TAV, Vancouver, Wash.

1. Habit.

RN ECIS

C'A MNJ BM BEKNLNECK, PQJ KNQTES ND MCKS KNER NMSO

PSRJCAS -- OCZ = TBKIO JLBJ CO.

2. Friendly competition.

ACORN. New York. N. Y.

ULY PLAR TCHYK ACORNSLY YCKIHWYHAI

IOAT PWADN "*BLA *GWOMLIC." ALE EHK "*K H A D N L

ACHYST: LFCA OK DLWAICY

*F H A X H."

THE GINK, Caledonia, Mo.

3. Einstein was right! BRMFC BMALKC SFLO DBNK DPJB CRAN TPEN SLGC, DPJB RJBNF HRTEC JBNG

CDPHJTG HTRD TPEN APKMJNC.

4. May be familiar.

TREESONG, Aliquippa, Pa.

ABCD ECAFG HIBJK DLMNF EIOAG PBCQ-QOFJKIM LDHSMITF ROPSOB QOBD FK. NOAOBL JBIO. QLFK ABCELJ JKLHDSTU

(*DOG JBGHFN)

AJAX, Scarsdale, N. Y. 5. Bad end.

HGVI XFRGLVN NBZCILOF XGPOY ZIGPN7 IBHXFR. KBQYLN EPOQ FVYBSLOH EXPSNG

YBPXHG. CVISBXYFHL LQPUH.

6. Difficult melange.

DENDAI DIX, Missoula, Mont.

HYJKNVXF AZYV = XCJLBA *B Z N C X F' D X G D "INZLUNCB UOCG." ENDA MYOHDF, EAZD

"BZEPO QLMPJ." HULF "YZHD IXVNMJ,"

HNDO DOYJE!

7. No women allowed.

MERLIN, Bismarck, N. D.

JTCQM EGOXW PK-K C O' X V QWOXY ETFQZ EJKOW MBQUV VFMYU PYJKW PYFT2 B V U. JECGU TCZMB. BFMYU ZGOXW KGEBV PCC TZ XJQFP.



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TWO HOOTS

ELECTION RESULTS: The NPL officers for 1975 are: President--SHER-LOCK HOLMES, First Vice-President--ACORN, Second LARRY, Secretary--IFANDOR, Treasurer--BLACKSTONE, Editor--NIGHTOWL. There were 69 ballots returned this year; last year there were 86.

KREWE NEWS: Two members have chosen noms -- Al Dade will be known as WYVERN, and Dan D. Baldwin is DANDY.*****We have several family combinations among Krewe members; a recent discovery is that MANGIE and SHEBA are sisters, and FORESTROCK is SHEBA's daughter.*****PETE and Shaba at the town of ENIGMA in Georgia; maybe we should plan a big convention for our centennial year and hold it there.*** ***BLACKSTONE reported that his vacation trip to the West was fine. While he was working on Enigma crypts during a train ride, a woman across the aisle asked him if he was a mathematician. When he told her he was solving a code message, she asked, "Why?" BLACKSTONE says, "Well, she had me there."****Another traveler to the West was HAP, who went by Greyhound (bus) across southern Canada, down the West Coast to visit a daughter in California, and back home by way of the southern United States. Between BLACKSTONE and HAP, I wonder of the Southern of Enigma solving occurred in August? And how many how many miles of bulgan bettering occurred in August. And now many bewildered fellow passengers?*****Leslie Dunkling, our Krewe member who is the editor of VIZ, the publication of the Names Society in England, has just written a new book. It is The Guinness Book of Names, published by the people who do the Guinness Book of Records. Sounds like a must for the library of anyone interested in names and words in general.****While on a week's vacation near Cape Cod, NIGHTOWL visited AJAX at his summer home in Marshfield, Mass. AJAX is working on some tough crypts for the Krewe's puzzlement--a sample is given in this month's selection.

PUZZLE NOTES: TREESONG wanted to note that he'd intended to give SAKR-EL-BAHR's June #6 a special mention for a good verse in his list of favorite puzzles for that month.*****MEPHISTO wishes to buy or borrow a copy of The Enigma for August 1921 (#217) -- this issue is missing in the Library of Congress files and in the file that MEPHISTO recently borrowed from SHERLOCK HOLMES.******I have often wondered where the term "Thedom" came from -- it was used to refer to the world of puzzledom in general, in early NPL days. sent some information on this. He found the word THEEDOM in the Century Dictionary of 1919; it means "success, prosperity, luck." And in the Key to Puzzledom of 1906, the word THEDOM is said to be "a fanciful name applied to Puzzledom, formed from the words

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THE DOM, pronunciation of which rhymes with 'freedom'." The earli-THE DOM, pronunciation of which a puzzle by MAUDE in 1888. This est use in the Key seems to be in a puzzle by MAUDE in 1888. This est use in the key seems to editor came about when he sent in an exchange between BILL and the editor came about when he sent in an exchange between BILL and the demandingless to most of today's antigram which I thought would be meaningless to most of today's antigram which I thought work the term. I'll give it here instead Krewe who have never heard of the term. Krewe who have never neard of this a nice one, when the background of presenting it as a puzzle, as it's a nice one, when the background of presenting it as a puzzle, as it is a little one, when the background of THEDOM is known: THEDOM IS DAM' NONSENSE/METHOD IN ONE'S MADNESS. As BILL noted, even the apostrophe is used in both phrases.

