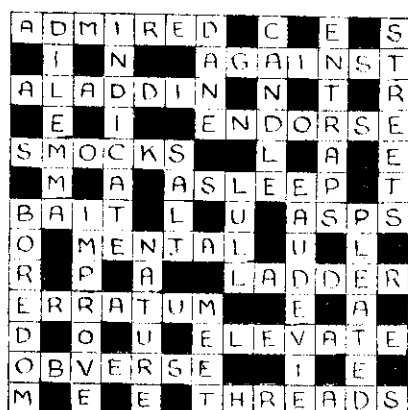


"THE LISTENER" CROSSWORD

(Solution to No. 591)



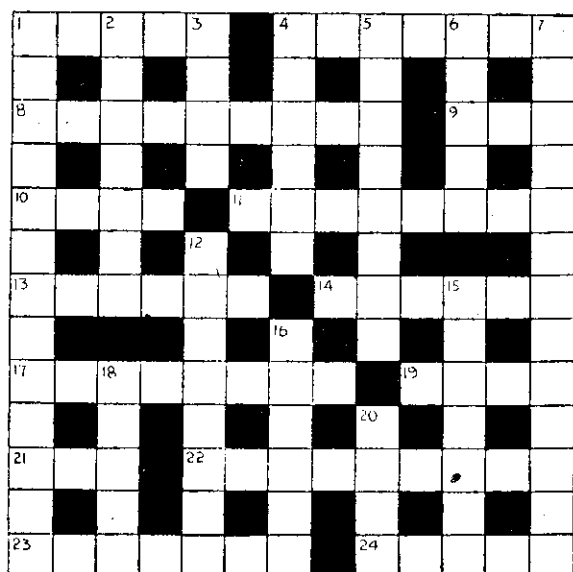
Clues Across

1. Unintentionally raved intently.
2. Mixture of gin and veal.
3. Often laid, but nothing to do with hens.
4. Nailed (anag.).
5. Something which is very hard to break (2 words).
6. Roost (anag.).
7. 'E's dreaming, Pat! (anag.).
12. Treated with 7 down.
15. Mermen, perhaps?
16. Accompany.
18. As you can see, you get oil from this fruit.
20. Found in another bit of garden.

Clues Across

1. You couldn't risk a housewarming in this one!
4. Bat, indeed!
8. Left? Certainly, it's not right!
9. Initially the author of "Treasure Island."
10. Take the leg from 2 down ... it's no use.
11. Mental derangement marked by delusions of grandeur.
13. Entertain ... even if you cut it short it's fit for a king.
14. Mama is a noxious emanation.
17. Prolong a tango with an eel?
19. Roué in the toolshed?
21. Bird.
22. Accordingly.
23. Gave way.
24. Set upon.

No. 592 (Constructed by R.W.C.)



(continued from previous page)

other hand, was one of the best seasons ever known in the Dead Heart, with an average of 10 inches of rain over all stations, and the difference in the country was amazing. ... There was fodder for millions of sheep and cattle, but hardly a beast to eat it. The following year, 1940, was again one of the worst on record, with an average rainfall of just over 2 inches at nine recording stations. ... In four cases an exceptionally good season was followed by a second, namely, in 1877, 1889, 1909, 1910. On the other hand, on four occasions, in 1885, 1917, 1920, 1939, a single good season was followed by a normal poor one, and also in four cases, 1877, 1885, 1889, and 1904, the good season was preceded by an exceptionally dry one. The only conclusion that can be drawn from the rainfall figures is that the rainfall is extremely erratic. There does not appear to be any rhythm.

In any case, rhythms can be both regular and irregular, and that is not much help to prophets. Rainfall depends, not only on the regular motions of the earth itself but on the very irregular motions of the winds that blow round the earth, and it is, I imagine, quite possible that some of the water going up from Lake Ellesmere these hot days will not fall in New Zealand again, or in the seas surrounding New Zealand, but in Peru, or Chile, or Patagonia. All I know is that my sheep drink less after a foggy night than after a clear night, but seem little affected by dew.

(To be continued)

Kindergarten of the Air

THE suggestion that neighbours could make *Kindergarten of the Air* more like a real kindergarten by taking turns in having children from two or more families in their homes for the session is made in a letter from a country listener received by Jean Combs, Supervisor of Schools Broadcasts and Children's Programmes. It is one of many suggestions Miss Combs has had, and she thinks it is a particularly good one. This listener, who describes the session as a "long waited for pleasure for the four-year-olds in the country," thinks that children who have no friends nearby or brothers or sisters would find their favourite doll a good companion when listening; and she tells how her little girl's "knitted Teddy called Percy" has to join in the session and do all the walking and clapping of hands—and is told to keep quiet and listen to the story. All the comments received by letter and phone giving children's reactions, criticisms and suggestions have been very welcome, Miss Combs says, and she hopes more parents of children who listen to the session will let her have their views.

Mrs Ellen Tuck Astor

Beautiful American Society Leader, says:

"This Pond's way of caring for my skin is a joy! It leaves my face meticulously clean, so refreshed, and brings up color in my cheeks."



Give your skin that *Glow of Beauty*

"Blush-cleanse" to-night!



1. Rouse your face with warm water. Dip deep into Pond's Cold Cream and swirl it in soft, creamy circles up over your face and throat. Tissue off.
2. Blush-rinse. Cream again with snowy soft Pond's Cold Cream. Swirl about 25 more creamy circles over your face. Tissue well.
3. Tingle your face with a splash of cold water. Blot dry.

Look at your new face now! Rosy! Sparkling clear ... with an extra soft cleanness you can feel as well as see! So every night—this complete "blush-cleansing". Every morning—for a bright-awake look—a once-over "blush-cleansing" with your Pond's. Available in large economy jars and tubes

POND'S COLD CREAM

Made in the laboratories of Industrial Chemicals (N.Z.) Ltd., Auckland, for the Pond's Extract Company Export Limited, New York

PCI-2

THE CREATIVE CRAFTSMAN—By John Farleigh, C.B.E., R.E., R.B.A. An illustrated history of the crafts from ancient to modern times - - - - - 26/3, post. 9d.

HISTORIAN'S HOLIDAY—By Arthur Bryant. One of the many advantages of growing old is that one has to have one's hair cut less frequently - - - - - 21/-, post. 9d.

DUET—By Anne Ziegler and Webster Booth. Their climb to success and fame - - - - - 15/-, post. 9d.

SOUTH'S BOOK DEPOT Ltd.

8 Willis Street, Wellington.

And at: Hastings, New Plymouth, Dunedin,
Auckland, Lower Hutt, Christchurch, Invercargill.