

CRYPTOGRAMS

1. Advice.

Annapolis, Md.--SIBYL

DISDAIN LURID BCEDF GADFRACGHJCJU
KJA IJUB, MDOIHMN ICKD: "BJ HJ TDS
HMD FOPD SON NJL BJH LG."

2. Word problems?

Bastrop, Tex.--HOODWINK

CRYPT BLITHE ATRYING BXYAH ARNPFHE
CERYKNH LGHOCLWJLOP ARZH AJZKRNA.
CTLA BEJIC TXA ZXOJ BNYHA; ARN HXAJ.

3. Man or bear?

Princeton, N. J.--HAP

*FEUDWA DT EFHBEUDT UHVHU UDBBE TH-
LRNHB, EDS RHBLJE. QABHL MJLCBHL PD-
BONFE MBJMMFL BDKJDIHGFE DCBAA.

4. Loud, louder!

Bastrop, Tex.--HOODWINK

ORGAN EXGAY YNBD. CFGD RHANIGAJX
YNEX ENKKIA RLNIM=ONPAKKXIY KRYOZGM
GQNPD ANC OZGRA, EPYRJGZ CNIK.

5. From bad to worse.

New York, N. Y.--ACORN

XLNCS RCHAZJS XZCEJTUY IGJT SNIT
ICUG EVERY; UGJF CTDZXEJ FNVB RXBN-
UCS QZXTSY, EXACTQ OXI XCZEJTU EN-
BJ RXCTDVZ.

6. No milksop she!

Missoula, Mont.--DENDAI DIX

BPHYX (EKFI, EKL, BAILP, MFQY AMR
CKS?) TKBY UKIYXL EAILP SVKWQC -- SFLV
KHY XAL DMNXL. *MFO *DAIRYX UAYG
XKGYC.

7. The lost chord.

Caledonia, Mo.--THE GINK

ZYXWVB AYJKW, VWMG XDWOKCP, WDPMB
CGBKWV. ZGECWDJB DACVJBKW DWBG, T
AKCYJ JWKTNB, NTVZKWBH HKDJWG.



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ANAGRAM CONTEST WINNERS

Despite (or because of?) the fabulous prizes offered, the Anagram Contest announced in the August Enigma inspired the anagrammatic muse of only six members. The two bases given were ENIGMA SUBSCRIPTION and PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION. First prize, the book or books of his choice from the selection offered, goes to MERLIN for his triple-header annie on PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION:

SEE POLITICAL DIN ENTER
SEE INANE POLL DIRECT IT
NEED I POLL CERTAINTIES?

Second prize, an autographed page of Enigma rough draft, goes to TUT for his annie on the same base:

POLICIES' INTENT: LEADER

MERLIN also wins third prize, the copy of the Fruit Bat Soup recipe, for his annie on ENIGMA SUBSCRIPTION:

TIP: REBUS CON IS IN MAG.

While some of the entries were mutational in nature, several had at least fair apposition to the base. The best of these are given here, in no particular order of merit. There were only two identical constructions, one on each base by MERLIN and NIGHTOWL.

PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION

SEEN ERE POLITICAL DINT - TUT
ELDER POLITICIAN TENSE -
PETE TROLEUM

FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT



TREESONG

Here's a better picture of our new First VP than the one that appeared in the October Enigma. (That one was a rendering by an artist of little note.)

ENTIRE POLITICAL NEEDS - FUN
E'EN POLITICIAN TRIES END!
CITES TOP LEADER IN LINE
PARTIES DO ELECT IN LINE
I. E., ELECT TOP SIRE IN LAND
- MERLIN
I. E., POLITICAL TREND SEEN -
discovered independently by
MERLIN and NIGHTOWL
END TENSE POLITICAL IRE -
NIGHTOWL

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ENIGMA SUBSCRIPTION

IN POETS' CRUMBS, I GAIN
POSTING IAMBIC RUNES - TUT
BRAIN UPSET IS COMING - FUN
INSCRIBE: TOP MAG. IN U. S.
IMPOSING REBUS ANTIC
(or: I'M POSING REBUS ANTIC) - MERLIN
POETIC BRAIN MUSINGS -
another independent discov-
ery by MERLIN & NIGHTOWL
O, I BRING UP SEMANTICS
'NIG'S MAIN TOPIC: REBUS
- NIGHTOWL

And a couple which (I hope) will
be considered antigrams:

A CUE: N. O.'S BIG MISPRINT!
BASIC IMPURE NOTINGS
- NIGHTOWL

TRUE TO FORM

A letter arrived in the owlery
last week, all traces of origin
or name of sender obliterated by
the postal service. However, the
content of the letter was of such
monumental import to the Krewe
that I hasten to present it--no
less than TWO 9-squares, which
are known to be impossible to all
but the most dedicated formists
with million-volume libraries.
Since the references are fairly
obscure, the solutions are given
along with the definitions.

NINE-SQUARE

1. Boundaries of Am. Soldiers in
France, WWI; a type of fishing
equipment. 2. One dedicated to
keeping his name secret. 3. It-
alian poet, 1734-1891. 4. Chem.
subst. isolated from nerves con-
nected to the knees. 5. Ore named
after M. Monroe & V. Lake. 6. To
engage in importation. 7. Pert.
to culture of anc. Nianians. 8.
Nervous and jumpy as result of
sudden noise. 9. Mex. fungus sim.
to athlete's foot.