PAVORITE PUZZLES FOR JULY: AMOR--21, 23, 34, 44, 47, 54, 57, 60 FAVORITE PUZZLES FOR JULY: AMOR-21, 23, 34, 44, 47, 54, 57, 60, 61, DADA-5, 50, 53, 56, FARO-41(good verse), 58, GANDALF-12, 20, 34, 39, 42, GRAYDOL-4, 30, 31, 42, 50, HAP-5, 20, 23, 31, 36, 50, 56, 62, X-9. IFANDOR-16, 22, 27, 37, 62. LARRY-62. MERLIN-15, 40, 59, PROBLEM CHILD-23, 50, 51, 55, STILICHO-14, 20, 23, 30, 45, 50. TREESONG-1, 32, 42, 46-48, 50, 51, 57, 59, F-1, F-3.

OMNIUM - GATHERUM

by MERLIN

THE GOOD OLD DAYS

From the minutes of the 31st semi-annual convention of the Eastern Puzzlers' League held January 2, 1899 in New York: "For President, Ed Ward nominated Anonyme, who declined, R. O. Chester nominated Rex Ford, who declined. Nominations were closed and Rex Ford unanimously elected, despite the declination. President ruled that no more declinations would be accepted."

From Rex Ford's Presidential message in the June 1899 Eastern Enigma: "Financially, the League is in excellent condition, having the handsome balance of \$29.19 in the treasury. The habit of paying dues, one that very few of the members were addicted to during the early years of the League's existence, seems to be firmly established among the present membership, and is a practice that cannot be too highly commended. I trust the present material prosperity will continue."

We presently have approximately 200 members in the League, but it would be considered surprising if our solvers' list ever topped fifty. Compare this with the following comments extracted from Gi Gantic's Presidential message to the Krewe in the December 1925 Enigma. "Our mailing list consists of something like 200, but at no time under the present editorship has the solving list gone far beyond 100. This is an anomaly. Presumably every one

of us can solve at least one puzzle in any current issue of the Enigma, and I am confident that it would increase the joy of service of our most efficient editor if the list reached 200." A few months later the solving list reached 116. What would it take, I wonder, to bring sixtyfive more solvers out of the woodwork to boost our present solving list up to the 100 mark?

The February 1926 issue of The Enigma was 40 pages long with 32 of those pages devoted to articles, poems, and "chat". A. F. Holt displayed some fifty tautonymic 10-squares, and an attempt was made by editor Arty Ess to include some contribution from every active puzzler.

THREE LITTLE WORDS

by MERLIN

Homeward from his labors goes The husband to his wife; Wearied from his duties, irked With all the day-long strife.

Waiting at his domicile, The lovely girl he wed Prepares herself to welcome home The winner of the bread.

Knowing when he reaches her His spirits will be low, She knows the words she plans

to speak Will spark a new-born glow.

Hearing now his steps, her love Bursts forth, we hear her say Three little words that mean so much,

"ENIGMA CAME TODAY!"

HAZY AND HERITAGE

In a recent letter, HAZY wrote: "Maybe this will explain why I'm not devoting much time with puzzles." With her letter was a newspaper clipping about her family home near Mason, Michigan. The Terrill homestead was awarded a Centennial plaque by the Michigan Centennial Association in 1969, in honor of the property owned by her family since 1869. HAZY, 86 years old, lives alone in the historical house and is often called upon by friends and small organizations to give tours of her home. She accepts the outside visitors because she enjoys passing on interesting information -- and the contents of the house are indeed interesting.

The house contains furniture and other items inherited from her parents and grandparents, and items she acquired as a bride. The parlor fea-

tures a pump organ and a 70-year-old piano, the latter purchased with money she earned teaching school (\$25 a month). The kitchen table is the one she had when first married. The upstairs has feather beds, wash stands, hanging light fixtures, and in a closet hangs an old calico dress that belonged to her grandmother.

One room of the house is HAZY's museum. Among the ancestral treasures are a black wood-burning stove, a spittoon, many obsolete kitchen utensils, an Edison Gramophone record player in excellent condition, old clocks, churns, and many scrapbooks and picture al-

HAZY wrote further: "Since writing the early history of Extension in our County, which was organized in 1925, I have had lots of visitors and calls, and since this interview (by the newspaper) they have increased. Last week I had four women from Ohio and southern Michigan." And, as she said to the newspaper interviewer, "This house is antique -- like me. I want to live with my heritage.

If any of our puzzlers are traveling in Michigan, a double pleasure awaits you--visit HAZY and her museum-house, and pay a call on her charming neighbor, LARRY. Our thanks to LARRY for obtaining a copy of the above picture for use in Enigma.

PUZZLE FROM THE PAST

As HAZY enjoys her treasurefilled house with all its memories and tangible items from the past, she probably has many happy memories along puzzle lines. As she said above, she couldn't devote much time to puzzles in recent months. So here is one of her puzzles from 1968, to give a sample of her talent.

X-1. REBUS (8)

AC DA

=HAZY, Mason, Mich.

Should you travel through the jungle. Strange things you will surely see; But it would be very shocking To find a REBUS on a tree.

