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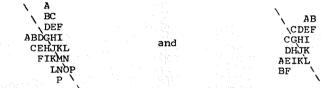
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THE DIAGOMORPH -- By STITCH

I have seen several comments in the Enigma and in GotS to the effect that (1) "Forms are too hard to make up, so nobody does them any more, hardly," and (2) "Constructors should make their clues harder; otherwise the solver polishes off in a minute what the formist took hours or days to make." The Diagomorph is a move toward normalcy for both aspects: (1) Constructing one is easy. (2) Solving it, even with easy clues, is not so easy. In other words, it's more like a puzzle and less like an exhibit. Perhaps its introduction might move people to try form-ish thinking where no such temptation had existed before.

The diagomorph would include all those shapes which aren't listed in the Guide, but which are symmetric about a NW-SE axis, such as:



Thus we might see:

1. Ring. 2. Sack. 3. Draw a needed card. 4. On the ground. 5. Uncle of a nine-fingered hero. 6. Permit. 7. Look and leer. 8. North.

with the solution:

O BAG
FILL
FALLEN
BILBO
ALLOW
OGLE
N

Some rules are needed: (1) Only one word to a line. (2) Isolated letters (such as A and P in the first form above) cannot be adjacent. (3) No fair submitting a form as a diagomorph if it turns out to be a known form, such as a windmill. The first two rules eliminate such anomalies as:

ABCDE	ABC
BFGHI	BDE
CGJK and	CEFGE
DHKLM	G
EI MN	H

So now, try your hand at this (complete with enumeration):

F-1. DIAGOMORPH

1. GA neighbor (**2). 2. Sonneteer (4). 3. Wiped (7). 4. Like Mary (8). 5. Way out (6). 6. Flirt (5). 7. Medicos (Abbr.)(3). 8. Y.

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FROM SCRATCH

KREWE KUTS: FIDDLE is so much better that he has resumed his twice- or thrice-weekly flat contributions. He writes. "I'm a bit wobbly on my feet but not bed-ridden." I'm hoping that when I'm 92 my handwriting will be as good as his; it certainly isn't now.***** Congratulations to CORN COB, who won first prize for two of her TV commercials. What's the Raleigh equivalent of Madison Ave., CC?*** IXAXAR sends a brief report on the annual meeting of the Florida section of the Mathematical Association of America at Stetson University "(...founded by that 'hat man') ". Among the speakers were RAJAH and IXAXAR. *****And speaking of mathematicians: SENOR has received another tribute! Just before the end of school he was on the faculty team for the school's version of "College Bowl". He acquitted himself well, of course; and later a colleague told him that he'd overheard a student say to her friend. "Gee, I knew Mr. Rosen was a teacher, but I didn't know he was smart!"*****WILLz sends a copy of his article on the game of Charades for The New Book of Knowledge, "an encyclopedia for kids." He gives a brief history, then describes how the game is played. I especially like the illustrations, showing children giving the familiar signals for "first word", "first syllable", etc.

PEN GWYN sent more tithes—from her winnings in the North Jersey Crossword Tournament. She writes, "I was thrilled to break into the top ten—even if it took side—lining FAMULUS ((one of the sponsors)) and SENOR ((a judge)) to do it." ARACHNE came in first (again!), and EN finished high, as usual. Hurray for Krewomen!*******
SPUD's recent letter bears a stamp with a picture of a Lightning Whelk, because, she explains, she's an amateur conchologist. "As well as a crypt fan," she adds, voicing a not-too-enthusiastic opinion of some latterday Enigma crypts. She also informs that she got her nom from OEDIPUS, and for the obvious reason—she's "so fond of potatoes...."

WINDJAMMER writes: "Fruitworthy? I made a remark as a child that I was now 'able to stand on my own two shoulders.' My parents, New Yorker readers, muttered something about 'Neatest Trick of the Week' before they burst out laughing."***TE-ZIR-MAN won a prize in Omni's oxymoron competition; his entry: "Bumper sticker: HONK IF YOU'RE AGAINST NOISE POLLUTION!" TE also sends his entries to a New York Magazine titles-as-acronyms contest, whence he should gain further laurels. I like "Austrian Mozart's Achievements Defy Expectations, Upsetting Salieri" and "Biblical Epic; Naturally Heston's Usual Role".

AN INVITATION: "PEER & PERI and ARACHNE will be holding a brunch party on Sunday, August 18, the day after the US Open ((Games Crossword Tournament)), at their home on Long Island, less than an hour from midtown Manhattan and very close to Kennedy airport. All Krewe, whether competing in the Open or not, are welcome to attend. The party will start at 11 AM. For directions or to RSVP call P&P at (516) 295-4722 or A at (312) 566-0134." You'll be having wonderful time--wish I were there!

FUN AND GAMES ON THE WEST COAST: SIBYL sends highlights from some recent Krewe (plus non-Krewe) gatherings. One concerns a "home-made version of Password", with Sibyl providing the words. "Hudu drew 'haiku'. He stared intently at Merl and, rolling the r's, said 'Rimerick.' Ten points." And here's a feature of a Charades game: "Punster raised both arms over his head, palms together, fingers straight up. After 'steeple', someone guessed correctly, 'High Noon'" And finally: "Later we played our usual cutthroat anagrams, at which Merl, Punster, and Hudu are all demonically swift and I am inventive but slow... Ten seconds after I turned Merl's 'tardier' into 'threadier', he took it back as 'hereditary'. 'Ebony' became 'bayonets'; 'polices', 'polemics', and then 'compilers'."

A WARNING TO SOLVERS: TREESONG wants you to know that he, too, receives the collage of solvers comments from HAPOWL, and that he will feel free to print them in GotS, his newsletter, unless you specify to the contrary. You'll probably want to bear this in mind when you state your reactions to certain crypts, etc.

MORE PUZZLES FOR PAY: Brian Kane plans a puzzle magazine, would like some hard word puzzles. He wants about 12 per month, half to be crosswords (15x15 and 21x21), the rest to include word-searches, crypts, math puzzles, riddles, etc. He says, "My only real requirements are that all puzzles are original...and difficult to solve." He will pay \$50 to \$150 per puzzle. Brian Kane, 7 Campo Ave., Selden, NY 11784; (516) 736-2509.

