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SNEAK PREVIEW: PRINCETON

by WILLz

This is your invitation to the NPL's 141st convention in Princeton, New Jersey, July 18-20. GINGERELLA has again arranged for accommodations with Princeton University, which will be remembered nostalgically as the Krewe's 1976 and 1978 gathering site. Princeton conventions mean excellent meals, privacy, and comfortable meeting rooms. On the grounds are tennis courts, jogging trails, and historic sightseeing for those who can tear themselves away from the puzzles.

The activities will start Friday night at 7:00 with a barbecue (most likely) and an evening of puzzles and games. On Saturday the agenda is a business meeting in the morning, competitions in the afternoon, and banquet, photo, and more puzzles and games in the evening. On Sunday morning contest prizewinners will receive their awards, and we'll hug each other good-bye. There is lots of time during the weekend for making and renewing friendships.

A couple of program highlights: Get ready for "Strange Bedfellows", a wacky debating game invented by TV's Steve Allen. The Krewe will be given quotations and the names of five famous people who might have said them. Before you secretly vote on the author of each quote, the floor will be open two minutes for debate. Maximum points will be scored by those players who vote correctly and vote in the minority--so the best debating strategy may be to bluff and lie about your intentions.

Then there's "Letter Auction", an anagram game invented by the famous British puzzler Caliban. Each four-man team will receive an equal amount of play money from which to bid on letters pulled from a hat by the auctioneer. When all the letters are gone, the teams will spell as many words from their letters as they can. Will the best strategy be to accumulate many difficult-to-use letters, or a few common ones?

Another feature will be a cryptic double-croctic concocted for the occasion by DOUBLE-H, to be solved by two-person partnerships, each composed of an expert and a novice solver. HEX (Emily Cox and Henry Rathvon of "The Atlantic Puzzler" notoriety) will speak beforehand on the secrets of clue-solving.

Other things to watch for: a new letter game from SPOUT and JAY-BIRDS, the return by popular demand of SENOR's "Definitions", a surprise puzzle by HAPOWL, a new overnight competition from DADA, a "new flats" solving contest coordinated by MERLIN, and a special set of easy puzzles for new members and non-members prepared by AJAX.

Perhaps the best part of the weekend is the price--\$61 per person, single or double occupancy. In real dollars this is the lowest convention price we've ever had, so if you've ever thought about coming,

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this is the year to do it. As a bonus, GINGER ELLA promises "unlimited wine" with dinners. This should help loosen up such an obviously formal affair.

Send your \$61 to GINGER ELLA, and then get set for the puzzle event of the year. The registration deadline is July 1st. Write GINGER ELLA now while convention fever is hot.

FROM SCRATCH

NOMINATIONS: Any member of the NPL has the right to make nominations for any or all offices. The offices and present incumbents are: President - AJAX, First Vice President - GRAYDOL, Second Vice President - BRUTUS, Secretary - TREESONG, Treasurer - BLACKSTONE, Editor - MANGIE. Do not hesitate to nominate yourself; we've gotten some of our best officers that way. Our Constitution stipulates that nominations should be received by the Secretary or Editor by June 1, but under the circumstance that I forgot to put this notice in last month's issue, you deserve a little leeway--till, say, June 10.

KREWE KUTS: AMBER and PUNSTER have been collaborating on constructing Cryptic Crosswords, have recently completed arrangements with the Los Angeles Times to supply its Sunday puzzles. I believe these puzzles have a wide circulation--a Buffalo paper carries them--so look them up.***TYRO needs the following issues of Enigma to complete his series: Dec. '69, Sept. '73, Oct. '73, Dec. '73. He wants them in excellent condition, is willing to pay a "reasonable" amount for them. He adds that he has duplicates (also in excellent condition) of these issues: Feb., Apr., June, Aug. of 1971.***BRUTUS comments on the 1979 statistics: "How about those youngsters!" DOUBLE-H, PROF. PAMPELMUSE, and UNIQUORN are all in their very early twenties, and SENOR is an old gaffer of 26!***DENDAI DIX sent a card from Australia, where he spent two years during WW2 doing cryptanalysis. "So," he says, "this is a sort of homecoming!"

NEW KREWE: Donald R. Blaney, 2312 Northeast 86th St., Seattle, WA 98115; Richard D. MacFarlane, 129 N. Evergreen Ave., Middletown, KY 40243; Mark Oshin, 11 N. Irving St., Ridgewood, NJ 07450; L. P. Reynolds, 2139 Springpark Rd., Jacksonville, FL 32207; Michael A. Stueben, 4327 Ravensworth Rd., #710, Annandale, VA 22003; Paul L. Wayman, 918 Orleans, Apt. B, New Orleans, LA 70116. Welcome!

NEW NOMS: Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Copeland are MAC and POLLY; Donald R. Blaney is DR. B; Susie Thompson is ERA--since she is active in N.O.W., it's probably safe to assume that her nom doesn't stand for Earned Run Average. And Anne Miller has finally, after almost a year, made her selection: LOLITA. I was excited at having our first nymphet, but was quickly informed that the nom is, instead, an acronym--Little Old Lady In Tennis Adidas.

