



★ That 64 Hundred Question ★

ONCE upon a time 64 dollars was the top of the quiz-prize ladder. Now, an American quiz-show, the 64,000-dollar question, has set a new pattern. Basing his show on this, Jack Maybury is now putting the 64 Hundred Question to New Zealand contestants, for 64 hundred shillings, in a new quiz being heard from the ZBs at 7.0 p.m. on Wednesdays.

Before the questions start, Jack Maybury is helped by his attractive wife Dorothy-Jean (see left), in explaining the scheme of the show. To reach the top prize of goods worth £320, contestants answer 11 questions in all—four qualifying questions, and then a series with numbers attached and prizes to that value—100, 200, 400, 800, 1600,

3200 and 6400. The contestant may stop at any point with the prize he has already won, but if he chooses to attempt the next question, it is with the risk of losing all. Contestants are given plenty of time to make up their minds.

Listeners to this quiz show will not usually be able to feel superior to the quaking contestants by knowing all the answers. As in America, the contestants are chosen because they are experts in some field not connected with their daily work. So far Jack Maybury has quizzed an electrical linesman on horse racing and breeding, a wharf labourer on Salvation Army Bands and band music, an electrician on space travel, and a meteorological observer on archery.

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(Solution to No. 866)

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Clues Across

- Bet on a horse with inside information with caustic result (7).
- The obvious result of upsetting the pills (5).
- The colour of a loch reflecting the blue sky (5).
- Oyster with no tail re-arranged in the river (5).
- We couldn't hold up our heads without them (5).
- Enticed to a colourful end (5).
- The route of the Wedding March? (5).
- Skin blemishes turn into the proverbial essential for brick-making (5).
- The French country discharges a debt (4).
- Swap back (4).
- 19 and 25 across: If you have one, you're not quite all there (5, 5).
- A schoolboy would not appreciate this grub in his tuck-box (5).
- Nine points of the law are in his favour (5).
- See 19 across.
- Capital tune in small company (5).
- He who uses his cannot be described as open-handed (5).
- Radiance (5).

- "Just a song at twilight, when the lights are low"? (7).

Clues Down

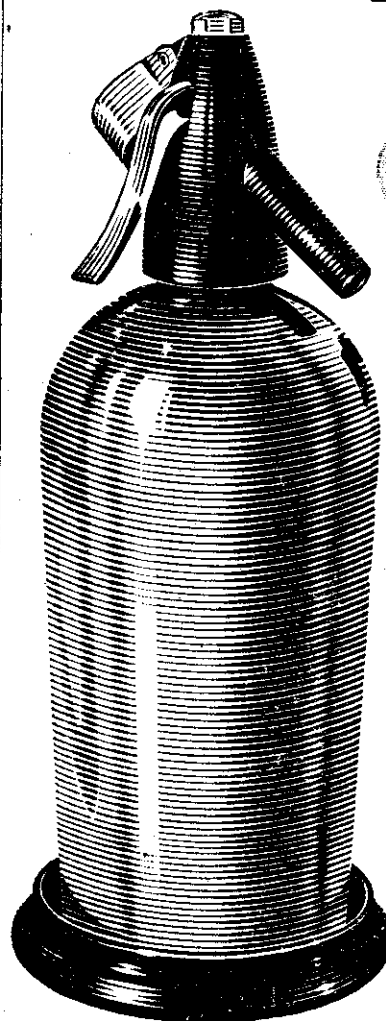
- Go in search of prey and get your bird in the end (5).
- Plenty of time! (2, 5).
- Corrects conclusions about me (6).
- Mineral found in a metal case (4).
- It certainly has its ups and downs (6).
- Is about to study images (5).
- Let's sin (anag.). (We hope no one does this to such a suggestion!) (7).
- If you had done wrong about this painful complaint, it would be noticed (3).
- "One crowded hour of glorious life Is worth an — without a name" (Scott) (3).
- An Air Force hero in slap-up surroundings? (7).
- In Asia, men are naturally confused by this (7).
- There's nothing in a reception-room to turn it into a bar! (6).
- We are involved in a foul mix-up; it's grievous! (6)
22. Produce (5).
24. Try us another way! (5).
26. It is found in a jeweller's shop a long way from the centre of London (4).

No. 867 (Constructed by R.W.H.)

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