CRYPTOGRAMS

1. Delicious. -- Z F Q G, B C H T G F J ---- C Z P J V Q W X D Z ----DCWZHK: WOHNLDK FGKXQZT VNHPB GKVOP TZBPOHK HTLZONB VNCPM BPZNGFJ. 2. Hobbledehoy. -- A C Z X V Q L B K S P J K F J K C D V Q V B Y C -

MF. ZWJLQA OCLDXMBW WJMZXBF, SWJKO 01-

LNP CFPYK CLNBM ZPQVJLB.

3. Missed Target.--Y Q R M V F V Q R U Y P Z K W X Z W U R S Y M I ZVHCZ YQRSMVKTB FVKJXPYY VJPYFBX QKJ-XP X Q D V M L N R Z; V Z H B V Z P W Q K, Y V R U V O J Z C -MX!

4. Sneak-thief. -- KZYWJLOX YJMXQLU GVBPFQ BXY-JG: XVUEPB YLKSW, ZMKXDW MJVF. LZBXO DKZELMJF, SKPZQ FKPDBY FJVXA.

5. Weather Hazard .-- Z X Y M J Z B D Q J Y K Z M S X L O. GF GNROBSXYV OSXMVBZHU, QFSKZJ RUKDXG FKNJBZSXVFQ FBHMPKYV.

6. Disagreement. -- 0 X J M T O K X O K L Y W J O U FTXPNOYA YKJVF \*NWXYQ \*MWZXU MXPQW. IXKPVQ KJL-ZSVF QWSJO, UZXVF UTZJE QWNV.

7. Pyx Pelf.--HOAX SOLVER, NOOZJW RCBSEQX, X-LREZS CXNOL, SOCHERXJB RVOJCW AXVDCUZ.

VDOLYZQX.

8. Aromatic. -- P Q J X M V X K M U J Z: N B W U Z M, D K W X Q Y -UJPV, BPBYJQZFB, OKQWZF YKXNZ, FKXNVJ-BO, BXQZSKJ VJXYWKZQ, JQ BUZZ.

#### RUTH O. CURTIS

Larriette, Mrs. Ruth O. Curtis, of Mason, Michigan, died at her home on June 22, 1959. She is survived by her husband, Loris; a daughter, Mrs. Kathleen Williams, of San Luis Obispo, Calif., and a son, Alan. Larriette and Larry have attended

several mid-western conventions of the past, and the many friends they met there with others whom they knew in Thedom, join in sympathy to Larry and his family.

#### WILLIAM HENRY POWELL

One of the real old-timers, whose affiliation with Thedom goes back to the turn of the century, Comrade, died at his home in Guilford, Maryland, July 1. He is survived by his wife, Maude Shackelford Powell.

Comrade was a formist, and his work has appeared in the Enigma, the Eastern Puzzler, The Ardmore Puzzler, and many of the earlier puzzle magazines. He joined the League in 1923, but for the past several years had been inactive.

#### ALBERT A, GRIFFIN

The Griffin, Albert A. Griffin, died at his home in Swansea, Mass., on Sunday July 9th, after a linger-ing illness. He was 86. He is survived by his wife, Louise, and a brother, Chester A. Griffin (CHET), of Franklin, N.H.

Ever active in Puzzledom until just a few years ago, The Griffin turned out flats and crypts as his favorites, though now and then he turned out a form with merit. He was also active in the Yankee Puzzlers, and each June the annual picnic was held at his home which usually amounted to a junior convention.

# ENIGMA



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### PUZZLED

#### By PACIFICO

At the end of an arduous day. When the crimson-edged veil of the night

Unremittingly closes away The travel-worn sun from my sight. I prize my Enigma, for then Is the magic that means puzzling bliss!