FAVORITE PUZZLES FOR MARCH (1 means top favorite): ACORN--1!, 8, 18, 28, 30, 34, 74, 76. AMOR--25, 37, 77, 78, 79, 81, 82, 83. ANEMONE--1, 22, 26, 61. ANN DHOW & MY MY--16, 34, 35. BLACKSTONE--3, 6, 8, 14, 26, 47, 73, 76, 83. BRUTUS--3, 30, 34!, 59, 63, 72. DADA--22, 23, 34, 54, 56, 63, 66, 73, 74!, 80, X-4. ELGAR--2, 22, 26!, 34, 40. EOS--14, 22, 35, 40!, 71. FARO--1, 3, 22, 26, 54, 73. GRAYDOL--2, 8, 26, 35, 52, 59, 74, C-5. HAP--11, 2, 3, 14, 26, 40, 47, 59, 74, 76, 83, C-7. HARDRIC--3, 14, 22, 31, 34, 58, 72. HART KING--1, 4, 22, 55. IFANDOR--65. IXAXAR--51, 9, 26, 35, 71. KAMEL 3, 13, 18, 20, 42-43, 55, 60, 71!, 80. LINK--4, 13, 26, 71!. LOLITA--3, 26, 49, 59, 64, 73. MOP--2, 64, 73! NIGHTOWL--1, 26, 32, 35, 40, 48, 56, 59, 66, 70, 74!, 76. OAK--22, 28, 72, C-5! PHILANA--73, 74, C-5, C-7! PROF. PAMPELMUSE--4, 26!, 50, 73, 74, 75. SENOR--75!, 78. SQUIRREL--13, 23, 34!, 35, 37, 42-43, 65, 67, 73, 74. TREESONG--4, 26!, 30, 31, 34, 47, 59, 73, 74, 75, 76, F-1. TYRO--39, 47, 74, X-5, C-7! VERJ--13, 25, 60, X-1, C-5. VOLAR--8, 26!, 42-43, 47, 54, 64, 65, 73, 74, 76. WITCHWORD--6, 22, 35, 40, 49, 58, 76.

MARCH SOLVERS

The March Enigma had 84 flats, 4 forms, 7 crypts, and 5 extras; 67 solution lists were received. NIGHTOWL/HAP and PHILANA scored completes.

Accepted: #14--MONKEY JOB/JUNKIE MOB (3); #17--T-RUCK (6), BROOM (3), P-URGE (1); #29--VOILE/OLIVE (3); #31--THEM GO OFF (4), THIS GO OFF (1); #40--CALIGINOUS (Cast, clued by styled) (6).

Not accepted: #84--AM LOCAL CRANK (4) (not a familiar phrase, which is one requirement for an NPL anagram--see Guide). Enigma #8 gave solvers a lot of trouble (as enigmas often do). Those who didn't spot the transposals of Greek letters came up with IDAHO POTATOES, LYSOL SOLUTION, and EP-SOM SOLUTION, which at least had the correct #5 enumeration. Solvers who don't read the errata section went further afield with PISTACHIO, RECIPE, DOPE, and PII!

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ACORN 70--5-5-; AJAX 29-0-1-0; AJDE 16-1-1-; AMBER 64-0-5-; AMOR 25-0-0-0; ANEMONE 78--4-4-; ANN DHOW & MY MY 64-3-6-; APRIL'S CHILD 78--2-2-; BAIRN 17-0-0-4; BERYL 0-0-5-0; BLACKSTONE 79-0-0-; BREAK 63-3-4-; BRONWYN 39-0-3-0; BRUTUS 70-1-3-4; CATO 81-0-3-; CERES 67--4-4-; COLEUS 41-0-0-0; CORNERSTONE 26-0-0-0; DADA 80--5-5-; DEE SWEET 31-0-3-3; DIKDIK 23-0-0-0; DITTO 51-1-3-; ELGAR 81-0-0-; EOS 57--2-2-; FANACRO 0-1-0-0; FARO 80-0-0-0; FIDDLE 14-0-3-0; GNOME & GRINCH --5-5-; GRAYDOL --5-5-; HARDRIC 72--6-6-; HART KING 60--3-; HATSHEPSUT 27-0-0-0; HOWDY 47-2-4-; IFANDOR 69-0-5-; IRISH 55--4-4-; IXAXAR 71-1-1-1; KAMEL 62-0-0-; L'ALLEGRO 52-0-3-0; LARRY 56--3-3-; LIBRA 35-2-4-; LINX 54-3-3-; LOLITA 68-3-4-4; LOULI 31-1-0-0; MEO 71-3-5-4; MOP 69--5-5-; OAK 39-1-5-; PATCH 68-2-4-; PETE TROLEUM 8-0-0-0; PHILHELLENE 67-1-4-; PROF. PAMPELMUSE 80--0-0-0; RAH 50-2-3-4; ROY 39-0-3-; R. TIST 45-2-3-; (L) SENOR 43--0-0-; SQUIRREL 72-2-5-; SUPERMAN 39-0-1-4; TREESONG 82--5-5-; TRIVIA 11-0-0-; TYRO 18-3--; VERJ 35-0-3-; VIRGINIA 11-0-0-4; VOLAR 79--3-3-; WIND-

RIFT 68-3-3-; WINN 60--5-5-; WITCHWORD 70-1-0-4.

Solving Frequency List

FLATS: 1-49, 2-29, 3-49, 4-51, 5-52, 6-40, 7-50, 8-16, 9-22, 10-51, 11-32, 12-43, 13-45, 14-42, 15-49, 16-31, 17-32, 18-60, 19-45, 20-57, 21-57, 22-31, 23-42, 24-43, 25-60, 26-25, 27-43, 28-49, 29-40, 30-33, 31-30, 32-6, 33-50, 34-33, 35-46, 36-35, 37-63, 38-49, 39-61, 40-23, 41-51, 42-52, 43-53, 44-40, 45-38, 46-44, 47-17, 48-45, 49-58, 50-44, 51-47, 52-48, 53-57, 54-24, 55-36, 56-17, 57-35, 58-37, 59-14, 60-62, 61-9, 62-49, 63-54, 64-42, 65-31, 66-54, 67-21, 68-56, 69-30, 70-41, 71-36, 72-38, 73-23, 74-47, 75-55, 76-44, 77-57, 78-52, 79-54, 80-43, 81-60, 82-55, 83-62, 84-47. **FORMS:** 1-31, 2-21, 3-32, 4-38. **CRYPTS:** 1-44, 2-43, 3-48, 4-22, 5-25, 6-7, 7-5. **EXTRAS:** 1-51, 2-51, 3-50, 4-45, 5-48.

