

DULUTHIAN INVENTS NEW CIPHER CODE, USING LETTER "X" AND CHARACTERS; HAS BECOME PROFICIENT IN ITS USE

Extraordinary exemplification of the letter "X" forms an excellent cipher code, Myer Golberg believes. He calls it "my simplified alphabet using the letter 'X' with characters." Golberg lives at 608 West Second street.

Not excluding expert and exacting examination, Golberg contends that the "X" cipher is an example of all that is exalted in the way of an exceedingly intelligible brain exerciser.

Would Sell Cipher.

Golberg's brain child is not an experiment nor an exotic. He expects some day to be able to sell it as an expedient method to increase the size of his exchequer at short notice. Among the express points emphasized by the originator is the inexpensive feature attached to his creation.

For the time being, at least, the author is content to wait. It was observed by Golberg's friend that by the time school sessions are resumed next fall, the younger students will have memorized the code sufficiently to be able to conduct surreptitious communication.

Golberg declares that he has become proficient in the use of his cipher code. "I can now write letters with it almost as fast as I can by using ordinary letters of the English alphabet," he declared yesterday. I have memorized my code, of course, and I find that it is not a difficult matter to learn the characters repre-

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

GOLBERG'S CIPHER CODE.

sending the various letters of the alphabet.

Offers Possibilities.

It has been suggested that the use of the code can be simplified by having lines of "X-es" printed on ordinary blank paper to be used in sending messages, somewhat after the following:

X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X

Then the sender of the message would simply have to place the small marks on each "X" to represent the letter of the alphabet that he wished to use, punctuating his sentences as he wrote.

Golberg's cipher undoubtedly offers possibilities.