But what can be urging me when I try writing headers like this? -----

#### ONCE UPON A TIME

(1898 - May. The Mystic Tree)

"The man who in these days attempts to edit a puzzle department has no easy task. In the first issue he usually publishes anything he can secure, and sometimes fills up gaps with his own effusions; in No. 2 he follows the same rule. With the third number, however, Mr. Editor strikes a snag. He has decided in advance that veteran and tyrowill be treated alike, and his theory is correct: but now he discovers, as has been every editor's experience, that the two 'won't mix'. The question is simply this -- will he conduct a standard or a tyro department? The former is very tempting. Think of gathering together all the crackmystics! Think of the work that would be able to be shown! And he almost decides it will be this.

"But -- there is always a 'but' he remembers that many of the veterans never contfibute financially, while the tyro is as liberal with his cash - when he has any - as with his work; and while the latter may occasionally be unavailable, money is always acceptable. Thus our Editer finds himself 'between the devil' (of bankruptcy) 'and the deep sea) (of mediocrity), and chooses the sea, because there is a fighting chance of keeping his head above water financially.

"And this is the reason, in about eight cases our of ten, why the puzzle editor of today openshis columns to - nay, even praises - mediocre work, instead of striving to elevate the standard and lift the beginner up to his own plane. There is food for thought in the consideration of this phase of the editorial question.

(1890 - May. The Key)

"Although this paper comes into the Mystic Worldunheralded, we trust it will be none the less welcome to our brothers in the 'Dom, and that they will fully appreciate our ef-forts to place the cryptogram on a firmer basis than it now occupies.

(1900 - August. The Ardmore Puzzler)

"Bicycles continue to obstruct the anteroom every meeting night. Some of these days the non-riders will rush through a note to levy a war tax on the silent steeds."

(1880 - January, The Mystic Knight)

"Seven-letter squares and elevenletter diamonds 'take the cake' for us around here."

(1891 - April. The Key)

Cryptogram solution: Izzard zealotical steganographists rarely use. Zesting cipher such should hunt zenik, zerda, zoril, zi-bet, zizel, midst haunt peculiar; dizzy zumbooruk defensive, zoutched

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# (1906 - Christmas, The Oracle)

"I can't understand the modern puzzler. If I remember rightly in the old days every puzzler was a solver - in fact some did nothing but solve. I consider it the better part of the game."

(1899 - February, The Mystic Tree) "Lives there a manwith soul so ded, He never to himself hath said 'I'll make a puzzle just for fun, And then -- I'll make another one?'"

# (1903 - October, The Newark Puzzler) A SUGGESTION

I trust that you will pardon me, Friend Editor, if I dare to make A little speech of kind advice Which you are free to leave or take.

But, having been in Puzzledom For fourteen years or more, or less,

I've jotted down what others say About the way to win success.

Some mystics utterly detest The cryptogram, and I have heard That there are those who will not aid

The sheet that prints the hated word.

And so, if you would miss the block O'er which so many have tripped, Be wise and prudent, and eschew The kinky, tantalizing crypt.

Avoid the riddle, though it be By some well-known top-notcher

Sent. Don't publish "hidden fish"; they have

The "enigmatic element". Beware the love-flat; send it back "Declined with rancor", though 'tis rude.

For Puzzledom is cold, hard fact, And sentiment must be tabooed.

Since you will find objections to Each kind of form, each style of flat.

Don't print a sheet at all, and let

The difficulty end with that. But if you feel in duty bound To bring this puzzle sheet to pass,

Then edit is as you think best And tell the cranks to go to grass.

#### THIS MONTH'S PUZZLES

Again Penetralia is arranged with the simpler puzzles first, gradually leading up to the toughies.

It is a welcome note, indeed, to see that Transposal by Al Gebra, He uses as ONE, a dialectic word which is well recognized and some one else has used it lately, too.

This month sees the introduction of two Riddles, an up-to-now unproductive field. Fluke's is a modern variation of the type shown in our "Real Puzzles" as MY FIRST is in CASH, and one had to take out one of these letters to form the keyword. This author adopts the point of asking the solver to select one or more letters from his clues in order to get the full keyword.