X-1. CRYPTIC CROSSWORD

ACROSS: 1. "When we..... sense nonsense, we..... sense open sense..... lessness": sane, if..... pointless, double..... talk (NI3)(6). 4. Plant has lack of light (6). 9. Carols characteristic of the Japanese "rangaue" (5). 10. Putting about in front of naval leader in barge, echoing loudly (7). 11. Bugger's homeland (NI3 usage)(3). 12. Joplin's music takes you and me back, Sweetie (5). 13. Sympathetic attention flows from heart to heart (3). 14. After last half of finals, gold goes to an underdog (4-3). 15. Onset of hives gives one cause to scratch (5). 16. Renounce broadcast amidst clamor (6). 17. Swamp initially covers eroded delta enclosed by barrier (6). DOWN: 1. "Henry & Son" time and again display balancing act (9). 2. Mouth stuffed with fare put in? Refrain from excessive amounts (9). 3. It's too much to bear the French holy man beside himself, naked (4-5). 5. Pass winter in the bear's rank (9). 6. Face feverish, lost head in logical debate (9). 7. Terrain dividing two drenched parts when rain falls! (9). 8. Make love "ass-backwards" for some spice (7). =UNIQUORN, Rochester, N. Y.

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. Words termed rare, slang, foreign, variant, obsolete, dialect, etc., are marked +. Solutions lists should reach NIGHTOWL by July 25.

1. DOUBLE WORD DELETION, & LINKADE (8)

A lady in ADE cruised a ball,
Sought partners LINK handsome
and tall,
But SECOND by masses
Of runts who made passes,
Withdrew very soon from FIRST
hall.
On stairway, pursued by some
clown,
She stumbled and almost fell down,
Lost LINK KA ADE shoes
But to stop did not choose,
Caught taxi to IN side of town.
In KA pad, o'er a shot of
straight booze,
She murmured, "So much for my
cruise,"
Not TOTAL or "shook",
Went to OUT with a book
And nothing to lose but ADE shoes.
=WITCHWORD, Hilltown, Pa.

2. PROGRESSIVE WORD DELETION (10; 3, 3, 4)

Her face rather THIRD, with a
rage-induced FIRST,
She'd SECOND Krewe members who
dangled a SUM--
Or so Tut imagined, his blunder
the worst.
Ah, Mangie, forgive him for
being so dumb!
=TUT, Palo Alto, Cal.

3. ALTERNADE (6)

Too long the flame was TWO
Beneath the frying ONE.
The diner's ALL was true:
"These beans are too well done."
=IXAXAR, Holiday, Fla.

4. CHARADE (9)

One housewife of old, with a
heart of pure gold,
Baked a TOTAL to please a
sweet tooth.
In the window, poor fool, she
placed it to cool,
And was soon FIRST a SECOND,
forsooth!
=VAL, Grand Forks, N. D.

5. BEHEADMENT (5, 4)

A pious old dame, name of Polly,
Renowned, nonetheless, for her
folly,
Went to sleep in the TWO--
Quite unseemly to do
And a ONE of decorum, by golly!
=POLLY, Venice, Fla.

6. REBUS ALTERNADE (4, 3, 3)

He ONES on his daughter, asleep
in her crib.
'Twill be long TWO his heart
sets her free.
He's sure each small boy whom he
sees in the park
Will grow into a boulder and
THREE.
=BRUTUS, Jamesville, N. Y.

7. HOMONYM (8, 4 5) (4 = + in NI2)

"A series of EIGHT makes for
cooking that passes."
That's what I tell all my
eleventh-grade classes.
"When making FOUR, FIVE, your
practice should be
to stir flour and butter
assiduously."
=BRONWYN, Shorewood, Wisc.

8. TERMINAL DELETION (7, 5)

(7 = + in NI3)
"Oh, drat this mean SEVEN that's
bothering me!"
I FIVE--and then reached for the
Vitamin C.
=NIGHTOWL, Rochester, N. Y.

9. REBUS (5)

What tourists do
When seeing sights;
Divorcees, too,
If they have rights.
=DOUBLE-H, E. Rutherford, N. J.

10. FIFTH-LETTER CHANGE (9)

His insults and putdowns were
novel and apt,
His FORMER so LATTER his hearers
were rapt.
=HAP, Rochester, N. Y.

11. SPANNERGROOM (4 4, 9)

(vowel sounds exchanged)
I picked a pretty sprig of TWO
And brought it home last night.
I put it in a ONE, pale blue;
It makes the whole room bright.
=UNIQORGIE, Buffchesteer, N. Y.

12. THIRD-LETTER CHANGE (6)

An olive-brown monkey
With sweet black ONE face,
The TWO is quite charming
In quickness and grace.
=WINDRIFT, Manistee, Mich.