DOUBLE NINE-SQUARE

ACROSS: 1. Heritable. 2. Not
capable of umation. 3. In a state
of having made a decision. 4.
Western U. S. city formerly named

"Fork-in-the-Road". 5. Gabby poli-
tician. 6. State of being opeal-
ent. 7. Entertainment salon. 8.
Capable of being ateemed. 9. Sup-
plying with pork fat.
DOWN: 1. Person often seen at 7
Across. 2. Famous chemist who
discovered entipium. 3. One who
quenters. 4. Engaged in umpeta-
tion. 5. Precedes "bean" in motto
of Ohio city. 6. Rodent (Rare).
7. Japanese inventor of clock ra-
dios. 8. Comb. form meaning "of
average ecology". 9. Those whose
occupation is lentering (var.).
(Solutions on page 10)

TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts in Aug., Sept., & Oct.:
\$25-MEPHISTO, TUT. \$20-M. U. LAT-
ER, SAKR-EL-BAHR. \$10-MERLIN,
SHERLOCK HOLMES. \$9.29-Bank inter-
est. \$8-Leslie Dunkling. \$6-
SMITH, TIM S. \$5-ACORN, AMOR,
FREDDIE, WICK. \$4-BILL, Stanley
D. Chess, DAMAC, Mrs. Louis Dieck-
mann, FRINKUS, Robert W. Gray,
Sandra Lynn, Stella Mitnick, NE-
MOVE, SHOLEM, SMALLSTICKER, SPECK,
SPUD, SUNNY BOY, Mrs. Madeline
Tucker, TUMBLEWEED, WILLZ, VIK-
INGSON.

Balance Aug. 1, 1972	\$ 837.38
Receipts as above	225.29
Total	1062.67

Aug. Enigma	\$51.36
Sept. Enigma	53.90
Letterheads	16.50
Membership cards	19.75

Addr. & postage,	
Sept.	19.56
Oct. Enigma	65.27

Addr. & postage,	
Oct.	16.18
Total	242.52

Balance, Nov. 1, 1972	820.15
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X-1. PIECEMEAL CIRCLE (10-letter
words)

AC AL AN AP BA CO CO DU EA ES GR
GU HO HW HY ID IN LO LO LY NC OM
ON PE PE RA RD RI RP RM TE TO

=St. Petersburg, Fla. FIDDLE

TWO HOOTS

Two new members this month: Stanley D. Chess, 2137 Central Drive
North, East Meadow, NY 11554; and Mrs. Madeline G. Tucker, P. O. Box
54, Eliot, ME 03903. Capt. F. N. Howe has chosen the nom NEMOVE;
one of his nicknames is NEMO, and HOWE is pronounced OVE in French
(at least, his chef de reception in Paris pronounced it that way).
William Shortz will be known as WILLZ (for obvious reasons!).

KREWE NEWS: SIBYL wrote that it was a good thing she sent in the
September sols early, as on Sept. 12th she was injured in an auto
accident. She spent six days in the hospital (during which time she
composed Crypt #6) and is recovering nicely. Luckily, her husband
was unhurt.****The last Enigma I mailed to NOLLID came back marked
"deceased"--does any Krewe member have more details?****FREDDIE and
MAXIM both lost sisters by death recently. Our sympathies to you.
****HOHO has been busy catching up on versifying a backlog of puz-
zle ideas, taking time out for a 5-day visit to his son in New Jer-
sey, watching baseball games, and viewing the autumn foliage.

It's almost time for another membership directory; please send
any address changes to the editor by January 1. The old one is
very outdated, as we have added 25 members since the last directory
was issued, and about a dozen of last year's members have been re-
moved from the list.

Several members have suggested that we have a cumulative solving
record throughout the year. MERLIN has agreed to compile the stat-
istics necessary for this, and once a year (or perhaps oftener) the
statist will be published and a prize given to the solver with the best
cumulative record at the end of the year. The starting point will
be the January issue. The prize is undetermined--perhaps the un-
claimed books from the Anagram Contest??

Postal service lately has been outstandingly poor. Two letters
from Norfolk took five and seven days to make the trip to Rochester
(and it hasn't even snowed here yet!), and three letters that were
dropped into the same mailbox at the same time in Minneapolis arr-
ived two, three and fifteen days later! With holiday mailings com-
ing, it would be wise to allow a little more time for sending sols.
And don't forget to write your name on your lists--sometimes
the envelope gets tossed and I have to do a little sleuthing to
match up the type or script with the sender when I compile the sols.

PUZZLE NOTES: The dim E in Rebus #41 in November was unintention-
al; the letters should be WE.***Crypts are still in short supply--
if each crypt lover would send in just one per month there would be
an ample supply to choose from. Handwritten or typed entries are
fine, but I would appreciate if the typed ones were double spaced
with a space between the letters (similar to the way they appear in
print).****For recent joiners of the Krewe, the term SUBER means a
reversed REBUS.

FAVORITE FLATS FOR SEPTEMBER: AMOR--3, 21, 24, 36, 39, 44. CRYP
--24 and B. NAT's crossword. HAP--2, 11, 16, 20, 35, 36, 45, 52.
HOODWINK--39, 44, and all of Hap's flats and crypts. IFANDOR--X-5,
41, 44. PETE TROLEUM--14, 15, 24. VIKING--28 (best of month), 14,
24, 27, 40, 50, 59.

