

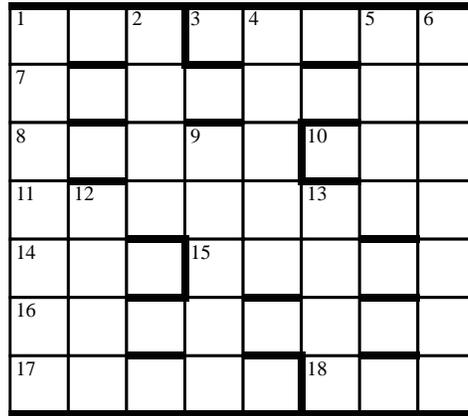
3. SOUTHERN STYLE SWAP - by UCAOIMHU, Somerville MA

In this puzzle,

- (a) Half of the South answers must have one or two letters changed before entry (one of the words thus formed is NI2); all these changes involve the same three letters, which “rotate” (letter 1 → letter 2 → letter 3 → letter 1).
- (b) East entries may extend beyond either edge of the grid; if you apply the same “rotation” to the two additional columns formed (thus changing three East entries to new words) they will spell out something that also changes as you move southward (from Massachusetts to Rhode Island).
- (c) Note which East clues intersect letters “rotated” in (a). The first letter of the first such clue, the second of the second, and so on will spell out the style of the item from (b) before changing; if you apply the “rotation” to this style, you will get the style after changing.

East

- 1 400 hide from ruthless naval officers (abbr.)
- 3 Constituting cosmic payback for deeds done by, say, “Limousine” singer Jagger on the radio
- 7 Trendy word she replaced with “unite”
- 8 Sack is about to cover Ava Gardner’s head
- 10 Card game where some North Dakotans are losing \$1000
- 11 Unexpectedly bellow, say, “Gas volume varies inversely with pressure” (2 wds.)
- 14 Revamp a rap group for older people (abbr.)
- 15 Gore misrepresented how things are joined together
- 16 Surface used to model terrain and temperature is coated with fur (2 wds.)
- 17 One who loans equipment that mixes food, except for bass
- 18 Woman initially striking that guy’s fancy



South

- 1 Bead is a reshaped, fine-grained stone (7)
- 2 Remain adult in Piglet’s abode (4)
- 4 Mideastern potentate is caught in lame error (5)
- 5 During oration, ogle Shakespearean king (4)
- 6 Mideasterner is going around meadow in Rhode Island (7)
- 9 Mark started to show some silver to an audience (5)
- 12 Mideastern country ruled by a sultan or old guy (4)
- 13 Observed eating large cabbage dish (4)