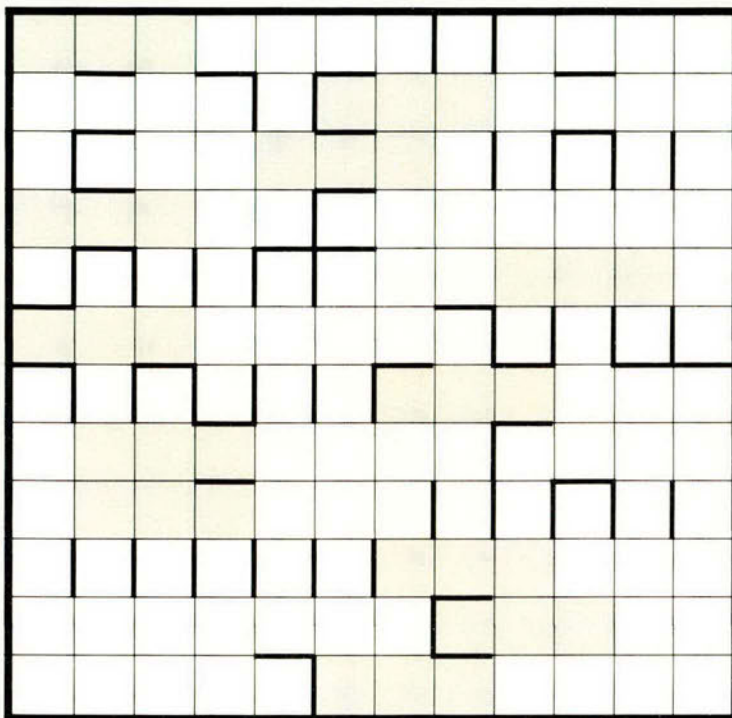


THE PUZZLER

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SEGMENTS

Clues, both Across and Down, are listed entirely randomly. Solvers must puzzle out where the answers belong in the diagram with help from the shaded Across segments, whose letters contribute, in order, to a whole. Answers include five proper nouns.



*The answers to last month's
Puzzler appear on page 111.*

CLUES

1. Shelter from cold hail (4)
2. Engulfed in rum, for instance, one gets sicker (8)
3. Grass around school has an unhappy look (4)
4. Soldier sees unlimited tribe of Indians (6)
5. Jacket has split around in back (5)
6. Germ-free space—it gets polluted (7)
7. Stranger raises hotels in Eastern countries (6)
8. Governess expected Ann back (6)
9. Actor bringing large amount of guffawing? (8)
10. Man traps auditors in vehicle (6)
11. Run into rich man's campus group (4)
12. Equine circles past low spot (5)
13. Sign for peace in Christmas book (5)
14. Footwear includes military garb (6)
15. Caller is again set up (6)
16. Get very angry, reversing about 100 laws (7)
17. Describe part of tree for audience (4)
18. Congress must come back after one to make cuts (4)
19. Teens did dances assigned in advance (8)
20. Insufficiently record Nebraska river (6)
21. Write "a" for "n" to make "garment" (5)
22. Bill Ashe, oddly, is boring (4)
23. Braces for cold rains coming up (6)
24. Company in Joe's appearing tipsily merry (6)
25. Half-sexless stripper finally performing—some nerve (6)
26. German agreement on cookware varnish (5)
27. Princess speaks about beginning of marital shocks (7)
28. Fire makes tip of cigarette more thoroughly burnt (7)
29. Audibly hot review (7)
30. Ship I set adrift in worst condition (8)
31. Offensive smell upset routine start of feast (5)
32. Important date, to patron of an art (5)
33. Justices of the Peace consuming all but the first of Christmas drinks (6)
34. One-act plays: gassy stuff? (6)
35. Cut off first of ships' passages (6)
36. Running a temperature, feel rib dislocated (7)
37. Holds tureens unstably (7)
38. Jack goes fishing and makes loud noises (7)
39. Source of fire is not as serious (7)
40. Composer's horn section mostly keeping him disheartened (6)

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, 8 Arlington Street, Boston, Mass. 02116.