

CRYPTOGRAMS

1. And Massachusetts?

TAV, Vancouver, Wash.

MOLU SK PARP UK ARTK LOBS CLDE FP-
R PKF GO **PAK *DOGP KJ *FPRPKF LC *RH-
KEG NR -- *DPRA, *GJRAL, *HRGOK, ROJ
*HGFFLDEG!

2. Footloose (from NI3).

FIDDLE, St. Petersburg, Fla.

*CUNYNRPRNA: TYLPBAVP JVGU GUERR
NQQVGV BANY FLYYNOYRF SBEZVAT ONPP-
UVHF BE VNZOVP QVCBQL PNGNYRPGVP
(YBTNBRQVP).

3. Hawaii, four, oh.

BLACKSTONE, Alstead, N. H.

OCOOT, DIFR ACCEC, VZUUJ YNNJN, ICI-
NI ZZAZJ (LF HIHPH). *JAZJJ RFRRRC, ZL
LZLFL YCIP, UHUUJ *PFPPT (XFXXT),
CLO *DUHDD (EHEET).

4. You can't take it with you?

ACORN, New York, N. Y.

TYFELOSK GNR TFR SBR ACORN MB TYF-
ELOSK IYNS IN REH RB KNR WEONSQ RB
TFR=MOR WBE CM IYODN IN REFUND.

5. Anticlimax.

HAP, Princeton, N. J.

CLIMAX CTLAMP CSHORT, CHORUS=CRMUAV,
COTVBL CTSZOH CHLXYO, CBREZH CMOREW;
CAFROU, CWMAXH, CRIAMP CYBOPE.

6. Unstrung beatniks.

PROBLEM CHILD, Chicago, Ill.

DUZXWBIQHE ENIGMA SHOULD SNHXJZA
HGJLNBO IGYHLKO JZLEM OXEKZIN WKH-
QIN BKOHE ZIEMO OKHQISZX UABGIZ
OLKGF.

7. Race riot.

B. NATURAL, Greenfield, Mass.

AVLGRTEI *BVUD CSTHFMP DWOVC EDFG
EMGRO FWEIN, GDFWERN C HTVMA. IWGSA
KVPGRA GWKTF EABDRIF LTFUHDH.



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TWO HOOTS

VIKING IS GONE: Losing a dear family member is always sad; this holds true for our NPL family as well. VIKING, a member of our NPL Krewe since 1929, died in his sleep on September 9, 1975. His contributions to the League were many and large -- top quality puzzles, best, generous financial help (including furnishing the money for publishing the Mini-Sample Enigma), and a continuing concern that The Enigma should have high standards of content with fair puzzles and good verse. One of his many close friends in the NPL, A. CHEM, wrote: "We were phone pals. The last time I saw him was when MERLIN visited Norfolk, and they came over to see me. That must have been four or five years ago. But although we never got to see each other we sure kept the phone lines busy. How I am going to miss him! Just a few weeks ago he was so happy when his brother from Sweden came to visit him. When I spoke to him the day before his death he seemed exceptionally well. I surely was shocked when I got the message next morning. I know he'll be missed and long remembered by the Krewe."

An issue of The Enigma will be devoted to a memorial for VIKING; this will probably be the February or March issue in 1976, to give members time to send in contributions for such a memorial (puzzles written in memory of Vike, favorite puzzles of his that should be reprinted, historical notes, etc.). I would appreciate having this material by December 15, 1975, to allow time for compilation.

NEW KREWE: We welcome two new members this month--Mrs. Penny Kanter, 355 Rock Rimmon Rd., Stamford, CT 06903, and Marshall Zaitlen, 1608 - 14th St. East, Saskatoon, Sask., Canada S7H0B1. WILLZ introduced Mrs. Kanter to the NPL, and Mr. Zaitlen heard about us this summer when he traveled to Israel and met OEDIPUS, Jr.

KREWE NEWS: Robert W. Gray has chosen the nom MAJOR HOOPLE, which is also his ACA nom. ***** PENNY sent some interesting NPL history: "I was brought up on NPL. My dad was a member way back before he knew mom. And my earliest memories are of the 'Nig and what fun puzzling is. Dad was Eldon and mom took the nom La Dona. As a teen-ager I became Terry, I think. Some years later dad died and after that mom's interest in crypts, encouraged by B. NATURAL, led her to become Coleth (she, too, was transcribing Braille dot by dot as was B. Nat). I missed the 'Nig after marrying my non-puzzling (but very puzzling) husband and soon returned to the Krewe as Penny. Later John decided to give it a try as Johnnie. So, from very first

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awareness, say 5 or 6, I've been a puzzler." ***** AHAB's family (with daughters SKETCHY and DOODAD) is another puzzling one. They recently moved to larger quarters where they even have enough room for a puzzle work area; for a long trestle work table. ***** MISERY located and are looking for his business takes much of his time and that (NO COMPANY) wrote that his business takes much of his time and that he travels a lot; he thinks NPL puzzles are tops. ***** And on the subject of travel: MANGIE sent a postcard with "Suberly greetings from UAT." Some shrewd deduction will tell you she was in Tunisia! She took Enigma along; "Busy sight-seeing and solving--a straitened combination." *** KAMEL and LARRY could combine theatrical talents; she wrote that she's been very busy prop hunting for the opening show of a little theater season. ***** Regarding long-time members, A. CHEM wrote that she'd heard from WICK, whose membership goes back to 1923. Although he is not active now, he is still very much interested in puzzling and said that Enigma is still a joy to him.