A. Chem's 7th-letter change is apt to take the solver across tur-bulent waters, but that's what happens during flood conditions. Let's hope that this situation isn't based on actual fact in the Norfolk area.

In #24, Fluke follow up Evergreen's suggestion to "let's have some Alternades" in his June article. But his TWO is a peculiar word to most of us, while Webster backs him up.

Fiddle's Acrostical Enigma is a true reflection on his own viewpoint, as far as comestibles are concerned.

Midurndist returns to the contributor's department with his Palindrome this issue. He has been away too long.

In mentioning Alternades, let it be said that Molemi has produced some "corkers" too; which are slated for an early appearance; and he uses bases which have not heretofore been attempted. -----

Does anyone know of a novel presumed to have been published in California in 1937, which contained, or is reputed to have contained no letter E? Roger Mc Gregor believes it was privately printed. Also, do any of you recognize an essay by E. V. Lucas on the subject of lipograms?

-----S.V.B. maintains "The Nig still offers the best diversion I know -especially in thesehot summer days.

#### AUGUST SOLUTIONS

1. Mushroom. 2. Secure, rescue, 3. Knitter, trinket. 4. Bur-lie-st. 5. Mitter, trinket. 4. Bur-11e-St. 5. F-urn-ishing. 6. Shard-e. 7. Doublet. 8. Slily, silly. 9. Obeyed. 10. Depend. 11. Diet. 12. Gritty pearl, pretty girl. 13. Plowshare. 14. Break, brake. 15. Hank, ankh, than. 16. Carnelian. 17. X. 18. Sectoraly. 19. Ouake, quaich. 20. Easternly. 19. Quake, quaich. 20. C-element. 21. Cachinnate. 22. Amenability. 23. C-element. 24. Both to let, loath to bet. 25. T-ox-in. 26. Unallied. 27. Hot piker, pot hiker. 4, 5. 28. Choirman, harmonic. 29. Grotesquery. 30. Goes in one ear and out the other. 31. Just a makeshift after all. 32. The dental cavities. 33. Domesticated animals, 34. Anagrammatical. 35. The Amen corner.

1. In the past it is noticeable how 2. To be loved we must merit but li 3. Each man must educate himself: h 4. Have you heard about thrift Cale 5. Musing customer sought modern ch 6. Brisk north wind blew dust blank 7. Irate authors advise achy editor 8. Lynx skin clad waif with spry mi

CH AR AD ES DE LI CA TE TO AD AR CO NI EN ER GM ET ER AL BA NI AN AL IE NI ST RI TI TU KI

HAEMOLYSIN, PRODUCTIVE, magicflute If a little knowledge is dangerous, where is the man who has so much as to be out of danger? Thomas H. Hux-

DE BA TI NG

#### By SHERLOCK HODMES

DECRESSES WAKECAKES ANALALAVA ECHOSTONE KADERITES CHESTATTA ELEVENERS ROSTRATED CAREBA'R IA ESTREMERA STAAMERIN ALINAWEDI KATEREMES SOTTERING EVERIDELE ENTERINGE SASSAISES SEADANGER

#### JULY SOLVERS' LIST

Everything 30 flats, 5 forms, 8 crypts: Kapry Korn. A. Chem 28-5-\*-4; Amor 15-0-3; Arti Que 18-0-\*-3; Arcanus 9-4-0; Arty Ess 26-\*-0; Bee Wilder 12-0-\*-4; Billy Goat 19-\*-1-1; Blackstone 23-0-0; Bon Gay 13-0-\*; Captain To