Fixit tip of the month: rubber bands are very useful for emer-
gency typewriter repair. Were it not for such a device, the rest of
this issue would have to be typed without the letter E. EEEEEK!!!
It seems a bit odd to be saying this since I'm writing this on
Halloween--but MERRY CHRISTMAS TO THE KREWE!!

P E N E T R A L I A

Solution words appear in Webster's New International, 2nd & 3rd Editions (NI2 & NI3). Words appearing in only one edition are noted. Solution lists should reach the editor by January 25.

F L A T S

1. FIRST- & THIRD-LETTER CHANGE (*8, 8)

This PRIME I sent no Xmas cards
To FINE you with my deep regards,
So in our dear ENIGMA, Krewe,
My very best to each of you.
=St. Petersburg, Fla. MIDURDIST

2. FIRST-LETTER CHANGE (5)
The time has come, O soul
of souls,

To watch the pigskin on the
screen --

This PRIMAL symbol of the Bowls
Goes left and right and in
between --

It bounces 'cross our TV set --
We just can't FINE announcers' gushing!

There's Orange, Cotton, Rose,
my pet,
There's Sugar, Rice -- and don't
forget

The Toilet Bowl in Flushing!
=Milford, Ind. SAKR-EL-BAHR

3. SUBER (5 10)

ITC
LIF

The speeder's caught (the ump-
teenth time),
His license still suspended;
The judge decides his reckless
crime
Must be forever ended,
So jails the oaf at labor hard,
With SUBER of his license card.
=Princeton, N. J. HAP

4. SUBER (1 3 8 2 3)

MA
T
E

My enemy, who tries to slow
My passage, quickly runs --
I say "COMPLETE" and rightly so,
He's scared of my big guns!
=Milford, Ind. SAKR-EL-BAHR

5. ENIGMATIC SUBER (7)

HH

Humph!

The selfsame Hubert on his mettle
Could not his party's differ-
ences settle.
=Wilmington, Del. SIGMASEXSPRING

Plats 3, 4, and 5 received Hon-
orable Mention awards in the re-
cent Suber Contest.

6. ACROSTICAL ENIGMA (11)

1. Men have written tirelessly,
it seems,
Of domes which crown their
palaces in dreams.

2. Seldom can we grasp those
feats of mind
Which bade mute stone to
canopy mankind.

3. Metal frames today - today
alone;
Millenia raised miracles in
stone.

4. Perhaps a twilight bell
beyond the towers
Defines those stones which
glorify man's powers.

Where once any squinch would do
in a pinch
From Athens to Rome,
Spherical triangles slip into
my angles --

Hold up the dome!
=San Francisco, Cal. TUT

7. SPOONERGRAM (14; 5 3 8)
The FIRST's the coccidian's
cousin,
A featureless, boring round cell.
The radiolarian's better,
With prongs on its outside as
well.

I like how their lines make up
SECONDS,
The longitude lines on the shell.
=Aliquippa, Pa. TREESONG

8. TRANSPOSAL (11)

How we forgive ourselves what we
condemn

In others! I think MY verse is
a gem...

The same thing written by some
other man

Is apt to wind up on my frying

pan.

Most times we give ourselves
such alibis,
We TWO our conduct so we think
we're wise.

Our wisdom starts with ONE of
our own quirks,
To TWO our faults within our
reason lurks.
=Brookline, Mass. HOHO

9. SUBER (3 4)

SWAB

Call Prime Evil,
Final shows
The compass points,
And ALL is woes.
=West Los Angeles, Cal. STILICHO
Received special mention for a
good verse in the Suber Contest.

10. PARTLY PHONETIC REBUS (9)

HPSF

Mary, Mary, quite contrary,
How does your garden grow?
Mary, sweet as any fairy,
Cultivate REBUS, weed out woe.
Let a smile be your umbrella
When pouring down is the rain;
Worry is an obnoxious fella,
Slap him, forbid him come again.
=St. Petersburg, Fla. FIDDLE

11. HETERONYM (8; 3 2 3)

My grandpapa was quite a lad;
He much enjoyed COMPLETE,
Teasing serious-minded girls
(Although he thought them sweet);
I never tamper with the truth,
So must admit that he
Was rather naughty in his youth,
Though not so THREE TWO THREE.
=Princeton, N. J. HAP

12. REBUS (10)

LAUGH
S

A sand bar in a river
(Especially the Hudson),
Exemption from a duty;
Both are ALL, so keep your
duds on.

=New York, N. Y. ACORN

First meaning, NI2 only.

13. DELETION (6, 5) (NI2)

The boys aboard the flagship

Of the Navy ever had
A mascot; they were large or
small,
And acted good or bad.

Our group once owned a PRIMAL
With ears a-sticking out
From its head, instead of normal.
What a character, no doubt.

We kept it in the SECOND,
Which is underneath, of course.
But this funny little rabbit
Used to eat more than a horse.
=Greenfield, Mass. B. NATURAL

14. REBUS (9)

ST URIX

This rebus makes you think of
monks long dead,
But my advice is: turn your
thoughts instead
To illness caused by breathing
too much lead.