PENETRALIA

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 November 25.

1. SUBER (6) (NI3 only)

E

Makarios (ere all the shootin') The Greek horn of freedom was

tootin'; Asserting that SUBER won't work, he Still vows that he'll never

talk Turkey! =PAUL & VIRGINIA, Houston, Tex.

2. TRANSPOSAL (7) While FIRST her home last Saturday (Floors were waxed and chairs were dusted),

Ruth slipped and fell, upset her SECOND.

She wasn't hurt, but was disgusted. =AMOR, Sioux Falls, S. D.

3. LINKADE (*12) Then raise a THREE to good old WHOLE. For in the TWO of men, let's

None met--be ONE--a monster goal

As he did. Bar the IRS. =TUT, San Francisco, Cal.

4. FIFTH-LETTER CHANGE (8) He used to be an athlete, But that was long ago, Was our FORMER captain, Could dive, swim, fence, and row;

But now he trembles feebly, Undone by pain and fear, And listens for death's LATTER, Which steadily draws near. =HAP, Princeton, N. J.

5. TRANSPOSAL (4 6; 5 5)

These sink shafts and save men Coming up with bags of soil.

II Wood cells do, this noun makes plain, Separate across the grain. =MEPHISTO, Silver Spring, Md.

6. REBUS (7 2 6)

DIRECT

If Ari wants to buy Another fleet of tankers, Directly he'll apply For REBUS from his bankers. =STILICHO, West Los Angeles, Cal.

7. HETERONYM (3 5; 8) Return now to the PRIMAL, dear, No longer need we tarry here. Repairs are done, I've paid the bill.

Of waiting room we've had our fill.

Avoid that beetle on the floor. If you step on it, it will live no more.

Its SECOND is not so pretty, and yet

It wishes to live, on that you can bet. =FIDDLE, St. Petersburg, Fla.

8. REBUS (6) (NI2; Scot.) EI

The Scottish poet Robert Burns Immortalized the louse. He should have praised another Which flies around our house

Consuming insects by the score: The tiny flittermouse. =FARO, Morristown, N. J.

9. TRANSPOSAL (7) ONE he strode into the TWO, THREE unconcerned about his FOUR. Then he sneezed as if on cue--Caused by artistic works and lore, =DADA, Rochester, N. Y.

10. REBUS TRINADE (6, 5, 5)

M

Old Joe, the town mortician. Now has a PRIMAL feeling: Moved from his SECOND cottage, Made THIRD -- it had no ceiling. =FUN, Silver Spring, Md.

11. TRANSPOSAL (10) No PRIMAL type is Tillie Joe; She loves to clean and cook

and sew. Said I, "Your children number nine?"

"Oh, no! Thirteen! You surely FINE!" =LARRY, Mason, Mich.

12. SUBER (3 5)

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В

Rafflesia's a stinking plant. But once, when out of luck And starving in the Malay bush. I ALL and other muck. =TREESONG, Aliquippa, Pa.

13. PHONETIC SUBER (2 5) (ONE)

14. SUBER (2 *4) (TWO; *4 = NI2) Δ

"I ONE," said Zeus, "There's nothing I can't do." Then, as a swan, Flew lecherously TWO. =TREESONG, Aliquippa, Pa.

15. SUBER (2 6, *3)

"I can't pronounce my S and Z?" Said Adam, peeved, "I'm TWO SIX. *THREE." =TREESONG, Aliquippa, Pa.

16. REBUS (2 4 4 2)

Although it's not a sinful one, (Only mild expressive fun). I warn you solvers that This is a naughty flat. So if you try and get it, You may perchance regret it, But if you fail to net it. Don't say "REBUS," just forget it. =MIDURNDIST, St. Petersburg, Fla.

17. PALINDROME

E*I* I *I*E* A* A *A***E*, A *A*. *A'* A*E**, *A* A* A *E*I* I *I *E.

Bad I am, of spendthrift habit. Father knows; he's sharp, dag nab it! =NIGHTOWL, Rochester, N. Y.

18. WORD DELETION (8) He said he was a VIP. We took him at his word. We SECOND him and honored him Until on-dit we heard. We TOTAL out the awful facts, We tried to catch our bird, But he was quick and did not ONE, So no arrest occurred. =IFANDOR, St. Petersburg, Fla.

19. REBUS (3 7)

He's all dressed up to go to the ball In his cape, his top hat, his white tie and ALL. =MANGIE, Buffalo, N. Y.

20. REBUS (9)

Her gown's white satin with tucks at the waist; Her dainty pink REBUS is more to his taste! =MANGIE, Buffalo, N. Y.

21. TRANSDELETION (8) My eyes feel SIX and ONE hot FIVE red. EIGHT has me tossing all night in bed, For the skies are FOUR with

continual rain, And its steady beat throbs in my brain.

So *TWO, I'm SEVEN you will appease And send ONE THREE down, if you please!

=BAFUL, Indianapolis, Ind.

22. DELETION (6, 5) SIX and FIVE both mean the same. FIVE is used in the boxing game. In SIX alone you cannot play; You have to affix a final "A". =PROBLEM CHILD, Chicago, Ill.

23. HETERONYM (6 3, *5 *4) (Not dictionary phrases)

As all of us are well aware Our editor is great. This FIRST that runs our magazine Works long and hard and late.