ENIGMATTERS: In a number of letters, NOHOLDS BARD comments on a number of matters that pertain to our art. Concerning Farsi noms he writes, "Of course, it should be remembered that the Persian language has borrowed copiously from Arabic...." He then goes on to mention the few noms that have Persian meanings; in most cases it seems likely the nom's chooser probably was unaware of the fact. For instance. DADA means "a female servant". I recall Dada's article in Enigma about the many meanings of his nom in various languages, but think it didn't include this one. Similarly, RAH means "road", and AI means "come". PEER means "old man", and PERI we know. Both of these are bona fide Persian. AL GEBRA, FOMALHAUT (meaning "whale's mouth"), OMAR, SAKR-EL-BAHR ("sea hawk"), and SANA ("Gloria") are all Arabic. NOHOLDS gives his references for all these esoterica, even writes a few of the words in the Arabic alphabet! *****NOH has a good deal to say about June puzzles. Re #13, which was one of his top favorites, he says, "... Uther could not have been a Saxon. Arthur was a Briton, and so his father would have had to be one too." And re #89, "...if GHOTI should arrive at convention in a DHOTI..., she would be promptly escorted off by March #83."*****And in reply to my having called one of his submissions "far-fetched", he replies: "But speaking of far-fetched...in #8 ((June)), we are asked to imagine a subdeb... admitting that she had been bitten by bedbugs; in #15, we are asked to imagine a chemistry professor carrying a samurai sword, and, moreover, threatening students with it, as well as a student having to ask what it is:...in #67, we are asked to imagine Erasmus not being able to put 2 and 2 together. Now, things like these are what I call far-fetched." All I can say to all that is, "Touche!"

NOHOLDS is one of a very few members who write me their reactions to various puzzles. I wish more of you would do it.

July issue: #17--ARRIVAL in this case precedes DEPARTURE; airtravel-minded HAP wrote he'd tried to work it the other way round. ***#18 is an entry. #32--the UE referred to is the Underground Enigma, the best-selling compilation of our Krewe's off-color puzzles. Write to ERIC for your copy. (\$1.00 + SASE)

This issue: #15--"canine friend" and "canine letter" refer to puzzle bases in recent Enigmas. #13 & #30, and #62 in July--I don't pronounce "poor" to rhyme with "more" but seem, by the evidence of these puzzles, to be in the minority. #33 is another of the creations referred to in TWEASER's July mini-con report. And again, don't be misled by the combinom: APRIL'S CHILD wasn't there.******
#61--WINDJAMMER says the last couplet is "wholly fictional". Concerning #87, the author says, "just((an)) underhanded way to get my nom in The Enigma more often." Making up for lost time?***#90 should be sung. And if you found July's #4 hard to scan, that's because you didn't sing it.***#97-Liza Wheeler is another gifted member of the TWEASER family.***X-3 came with the signature GREENSTAMPS. Let me know if you can figure out why.***I'd also like to hear your opinion of the Diagomorph. And while you're at it, how did you like the Variogram forms? I have more of both for you if you give evidence of enjoying them. I'd like to hear-either way.

NEW MEMBERS: Chuck Adkins. 1750 Little Creek Dr.. Baltimore. MD 21202; Palmer McCurdy, 3808 Pleasant Ridge Rd., Annandale, VA 22003; Robert A. Pin. 12 Clifford Dr., Park Ridge, NJ 07656. Chuck Adkins subscription is a gift from AHAB. Welcome to all!

JULY ERRATA: First of all, turn to page 16, cross out "June", and write in "July". Now for the others: #7--reading involves a "RE-BUS": #9--FIRST has NI3 pronunciation: #16--enumeration should be (*8. 7); #54--first 9 = 5 4 in NI2; #75--LONG = + in NI2; #98 should read TEST OF HER BEAUTY LIT; May sois -- #38 should have IGNOblesse.

MAY FAVORITES (! means top favorite): ACORN--20, 28, 32, 36, 48, 94, 98. AJAX-13. AMOR--14, 41, 80, 88, 89, 92:, 95, 97, 100. ANN DHOW & MY MY--48, 56, 84, 87. ARACHNE--5, 12, 31, 36, 40, 58-59, 60, 71, 74, 92. AVIDAN--4, 12, 40, 59, 69, 76, 89, 99. BLACKSTONE --5, 6, 25, 31, 60, 84, 89, 92, 97. CERES--1, 5, 12, 31, 38, 76, X-3. CORN COB--16, 48:, 58-59. DADA--13, 14, 42, 81, 89, 99. DEE SWEET-16, 39, 42, 48!, C-1. EBEAM-5, 25, 31!, 39, 81, 83, 91. ELF--19, 31!, F-4. ERGO--36, 37, 41, 52, 74! FARO--31, 40, 41, 56, 60, 76, 90. FOMALHAUT-48, 96, X-6. GADJET-71, 8, 24, 45, 48, 81, 87. GECKO--7:, 19, 24, 36, 54. GEORGE GROTH & AI--31. GRAYDOL--1, 39, 67, 83. HAP--2, 31:, 38, 40, 87, 97, 100. HART KING--4, 25, 28, 40, 58-59, 63, 90, X-2. IFANDOR--6, 60. IXAXAR--6!, 25, 42, 43, 83, 90. JERG--13, 20, 36, 52, 56, 76, 84, 100. KELLY--14, 19, 33, 35:, 43, 48, 60, 75, 95. LARRY--13, 39, 49, 61, 84, 89. MFR-CURY--4, X-1, X-5. MERLIN--2, 17, 31:, 60, 64, F-4. MUNRO & QUIP--2, 38, 44, 64, 82! NEWROW--31, 39, 42, 45, 58-59, 74. NIGHTOWL--2, 21, 40!, 61, 87, C-6. OAK--6, 78, 83, 86, F-2! PEN GWYN--1, 32, 36, 60!, 69. RUTHLESS--1, 12, 20!, 35, 48, 60, 87, KU. SIBYL--4, 5, 6, 25, 31, 32, 40, 70, 71, 72-73, 86, 98. SQUIRREL--4, 28, 45!, 51, 71, 80, 86, 89. STITCH--1, 39, 42, 48, 69. TREESONG--1, 10, 20, 24, 31:, 58-59, 60, 83, 98, F-1, KU. TWEASER--4, 6, 43, 60, 81, 87, 92, Annual stats. TWISTO--31, 38, 39, 48, 54, 59!, 61, 64, 69, 71, 76. TYRO--51, 64, 93, 96, F-1, F-3, C-4, C-5, C-6!, C-7, X-3, X-4, X-5, X-6. VISITOR--31. WINDJAMMER--16, 31, 39!, 59, 64, 76, 90, 92, 97, C-2, X-2, WOODIE--4, 7, 12, 19, 20, 28, 31!, 40, 56, 60, 76, 87.

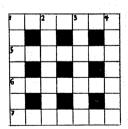
X-1. KNIGHT'S-TOUR CRYPT (3 2 3 4 2 6 2 2; 3 4 2 6 - 2 2. - *6 *7)

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=TE-ZIR-MAN, Elmont, N. Y.

