

## Solution to Harvard Puzzle "Botanist"

D	O	N	I	S	A	L	E	R	T	H
E	N	C	E	S	O	O	N	P	E	S
T	L	E	N	E	S	T	E	R	S	T
E	A	L	P	L	I	T	S	E	L	L
S	T	R	A	I	T	E	N	Q	U	I
T	H	E	R	B	A	R	I	U	M	S
P	E	A	K	E	R	S	T	E	P	H
O	R	S	E	R	E	P	E	L	P	O
N	C	E	D	A	V	O	S	D	E	N
T	H	A	M	L	E	T	T	A	R	C
O	A	L	A	M	B	I	E	N	C	E

The omitted letters (in parentheses in the list below)  
spell **ASA GRAY**.

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| 1. (A)DONIS   | 1. DETEST     |
| 2. ALERT      | 2. PONTOON    |
| 3. HENCE      | 3. LATHER     |
| 4. SOON       | 4. CHANCEL    |
| 5. PESTLE     | 5. (G)REASE   |
| 6. NESTER     | 6. ALIEN      |
| 7. STEAL      | 7. PARKED     |
| 8. (S)PLIT    | 8. MASSE      |
| 9. SELL       | 9. LIBERAL    |
| 10. STRAITEN  | 10. MAO       |
| 11. QUIT      | 11. SITAR     |
| 12. HERBARIUM | 12. EVE       |
| 13. SPEAKER   | 13. BLOTTER   |
| 14. STEP      | 14. SPOT      |
| 15. HORSE     | 15. I(R)ENE   |
| 16. REPE(A)L  | 16. SNIT      |
| 17. PONCE     | 17. E(A)STER  |
| 18. DAVOS     | 18. PREQUEL   |
| 19. DENT      | 19. DANTE     |
| 20. HAMLET    | 20. SLUMP     |
| 21. TAR       | 21. PERCH     |
| 22. COAL      | 22. ST(Y)LISH |
| 23. AMBIENCE  | 23. ONCE      |

Kevin Wald '93 solved the puzzle in 25 minutes.