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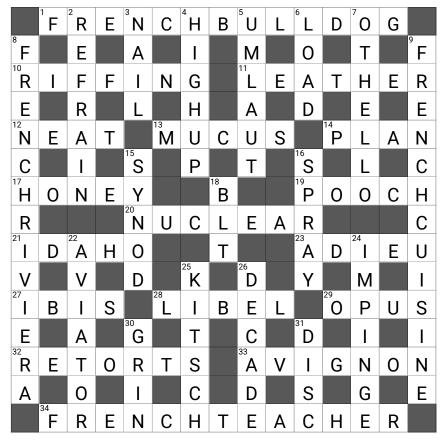
ACROSS

- 1 Tongue of farm animal fed to pet canine? (6,7) Tongue (= FRENCH; language) of farm animal (ie BULL) fed to pet (ie DOG) canine? (= FRENCH BULLDOG)
- 10 Band touring island party, jamming (7)
 Band (ie RING) touring island party (ie
 RIFFING; RI__NG will open up to allow I;
 abbrev Island; + FF;
 abbrev Fianna Fáil;
 Irish political party),
 jamming (= RIFFING)
- 11 Hide the real output (7)
 Hide (= LEATHER) the
 real output (ie
 LEATHER; anag THE
 REAL)
- 12 Bag contains a compact (4)
 Bag contains a (ie
 NEAT; A goes inside
 NE_T; synonym BAG)
 compact (= NEAT)
- 13 Maul chum so frequently that liquid drips from nose? (5) Maul chum so frequently (ie MUCUS; alternating letters MaUl ChUm So) that liquid drips from nose? (= MUCUS)
- 14 Chart shows Portugal full of Irish (4)
 Chart (= PLAN) shows
 Portugal (ie P; abbrev
 International Vehicle
 Registration) full of
 Irish (ie LAN; Irish
 word for 'full' is 'lán')
- 17 It's sweet atop ham or nuts, even yogurt (5) It's sweet (= HONEY) atop ham or nuts, even yogurt (ie HONEY; initial letters Ham Or Nuts Even Yogurt)

- 19 Dog shampoo chihuahua drinks (5) Dog (= POOCH) shampoo chihuahua drinks (ie POOCH; some letters inside shamPOO CHihuahua)
- 20 Particular kind of energy emanating from menu, clearly (7) Particular kind of energy (= NUCLEAR) emanating from menu, clearly (ie NUCLEAR; some letters hidden inside meNU CLEARly)
- 21 State resident
 Oklahoman at heart
 (5)
 State (= IDAHO)
 resident Oklahoman at heart (ie IDAHO;
 central letters resIDent
 oklAHOman)
- 23 Say goodbye, thus perish in Australia (5)
 Say goodbye, thus (=
 ADIEU; French word for 'goodbye') perish in Australia (ie ADIEU; AU the internet domain name for Australia will open up to allow DIE inside of it)
- 27 Bird nesting in hibiscuses (4) Bird (= IBIS) nesting in hibiscuses (ie IBIS; some letters hidden inside hIBIScuses)
- 28 You shouldn't print that
 I'll be torn apart! (5)
 You shouldn't print that
 (= LIBEL) I'll be torn
 apart! (ie LIBEL; anag
 ILL BE)
- 29 Curious soup composition (4) Curious soup (ie OPUS; anag SOUP) composition (= OPUS)

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- 32 Answer's concerning; oddly too British? (7) Answer's (= RETORTS) concerning (ie RE; abbrev With Regard To); oddly too British? (ie TORTS; odd alternating letters ToO bRiTiSh)
- 33 One might sample some 9 down here, pouring out a vino roving around garden (7)
 One might sample some 9 down here (= AVIGNON, for French fare), pouring a vino roving around garden (ie AVIGNON; anag A VINO + GN; edge letters GardeN)
- 34 Sacked carer, chef, then language tutor (6,7) Sacked carer, chef, then (ie FRENCH TEACHER; anag CARER CHEF THEN) language tutor (= FRENCH TEACHER)

DOWN

- 2 Hold off, umpire, due to drizzle (7) Hold off (= REFRAIN), umpire (ie REF), due to drizzle (ie RAIN)
- 3 No trouble to fix (4) No (ie N; abbrev) trouble (ie AlL) to fix (= NAIL)
- 4 Senior at summit of Mount Everest? (4,2) Senior (= HIGH-UP) at summit of Mount Everest? (= HIGH-UP)

- 5 Mutual tailor? It's a sign! (6)
 Mutual tailor (ie
 UMLAUT; anag
 MUTUAL)? It's a sign!
 (= UMLAUT; the mark
 ["] placed over a vowel in some languages, such as German, indicating modification in the quality of the vowel)
- 6 Charge hundreds (4)
 Charge (= LOAD; ie
 verb; to load a firearm
 with ammunition)
 hundreds, perhaps (=
 LOAD; ie a large
 quantity)

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- 7 Title character somewhat of a bigshot; hell on set (7) Title character (= OTHELLO) somewhat of a bigshot; hell on set (ie OTHELLO; some letters inside bigshOT HELL On set)
- 8 Nice here for manicure, right? Including one I rave about (6,7)
 Nice here (= FRENCH RIVIERA; Nice is a town on the French Riviera) for manicure (ie FRENCH; abbrev French Manicure), right (ie R; abbrev)? Including one I rave about (ie IVIERA; anag I; Roman Numeral '1'; + I RAVE; I I RAVE)
- 9 Snails perhaps provide crunch, see, if in batter (6,7) Snails perhaps (= FRENCH CUISINE) provide crunch, see, if in batter (ie FRENCH CUISINE; anag CRUNCH SEE IF IN)

- 15 Ecclesiastical council hearing immorality cases; offended (5)
 Ecclesiastical council (= SYNOD) hearing immorality (ie SYN; sounds like SIN) cases; offended (ie OD; edge letters OffendeD)
- 16 Son, I beg shower (5) Son (ie S; abbrev), I beg (ie PRAY) - shower (= SPRAY)
- 18 Classic sandwich makes waistband tighter by a quarter (3) Classic sandwich (= BLT; abbrev Bacon Lettuce Tomato) makes waistband tighter by a quarter (ie BLT; BeLT without one out of four letters)
- 22 Pilot aeronautical
 vehicle intrepidly, ably
 taxiing on runway from
 the outset (7)
 Pilot (= AVIATOR)
 aeronautical vehicle
 intrepidly, ably taxiing
 on runway from the
 outset (ie AVIATOR;
 initial letters
 Aeronautical Vehicle
 Intrepidly Ably Taxiing
 On Runway)
- 24 To encroach upon writer's quiet gig: nogo, even with money (7)
 To encroach upon (= IMPINGE) writer's (ie IM; abbrev I AM; referring to myself as the writer of the crossword) quiet (ie P; abbrev Piano [music]) gig, no-go, even (ie ING; even alternating letters glg NoGo) with money (ie E; abbrev Euro)
- 25 Trashy outfits on chart-topper: hot (6)
 Trashy (KITSCH)
 outfits (KITS) on chart-topper: (C, first letter of Chart) hot (H, abbrev) (=KITSCH)
- 26 Period of time last month spent in America, Delaware (6) Period of time (= DECADE) last month (ie DEC; abbrev December) spent in America (ie A; abbrev), Delaware (ie DE; edge letters DelawarE)
- 30 Smile, bearing
 wedding rings (4)
 Smile (= GRIN),
 bearing wedding rings
 (ie GRIN; some letters
 hidden inside weddinG
 RINgs)
- 31 Vinyl is in the back (4) Vinyl (= DISC) is in the back (= DISC)