ZEM GOMB VENEO MANONO SALECTO MAJORITY VALOVALES GENERALIST ZONOCILIATE CEMENTTESTER BAMBOOOYSTERS

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22-\*-3; Chet \*-0-0; Coleth 0-0-\*; Dunroven 19-0-3-1: Fiddle 28-\*-\*-4: Fluke \*-0-\*-4; Genesian 19-0-3-1; Helen Highwater 26-0-5-1; H. Ell Tee 28-\*-4; Hoodwink 28-\*-4; Ifand-or 29-0-3-2; I. N. Joyum 18-0-\*-2; Jemand 13-\*-0; Jemanda 13-\*-2; Johnnie 21-4-0; Larry 23-0-0; Molemi 26 \*-0; Nollid 28-\*-7-2; Nutmeg 25-\*-7 4: 0slo 13-\*-0: Pacifico \*-0-0: Paul and Virginia 7-0-0; Penny 21-4-0; Psi 28-\*-7-2: Sherlock Holmes 4-\*-2: Sol \*-0-0; The Gink \*-0-4; Toots 26 0-0-1; X. Trax 22-0-\*-2; Zordo \*-

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THE GINK

# PENETRALIA

1. TRANSPOSAL (5)

King Cole sat on his ONE gold throne

A mien most TWO had he; He called for his fiddlers, He called for his pipe, And his bowl filled up with THREE.

HELEN HIGHWATER Greensboro, N.C.

2. WORD DELETION (6; 2, 4)

If you are going PRIMAL A FINE with maiden hearty You'll need a lot of dough To TOTAL to the party.

ALOUETTE Pearblossom, Cal.

3. BEHEADMENT (6)

Oh, FIVE! Mom naps on a summer day, Offspring, shaded by huge old FOUR, Fill wading pool, and ONE and play; The happy sound draws pals galore.

Shrieks and yells awaken Mother. She comes arunning to the door To THREE at Sis, and also Brother, With a hand that leaves them sore.

The moppets flee, the pool is left, The yard's a TWO, and Mom's bereft. **IFANDOR** 

Coral Gables, Fla.

4. TRANSPOSAL (7) Why not spend a day on the lake; A ONE, a rod and a reel you might

take; Enjoy the scenery, the TWO, the fresh air,

Fishing and dreaming, forgetting life's care.

A. CHEM Norfolk, Va. impure 5 TRANSPOSAL (6)

The ball came low, without a curve. He stood a-swing and held his nerve. And then he swayed. "S-T-RIKE! Yer OUT! he heard, then

sassed With PRIMAL words. (He'd whiffed and passed.

And was dismayed.) The FINAL spoke, with thumb awry: "The showers, now, t'cool you, guy!" And was obeyed.

B. NATURAL Greenfield, Mass.

6. TRANSPOSAL (6)

"Let slip the dogs of war!" Antony, rabble-rousing, cried, As he PRIME his auditors Who FINE the "canines". Then warriors died!

Iowa City, Ia.

ARCANUS

7. TRANSPOSAL (7)

The Egyptians had a wonderful PRIMAL,

A lost art in these modern days. Of making innumerable FINAL Seem truly alive to the gaze.

Attleboro, Mass. CAPTAIN TO

8. TRANSDELETION (6)

A ONE is a sore spot Which turns black and blue. BKOUGH A puzzle that's pleasing, Is what I call TWO. Mom THREE clothes by hand To get Junior's things clean. I must ride a FOUR, Or else walk, and that's mean. R Ye Ed has implored FIVE To send in some "stuff", And he gets things like this! Yes, the going is rough! AMOR Sioux Falls, S.D.

9. WORD DELETION (7; 3, 4)

A TWO was peacefully pulling a ONE last night. When a car came crossing against

the light; And hit the old-fashioned ONE with

all its might. It made a most terrible TOTAL sight.

**OED IPUS** Elmhurst, N.Y. D. M.A. 10. NUMERICAL (6)

(2,5,4) you'll surely find An obstacle will bring to mind.

(6,3,1) if deep when sold Betokens luxury, I am told.

A pressing need requires ALL - with no concession When you really want to make a good impression.

Pasadena, Cal.

11. CHARADE (7-4)

He will gulp his food, and ONE his milk,

OUIRK

He is surely in a hurry. For Daddy is at home today, The cause of all this flurry. He'11 TWO his Dad the whole day

long, Then supper and his prayer, Then Dad will don his WHOLE and take

Mom out for a grand affair. ALLEZ Ferndale, Mich.

