PEANUTS

BARNEY GOOGLE

JIGGS

BEETLE BAILEY

BLONDIE

ARCHIE

HAGAR THE HORRIBLE

WIZARD OF ID

TUMBLEWEEDS

REDEYE

Crossword

by THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Brogans have them
6 Asian peninsula
11 Hold it! (naut.)
12 Basketry grass
13 Shams; pretenses (2 wds.)
15 Old note
16 Drooping
17 Intend
18 Catnip
21 "Little Men" author
24 Soft drink flavor
25 Instances of bad luck (colloq., 2 wds.)
27 Elephant's ear
28 Glowing (hyph. wd.)
29 One (Fr.
30 "Merry old soul"
31 Thrust
32 Nigerian city
35 Faithful
39 Main artery
40 Cloyed
41 Twixt
42 Household room

DOWN

1 Umpire's call
2 Elliptical
3 Refrain in old songs
4 Written letter
5 Furtiveness
6 Mental midget
7 On
8 Swedish county
9 Lawyer (abbr.)
10 Assent
14 Without funds (2 wds.)
17 — stick
18 "The Deluge" protagonist
19 City in Nevada
20 Beyond
21 Aleutian island
22 Bank transaction
23 Nostrum
24 Yield
26 Discharge
30 "George M."
31 "Piccolo —."
32 Ending for novel
33 Caribou
34 Whirlpool
35 Make lace
36 Quarrel
37 English river
38 Brutally frank

HAIKU					ITALA				
ARDEN					NEVER				
STAFF					OFLIFE				
				ICI		STA			
LETTHEM									
TOLE					SLATED				
ISLAM					DRAPE				
LEASE					ISEE				
				EATCAKE					
ACT			NAP						
BREADBASKET									
LARGE					SIEVE				
EMMER					SATAN				

Saturday's Answer

8-4

DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE — Here's how to work it:

A X Y D L B A A X R
is L O N G F E L L O W

One letter simply stands for another. In this sample A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

CRYPTOQUOTE

Z I ZW IPF MJTWI JB CJSFLU CTU IJ SJ TI CJWI IPF HFTWI PF ATU.—OZFI PFZU

Saturday's Cryptoquote: HE THAT WILL HAVE HIS SON HAVE A RESPECT FOR HIM AND HIS ORDERS, MUST HIMSELF HAVE A GREAT REVERENCE FOR HIS SON. — LOCKE

Ask Andy

Can Ants Talk?

Andy sends a complete 20 volume set of the Merit Students Encyclopedia to Lisa Paul, age 11, of Tucson, Ariz., for her question:

DO ANTS TALK TO EACH OTHER?

Ants, of course, do not utter words as we do. Neither do they growl or grunt, bark or chirp. Yet their busy colony is a living example of well run teamwork. Obviously this calls for a very elaborate system of communication between groups and individuals.

So far as we know, the insect world has no verbal language and wastes no time on gabby conversations. Yet the members of each species have nonverbal ways to communicate with each other, and when necessary they can interpret certain signals of other species. Among ants and most other insects, messages are conveyed by chemical odors and interpreted by the sensitive antennae.

Sometimes they accidentally convey a message to human observers. For example, a single file of scurrying ants is a telltale pointer leading between the nest and a supply of food. This program starts when a scouting ant finds food. She hurries straight home, pausing now and then to press her tummy to the ground.

This releases a minidrop of scented chemical from a gland in her tail section. Back at the nest, she prances around to attract a team of food foragers. They scurry off to follow the scent trail. The odor lasts a short time, otherwise it would confuse future foraging expenditions.

Antennae are even more important in the any system of communication. These sensitive feelers can detect a wide range of key odors just by touching this and that. What's more, a couple of ants can swap information or make requests merely by entwining their antennae.

These sensitive antennae are divided into segments, and at least the first five segments have specialized communication talents. The top segment can detect the scent of an ant's own nest – and distinguish it from the nests of other ants. The second segment recognizes the odor of sister ants of her own family.

The third segment is tuned to her own special odor. This enables an ant to lay a scent trail and retrace her steps to find her way home. The fourth and fifth segments are used by teams of ants to communicate information about bringing up the babies.

An ant with a full tummy is always willing to share with a member of her family. When a sister ant taps her antenna in a certain way, she upchucks a helping of food. All this is part of the elaborate language that ants use to communicate – without words or sounds of any sort.

Andy sends a seven volume set of the Chronicles of Narnia to Jay Cejka, age 11, of Wauchula, Fla., for his question:

ARE ZEBRAS RELATED TO HORSES?