PUZZLE NOTES: TREESONG wrote, "Nobody cares, but just for the peace of mind of future readers please note that I goofed in the September nonade. The last word in the verse should be ONESEVEN-EIGHTTHREENTINEFOURSIKXIVETWO." Duly noted. *** Just a reminder to form solvers--a form solution will be accepted even though it has a few holes where the non-NI2-non-NI3 words occur. Very few people have all the needed reference books available for solving some of those tough SHERLOCK HOLMES forms! But, as avid form solvers have discovered, good guesses can often be made by using other references (other dictionaries, atlases, encyclopedias, etc.)--put down your "guesses", and often they'll be acceptable. ***** Ralph Beaman has published a booklet that NPL members may like to have. It is called "Hard To Find Words in Webster's Third Unabridged" and is a compilation of words that appear out of alphabetical order, often only in phrases where the "hidden" word is not the first word, such as SUEY in CHOP SUEY. The 40-page booklet is available for \$4.98 (overseas \$5.25) from Mr. Beaman at 106-A Shavertown Rd., Boothwyn, PA 19061. TREESONG offers this booklet as an alternate prize in his year-long Rebus Alternade contest.

RHYME TIME: The poets in the Krewe know what a problem it is to find a proper rhyme for certain words, REBUS taking a particularly common stickler. STILICHO pointed out the many ingenious rhymes for REBUS that have been found by the Krewe: PHOEBUS (often used), LEONTOCEBUS, SEA BIS(cuit), TEA BIS(cuit) (those three from the imitable STILICHO himself), KEY BIS(cayne). GLEBOUS is another. And for SUBER rhymes, how about ACORN's PUBER(ty), STILICHO's SCHUBER(t), and the ordinary GOOBER and TUBER.

FAVORITE PUZZLES FOR AUGUST: ACORN--20, 21, 45, 50, 59, X-1 ("Now that's what a Form should be!"), X-7. AHAB--X-1 ("Hope we have more of these."), AMOR--8, 12, 18, 20, 29, 38, 45, 48, 52, 58, 70. ANN DHOW & MY MY--21, 60, 65. BLACKSTONE--5, 18, 21, 36, 41, 42, 46, 68, X-1. DADA--15, 50, 61, 69, X-1, C-4. FARO--12, 29, 33, 48, 49 ("really tough!"). GANDALF--11, 12, 21, 27, 37, 55, 61, X-1. GRAYDOL--13, 33, 48, 69, X-7. HAP--4, 6, 20, 21, 33, 37, 59, 69, X-1, X-7. KAMEL--23, 27, 28, 37, 48, X-8. PETE TROLEUM--20, 34, 39. SEABEE--21, 39. SQUIRREL--6, 10, 21, 48, 69, X-8. TREESONG--21, 33, 48, 69, X-1 ("Yum! More!"). VIKING--9, 21, 24, 61, 69, 70. And belated July favorites from TREESONG--1, 12, 25, 72.

X-1. PIECEMEAL SQUARE (All words belong to a common category.)

BU CA EB EE ER ER IL IM IT LE LO
PB RY SH TT US

=MERLIN, Bismarck, N. D.

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

BOT DEI KES KIN LLG OFA PRI REA
RUS SAT STA THE TMI TOM

=IFANDOR, So. Pasadena, Fla.

AUGUST SOLVERS

The August issue had 70 flats, 4 forms, 7 crypts, and 9 extras; 40 solution lists were received. Three flats proved very tough--only BLACKSTONE, HAP, and TREESONG solved #16; only FARO, HAP, and RHO solved #25; and only FARO, HAP, and TREESONG got #49. THE GINK had an ingenious alternate sol for #45: TIGER CATS - STRATEGIC; this was allowed despite the two-word phrase which was not specified by the flat.

ABSOLVER 32-0-0-1; A. CHEM 54-1-2-5; ACORN 52-1-5-8; AHAB 27--1-; AJAX 0-0--0; AMOR 35-1-1-0; ANN DHOW & MY MY 54--*-*-; BAPUL 52-3-6-8; BLACKSTONE 64--*-*-; B. NATURAL 19-0-0-4; CAL CULUS 16-0-1-1; COLEUS 41-0-0-0; DADA 61--*-*-; FANACRO 17-3-2-6; FARO 65-0-0-3; FIDDLE 25-0-3-3; GANDALF 50-2-0-7; GRAYDOL 67--5-5--; HAP *-0-5--; IFANDOR 29-0-3-5; ISFAN 25-0-0-6; JOHNNIE & PENNY 41-0-1-6; KAMEL 45-0-0-7; LARRY 35-3-0-1; MANGIE 54-3-5-8; MEO 30-1-3-5; NEMOVE 5-0-0-0; NUTMEG 48-2-0-8; OSAPLE 14-0-0-0; PAUL & VIRGINIA 35-0-0-4; PETE TROLEUM 23-0-0-0; RHO 67--*-*-; R. TIST 21-0-2-7; SEABEE 15-0-1-5; SONA-ROSE 8-0-0-0; SQUIRREL 30-0-2-6; TAV 10--*-0; THE GINK 26-0-1-0; TREESONG 69--*-3--; VIKING 50-0-2-0.

Solving Frequency List

FLATS: 1-7, 2-23, 3-34, 4-13, 5-28, 6-31, 7-30, 8-33, 9-9, 10-36, 11-9, 12-25, 13-10, 14-13, 15-29, 16-3, 17-24, 18-30, 19-33, 20-27, 21-31, 22-24, 23-27, 24-16, 25-3, 26-8, 27-16, 28-18, 29-32, 30-19, 31-21, 32-33, 33-7, 34-19, 35-29, 36-22, 37-16, 38-26, 39-30, 40-6, 41-21, 42-18, 43-29, 44-15, 45-23, 46-26, 47-22, 48-19, 49-3, 50-26, 51-27, 52-24, 53-23, 54-8, 55-18, 56-10, 57-24, 58-19, 59-24, 60-12, 61-27, 62-7, 63-21, 64-14, 65-33, 66-27, 67-38, 68-20, 69-19, 70-34. FORMS: 1-12, 2-13, 3-18, 4-9. CRYPTS: 1-18, 2-26, 3-8, 4-12, 5-10, 6-7, 7-15. EXTRAS: 1-16, 2-26, 3-25, 4-18, 5-16, 6-13, 7-22, 8-25, 9-25.

