

Double-Crossed by Dan Katz

C	G	L	A	W	D	W	O	M	A	N
A	M	A	T	I	I	M	P	A	R	T
P	E	K	I	N	E	S	E	D	E	H
T	N	B	R	G	A	R	C	A	N	E
A	D	R	E	S	S	E	D	M	A	N
I	R	I	S	E	S	M	F	E	K	D
N	Y	D	E	S	H	O	O	T	E	R
L	E	G	A	T	O	T	O	M	E	I
P	R	E	N	U	P	E	T	O	P	X

This is a straightforward crossword, except for seven squares in which one of the crossing entries has one letter, but the other entry has a full word, specifically one of the musical note modifiers SHARP, FLAT, or NATURAL. Combining the letter with the modifier gives a musical note, and looking up that note on the provided keyboard gives a letter. Reading row by row from top to bottom, the letters found this way spell **TREASON**, the answer to the puzzle.

G NATURAL (NATURAL LAW) = T

A FLAT (FLAT TIRE) = R

D NATURAL (NATURAL WOMAN) = E

A SHARP (SHARP DRESSED MAN) = A

D FLAT (FLATFOOT) = S

E SHARP (SHARPSHOOTER) = O

E FLAT (FLATTOP) = N