# **Poetry Corner**

By Jane Penn

### "The Journey"

As I tread the aisles of my heart, Bleeding for righteousness, my path lies Straight. Though my journey through the hallowed Chambers is darkened with pitfalls of sin, Christ is my lantern of guidance. There are times in my toil when evils Lie in wait for me, like mines on a battlefield, but the word and prayer shield me. I know the daylight of my heavely home the contraction of the surrent come funded. So I must stay fast to the word, for it is My beginning and my end.

Bro. Charles Reid

#### "All N All"

You are not my all, after all.

On you, I thought the sun rose and set. Without you no way my needs could be met.

Then you walk out of the door, Of course my world would crash, With a roar.

Now I was sure the end would come, For all along I had been so dumb.

But no greater ending could ever be; I was finally introduced to me.

Betty S. Maxwell

## "Fear"

I'm by myself: It's a creature in my house. No one's with me. I'm scared as I can be.

Casaundria Penn

## "The Greatest Disappointment"

As I approached the gate, I saw the masses patiently waiting. My eyes beheld a King in raiments white as snow, Resting on his throne, in that city made of gold. There he sat, ready to judge us all.

I waited anxiously, for my name he would call. When he called me, I ran to him with a smile. He said, "Take a seat here, my precious child." He spoke of all the good deeds I'd done, He congratulated and thanked me for the race I'd run. I thought that was all, and in Heaven I'd stay, When suddenly I stood, preparing to walk away. He said, "Wait, my child, with you I'm not finished! What about that grudge you omitted to diminish? What about that time you knew things weren't being done right,

Yet you sat, refusing to stand up for me, sad and uptight? That, my child, was a sin of omission. You cannot enter, although you worked well, And were forgiven for your sins of commission. It did you no good to live your life doing good, And not visiting those sick elders as you knew you should."

I cried in a loud voice, "Oh, Lord, who me?" I could not believe with my Christ I would not be. "You mean I paid tithes, money I could have spent, And worried my friends, begging them to repent; I endured embarrassment, pain and scorn, By telling strangers again they must be born, I worked in my church with dedication and excitement, Just to get here and be told, in vain my time on earth was spent?"

Suddenly, I woke, despairingly in tears, I had dreamed I'd worked for many years. Thank God it was a dream and not for real. Thank God, one day he stamped on me His reassuring Seal.

So that one day when this life is over, I will live with You in peace and rejoice forever!

Veronica L. Bitting

A thought: If Satan can't win you as a roaring lion, he'll then try sweetness.

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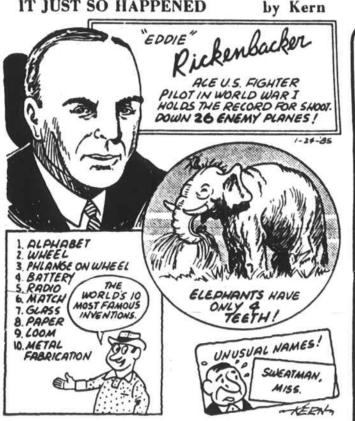
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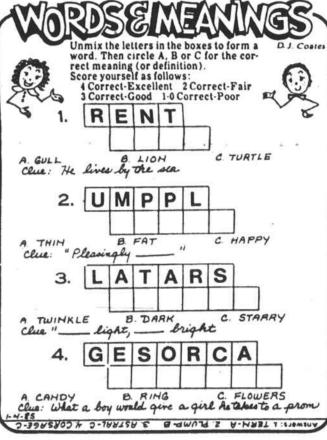
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WEEK OF: JANUARY 24, 1985 AQUARIUS - January 21-February 19

PISCES - February 20-March 20 Higherups are impressed with the control in the con

ARIES - March 21-April 20

New strategies require refinement curtous You can help a friend over traveling, plan for possible detours TAURUS - April 21-May 22

Moneymaking plan is bright but benefit cents the sentimental side. Changes in a ductivity. Decorating ideas may be too

GEMINI - May 23-June 21 Diplomacy is current byword Trave CANCER - June 22-July 22

emotion. Avoid lendency to tackle several taneously. Creative writing is a present strength LEO - July 23-August 22

VIRGO - August 23-September 22

SCORPIO — October 23-November 21
Modest romantic triumph is schlaved by the weekend. Financi
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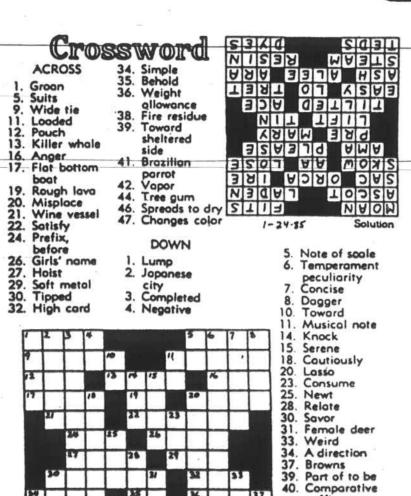
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SAGITTARIUS - November 22-December 22

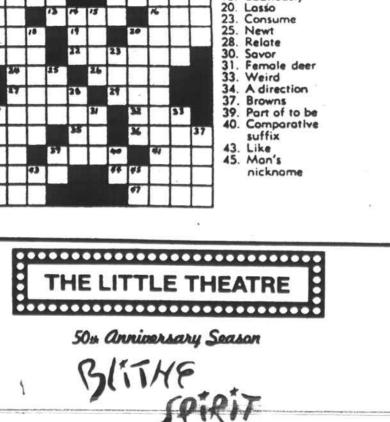
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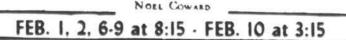
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January 24th, singer Neil Diamond. 25th, actor Daan Jones. 26th,
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Newman. 29th, actor John Forsythe. 30th, actress Tammy Gritnes.









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