12. PALINDROME

You know exactly how it always is When parted cronies get again together -- ? Well, that's the way it was with

THE ENIGMA

Tom and Jarvis. You bet they didn't talk about the weather.

Iom walked of bumper crops he planned to sow; About his wife, his stock and

champion ratter. He lived out where those famous

taters grow, Rich land of happy smiles and friendly chatter.

Jarvis bragged about his spicy bachelor sprees, But said he envied Tom his lovely Flo,

And lied with two of Tom's kids on his knees: 10. \*A\* I \*I\*E \*0 \*E\* I\* \*I\*A\*0!

Waldorf, Md. MIDURNDIST 13. SPOONERGRAM (7, 5; 4, 6)

The fierce brush firewas conquered. But vigil was sustained. Old Bill would take no chances. Though only ONE remained.

But Bill, although long famous For fighting forest fire, Succumbed, then, to exhaustion And TWO. a fate most dire.

MRS. EV Banning, Cal.

14. TRANSPOSAL (7) (Written in March)

'In '59." the \*TWO all say, "Along the pennant path we'll ONE.

Our series cut, and it ain't hay, Will pay us for the season's fun.

'Next winter's FOUR, the banquets free.

Will honor us, and we'll attend. The moola (peso, mark or THREE) Will all be ours to save or spend."

Pittsburgh, Pa. AL GEBRA

15. SPOONERGRAM (4, 4; 4, 3)

Shed tears for a (4,4) who sought a blonde's favor, but lost to a Latin who was a lot

She tempted the rustic with coquettish glances, Then laid the (4, 3) with feigned petulances!

Sherman Oaks, Cal. **PACIFICO** 

16. HOMONYM (9, 10)

The NINE are walking up and down. The plant is closed today. They hope the action will result In larger hourly pay.

The TEN are very busy Making many a pretty spray To pin upon our coat lapels Or use some other way.

Denver, Colo. 17 ACROSTICAL ENIGMA (10)

VI-Although it's not a cow, It almost was, by half. 2-Net is profit for you now.

So trade your horse, and laugh.

TA 3-Keep all you can, forget To put, the other way is best.

RI 4-Send not away, and let Your stocks go up, with zest.

Act soon, or be left behind.

"No flocks that roam the valley free

To slaughter I condemn. Taught by the Power that pities

I learn to pity them."

St. Petersburg, Fla. FIDDLE

18. CHARADE (12)

His PRIMALs were bad (though his FINAL was good). So they carted him off to a sad

neighborhood Of doubtful COMPLETE, where they

gave him the ax: Coventry maybe, perhaps Halifax. These cities, I'm sure, are

superior to hell, But tradition is clear, they are no place to dwell.

Whittier, Cal. MOLEMI

19. RIDDLE (2, 3, 2)

I'm high on the ends and in the middle.

On the ALL with you, this is my riddle.

Brookline, Mass. 20. TRANSPOSAL (9)

She shot an arrow into the air, Fair FINAL with the golden hair, Nor did her PRIMAL seem to mind, It took us quite an hour to find,

Caledonia, Mo.

21. TRANSPOSAL (9)

If PRIMAL I to others show, And all the while my brothers know I just endure whate'er may be, My acts are no credit to me.

Ноно

FLUKE

THE ENIGMA If love impels the things I do, My fellowmen will know it, too; My love and theirs together blend, Blessings, FINAL, unto the end. Bastrop, Tex. 22. SEVENTH-LETTER CHANGE (9) The mountain streams o'erflowed with the melting Springtime Spilling wildly seething torrents to the river down below. And the churning waters, FIRST, swept o'er the countryside Spreading death, despair, destruction that reached both far and wide. The cost in human suffering can't possibly be reckoned. The floods are past, but sorrow reigns, and now the river's SECOND. A. CHEM Norfolk, Va. 23. NUMERICAL (10) PRIME: 7, 1, 9 FINE: 6, 8, 5, 2, 3, 4, 10 In evidence are Nora's PRIME

When she gives way to laughter, But ALL you see on sun-brown cheeks Are what you think of, after.