13. ENIGMATIC REBUS ALTERNADE

(*6, 6, 5, 5, 5, 5, 5, 5)
(ONE = + in NI3; SIX = + in NI2)

C Am O T RTSA
In Ireland a ONE resides, and in
his monastery,
The monks have got to FOUR them-
selves like toiling Hindu FIVE.
(They have no THREE to buy their
food; so, laboring like
peasants,
They cultivate the fields around
to keep themselves alive.)
In bogs nearby he wrecks his
health with fasts and
flagellation
While watching the SIX fatuus go
flickering around,
So little TWOS will lay him low;
made weak by dysentery,
His heart will SEVEN beating, and
they'll EIGHT him in the
ground.
=TREESONG, Aliquippa, Pa.

14. BIGRAM ALTERNADE (*8)

Well distant from the boggy ONE,
In TWO, dry earth they dig a hole,
And sing a psalm for him, an ALL.
May God have mercy on his soul.
=TREESONG, Aliquippa, Pa.

15. TRANSPOSAL (6, 4-2, 6)

(4-2 = 6 in NI3)
Closely related, or so it is
stated,
Is the ONE to the Texas bluebonnet.
The SECOND of Texas in football
may vex us;
The team has so many stars on it.
They have a tough image, and
after a scrimmage,
Our guys FINAL slowly, doggone it!
=LARRY, Mason, Mich.

16. TRANSPOSAL (8) (PRIME, FINE)

17. TRANSPOSAL (9)
The inter-office memo was enough
to make you sob:
Some PRIME, who shall be FINE
for now, are loafing on the job.
Unless these people straighten up,
increase their work by half,
I sorely fear we'll have to FIRST
a SECOND in the staff."
=MEO, Kewanee, Ill.

18. REBUS (7)

D
The witch's cauldron ALL; she
cackled, "Whew!
For evil, nothing beats my
oyster stew!"
=TUT, Palo Alto, Cal.

19. HOMONYM (6, 6)

The bird did float upon the lake,
A lovely graceful thing.
I reached to feed it cubes of bread
And dropped my SECOND ring.
The little FIRST just scooped
it up
And flipped it on the shore.
I shall be grateful to that bird
From now till evermore.
=EOS, Davis, Cal.

20. WORD INTERLOCK (10)

The ALL of my ancestral home
Involved a lot of work.
I always cleaned the walls, the
floors,
And windows--did not shirk.
TWO times I really had a scare;
The cause was just an old ONE
chair.
=BLACKSTONE, Alstead, N. H.

21. REBUS (5 3 5 2 3)

D Y
After the ball is over
And ALL, you're sure to meet
Aching hearts and aching heads,
But mostly, aching feet.
=BRUTUS, Jamesville, N. Y.

22. PHONETIC CHARADE (7) (+ in NI3)

The TWO in which I'd planted ALL
Came ONE and toppled from its
stand,
Fell to the street. By luck
there were
No passersby on whom to land.
=PETE TROLEUM, Brooklyn, N. Y.

23. WORD DELETION (6)

The mama bear loved INNER little
OUT;
She thought he was a perfect
ALL, no doubt.
=DEE SWEET, Kendall Park, N. J.

24. REBUS (7)

ICE
For all we know,
Its wheels grind slow.
=AMBER, Los Angeles, Cal.

25. ACROSTICAL ENIGMA (10)

- A. Pet, rate that swimsuit, I
entreat you, X;
Cleavage fore and aft demeans
your sex!
- B. Remember, give yourself no
cause for pain;
Preserve a reputation free
from stain.
- C. Spread abroad by such
displays is sin!
Will this become a harlot's
house I'm in?
- D. Trust your father as but one
who sees
That lemons, only, grow on
lemon trees.
- E. Pick a suit symbolic of the
sort
That modesty decrees for
modest sport.
- Bikinis show that girls lack
naught but shame
And thus encourage cads--a
dangerous game!
=TUT, Palo Alto, Cal.

26. SUBER (2-4 4)(2-4 not entry)

I searched around the
flat-topped bluff,
For places I could rest awhile.
I found not one--so I got gruff,
And called the spot a TOTAL vile.
=NIGHTOWL, Rochester, N. Y.

27. FIRST-LETTER CHANGE (5)(ONE, TWO) & HOMONYM (5,4)(TWO, THREE)

In olden times a TWO
That wanted a new home
Would ONE a fine big hall
And sometimes THREE the dome.
=DITTO, Port Chester, N. Y.

28. REBUS (3 2 1 7)

You're fantastic! You are great!
You are REBUS! How you rate!
=HATSEPSUT, San Diego, Cal.

29. WORD DELETION (8)

My neighbors thought I misbehaved.
They gabbed about my ONES with
lies.
My love then TWO, left all to me;
And in this town news really
flies.
The fact COMPLETE, folks are
more kind;
I wonder what they have in mind.
=ANEMONE, Stamford, Conn.

30. TRANSPOSAL (9)(*ONE = NI2)

The boundary disputes in *ONE
oft shed more heat than light;
Some tailors now've donated TWO,
to get the limits right.
=SENOR, Buffalo, N. Y.

31. SECOND-LETTER CHANGE (6)

Insert a word between the parts
Of compounds; what you've done
Is what I based my term TWO on;
The process is called "ONE".
And if the spelling seems absurd,
Consider this: my prof concurred.
=AMIGO, Roswell, N. M.

32. PHONETIC REBUS (12)

Dining home alone tonight?
Switch on your TV;
Learn the cures for hemorrhoids
And ALL. Bon appétit!
=MANGIE, Buffalo, N. Y.

33. LINKADE (3 4)(not entry but familiar)

I got my COMPLETE, and I had a
reaction--
A ONE that was TWO and a brow
that was moist--
But it did its job to my full
satisfaction:
I came through unscathed, and I
duly rejoiced.
=HAP, Rochester, N. Y.