(A heavy look you've got;
Mercurial you're not.)
=Morristown, N. J. FARO

15. PALINDROME

*E *U* *A* *A* *E*E *A*** *A*
*U**E*

Tainted liquor was prize
Of pirates rich haul,
Until two crazed guys
Killed their comrade small.
=St. Louis, Mo. PANACRO

16. TWO-WAY WORD DELETION (8)
(Either ONE or ONE may be removed
to leave TWO.)
'Mid Christmas colors, motionless,
The ONE sits on a branch of TWO.
His call is ONE and echoes ALL,
As full moon lights the forest
view.

=Rochester, N. Y. NIGHTOWL

17. REBUS (16)

I
Z

Many times I've tried to start
A business of my own;
But I've never had much money, and
The bank won't grant a loan.

My enterprises always fail,
Of cash there's not enough.
When businesses are ALL it seems
The going's mighty rough.
=Bismarck, N. D. MERLIN

18. TRANSPOSAL (9)
Swaying, raving, out of his mind,
Led to H. Q. as an M. P. find,
In his pocket a packet undone
Proved to be dope, really a ONE.

The GI strapped upon a cot,
Into the sink the drug or pot,
Down through the TWOs it flushed,
Then to a desk the medic brushed.

Nine report forms took he,
With eight carbons NUMBER THREE,
Sixteen paragraphs in all,
To type report of GI's fall!
=Caledonia, Mo. THE GINK

TWO = NI2 only. THREE = NI2, but
implied in NI3.

19. DELETION (6, 5)
My ONE likes TWO foods very much,
It seems he can't get quite his
fill.
Potatoes, pork chops, clams, and
such
Are rated high-class gourmet
thrill.
=Brooklyn, N. Y. PETE TROLEUM

20. THIRD-LETTER CHANGE (11)
On December twenty-five,
Those who have and thrive,
With turkey-eating PRIME
Will gorge this festive time.
Not on turkey all will dine;
And some with guilty FINE
Will realize want and woe
That at some doorsteps grow.
=St. Petersburg, Fla. MIDURNDIST

21. CHARADE (8)
This flat is meant ENTIRE for fun,
I vow my purpose is but ONE.
Award the solver a new THREE,
If he won't be too mad at me
And try to TWO me in a cage,
From which I'd cry, "TWO, TWO"
in rage.
=St. Petersburg, Fla. IFANDOR

22. PALINDROME
E**IE *O *E *A* O* A *E*O*E I**E
We were alone; I had known her
before.
Male and female, we safely
reached shore,
Surviving a shipwreck. The
weather was hot;
Water surrounded that tropical
spot
A distance apart, I called her

by name
She smiled and in my direction
came.
She heeds my call; I'm not
forsaken!
Why when dreaming must I awaken?
=Walton, N. Y. SMITH, TIM S.

23. REBUS (9)
N S

If quantity is your desire,
This should fill the bill.
You should quickly solve this
flat,
And I am sure you will.
=Bastrop, Tex. HOODWINK

24. REBUS (13)
DES
My land was seized, and I
displeased.
My pleas for assize of otherwise
Slipped by their eyes, you see.
And so I seized it back, Alack!
A writ was writ, they saw to it:
A REBUS lay for me.
=Wilmington, Del. SIGMAEXSPRING

25. ENIGMA (11)
Two or three mutually
Perpendicular lines, or
Two or three mutually
Compatible garments;
No more.
Makes sense?
=Princeton, N. J. HAP

26. WORD DELETION (8)
"There'll be no TWO," the ALL
declared,
"For such a petty crime;
The ONE he stole as he despaired
Was hardly worth a dime."
=San Francisco, Cal. TUT

27. REBUS (3 4)
ZYXWVUTSRQPNMKJIHGFDCBA
While facing the elements cold,
Our hero was foolish though bold.
With an ALL in each hand
His passage was grand;
Down the hill as a snowball he
rolled.
=Bismarck, N. D. MERLIN

28. SECOND-LETTER CHANGE (9)
King Henry consumed too much stew
And washed it all down with

strong brew.
Once youthful and lean
He grew fat and obscene;
His ONE is not worthy of TWO.
=Morristown, N. J. FARO

29. REBUS (2 4 3 4 5)
O
O
D

My flats I COMPLETE
To make them neat,
And you to defeat.
=St. Petersburg, Fla. MIDURNDIST

30. REBUS (11)
CPIA

This malady, I'm glad to say,
Is rare; its victims, those
Who sentences grammatical
Are unable to compose.
=Princeton, N. J. HAP

31. PALINDROME
*O*** *I*** *I*** *I*** *I***
*I*** *O*

Discourse Among the Executive
Committee:

Grim words right off: the time
is well behind
To squelch the faction claiming
jugs of booze
Buy off us officers -- we just
don't mind
Accepting thoughtful presents.
Who can lose?
=San Francisco, Cal. TUT

32. CHARADE (7) (ONE = NI2)
The topless waitress we have
always had.
By missing top, I mean her
brain. It's bad.
You order coffee, and you may
get ONE
That looks like Java. Her sly
TWO is fun.
You know that you've been had.
You gulp your ALL,
You mutter curses while she has
a ball.
=Brookline, Mass. HOHO