She ought to take time off next year And go to watch the LAST. For if she is a football fan It's here the best are cast. =MERLIN, Bismarck, N. D.

24. BEHEADMENT (5, 4) Though taxes do apply To the company's annual ALL, And though the sum (not high) Might well your pride appall, You've never thought it a FOUR, Nor spending it a chore. =LI'L GAMIN, Rochester, N. Y.

October

25. PHONETIC CHARADE (9) When printers leave the world of work, Their ONE are surely queer;

They take a merry holiday, Or WHOLE, just once each year, To eat roast TWO (a Christmas treat)

Washed down with steins of beer. =FARO, Morristown, N. J.

26. SECOND-LETTER CHANGE (7) (PRIME = NI2) To honor fair *PRIME Of earth, yet divine, Here's tribute in rhyme As well as in FINE. =MANGIE, Buffalo, N. Y.

27. ACROSTICAL ENIGMA (15) (NI3) 1. Are simple jobs left waiting in the yard Excuse for Dad to have his TV barred?

2. Banished for his practice in one city, The cutpurse picks another, more's the pity.

3. Perhaps no admonition keeps a child Away from plump red cherries growing wild.

4. Stuffing down our meal, the Boss turned cruel; The fires of hell will never lack for fuel.

5. Ultimately justice finds a way To punish evil; how, it's vain to say.

6. A naughty woman, pinched pursuing trade, Is simply bored by laws she disobeyed.

Where rich facades are overrun with scrolls, Symmetry yet disciplines their wholes. =TUT, San Francisco, Cal.

28. CHARADE (7) The surly ONE is in a fright, His TWO's in ghastly danger Of being stumped this very night--No more he'll trust a stranger! He hopes the man who wields the knife Will ALL this menace to his life. =KAMEL, St. Petersburg, Fla.

29. PHONETIC REBUS (5-4)

IIIIIII

The lampern, please check, Has holes in its neck. =MERLIN, Bismarck, N. D.

30. TRANSPOSAL (9) We *TWO are pretty numerous. As Dad is wont to say, "They're cheaper by the dozen." He often thinks that way --

He looks at all our motions And breaks them into ONE; His systems are efficient But THREE of all our fun.

With what that English worker said We sometimes must agree: "Them time-and-motion engineers

Are blinkin' bloody THREE." =TREESONG, Aliquippa, Pa.

(TWO appears only in the etymology of ONE.)

31. REBUS (8)

HCIA

In sunny Spain I now abide: On a REBUS I reside. =PETE TROLEUM, Brooklyn, N. Y.

32. TRANSPOSAL (8) Hapless, shipwrecked Robinson Crusoe--

(For all the necessities of life, Ship and nature were his only TWOs) --

To explore his site, climbed upon a highland.

He built a raft when able to do so, Used rope, some planks, and a

trusty knife; Then made a ONE, a round-trip cruise,

To circumnavigate his island. =AJAX, Scarsdale, N. Y.

33. TERMINAL DELETION (7, 5) At SEVEN, I hope for an extension; I do not celebrate the FIVE.

And if I should decide to mention Why I think I'm yet alive, 'Twould be because the first are last

And what is last has longer past. =LI'L GAMIN, Rochester, N. Y.

34. REBUS (10)

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Three joints; It points. =STILICHO, West Los Angeles, Cal.

35. REBUS (8)

D P

"The earth is flat, Chris; you will see!" Snapped Chris, "You make me weary!

My trip around the world will be The REBUS of your theory." =NIGHTOWL, Rochester, N. Y.

36. REBUS (*3 *4 2 3 *7)



A classic book about a Toad's Adventures on the rural roads. =HAP, Princeton, N. J.

37. PALINDROME

A*E*A **U*A*; *A* *E*A* (*A*E=

*A**A*E **A**) A* U**A* E*A In the '60's some cities of

our nation Had poor people by the score: Overcrowded slums caused

frustration, Lack of jobs pained many more.

Minorities felt discrimination, Then an outburst of madness tore. =SMITH, TIM S., Walton, N. Y.

38. REBUS (10)

This word Webster's Second defines As a system of symbols or signs. =MERLIN, Bismarck, N. D.

39. SUBER (9)

SATD

By the River Rhine "Umlaut" stands for NINE. =STILICHO, West Los Angeles, Cal.

40. WORD DELETION (10) Some TOTAL her win to forces She TWO her opponent, so ONE

Billie Jean. =TUT, San Francisco, Cal. 41. TRANSDELETION (10) (2 words are beheadments)

The atmosphere so dry and still Did FIVE the people's strength and will.

The mob, their nerves all EIGHT and taut, From THREE so FOUR were

overwrought.

They rushed the temple, cursing Zeus.

The SEVEN guards were of no use. As NINE, they could not stop the crowd.

Then suddenly from out a cloud There SIX a torrent from the sky And Zeus was promptly TEN on high.

=PROBLEM CHILD, Chicago, Ill.

42. REBUS (5, 4 4 2 2)

L MEEMOC

This operatic passion Is out of fashion, This sentiment fair Is square. =WYVERN, Media, Pa.

