJBWZU QDKF-TMJ=

BDI) VOZFL XDKWB KFVOJW (ZMI JLM).

Minneapolis, Minn. 6. Safe Landing. -- SIXTYFOUR UGISTFR TUCK RCTA= LUFE KYASCIB NWMOY VGIKX LTWK WELRDYGK, LRDWPB VCLBX FLIGAM.

SUE DOE

OUEZNA

HOODW INK

BRIEFS ON THE CONVENTION

Some 26 puzzlers met at Oak Bluffs over Labor Day ... Sue Doe did not appear; so the incognito remains ... Ambrose is the new president, and Ambrosia is now secretary. Since next July 4 is the seventieth anniversary of the founding of the Eastern Puzzlers' League, it was suggested that the February convention be dropt and a celebration be held over the July 4 week end in New York. The officers will decide the matter. . . Patsy and Pat were surprise attendants as also were F. I. Nance, Budget and Cookie. were r. 1. Nance, budget and cookie.

Newcomers who graced the affair were

Mannekin of Baltimore and Boo-Jee Kay
of Wilmington...Bathing diverted the
hardiest and others played anagrams.

Motor trips around the Island added

Motor trips around the Island added to the enjoyment...Freddie and Fred Domino endured a 4-day motor trip to be there...The puzzle contests drew a large crowd, many being strangers. Further details will be given in the official minutes.

CHAT

Numero, active 20 years ago, now in Arizona, joins the Krewe again. The fatted calf's being barbecued.

The dead line for contributions to the Nypho Memorial is December 1.

WooWoo, son of HoHo, was married on Sept. 2, to Miss Rhoda Schott in New York. Our felicitations to the young

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RESPECTS TO N. JINEER

By NUMERO

They say that for N. Jineer It does now at last appear. (Was't at age of thirty-nine?)
That they ope'd a bottl'a wine!
Say it isn't so,
She's left the B. 'n 0.

'Twas laterly in our teens, Convened with those Phil'del Pheens. We met. And was't sister Hazel? Ye got me in a fraizel* Anywhichway; W'ich Hazel -- Say?

So now ye've left the B. 'n O. And now ye're free to come and go. Whyn't ye take the Santy Fee? Come make puzz and visit me! Mebbe ye'd thaw out my dome We'd make Witty Palindrome!

I'd tell ye 'bout our pet frog: T'other day, fell off a log 'N dang nigh dround! Ye see, he's many yars old (H' many, ne'er bin told!) It's so dry in Aridzony, him Haint never learned to swim! *Webst. Int. V Edit.

> BEST PUZZLES By B. NATURAL

Exactly what does the simple word "puzzling" bring to your mind?

Agreement with Hoodwink, the author of the original article of this series, is in order, as to the judging

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men and women, I dare say, who can dash off one of these intricate geometrical figures without giving long and unadulterated thought to the con-struction. Why cannot flattists and cryptists do the same thing, so that, when we have constructed something of merit which might entitle us to "best puzzle of the month," we can honestly be proud of the well-earned

Of course, we all know that it is a battle of wits. But to what extent

are our brain cells to be dusted?

Does it mean that with just the smal-

lest amount of cogitation the proper

solutions pop up and we accept them?

Or, does it mean that after we have

delved into our sources of knowledge we are still a little hazy as to the

correctness of our answer and a fur-

ther search in one of our references

produces the desired results? Id say

it is a combination of both. Flats, forms, crypts, anagrams, and whatever else we have to offer, should tax all our combined ways and means, to

We can't expect our puzzle fare to always hold to this criterion, but we

can hope for the best, provided con-structors give ample study and prep-

aration to their offerings. Many of

us could learn a thing or two from our formists. There are few of these

a marked degree.

Files of League puzzle literature have been deposited in the library of the Franklin Institute, Philadelphia, where they may be consulted by anyone interested.

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