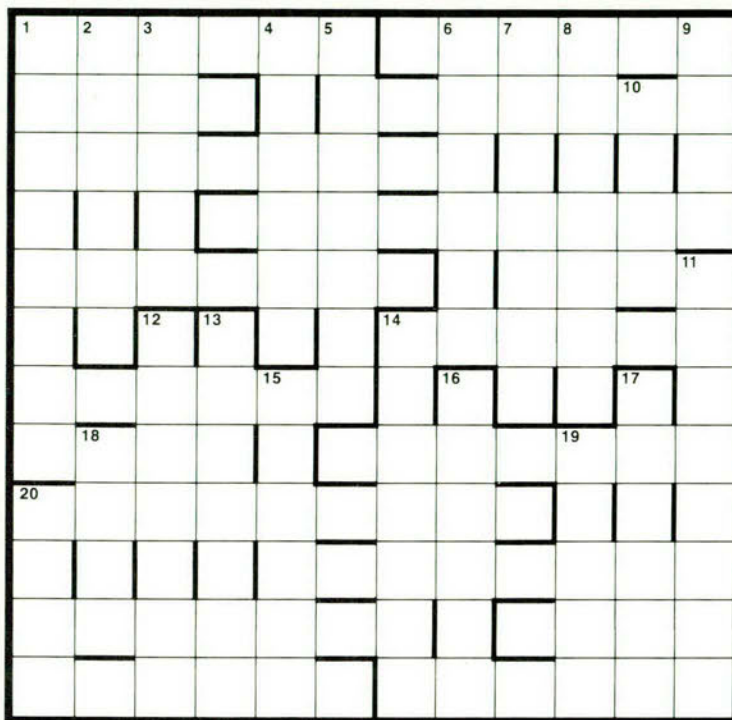


# THE PUZZLER

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## CRYPTIC MENU

The listing below, which seems to present a dinner menu (with a number of cryptic recipes) actually comprises the 18 Across clues to this puzzle. The clues are strung together in no special order; solvers may locate the answers in the diagram with the help of the Downs, which are normal. Answers include one proper noun; the first Across answer clued in the menu is a two-word phrase.



The solution to last month's Puzzler appears on page 134.

## ACROSS

### Turkey Dinner

Choice piece wrapped in nutritious grain roll with a stuffing

### Chicken-Seafood Supper

Meat-filled loaf done on a barbecue's top, with sole and shellfish

### Heavenly Stewed Prunes

A large (nine-crate) mixture with fruit tops smothered in mace seasoning

### Fish Sandwiches

uncooked, flipped with chicken article

### Spanish Hero

Tart Spanish corn pieces and asparagus pieces go together with cooked eel & rat

### Desserts

Gelled tripe from the East, brown outside, with mixed nuts, hand-shelled, placed around parsley or sage

### Iced Treat

Fruit drinks containing cored pulp, stirred

### Strudel

Flaky little piece with egg in it (top-grade)

## DOWN

1. Singers brought up one drab bag (8)
2. What spies on cult use endlessly (6)
3. With one penny, English soprano gets towels (5)
4. Have faith headed by ancient god, once in a while (6)
5. Send car off with jumpers? (7)
6. Food serving overwhelms a sense of taste (6)
7. Grammatical forms in place atop Russian range (7)
8. Soldier invades nearby—that's reasonable (7)

9. Dry borders of seashore (4)
10. Music for nine lacking ultimate zip (4)
11. Twisted pretzels with salt (but no pepper) and drinks (8)
12. Crafty person gets a red stain out (7)
13. Central government supporter failed SAT—it's true (7)
14. Wearing tails, he tries again (7)
15. Flying jet, ace has stuff thrown out (6)
16. Join the heartless cat coming back (6) (*two words*)
17. Container for suds (about a thousand) (6)
18. State greeting between two oceans (4)
19. Support victory with a shout of praise for a woman (5)
20. Republican coming in used to be fighting (4)

**NOTE:** The instructions above are for this month's puzzle only. It is assumed that you know how to decipher clues. For a complete introduction to clue-solving, send an addressed, stamped envelope to The Atlantic Puzzler, 745 Boylston Street, Boston, Mass. 02116.