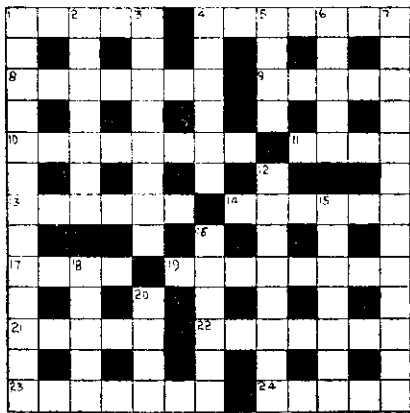


THE LISTENER CROSSWORD

(No. 239: Constructed by R.W.C.)



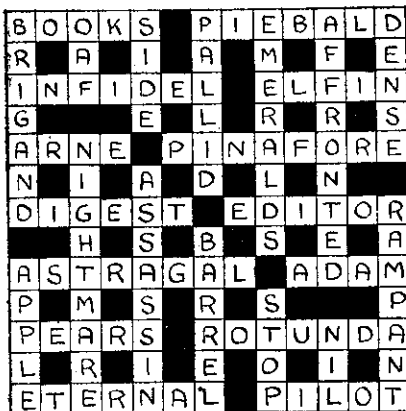
Clues Across

1. Even if you get it right it won't be.
4. She doesn't need "X" coupons, but the shortage of combs might worry her.
8. Mean, but not miserly.
9. Is it a white horse with black stripes or a black horse with white stripes?
10. It sounds a useful sort of headgear but really it's a disadvantage.
11. Soft spot for Achilles?
13. See 15 down.
14. Is this the wool Goebbels uses to pull over the citizens' eyes?
17. Behead 11 across and then multiply the result—this is fishy.
19. No housing shortage for him while there's plenty of ice.
21. The snow leopard is much weightier than he looks.
22. Permanent result of a bootmaker's tool and a mixed drink.
23. One is not much use unless, perhaps, 4 across wears it to show she's master in the house.
24. Scandinavian epics either way.

Clues Down

1. A clap of thunder, perhaps? (7, 6)
2. Here's a nice adol! a sea-nymph!
3. Pass away in the middle of a concession—this may be a bit steep.
4. Bacchante.
5. Its sound is the exact opposite of its sense.
6. Cut the ramble short in the beginning.
7. Are these the 18 down which ghosts use? (4, 9)
12. Drives back.
15. Small arctic 13 across.
16. Square hewn stone.
18. See 7 down.
20. Untidy meal?

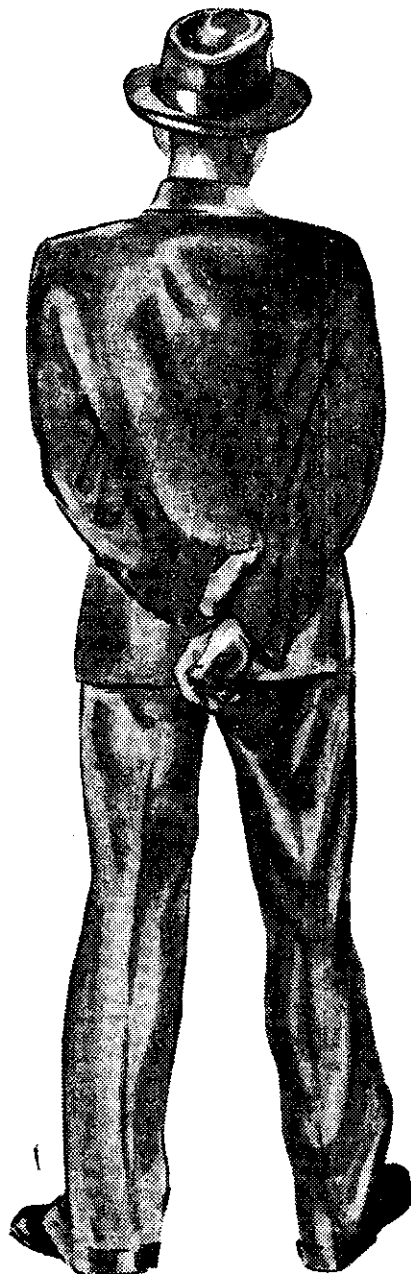
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arrived in New Zealand to spend a few months of loneliness before she began to find friends and a permanent home. She has been extremely busy for nearly two years with a daughter, Phyllis Anne; and has not yet arrived at the stage at which housework is a reflex action. But the time has come when she can plan some singing programmes again. And perhaps that is the beginning of another story.

—J.



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