Lyric of a nonexistent song:
"Don't speak of the silver in
your hair, Dear. Just tell me
of the gold o' my ear." STILICHO

JABBERWOCKY WITH "PALINDROMES"
by SEABEE

I am Lord Pen's old mare.
(Pins, more pins, lad!) Romans
plied prime land. So--span old
mire! Pad slime! Nor dream in
slop! (Morn is paled as I pen,
m'lord.) Primal nodes in sample
rod--a modern slip. Model sprain
in sloped arm; no limps, dear.

Males drop in, open Dr.'s
mail. Some Dr.! Plain and simple
or sold prime, an open rim,
lads, mars old pine.
Promise land!

KREWELAND UNUSUAL

The following Piecemeal Circle
is such a tough one that it will
not be scored in the regular
solutions tabulation. The bi-
grams joining the words are un-
derlined; all words are in NI2,
but only one is in NI3. Some
lists of long words will help!

K-1. PIECEMEAL CIRCLE (18-letter
words)

AG AL AN AP AR AS AT AV CE CH CH
CI CO CT CY EN EP ES HA HE HY IA
IC IO LY LA MI NI NT OM OR OS
PE PR PT RE RE RG RH RO RR SE ST
ST TA TI TI TI TI TR TR UL VE VI
VI

=HAP, Princeton, N. J.

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

ADA ABE BID BRE CEQ CHA EAL EEP
EGI EJO ERB ERI EST FOR FRA GES
INI IPY LAW LLA NAT NCE NDT NTH
OLE ORT OSL OST REE RID STH STH
STI SWE THE TOB TSA TSM UAL UND
=KAMEL, St. Petersburg, Fla.

X-4. ANAQUOTE (4 5 2 7 2 4 11 8
4 4 2 3 14 2 4. *2. *7 *2 *5)

AFF ATT AVE BEN BEW DBY DTH FRA
HEY IDE ILL ING LIC MAN MST NCE
NCI NCO NIE NSP NVE OTI ROV SAL
SDE THE TIO TOH ULD YWO ES
=PAUL & VIRGINIA, Houston, Tex.

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 December 25.

1. ENIGMA (Enumeration not given)
I went out drinking Friday night
With Eddie and the boys.
The corner bar was really wild
With music, girls, and noise.

We found a window table free,
Were drinking quite a few,
When Eddie yelled. We turned
around

And saw a man we knew.
Our friend was old, a lonely man.
Tonight he'd come by late.
Some say he goes out every night
Yet's never had a date.

Not one word did the codger say;
His usual path he took.
He looked so full, as though
from brew,
He had a sallow look.

Perhaps there is a kindred man
Who lives in your town, too.
He's friend to old and young
alike.

We know his name. Do you?
=WILLZ, Crawfordsville, Ind.

2. REBUS (3 8 3 3 6)

MITT

For each of REBUS she'd not fail
To relate a different tale.
=TUT, Palo Alto, Cal.

3. REBUS QUATERNADE (4, 4, 4, 4)

AL

Old King Cole
Was a greedy old soul;
So he called to a FOUR, "Go buy
for me
Chocolate ONES, yes a few,
Those big triple-dip TWO,
And make sure you don't drop
them in the THREE!"
=MANGIE, Buffalo, N. Y.

4. BEHEADMENT (7, 6)
I go in circles, walking LONG,
From force of long-time custom.
Should I unwind, 'twould seem
so wrong!
Such habits -- SHORT to bust 'em?
=NIGHTOWL, Rochester, N. Y.

5. FIRST-LETTER CHANGE (4)

A ONE was found who tried to get
Him strung by neck till dead
And TWO him sans the least
regret;

But they were hung instead.
That ONE's not "gang"; you've
gone agley;

Direct your THREE at me!
=PROBLEM CHILD, Chicago, Ill.

6. REBUS (3 6 4 2 1 7 2 5)

1E2

Does she love punctuality?

She said, "Be at my door--"
(Oh! Trivial mentality!)

"At 7:44."

When I was ALL she yelled at me,
"Next time, I warn you surely,
Be here by 7:43--
For once, one minute early!"
=STILICHO, West Los Angeles, Cal.

7. WORD DELETION (6)

ALL Ali of the Sufi sect
Showed the Indian *TWO respect;
ONE plied his guest with
Gorgonzola,

Then toasted him with Coca Cola.
=KAMEL, St. Petersburg, Fla.

8. TRANSPOSAL (10) (FINE - NI2)

PRIME:

"Not germinal" is Webster's
claim;
If it won't grow, who'll take
the blame?

FINE:

"Able to be chewed" -- at least
If it will grow, I'll have a
feast.

=FARO, Morristown, N. J.

9. REBUS (12)

CF

TH

See a REBUS on the links?
Time to head for home, methinks!
=HAP, Princeton, N. J.

10. TRANSPOSAL (10)

Poor Humpty Dumpty! He tottered
and fell,
SECOND his dignity, also his
shell.

Horses and men were quite filled
with distress,
All of them helpless to FIRST up
the mess.

=GRAYDOL, Lincoln, Mass.

11. TRANSDLETION (9)

When war was declared I was just
a lad;

As a NINE's young apprentice I
worked.

A bit of a chiseler I was, and
what's more,

I saw the dangers inherent in
war,

So applied to a SEVEN to sweep
the mess floor,

So it wouldn't be said that I
shirked.

I wasn't accepted, though just
a lad,

I was dumbfounded, caught on
the hop.

Before I could THREE to escape
from the draft,

They gave me a FIVE, and despite
all the graft

I dispensed, I was sent to face
SIX in this craft

Suited only to dusting a crop.

