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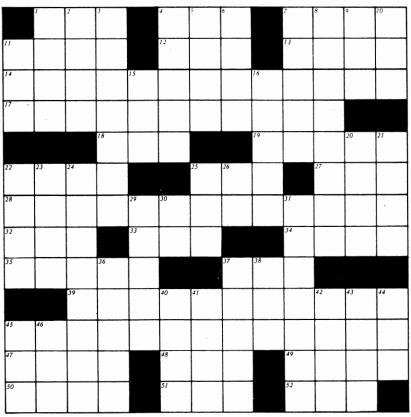
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ACROSS

- Steal
- Football scores (abbr.)
- Demeanor 7.
- Canadian Prov. (abbr.) 11.
- 12. Hurry
- Aware (informal) 13.
- 14. With 45 Across, a proverb
- Author of 14 Across 17.
- Middle East country (abbr.) 18.
- Argentine leader: Juan or Eva 19.
- A sodium soap 22.
- Humbug intensifier 25.
- 27. Altar vow
- "He --- not safe," 17 Acr. 28.
- 32. Over (poetic)
- Child's game 33.
- Sea eagle 34.
- Violin maker 35.
- College degree (abbr.) 37.
- Real name of 17 Across 39.
- See 14 Across 45.
- 47. Leeward
- Opposite of WSW 48.
- 49. College sports assn.
- 50. Russian news source
- 51. A Kennedy
- Tennis unit 52.

DOWN

- 1. Muse of history
- 2. Palindromic name

- Describes 39 Across
- Possessive pronoun
- Platter
- 6. Clockmaker Thomas
- Marianne or Gary
- Blotter
- French for summer 9
- Digits (abbr.) 10.
- Mont Blanc, e.g. 11.
- Lawrencium symbol + s 15.
- Father of Moses' spy (Num. 13:9) 16.
- 20. Supreme Norse god
- 21. Proboscis
- Greek portico
- Vocal attention getter 23.
- 24. Jesus taught in these
- 25. With borrow or steal
- Home energy (abbr.) 26.
- 29. Insects bite or ----
- Continent (abbr.) 30.
- Counts 31.
- "Far" prefixes 36
- Bleated
- Picnic pest 38.
- 40. Worry
- French name 41.
- Fine netlike fabric
- Sumatran technique of fabric decoration
- CIA counterpart
- No loss when lost 45.
- Utmost hyperbole, as in 46.
 - --- borate

Lead Poison

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at a hospital for a week for poisoning that caused their urinary excretion of lead to soar up to 80 times the normal rate. The source of the lead was paint which became loosened from a set of cocktail glasses after several trips through the heat and detergent of the family dishwasher. They were lucky to escape unharmed. Not so lucky was a woman who was particularly fond of cooking hearty dishes in an earthenware casserole from Mexico. When improperly fired, the lead-based glaze of such pottery can leach out upon contact with acidic foods. By chance, the woman's husband brought home an FDA warning sheet about such pottery. She recognized her recent symptoms of headache and fatigue and took the casserole to be tested. Lead concentrations in the casserole were extremely high. Unfortunately, the woman was pregnant at the time, and since her blood lead levels were so high, it was decided the fetus had already been permanently damaged and that she should have an abortion.

In another case, an actress came down with strange symptoms. She began losing her acting ability. Her hair fell out and she ended up in a wheelchair. Seeking a cause for her ailments, she became suspicious of some bone meal from a health food store she had been consuming daily to increase her calcium intake. Her diagnosis was right. The analysis showed the bone meal contained a high level of lead. It had come from old horses who had been exposed to lead all their lives.

Benjamin Franklin would not be surprised that even at this late date lead still claims unwary victims. In 1786 he noted that the "mischievous effect from lead" had been known to scientists for at least 60 years. "You will observe," he wrote with irony, "how long a useful truth may be known to exist, before it is generally received and practised on." X

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