43. TERMINAL DELETION (3 4; 5) What the beauty salons only get! Why, just for a plain THREE FOUR set

They will skin you alive. And with rinse you will FIVE What looks like the national debt! =MANGIE, Buffalo, N. Y.

44. CHARADE (4 4) (NI3) (TWO is phonetic)

"ENTIRE" and suffering dogs! How can I dress This up, so that our Ed will print this mess? One half of me is ONE, and this

I'll tell To Nightowl, or ye Editor will yell,

"Who wrote this cryptical charade? How can print it in Enigma? Let the man Who did this deed speak up.

For twenty THREE, If I were Siamese (not twins), I'd be

Inclined to throw it in the fiery pit, And let it TWO that I'd

forgotten it!" =HOHO, Brookline, Mass. 45. REBUS (12)

When dogs are eaten up by fleas They scratch their REBUS as they please. =TUT, San Francisco, Cal.

46. REBUS BINADE (5, 5)

APT

The Spanish Armada was routed, outclassed; The threat to our England was over and past. With the anchors now ONE and the sails set for home, The victorious fleet raced along through the foam, To TWO, to be feted and honored at last. =GRAYDOL, Lincoln, Mass.

47. HETERONYM (4 3; 7) That ONE-haired man, with the jolly laugh Masking his lonely sighs Collapsed last Sunday in the park; No TWO to sympathise. =HAP, Princeton, N. J.

48. LAST-LETTER CHANGE (6) Their feelings were hurt; they were TWO when their son, As they learned through the press, had been cheating at ONE. =PROBLEM CHILD, Chicago, Ill.

49. WORD DELETION (10) Oh, stocks and bonds and ALL Can ONE to one confusing. The market's rise and fall At times is not amusing. Just clench your TWO though Wall Street says that you are losing! =NIGHTOWL, Rochester, N. Y.

50. TRANSPOSAL (8) I went to the ONE of the TWO: The streetcar was just about due. =TUT, San Francisco, Cal.

51. REBUS BINADE (5, 5)

HT.

After robbing the bank We then met the old coot, And said, "PRIMAL, now where Can we TWO all our loot?" =FUN, Silver Spring, Md.

52. BIGRAM REBUS TRINADE(6, 6, 6) SEC

Park your car and enter the castle. Slipping into total decay. In each FIRST see candles for lighting Add their smoke to a SECOND of grey. Quickly, flee this foul exhalation, THIRD your car, and drive it away. =TREESONG, Aliquippa, Pa. THIRD = NI2 only. A Bigram Alternade treats pairs of letters as units.

53. FIRST-LETTER CHANGE (10) When involved in matters of ONE TWO is often sought; When unethical persons are implicated, TWO may even be bought. =MIS-KNO-MER, Miami Beach, Fla.

54. TERMINAL DELETION (6, 4) A dachshund, whenever she SIX (or is sick), Needs all the expert FOUR she can get,

While as for a hound full of porcupine quills --He, too, is thankful for your local vet. =HAP, Princeton, N. J.

55. PALINDROME (*A* -- *I**) *A*, A*A* -- A *U*** *U*A *A*A* -- A* ** I*

I saw that can and had a hunch, "Not fit," I cried, "for any lunch!" She went ahead, that crazy friend, And tainted fish assured her end. =TUT, San Francisco, Cal.

56. TRANSPOSAL (7) It's time for a FORMER in Wall Street; The "bulls" all are bidding up shares; The LATTER investor's a skeptic, Though not as forlorn as the "bears". =HAP, Princeton, N. J.

ANAGRAMS

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57. CON'S SENT TO DIRE PEN (9 2 6) =VIKING, Norfolk, Va.

58. MEAT? I'VE GRAINS. =FROST E. ROMAN, Chenango Forks. N. Y.

59. BOLD, I BLESS EARTH, FELLOWS: TOPS! (3 4 2 3 8 6) =TUT, San Francisco, Cal.

60. LOT GARIAL =TAV, Vancouver, Wash.

61. IT: AMEN SIR (1 8) =OSAPLE, Easton, Pa.

62. LET'S BANK PATRONS' LUCRE THERE (*10, 3 *1. *1. *1. 9) (Meaningful only to the Krewe) =NIGHTOWL, Rochester, N. Y.

63. FAULT! DESIST! =HAP, Princeton, N. J.

64. TEXT: RE A LAST DEATH FEE (3 7 6 3) =MERLIN, Bismarck, N. D.

65. EH? MINUTIA: ONE EAR SHOT (NI2 only) =BURNT SACK, Kent, Ohio

FORMS

1. LEFT WINDMILL 1. Those of a nation powerful from 200 A. D. to 950. 2. One having hyperopia. 3. Dumbness. 4. Linear sets. 5. Same as ARA-CUAHU (Lipp.). 6. Made rose-colored. 7. A group of cells. 8. Sea radishes. 9. A post of security or defense. 10. Descent* (Oxf.). 11. Fitted in. 12. Directors*. 13. Alluded to lightly (pg. 1181). 14. Having an alimentary canal. 15. A sower*. =SHERLOCK HOLMES, Lennox, S. D.

2. SQUARE 1. A popular soft drink (not in dict.). 2. Osamins. 3. Chairs or litters consisting of two seats. 4. Devotions to amorous gallantry. 5. Members of the Ciliata. 6. ME form of honestest (p. 1195). 7. Grant me a moment to consider (p. 2265). 8. Pas d'ane (q.v.). =SAKR-EL-BAHR, Milford, Ind.

