Of all crossword puzzles, I find the charade crossword the most enjoyable. In this type of crossword, the clues do not directly define the word to be found. The word is buried as a charade in a sentence; for example, the word outing is contained in the seventh, eighth and ninth words of the sentence "It costs money to keep a runabout in gas, every young man soon learns." If this sentence were presented as the clue, the solution would be relatively simple. Instead, the word is removed from the sentence, and a new clue sentence (or set of sentences) is formed using the remaining letters in the same order: for example, "It costs money to keep a run, a base very young man soon learns (6)." The integer at the end of the sentence indicates the number of letters removed. The reader now has the much more challenging task of deducing the word from its absence instead of its presence. The more normal-sounding the new sequence, the more difficult the solution.

Proper construction requires that the word to be determined by the reader must fit inside a word of the clue, not between two words. Also, it is desirable that the word be a true charade in the original sentence, that is, tied at each end. Thus, the out of outing becomes a part of the word runabout, and the g becomes a part of gas. Naturally, these requirements add to the difficulty of construction.

In the puzzle presented below, there are two proper names, one French loanword, one Italian loanword, and two less-than-common words. Of these, one is a bird and the other is an East Indian.

The answer to the puzzle given on the following two facing pages can be found in Answers and Solutions at the end of this issue. All answers are given in original puzzle-clue form and the expanded form that results when the answer word is inserted in the proper place.
ACROSS

3. On arisen earth at beach where topless lasses vary for vantage points (10)
9. The museum’s historical exhibit feature: direst orations (6)
10. "I do have my failings," said the priest, "but save too for the rest I’m able, gentlemen." (5)
12. The negotiators left, having G.I. venoms for the cease fire (5)
13. Paul merger man actor, was equally at home in French roles (7)
15. The board replaced the weak kit or a weasel in gold fool (6)
17. In the secluded monastery the monks are resentful if any manifestation of the jar sit sun wanted head (7)
19. Our friends’ restaurant bill was steep due to that in globs terse vend inner sin a row (4)
20. Cruise ship sat animal though adequate lighting (8)
22. To adorn your aft it chasm all head piece to cover the center (8)
24. A sloop will never beat a cat a man ahead to he a den counter (4)
25. The proud major do mow, ill – flu – shade event he’s lightest criticism (7)
30. While shopping in the Japanese fruit stalls among nuts like betel and are cashew assure tops and other exotic produce (6)
31. They found threatening flyers stating all traitors in theatre wed on the ground (7)
32. I was told to put these bracelets on the love seat, but do not know on which so fat hogs belong (5)
33. Some of the greatest singers had such good breath control that to the mandolin ever seemed a problem (5)
34. He found the telescope broken but its use full of type desire (6)
35. In summer the siblings wore matching shorts and in war, muffs (10)

DOWN

1. The rivals duelled but after that shortened in friendly fashion (11)
2. What is pen ton at rip top or tug all as twig in all yearned during the previous summer (8)
3. During the debate some delegates jeered party members who sec and it rode out (5)
4. The bras hit a liana, burned the taunts of the disrespectful Sicilian rabble (5)
5. In the crab by bad luck I had chop, I done (7)
6. One may be shocked by nordic infidelity if yielding to the schism is taken for a tropical failing (4)
7. One used to taking pictures of people will find film in gel and so ran to me what more difficult (6)
8. The climb hill (4)
11. When the rival was visited was vit (7)
14. True to a sty a sty (4)
16. Shep or E (8)
18. The fans (7)
21. The toxicity (7)
23. The choir (7)
26. He was once (5)
27. As native are ne (5)
28. Columbus (4)
29. Since you (5)
8. The climber stumbled and fell as his beloved called down the hill (4)
11. When the hero of the Roman cellist supreme knew that, this was vital to the plot (11)
14. True to a vow to maintain high standard, Swedish all own own a sty and junky entries in the art show (7)
16. Shep or Ed overwork, son the Moslem had janitor. I also fall, kind son. This pilgrim age (7)
18. The fans in the box in gale with the pugilists (8)
21. The toxophilite examined all oft hear row. She sing anew, bow (7)
23. The choir director conducted there. Cent lyre writhe. Matthew ell at tended church service (8)
26. He was only a spectator at the yacht race, no to new howling (5)
27. As native salts a real limit, her chemical or physical refining are necessary (5)
28. Columbus sailed west. Ward see king, fad for tune (4)
29. Since you liked the recording I regreased the tape (4)