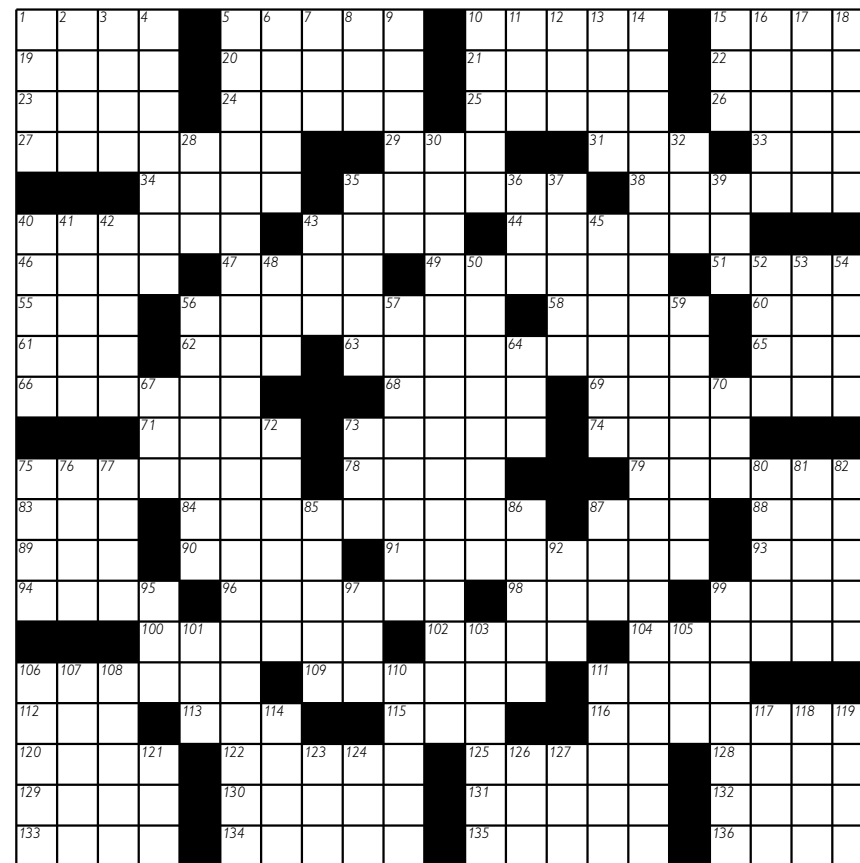


- 32 Terry Pratchett hag, Nanny, with a cookbook
 35 Went after congers
 36 Alfred P. Doolittle's aspiration
 37 Gather
 39 Once
 40 Half note
 41 Manila hemp
 42 Saw
 43 U. S. Med. body
 45 Shorts and others
 48 Snacked
 50 University of ___ ___ Manoa
 52 Time of reckoning (also see 30D, for the deities)
 53 Like some straights, or straits
 54 With birds, convicts
 56 What to call a bumpy street where you took a bum steer
 57 A dessert wine, per the American label
 59 Recent Annapolis graduates
 64 Like some verbs (abbrev.)
 67 U. S. Commission or act dealing with hiring discrimination
 70 Massachusetts Cape
 72 ___ ___ you listening?
 73 Egyptian god of air (and drying up)
 75 Asset
 76 Four-ring company
 77 Polish ghetto city, now in Ukraine
 80 Like Krypton
 81 Short
 82 Sidewalk tool
 85 Biblical "sinner" and a generator company
 86 Bikini Atoll was the loc. of a famous one
 87 Some door signs
 92 Syr. neighbor
 95 Computer language named after Byron's daughter
 97 ___ *Lat!* (Polish celebratory song)
 99 1998 Cirque du Soleil movie
 101 Previously
 103 Realm of submarine Alvin
 105 Writer Rand who advocated rational individualism
 106 Kind of dress; see 18D
 107 Cliff home
 108 Burn with sudden intensity
 110 *In Gottes ___!*
 111 Pigeon dish
 114 ___ de Lyon in Paris
 117 Toss
 118 Phrase of fret
 119 Wrath (see ID)
 121 Connecticut politician Lamont
 123 Kipling protagonist
 124 Brazilian walnut; deck wood
 126 Hockey great Bobby
 127 Org. in 1970s news

Flipping the Hourglass

Notes Concerning the Care and Watering of History's Arroyos



Humanity is, you might say, "The Creating Ape". Eating of the forbidden pomegranate—that fruit of incomplete knowledge and ill-informed conjecture—we sit on the sandy banks of time's stream ever-flowing out of Eden and rage against the gods of entropy and invent technological weaponry against their earthly avatars. To thus tack against the universal winds, to turn chaos (which, after all, wishes merely to mind its own thermodynamic business) into...*product*, even *posterity* (!), is a very human application—a religious, essential one. Hence, decay and destruction get a bad rap. Yet in our desperate, determined drive, we are sure to make an obscene (if unintended) mess. Moreover, today's great opus is tomorrow's fermenting muck; if we don't clean up after ourselves, someone else—*some*time and *some*how—will have to deal with the infestation. Assuming the latter, might it not be easiest for our descendants to take a flamethrower to the whole

There is no remembrance of former things, nor will there be any remembrance of later things yet to happen among those who come after.