3. PROGRESSIVE WORD SQUARE 1. C., Johnson Co., Kansas. 2. Made of lath. 3. Capital of Greece. 5. Thence (Ref. sp.). 5. German painter, 1794-1861 (Web. Biog. D.). 6. Enseal# (1st Ed.). =TAV, Vancouver, Wash.

4. SQUARE 1. Eulachon. 2. Any of a group of enzymes that promote the oxidation of various substances. Limetta. 4. Ozocerite. 5. Like a cat. 6. Inability to sit or stand erect. 7. (Law) In England, a high prerogative writ to restrain a person from leaving the country. =SAKR-EL-BAHR, Milford, Ind.

X-2. KNIGHT'S TOUR CRYPT (2 *3 6 2 2 2 2 8 *2 5 4 5 2 7. *5 *6)

Fundamentalism.

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(Begin at underline.)

X-3. ANAQUOTE (5 5 2 4 8 2 3 5 4 4 3 4 7 7 4 3 5. *7 *6)

ANW BIE CHA DBE DSA ECO ERA FAL FON HAN HER HOU LIN LLI MBR NGI NGI NTO OSE OUL RCE RMI RMS TFA TOH ULD WIT WOM MO RE

=B. NATURAL, Greenfield, Mass.

X-4. ANAQUOTE (8 3 3 5, 3 2 2 2 4, 2 6 2 4 2 9. 2 9 2 8, 4 3 8 2 3 9 3 3 3 5. *6 *5)

ANI ANI ARI ASI ATE BER CKY CTU DBE DTO EBU EDI ERU HEP HEP ICK IFP IST ITI LAC MEM NDN NGH OIN OTT OUL PUN ROF ROF SED SOV SUS SWE TIF TSH TSP TTR TYA TYI TYO URE USE WHA YDI

=TREESONG, Aliquippa, Pa.

JULY SOLVERS

The July Enigma had 63 flats, 4 forms, 7 crypts, and 9 extras; there were 33 solvers' lists received. DADA and TREESONG scored completes.

Alternate sols accepted: #38-FLIRTING/TRIFLING; #48-THREADS/ HARDEST; and a wide variety of suitable substitutions for the DEEDLESS in #55. MANGIE had a clever sol for #43, but unfortunately it didn't fit the word length--AMUSED/MEDUSA.

A. CHEM 52-0-5-4; ACORN 32-0-0-2; AHAB 40-*-6-5; AJAX 0-0-*-0; AMOR 21-0-0-0; ANN DHOW & MY MY 59-*-*: BAFUL 54-*-6; BLACK-STONE 56-*-*: B. NATURAL 0-0-*-2; CHAR 34-0-1-4; FANACRO 23-*-2-6; FARO 62-0-0-3; FIDDLE 23-0-2-4; FROST E. ROMAN 11-0-0-0; GANDALF 36-0-0-1; GRAYDOL 61-*-*-8; HAP *-0-5-*; IFANDOR 51-*-*-5; LARRY 19-1-0-0; MANGIE 47-3-*-6; MERLIN 54-*-0-4; NUTMEG 47-*-0-6; OSAPLE 20-0-0; PAUL & VIR-GINIA 26-0-0-2; PETE TROLEUM 8-0-0-0; PROBLEM CHILD 38-0-1-8; REGGIE 0-0-*-0; RHO 58-*-*-*; SQUIRREL 12-0-0-4; TAV 24-3-*-3; THE GINK 6-0-3-0.

Solving Frequency List FLATS: 1-20, 2-16, 3-18, 4-13, 5-13, 6-25, 7-26, 8-18, 9-13, 10-14, 11-15, 12-17, 13-19, 14-17, 15-21, 16-18, 17-24, 18-9, 19-16, 20-23, 21-28, 22-14, 23-23, 24-15, 25-5, 26-25, 27-12, 28-11, 29-15, 30-14, 31-13, 32-19, 33-23, 34-22, 35-29, 36-11, 37-22, 38-17, 39-26, 40-12, 41-7, 42-11, 43-17, 44-28, 45-14, 46-20, 47-48-9, 49-20, 50-22, 51-20, 52-13, 53-10, 54-27, 55-15, 56-18, 57-22, 58-30, 59-27, 60-19, 61-25, 62-28, 63-28. FORMS: 1-14, 2-15, 3-12, 4-14. CRYPTS: 1-19, 2-20, 3-16, 4-16, 5-16, 6-15, 7-14. EXTRAS: 1-22, 2-20, 3-15, 4-14, 5-12, 6-9, 7-14, 8-16, 9-14.

X-5. ANAQUOTE (2 8 2/1 3 3 4'1 6 6 2 7 3 7 9. *4 *6)

AMA ANO APE ARO EAD GNE GOT ILS ING MIS MOR NIN NWH OHA PTI REA RLW SNT TEN THE TIS TOR UND WSP

=PAUL & VIRGINIA, Houston, Tex.

X-6. PIECEMEAL CIRCLE (12-letter words; one is *, one is implied in NI2 but not spelled out.) AT CO CO DA ER ER HI HR HT HY HY IC IC IT LA LY ND OM ON ON OP OP OS PE PE RI RS SM ST YT =HAP, Princeton, N. J.