Her customers seek Nora's smiles When at her inn they dine, And as her smiles and ALL win me I'm one of Nora's FINE.

EVERGREEN Banning, Cal.

24. ALTERNADE (6)

Ochroid waters run unclear, So often tinged by ONE. Natant lads will thus appear Ouite xanthic for their fun.

My ma forbids that old mill stream, So TOTAL near the race. When done, I'm shamed and rightly deem

It best to TWO my face.

FLUKE Altadena, Cal.

25. WORD DELETION (7; 3, 4)

Taxes on this, taxes on that; Eternally we're clipped. But we don't pay ALL, not any more, The TWO says that is skipped.

And wise he is to note that Since feudal times we've changed. A ONE in modern taxes is A change we'd like arranged.

**IFANDOR** Coral Gables, Fla.

26. CHARADE (6; THREE is phonetic)

"I deal," "Two hearts," "I pass",
"Five spades," "I THREE," The evening long into the morning

The maid peeks in and ONE the bonhomie.

The tide of battle TOTALs to and fro,

She goes to bed, her thoughts disturbed, forlorn, "Oh what TWO mess to clean tomorrow morn!

Brookline, Mass.

27. RIDDLE (8)

ONE's in winter at Quebec, With crisply frosted scenes. THREE's in spring at Boston, Where cod competes with beans. TWO's in summer at Great Neck On cool Long Island Sound. FOUR's in fall at Austin, Where oil tycoons abound.

From an ALL I'll travel far; Visit Mars or e'en a star.

Altadena, Cal.

28. CHARADE (11)

MY PRIMAL bespeaks of an eyebrow, MY FINAL of heavenly bow. But each is instep and if you are

These identical twins you will know.

Displayed in a colorful circle With symbolic figures inside; Embroidered in silk, for those of that ilk,

MY NEXT is a nobleman's pride.

Tho strong is the hand on the scepter

And mighty the power it swings, Tho purple the gown and jewelled the crown,

MY TOTAL holds sway over kings.

Los Angeles, Cal.

**ANAGRAMS** 29. HO, CASH DUE MITT (3, \*5, 5)
Waltham Mass. ARCHIE TECH

Waltham, Mass. 30. IS "CARVE INTO THEE (3, 12) MOLEMI Whittier, Cal.

31. CON EASY HELP CITED (3, 13) 32. HIST, LET VOICES STAR ANON (3, 18)

33. CORRALS IN VETO 34. I SAID, "O SO THESE CAN GET US" (3, 10, 8)

35. SOON BE MAN'S NICE PAL 36. BE TALES ET DRINKS (4, 3, 8) FRED DOMINO Corinth, Miss.

1, 2. SQUARES (To Sakr-el-Bahr)

1. Dog grass. 2. Form of OREILLET (0xf.) 3. GRAVESTAN (Strat.) 4. Form of SEVENTEEN (Oxf.) 5. GLENSANDA (Barth. At.) 6. One who starts a-gain (0xf. Supp). 7. Attempting\* 8. STANDENDE (0xf.) 9. SENE ARGEL (Fost. pg. 2784)

1. Red clover. 2. AEIELESTE (Strat. pg. 190) 3. RISLESTON (Cornish Names) 4. LELANTINE (E. B.) 5. GLENSANDA (Barth. At.) 6. RESTANTER (Supp. Eng. Gloss). 7. Stopping\* (1st Ed.) 8. Standing (Hall). 9. SENEARGEL (Fost. pg. 2784)

3. DIAMOND 1. I. 2. WLC (Full.) 3. HAKAR (Hughes' At.) 4. River, SE Queens-land, enters Ballone River at St. George. 5. Phytobezoars. 6. Like a warrior. 7. A time-server (Wr. D.) 8. A yellow species of carnelian.
9. ROLLSTERS (Oxf.) 10. ALIBORI (Andrees). 11. Var. of SCNOES. 12. Ede\* (1st Ed.) 13. Y.

