

MORE WELL-ENDOWED CHAIRS

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In the February 1976 issue of *Word Ways*, Philip Cohen presented a collection of aptly-endowed college chairs. We invite him to attend the spring convocation of Ourtown Vocational Junior College to learn of some truly remarkable affinities between the donors and the chairs that they have endowed:

The Cameron Tripod Chair of Advanced Photography
 The Beth Theller Chair of Advanced Writing
 The Hart Throbs Chair of Advice to the Lovelorn
 The Kitty Hawk Chair of Aeronautics
 The Robbie Hives Chair of Apiology

The Doug Deeper Chair of Archaeology
 The Bowen Arra Chair of Archery
 The Harmon Eyézin Chair of Barbershop Singing
 The Phillip McGlass Chair of Bartending
 The Nestor Obbins Chair of Birdwatching

The Gordon Nabelly Chair of Bullfighting
 The Folder Tentz Chair of Camping
 The Easley Taiken Chair of Card-Sharpening
 The Thor Thumb Chair of Carpentry
 The Carrie Cature Chair of Cartooning

The Danielle R. Hedoff Chair of Cheerleading
 The Pete E. Attrition Chair of Child Care
 The Tanya Hyde Chair of Child Correction
 The Forrest Preserve Chair of Conservation
 The Sennet Back Chair of Consumerism

The Darryl B. Eltapay Chair of Criminal Investigation
 The Myra Specks Chair of Culture
 The Audrey De Paper Chair of Current Events
 The Walt Snayminor Chair of the Dance
 The Rector Hardtop Chair of Defensive Driving

The Akin Molar Chair of Dentistry
 The Seena Mroj Chair of Desertology
 The Red Carpet Chair of Diplomacy
 The Neal Tapray Chair of Divinity
 The Wagner Tales Chair of Dog Obedience

The Sydney Balcony Chair of Drama Criticism
 The Ima Kleverwon Chair of Ego-Boosting
 The Kenya Solvitt Chair of Enigmatology
 The Perry Mathrust Chair of Fencing
 The Paula Smoke Chair of Firefighting

The Freda Maspeech Chair of First Amendment Rights
 The Grover Beenas Chair of Floriculture
 The Nona Brodd Chair of Foreign Studies
 The Jule Bachs Chair of Gemology
 The Duncan Donuts Chair of Gourmet Cooking

The Carver Byrd Chair of Gourmet Dining
 The Taylor McClose Chair of Haberdashery
 The Borden Roomz Chair of Hostelry
 The Fess Toonery Chair of Interior Decorating
 The Augusta Windd Chair of Internal Medicine

The Markham Downe Chair of Inventory Control
 The Bertha De Blooz Chair of Jazz Music
 The Roxanne Rills Chair of Keeping America Beautiful
 The Barron Wastes Chair of Land Reclamation
 The Rita Gudbuk Chair of Library Science

The Wanda B. Shure Chair of Marriage Counseling
 The Virginia Ham Chair of Meat Curing
 The Warren Berrings Chair of Mechanical Engineering
 The Windsor Calm Chair of Meteorology
 The Laurie Standerdz Chair of Modern Curricula

The Crystal Klere Chair of Nixonology
 The Chico Tann Chair of Outdoor Living
 The Ray Farrarside Chair of Patriotism
 The Theda Birdie Chair of Photography
 The Duane Pype Chair of Plumbing

The Lyon Ferline Chair of Poetry
 The Mosley Bull Chair of Political Science
 The Lil Jakorner Chair of Primary Education
 The Bruno Beer Chair of Prohibition Studies
 The Vic Treelane Chair of Race Driving

The Wheelan Deel Chair of Real Estate
 The Putnam Downe Chair of Repartee
 The Kane Rocker Chair of Retirement Living
 The Bertha Vanation Chair of Revolutionary History
 The Liston Tamee Chair of Rhetoric

The Thelma Wares Chair of Salesmanship
 The Ryden Dasnute Chair of Self Defense
 The Ethyl Gass Chair of Service Station Technique
 The Creighton Cargo Chair of Shipping
 The Zelda B. Poor Chair of Sociology

The Kiki Shinns Chair of Sportsmanship
 The Lohmar Ginn Chair of Stockbrokering
 The Bach Stopps Chair of Sweepstakes Technique
 The Barry Lee Gittinbye Chair of Survival Technique
 The Fermi Anmygal Chair of Togetherness

The Lil Greenmen Chair of Ufology
 The Richford De Skye Chair of Upward Mobility
 The Bea Flatt Chair of Vocal Music
 The Teresa Krowd Chair of Zero Population Growth

AN ANNOTATED BIBLIOGRAPHY OF CRYPTOGRAPHY

This is the title of a new book on cryptography, written by David Shulman and published by Garland Publishing Company in the spring of 1976 for \$35. This meticulously-researched 390-page work lists more than three thousand books, pamphlets and papers in the field of cryptography, from Johannes Trithemius' Polygraphiā (the first book on the subject, in 1518) to items published as recently as 1975. (He even includes code and cipher related material from fields such as espionage, computing and interplanetary communication.) Each entry contains a thumbnail description and evaluation, based on Shulman's personal examination of the contents of 9 out of 10 items. For the rarer works, he tells the reader the libraries (or private collections) where they can be found, a very valuable aid to the serious researcher.

The compiler of a bibliography on cryptography labors under a handicap far more severe than does his counterpart in other fields -- the most recent research is highly classified and unavailable, locked in the archives of the NSA and similar governmental organizations of other countries. Hence, the material that one can read on cryptography is in large measure historical, representing methods that were once used by the professionals but now largely superseded.

It seems fair to say that this book is not for the casual solver of monoalphabetic substitution ciphers in the daily paper. On the other hand, one need not be a professional cryptanalyst (the author's former occupation) to appreciate its riches. If you read and enjoyed David Kahn's The Codebreakers (Macmillan, 1967), you should certainly consider adding this book to your library despite its rather high price.