I rose to great heights (and
me just a lad)

With a streak somewhat yellow
in truth.

I'd be in the FOUR if I shrank
from the fight,

Alternatively I could die of
fright,

So I flew to Peru feeling sick
and uptight,

'Cos I'm EIGHT; I'm a cowardly
youth.

=ABSOLVER, Victoria, Australia

12. DELETION (7, 6)

Help me in my FINAL -- you know
I'm flat!

You gonna take it with you,
you PRIMAL rat?

=SHEBANG-IE, Buffalo, N. Y.

13. TRANSPOSAL (5)

When wedding costs were reckoned
And expenses reimbursed,

Some people were quite SECOND
On the subject of the FIRST.

=VAL, Grand Forks, N. D.

14. PROGRESSIVE WORD DELETION
(10; 2, 3, 5)

He THREE at her beauty; his
heart ALL and sped,

Restoring a bit of his color;
She managed a TWO for his

grizzled old head--
ONE couldn't, for her, have

seemed duller.

=TUT, Palo Alto, Cal.

15. REBUS (7 2 5)

I got to the track and I did
what they say;

And since there was REBUS, I
went on my way.

=PROBLEM CHILD, Chicago, Ill.

16. PALINDROME

-O- -O--I- -O-E, -A- -I-- O- A

-A- O- -I-, -A-E -O --I-- O- -O-

Paleontologists searching for
prizes--

Fragments of humans a million
years old;

With such discovery, how their
joy rises,

They set the value much higher
than gold.

After months delving in
sinkholes of goo,

All that turned up was a bit of
a pike

And part of a canine. The
diggers felt blue;

Such puny results they did
surely not like.

=SMITH, TIM S., Walton, N. Y.

17. REBUS (3 2 3 3 4 1 5 2 3 5)

111111

222222

Those 2's above might just as
well be 3's,

Or 4's or 5's; it's REBUS anyway.
Let no one say I have not aimed

to please

With clues that made the sol as
clear as day.

=ACORN, New York, N. Y.

18. ENIGMA (4 4)

They keep suspending judgment.
They say it all depends.

Should he go loose or face the
noose?

Don't keep us dangling, friends!
=TRESONG, Aliquippa, Pa.

19. TRANSPOSAL (8 2, 6 4) (SIS =
NI3; in NI2 but not in boldface)

Observe that SIS is NON, in fact,
And NON is SIS, to be exact.

But, sis and non, oddly enough,
Don't figure in this keyword

stuff.

(You'd give a mint for just a
hint?

First you view it, then pursue it!)
=MEPHISTO, Silver Spring, Md.

20. FOURTH-LETTER CHANGE (9)
In the PRIME of disembarking
When your ship is in the slip
Is no time for gay skylarking--
A PINE may mar your carefree
trip!
=KAMEL, St. Petersburg, Fla.

21. TERMINAL DELETION (*6, *4)
ONE went westward -- naughty
girl --
With wayward rushings, all
awhirl.
At Yucatan she made a flip,
Crossed panhandle's farthest tip;
To Pennsylvania sped again
With lots of most unwelcome rain.
Mild and sweet was TWO, Paul
said,
And full of faith. You may have
read
of Timothy, the fellow who
Was son of Eunice (child of TWO).
=FIDDLE, St. Petersburg, Fla.

22. REBUS (9 2 *3)

All Shoshoneans lisp, so I
beseech
A grant to study ALL and Painte
speech.
=TRESSONG, Aliquippa, Pa.

23. MUTATION (10)
'Gainst Fiddle, man of parts,
Watch your king as GAME STARTS.
=MIDURNDIST, St. Petersburg, Fla.

24. HETERONYM (5 6; *4 7)
Franklin wrote epigrams clever--
How highly "a ONE" he did rate!
TWO for real liberty ever;
He sure ended up in a state!
=NIGHTOWL, Rochester, N. Y.

25. REBUS (6)

He called himself broad-minded,
And I guess he was at that--
For his eyes were TOTAL staring
at the girls.
If you queried him what kind'd
Make him happy -- thin or fat --
He would answer, "Just so long
as they have curls."
=SAKR-EL-BAHR, Milford, Ind.

26. TRANSPOSAL (4)
I ONE my way one sunny day
And saw a TWO in water play.
=PETE TROLEUM, Brooklyn, N. Y.

27. ANAGRAM (7 6) (NI3)
This folk is not for any season,
Appearing oft bereft of reason;
Whirling IN CENTRIFUGAL must be
Why their thoughts are loose and
scattery.
=MEPHISTO, Silver Spring, Md.

28. FOURTH-LETTER CHANGE (8)
See this PRIMAL that I carry in
my pocket?
It's been lucky, I'm delighted
to report.
I received it back in 1967
From a fellow-FINAL down at
County Court.
=MANGIE, Buffalo, N. Y.

29. CHARADE (6)
I look forward to a time
When every ONE is WHOLE,
My flower TWO is undisturbed,
And nought befouls my stroll.
=HAP, Princeton, N. J.

30. SPOONERGRAM (4 5; 5 4)
Every day on FIRST, contestants
act like fools;
SECOND out the window -- wild
behavior rules.
If they win no money, then their
ardor cools.
=R. TIST, Dumont, N. J.

31. ACROSTICAL ENIGMA (14)
1. Honesty a treasure in his
hands,
One man attempts to map its
just demands.

2. Kerman rugs are treasures of
design;
At times I wish that such a
thing were mine.

3. One aspect of the lot of
being king
Is lots of treasure and that
sort of thing.

4. A tempting draught, its magic
now begun,
Names sleep a treasure
waiting to be won.

5. At least the cow, her trust
in man unshaken,
Allows her richest treasure
to be taken.

Among the stones is left for us
to find
The treasure of the forebears of
our kind.
=TUT, Palo Alto, Cal.