X-2. ANAQUIDDLE: What is formic acid? (1 10 8 2 2 5 8) ABL EOF ERI IGH ILL IQU IST MYR NDM NGC RIT TWI =STITCH, Flagstaff, Ariz.

X-3. CRYPTIC CROSSWORD



ACROSS: 1. From ancestors, with love. 5. Ironclad equipment on boat. 6. One room has no incense for the cabinet. 7. Drunk gets on the Carson show.

DOWN: 1. River, after flowing round cape, has bend. 2. PO worker left mother in power. 3. Approaching a quarter to one--sound the bell. 4. In Mexico, the alien seizing people's gold, e.g. =SABLE-H, SE Weyford, MJ

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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 NIGHTOWL by September 25.

1. CHARADE (8) (TWO = NI3) Oh, once I slept out with a yak; *Twas underneath a hackmatack. Of creature comforts there were few

That cold night THREE the forest TWO.

The next day I looked pretty sad; The strong ONE smell was really

This truthful falsehood is a clue To how a SOL can baffle you.

=THE POO, Chatsworth, Cal. 2. PHONETTC REBUS ("1 4 2 1 4 2 1 4")

AAAAA AAAAA II II AAAAA AAAAA AAAAA

Repetition can be fine. As in this often-quoted line. =PEN GWYN, New York, N. Y.

3. ACROSTICAL ENIGMA (13) (NI3 Add. & 9C; A & C = NI2+; reversal referred to in D is NI2) A. Larry forms a tough acrostic: Krewe acts grim, less apolaustic.

*B. Folate cures anemic iceman; Herb's an anagram (clued twice, man).

C. Keywords aren't neologistic; Don't coin words--that's Ralf P.-istic.

*D. Bald black miser in rehearsal Plays a white; that's his reversal.

E. Tachyon shows "chin chin" rubric:

Sol: (6 7) -- both by Kubrick. F. Better try metathesizing Margent word for clue arising.

NI2 is getting old, and so is NI3; Bringing puzzles up to date, we now employ 9C. =MERLIN, Bismarck, N. D.

4. WORD DELETION (10) "IN, IN," he OUT, "and you presume These tiny ruts are bad? Down my road I saw ALL consume Three Hondas and a Cad!" =TWEASER, Shelbyville, Ind.

5. ENIGMATIC REBUS (8)

C-T

It's true that talk's cheap, But this TOTAL is boring. (If I fall asleep. Please pardon my snoring!) =LARRY. Mason. Mich.

6. SPOONERGRAM (8 4, 6 5) The PRIMAL was quite loaded down With people dressed in white. The preacher from the little town Would wash their sins from sight. "Now, hold your noses, if you can!"

The FINAL heard his call. As they jumped in, the clergyman Baptized them, one and all. =Q. GAW, Cincinnati, Ohio

7. REVERSED DELETION (7. 6) (7 = NI3 sp.; 6 not NI)A comic book hero gets wisdom and strength By yelling out "SHORT!" I once read. With his power, impossible

things he can do: He can even puff LONG into bread! =JERG, Syracuse, N. Y.

8. ENIGMATIC SUBER (7 5)

At. -irst they sat like this. but after one small kiss (which tastes sweet, like a MOT) they ended up like so

=ULK, Enid, Okla.

9. LETTER BANK (9; 45, 45, 45) (LARGER SIZE = NI2+) Man is born; he struts and frets And SMALLER ONE, before he dies. All's fleeting, fragile, wearisome--

The Frenchman says it: "LARGER SIZE."

=NEWROW, Brookline, Mass.

10. DELETION (6, 5) If you think this is an adequate tip, I'll tell you, *LONGER, you sure are a CLIP. =DEE SWEET, Kendall Park, N. J.

11. ENIGMA (*7 *4)(NI3 entry)
Go, oh, Little Woman, go:
Jaunty footwork you will show.
=MOP, Buena Vista, Colo.

12. ENIGMATIC REBUS (5 2 *6) (symbol = NI2; *6 not NI)

/TAD

So Hap sold the best wines in Nome!

I, too, have been distant from
home--

A carnival dancer In Prague, and an ANSWER, And also a barker in Rome. =WINDJAMMER, Chicago, Ill.

13. DOUBLE-CROSS (4, 8, 5, 7)
Okay, gardeners, here's a quiz:
First the soil (dirt, that is)-Is it sand or ONE or THREE?
The soil type is vital, see?
Embark upon a careful FOUR
Of soil enrichment, if it's poor.
From time to time, add fertilizer
And water well; don't be a miser.
If you are diligent, then you
Can watch your garden's daily TWO.
=CORN COB, Raleigh, N. C.

14. WORD DELETION (8)
0°Reilly wished
For cod, and fished.
Soon gave a roar-A ONE he swore.
With ALL he said,
"A TWO, instead!"
=IXAXAR, Holiday, Fla.

15. FINAL-TRIGRAM CHANGE (8)
A "canine friend", a "canine
letter"
I cannot match nor hope to better,
But ONE make TWO--poor thing,
but mine
(Ungodly yes, but sibylline).
=SIBYL, North Hollywood, Cal.

16. PHONETIC REBUS (6: A)
17. REBUS (3 3: B, + in N12)

The other day I caught an A, But the fish that got away Was a B! A thing to see! What a whopper! Mercy me! =NIGHTOWL, Rochester, N. Y.

18. SECOND-LETTER CHANGE (6)
If this is a FORMER
Of what you can do,
The job should be LATTER.
(So do my work, too.)
=WREN, Severna Park, Md.

19. ACROSTICAL ENIGMA (13)(+)
A. "Maxine, hear me!
You cannot top this tale-Kay's lechery,

B. A red-hot bliss..."

(Maxine demurs, "I'll have no part of this!")

D. I'm <u>sure</u> would know...."
(Maxine replies, "I plead
it can't be so!")

E. "...If you see Kay,
You'll know it's true--she's
in a family way!"

In war, ships sink when lips are
 loose;
Now wagging tongues a lass
 traduce.
=FARO. Morristown, N. J.

20. ENIGMATIC REBUS (6-8) (NI2 entry)

24

When the mouse
In the house
Sees the cat,
It is THAT.
=NOHOLDS BARD, Arlington, Va.

22. TWO-WORD DELETION

21. THIRD-SOUND CHANGE (10, 9)
LONG and SHORT are both "dull"
drinks;
Which is which? Just say LONG
stinks.
SHORT is often squeaky clean;
LONG's more likely foul and green.
=HAP, Rochester, N. Y.

