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TO TELL THE TRUTH--

From Kalchas in the <u>Iliad</u> to Herman Kahn in his think tank Prophecy has always been with us—whether it be used to chasten or to cheer, or to predict the past.

Let me speak sir,
For heaven now bids me; and the words I utter
Let none think flattery, for they'll find 'em truth.
This royal infant—heaven still move about her—
Though in her cradle, yet now promises
Upon this land a thousand thousand blessings,
Which time shall bring to ripeness.

Thus Cranmer to Henry concerning the infant Elizabeth (H VIII, 5.5.15ff.).

Herodotus, that fabulous historian, applies the prophetic words of Bacis to the Persian defeat at Salamis. Tragedians, take note.

'Αλλ' ὅταν 'Αρτέμιδος χρυσαόρου ἱερὸν ἀκτὴν νηυσὶ γεφυρώσωσι καὶ εἰναλίην Κυνόσουραν, ἐλπίδι μαινομένη λιπαρὰς πέρσαντες 'Αθήνας, δια Δίκη σβέσσει κρατερὸν Κόρον, "Υβριος υἰόν, δεινὸν μαιμώοντα, δοκεῦντ' ἀνὰ πάντα πιθέσθαι. χαλκὸς γὰρ χαλκῷ συμμίξεται, αἵματι δ' "Αρης πόντον φοινίξει. τότ' ἐλεύθερον 'Ελλάδος ἢμαρ εὐρύοπα Κρονίδης ἐπάγει καὶ πότνια Νίκη.

κρυσάορος - ων with sword of gold; Δκιή, - ης, η shore; ελναλιος, -η - ον on the sea; πέρθω ravage, sack; λιπιρός, - Α, - ων shining; σβέννυμι quench; κόρος, - ου, ο satiety; φοινίσωω make red.

(Histories, VIII.77.)

The confident tone of Vergil's Fourth Eclogue is a joy and an inspiration forever.

Ultima Cumaei venit iam carminis aetas;
magnus ab integro saeclorum nascitur ordo.
Iam redit et Virgo, redeunt Saturnia regna;
iam nova progenies caelo demittitur alto.
tu modo nascenti puero, quo ferrea primum
desinet ac toto surget gens aurea mundo,
casta fave Lucina: tuus iam regnat Apollo.

integer, -gra, -grum whole, undiminished: ab integro = anew; Virgo = Justice; castus, -a, -um chaste; LucIna, -ae, F. goddess of childbirth.

(5-11.)

Who What Where

JOKL FRIMER L73 tells us of his two sons--Josh, 32, and Adam, nearly a year old. JOSEPH MARTHAN L73 is teaching an intensive summer French course at the University of Louisville (Kentucky) this summer. The ad for the program uses a picture of Joseph teaching a class. He says that he got the "Intensive Fever* from SLI 73. MARSHALL GROSSMAN L75 has been appointed as professor of English at Fordham University, Lincoln Center. TOM MILLER , Tutor, L75, was recently appointed chairperson of the Dept. of Languages at the Lenox School. EILEEN ROURKE L75 is working as a librarian while going for a master's in library science at Columbia. JEFFREY WOLLOCK L75 received a Ph.D. from Oxford in the history of medicine. ANNETTE GALVANO AQUILA L77 is teaching Latin in a Jesuit high school in Rochester. BARBARA VERDI L77 has been accepted into grad school at NYU on a university scholarship.

ALEX HOLZMAN L77, G78 became college textbook editor for history and philosophy at Scribners in April 1981.

LEN PAILET G78 received a University Fellowship for 81-82 at Arizona State. His dissertation will be on imitatio in the 16th, 17th, and 18th centuries.

PEG HALLER L78 was awarded a

Lane Cooper Fellowship at NYU, effective Sept. 1981. She is also under contract for summer 81 to Arco to produce a high school vocabulary book.

JULIE CRUISE 178 graduated this May with a B.A. in philosophy. She spent a month or so subbing in Spanish and English in an Iowahigh school.

JOAN DAYAN L78 has been given a one-year appointment as a visiting professor in the English Dept. at Yale. Joan has also been accepted as a member of PEN.

BARBARA GRANT L78 had some translations of the twelfthcentury poet Hildegard as well as an article about Hildegard published.

JON VAN DE GRIFT L78,G79 has received a Fulbright to Italy. He'll be working at the University of Rome next year. While walking down a street in Florence this spring, Jon was picked out of the crowd by KAREN-EDIS BARZMAN L78, whom he hadn't seen since the Institute.

MARGO BONNER L79 is living happily in Taiwan and plans to remain there with her husband.

JONATHAN DOWBEN G79 spent last summer at Augusta Raurica (Kaiseraugst) on the outskirts of Basle excavating a Roman site.

CHRISTOPHER HAND L79 is attending Columbia these days.

JOHN FIRNENO G79 has been accepted into graduate classics at CUNY.

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PETER GIORDANO L79 has been appointed as Latin instructor (grades 7-11) at the Dwight School in New York City.

HAMNER HILL G79 was married on May 24. He got his law degree in May and begins work in the fall on a Ph.D. in philosophy at Washington University in St. Louis.

WILLIAM LEVINE L79 has been granted a graduate fellowship in English at Indiana U.

ROBERTA SALTZMAN G79 won first prize in Greek and 2nd prize in Latin in the New York Classical Club's Annual Sight Reading Contest.

ISAAC MANN G79 announces the birth of his son, Moshe Peretz, on March 27.

The HOPLITE CHALLENCE CUP will be held on Thursday, 23 July 1981 at 4 p.m. All are invited to take part or just observe. See ya!

UBI HABITAT? We need the address of Vicki Van Fleet G79. Can you help?

PRINTER'S PI
Unscramble these four words.
Use the circled letters to
form a fifth.

ΕΧΟΠΤΩ	0
ISTAPA	_0
STEPPON	
ΑΛΠΙΑ	Q
This word	gets around.

(Hint: all begin with □.)

JOHN KNAPP L80 received his M.A. in English from Columbia this May. ERICA ZEITZ G80 has received a full scholarship and a teaching assistantship in English from Indiana U. MARTHA FLERES ALSO has been awarded a fellowship to Loyola of Chicago for graduate study in classics. CINDY KAHN ALSO has been accepted by the American Academy in Rome's 1981 summer session. She has also received a Fulbright for her summer travel and study.

Last issue's puzzle answers:

1. Aeneas haec de Danais
victoribus arma.(A3.288)

- 2. cedant carminibus reges
 regumque triumphi,
 cedat et auriferi ripa
 benigna Tagi. (Aml.15.34)
- 3. Graves was playing fast & loose with the vowel quantities in clericus.