X-7. MAJOR NUMERICAL (*6 6 *6. *6 *4, 3 *1. *5 *7. *5 3 3 4 *6. 4 *6 *7 3 *6 4 *4 3 *5. *3 *7 *4) 109-66-61-68-25-57-20-55-43-71:

Waterfront. 110-58-49-38-87-104-98-63-10: Independent cabbie working

after dark. 111-42-78-27-7 92-19-67-95-100-53: Resinous pine products.

112-96-40-69-79-62: Bowler.

113-85-83-15-2-22-94-12-31-65-36-75: Butt-inski.

114-18-37-80-108-6-101-60-11-26: Reveler.

115-14-21-5-86 52-106-48-89-93: Head of flat barbed weapon.

116-54-70 51-4-34-59-97 73-91-28: Haphazardly.

117-9-1-45-16-33-32-81-105-76-24: With "at", in dissension.

118-77-39-107: Metallic element.

119-3-17-82-84-99-47-8-30: Trouser.

120-102-90-23-56-50: Internee.

121-29-72-35-64-44: Cushiony (as in expense account!).

122-41-13-88-46-74-103: Intellectual.

=PROBLEM CHILD, Chicago, Ill.

X-8. PIECEMEAL SQUARE

AN GA GE HO IC IS LE LI MO NO ON

ON PH PI SI ST

=PROBLEM CHILD, Chicago, Ill.

X-9. ANAQUOTE (4 8 2 4, 4 3 9 7 3 5 3 5 4 5. *5)

CTA DGR EAC ECO EET HAN HER HIS HOT INT LIT LOV NDT NSI OSO OTE OUC RIL SPR STS THA TTW UDE KE =HAP, Princeton, N. J.

AUGUST SOLUTIONS

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1. Buffeted. 2. Count-1-ess. 3. Hydrogenation. 4. Desiring, ringside. 5. L/D-upin. 6. W-her-ry; wh-err-y. 7. Violent. 8. Reborn. stereo, effete. 9. Pontoons. 10. Antiparticles. 11. R-a/i-dic-o/ulous. 12. Determine. 13. Bi-sect. 14. Fogless. 15. Tell upset: a tornado orbs brood an' rotates pullet. 16. Stardust, incense. 17. Mural torpitude, moral turpitude. 18. Palm Beaches, peach Melbas. 19. Reachable, bleacher. belcher, breech, cheer, Cree. 20. Gadget, tagged. 21. Inflated. 22. Headstrong, stag-horned. 23. C-o-attails. 24. Crisp onion rings. 25. It a lick and a. 26. Blue fly, flew by. 27. Acis and Galatea. 28. Slick, click, stick, slack, slink, slice. 29. Sutaio. 30. Mutase. 31. Subpoena, bean soup. 32. Clothespin. 33. Stupid. 34. RUth, BRIer, CATena, ORison. 35. Lemur. 36. Matrilaterally. 37. Damp clown, clamp down. 38. Conquered (khan, Kurd). 39. Gourman-d. 40. Spirited, spirted, spited, spied, sped. 41. Stillness, arpeggios. 42. Eyes only. 43. Morosely grab argyles, 0 rom. 44. Busier, buries, bruise. 45. Female, me fail. 46. Boredom, bedroom. 47. Se-awe-ed. 48. Disconsolate. 49. Leg-u-men. 50. P/O-nyx. 51. His undershorts. 52. Lascar, rascal. 53. B/w/t-edding. 54. Ramiform. 55. Paradoxes; do. axe, pars. 56. An ordnance. 57. Confidential material. 58. Sherlock Holmes. 59. Discourteous. 60. Irritated. 61. Felicity. 62. A misspent youth. X-1. Adhesive. X-2. The letter I. X-3. The only thing new in the world is the history you don't know. Harry S. Truman. X-4. A woman is necessarily an evil, but he that gets the most tolerable one is lucky. Menander. X-5. Streaking is just a passing fanny. X-6. Experience is not what happens to a man; it is what a man does with what happens to him. A. Huxley. X-7. Those who would treat politics and morality apart will never understand the one or the other. Viscount Morley. X-8. Research, chromium, umbrella, laughter, erethism, smutched, edgewise, seashore. X-9. Ichthammol, icebreaker, erotogenic, oligarchic.

CRYPTS:

1. Eskimo igloo hullabaloo: sopr 2. New jet age; breakfast in Lon

3. John Howard Payne, puzzle-min 4. Morgue held unclaimed corpse,

5. Baker makes sublime lemon mer 6. Grandiose parvenu, majestic v 7. Evil girl with oval face, cut

FORMS:

2. FREE 1. N 3. DISCREDIT LADY MAA ICERAVINE AIDE CISNA SELARIVER FLAGDAY BASTONS CRAZEDEST LORD CANFAUCET RARENESSE ARIA POSTALNOTES EVIDENTER POLY SENSATIONALLY DIVESTING LINEAREQUATIONS INESSENCE TERTERGES

KREWELAND UNUSUAL DOUBLEHEADER

by FANACRO

A three-word sequence is defined by each of the following definitions. The first word of each sequence is beheaded to give the second; the second word is beheaded to give the third. Example: STRAP, TRAP, RAP.

