TWENTY-TWENTY VISION   Susan Thorpe

small-shot-gun-runner-bean-stick-seed-store-house-coat-bridge-club-hand-saw-set-about-face-north-park-street-walk-able (22)

Of course, there are shorter ways of getting from SMALL to MAN or SMALL to ABLE. The longest irreducible path (19) appears to be brass-monkey-vine-growing-soft-fruit-spot-light-trap-ball-rose-wall-paper-hat-red-rock-fire-dust-man. In the terminology of directed networks, this one is highly fragmented, consisting mostly of starters (spring, quarter, shoe, ...) and enders (string, wort, flower, ...) connected by short strings of intermediates. Some intermediates form rings, such as -ball-fly-grap-rose- or -wall-paper-hat-red-rock-fire-ball-rose-, but most intermediates cannot be returned to.

WEST INDIES CRUISE   William Webster

The dramatics personae are Art (Artie, Arty), Andrew (Andy), Arline, Brian, Debra, Earl, Ernest (Ernie), Keith, and Teresa. Here is a selection of longer anagrams used in the story:

ABHORED (error) harbored, ADHERED redhead, ALTERED related, ALERTING relating, AMERED creamed, ANCONES sonance, ANTISAG against, ARIDNESS sardines, ASPERATE separate, ATROPISM pastromi, AVARICE caviare

BARGAINED gabardine, BEEZERS breezes, BENEANS or BENAMES base-men, BESTROWN brownest, BICOLOR broccoli, BLOUSED doubles, BOARDED roadbed, BOWELING elbowing, BREADED bearded, BRIDALLY ribaldly, BROADSIDE sideboard, BUNCOING bouncing

CALUMETS muscatel, CAMBERING embracing, CANEPHONE chaperone, CANNINGS scanning, CARGOES corsage, CARKING racking, CARNIES arsenic, CELLARING recalling, CENTARES reascent, CERATIN certain, CHIVAREE achiever, CITEABLE celibate, COMPADRE compared, CONKED ondeck, CORSETING escorting, CREATED reacted, CREDITED directed, CUPRITE picture, CUSPATE teacups

DEADENER endeared, DECIMATE medicate, DEFLATER faltered, DELETES steeld, DELIMIT Limited, DEMONIAC comedian, DEPARTEE repeated, DEPOLISH polished, DEPRIVE predive, DESSELECT selected, DETAINS instead, DHURRIE hurried, DITTIANCES daintiest, DOTTIER Detroit, DOWNCOME comedown, DRAWDOWN downward, DRAINAGE gardenia, DURMAST mustard

EARTHINESS heartiness, EATING teasing, FATINGS seating, EDUCATION cautioned, ELECTIONS selection, EMPIRICS misprice, ENERGID reigned,
ENGRAILED Geraldine, ENRAGING angering, EPHEDRAS reshaped, ERGASTIC cigarettes, ETAMINE matinee

FAITHLESS flashiest, FERRITIC terrific, FURRED refried, FINDERS friends, FLESHER herself, FLUSTER restful, FORMALIN informal, FRACTED crafted, FRESHETS freshest, FROWARD forward

GALENIATE gelatine, GALLUSES seagulls, GILLNET telling, GIRDLED griddle, GIRLING ringing, GNOYONIC oncoming, GRAUPELS earplugs, GRUNGEST gesturing, GUIDONS dousing, GUNSHIP pushing

HALLOWS shallow, HANDOUTS thousand, HANGINGS gnashing, HIRSELING relishing, HOMEIEST lithesome, HOTTING tonight, HUSTLING sunlight

IDOLATER tailored, IMAGINER migraine, IMPOSER promise, INDICATORY dictionary, INGROWTH throwing, INITIATED dietitian, INSECTAN instance, INTEGRAL relating

KNITTERS trinkets

LAIRING railing, LARCHES Charles, LARDING darling, LASTING salting, LEADING aligned, LICKSPIT lipstick, LIGHTED delight, LITTORAL tortilla, LOANERS Orleans, LOOKOVERS overlooks

MARACAS mascara, MARCHese cashmere, MARGENTS garments, MEGASSHE message, MIGRANTS smarting, MINDERS reminds, MISINTER minister, MISSHAPE emphasis, MISTUNE minutes, MOCKWORT tomorrow, MURAL larum

NARCOTISM romancist, NILGAIS sailing, NOGGING gonging, NOMINATES Minnesota, NOTICES section, NUCLIDES includes

OUTMANS amounts, OUTREAD readout, OVERTOPS stopover

PAMPSTER remapped, PARETICS practice, PARLEYED replayed, PARSLY players, PERIDOTS riposted, PERILED replied, PERSISTENT prettiness, PHENOLIC pinhole, PIECRUST pictures, PICRATES practise, PLATANES pleasant, PLAYERS parsley, PLENTYIS lipness, POOLING looping, PORTED reported, PRATING parting, PREDATED departed, PRETORS reports, PROSELYTE polyester, PROTEIDS riposted, PSALMED sampled, PUNGED plunged, PUNTERS punster