(6 5; 2, 4, 5)(6 5 = Add. in NI3; THREE not NI usage)
He poured himself a glass ONE booze.
The tie came off and then the shoes.
He raised his TWO and let them fall Contentedly upon the ALL.
In TV Guide he looked to see Just what there was to view on THREE.

23. SUBER (8)

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=GADJET, Scarsdale, N. Y.

Can't be heard, can't be felt, Can't be seen, can't be smelt. Difficult in concept too, Problematical is THROUGH. =PLANTON, New York, N. Y. 24. SECOND-LETTER CHANGE (7)
Weeds in the herb garden always
my bane:

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There's dock in the dill and the elecampane,
Vetch in the tarragon, spurge in

the rue, Crabgrass in the basil, and ONE

in the TWO. =ARACHNE, Mundelein, III.

25. HOMONYM (7, 5)(5 = NI2)
I went, as they say, to the animal fair,

And found puzzle bases were thick everywhere: The emu and lemur were, both of

them, there.
The monkey and donkey made up a

fine pair.
The elephant stood very high in

the air, Hoist by a PRIMAL, along with

the bear.
The lion was lyin' right close to his lair.

The goose rode the head of the moose with great flair.
The snake (ugh!) came crawling up close to my chair-

The FINAL sensation raised up all my hair.

The leopards wore leotards, chosen with care.

Yes, puzzles were rife at the animal fair. =POLLY, Sarasota, Fla.

26. REBUS (10)

XUED

She diets, weighs, does all the
 tricks;
She works out at the gym.
She ought to keep her pleasing
 curves,
And not become too SLIM.
=IFANDOR, St. Petersburg, Fla.

27. BEHEADMENT (8, 7)
East Indies trip? You have to diet?
Have some fruit--this ONE--just try it.
But once you're home, what

should you do?
Count calories and broil some

=ANEMONE, Stamford, Conn.

28. REBUS (8)

Braces tight

Fix this sight. =SPHINX, Fairfield, Conn.

29. HETERONYM (*5 *4, 2-3 4)
(2-3 not NI; 4 = NI3+ usage)
Comfort and Joy was a wonderful
show:

Gregory's Girl was the same.
I haven't yet been to see
NUMBER ONE, though-I had no free time when it came.
If only those young folks
weren't so lean as that-I know I must lose some more
weight.

I'll buy no more subs with so
 much cil and fat;
A NUMBER TWO's now what I rate.
=ALF, Medford, Mass.

30. LETTER BANK (7, *12) (*12 = NI2 usage) 31. REBUS (10)(THIS)

While visiting Newport, a town on RICH Bay,
I started to dance on the shore. The other beachgoers all spurned me--they'd say
Behavior like mine's THIS and POOR.
=DOUBLE-H. E. Rutherford, N. J.

32. SPOONERGRAM
(7 2 2 3, 6 2 "*1. *1.")
Calligraphy entrances me;
I practice day and night,
But make mistakes addressing
mail-It's hard to get things right.
For when the town's been written
down,
In the EASIEST WAY I KNOW
My pen will slip, or blot, and
spoil
The OTHER WAY TO GO.
=ORACY, Danvers, Mass.

33. LETTER BANK (5, 6, 8)
While sharing a MID we grew
ever so LONG;
Next we opened a bottle of
Lancers.
We tried to write flats, but we
burst into song:
What a SHORT--we forgot all the
answers!
=APRIL CHICO, Midwest, U.S.A.
34. REBUS (10)

EDLEP

Gleason, Kovacs, Benny, Cantor I recall from years ago.
Gracie Allen's REBUS banter
Made me laugh the most--ho ho.
=RUTHLESS, Palo Alto, Cal.

35. BEHEADMENT (2-2-3, *6)
(*6 = trade name, not NI; 2-2-3
= + in NI2)
I hate these SEVEN with their SIX,
Their noses held above their heads.
If running's how they get their kicks,
Just what the hell is wrong with Keds?

=TREESONG, Aliquippa, Pa.

36. DELETION (9. 3 5) (LONG, SHORT; 3.5 = 3-5 in NI3) 37. THIRD-LETTER CHANGE (9)(A, B) 38. HETERONYM (6 2 5, 2 7 4) (ONE, TWO) Said a veoman of the guard To his chum at Scotland Yard. "Let's vacation at some sizzling tropic port Where bright feathered creatures goows, Where the hoopoe hoops his hoop, And a LONG like me can spot a soaring SHORT." "An A plan:" the B replied; "It's ourselves who'd be espied By some angry, deadly ONE of

"It's ourselves who'd be espied
By some angry, deadly ONE of
flying menaces.
Let's play TWO but less
precarious
Having fauna less nefarious,
And succumb to Brighton's
charms—and maybe Venice's."
=SIBYL, North Hollywood, Cal.

39. REBUS (12)

HHED

He sold a stolen statue, A Venus that was hot. The con man had been TOTAL; But the statue? It was not. =TE-ZIR-MAN, Elmont, N. Y.

40. CURTAILMENT (7, 6)
(SLIM = NI2+)
There he sits, looking so pious and prim,
Though his black eye shines just like a beacon.
Last night he was thrown from a FAT with much SLIM-Our decorous, church-going deacon.
=WINDRIFT, Honolulu, Hawaii

41. REVERSAL (3)
The Sultan is busy, I know.
Just hear all the TO in the FRO.
=WINDJAMMER, Chicago, III.

42. ACROSTICAL ENIGMA (7)
(+ in NI2; NI2 meaning)
(B = + in NI2, 2 wds.; C = NI3)
A. "Once upon a midnight dreary,
while I pondered, weak and
weary,..."

B. Our Antarctic penguin tintypes,
Up-to-date, not sharky fin-types.
C. Is the rayen like the penguin

C. Is the raven like the penguin?
Vote: hold up your hand...

Here's a promising beginning--How to end it...? =NEWROW, Brookline, Mass.

43. PHONETIC REBUS (3 3 4)

I

The Cowardly Lion of cinema fame Once boasted he'd beat any foe you could name With but a single paw. Well, I'll bet that Hapowl could do much the same; They solve any flat (or so some Krewe will claim) With NOT A SINGLE FLAW. = JUNICHNE, Millein, Caill.

44. PHONETIC DELETION (*6, 5) By the time this flat's run We will know which man's won; But before they've begun, We know, re Wimbledon: Of the seven top DONE There are three who are ONE. =HART KING, Rumson, N. J.

45. DOUBLE-CROSS (4, 8, *6, 6) A ONE is what you tell to me; A TWO likes his land more. A Lao-Tse follower is THREE, And these few lines a FOUR. =JERG, Syracuse, N. Y.