4, 5. TRUNCATED PYRAMIDS Across. 1. Chinese pagoda. 2. WORF (Full.) 3. A bale of manufactured goods (Simmonds) 4. CORMERON. (Map Ind.) 5. Barrenness (Oxf.) 6. Pert. to Commentaries. 7. The tallowwood. 8. A series in which each term in numerically less than that preceding it (C. D.) 9, BETS ONES LAST DOLLAR (Slang Dict.)
Down, 1, B. 2, From, 3, Teat\*, 4, a curse, 5, BORCO (Worc, Gaz.) 6.

Dutch designer and architect; d. Dutch designer and architect; d. 1638. 7. Methane. 8. Form of WARRENS (Wr. D.) 9. A yellow-flowered Eurasian herb. 10. Art brown. 11. Kills by hanging\*. 12. Most tedious (Wr. D.) 13. Knoited. 14. DARRO (Ind. Geog.) 15. Var. of LEAL. 16. To fish for eels. 17. Say\*. 18. R.

Across. 1. Letters R. 2. TIEF (Hughes). 3. A hymn tune. 4. Trees of New South Wales. 5. Fem. of CA-TERERS. 6. Constituting as a palatinate (1st Ed.) 7. Partial stagnation, 8. Trained nurses, 9. TO CAST ASIDE ONE'S EAR (Oxf.)

Down, 1. T. 2. Rom, 3. Dry, 4. A remora, 5. A light loose robe\*. 6. One addicted to malism. 7. A scaf-fold or stage. 8. Threats ! (1st Ed.) 9. River, Colombia; enters Rio Gua-viare 190 SE of Bogota. 10. SER-RENGED (0xf.) 11. Gamy (Fost.) 12. LESTANO (Worc. Gaz.) 13. SEITUN (Andrees). 14. To laugh derisively (Wr. D.) 15. Music composer and or-

ganist; b. 1880.16. Born. 17. Say\*.

Worthing, S. D. SHERLOCK HOLMES ------

Division by H. ELL TEE YREYZ divided by BAN equals LYN; minus NAM equals BLRR; minus BBBL equals MNOZ; minus MNBY equals LO.

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plus SAEV plus ALVL equals AEAVKI.

Division by BEE WILDER KSS00 divided by NIK equals DO; minus KDII equals RHEO; minus RHER equals B.

Anaquote by HOODWINK (3,31,4,2,5,2,3,7,3,5,7,3,2,4--\*6) AL EDT EIS ETO FON GHT HEN ICI KIN LIF LO LYA MUS NER NES NDI NTU OTE SRI UCH US

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carriage 91-19-71-12-81-4-73-43-86-74: darkness of night

92-28-52-78-9-60-37-30-67-61-55-82: public welfare 93-23-76: the sun

94-5-70-44-59-85: long, triangular

95-32-72-17-7-54-27: outburst 96-53-49-39: mild oath 97-69-10-83-46-14-75-79-63-36: failure to provide maintenance

98-68-47-64-26-58-18: to give authority to 99-80-11-57-21-3-42: full of sorrow

Without an official convention in 1959, the proxies themselves have decided the new officers for the new term:

