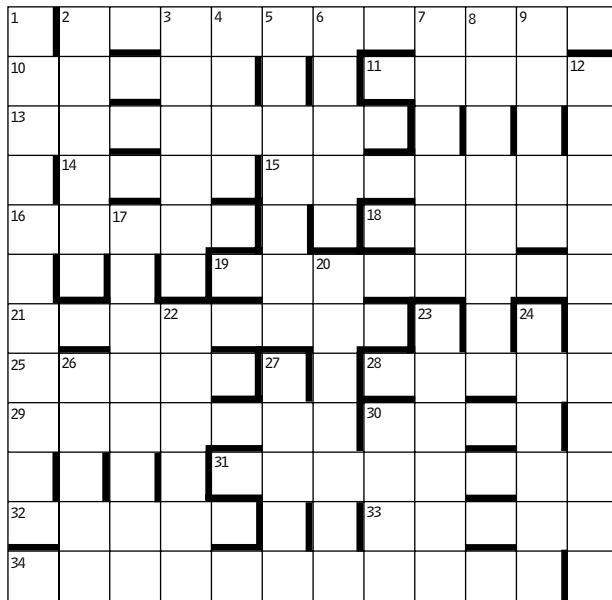


# AZED No. 2,298 'Dry Soldier'



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Clues are of two types. In each of the acrosses, the cryptic part leads to the answer to be entered and the definition part leads to an anagram of that answer. In each of the downs, the definition part leads to the answer to be entered and the (cryptic) remainder leads to an anagram of that answer. All grid entries and anagrams thereof are in *The Chambers Dictionary (2014)*, except **28** (in the OED) and four familiar proper names (one an acronym). The anagram of the entry at **12** is a proper name, and the anagram of the entry at **34** is of two words.

## ACROSS

- 2 Caper is, in the Catholic Church, a deformity (11)
- 10 Seam-like join: it covers gap in the partition (5)
- 11 Old poet's probably left Romania – article written about it (5)
- 13 The writer's in a hurry, not quite finishing propositions (8)
- 14 An error – take off part of crust (4)
- 15 Wild tree, new one, left plant community different from its neighbour (7)
- 16 Bit of reggae in rock period tracks (5)
- 18 Company sat after changing outdoor wear? (5)
- 19 Small horses docked inside vehicle – local anaesthetic required (8)
- 21 One making forecast by means of German (8)
- 25 Caves, kind giving good accommodation? Reverse of that (5)
- 28 Something for Burns Night writer included in bits of Scots elegy (5)

## AZED 2,295 Solution & notes

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

**Across** 13, comp. anag.; 14, demur(e); 16, lez mo in mirk (rev.); 18, (g)raph(e)d; 20, i.e. red<sup>2</sup>; 23, r(os)e in bare; 24, ju(st)ice; 25, cin patch; 33, an in anag.; 35, on in beset.

**Down** 1, bunkerb + st in anag.; 3, 'lees'; 4, do jos(her); 5, cf. yearned; 6, (w)indie(r); 8, net in anag. of MCLII; 9, in US t; 10, man in anag.; 16, (Gregory) Peck in sled; 19, anag. less a + limb; 21, comp. anag. & lit.; 22, 0 is in eche; 28, ref. Augustine of H. & Flanders & Swann song.

## PRIZERULES

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- 29 Bury, no longer warm and dry, in the north, stormy (7)
- 30 Ditch near Aviemore winter sportsman almost flipped over (4)
- 31 Tea I arranged includes family that's knocked back milky stuff (8)
- 32 Dismal old posh hotel, by the sound of it (5)
- 33 Veg portion from club as entremets (5)
- 34 Time for trivia, jaunt including funny noises (11)

## DOWN

- 1 Affected by being clothed in the genuine dressed hide (11)
- 2 Rule introduced into US state to stay (6)
- 3 Related to old queen, chap surrenders his heart to song (6)
- 4 Measures of land, seemingly limitless expanse, right? (4)
- 5 Hanky, rank, stuffed into mouth (7, 2 words)
- 6 Fine discernment, special, as introduction to gallery (5)
- 7 One supervising terminal crossing, an endless task (6)
- 8 Puritan judgement, right to supplant Charles's head (8)
- 9 Union to make vigorous attack on leader of Socialists (5)
- 12 Wretched lament following fresh increase in size (11)
- 17 Gives fresh look to senior crumbling in part (8)
- 20 To be effective at a specific time, playwright must pen one (7)
- 22 It's grand to guide returning birds (6)
- 23 I'll occupy position on an impressive scale (6)
- 24 Reside on fringes of Nailstone, Leicestershire village (6)
- 26 Plant fibre I fed to dam? (5)
- 27 Distinguished Japanese statesman, feature of bygone regimes (5)
- 28 Live, having a little latitude within place of exile (4)

*The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended, but see preamble.*