46. HETERONYM (*2°1 7, *2 8) (*2 not NI) & ENIGMATIC REBUS (10)

DI

THE ONE quite well, the courtiers said,
By regal ringlets quite impressed.
If not, how REBUS she would be;
"I like," THE TWO, "to look my best."
=PUNSTER, Culver City, Cal.

47. LETTER SHIFT (7)(DONE = NI3+)
The pollen borne by ONE
Oft irritates our DONE.
=DOUBLE-H, E. Rutherford, N. J.

48. WORD DELETION (7)
I want to be a scientist, but
what should be my field?
Not physics (I can't understand
the quantum and the INNER),
Nor chemistry (too messy), OUTER
math (my brain's congealed);
ENTIRE is it! Gosh, I could
take my subjects out to
dinner!
=HAP, Rochester, N. Y.

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My sister bade us all adieu
And moved to France in '82.

Of late we've been quite out
of touch.

She must not like that very much
Because she wrote from overseas
And asked, "How <u>are</u> you?

ANSWER, please!

______, Dorchester, Mass.

49. ENIGMATIC REBUS (4 2 1 4)

50. HETERONYM (2 3 3; 4, 4)
Even if you were to PRIME
Zealously, you'd waste your time,
Oaf. This isn't quite your line;
Try to pick another FINE.
=ACORN, St. Petersburg, Fla.

51. PHONETIC TRANSPOGRAM (7, *6) (*6 not NI, has Gringo pronun.) At trendy BEHIND, down Yucatan way,
The locals, you find, play FRONT every day.
=TWEASER. Shelbyville. Ind.

52. ENIGMATIC REBUS (7)

HC

He gets all his power, they say, From eating his REBUS each day. =FIDDLE, St. Petersburg, Fla.

53. ACROSTICAL ENIGMA (10)(NI2)
A. On our weekly Sunday spin
We stop for gas, spot Seaside
Inn.

B. Dine in style; impress dear Violet--

Vapor sweet inspires a triolet.
C. Diumvirate of diners mention
Their food's curtailed for
hypertension.

D. Kelsey--luscious purple plum--Is our dessert for trifling sum.

The ocean breeze now soothes and lulls.
And o'er the waves comes sound of gulls.
=NIGHTOWL, Rochester, N. Y.

54. REVERSED DELETION (7, 3 3) (3 3 not entry)
A genuine lush,
He "drinksh sho mush";
A 7 is he,
Our town's 3 3.
=ULK, Enid, Okla.

55. REBUS (*4 *5)(NI2)

UK XT.

I pity the state senator Who represents this place; He has to go 600 miles To Juneau from THE CASE. =ELF, Flemington, N. J.

56. DOUBLE-CROSS (6, 5, *6, 5)
(*6 = NI2 usage)
A Dr. Tom threatens the worst kinds of woe,
Like heart attacks, strokes,
lengthy B,
This lingering D--it refuses to go-Is the main thing that's bothering me.
But whenever that silly C sees me here choking,
He gives the absurd advice,
"Why not stop smoking?"
=MANGIE, Buffalo, N. Y.

57. HOMONYM (*6, 7)(*6 = NI3)
He runs to the cheese shop to
buy something yummy
(Some ONE, perhaps), eats it,
and then, like a dummy,
He TWO again home, gets a pain
in his tummy.
=KREMLIN, N. Massapequa, N. Y.

58. REBUS (2 10 2 1 6 6) A*G.

Byron wrote a praiseful piece To the Glory that was Greece. =IXAXAR, Holiday, Fla.

59. CURTAILMENTS (5, 5, 4)
(4 curtails both 5s)
The yogi with his bed of nails
Had nothing on (now don't stop
here!)
The LARGE who WEE right through

the GREAT.
Ascetic exploit of the year:
=WINDJAMMER, Chicago, Ill.

60. PHONETIC REBUS (12) (NI2 pronun.)
Related to caffeine--that's WHAT:
Tea leaves have an awful lot.
=CALICOH, Ann Arbor, Mich.

61. ACROSTICAL ENIGMA (9) (B = entry phrase; D = * in this usage)

A. Near winter's end, the highways cease to freeze, And motorists again can breathe with ease.

B. A trash can in one's path, dumped in the street Can give a driver "blossoms" tout de suite.

C. Xerophilous? A car is
 always so.
 If water floods it, well, it
 iust won't go.

D. I think you should be wise and keep your Chevy, A common name, but upkeep isn't heavy.

What did you say? Your auto will not budge?
You need a whole new what for it? Oh, fudge!
=WINDJAMMER, Chicago, Ill.

62. PHONETIC REBUS (5 2 4 3 4 2 3)
YT MB 0.

A problem of which the chess player approves Well might be this one here: EVERYTHING moves. =ELSPETH, San Francisco, Cal.

63. PROGRESSIVE WORD DELETION
(9; 3, 3, 3)(9 = NI3 usage)
We'd called a time-out on the
field

So that TWO coach could THREE a play:

"Let's ONE a WHOLE designed to yield The down we need," we heard

The down we need," we heard him say. =IXAXAR, Holiday, Fla.

64. HETERONYM (10 3 2. 3 2 5 4, *3, 8; 6 1 3 5 3 2 4 8 3 5) (*3 not NI; 3 = NI3) (*3 not NI; 3 = NI3)

Tiring and thankless the prizes of FIRST

Others with all of your clever word wiles.

A caution however, because, lad, this LAST

Your pranks. You won't faze her. She discards--with smiles! =VISITOR, Kailua, Hawaii

65. HOMONYM (6, 5)
Oh, rare green color I do ONE;
I wish they'd mine TWO by the ton.
=THE POO, Chatsworth, Cal.

66. ENIGMATIC REBUS (7)

S

She longed to be a high-paid fashion buyer
And eagerly applied for work at Sak's.

The REBUS counter's where they thought they'd try her, But she had other REBUS, and made tracks.

=HUDU, Los Angeles, Cal.

67. SEVENTH-LETTER CHANGE (8)
(SECOND = +)
Though royalty, be jeweled and
clad
In latest FIRST, you're really
bad--

A SECOND person, nasty shrew. I've really had enough of you. =ANEMONE, Stamford, Conn.

68. LETTER BANK (5-7, 21)
(SHORTER = NI2)
"This penguin exhibits QUITE
LONG," said the prof.
"I can tell from its smell and
the sound of its cough.
Now I'll look at the bulb of
th'olfactory tract:
It's SHORTER position will show
us the fact."

"My friend, I believe that you're in the wrong place; There'll be nothing to see o'er that bone of the face. If you're looking for proof of false organs of sex, You should look down below to see whether it checks." =ALF, Medford, Mass.

