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Across

- 1 Millions start of revolution purged from Russia in conflict once (4)
- 5 Give severe ticking-off to timid creature when last in subject (7)
- 10 A page publisher inserted on one side in the main, spread with various printing inks (9, 3 words)
- 11 Prison get-up in theatre (6)
- 13 What shows black unit at last being given pride of place? (4)
- 15 Boy holding light from behind archaeologist (6)
- 16 Specialist mathematician rooting around with with me shortened semester? (12)
- 17 One's labelled 'coarse', right out of gutter (5)
- 19 Catching cold, OAP shivers – I've fine wool coat (4)
- 21 Sort of quince syllabub he likes once outer parts are removed (4)
- 23 'Haemorrhage' (re home breaking up with this) – it hurts like hell (5)
- 25 Marine organism I call tailless, found with work in beach (12)
- 26 Traditional pancake, with beaten egg initially, distinctively glazed (6)
- 29 Parrot heading off for mountainous region, in retreat (4)
- 30 Animals rolling in lake, middle of bayou, in squeelchy fashion (6)
- 31 Me and you put in thrust with foot forming country dance figure (9)
- 32 An awful place for Germans to go, North America (7)
- 33 Hot? Not very, with day ending (4)

Down

- 1 Brewery vessel, bottom up, with wood, over half of it, inside (7)
- 2 It's a famous dame, sprightly character but not lead in panto (4)
- 3 Garden species producing small branch, say, climbing (6)
- 4 Rustic pair of lads holding post in festival excitement (12)
- 5 Idle fellow, once with line on river (4)
- 6 Develop as in classical verses poet hammers out about love (12)
- 7 A pair of drums got up in sort of silver (6)
- 8 Second string holding contest up? It records performance (9)
- 9 Head up old copper completes beat as of old (4)
- 12 First letter with central page given over to love cheers (5)
- 14 Dyestuff to feel as due, treat from Scots as payment once (9)
- 18 Height below rod, or 6 cubits for some (5)
- 20 Like telly (monstrous!) somebody was watching (7)
- 22 Preach all over the place, being a Greek bishop (6)
- 24 Grand wood for bacchanalian verse (6)
- 26 Tout, reverse of what one associates with clubs (4)
- 27 Fighting dog a drunkard reared (4)
- 28 Selection of cooking items for holiday house (4)

The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended.

Azed No. 2,524 solution & notes

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Across 11, ref. George S., lover of F. Chopin (born in Poland); 13, i.e. = d; 14, r in pen + up; 15, in nuit (Fr. = night); 16, ref. Distillers' Company; 20, (E. A.) Poe taster y; 25, terr(a) + or; 29, (Cres)side; 32, ref. social distancing.
Down 1, cf. cups; 2, anag. in hear! hear! + t; 5, Spenser in dis; 12, tar (rev.) in anag.; 18, spa + thes(e); 23, cf. brats; 27, 'neighs'.

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