1. Follow track star.

2. Sickness caused by cold earth.

3. Whip siren's irritation.

4. Sermonize, communicate with all.

5. To the rear, an awesome sea bird.

6. Warm grain and dine.

7. Hit vehicular trash.

8. Clever market decorations.

9. Knock boor down.

10. Seize, scrape viper.

11. Boat and logs to the rear.

12. Woo, leave boat.

13. Isolated, solitary unit.

14. Redder, drunker escort.

15. Cad, heave, engrave.

16. Divided remaining newt.

17. Determine grain value, chill.

18. Disrobed, fell and tore.

19. Tasteless; story and porter.

20. Females, mystery to men.

CRYPTOGRAMS

ANN DHOW, Hawthorne, N. J.

1. Full circle.

FKMQWPWJ HGBQW.

XPCMZ XGTZMHPRM SGMZ DGKTWNMMC HGCV RGC SQL W T C 7 M_

HGBQW KMQDMZ FKMQWPWJ HXMCM

хмс гхркзсм W.

HOODWINK, Bastrop, Tex.

M F W Z O V T Q P M N H K V M F B R W P C F E P C N X D B y PFZXCN? PWMT TDKKCBPVDBMC QAKNFEDE-

ZC, MFBPQOCNQBJ MZWCP QBMZFPCO. ACORN. New York. N. Y.

GYUAJVLRZ EQGX EIJMGX VJYF ZGJDUMG, XJVER UL LGB

VLX WVMNGX AIR JUMP, BURP ZPIG IL IRPGJ LIB MIHLRJF,

EIIR.

BLACKSTONE, Alstead, N. H.

4. Winter or summer? UCDM JNTKR IZNACKI PFTSPU PCHWEO

YNK, ENDSBCKI JNEMP AUN ANTER DNKP-

THO PSHO, BNTIUOZ WZNXEOH.

MERLIN, Bismarck, N. D.

5. Guard duty. ECGSHTKDU RJUEAVCY JDIBCHPTL PHGW-

KLBDY GCHYADKEF WKTVUPXJD PUJHDEA-

TL CHUQTJDFP TJGEKDCHP ZTBYAUKG.

B. NATURAL, Greenfield, Mass. 6. Dark doings.

XGTRZUOWPS HGUSPCITZB ENCHPGORUZ XUSZTRBODV?

WUZOIPGTYC. DOVEHRZYLC

WOCITGHYDP: LUDBGYXHRN.

AJAX, Scarsdale, N. Y. 7. Busy day.

AIKXERPCB, XIPNOUT GFZ CISX, OSRB

AKPIZXSQBR UVIR APTLIKRMO UVGBFS.

GVQPMB XKTOUVL, CVILPTO OKZ-HVBIR,

FSCU.

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TWO HOOTS

NEW KREWE: We welcome two new members this month--Kat S. Barker, 23995 Carrillo Dr., Mission Viejo, CA 92675; and Carl Simmons, 1007 Ringwood Ave., Haskel, NJ 07420. Carl is a high school student, and his subscription was a gift from ANN DHOW.

KREWE NEWS: Carroll Wilcox has chosen the nom ISFAN, which as a linkade indicates his literary preferences. After receiving his first two issues of Enigma, ISFAN wrote: "My reactions to this intriguing publication ranged from initial surprise and wonder to ultimate fascination and occasional despair. Although I have long enjoyed crossword puzzles, I was unfamiliar with most of the puzzle enjoyed described the Primer. Thus it was essentially my first extensive foray into the world of puzzledom. I am sure it will prove to be both a challenging and a rewarding experience." ISFAN's enthusiasm is also shown by his first solver's list and his first published flat.*****MERLIN made a trip to South Dakota recently and spent a couple of days with SHERLOCK HOLMES. The two puzzlers used a good share of those days discussing and making forms.

A LEGACY: About a year ago we were notified that the NPL was the recipient of a bequest of \$499 from the estate of William A. Moore, who was known as KENNETH to the Krewe. In September of this year the check was sent to BLACKSTONE, and thus our treasury is \$499 richer thanks to the generosity and forethought of one of our former members. BLACKSTONE, LARRY, and TREESONG went through old Enigmas for information about KENNETH--he was a member of the NPL for about 45 years and was welcomed in the November 1923 issue of Enigma. He lived in New York City until 1947, then moved to New Jersey with a winter home in Florida. KENNETH was listed among the "complete solvers" in several issues of the twenties, and he contributed several flats, mostly anagrams. LARRY wrote about KENNETH's gift: "Just think, that's like going out and drumming up 100 new subs--even better when you figure the cost of publishing and especially the first class postage! ... Though modest his achievements, I'm sure KENNETH was one of those solid fair-weather-and-foul chaps who supported our cause over a long era. Like me, he must have had a great affection for Madame Sphinx, as attested by the sum of \$499." In this month's Puzzles from the Past are some of KENNETH's flats.

PUZZLE NOTES: On the subject of "Thedom" and its meaning, HAP supplied a letter that HOODWINK had written him in 1973. In it he stated: "I was informed many years ago that THEDOM is a coined word signifying THE REALM OF PUZZLEDOM, contracted into the combination

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