34. CHARADE (9)

The sermon he gave in a SECOND
of gloom
Aroused in the sinners a thirst.
All that TOTAL and fire sent
them straight to the bar,
Where they filled up their mugs
to the FIRST.
=BRUTUS, Jamesville, N. Y.

35. REBUS (6)

Service at court has become
alamode;
The king finds it all very sporty.
The ace takes the king,
And now love's not the thing.
The deuce of it--everyone's forty.
=WYVERN, Media, Pa.

36. WORD DELETION (5-3)

The sisters play well
On their ONE, can't be beat.
But I'm right ENTIRE;
TWO out supper--let's eat!
=IFANDOR, St. Petersburg, Fla.

37. SIXTH-LETTER CHANGE (7)

Enigma's not at all a SECOND rag;
Its FIRSTs consist of plays on
phrase and word
In verse, and mostly better,
far, than this.
Each month, with hope you open
up your mag,
And try to solve the flats from
clues in THIRD,
And praise the solved ones,
curse the ones you miss.
=APRIL'S CHILD, W. Newton, Mass.

38. REBUS (2 4, *5)(*5 = NI2)

I sent flats to Mangie;
Carefully she judged them.
"REBUS," she admonished
When she saw I'd smudged them.
=DOUBLE-H, E. Rutherford, N. J.

39. WORD DELETION (8)

"A difficult IN," the Hare
announced, "the OUT is
finally done.
The voters spoke; it's crystal-
clear--I'm ALL, but I claim
I won."
"You're ALL, but won?" the
Duchess asked, "How can that
possibly be?"
The Hare said, "Well, I could
explain, but we mustn't be
late for tea."
=CERES, Lakewood, Colo.

40. TRANSPOSAL (7)

We PRIMAL a MIDDLE deduction
this year,
But will not be getting a
refund, I fear.
In error we shifted a FINE to
the right;
Our chance of escaping the
jailhouse is slight.
=AMBER, Los Angeles, Cal.

41. FIRST-LETTER CHANGE (10)

(FINAL, not NI, is logical
extension of NI word)
The FINAL music of the oud
Converts me to a pleasant mood.
I hear the theremin and scoff;
Its PRIMAL music turns me off.
=IXAXAR, Holiday, Fla.

42. PHONETIC REBUS (5)

Since all things must pass away,
I must quickly ALL the day.
=FIDDLE, St. Petersburg, Fla.

43. PROGRESSIVE BEHEADMENTS

(6,5,4,*3,**2)(4 = NI3, *3 = NI2)
When crops were bountiful and
blessed by THREE,
The surplus grain fed laying
hens was free,
And eggs were very cheap.
Today, no more!
In stores, a dollar for a
dozen. (FOUR!
One's cracked! That makes it
worse.) The price of SIX
Of chemicals that poultry
farmers mix
And add to corn and seed, which
layers thrive
On in their cozy insulated FIVE,
Is getting higher every single
day.
A TWO: The cost of chickenfeed
ain't hay!
=QUIP, Stanfordville, N. Y.

44. REBUS (*11)

When I come back from travelin',
REBUS is the state I'm in.
=IVIE, Darien, Conn.

45. WORD DELETION (8)(with a nod to TUT's #8, Dec. 1978)

When she had FIRST
He ceased to LAST;
And that is ALL.
(Sex dies so fast.)
=FARO, Morristown, N. J.

46. METATHESIS (5)

ONE helps dispel the Stygian
gloom
You'd find within a pitch dark
room.
A TWO, if played with taste and
art,
Can banish gloom within your
heart.
=KAMEL, St. Petersburg, Fla.

47. TRANSPOSAL (7)

The barkeep was shrewd
And also a FIRST.
He gave out LAST snacks
To cause greater thirst.
=AMIGO, Roswell, N. M.

48. REVERSAL (*4)(both NI2)

O, the mosques in Miami are few,
Like cathedrals in old Khatmandu;
And in Rome you will notice
A dearth of pagodas,
As of temples to ONE out in TWO.
=MANGIE, Buffalo, N. Y.

49. HEAD-TO-TAIL SHIFT (6)
(LAST = NI3 usage)
That night for FIRST they had
roast beef--
Too cold and much too tough;
But not until it broke his LAST
Did the bridegroom yell, "ENOUGH!"
=MOUNTAIN MAMA, Glenville, W. Va.

50. REBUS (5-8)

CE
R

In chess, you may recall,
The bishop's move is ALL.
=IXAXAR, Holiday, Fla.

51. SPOONERGRAM (5 6, 5 6)
My son put on one of his wild,
flashy HOOK
And went out to start cutting
the grass.
The mowing got done, but in
CROOK, as he took
Much time out for the cute
next-door lass.
=NIGHTOWL, Rochester, N. Y.

52. TRANSPOSAL (6)
The deodorant company's major
intent
Is to ONE to each TWO an
agreeable scent.
=SENOR, Buffalo, N. Y.

53. BEHEADMENT (10, 9)
When telling truth, a thing we
all should do,
A little ONE is frowned on as
a TWO;
Yet many, praising cooking, make
a hit
With hostesses by bending fact
a bit!
=TUT, Palo Alto, Cal.

54. ENIGMATIC REBUS (13)

G

By ALL the stream's spanned;
The bridge can now stand.
=KATEDID, Yonkers, N. Y.

55. CURTAILMENT (4, 3)
The ancient Norseman blew his LACK
To HAVE the straying cattle back.
=EOS, Davis, Cal.

56. METATHESIS (6)
They ONE their knot of wedlock
But could not really score,
And only found a deadlock
Till they were TWO once more.
=BODOLPH, Los Angeles, Cal.