No two members of a human family are exactly alike, but all of them are related to each other. And way back in the family tree, they shared the same ancestors. This is also true in the family groups of animal classifications. The horse family is equidae. It includes our various domestic horses and an assortment of wild horses, including the eye catching zebras of Africa.

All these horses, wild and tame, share basic physical features which make them different from all other animals. Scientists assume that all of them are related to each other – somewhat like members of the same family. They also assume that they must be descended from common ancestors. Fossil records reveal the fabulous story of how the horse and the zebra descended step by step from dog size ancestors that lived some 65 million years ago.

(Do you have a question to ASK ANDY? Send it on a post card with your name, age and complete address to Ask Andy in care of The Independent. Entries open to girls and boys 7 to 17.)

Dogs Kill

RENO, Nev. (AP) – A 5year-old boy who was attacked by seven dogs died in surgery at a local hospital, authorities say.

A spokesman at Washoe Medical Center said Michael Yount died Friday after undergoing surgery for more than two hours. He suffered severe bites on the neck, chest and right leg.

A Washoe County sheriff's deputy said the boy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Owen Yount of nearby Washoe Valley, had gone to visit a playmate but no one was at the home.

Officers gave this account:

When the boy entered the fenced yard about three blocks from his own home, he was attacked by the dogs.

Your Individual Horoscope

Frances Drake

FOR TUESDAY, AUGUST 5, 1975

Look in the section in which your birthday comes and find what your outlook is, according to the stars.

ARIES
(Mar. 21 to Apr. 20)

Several money-making ideas may come to you, but be selective. You can't grab the whole bag. Choose the best, then go ahead — with enthusiasm.

TAURUS
(Apr. 21 to May 21)

Avoid tendencies toward haste, emotionalism. Study proffered plans, proposals, etc. New advances indicated, but don't lose interest in current projects.

GEMINI
(May 22 to June 21)

Make an extra effort to get things off to a better start for a much improved work week. And don't overlook any NEW opportunity, no matter how small.

CANCER
(June 22 to July 23)

With your personality and persuasiveness, you can be an effective influence in areas where stumbling blocks have been raised. Your spirit of enterprise stimulated.

LEO
(July 24 to Aug. 23)

Pull down all undesirable barriers; recognize real obstacles. With everything in clear focus, you can plan your strategy more effectively.

VIRGO
(Aug. 24 to Sept. 23)

Watch your budget now. Don't go beyond limits until a pending financial matter is definitely settled. It COULD go differently than you expect.

LIBRA
(Sept. 24 to Oct. 23)

If you're considering a new proposition, study carefully, regardless of who wishes to hurry things through. View offerings with an eye to the future.

SCORPIO
(Oct. 24 to Nov. 22)

Avoid present tendencies toward recklessness and extravagance. You could regret such actions in the future. Shun haste and impulsiveness, too.

SAGITTARIUS
(Nov. 23 to Dec. 21)

You may need a little extra push to put over pet projects now but, with your know-how and good judgment, you should be able to overcome minor obstacles.

CAPRICORN
(Dec. 22 to Jan. 20)

Take a close look at factors which influence your decisions. Try to build a sturdier platform to insure a more successful assault on objectives. And do NOT lose faith in them.

AQUARIUS
(Jan. 21 to Feb. 19)

A better day for your interests than you may realize. Waste no time getting started, but don't drive through, indifferent to the reactions of others.

PISCES
(Feb. 20 to Mar. 20)

Don't jump to hasty conclusions. Even where long-postponed changes are due, do not make them impulsively. Best efforts could be rendered futile by anxiety, premature action.

YOU BORN TODAY are one of the most versatile of all Leoites — and that is saying a lot. You have so many talents and so much imagination that you may find it difficult, at first, to find your proper niche in life. Once you have found it, however, there is no limit to the heights you can attain. You would make an excellent writer, a brilliant actor, a dynamic lawyer or statesman, but can also shine in the business world where your organizing and executive abilities, coupled with your gifts of leadership, salesmanship and promotion would take you to the top in a most dramatic way. Traits to curb: your fault-finding, overaggressiveness and obstinacy. Birthdate of: Guy de Maupassant, French writer; A. W. Kinglake, English historian; Neil A. Armstrong, astronaut (first man to walk on the moon); Robert Taylor, film star.

TORY — John T. Ambrose, an advertising writer, is co-founder of the Committee for Reunion with England, which thinks the American Revolution was "nothing more than the self-serving acts of a bunch of hotheads." (AP Wirephoto)

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