69. PHONETIC REBUS (*6 *4)

K

Look around and you will find Me singing in a show called <u>Grind</u>. =APPLESAUCE, New York, N. Y.

70. PHONETIC CHARADE (8)
Son, ONE!
Daddy is taking the loudest
of TWO,
Snorting and twitching and
hullabaloo,
Dreaming of subways and wild
derring-do.
(That last shot of TOTAL I wish
he'd eschew!)
So ONE, son.
=HAP, Rochester, N. Y.

71. ENIGMATIC REBUS (6, 9 8) (9 8 = entry)

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T AaM9

The surgeon said, "You are in terrible shape--Right REBUS, and gallstones all have to come out. Sore throat and sore belly you cannot escape, But soon you'll feel better-of that I've no doubt." =NIGHTOWL, Rochester, N. Y.

72. TRANSPOSAL (5)(*ONE not NI)
I kid you not--*ONE calls his
yacht
"The Adequate Reward".
So should I sue <u>The Times</u> for
TWO,
I'll sure sign *ONE aboard.
=TWEASER, Shelbyville, Ind.

73. CURTAILMENT (5, 4)
The breezes are fitful. It's hot in the sun.
We welcome each TWO, with a great deal of ONE.
=IXAXAR. Holiday. Fla.

74.

PHONETIC REBUS (10)(Add. in NI2) Enterprise, Discovery--Famous REBUS, yes sirree! =NOT INSANE!, Trenton, N. J.

75. SPOONERGRAM (5 2 3, 4-2-5)
(4-2-5 = entry, + in NI2)
If you would FIRST with erotic intention,
Make yours a SECOND of grace and invention:
Dry sherry, wet bar,
Acoustic guitar,
And bits of decor I'd prefer not to mention.
=SIBYL, North Hollywood, Cal.

76. REBUS (7)

VM

My great, great grandparents had lumps on their knees. I've got them now, begged the doctor, "Oh please, Tell me they aren't life-threatening cancer." He shrugged, "No, they're just an example of ANSWER." =EBEAM, Dorchester, Mass. 77. ACROSTICAL ENIGMA (*6-6)(NI2)
(A = NI2+; C = phrase, NI2+)
A. Bleary-eyed and shivering is
what I have become;
And oh, my every finger feels
so frozen and so numb.

B. Arkansas's December feels like death, I have been told. There's no way to protect oneself against the bitter cold.

C. Seeking just a little warmth in all this weather dire, The kids don't play among themselves, but huddle round the fire.

I simply can't remember what it felt like back in June. This tragic winter feels as if our doomsday's coming soon. =ELF, Flemington, N. J.

78. REBUS (5: 2 4 7!)

Both stock car buffs and those who trade in stocks
Respond to what it is they think is heaven.
They wax emotional--each soul unlocks,
And shouts for all to hear,
"5! 2 4 7!"
=NEWROW, Brookline, Mass.

Promenading baby Sam,
Proud displayed her LONGER
PHRASE,
His chubby legs and winning
ways,
His rosy cheeks and happy mood-From SHORTER PHRASE and
wholesome food.

79. HOMONYM (3 3 3, 3 3 4)

=CORN COB, Raleigh, N. C.

Daily Betsy pushed the pram.

80. LETTER BANK (5, 9)
Aside from his habit of straying,
You can't understand what he's
saying;
If you ask him to MORE,
He lets out a roar.
He's LESS? The tuition I'm
paying!
=JERG, Syracuse, N. Y.

81. SPOONERGRAM (6 5, 5 5)
Jimmy played hookey; the fishing
hole beckoned.
He'd rather spend time with his
FIRST than his SECOND.
=NOHOLDS BARD, Arlington, Va.

82. REBUS (4-2-4) (both 4s = + in NI2)

XCXC

How fashion plates dance In France? =PUNSTER, Culver City, Cal.

83. SEVENTH-LETTER CHANGE (8)
(*ENTRY not NI)
You've heard of the waltz that
is played in a minute?
For *ENTRY, that's largo--it
hardly is vite.
So nimbly his fingers slip
over the spinet!
He'll EXIT your soul, and set
tapping your feet.
=CALICOH, Ann Arbor, Mich.

84. SIXTH-LETTER CHANGE (6)
In winter I sit by the FIRST;
for I am old.
The strong and SECOND men go
out in winter's cold.
=POLLY, Sarasota, Fla.

85. CHARADE (8)
I would like to write a ONE,
Even read it from a stage
To the whole assembled TWO,
Thus become the latest rage.
Since I do not have the ALL
To write even one small sonnet,
Better I should rid myself
Of this bee that's in my bonnet.
=IFANDOR, St. Petersburg, Fla.

86. TWO-WORD DELETION
(4-5 3; 4, 4, 4)
OUT? You say, in ancient times,
P.T. Barnum, full of PRIMES,
Found a sweetly singing Norse
Lady who (I know, of course)
Wore a TOTAL when she'd dine,
Even wore it to her FINE!
=WINDJAMMER, Chicago, III.

87. REBUS (3 4 6 2 *5)

MERLIN

A classical curriculum;
We MERLIN which they once
foreswore-Ad unum omnes? No, but some.
=MERLIN, Bismarck, N. D.
88. HEAD-TO-TAIL SHIFT (7)

Some students now wish to restore

88. HEAD-TO-TAIL SHIFT (7)
(SECOND = NI3 usage)
I was SECOND through <u>Bulfinch</u>;
The FIRST caught my eye.
It lays eggs of agate
In India. why?
=NEWROW, Brookline, Mass.

89. DELETION (5, 4)
(MORE = + in NI3)
"A lass who's plump?
My pulse will jump!
A lass who's FOUR?
She's nae so MORE!"
=IXAXAR, Holiday, Fla.

90. SUBER (4 2 5 5 2)

RNNX

I'd like to buy the world a Coke
If it is sugar-free,
Low-sodium and SUBER, too,
For health and energy.
=WINDJAMMER, Chicago, III.

91. REPEATED-LETTER DELETION
(7, *5)(*5 = brand name, not NI)
If you're bothered a bit by mild
SEVEN whenever you lunch or
you sup,
Should you then drink a FIVE
(for your stomach), or maybe,
instead, 7-Up?
=ULK, Enid, Okla.

92. DELETION (6, 5)
With one exception, Jock's
serene
And calm--a LONGER lad;
He turns a bilious shade of green
When schoolmates mock his dad
For wearing kilts of SHORT
(bright hues)
With his Adidas running shoes.
=NIGHTOWL, Rochester, N. Y.

