A WORD ROOT QUIZ  Lee A. Gilman

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X-Quiz It:  1. xanthophyll 2. xenophobic 3. xebec 4. xiphoid
5. xeme 6. xylite 7. xenogamy 8. xoanon 9. Xantippe
10. xylography 11. xerasia 12. xyster 13. xerophyte
14. xenolith 15. xesturgy 16. xanthin 17. xenon
18. xiphisternum 19. xystus 20. xenia

A Geography Quiz: Each town name combined with its state is an isogram, or non-pattern phrase; there are no repeated letters. There are no towns in Vermont in the Zip Code Directory which are isograms and which have no letters in common with Vermont. If Zip Code abbreviations are used instead of full state names, the longest known example is South Cambridge NY with sixteen different letters.

An Unusual Crossword: The vertical words are one, eme, nub, mir, row, hep, pho, ora, err, ism, eau, unc, tom, pal, top, gig, vie, tec, nay, gel, sly and isy, leading to the horizontal words omnirepresentativeness and neuropharmacologically.

NAMES IN THEATER SLANG  L. R. N. Ashley
1. Charles James Fox = Theatre box (in rhyming slang) 2. The Bard (of Avon) is Shakespeare 3. Crisscrossed lines in a "character" make-up suggest the train lines at Clapham Junction 4. John Audley gave his name to any abruptly ended performance 5. Walter Plinge is the British equivalent of the U.S. George Spelvin, the actor who appears under a false program listing 6. Joey is a clown, recalling Joseph Grimaldi 7. The villain of melodrama 8. Fake rustic accent for general comic use, after an imaginary country 9. Rows of upholstered empty seats you play to, a house not papered well 10. Leading actor, star, after the Roman actor 11. "Transpontine" melodrama as presented across the river from London, in Surrey 12. Ham actor, after a character in Dickens (ham, of course, is from "Hamlet") 13. A gag was a portable theatre at fairs; Gaff Street is Shaftesbury Avenue, the heart of the theatre district 14. West End (in London) is the big time; the rest is The Fringe or The Provinces I'd grandly 16. and means a given on press programs for Henrik Ibsen stuffy rooms the French thing 20. The first in the cold by ested in actre no actress no cast (in LP re as Peter Pan) 26. A face pow in general (sl) 28. A 'reebie the playing ca West shows) (maillots are lished by Samu brought "Uncl for the stage d 33. Act like pe 34. The clean 35. The New Y duced 36. Any 38. WesternA to aspiring sta 40. An} way, after a m
12. h, ephedrine

There are no isograms and lip Code abbreviations known except those.

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Provinces 15. Larry means to act like Larry (Lord Olivier), rather grandly 16. Wilkie Bard was an actor; his name rhymes with "Card" and means a free pass to a performance, a comp(lementary ticket) given on presentation of a union card 17. The recurrent name in melliler programs for the lead's foil or confidant 18. A depressing play, after Henrik Ibsen (his plays, said Walter Kerr, throw open the windows of stuffy rooms -- and everybody catches pneumonia and dies) 19. From the French theatre of that name which specialized in gore and horror 20. The first in line for the cheapest seats or standing room (sustained in the cold by gin) 21. Often Stagedoor Johnny, a man about town interested in actresses or chorines 22. Walter Plinge again (there's a porno actress now called Georgina Spelvin) 23. Big time, as in Broadway cast (in LP records), etc. 24. A machine for flying a character (such as Peter Pan) 25. Dazzling spotlight, after the inventor's name 26. A face powder color, after the great French actress 27. Make-up in general (slip) after one prominent manufacturer (Leichner is another) 28. A freebie or comp (they used to be punched and therefore resembled the playing cards Annie Oakley shot holes in, back in the days of Wild West shows) 29. Named after the acrobat who wore them in France (maillots are similarly named) 30. Cheap acting edition, such as published by Samuel French 31. Traveling company, such as the ones that brought "Uncle Tom's Cabin" to tank towns, etc. 32. Traditional name for the stage door doorman, whatever his age (usually advanced) 33. Act like people (or stars and starlets, at least) in Tinseltown 34. The cleaned-up version of a burlesque show (Boston was uptight) 35. The New York (Seventh Avenue) music biz and the product it produced 36. Any place but New York 37. A frog or contortionist 38. Western Association of Moving Picture Advertising men gave a name to aspiring starlets in the early movies 39. Very good indeed, as in jazz music 40. Anything over-produced or staged in a camp or extravagant way, after a movie musical choreographer