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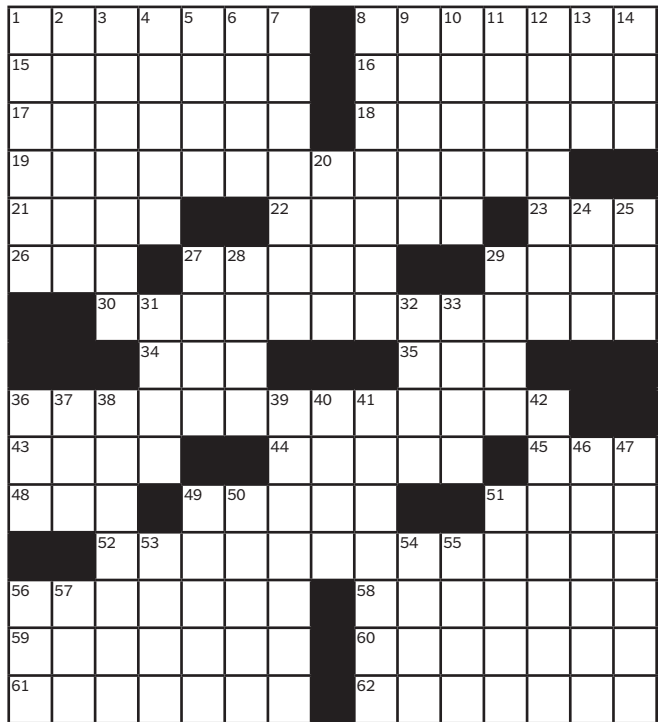
PUZZLE BY ALAN ARBESFELD

ACROSS

- 1 The Rhinemaidens in the "Ring" cycle, e.g.
 8 Cracks up
 15 Hot stuff
 16 Went for on a gut feeling
 17 Wing part
 18 Their images are out of this world
 19 Entrees for one of Dion's backup singers?
 21 Ballpark figs.
 22 "Who's there?" reply
 23 Weapon in some raids
 26 W.W. II arena
 27 Late-night TBS show
 29 Old royal
 30 Discounts at garages?
 34 Lulau side dish
 35 Singer
 36 Severely reduced wagers?
 43 Circus sounds
 44 "... ___ wed"
 45 Like a line whose slope is zero: Abbr.
 48 Sweetheart
- 49 Forum garb
 51 ___ Valley
 52 What mechanics may do as part of a tuneup?
 56 Irish lass
 58 Ones requesting seconds?
 59 Primed
 60 Not so fast
 61 Showed reverence for, in a way
 62 Orbital figure

DOWN

- 1 One making camp?
 2 White-collar worker
 3 Antique desk feature
 4 Celebrity couples, usually
 5 Rookie: Var.
 6 Big campaign topic: Abbr.
 7 "Great" part for Duvall
 8 Danger for wearers of high-heel shoes



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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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

- 9 O. Henry Award winner for "In the Region of Ice" (1967) and "The Dead" (1973)
 10 China's Zhou ___
 11 Valentine letters?
 12 Wearer of a crown since 1952
 13 Absorbed the cost of
 14 Some A.L. batters
 20 "South Park" boy
 24 Ringo's drumming son
- 25 Grp. with a complex code
 27 Shorten
 28 1930s migrant
 29 Casse-___ (French brainteaser)
 31 Many downloads
 32 "Bramble ___" (book of Robert Bridges poems)
 33 Casino collector
 36 Certain tooth
 37 Flat-headed tool
 38 Current principle
 39 Start chowing down
- 40 Opposite of legato: Abbr.
 41 U2 member
 42 Disturb
 46 Met expectations?
 47 Brawl in the backwoods
 49 In a tough spot
 50 Plain
 51 Silents star Nita
 53 Palindromic magazine title
 54 Small knot
 55 Very, informally
 56 Ear piece?
 57 Celebrity widowed in 1980

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