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Across

- 1 Ludicrously inapt material for decorator (5)
- 4 Worried doubter is chief journalist's assistant (9)
- 9 Mostly she 'll restrain sheepdog (7)
- **10** Plants in byway, now and then, primarily ragged continuous strips (7)
- 11 Glimpses of 17th century diarist, we're told (5)
- 13 Prankster's a dissolute fellow around girls principally (5)
- 15 Stuff a bachelor flat(3)
- **16** Constantly find fault with and partly shun a girl (3)
- 17 Press you at first for kind of sarcasm (5)
- **19** Make hot and dry average church (5)
- 21 Russian money's difficulty with the French (5)
- 23 Flustered hen or some other bird (5)
- **24** Dingy hill (3)
- 25 Strike a male swan (3)
- **26** Additional large blackish edible fungus (5)
- **28** Can't stand headgear round tip of ears (5)
- **29** Partly develop a query more difficult to understand (7)
- **31** Schoolteacher 's organised hostel with this person in charge of training (7)

33 Original specimens produced by struggling holy poets (9)

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34 Casual wages of small gang (5)

Down

- 1 Public notice circling quietly on one who puts things off (9)
- 2 Type of salad plant's large frozen mass (7)
- **3** Local twitch, hint of trouble with computer technology (3)
- 4 Control movement of young ox (5)5 Reddish-brown
- laurel tree (3)
- 6 Mournful hymn's dreadful, involving touch of gloom (5)

7 Account turning up about ordinary cavalry soldier (one who swears?) (7)

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- 8 Put up, we heard and flattened (5)
- 12 County's old lord holds first of hunts (5)
- 14 Good year might become more cheerful (5)
- 18 Parent, not first second (5)
- **19** Slug a fruity alcoholic drink (5)
- **20** Passes to ship's company a jack for raising weights (4-5)
- 22 Move jerkily and pursue a docked dog, for example (7)
- 24 Digger of trenches, revolutionary

communist nursing restless desire (7)

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- **25** Fabric of dress cut short (5)
- **26** Ascend a small hill (5)
- 27 Place highly destructive insect is ultimately eradicated (5)
- **30** In Chicago severely criticise disreputable person (3)
- **32** Dull, stupid fellow's a singular mess ultimately (3)