

## Bloatographs

(By WHIM-WHAM)

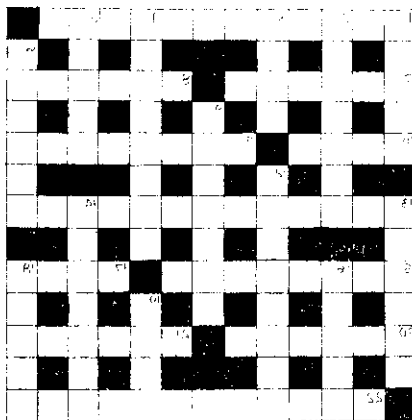
["Pictures published in London papers reveal that Hitler has changed astonishingly for the worse. He has grown fat, almost bloated, with a double chin . . . His hair appears ragged, tousled, and untidy. The eyes are also contracted and the pouches under them are swollen . . ."—Cable news item.]

**A**UTHORITIES unnamed have noted That Hitler's growing "almost bloated";

New Photographs, they tell us, show A Tyrant ripe for Overthrow—  
The Swollen Cheek, the sunken Eye,  
The famous Forelock all awry,  
Unhealthy Fat, and All the Rest,  
Proclaim that he is past his Best;  
No Man of Steel, but mortal Clay  
And therefore subject to Decay.  
The Fuehrer must be wearing out  
Because (they say) he's getting stout.  
Afflicted by a Double Chin,  
What Chance (they ask) has he to win?  
But, in the Name of Commonsense,  
How did we get this Evidence?  
I should have thought it would be hard  
To catch the Fuehrer off his Guard;  
If Somebody was so astute,  
Why should he be content to shoot  
With Camera, where Anyone  
With any Sense would use a Gun?  
And why imagine that Disease  
Will carry off our Enemies?  
If Fate or Fat assures their Fall,  
Why should we go to War at all?

## THE LISTENER CROSSWORD

(No. 126: Constructed by R.W.C.)



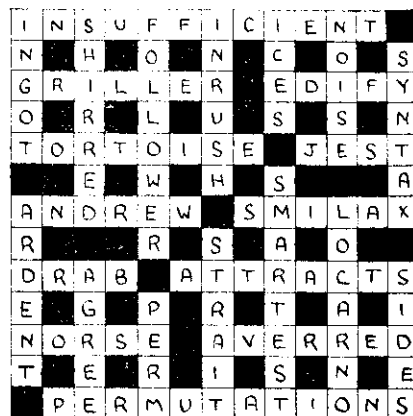
### Clues Across

1. Parson, I'm involved with I.O.U.'s—no wonder I'm stingy.
7. Parent's brothers.
8. Pride's changed into something Miss Muffet didn't like.
10. Verve.
11. Rain? damn! (anag.).
13. Er—my complaint is laudatory.
15. Contemptuous.
17. Does compose poems?
20. Just the man to compose this.
21. One cub will rebound.
22. "When you smile it's so delightful, When you talk it's so insane, But still its charming chatter,"

### Clues Down

1. To find us with an ape would probably make you do this.
2. I'm Clare (anag.).
3. Time for a piece of news.
4. Insolent.
5. Beneath.
6. Name of character who exemplifies conventional propriety.
9. Hurtful.
12. Sounding like a loud lament.
13. Random.
14. Dad and Edna make additions.
16. Eye.
18. Hinder end.
19. Crest of wave.

(Answer to No. 125)



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