93. REBUS (4 2 5 5 2)

BITS

As the world's foremost expert on beer (I shall MITS), I drink Stroh's, never Budweiser, Miller, or Schlitz. =TWEASER, Shelbyville. Ind.

ANAGRAMS

94. USING A GROIN LINE (8 7) =BLACKSTONE, Alstead, N. H.

95. SCALPERS OUT =TRAVV, Vancouver, Wash.

96. TIES! A STEAL! DASH TO COUNTER! (1 4 2 3 8 5) = WREN, Severna Park, Md.

97. GREEN SOAP HIT, ALL (*7 *8) = Liza Wheeler, Shelbyville, Ind.

98. I RAID CAN. (4 4) =TE-ZIR-MAN, Elmont. N. Y. 99. I BE AFLOAT (1 8) = HUDU. Los Angeles. Cal.

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100. SYRMA = MERLIN. Bismarck. N. D.

101. IDEAL CINEMA UPTOWN--SO TRY IT: (1 *4 *6 6 7) =NIGHTOWL, Rochester, N. Y.

102. HAS TEN TEA URNS, RICE (*7 10) = ORACY. Danvers. Mass.

103. GAIN NO ARTISTIC FORMS = AB STRUSE, New York, N. Y.

104. I'M A KID, CAN ABORT
WW-THREE GERMS (*7 *9 2 *3 *5)
=SPHINX, Fairfield, Conn.

105. FINE L.H.! AN EPIC PIANO SOLO, THAT! (3 *6 *9 2 *1-*4) =ULK, Enid, Okla.

ANTIGRAMS

106. BELGIAN (*) =PLANTON, New York, N. Y.

107. STAR, NAE (*) =DEE SWEET, Kendall Park, N. J.

108. I CAN AGE OR NOT =Q. GAW, Cincinnati, Ohio

109. PS: I'M NO HATER = CORN COB, Raleigh, N. C.

FORMS

2. DOUBLE SQUARE
ACROSS: 1. Protagonist. 2. Beehive State. 3. Pearl of the Pacific. 4. Grain husks (Brit.).
DOWN: 1. Crowds. 2. Toilet case.
3. Electric catfish. 4. Electrical units.
=FANACRO, St. Louis, Mo.

3. SQUARE
1. Abrades. 2. ||. 3. Reagent. 4. Simple sponge genus. 5. Cements. 6. ?. 7. D. Bib. name (p. 2217). =ELF, Flemington, N. J.

4. DIAMOND
1. 1000. 2. Great deal. 3. One who transfers. 4. Unbranded, as supermarket goods (not NI usage).
5. Nightline's Koppel, e.g. 6. Scolded. 7. Events. 8. Oil source.
9. 18th in order.
=NONPLUS, Canon City, Colo.

=MERLIN, Bismarck, N. D.

THE ENIGMA

6. PYRAMID ACROSS: 1. Roman 400. 2. Feline. 3. Typical genus of titmice. 4. Stuck in the mud. 5. Things that change. 6 & 7. An NPL couple. DOWN: 1. Roman 500. 2. Sweetheart (Scot.). 3. Hebrew letter. 4. Beat or thump. 5. Danger. 6. Spanish shirt. 7. Ones ostracized. 8. Edifice over Moslem tomb. 9. Cell*#. 10. Valley. 11. Self (Scot.). 12. Concerning. 13. Roman 80. = ALF, Medford, Mass.

7. INVERTED PYRAMID
ACROSS: 2. Stooges, e.g. 3. Tanner. 4. State. 5. Grassland. 6. 500.
DOWN: 1. 100. 2. Cinematic alien (not NI). 3. Certain batters (not NI). 4. Plant family. 5. Nephritic. 6. Trusted. 7. Yoga posture. 8. Fleshy fruit. 9. Fiend. 10. Letter. 11. S. =Mp, 1 Across, Iowa

X-4. ANAQUOTE (2 4 4 8 4 1 6 9 5 5 2 4 2 1 4 9. *5) (one word = NI3+)

ASA ASF AST CHL EAD EEQ ELM EMA EMI ESC HAV HLE ILL ITY LES LRA MAL MEY MIE NAF OVE SAH UAL WEW WHE

=JUNIOR, Mill Valley, Cal.

X-5. ANAQUOTE (1 3 7 1 3 8, 12, 3 2 4 6 5 5 6 5 4. *1. *8)

ACH ADO BEF BOY CEA ELI ERS ESA ETI EVE FID GTE HRE LEY LYI MES NCH NDT NDT NGD ORE OTU OWN RAN RBE RNA ROU TYP

=VIRGINIA, Upland, Cal.

MAY SOLVERS

The May Enigma had 100 flats, 4 forms, 7 crypts, and 6 extras; 66 solution lists were received. ANEMONE and NIGHTOWL/HAP had completes.

Accepted: #1--SCARPERS (5) (NI3+); #21--T/P-HRENETIC (5); #41--GALLIC (4), GAULIC; #46--SIMPLE/MESPIL (NI2); #55--CHINO/HOOCHINOO (8); #66--SNAKE/SNEAK; all spellings of HAAGEN-DAZS for #16.

Not accepted: #13--OCTODECIL-LION (13) (wrong enum.); DECEM-SEPTILLION and SEPTEMDECILLION (2)(wrong enum. and not NI); #27--FILLET (2)(not a kind of fish); #46--SAMPLE/MAPLES (13) (SAMPLE poor in context; one might live in a model house, but not a sample), SACRED/CEDARS (2)(poor in context); #78--POPPIN JAYS (5) (not NI; POPINJAYS wrong enum. and wouldn't fit rubric); #92--EP-STEIN, KIRSTEIN, EN for MS., no MS. (wrong letters).

Note: We accept alternate sols that don't fit the printed tagging (or lack thereof) ONLY if the sols are otherwise acceptable—enumeration, meaning, context, etc. The tags should alert solvers to check sols carefully for conformation to tagging OR to make doubly sure their alternates are otherwise totally suitable in context.