CRYPTOGRAMS 1. Petty Larceny. -- "A Z B Y C X", D C W X C E V F U U A A Z B -GT HWDD: "SZI XCVF AZB DUFCR JVZH C OWDD: DCWX USF RCX, IWUS C TVWG QWK, AZB IWG; KBU RWJF ICDG'U CRICAD. RWOF USWD." TOOTS Philadelphia, Pa. 2. Ups and downs. -- A B C D E F G B C E H I G D A K X Z D D K F H EV CBIOKH CIBXXKFC OKCTKHOBHU DAK CD-ZBFC DE DAK DAWHOKF EV AEM = HZBI MEEDC TIBNMBHU WXLZFO VFEN MKIEL. COLETH Montclair, N. J. RIJO U 3. Inventive. -- HOW RABCBH E D RHCEGK LWRBCW DEC OUAABGWRR HOUH MOWG BH OUR BH GEH. BH BR DECJWL HE JCWUHW BH. **GENES IAN** Fall River, Mass. 4. Inconsistency! -- A B C D E F G H I H J K C L M B F C M. HDFCN OCPLIQBL NJCHIAR. ZYL BLSN SFCJ AYQBMJLI TFGL HBFIL, CIAYHULJFILM. HOODW INK Bastrop, Tex. QFGZP BTGW FH-5. Fete. -- EFSSLFJQI UKQFOW SFOBKRP ORBJP. YKOPLBMIOP FMMGFRT \*AOISBFJ VIPQBUFG TOFHF. **OEDIPUS** Elmhurst, N. Y. 6. No Soft shoulders .-- N D X W Y L V I C W N Y L E W X U L H M V -DFW XREW LXSCLFW CDICTLO TDWCRVW ARH-AYPWP SFLH. MVUSO YRLN XCVW NRTH. DEEGEE Morristown, N. J. 7. A maze. -- DAEVIXT BCXELJAS XOPFCDTU PI Y-BIXQT DSEBW=QPZT CQVIAD DSEPGTQ DA JTPEUOM BIZTFCA OVWMEPIAS. H. ELL TEE Philadelphia, Pa. KTCNIMPG VHUA OHFXAPN 8. Ensemble. -- B N Z T K I TGBINIZ, EKRLN MKZ MGAPCI; ONAXPKIA C-NTPAX FKAZHBG, ERNPM CPICXNB VPNA ZT-PB. A. CHEM Norfolk, Va.

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pointed at the outcome of the plans this year, they have intimated that they "may try again"; and there has been a murmuring from the West Coast that they might be interested again, . . . for 1960.



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#### BOOB'S DREAM By SOL

(It has been suggested that flats be graded ... with the simplest coming first ... and the brainconfusing ones last. July 1959 Enigma)

A boob. Ben Adam, awoke one night His brain afire with a fiendish delight. He'd dreamed up a flat to confound the Krewe. A perfect puzzle with nary a clue. 'Mong solvers he'd cause pandemonium.

With one blow strike all Puzzledom dumb. On paper swiftly his gem he placed And to the Editor mailed it posthaste.

Each month he impatiently waited for The puzzle page to reach his cottage door. He wondered if the Editor would find His puzzle much too much for mortal mind. At last the day dawns -- with tears of grief His eyes are wet -- in disbelief He sees the puzzles rank from easiest and lo! Ben Adam's flat led all the rest.

## -----JOHN GREENLEAF WHITTIER By MOLEMI

It was something of a surprise to learn that a good many puzzlers did not recognize the opening lines of Snow-Bound, which I quoted in a recent flat. In my "day" (ancient history), well-regulated English teachers insisted that the Sophomores memorize great gobs of Whittier's opus -- at least in my sector of the blizzard area. Tempora mutantur, nos et mutamur in illis. (Latin by courtesy of N.I.) Hoodwink, reared in Texas, tells me that at one time he could repeat the entire Whittier peem beginning

#### Still sits the school-house by the road, A ragged beggar sunning.

Puzzling seems to have held an honored place in the pioneer household in which Whittier grew up. A part of Snow-Bound describes his memory of the entire family gathered In front of the huge fireplace, with nuts, apples, and cider.

We sped the time with stories old, Wrought puzzles out, and riddles told. Or stammered from our schoolbook

lore "The Chief of Gambia's golden shore."

The town of Whittier, California, where I stay during the winter, was founded in 1888. At their first meeting, the Friends who established the colony voted to name the town for the beloved Quaker poet, then in his 82nd year. Whittier sent them these stanzas in appreciation:

#### MY NAME I GIVE TO THEE

Dear Town, for whom the flowers are born, Stars shine, and happy songbirds sing.

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