32. ENIGMATIC REBUS (*8)
(Inspired by August #60)

CT

I never grow in Arctic ground;
In Africa instead I'm found.
My leaves white wool, my stalk
quite long,
Call me an herb -- you won't
be wrong.
=FARO, Morristown, N. J.

33. PALINDROME

-A-O-A * -O---O--A-O -A-

A bit past Temple M, a stately
shrine,
Storm-shattered, crumbles in
the Eastern sun;
No priest repairs its intricate
design,
Left holey by the whirlwind's
swirling gun.
=FANACRO, St. Louis, Mo.

34. REBUS (3 4 4 5 7 *1 2 7 2 3
4 2 3 4)

I am not prolix:
See Galatians 6.
=TRESSONG, Aliquippa, Pa.
(Idea by NIGHTOWL.)

35. ENIGMATIC LINKADE (6)
(One link = NI2 only)
"Thou art mighty forever,
O Lord," are the links.
A glaring acrostic, quite
charming, methinks.
=SIGMASXSPRING, Wilmington, Del.

36. WORD DELETION (6)
I ONE to go to Paraguay
And catch a TOTAL there
So I TWO have grand shoes though
(sigh)
Ecologists may stare.
=TUT, Palo Alto, Cal.

37. PHONETIC REBUS (4 3 1 4 3 8)

5 p.m. 2
5 p.m.

BOSS:
"I see you working late;
You like your job, I take it."

WORKER:
"Well, no, it's just the ALL
Which I must have to make it."
=MERLIN, Bismarck, N. D.

38. REBUS (7 5)

TT O

'Twill take but a minute.
The answer means spinet.
=STILICHO, West Los Angeles, Cal.

39. TRANSPOSAL (7)
The busy bee, sweet *FINAL, see;
She covers a wide sector.
No PRIMAL flight, to Zeus'
delight,
She makes in search of nectar.
=KAMEL, St. Petersburg, Fla.

40. ENIGMATIC REBUS (3 3 3 5)

H H H
H H H
H H H

Hank ALL. His first bingle
Was a screaming line single.
Then his third-inning triple
'Monstg the fans caused a ripple.
When he slammed out a double,
Their hopes burst like a bubble.
Hammerin' Hank's no misnomer.
For then came that long homer!
=LARRY, Mason, Mich.

41. CURTAILMENT (8, 7)
A creature I am of lethargic
proclivity --
Friends tend to use the word
"lazy" instead.
My practice when LONGER to any
activity:
Just take a SHORTER and get
into bed.
=MANGIE, Buffalo, N. Y.

42. THIRD-LETTER CHANGE (7)
I hope that you never are LAST
And must have your leg in a cast,
But if worst comes to worst,
I hope that you're FIRST,
And that your recovery's fast.
=HAP, Princeton, N. J.

43. HETERONYM (8)
She made a grand FIRST in her
regal silk dress,
But she will SECOND when she's
wearing less.
=ACORN, New York, N. Y.

44. ENIGMA (4)
FOUR is mostly something true
and tried;
Apostrophize it, and this is
denied.
=VAL, Grand Forks, N. D.

45. SPOONERGRAM (5 4; 4 5)
When shopping for baked goods,
I look for the words,
"Reduced for AHEAD"; it's
day-old, but it's fine.
Our vet (Doc Bob White) has a
soft spot for birds;
"All fees are reduced for
BEHIND" reads his sign.
=NIGHTOWL, Rochester, N. Y.

46. PALINDROME

"--U---A-IO--? -O, I, -A--,
-U--!"
Vamped while at the beach, our
hero said
A trenchant word or so before he
fled.
=TUT, Palo Alto, Cal.

47. CURTAILMENT (7, 6)
(Anent August #38)

Sew also for a deer, my dear,
A SECOND for his horn,
And PRIMAL it, so he'll appear
As proud as he was born.
=FIDDLE, St. Petersburg, Fla.

48. FOURTH-LETTER CHANGE (4)

49. FOURTH-LETTER CHANGE (7)
CORK is brown and
CORN is green.
The time is ripe
My soils to glean.
=SIGMASEXSPRING, Wilmington, Del.

50. REBUS (2'1 2 8)

IM

See Niagara Falls at night;
You will find that REBUS sight.
=MANGIE, Buffalo, N. Y.

51. TRANSDELETION (8)
Dead as the proverbial SEVEN
Is relief for the poor EIGHT;
Though his SIX income's inflated
Any FIVE goes to the state,
While the unemployment FOUR is
Frightening to contemplate.
=HAF, Princeton, N. J.

52. REBUS BINADE (5, 4)

3D

Chrysler, GM, Ford, we warn:
Eight miles per gallon can't
be borne.
TWO our advice, there is a ONE
To cars that take less gas to run.
=FARO, Morristown, N. J.

53. WORD DELETION (8)

ONE comes both plain or with a
small co-
And that is the sign for my ALL,
as you know.
In the office a TWO, a smack,
or a kiss
Is apt to be funny ALL held
quite amiss.
=PROBLEM CHILD, Chicago, Ill.

54. REBUS (12)

THROS

I took a dollar to the store
And bought a two-bit book;
Then cried when I got four bits
back,
"You TOTAL me, you crook!"
=MERLIN, Bismarck, N. D.

55. TRANSPOSAL (7)

My canine's last moments
distressed me a lot;
The ONE must have TWO in
preparing the shot.
=TUT, Palo Alto, Cal.

56. CHARADE (4-6)

The TOTAL -- he was gay and glib
(Before the days of Women's Lib).
The TOTAL that today we find
Is a PRIMAL with a FINAL mind!
=VAL, Grand Forks, N. D.

57. LINKADE (8)

Those plaguey NEXTs invade my
ALL
To feed and breed there on the
wall;
I LAST to keep the means on
FIRST
To check them ere they do their
worst.
=KAMEL, St. Petersburg, Fla.