33. DELETION (4 5; 8)
A sport that might appeal
to you,
That looks like lots of fun,

Is curling, where the line
twelve feet
Behind the tee's a ONE.
There's not a lot of walking, so
You don't get very TWO;
Unlike some sports where running
is hard
Is all you ever do.
=Bismarck, N. D. MERLIN

34. HETERONYM (4 4; 3 5)
(Both non-dictionary phrases)
Soft drink 4 4 now a little ring
That you can pull, and not a
thing
Is there to do with other
implement;
And razor companies now represent
That you 3 5 much easier than
before
With technocratic devices galore.
=St. Petersburg, Fla. FIDDLE

35. REBUS (2 3 5 2)
O TFO
P

When you are TOTAL giving up,
Success may be so near
That just a little more effort
Will make the answer clear.
=Bastrop, Tex. HOODWINK

36. SUBER (7-8 4)

SO
V
Creative chefs agree,
When on a cooking spree,
Try something new
and daring, too --
Invent a recipe.

I took some cashews brown,
Then grabbed a bottle down;
I drenched them well
(ah, fragrant smell!) --
Result: best ALL in town!
=Rochester, N. Y. NIGHTOWL

The Suber Judge, Treesong, who
was suber as a judge when he said
it, insisted I note that this
flat would have tied for second-
place rating, had it been an off-
icial Suber Contest entry.

37. REBUS (8)
C
R

Jenny's Jamie jilted her
When he wed fair Grace;
Now her REBUS I would be,
And hope to take his place.
=Caledonia, Mo. THE GINK

38. SEVENTH-LETTER CHANGE (10)
Blondes, brunettes, and redheads
are

The three joys of my life.
The latter is my favorite,
Though a brunette is my wife.

SECOND really "turns me on,"
That red hair turns my head.
My wife dislikes such tint and
claims
She's "better dead than red."

My wife's extremely skeptical
About my late night work.
Such *FIRST has cause because
my aide
Is a red-haired, female clerk!
=Bismarck, N. D. MERLIN

39. TRANSPOSAL (10)
The opera star in magnificent
voice --
The ONE hosts, the mighty in
war, his import.

The THREE of his tones make the
hearer rejoice --
Continuous glides through the
octaves, his forte.

A counterpoint exercise, TWO,
now is played;
The orchestra's skill with
applause is well paid.
=Hounchester, Newdexes LYRROWL

ONE = archaic in NI3, OK in NI2.
TWO = foreign in NI2, OK in NI3.

40. REBUS (9) (NI2)
N

REBUS serves as paper filler,
Calcium sulfate is an eke name.
This con will not be a "killer!"
Quick solution is my aim.
=Caledonia, Mo. THE GINK

41. WORD DELETION (5)
Slay the faithful ONE? Why not,
With meat so high? We'll gorge
a bit

And can the rest. Then if we've
got
ALL in a TWO we'll die of it.
=San Francisco, Cal. TUT

42. REBUS (1 8 2 *8)

paR d=

Said Satan before the Fall,
"Eve, take my hand, I'm ALL."
=Aliquippa, Pa. TREESONG

43. WORD DELETION (7)

O do we have fun on every SEVEN!
We TWO our way to some beach
spot -- it's heaven.

Abandoning the comfort of our
home,
We sleep on lumpy mattresses --
but we roam.
We ONE with mass-cooked food our
meals,
And navigate about with leaden
keels.

For newer places ever do we range,
To satisfy our idiotic wish
for change.
=Brookline, Mass. HOHO

44. DELETION (9, 8) (TWO = NI3)
Husband, set up the TWO on the
porch,

It's so hot I almost scorch.
Some crackers and cheese I'll
bring to you;
In such weather, that will have
to do.

A paper napkin will be all right;
No cloth ONE I'll give you,
not tonight.
=St. Petersburg, Fla. FIDDLE

A N A G R A M S

45. ANS: READ QUIP

46. DAMN STONE RIOTS
=Caledonia, Mo. THE GINK

47. O AIN'T IT A SIGN, DOC

48. SITE ROAMING
=Bismarck, N. D. MERLIN

49. AS ONE ABLE, I'LL BLAST
SPHERE FOR PAY (3 12 8 6)
=Norfolk, Va. VIKING

50. ZERO IN GAIN; THIN, NOT FAT;
POOR (3 9 12)
=Rochester, N. Y. NIGHTOWL

51. O US? ANY NOM

52. WET AREAS (3, 5)
=Brookline, Mass. HOHO

1. DIAMOND

1. B. 2. Poor. 3. A process for
producing alumina from bauxite.
4. Is suitable. 5. Made a back-
fire. 6. Bay of New Zealand (p.
3110). 7. Half-moons. 8. Rents
again. 9. (Ref. sp.) Scenes. 10.
Delirium tremens (NI3). 11. Y.
=Milford, Ind. SAKR-EL-BAHR

2. DIAMOND

1. N. 2. (Ref. sp.) Pill. 3. Chief
magistrates in the former republics
of Venice and Geneva. 4. A
pan for dishes (p. 747). 5. As-
serts. 6. On American morning
newspapers, an editor who has
charge of the final make-up of
the paper. 7. (Paleont.) A genus
of Mesozoic fishes of the
group Lepidosteus. 8. Vedic Re-
lig.) The sun in its life-giving
creative aspect. 9. Abyssinian
weight (p. 2898). 10. (Music)
Sols. 11. R.
=Milford, Ind. SAKR-EL-BAHR