QUAESTOR equator's, QUESTER request

RASPIEST pastries, RASPINGLY sparingly, REALIGNED Geraldine, RETIFIED certified, RECLEAN cleaner, RECOUNTED countered, RECURAL secular, REDUCTION introduce, RELATING saluting, REFRESH fresher, REHINGES greenish, RELATING altering, RELIGHT lighter, RELOANS Orleans, REPLAYS players, RESAILED realised, RESIDING desiring, ROUTING touring, RUFIAN funfair

SALLYING signally, SAUCIEST suitcase, SAVIOUR various, SCENAS Cessna, SCENTED descent, SCRIVEF service, ScURRIES cruisers, SECURED escorted, Selenic silence, SEPALED pleased, SERAPHIC parchesi, SERDABS brassed, SERPENTED presented, SHEERING greenish, SHITTIER thirties, SIDEBARS seabirds, SIMPLEST misspelt, SLASHING hassling, SLATERS satchels, SMILING sliming, SNOOPLING spooning, SOCAGER cargoes, SOOTHING shooting, SPEALAN seaplane, SPIRALED parselled, SPIRITED riptides, SPURNERS pressrun, STAGGER gagster, STAINLESS saltiness, STATESIDE steadfast, STRAWED steward, STRONGYL strongly, SWEEPING weeping

TANGERINE Argentine, TANGLIER relating, TEDIOS outside, TELERAN eternal, TENTATIVE attentive, TESTAMENT statement, TETRADS started, THICKEN kitchen, TILINGS listing, TINSELLY silently, TRAPISES pastries,
TRAPPEAN apparent, TREADLE related, TRESTLE letters, TRIANGLE relating, TRIGONS sorting
UMBELLAR umbrella, UNCLOSE counsel, UNERASED undersea, UNNOTICED continued, UNSLICED includes, URANYLIC culinary
VAHINES evanish, VEALING leaving, VESTRAL travels, VERSATILE relatives, VESPINE pensive, VIRGINAL rivaling, VOMITED motived
WAISTER or WAREIST waiters, WARDING drawing, WHOEVER however, WORDIER worried, WORMROOT tomorrow

KICKSHAWS  Dave Morice

Roman Numerology MIX = 1009
Cryptograms and Wordsmith's Riddles 1. I shall return 2. It's the economy, stupid 3. gar

BANANAGRAMS 4  Edmund Conti
ti it, bard drab, lisp lips, Dei die, Evian naive, Dennis sinned, underdog grounded, ethics itches, wives views, header adhere

SCRUBWOMAN EDITH MEETS W.R. HAMILTON  Chen, Farrell, Rodgers
wed cwm cup bop BVD viz zag fog fly luk kan nth try Mrs six hex (wed) cup cwm Mrs six hex nth try fly fog bop BVD viz zag kan luk (cwm) bop cup luk fly try Mrs six viz BVD wed hex nth kan zag fog (cup) Mrs cwm wed hex nth try fly luk kan zag fog bop BVD viz six (bop) viz BVD wed hex six Mrs cwm cup luk kan nth try fly fog zag (BVD) cup bop fog fly try nth hex wed cwm Mrs six viz zag kan luk (Mrs) wed cwm cup luk kan zag viz six hex nth try fly fog bop BVD (six) cwm Mrs try fly luk kan nth hex wed BVD viz zag fog bop cup (hex) kan nth try fly fog zag viz six Mrs cwm wed BVD bop cup luk (nth) fly try Mrs cwm cup luk kan zag viz six hex wed BVD bop fog (try) hex nth kan zag viz six Mrs cwm cup luk fly fog bop BVD wed (fly) nth try Mrs six viz BVD bop fog kan luk cup cwm wed hex (luk) zag kan nth hex wed cwm cup bop BVD viz six Mrs try fly fog (kan) cup luk fly try nth hex wed BVD bop fog zag viz six Mrs cwm (zag) fly fog bop cup luk kan nth hex six viz BVD wed cwm Mrs try (fog) viz zag kan luk fly try nth hex wed BVD bop cup cwm Mrs six (viz) fog zag kan luk cup bop BVD wed cwm Mrs six hex nth try fly

AND SOUND AS SWEET BY ANY OTHER NAME?  Cantrell, Chism
1 Bill, 2 Doug, 3 Linda, 4 Harry, 5 Bud, 6 Drew, 7 Joe, 8 Gary, 9 Mike, 10 Perry, 11 Rod, 12 Phillip, 13 Vince, 14 Mary, 15 Holly, 16 Sue, 17 Buffy, 18 Sonny, 19 Jack, 20 Van, 21 Adam, 22 John, 23 Will, 24 Ray, 25 Mo, 26 Tom Collins, 27 Justin Casey