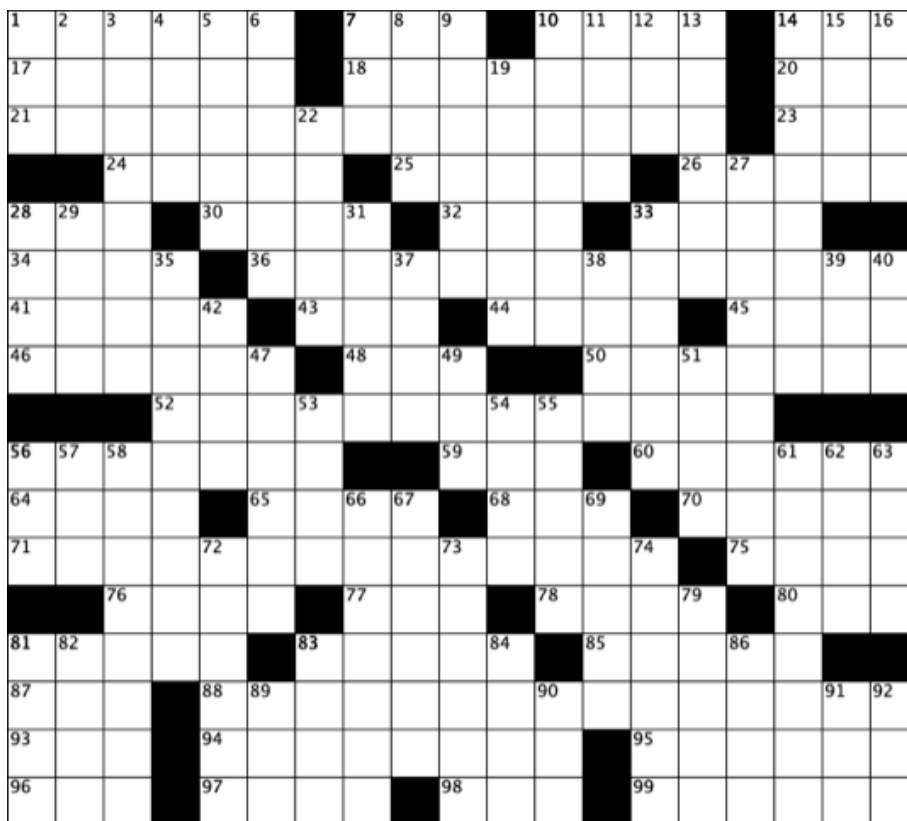


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ACROSS

1 Architect's task
7 Suffix for ranch
10 Cleverly self-referential
14 "Holy moly!"
17 Gas in fuel mixtures
18 Fertile Crescent area
20 Lead-in to "pen"
21 *His portion of 52-Across was dedicated in 1936 (George Washington's having been dedicated on July 4, 1934)*
23 Nothing
24 Edible bow ties?
25 After that point
26 Made a choice
28 Puppy's bark
30 Rope fiber
32 Pigpen
33 Lane in Metropolis?
34 Salt Lake City collegians
36 *His portion of 52-Across was dedicated in 1937*
41 Major artery
43 [Not my mistake]
44 Luau souvenirs
45 Swiss abstractionist Paul
46 Margarita option
48 Bottom line
50 Mother-of-pearl source
52 *Sculpture by Gutzon Borglum, on a site named for a donor, that was abruptly declared finished on October 31, 1941*
56 Go head to head
59 Slo-__ fuse
60 "I'm serious!"
64 Sheltered, at sea
65 Killer whale
68 Priestly robe
70 Umbilical terminus
71 *His portion of 52-Across was dedicated in 1939*
75 First female attorney general
76 Crummy, but passing, grades
77 ABA member
78 "Stupid me" syllables
80 Harry and Hermione's pal

81 Blends

83 Last Oldsmobile model
85 Stews (over)
87 Bird: prefix
88 *Name (with "the") for the original rock formation underneath 52-Across, used for centuries by the Lakota Sioux (who still claim the land)*
93 Buddhist discipline
94 Hawaiian or Samoan, e.g.
95 Actress with 21 Oscar nominations
96 Fraction of a joule
97 Some reddish deer
98 Big name in ice cream
99 Like the minimum wage

DOWN

1 Lions or Tigers' city, on scoreboards
2 Biblical verb ending
3 They roam some aisles
4 Paul Simon's "__ Rock"
5 Grind, as teeth
6 Snapple rival
7 Columbus-to-Pgh. direction
8 Some whistle blowers
9 LummoX-like
10 "Heavens to Betsy!"
11 Effortlessness
12 General whose good name has been battered?
13 When many lunch
14 Broke from the band, maybe
15 Mayberry boy
16 Out of control
19 Alamo offering
22 Doorframe parts
27 Gherkin container
28 Chinese currency
29 "Am __ late?"
31 Make a hard copy of
33 Portugal's capital
35 Rushed madly
37 Taiwanese computer giant

38 Actor Neeson or Hemsworth
39 Gridiron great Dawson
40 Michelle Obama __ Robinson
42 Soothing succulent
47 Post-class coaches
49 Bath site
51 Elvis's middle name
53 Nephew of Caligula
54 Croat or Serb
55 Hiding, with "up"
56 Windowsill sunner
57 World Cup cheer
58 Sticking one's nose in
61 Supervisor
62 Casino game
63 Musk of SpaceX
66 Once-common commercial fuel
67 Toward the rudder
69 Poker ploy
72 Boot camp reply
73 Online brokerage firm
74 Thoroughly defeat
79 Minor dust-up
81 Intricate garden feature
82 At least once
83 Hot rod's rod
84 Lacking depth and width, briefly
86 By way of, informally
89 Equal: prefix
90 Like some wine and humor
91 Seminary subj.
92 Intel seeker