3. SQUARE

1. A partisan of the Guises in
France. 2. More unnice. 3. Sil-
liness. 4. (Latin) Without day.
5. Degree of sourness. 6. To tit-
tle again (Random House Dict.).
7. Tearless.
=Milford, Ind. SAKR-EL-BAHR

4. DIAMOND

1. C. 2. Indian. 3. Containing
boron. 4. Like a moron. 5. North
and South Carolina. 6. Esteemed
fur. 7. Family (p. 486). 8. Ve-
hicle. 9. S.
=Hounslow, England LYRRAD

5. HALFSQUARE

1. Town, Sweden, 66°58'N. 17°45'
E. (TIG). 2. Crime. 3. Gradual
advance. 4. Town, Denmark, 5 mi E.
of Aalborg (Cent. Atl.). 5. Fin-
ished (NI3). 6. JISP (TIG). 7. One
o'clock. 8. Cows* (NI1). 9. K.
=Hounslow, England LYRRAD

6. SQUARE

1. (Ref. sp.) Chloral. 2. River
of So. Afr. (TIG). 3. Color. 4.
Talked noisily. 5. Feminine pro-
per name. 6. Bibl. name (p. 1411).
=Hounslow, England LYRRAD

PUZZLES FROM THE PAST

Here are two examples of out-
standing puzzle art from the
1930's.

X-2. TRANSPOSAL (5 4; 9)
The zest of the strapping who
lunges ahead
To squeeze out a PRIMAL is
joyous to witness;
The cheers he evokes from the
Orange and the Red
Are evidence clear of his
physical fitness.

There's a tang in the air remin-
iscent of frost,
Or even of FINALS up north at
Duluth.
But what cares the Team? Be
the game won or lost,
There is warmth for the soul
in the vigor of youth.

MOLEMI

Note: 5 4 is in NI3 only.

X-3. DOUBLE TERMINAL DELETION
(7 3; 6) (6 = 2-4 in NI2)
A TOTAL sits upon a limb
And keeps us all awake at
night.
His screams FIRST strongly
back to him;
But wise to them, he won't
take flight.

SAKR-EL-BAHR

X-4. ANAQUOTE (2 6 3 2 5 2 5 2
12 6 3 6, 3 2 4 2 3 5 4. *6 *9)
ACE AND CES CON DUR EDO EEM EMI
ENT EVE FIE PPL HIN ING ITS ITW
KOF NDA NGW ONF ORS RNE SEQ STA
STH THE TOT UEN UTO YSE AY
=Princeton, N. J. HAP

X-5. PIECEMEAL HEXAGON (9-letter
words; place one point at the
top and work along both sides)
ASU CAL ELI IDE IDI ING LES NCH
NTI RED TRE VER
=St. Louis, Mo. FANACRO

X-6. PIECEMEAL CIRCLE (6-letter
words)
BE BI BO GA IM LE LU NU RE RO TA
TE TR ZE
=Princeton, N. J. HAP

SEPTEMBER SOLVERS

September's Enigma had 60 flats, 4 forms, 7 crypts, and 6 extras. A. CHEM's #50 produced a good crop of alternate sols; I allowed CRAZED-GRAZED, DANGED-BANGED, BASHED-MASHED, CUSSED-BANGED, MERLIN's Enigma #32 was MUSSUED. MERLIN's Enigma #32 was indeed an enigma--nobody found the intended sol, but I did allow the intended sol, and RECAP-LOGICAL alternates such as RECAP-LOGICAL, REDUPLICATION, and REITERATING. The garden plot of #5 brought many FULMINATION-CULMINATION sols, which were also allowed (I suppose a garden with explosive growth would fulminate!). I must have missed some interesting Indian legends in my youth; several people presented BLACKSTONE's Cheyenne lad with a TOY BUG -- thoughtful gift for a baby, but not allowable as a sol!

ACORN 47-3-4-5; AHAB 34-3-2-4; AJAX 22-0-0-1; AMOR 31-0-0-2; ANN DHOW & MY MY 46-4-4-5; BAM 55-0-0-4; BLACKSTONE 54-0-0-4; CRYP 24-0-0-3; FANACRO 24-4-5-4; FARO 54-0-0-1; FIDDLE 35-3-2-5; GANDALF 32-0-0-2; HAP 42-0-6-6; HOOD-WINK 45-4-4-5; IFANDOR 39-3-4-4; LARRY 14-0-0-0; M. U. LATER 28-3-4-0; NUTMEG 39-0-1-1; OSAPLE 24-0-0-0; PAUL & VIRGINIA 41-0-0-4; PETE TROLEUM 22-0-0-1; SIBYL 35-0-4-4; THE GINK 26-0-4-0; TREE-SONG 54-4-4-5; VIKING 58-0-0-2.

