

Candidates Ahoy by Imlache

Across

- 1 Candidate's scam includes backing the Italian nutcase (7)
- 5 Candidate begins committing crime (6)
- 9 Senator to massage lover of Zeus (5)
- 10 Regularly break up wood left in a tropical tree (9)
- 11 Jeez! That's a Presidential candidate? (8)
- 12 Judge popular with backward boy's governor (6)
- 14 Asks to visit nearly-new collection (7)
- 16 Note army doctors like yellow flowers (7)

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- 19 Unconscious adult woman (3)
- 20 One running most of 3 (7)
- 22 Formula One iron out a candidate (7)
- 24 Queen bees can all suffer similar amputations in former French colony (6)
- 26 Antarctica possibly shut for a refurbishment (3,5)
- 29 Strangely united about fix plotted (9)
- 30 Hooker loses singular and alien candidate (5)
- 31 Governor awestruck as I choose sandwiches (6)

32 Circle fifth shopping centre with unknown governor (7)

Down

- 1 Snacks Priebus's gang consumed in Colorado joints (4,5)
- 2 Advanced degree in Irish, obsolete, to stop (5)
- 3 Excessively hard to keep large devices in box? (4,3)
- 4 Man's crisis resolved problem for many candidates (10)
- 5 Vintage zombie heading to be candidate (4)

6 Metal character meets princess I don't know (7)

7 Belonging to policeman killed (5)

- 8 Senator starts to prevaricate about using laxatives (4)
- 13 Confirmation of bad news in maid's air of panic (2,6,2)
- 15 Self-important one leaves leading group (3)
- 17 Essentially risking runner (3)
- 18 Australian public house has downloaded software without being devious or irresponsible

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- 21 This person exhausts himself turning up for those honoured (7)
- 23 Outsize group excellent climbing in Caucasus region (7)
- 24 Spain withdraws from peace - let's give up! (4)
- 25 Superfluous old pictures put up (5)
- 27 In America, uniform length is customary (5)
- 28 Hard to support transport governor (4)