57. LINKADE (8)

(ONE = Add.+ in NI2)
Don't ONE a man because
He's getting TWO; his sort
Of humor may be THREE.
With ALL he could retort!
=VOLAR, Allentown, Pa.

58. REBUS (12)

R
PD

The RUBRIC's a plant that ranks
low on my list--
"Too showy and too zygomorphic,"
I've hissed.
=HAP, Rochester, N. Y.

59. HETERONYM (8, 4 2 2)
The FIRST guerilla listens to
Assignments for the day.
He's told his SECOND easy one--
Just shoot and run away.
=BRUTUS, Jamesville, N. Y.

60. SPOONERGRAM (9, 4 5)
The cabbie was a PRIMAL liar;
Sign read, "10¢ per, no higher."
But there in fine print all
the while
Was, "FINE on yard, and not
on mile."
=BRONWYN, Shorewood, Wisc.

61. BEHEADMENT (6, 5)
A leg is broken on my FIRST,
And I may have to "pin" it;
Or better yet, to fix it right,
I'll put a SECOND in it.
=MEO, Kewanee, Ill.

62. SECOND-LETTER CHANGE (8)
When doctor asks why you have
gained
So much since your last visit,
Is it with ONE the fact's
explained?
Your TWO's not mentioned, is it?
=IRISH, Metairie, La.

63. MUTATION (3 7 6 5)(foreign)
The sword of Caesar's naught
but rust,
For MAGIC IRON TRAILS IN DUST.
=FANACRO, St. Louis, Mo.

64. REBUS (8)

C = M

A blunder, a gaffe,
A slip of the tongue
Can leave you abashed,
Can leave you unstrung.
=WINDRIFT, Manistee, Mich.

65. SIXTH-LETTER CHANGE (7)
A brassy young tart, rather fast,
Had smiled at a priest who
walked past.
The good father addressed her;
As a FIRST he soon blessed her,
And now she resides in a LAST.
=DITTO, Port Chester, N. Y.

66. REBUS (9)(NI2)

d

Gum succory 'tis, with its
yellow-rayed flowers.
(To crack this you'll surely not
need many hours.)
=SENOR, Buffalo, N. Y.

67. FIRST-LETTER CHANGE (7)
"Do not ONE; tell me the truth:
Is this not oyster stew?"
"It's really made of TWO, my
friend;
I would not lie to you."
=DEE SWEET, Kendall Park, N. J.

68. HOMONYM (7, 3 5)
The Hatfields and McCoys are
rugged mountain boys,
And their FINAL sudden meetings
in the glen;
For both PRIMAL and for stranger
There's an ever-present danger
From sporadic bullets fired by
their men.
=KAMEL, St. Petersburg, Fla.

69. TRANSPOSAL (6)
Our twin sons were married today.
The FIRST were a breathtaking
sight.
We look at our lawn with dismay--
We'll be cleaning up SECOND all
night.
=AMBER, Los Angeles, Cal.

70. HOMONYM (5, 6)(5 = NI2)
Would planting ONE (marsh
marigolds)
Around the family plot
Discourage TWO from digging there?
I somehow think 'twould not.
=IFANDOR, St. Petersburg, Fla.

71. FIRST-LETTER CHANGE (8)
(SECOND = NI2)
The duck pond is down by the
tanner's;
Between them three stray FIRST
(intrusive
But harmless) peck idly at SECOND
(Mistaken for worms--tough,
illusive!).
=HAP, Rochester, N. Y.

72. HETERONYM (8)(see Mar. #46)
Which FINAL acid is HIO₄?
To answer this the chemist
needs much lore,
Such as the PRIMAL table, and
much more.
=IXAXAR, Holiday, Fla.

73. DELETION (7, 6)(6 = NI3)
As I dined on tasty SECOND in a
little Spanish town,
A flamenco entertainer started
leaping up and down.
In a wild abandoned kick she hit
her leg against my chair;
Now because of her cracked FIRST
she is no longer dancing there.
=NIGHTOWL, Rochester, N. Y.

74. ENIGMATIC SUBER (3-7)

TV

A fellow named Huber
Most times wasn't frisky;
But, given some whiskey,
He really got SUBER!
=VOLAR, Allentown, Pa.

75. HETERONYM (9, 1 4 4)
(4 = + in NI2)
His demeanor at the wheel there
seemed to PRIMAL what was
coming;
With a screech of tires we left
the curb, the motor loudly
thrumming.
Soon the trooper pulled us over.
"Where's the fire, Mac?"--in
his dry way.
My friend answered, "Fifty's
FINAL for this great big
six-lane highway!"
=MANGIE, Buffalo, N. Y.

76. LINKADE (7)
The lion tamer from his soul
Must TOTAL that ONE bit
Of superhuman courage which
Will make his TWO a hit.
=BRUTUS, Jamesville, N. Y.

A N A G R A M S

77. TETRANAGRAM: Suicide
NO, DIE, FATE STERN!
IT'S NEED FOR A NET!
AFTER IT ONE ENDS.
REST IN FATE, DONE
=TUT, Palo Alto, Cal.

