

## Solution to "ESNASG RTSCG" by Arthur Schless

The omitted letters (in parentheses in the list below) spell

### BREAKING THE CODE,

which suggests substituting for each of the letters that constitute the title of this puzzle the letter that appears with it in a corner cell of the grid: **S** for **E**, **E** for **S**, **C** for **N**, **R** for **A**, **T** for **G**, and so on, to get

### SECRET AGENT

<sup>N</sup> <sub>C</sub>	O	N	S	E	Q	U	I	T	U	<sup>R</sup> <sub>A</sub>
O	P	O	S	S	U	M	A	I	R	N
N	I	F	T	Y	O	R	A	N	G	E
S	A	F	E	R	R	A	N	G	E	S
I	E	S	T	A	P	R	S	E	N	T
D	R	E	D	M	E	E	W	I	T	H
E	I	R	I	R	S	V	E	N	S	E
R	G	E	S	A	T	I	R	E	E	T
A	T	V	I	L	L	A	N	E	V	I
T	R	I	P	L	E	L	E	D	E	S
<sup>S</sup> <sub>E</sub>	U	B	L	I	M	A	T	I	N	<sup>G</sup> <sub>T</sub>

#### Across

- NON SEQUITUR
- OPOSSUM
- (B)AIRN
- NIFTY
- ORANGE
- SAFER
- RANGE(R)
- SIESTA
- PR(E)SENT
- DRE(A)D
- MEE(K)
- WIT
- HEIR
- IR(I)S
- VE(N)N
- SERGE
- SATIRE
- ETAT
- VILLA
- NEVI
- TRIPLE
- LED(G)ES
- SUBLIMATING

#### Down

- CONSIDERATE
- OPIA(T)E
- RIG(H)T
- RUNOFF
- SERE
- VIB(E)S
- STET
- DIS(C)IPLE
- SYRA
- M(O)RAL
- LIQUOR
- PESTLE
- MUM
- RARE
- VIAL
- AI(D)A
- ANSWER
- NETTING
- EINE
- EDI(E)
- URGENT
- SEVEN
- ANESTHETIST