Solving Frequency List

FLATS: 1-8, 2-21, 3-24, 4-6, 5-21, 6-5, 7-6, 8-2, 9-13, 10-9, 11-17, 12-17, 13-13, 14-19, 15-22, 16-3, 17-24, 18-25, 19-15, 20-16, 21-22, 22-5, 23-12, 24-25, 25-12, 26-10, 27-8, 28-10, 29-11, 30-23, 31-13, 32-6, 33-16, 34-21, 35-13, 36-20, 37-6, 38-20, 39-23, 40-12, 41-11, 42-24, 43-20, 44-16, 45-21, 46-23, 47-24, 48-23, 49-19, 50-17, 51-4, 52-14, 53-22, 54-17, 55-6, 56-24, 57-24, 58-8, 59-10, 60-24. FORMS: 1-4, 2-9, 3-9, 4-9. CRYPTS: 1-8, 2-12, 3-10, 4-10, 5-10, 6-6, 7-6. EXTRAS: Crossword-15, 1-18, 2-16, 3-9, 4-12, 5-11.

KREWELAND UNUSUAL

SHIFTOGRAM

If you take the words STRENGTH, ENCHANTMENT, and UNDEFINABLE and line them up thus: STRENGTH
ENCHANTMENT
UNDEFINABLE
you may read the message THE ENIGMA in three alternating columns. Now take the following list of words, in the order given, and line them up in similar fashion to read a 30-letter message. An easy way to work this kind of puzzle is to write the words on separate strips of paper, with letters evenly spaced, and shift them around until logical letter sequences appear.

HEMATOPHAGOUS, THERMOPLASTIC, PHARMACY, IMPRISONMENT, WAYFARRER, SCENEWRIGHT, PINCHEDLY, IMPERMANENCY, DISHWASHER, MISCARRIAGE.

=Rochester, N. Y.

NIGHTHORN

X-7. ANAQUOTE (2 5 9 2 | 4 2 4 7 2 5; 6 5 2 2 | 4 2 4 4. *5 *1. *10)

EDO EOU ENR ERS FDO FEE FEL GEU

HAV ING JUD LCA LEO LOW LVE NEH

ONG OTH PAB RSE SBY SBY TWE TWE

UDG WEJ WHA WHA YWL

=Houston, Tex. PAUL & VIRGINIA

X-8. ANAQUOTE (*1 4 7 2 4 2 9 2 8 2 7, 6 4 10 2 7 4. *1. *1. *4)

APP EAR EEK ESI FYT HEM HER IHA

ILL INE ING JSM MIT MYD MHM

NAT NED NGT OSA PTI RAT RES SSB

TEM THA TIS TOS VEL YLI

=Princeton, N. J. HAP

Solutions to Nine-Squares (p.2)

YANKLINES
ANONYMIST
INUMATIVE
NORENPATO
KNERVONES
LYNVERITE
IMPORTATE
PARTIROOM
ATEMEABLE
LARDATION

OCTOBER SOLS

1. CREST, Pure, SCANT, ULTRA, ARGUE. 2. Past, Novice, RARE, MASON; Lost, Device, STORE, NEON. 3. Abyssinia. 4. Ta-XII-ng. 5. Tocsin, toxin. 6. V-M-Discount. 7. Lobola. 8. Hallux. 9. Honest Art. 10. P-art-ies. 11. Bore us: pastor knock; Boris Pasternak. 12. Miter planes, planimeters, sempiternal. 13. Forfex. 14. Leop-tard. 15. Mendacity. 16. Mendacity, dynamite, amenity, inmate, meant, ante, ten. 17. Pregnant. 18. Armamentaria. 19. Pictures at an Exhibition. 20. No hero lags; "I've levis galore, Hon!" 21. Tom-tom. 22. Leftists and rightists. 23. Pearl. 24. Handy Mandy in Oz. 25. Foregone conclusion. 26. Peelgarlic. 27. Smother. 28. Agape. 29. Om hamlet, ham omelet. 30. Aven-u-g-e. 31. F-Rescue. 32. Baritone, obtainer. 33. Terpsichore. 34. F-easted. 35. Bayou, by you. 36. Xenon. 37. S-off-it. 38. Palom-bino. 39. Juan, one. 40. Over-reactions, conservatoire. 41. Wagon top. 42. Lie down on the job. 43. Astrigent. 44. Spike, pikes. 45. The Saturday night special. 46. The brush-tailed porcupine. 47. Devil incarnate. 48. Upset stomach. 49. Epicurean feast. 50. Polychromatic. 51. The pollers. 52. Premonition. 53. Antagonist. 54. Dipsomania. 55. Vegetarianism. 56. Cistern. 57. X-2. Honeymoon. X-4. Ober. X-5. Three songs, Treesong. X-6. Schwab. X-10. Pigeons come closer to a zero impingement than any other birds. Hens embarrass me; owls disturb me. J. Thurber. X-11. You see candy bar in cupboard, take big bite. It's unsweetened baking chocolate. Frustration! J. Kef-ferstan, aged ten.

X-3. TELOOGOO X-7. Legumedusalami-
NO PH mosalukidnapathy-
TO OR mnalkalibidokado-
MYRMIDON cile

X-8. Macaronightowlenchestimate-
nacitytypesetushima.