78. IT'S HEP AT DISCO
=WITCHWORD, Hilltown, Pa.

79. NO "ANDS" YET
=SENIOR, Buffalo, N. Y.

80. SCRIPTED, CAP TOURS (7 9)
=AMBER, Los Angeles, Cal.

81. E.G., THIS ROTOR DANCE SKILL!
(3 6-7 5)(5 = NI3 Add.)
=ANEMONE, Stamford, Conn.

82. E.G., I BLANCH
=LEE FRANCE, Port Coquitlam, B.C.

83. TEN-YEAR RAP IN IT--'E FLED
(7 12)
=EOS, Davis, Cal.

84. RE: JIM AT HORSE (*5 *7)

85. GAD, SHOOTHIP PICTURES (12 7)
=NIGHTOWL, Rochester, N. Y.

86. OLD AGE RAN, RAN,...(*6 *6)
=HAP, Rochester, N. Y.

87. MR. ICE HERO--SITE:
PLACID, N. Y. (*7 4 *4 *6)
=DOUBLE-H, E. Rutherford, N. J.

88. AIM: HURTS ME

89. O, STACK RUBBLE (1 11)
(Add. in NI2)
=AB STRUSE, New York, N. Y.

FORMS

1. CONNECTED SQUARES
ONE: 1. Norse god. 2. Hebrew prophet. 3. Norse god. 4. Egyptian goddess.
TWO: 1. Egypt. goddess. 2. Hill slope. 3. Light bulb. 4. Bishop's town.
=PIOLO OPEST, McGuire AFB, N. J.

2. DIAMOND
1. N. 2. Member of the Krewe. 3. Eng. admiral, 1705-1781. 4. Chinese tile game. 5. Site of 1980 NPL meeting. 6. Petite Olympic gymnast (CBS News Alm., '78). 7. Follow. 8. Acquire. 9. Y.
=APRIL'S CHILD, W. Newton, Mass.

3. SQUARE
1. ASSOSSA (P.O. in Ethiopia--UPU Guide). 2. Mollifies. 3. Wisdoms. 4. A small, chocolate-covered cake. 5. (Scot.) Chaffinches. 6. Maritime laws. 7. ASSOSSA.
=SAKR-EL-BAHR, Milford, Ind.

X-6. PIECEMEAL SQUARE

AL CE EA IF IN MO NI RE RM RS RW TE TE TI UG VE

4. DIAMOND

1. Q. 2. Tiger's young. 3. Cinders. 4. Spanish counts (Oxf.). 5. Shrinks. 6. Remove oneself from an incurred obligation. 7. Sound recordings using four transmission channels (NI3 Add.). 8. One seated in the bleachers. 9. Sectaries (Oxf., p. 362). 10. More obdurate. 11. Petitions. 12. Mark aimed at in curling. 13. S.
=PROF. PAMPELMUSE, Austin, Minn.

5. CRYPTIC SQUARE

1. Partial to one with a son sleeping. 2. Agreeing to shelter peace organization during the interminable winter (2 4). 3. Greek area where Chico Marx stores his junk?(*). 4. One in love is getting help, taking it for \$200. 5. Again, Sarge got in earlier. 6. In retrospect, Communist time-keeper isn't so cheap.
=DOUBLE-H, E. Rutherford, N. J.

ANAQUOTES

X-2. (5*1 6 2 4 8 2 5 5 7--4, 9, 3-5. *1. *1. *7)

ALW ANE ANP ASY AUS AYS DWR EAN
ENC ERY HLM HUM IBL KEN LEM NEA
OEV ONG ONT RES ROB SOL THE TPL
UTI

=VIRGINIA, Upland, Cal.

X-3. (4 *3, 4 2 4, 3 3 3. 9 6)
DEA DMA EGO ETA KEM NON ODB OTY
RAY RGO USP UTM YMO ER
=AMBER, Los Angeles, Cal.

X-4. (2 *6 7: 2 4 2 4 4, 3 5?
2 4 2 7 4, 3 5?)

ANA ANP ERB EWH EWH FGH GAI IFL
IFL ISA ISW ITH NST ROV RRY RRY
THE THE UCK UCK YHU YHU

=SIDEWALK, Hempstead, N. Y.

X-5. (*3 *6: "1 3*1 4 2 2 4 3
1 6," 3 4 6.)

AVE DTA FTY IDO ING ISF LIV NTH
ORA OTH RTL SAI SHE SWI TOD TOM
Y =MEO, Kewanee, Ill.

=R. TIST, Dumont, N. J.

APRIL SOLUTIONS

1. Ignoble; belong, nobile, oblige, bingle, eloin, Boeing, goblin. 2. A-i/w-ry. 3. Aske-d/w. 4. Money. 5. Inamoratas. 6. Pinacle. 7. Terminus. 8. Senate, sennet. 9. Choctaw. 10. Stilly. 11. Consult. 12. Various. 13. Cane, Tale, PHRator, ACTive. 14. I dyed water, wide-eyed daughter. 15. Had it to do over again. 16. Bear cat, cabaret. 17. Trussed, trust. 18. Gringo. 19. Nominated; at, mine, nod. 20. Israel, is real. 21. Touse. 22. Cosset. 23. Topaz. 24. Trait-or. 25. Pent, lade, aces, curt. 26. Grosse Pointe, gross point. 27. Shame. 28. Subfusc. 29. Resign. 30. M-odic-um. 31. Baronial. 32. LISSajous, OT-herwise, RICinus, HOopoe, USnea. 33. War-m/n/r-ing. 34. Overhand-knot. 35. Libber. 36. Uns-cat-hed. 37. No lisper. 38. Cuisine, queasy. 39. Barking. 40. Hot on the trail, trot on the hail. 41. Prides, spider. 42. Paddington. 43. State criminal, maternalistic. 44. Page-antry. 45. Copper bottoms. 46. Coffee table, toffee cable. 47. A-post-il. 48. Switch plate. 49. LYric, CANnot, THRall, OPEner. 50. Overbearing. 51. Im-p/m-unity. 52. Be-a-droll. 53. Repent. 54. Spoiled brat, boiled sprat. 55. Sapience. 56. Double chin. 57. Jinn, gin. 58. Hand-i-cuffs. 59. Or-i/l-on, or rye on. 60. Deb-u-t. 61. Sewer. 62. Par-i-ty. 63. Crockery. 64. Mote-d/l/t. 65. Windiest. 66. The mistakes, and checks. 67. Du-n/d-geon. 68. Disarmament; arm, same, dint. 69. Toreador. 70. Succ-e/u-ssion. 71. H Squared; HQ, sure, ad. 72. Gruesome, grewsome. 73. Locate, Alec-to. 74. Madame Curie. 75. The giant redwood forest. 76. Clean as a whistle. 77. Modern times. 78. The pen is mightier than the sword. 79. The New York Times Crossword Puzzle Dictionary. 80. Chastity belt. 81. Personality. 82. Alimony payment. 83. Declaration of Independence. X-1. Let the rats win the rat race! X-2. It is impossible to experience one's death objectively and still carry a tune. W. Allen. X-3. Veracity, typeface, cellular, arpeggio, vendetta, tasteful, ulterior, oratorio. X-4. Joint, roast, yeti, use up, liege, arch,