58. FIRST-LETTER CHANGE (4)

Though he thought himself a ONE,
Others called him TWO-a-THREE.
Woe befell this pompous son,
When he sought to FOUR in glee;
In his tub a tragic dive --
He was tripped up by the FIVE.
=ISFAN, Rochester, N. Y.

59. REBUS (14) (After Aug. #25)

S

Dis year was mighty tough on me:
Pneumonia, measles, pleurisy,
And twenty stitches in da head.
Dese REBUS cost me months in bed!
=TREESONG, Aliquippa, Pa.

60. SPOONERGRAM (5 3; 7 4)

This fading day is overcast
With sad reflections on my past.
And wild regrets now o'er me
surge
As the 5 3 nears the verge.
Soon the 5 3 will be gone --
Who will see tomorrow's dawn?
Oh, there's nostalgic 7 4
For the days that are no more.
Now, dear world, as I head West,
With memories that know no rest,
And twilight settles over me,
Goodbye to you and the 5 3.
=HIDURNDIST, St. Petersburg, Fla.

61. ENIGMA (5)

I'm oft within and ne'er without;
I stick to bed, don't get about;
I seldom stray from home, my base;
And, when alone, I know my place.
=MANGIE, Buffalo, N. Y.

62. SPOONERGRAM (14; 7 7)

You're rude to your elders, you
cheeky young ONE;
You clip up the papers I haven't
seen yet.
Well, I am a TWO; if you cut up
again,
I'll give you a licking you'll
never forget!
=TREESONG, Aliquippa, Pa.

63. WORD DELETION (8)

There's no harm FIRST SECOND,
really;
She is just an awful pest --
Nothing WHOLE like drunken
driving
(She passed a breathalyzer test).
Nothing WHOLE like selling heroin
(Methadone perhaps, at worst).
So I'd like to know why yester-
Day the cops pulled SECOND FIRST.
=HAP, Princeton, N. J.

64. ANAGRAM (8 4 9)

NAIVE MEN AT U. S. ARMY DRILL
The highway teems with large
equipment,
All olive drab they rumble by.
Ordnance tarped within each
shipment,
Plus ammo stacked in great supply.
The neophytes, with guns
accoutered,
Crouch in silence, set to fly.
(By their leaders grimly tutored)
And wonder where they are,
and why!
=KAMEL, St. Petersburg, Fla.

65. TRANSPOSAL (9; 5 4)(5 = NI3;
5 4 not in NI as a phrase)

A blithe FIRST bunch in Cuba
Were in a SECOND (long);
A combo played a tuba,
Marimba, and a gong.
=NIGHTOWL, Rochester, N. Y.

66. PROGRESSIVE WORD DELETION
(10; 3, 4, 3)
The TOTAL had dropped THREE
there out on the veldt,
So barren and lonely and drear,
Ideal for THREE study of TWO,
it was felt;
Why ONE, though, for such a
career?
=MANGIE, Buffalo, N. Y.

67. BEHEADMENT (9, 8)

PRIMAL triggers, as of yore,
The FINAL of the gods of war.
=TUT, Palo Alto, Cal.

A N A G R A M S

68. I CRAV'D CHATTER (*7 *6)
=FARO, Morristown, N. J.

69. PRINT: ONE LEADER FENCES,
WINCES (12 4 10)
=MANGIE, Buffalo, N. Y.

70. RE STATIC PAIN
=GRAYDOL, Lincoln, Mass.

71. FASCINATED TO A COMPANY,
REFORMED ("4 2 5 3 8 2 4")
=ACORN, New York, N. Y.

72. SNOUT TANTER?
=ABSOLVER, Victoria, Australia

73. I: SMOKER
=HAP, Princeton, N. J.

74. "RAGS TO RICHES" CASES
(O, TOIL'S SURE!) (*7 *5 1 7 7)
=NIGHTOWL, Rochester, N. Y.

75. MAY END IT
=TUT, Palo Alto, Cal.

A N T I G R A M S

76. DAINTY ME
=TUT, Palo Alto, Cal.

77. NICE, FIT, FINE

78. I. E., RIGHT GAMBLER (1 13)
=TAV, Vancouver, Wash.

FORMS

1. SQUARE
1. Lambeze (C. At.). 2. Emirates.
3. A Clare. 4. Having projecting
teeth (Std.). 5. Holes in the
ears (p. 807). 6. Thieves. 7.
Rom. Antiq.) A coin and money
of account. 8. Valued.
=SAKR-EL-BAHR, Milford, Ind.

2. DOUBLE SQUARE

ACROSS: 1. Billets of wood. 2. A
calypter. 3. Modest. 4. Pierce.
5. Whopper. 6. Calm.

DOWN: 1. Hindu titles. 2. A small
plume. 3. Touse. 4. German sil-
ver. 5. Coagulated. 6. (Scot.)
Tumult.
=TAV, Vancouver, Wash.

3. DIAMOND

1. S. 2. Zeppelin. 3. Rumanian-
born poet, essayist, and editor
in Paris, 1896-1963 (Web. Biog.
Dict.). 4. Engrossers (Oxf.). 5.
Maori drums (Hughes Music Lovers'
Cyc.). 6. Sea turtle. 7. To at-
tend beforehand. 8. French pol-
itical economist and author,
1750-1812. 9. Waste away (Obs.
Oxf. or Nil). 10. SSE (Ency. Br.
Index). 11. E.
=MERLIN, Bismarck, N. D.

4. DIAMOND

1. P. 2. Scotch name prefix. 3.
Mind. 4. Waterskins. 5. Turtles
of Brazil. 6. Adjacent to Balboa
Heights. 7. SA hawks. 8. Indian
cloths. 9. Sunns*. 10. Speaks*.
11. Fifty.
=FANACRO, St. Louis, Mo.