—Ecclesiastes

sorry befolement? That is, before recapitulating the process? Or, finally, will some divine agent of havoc be called upon to purge and purify our groaning closets and garages, to deliver our weary world from its proudest fashionings—and to compact, crush, and compost the contents of our economic, military, and tribal middens? Withal, heaven knows that a further mortal proclivity is that we love a good fight and will root for the underdog; how many rounds shall we wrestle with the angel of transformation before what was dust is dust once again? *Albert G. Swanson 12/2007*

Across

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| 1 Information bits | 47 Meshed armor |
| 5 Insect stage | 49 Finale |
| 10 Top of a marching band | 51 Backwater phenomenon |
| 15 Kind of a hockey shot | 55 Rebellious Turner |
| 19 Made sore | 56 Where to find a good Cape Cod bed and breakfast |
| 20 Mountain nymph | 58 ___ syndrome, characterized by a dilated pupil |
| 21 Tropical yellow-throated hummingbird | 60 <i>Sábado, por ejemplo</i> |
| 22 Snack | 61 Flip side of I29A, as a way to go |
| 23 Ms. Peel | 62 Shock accompaniment |
| 24 Issued | 63 Creationist bugbear, often |
| 25 A supreme ___ | 65 Musical score person (abbrev.) |
| 26 Resident or transient mammal | 66 Eked out |
| 27 Ritual disembowelment | 68 “Smike” on the Enterprise |
| 29 Hangout for studious frosh, initially | 69 Measured |
| 31 Spanish IOI verb | 71 Goes off |
| 33 Mil. officers; comedian Bill | 73 ___ Master |
| 34 One of the gaits | 74 Peel |
| 35 Manufactured firewood brand name | 75 Lout |
| 38 Of common descent through the male line | 78 Chrysler engine type, for short |
| 40 “___ China” (common label info nowadays) | 79 Set a torch to (see 30D) |
| 43 A depilatory | 83 Valentine candy word |
| 44 Hurtle, cast, or dip | 84 “I shouldn’t be happy ___ ___” (Smash Mouth lyric) |
| 46 Construction beam | 87 B&B, e.g. |
| | 88 Composer Rorem |

- 89 Cult actor Kier
 90 Actress Cannon
 91 Meshed materials
 93 Saharan area of shifting dunes
 94 Counterpart to Brahma (var.)
 96 1996 Schwarzenegger film (see also 94A)
 98 Oil company, once
 99 Rump
 100 Cause to go bonkers
 102 Obsolete atlas acronym
 104 Flounder
 106 Overland journey or kind of jacket
 109 “Shakespeare”, by Arnold, for one
 111 Hebrides isle
 112 Daughter of Loki (also a town east of Trondheim that one must go through, at least for a photo op)
 113 One might be a good one or a bad one
 115 Swedish Nobelist Dalen invented this cooker
 116 ___-Tibet Railroad is the highest such in the world
 120 Ayatollah land
 122 Organist Naji; drummer Omar
 125 Naval officer (var.)
 128 German valley
 129 See 61A
 130 Rubbish or stomach
 131 Succumbed to, in Essen
 132 Shirley role of 1963
 133 Irate, with off

- 134 Red Sea land
 135 Minor sum of money in an alliterative phrase
 136 Out of the wind

Down

- 1 Succumbs; with I19D, requiem phrase
 2 Hip-hop clothing brand
 3 Certain office worker, for short
 4 One who goes with the flow
 5 Famous last words (in part), as quoted by Shelley
 6 A bad game or military strategy might end in _ _
 7 A Sega video game
 8 ___ *victis* (“woe to the vanquished”)
 9 Cite as evidence
 10 Yet
 11 ___-Aha, 2nd Pharaoh of the 1st dynasty
 12 Military address
 13 Japanese syllabic characters or scripts
 14 Author of 5D, according to Shelley
 15 ___-Cat
 16 Poet Federico García
 17 Tie type
 18 Kind of angle, diagram, or space (see also I06D)
 28 Composer Caine
 30 Wherein Siegfried gets his, the Rheinmaidens get theirs, and Brunhilde gets incendiary