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ABACUS 22-0-0-0; ACORN 60-1-3 -*: AJAX 20-0-0-0: AJDE 18-0-1-5: AMOR 18-1-1-0: ANN DHOW & MY MY 59-3-3-*; ARACHNE 81-*-6-*; AVI-DAN 93-2-3-*: BAMBAM 12-0-1-3: BEEZ 17-0-0-0; BERYL 0-0-*-0; BLACKSTONE 92-2-*-*; CERES 93-3-0-*: CORN COB 40-1-1-5: DADA 48-*-*-*; DEE SWEET 47-0-1-5; DIK-DIK 30-0-0-0; EBEAM 60-2-0-5; (L) ELF 70-3-1-*: ELGAR 84-*-1-*: EL-SPETH 62-0-0-5; (L)EN 52-2-5-*; ERGO 42-0-2-5; FARO 90-0-0-*; FIDDLE 7-0-1-0: FOMALHAUT 46-0-1 -*; GADJET 58-3-1-5; GECKO 88-3-1-*; GEORGE GROTH & AI 95-3-*-*; GNOME & GRINCH 94-2-4-*; GRAYDOL 85-*-3-*; HART KING: 67-3-2-*; HONEYDEW 58-2-1-*; IFANDOR 51-0-1-*; IXAXAR 48-2-2-4; JERG 76-0-0-0; KELLY 40-0-0-0; LARRY 55-1-3-*; LIBRA 45-1-1-*; LOLITA 96-2 -5-5; LOULI 48-1-0-3; MERCURY 94
-3-5-*; MERLIN 99-*-0-*; MUNRO &
QUIP 94-*-2-*; NEWROW 87-*-2-*;
NOHOLDS BARD 47-0-1-5; OAK 56-20-*; PEN GWYN 70-2-3-*; POOKY 52
-0-0-0; ROY 28-0-1-*; RUTHLESS
86-3-5-*; SIBYL 92-*-5-*; SQUIRREL 97-3-*-*; STITCH 53-1-1-5;
THE POO & TEN-FOUR 17-0-2-5; TREESONG 97-*-5-*; TWISTO 89-*-0-*;
TYRO 8-*--*; VIRGINIA 25-0-0-5;
VISITOR 99-3-*-*; WINDJAMMER 882-6-*; WINDRIFT 98-*--*; WOODIE
90-21-*: WREN 64-3-1-*.

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THIS AND THAT

HAP thinks that July crypt #4 should have IONW, not IONZ; I'm not so sure.***To solve #11, this issue, you'll need a word that is + in NI2 and one that's NI2 usage.

MOUNTAIN MAMA sent a picture postcard of Winchester Cathedral; she was having a lovely tour of England till a lorry hit her car. But she adds that she's had wonderful care in the Salisbury Hospital, will soon resume her travels. Fast recovery, Mama, and keep to the left!

Latest from FIDDLE: he should be out of the hospital and back in St. Pete by the time you're reading this. Can't keep a good man down!

JUNE SOLUTIONS

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1. Merlin, Fieldstone, Strip, Meo, Wim, The Poo, Red Rover. 2. Nakasone, knock a Sony. 3. Thre/o-at. 4. More often than not. 5. Skiddoo, 6. ANima, TIFfin, OGle. MATch. ICon. 7. Ours is a cut above the others. 8. Subdeb. bedbug. 9. Dread-locks. 9A. P/R-asta. 10. Crambe repetita (cram B ere petit A). 11. Boating, tobogganing. 12. Boo-kish. 13. Migraine. 14. A side of onion rings. 15. Ketene, katana. 16. Bashore. 17. Parries, rapiers. 18. Addison and Steele (add Is on and steal E). 19. Socks stink, stocks sink. 20. Pari-s/a-h. 21. AManita, BERber, CLEARcole, 22. Cursory, 23. Bering Strait, bearing straight. 24. Palindromes. 25. Nothing in excess. 26. Tsetse. 27. Singapore. opera singer, passenger pigeons. 28. Points of view (points (of the compass) of the word "view"). 29. Optometric, competitor. 30. Appetite, apatite. 31. Do-a/uble. 32. Wind/ow c/row. 33. Is not backward. 34. Diasakid. 35. Tre/i-ed. 36. Math and forms. 37. Horsewhip, whoreship. 38. Serves. 39. Fascinated. 40. PARget, OXime, YTtrium, ONEiric. 41. Tenons. 42. S-witch-ing. 43. Broo, brew. 44. Hollandaise, holidays. 45. Killer. 46. Allegiant. 47. Burble. 48. Gale-I-form. 49. Bank swallows. 50. Son won kayak. 51. Misthread, hard times. 52. Butter, turbot. 53. Obverse, verbose. 54. Fast friends. 55. Partner. 56. Coruscated; cat. use. cord. 57. Teledu. 58. Greasepaint. pageantries, 59. Excitation, 60. Fingerp-a/r-ints. 61. Alabaster. 62. Cubeb. 63. React, et cetera. 64. Frisbees. 65. Hart, sole. 66. Subtraction. 67. Erasmus. 68. Purity rubric. 69. Platy. 70. Love Letters in the Sand. 71. Aspen tree. 72. Plus fours. 73. Adores, addressor, roses are red, soredreaded. 74. Stirrups. 75. Hectare, cheater, teacher, the acre. 76. Money. 77. Buff a love token. 78. Netherlands. 79. Callus. 80. Perforate. 81. Brothe-r/1. 82. Track of all jades, jack of all trades. 83. Shrill call to quarters. 84. Mili-t-ary, mil-1-iary. 85. Plunker. 86. Ophiophilist. 87. Postponed. 88. Sauter, austerest, treasures, sussurates, restaurateurs, 89. G/d-hoti, 90.

Woody Allen's The Purple Rose of Cairo, 91. The lame-brain, 92. The Middle Ages. 93. The League of Women Voters. 94. Solar system. 95. The redfins. 96. Fidel Castro. 97. The Veterans Administration Medical Center, 98, All hope abandon, ye who enter here. 99. The mobile army surgical hospital. 100. Reagan visits Bitburg cemetery. 101. Sealion. 102. Obscenities. 103. A lame-brain. X-1. FIvee, REdots, TRiodines, Apposers. X-2. The father should hasten to meet the child as soon as possible after its second birthday. Ernest Hemingway. X-3. Be not the first by whom the new are tried, nor yet the last to lay the old aside. Alexander Pope. Clockmaker, Erewhonian, cloudburst, strategian. X-5. The most dangerous thing in the world is to leap a chasm in two jumps. David George. X-6. The only nice thing about being imperfect is the joy it brings to others, X-7. Magazine, marzipan, aneurysm, nepotism.

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2. Fat fascinates. RABBIT, Islamabad, Pakistan

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3. Short winter. VISITOR, Kailua, Hawaii

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4. Unwelcome shower.

HAP. Rochester. N. Y.

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5. Outdoor fun.

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ALF, Medford, Mass.

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WINDJAMMER, Chicago, Ill. 6. Time to move on.

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7. High and low. WINDRIFT, Honolulu, Hawaii CJNPBLFH CYJMLSHB, BHGDCLKO RJCFHB-LXPW QPCF ZLGH QLXPJDKH PWLUVKJ QPJUHKF, GWHZ FVZPBM XPWJQCV XVDKF-