5. HALFSQUARE

1. M. 2. By no means*. 3. Third
syllables in bebization. 4. Sat*
(Oxf.). 5. An inland city of
Libya (Lemp.). 6. T. Hind., Go-
hud; 10 SE of Lahaar (Worc. Gaz.).
7. Cumbers (1st Ed.). 8. Flemish
litterateur; 1783-1829. 9. A bar
at which suppers are served
(Oxf.). 10. Compensating. 11. T.
Kentucky, Metcalfe Co.; 60 SE of
Bowling Green. 12. Cape on NW
point of Cyprus (Worc. Gaz.).
13. Pert. to the Netherlands. 14.
British noncommissioned grade in
the army.
=SHERLOCK HOLMES, Lennox, S. D.

A NUMBER OF REBADES BY TREESONG

X-5. REBUS TRINADE (5, 4, *4)

0

The atmospheric ONE's destroyed
By Freon and the SST;
Pollution in the water kills
The Caspian, Loch *TWO, Lake
THREE...

I sit and brood upon a TWO
Extending out into the sea,
And wish we lived like Iroquois--
The THREE, for instance -- clean
and free.

X-6. REBUS TRINADE (4, 3, 3)

1

The hounds may be growling and
raising a THREE,
But he brags -- what a TWO! --
that "dogs never ONE me."

X-7. REBUS TRINADE (3 or 2'1,3,3)

2

I stand in TWO of Merriam;
Their dictionaries dazzle me.
But "THREE", it seems, confuses
them --
ONE definitions don't agree:
ONE only "mow" in NI2,
And only "more" in NI3!

X-8. REBUS TRINADE (3, 3, 3)

3

"THREE, Noah! Do you like your
ONE?"
"It suits me to a TWO, my son."

X-9. REBUS BINADE (4, 3)

4

We FOUR, or smelt, the THREE
To get the metal free.

X-10. REBUS TRINADE (4, 3, 3)

5

If couples long for kids in vain,
they simply should be THIRD
A FIRST, or other citrus fruit,
before they go to bed.
This perks the sperm and SECOND
up, although it sounds absurd.
(If that's a flop, I recommend
an orgone box instead.)

(This series of numeral-rubric
rebades will be continued in a
future issue.)

SEPTEMBER SOLUTIONS

1. Avail. 2. Disadvantageous;
ant, vag, ade, sou, Dis. 3. Pat-
esis. 4. Quack, seem, spar. 5.
Stung, no mania veils epic error;
recipes lie vain among nuts. 6.
D/S-windle. 7. Scant share, shan't
scare. 8. Schoolmaster, the class-
room. 9. Co-loss-al. 10. Florid.
11. B lacks tone. 12. Apartment.
13. Scantier. 14. O, set one di-
nar if on a manor. No cap lack.
Calpac on Ron, a man of Iran. I
denote so. 15. Maillot, my oh.
16. Covert. 17. Presentation
ceremonies. 18. Misrepresenta-
tion. 19. Ethically. 20. Altitude,
latitude. 21. T-Rousseau. 22.
O-b/o-long. 23. Potherb. 24.
Ladies, ideals, aisled, sailed.
25. Angl-Oman-ia. 26. Beverly
S/H-ills. 27. Breastbone, absor-
bent, baronets, treason, ornate,
tenor, note. 28. Uninteresting.
29. Bo-x/n-er. 30. Nine out of
ten. 31. Dip a riata, taira las-
so. Trip a tango or lar; a mata-
co. Bola buck, lerots. A fossa
lasso fast or elk, cub, a lobo,
cat, a maral, roo, gnu, tapir.
Toss a lariat at ai rapid. 32.
Potherb. 33. Minueting. 34. Round.
35. Regain, prince, peg-top. 36.
FANTast, FARINA, ONus, ADEpt.
37. Booby trap. 38. Interesting.
39. Antipathetic; path, tie, antic.
40. Heathen. 41. Ashburnham.
42. Pe-nest/rat-ed. 43. Cosmet-
ics. 44. Burlap. 45. Read between
the lines. 46. Banshee, has-been.
47. Suit, once, Adar, nuts, epee,
eld. 48. Be-late-d. 49. Pearl Ba-
i/r-ley. 50. Concupiscent. 51.
Bed rest, red best. 52. Scrambled
eggs. 53. Thesaurus. 54. Refurb-
ish, brush fire. 55. Phthisis.
56. Monasterial, ameliorants. 57.
S-u/t/h-1-ave. 58. United, despot,
Rhine. 59. Razor blades, blazer
raids. 60. Ctenophore (X = Ven-
us's-girdle). 61. One day to the
next. 62. W/D/T-reinch; wench. 63.
Sweet are the uses of adversity.
64. Hooligan. 65. Shuffleboard.
66. The great pyramids. 67. H.
M. S. Pinafore. 68. The straight
and narrow path. 69. Indiscreet.
70. Malpractice insurance. 71. A
dingmaul. X-1. Credulity is the
man's weakness but the child's
strength. Charles Lamb. X-2. It
is the common wonder of all men

how among so many millions of
faces there should be none alike.
Sir Thomas Browne. X-3. Caribou,
usurper, reagent, trollop, phan-
tom, mollusc. X-4. Soft, foes
(20743 + 27913 = 48656 and 30761
+ 37491 = 68252).

XCRYPTS:

1. Answering a questionnaire, Gr
2. During fourth year of our Rev
3. Crazy stray zebra, feral hyra
4. Diva fled cruel maestro, held
5. Chef avoids fiasco altho caul
6. Prehistoric Britons range ope
7. Urchin paints dozen plumb boa

FORMS:

1. M	2.	CUTRATE	3. SAPELE
CAP		UNRIVEN	ATAMIAN
RORAL		TROPIST	LEVEST
RECTES 4. B		RIPOST	ALERSE
COCHLEATE		AVISION	MERGER
MARILANDICA		TESTOUT	ASSESS
PATENTING		ENTENTE	
LEADING			
STING			
ECG			
A			
DAVYJONESLOCKER			

X-11. PIECEMEAL SQUARE

AR BL ES KA KE MO NG NO OO OR SP
TA

=KAMEL, St. Petersburg, Fla.

