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A number of solutions are European cities. In the clues to these, the wordplay leads to the English name, whereas the grid entry should be as seen on local road signs (transliterated where necessary)

Across

1 College notes bad actor (6)

4 Total for it: few, surprisingly enough (5,3)

9 Fish loses nothing when consumed by old English saltbush (6)

10 Funeral director Fudd holding advanced degree (8)

12 Satanist centre fibs about parts of religious services (8)

13 City's top ten? (6)

15 Old queen a drip to come back for small type of sausage (4)

16 African eagles seen flying around (10)

19 Embarrassing stuff lit dry explosion in space (5,5)

20 Look inside tooth on Tyneside for fragrance (4)

23 City complex plainest without it (6)

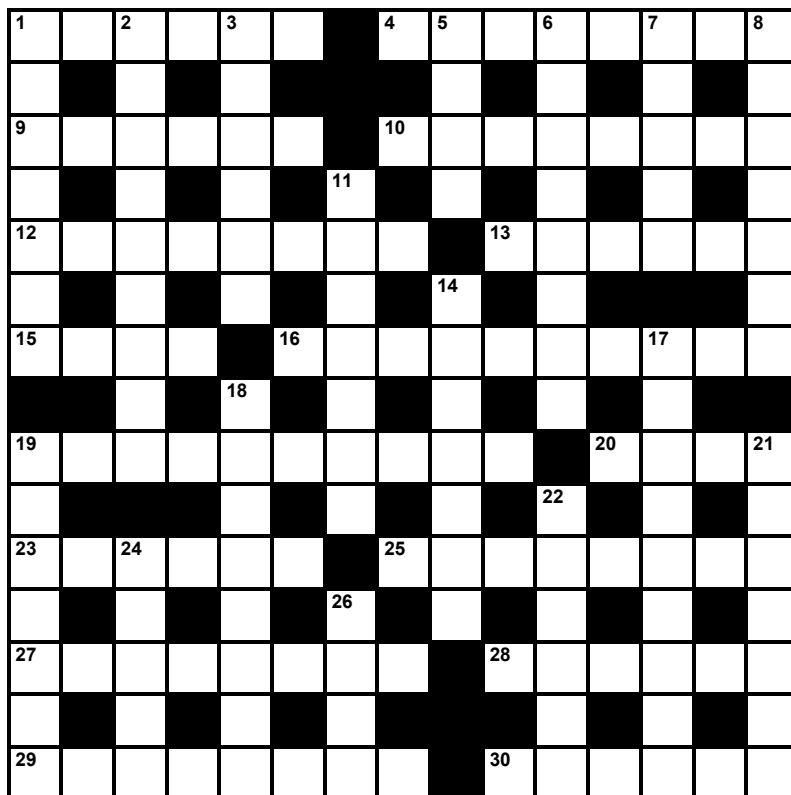
25 Pact used to be green, in retrospect (8)

27 Decapitated woman a plot point for book (4,4)

28 Incomplete schedule good in French city (6)

29 Persuaded ambassador to take careful note of Russian spies' return in port (8)

30 Entertainer disguises his age (6)



Down

1 Semi-casual inhabitant of Belgrade goes uptown (7)

2 Stupid Republican included flyer on beginning restrictions for American liquor (5,4)

3 City arrayed their hated enemies' heads on poles (6)

5 City where there's money in eggs (4)

6 Hooligan, one conscious about rising in empty tomfoolery (8)

7 Drive round to parliamentarian wearing surprised expression (5)

8 Look right into receiver for friend of Zebedee (7)

11 City even reins in sin (7)

14 Old campaigner such as Mandelson no longer quiet in the leading group (7)

17 Shakespearean orchestra prohibit transport (9)

18 Invoice Nautilus, say, for Spooner's dessert (8)

19 Emit a satisfied chuckle at senior government lawyer to pad out a day in the city (3,4)

21 Some go to war against rises and falls (7)

22 "Last spin free" centres aim (6)

24 Twist praise, curmudgeon's heart not being in it (5)

26 Senior dropping a pound in the river (4)