

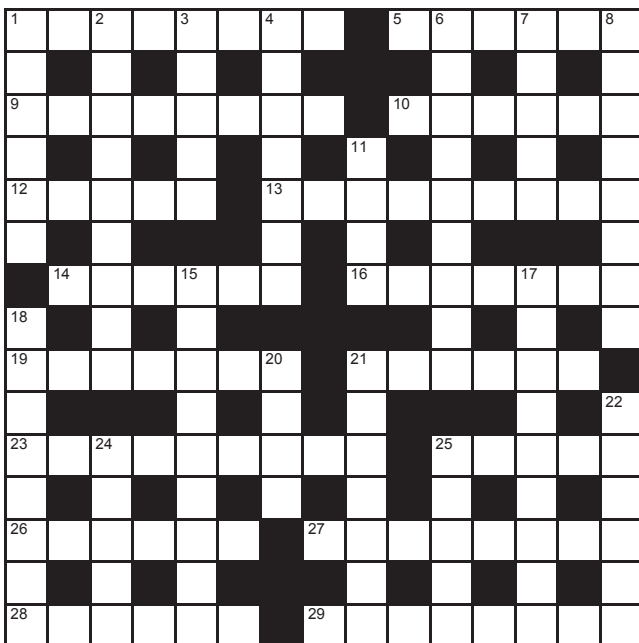
Crossword 16,006 Set by Rosa Klebb

ACROSS

- 1 Glorious adult joke captured by microphone (8)
- 5 One suffering grimly at heart after winner loses gold (6)
- 9 Ship's officer hands round case of impressive military equipment (8)
- 10 Walks on water across lake, gripping tool (6)
- 12 Standing up in court after regularly ignoring decree (5)
- 13 Performing seal again feeling no pain (9)
- 14 Small store struggled (6)
- 16 Camel, if ill-treated, causing destruction (7)
- 19 Bearing wine for Charles de Gaulle? (7)
- 21 They'd a yearning to preserve golden age (6)
- 23 Unimportant match for clubs? (5,4)
- 25 After cycling, entered bar (5)
- 26 Stranger following driver's initial progress uncertainly (6)
- 27 Glower after Washington restricts Ecstasy for 31 days (8)
- 28 Pass away – for each is, primarily, human (6)
- 29 Dissolute sinner excluded from unrestrainedly wild, illicit sex (8)

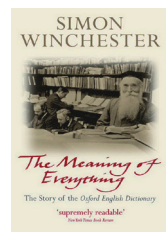
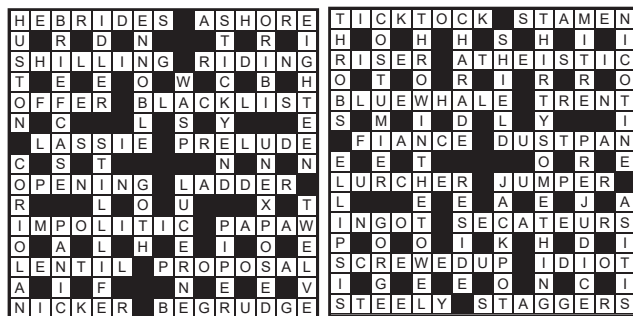
DOWN

- 1 Don't forget to ditch repulsive, gutless parliamentarian (6)
- 2 Stone me, she gets about in style! (3-6)
- 3 Swimmer beginning to soap buttocks (5)
- 4 Work – tire – eat – repeat. (7)
- 6 Perhaps supporting sick friend in a way the law forbids (9)
- 7 Oddly send up sincerest youngsters (5)
- 8 Optimism at Chequers disguising conflict (8)
- 11 Balearic port cut lifeline here (4)
- 15 Unscented old roses lead to unusual stir (9)
- 17 Mad gerbil fan liable to go to pieces (9)
- 18 Barmen stripped after women's party got livelier (6,2)
- 20 Thin, ugly, half-cut brute (4)
- 21 Impetuous type roasting nut (7)
- 22 Extremely sexy nurses rent floor of building (6)
- 24 One had an upset on river bottom (5)
- 25 Archetypal males leaving mid-meal (5)



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