X-12. PIECEMEAL CIRCLE (10-letter
words; two words = NI3 only)

AB AL AT DE EN ER HR IN IS
LE OC OC OM ON OS RH TA TI UR
VA YS

=PROBLEM CHILD, Chicago, Ill.

X-13. ANAQUOTE (6 4 2 6 3 7, 7 4
2 6 3 6, ... 2? *1 2 3 6 3 5!
*7 *5)

AKE AND ART CHE DPI EIG ERS HAR

INT KON NDP NLE NTS OFO RAC RIN

RQU RSM RPS SAN SET SPR STA STA

TSA TSM UTC WOP YNE YPA

=HAP, Princeton, N. J.

X-14. ANAQUOTE (4 1 4, 3 7 2 6,
9 3 5-7. *6 *6)

AND DAN EAD ETS ELL FUL GEO GER

HAB HIN IIN ITF LIK MAC ORM ORW

OUS RGE RUG THE USE

=ACORN, New York, N. Y.

12

CRYPTOGRAMS

LI'L GAMIN, Rochester, N. Y.

1. Out for a spin.

OKPRCE OKPLRSXPLZC FAPQWRS COPLR,
 CPQWRS OKPLRC NPBKE COPTERS OKPCW.
 CKPTES, OKPNCS OPMZC QLPCIRS QKALM.
 NIGHTOWL, Rochester, N. Y.

2. Shining example.

BUWREYAJU DJERKJACKY DARK, *IKLYLO-
 JUIKEWLF, MEF OJAFQ RACFEJR, JACKY
 PEG, DAFT IWUG, PAYK JZHAFLZR
 LWCEFR.

ACORN, New York, N. Y.

3. Mistapes?

FMOBG DE JCDIM HBPLECI RDUA NCEN
 SDEFG KBL KICFG: "LAHBDEAJ" KBL "LA-
 HBDQAJ", QCE NCTA HPGF BEA GCNOIA.

DADA, Rochester, N. Y.

4. Mew sickly.

NARCOSE JUSTE XUBCNSE DBNSFE GCHJ
 FTUEHCI DSCHUBE JUXCRD RKTNR EHBC-
 RDE. AUR GJN LBCXME OSE JUE RUEUT
 HGURD.

HAP, Princeton, N. J.

5. Upholstering countervails.

KITCHENWARDS ENKYCODUTAIL KIFUNXA-
 HDJSC: DTJAWCPHUNKY TDSINKUAYECW
 JSKCYHNRVAIL LNKUTDIWABCY KIXNULA-
 GDJSM.

(Note: ten-word requirement waived.)

6. "A glass darkly".

PROBLEM CHILD, Chicago, Ill.

YLVZXQ PKM NBGFHZCV DFBYQ XNYGBZ
 MLWXGZ. WLMNV VZGJ PFJSV UGFX. SHLD
 DKBPV NBCLXQ MHFKX PKHZQ VCFJ.

7. Crybabies.

B. NATURAL, Greenfield, Mass.

MKORC CGERALNF TRIAL ENIGMA DMKSP-
 NHB. HIFUPBEGAR TINPKA DRIPNKS CNM-
 PKIH UHINKLA OMPKNAD RMLPGUDB.



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KREWE NEWS: Several vacationing NPLers sent postcards--GANDALF from Italy; KAMEL from Washington, DC, and Virginia; and PENNY and JOHNNIE from Utah. ***** WILLZ would like to hear from the Krewe on to host the convention in Princeton, NJ, and two suggested dates are the last weekend in May or the last weekend in June. Please write to WILLZ (Will Shortz, Copley III, 31-B, Apt. 4, Univ. of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA 22903) and let him know if the suggested site would suit you, and which date is preferable (or suggest others).

MISCELLANY: Austin H. Phelps (OZ in the ACA), 972 Ligorio, Cincinnati, OH 45218, has copies of *The Key to Puzzledom* and *Real Puzzles* that he is willing to sell to an appreciative puzzler (he wants them to stay in the puzzling family). Write him if you are interested. ***** The New York Times reported that the Middle English Dictionary has been given a deadline of 1982; formists--line up for your copy! ***** This issue was to have been a memorial issue for HOHO, but some needed material did not arrive in time, so the January issue will be HOHO's memorial. Just a reminder--material to be included in a particular issue must be in the editor's hands by the first of the month preceding the issue, and earlier if possible. Compilation of *The Enigma* is done in my spare time--working for a living does interfere now and then! -- and having all the material needed for an issue on time makes Enigma work so much easier. The deadline for material for the VIKING memorial issue (as announced the last month) is December 15 -- necessitated by the usual holiday and year-end rush. Thanks to those who have already sent material.

FAVORITE PUZZLES FOR SEPTEMBER: A. CHEM--8, 28. ACORN--8, 27, 28, 40, 50. AMOR--18, 24, 29, 30, 59. ANN DHOW & MY MY--8, 11, 30, 33, 53, 63. BLACKSTONE--27, 35, 47, 54, 68, C-7. DADA--11, 50, 66. FARO--4, 8, 27, 30, 35, 36, 50, 55, 59, 60, 64, 67. GANDALF--11, 13, 25, 26, 34, 41, 59, X-4. GRAYDOL--19, 27, 59, X-3, C-3. HAP--8, 15, 20, 25, 31, 34, 36, 50, 53, 67. LARRY--13, 34, 35, 59, 63, 64. SQUIRREL--8, 51, 52, 59, 66, 67. TREESONG--8, 17, 20, 58, 67. VIKING had expressed special admiration for #67.

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