41. BLOWDOWN 42. CRO-K-6ED

AN EVIDENCE RULE AN
CES LI BA TE
AHOU SENTRIES NC SE ES

CRYPTS:

- Counting your chickens before
- Whatsoever thy hand findeth t
- Blocked peroneal nerve may ca
- Unkempt laundrywoman scoured
- Misfortune when, cryptic manu
- Aerial artistry evoked applau
- Whacky dvorniks drink ecru st

FORMS:

- THEENIGMA 3. 2. XENOPODIDAE
HARRISIA Q REVELATOR
ERGATES YEG TALITES
ERASES COBRA LANUM
NITER YOGHURT WIM
ISES QEHNSNAUF A
GIS 4. GRUNZIE
MA R ARAIN
A SAM TUE
SEVER F
SIMILED
SEMISOLED
RAVISHMENTS
MELOMANES
RELENTS
DINES
DTS
S
- FORECAST
OREMINER
RERETIRE
EMESISES
CITIZENS
ANISEOIL
SERENIZE
TRESSLET

KREWELAND UNUSUAL:

- ZucCHINI. 2. DiaLOGue. 3. Vir-
GINIA. 4. F-OREign. 5. DIRECTORY.
6. E-Xit (or X). 7. S-URName. 8.
F-IREman. 9. A-MUSEment. 10. Tr-
AGEDy. 11. J-ewelry. 12. A-BUN-
dance. 13. Citizenship. 14. Skul-
DUGgery. 15. Omnipotent. 16. Re-
FINING. 17. BiKINI. 18. DeSIGNer.
19. BaYOUs. 20. ProTUBerance. 21.
Ubiquitous. 22. SubJUGation. 23.
F-HENomenon. 24. T-WITCh. 25. Ty-
PEWwriter. 26. REVERBeration.

X-9. ANAQUOTE (9 2 3 7 | 2 8 13 4
5 2 3 9. *7 *1. *9)

AMH ANC AWA BER CAT ECO EDU ESS
ESS EWI FOU GPR HEP IST ION IVE
LLI LYM MIN NHA NOR OFB OGR ORE
RDT REO RIG ROC
=Denver, Colo.

CRYP

CRYPTOGRAMS

1. Season's Greetings!

Bastrop, Tex.--HOODWINK

MISLAYING NSBY DISC *LYEFQ! CFG KY-
FHY, AFICSJG KIYBFPN FJZ DPNN GSXI
HXK SBYIDNSOPJR OPLA TSG.

2. A wise saying.

St. Petersburg, Fla.--IFANDOR

"ABCDEB FB GBH DKE LBMEHG HDD NKOL
KRDS MSTHLVSW XBH KG BYMNVSB LDP
LMRRT MEB HLB T FLD M XEBMZT RDGGBGG
VH."

3. Down to earth.

Annapolis, Md.--SIBYL

ABCD EF GHIJKLM ENKOPBLQ BL/ZHM:
"KLM EF EGBLP B FLOD AFNIGBWD EGD
QNFHLM RFH AKSPDM FL!"

4. Great combo.

Sioux Falls, S. D.--AMOR

WZBA MZLJ ODE VOZXVN ZW HBXKVDY
XQJSABHNQSJ. SONL VOZJN SAZHMZQN,
FBXS DA, WYBSN DQE PDUZZ.

5. Civic need.

Bastrop, Tex.--HOODWINK

ABCDE FGEBH KELGMN OPGB REDA QXNC
CDKNF: QFXPHEGM ZFDKPH FBUG ADEG
OPBQGZ OEDUXHXML ZKOGEXXZGH OPBC.

6. Crash.

Annapolis, Md.--SIBYL

XSZYTYI MOUTHBC SDCE WHEAIYAPMSB;
XHYFB WSDGMWSB, IZY HMXR. ADMONTS
XDWF QTRWSB. PYRAMIDS.

7. No Fluoridation?

Missoula, Mont.--DENDAI DIX

MXIBFK, ODENLC PKAQ=SEXQ, GRH MXICO
NKGDAIX ARXK HTKG GKH EUKIO NXIOT
IVRFD NIAEKO, OENL PFQO, UKGDIX NIAK.



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That title, de-rebified, is "Notables Shown;" H = HOW in the old international phonetic alphabet. For your delectation or dismay, depending, we present rebi and iber on 13 noted names. They are more or less in order of increasing difficulty -- or outrageousness, if you prefer. Toward the end, half the trick is figuring out the rubric after you find the answer. X-1 and X-9 are by TREESOWL.

X-1. REBUS (*5 *7)

EUR U

This Gallic biologist's token
of fame:
When we sterilize milk, it
is done in his name.

X-2. REBUS (*12)

AR
HES

He's known to this day as a
master of words
For The Clouds, Lysistrata,
The Frogs, and The Birds.

X-3. REBUS (*7 *6)

HER
O

No hero he, the voters felt,
And so elected Roosevelt.

X-4. REBUS (*5 *6)

ESM
ROE

His doctrine made it very clear:
"You keep out of our hemisphere!"

X-5. REBUS (*4 *8)

Y
L/D XN

Of odes and Alfred, ONE I sing,
Who wrote "The Idylls of the
King."

X-6. REBUS (*8 *8)

H
M
A
R
M
E

A symbolist poet, translator of
Poe,
This Frenchman taught English
ten decades ago.

X-7. REBUS (*6 *8 3 *6)

E
J N WOLF V

As any German schoolboy knows,
He wrote of Faust and Werther's
woes.

X-8. SUBER (*7 *4)

E
T
RA

This soodonim uv grate renown
Wuz used by Charles Farrar Browne.

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