Bible, ewers; jerry-built, Ivan the Terrible, tots, speechless, oboe. X-5. Vixen brags of litter, says to lioness, "I see you have only one." Came the reply, "Yes, but he's a lion." Old fable. X-6. Snickersnees, essentialist, erythroblast, snollygoster. X-7. One of the greatest incentives to become indolent is to consider what the early bird gets for being diligent. X-8. Ostracod, ostinato, together, odometer. X-9. An egoist; a person of low taste, more interested in himself than in me. Ambrose Bierce. KU1. 159436 + 868409 = 1027845; 1801668 + 795795 = 2597463. KU2. Slick chick; click, Schick.

CRYPTS

1. Imam and guru refuse novocain
2. Question: what keeps the Iri
3. First inquest (worst) cost mo
4. Fair maiden hides from oafish
5. Sterling (finest quality) arge
6. Ugly hulk goads frail runt in
7. Lethargic ignoramus, rheumati

FORMS

1.	2.	4.
C	V	DIRTBIRD
GOP	MIG	ICEWATER
GENRE	BARAD	REPARATE
CONVENIENT	BUNGLER	TWADDLED
PREVENTOR	MANTILLAS	BARDLING
ENERVATE	VIRGINIANUS	ITALIOTE
INVITEE	GALLICISM	RETENTOR
ETAT	DELAINE	DREDGERS
NOTE	RANSE	
TREE	SUM	
	S	6.
FORETOOTH	3. CALABAR	INS
OLIVE	E	CANADAS
RILES	A	CARAVAN
EVENT	R	CABANAS
TESTAMENT	CARACAL	TAWNIST
O	MIDAS	CABALAS
O	EDUCE	CABASAS
T	NACRE	ERSE
HEARTSEED		RETS

ME AG*IN

MAY ERRATA: #46 - "my" in the last line should be "some"; #73 - 5 has NI3 pronunciation; in Crypt #2 the 6th word should be RUWI.

X-7. PIECEMEAL SQUARE (one = Two-word NI3 entry, one = *, one = NI3)
AL AR AS BR EP HA HC ID IO LE LI
LI LP NI OC TE TE TH UC YP
=HARDRIC, Milwaukee, Wisc.

CRYPTOGRAMS

1. Pow! Wow! SQUIRREL, Venice, Fla.
 WYMYKZC WHIZFFCSOL WHIZAW, WRKSYE-
 SOL WRKSCCQ, WYOU WSB WESUUSWR
 WHISKKYCW WTIKKQSOL JVK WRYCUYK.
2. Right rite. ACORN, New York, N. Y.
 BVZJP BPWO VLTJPBU, VUBC YK ZBSJT
 VPXW GBKSJZ BTH WBHJ YTZX ZPYBTCUJ
 DYZM GXWFUJI VXUHK, ZMJT CYRJT ZX
 DYHXD.
3. For "Trekkies". BERYL, Philadelphia, Pa.
 LHJXFIGV (XJHB) BJA VSH ZJ VYQRJOSB
 VKJYS DSFI. DUKRIOQTSB VPJQR VGY-
 YGAXSB. PSQFB HIWS OFQGAKDSB.
4. Help! HARDRIC, Milwaukee, Wisc.
 ZESTBYRALP JTBSL, VZHCTWI JZXHL,
 VXKCSL GASP SXAVFK HBFWEC PWTC
 SEXY LAHCTW UXBAY AYSZ HELP.
5. Brotherly roadblock. HAP, Rochester, N. Y.
 LAMEBRAIN HUYDPSUMF, TURPWHUYD
 FAUYBNAOD LDKWFODGY. RAMPEDAWN
 YASGNTAFV NUTDEMUPL NUGHYMUPI, CUP-
 NAGUED.
6. Sabotaged. MEO, Kewanee, Ill.
 MRFOTZSCP WFAZRJBPS ZVGMSCLBA, OFG-
 JBDMSC, UFHVORZSM UFCGVPTSM JXRN-
 TBFPS. PJRCQXVGO TFHMGVGO SC!
7. The cognoscenti. RHO, Redding Ridge, Conn.
 WQXR AMPLY QXLA RBSXYC NBLHDM,
 MQWG CMKWDFL, AWJLY TXLZW; LJZMG
 QXBZKL, GMWZFL GKBXR ZWARBS XDMYH.