

## ANSWERS AND SOLUTIONS

## AN INTERLACED CHARADE R. Robinson Rowe

The answer to the puzzle is FIRESTONE. The component words, with occasional comment added, are as follows: 1. I 2. O 3. RE (but not do, mi, fa, la or ti) 4. TO (but not at, in, on, up, etc.) 5. ON (the first fair clue, as 6-7-8 must be either ton or ato) 6. NO (this leaves 6-7-8 as ton, for ato would require 8-7 to be ot) 7. IF (a cinch for Kipling addicts) 8. FIR (a cinch for botanists) 9. IRE (even if fir had been guessed, this might be ire or irk) 10. RES (a cinch for lawyers -- hence some might now have FIRESTON- and the answer) 11. TON (confirming step 6) 12. ONE (but not two or six) 13. NOT (this word was given in disguise -- some might guess ten) 14. RIF (a Berber of El Rif in Morocco, often in the news) 15. FIRE (the ancient Greek elements were earth, water, air and fire) 16. IRES (anger is one cause of high blood pressure) 17. REST (is often prescribed for it) 18. TONE (will probably just confirm step 12) 19. FIRES (of Hell, with Dante) 20. STONE (in England, 14 pounds; 8 stone = 1 cwt; 20 cwt = 1 ton) 21. SERIF (also at bottom of some letters) 22. pyrite, flint or chert was used by primitive man to strike sparks for fire 23. pyrite is from pyr, meaning fire, and ite, a suffix for mineralized stones 24. best-known today as an automobile tire company 25. one of the best-known arterial roads in Los Angeles, it goes to Disneyland 26. the Edison-Ford-Firestone close friendship was well-known 27. his first name was Harvey.

## A CLUELESS CROSSWORD Darryl Francis

P	I	O	B	A	I	R	E	A	C	H	D	A			
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## KICKSHAWS David L. Silverman

Isomorphs: rapparee, reappear; gonococic

A Quiz of a Quiz: 1. permutation 2. synonym 3. cognate 4. antonym  
5. plural 6. rhyme 7. suffix 8. type 9. meaning 10. inflection  
11. initial 12. gender 13. pleonasm 14. derivative 15. half

Minicrypt: Cassandras are seeresses.

Reddick's Triumph: Woman here has given birth to sextuplets.

Heads 'n Tails Quiz: 1. tent 2. psi 3. dog, rip 4. crib 5. eland  
6. lob, rat, row 7. rate 8. gale 9. cent 10. ale 11. able, erne  
12. men

## CURIOUS MONIKERS Leonard R. N. Ashley

1. John Calvin 2. Leo Tolstoi 3. Elizabeth Schwarzkopf 4. Frederick Barbarossa 5. William Buckley 6. Hannibal 7. Cicero 8. Plato 9. Richard Burton 10. Caleb Williams 11. Niccolo Machiavelli 12. Christopher Columbus 13. Geoffrey Chaucer 14. Johann Sebastian Bach 15. Robert Kennedy 16. Algernon Swinburne 17. Napoleon Buonaparte 18. Guiseppi Monteverdi 19. Torquato Tasso 20. Gladys Cooper 21. Frederic Smetana 22. Franz Lizst 23. Desiderius Erasmus 24. Bella Abzug 25. Matthew Arnold