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## ACROSS

- 3 Critical commentary's making one irritated when bound in sticky stuff (10)
- 11 Shoddy item from school cupboard (9)
- 13 Test with probe initially revealing parasite (4)
- 14 International banker invested in anonymous label? (7)
- 15 A real challenge for climbers, reversing government monopoly (5)
- 17 Titania's swain? Only a bit (3)
- 19 Combines school latrine with built-in gym? (7)
- 20 Fellow drinker putting money into copper dish (6)
- 21 University sportswear let out for exercising (5)
- 23 Hardwood tree does when peeled – go inside (5)
- 25 Shifting ooze covering ancient fossil possibly (6)
- 27 Skittish lassies, reprehensible with Scots kids around (7)
- 29 Action course avoided by sage (3)
- 31 Mask concealing final character in affair (5)
- 32 Mushroom? Sounds a bit like one chaps should avoid! (7)
- 33 Article given number immediately (4)
- 34 Plant yielding soda salt grows wild (9)
- 35 Yank's fish he cooked with peas in outhouse (10, apostrophe)

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135	S	136	T	137	I	138	N	139	T	140	E	141	N	142	T	143	E	144	145	146	147	148	149	E

**Across** 6, re in but; 10, hit + anag.; 11, on G in anag.; 12, regga(e) (rev.); 18, hidden & lit.; 24, bon, es (Fr.) = good, art (vb); 29, GR + Ike (Eisenhower); 31, nun in anti + ate; 32, hidden; 33, n in entêté.

**Down** 1, a w in anag.; ref. cricket; 3, 1 g in jam + a ree; 5, ked + had (rev.); 7, anag. incl. it, r; 8, Med (rev.) in ea; 14, roué in pitte (d); 15, c + in in röst; 23, ref. 24 Ac.; 26, n in Burt (Lancaster, former film actor), & lit.; ref. bombing of Dresden; 27, (James) Fent (on).

## PRIZERULES

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## DOWN

- 1 Direction finder in the sky as part shifts with cosmos (12)
- 2 Get tight, creating a mess (7)
- 4 Potato coating two thirds of crusty dish at most (5, 2 words)
- 5 Blended sherry casks are inverted under sun (6)
- 6 See vegan mistreated in series totter? (9)
- 7 Followers of the rest in your arcane religion many renounce, as of old (4)
- 8 Is etching of Parisian in love? (6)
- 9 Old militiaman, game character embraced by girl (8)
- 10 Deliveries, costings worked out, number fellows packed (12)
- 12 Restraining strap from timeless jokes (4)
- 16 Plantation refuse, a difficulty in economic collapse (9)
- 18 Old soldier with no lance in section poorly paid, see (8)
- 22 Former vacation, not something you'd find in Oxford's vocabulary? (7)
- 24 Old-fashioned dive, for some time closed by police, empty (6)
- 26 Become absorbed in bit of marrow in two bones, carcase's last (6)
- 27 High what's it, but not thin (4)
- 28 Judicial decision, mostly deadly when woman's involved (5)
- 30 Seaweed one's left dug into bed (4)

*The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended.*