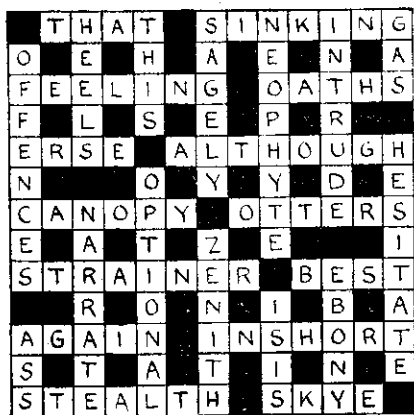


# "THE LISTENER" CROSSWORD

(Solution to No. 864)



## Clues Across

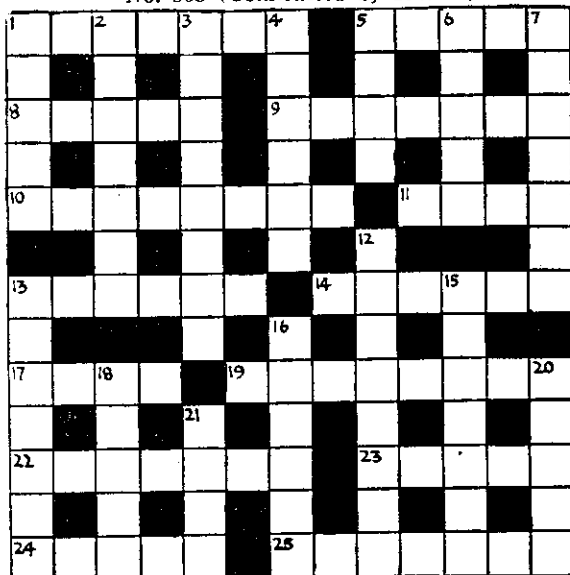
1. It's mean to affirm how old one is (7).
5. I am found in the midst of the greatest number, with rather a damp result (5).
8. There's nothing to be greedy about, so shun it (5).
9. Looking back in the depression, it's very unfriendly (7).
10. In everyday surroundings metal is arranged fastidiously (8).
11. That which results from the thaw (4).
13. Cut the grass round the public house and find a small fish (6).
14. The artist in the coffee-house provides his own water bottle (6).
17. Employed in a famous edifice (4).
19. He is hand in glove in the ring (8).
22. Worshipped palindromically (7).
23. She's rather attractive when she loses her heart (5).
24. The staggering motions of fresh water eels (5).

25. The common name of Messrs Dum and Dee (7).

## Clues Down

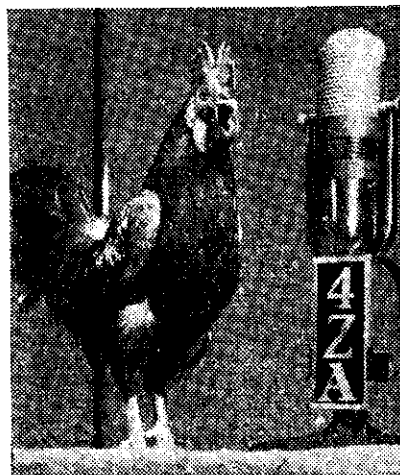
1. A draw-back? No, a prize (5).
2. Wearing away (7).
3. This is a sort of sum, and I do it the wrong way (8).
4. Apparently to breathe out was once healthy (6).
5. A large number make a request for a disguise (4).
6. Nationality of the fair Ishmaelite (5).
7. Here playtime is usually at night (7).
12. A brilliant light with which I find I can read (8).
13. Would a rude man ramble on thus? (7).
15. Die sane (anag.) (7).
16. Feeble joke said in French by a learned Hindu (6).
18. The very best of fine literature (5).
20. He met with a change of subject (5).
21. You need yours about you in an emergency (4).

No. 865 (Constructed by R.W.H.)



# COCK O' THE SOUTH!

BANTY, this week's cover bird, is a new radio personality at 4ZA, and the pride and joy of hundreds of children. Every morning at 8.10 he preens his golden feathers and with the duty announcer as interpreter talks to the many listeners who have come to look forward to his daily appearances at the



microphone. Usually he has some adventure to relate, such as spring-cleaning the studio, cooking the announcer's breakfast, or making a fool of himself at the circus. So far he has shown no desire to become a football hero, following Mooloo's example, although it is claimed that he did once attend a Rugby game where he got mixed up in the pack. A player going over the line for a try between the posts was most surprised when the "ball" suddenly flew out of his hands and perched on the crossbar. Banty's adventures all point a moral, and parents and teachers have shown their appreciation of the warnings that his experiences give to children.

Banty's fan mail averages about 50 letters a week, and he has already received among other things parcels containing wheat, bars of chocolate, and even a jar of live worms. As far as his age is concerned he is not giving even the smallest cackle, although it has been decided that his birthday fell on February 29.

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