## Crossword 16,123 Set by Rosa Klebb

## ACROSS

1 Briefly spot one of five siblings, bright little thing (6)
4 Slimy cop playing games (8)
10 Motley collection of British and international taxi drivers (4-14)

11 Middle of manky area inside of shell (5)
12 Articulate bounder's trick (4)
13 Essex NHS worked with IT and ESP (5,5)
15 Tense male with limitless loathing for drama (7)
16 Instruct gloomy court (6)
19 Good person learning about alcohol (6)
21 Sleep around with a revolutionary swagger (7)
23 With furrowed brow, cook admits having left (10)
25 Proceed, whilst wearing pyjamas inside out (4)
27 Oddly agree on bad 15 (5)
28 Film director opposed to screening tear-jerker (9)
29 Perhaps Odysseus withholds ecstatic words? (8)
30 Love places rebellious Romeo in daze (6)

## DOWN

1 Hedonist upset by satire (8)
2 Still totally timeless perfume (9)

3 Azerbaijan's banks supporting Irish nation (4)
5 Found "feline" in Latin dictionary (7)
6 Feminist ranting about server (10)

7 Old South American about to enter pub (5)
8 Spear seabird, we hear (6)
9 First to understand reproductive function of a bear (b)

14 Strain isn't unusual in unruly school $(2,8)$
17 Pleased to pawn a pen for Spooner (4-1-4)
18 Barking eatery is more redolent of Marmite (8)
20 Originally lassoed aardvark's neck with three-foot rope (7)
21 Refined crude oil in private (6)
22 Happening just after footballers turned up (6)
24 End of Psycho, fantastic conclusion! (5)
26 Detachment of upper-class twit (4)

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Copies of The Meaning of Everything: The Story of the Oxford English Dictionary by Simon Winchester, published by Oxford University Press, will be awarded to the senders of the first three correct entries opened on Wednesday April 3. Entries marked Crossword 16,123 on the envelope, should be sent to Weekend FT, One Southwark Bridge, London SE1 9HL. Solution on April 6.


Solution 16,122


Solution 16,111


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