ACROSS
1 Dublin playhouse where the premiere of Brendan Behan's *The Quare Fellow* was given (4,7)
7 Quilt used in place of blankets etc (5)
10 The reception room of a German spa (7)
11 The eighth circle of Dante's *Inferno* (9)
12 US country-pop singer (1936-88) who had hits with *Only the Lonely* (3,7)
13 Capital of the Central African Republic: its river is an anagram of its name! (6)
15 Bob, Gerald Ford's running mate in the 1976 US presidential elections (4)
16 Town in Co. Clare famed for its seaweed baths and for its music festival (12)
18 Thick velvet-like material used for tablecloths (8)
19 Admission when one is caught out (1,4,3)
22 Late 1950s/early 1960s BBC TV general knowledge quiz (3,2,7)
24 French for the fifth prime number (4)
26 Second forename of the 32nd US president (6)
27 A latte in Lille (4,2,4)
30 In Hong Kong and Malaysia, a monetary gift given to unmarried younger relatives at the Chinese New Year (3,6)
31, 21 Recent appointment to the post of Downing Street press secretary (7,8)
32 Albert, Hitler's chief architect who was appointed minister of armaments in 1942 (5)
33 The period during which a widow is supposed to remain unmarried (5,6)

DOWN
1 Card game associated with dice, face and machine! (5)
2 Compact, powerful, but graceful Irish terrier (5,4)
3 Samovar (3,3)
4 Twickenham Ait, famed for its late 1950s noisy jazz club where The Rolling Stones, The Who and Pink Floyd played (3,3,6)
5 The puffin (8)
6 Worldwide lifestyle and fashion magazine of French origin founded in 1945 (4)
7 Simone, French socialist and feminist who wrote *Le Deuxième Sexe* (2,8)
8 The free-swimming larva of many molluscs (7)
9 City's nickname popularised in the 1920s by John J. Fitz Gerald of the *Morning Telegraph* which refers to the city's racecourses (3,3,5)
14 Kent and England player, described by Wisden as "arguably the best wicket-keeper the game has ever seen" (7,5)
15 In Scotland, a parting drink or stirrup-cup (4-2-5)
17 Boy and girl twins (6,4)
20 Anglicised name of the province of the counties of Galway, Leitrim, Mayo, Roscommon and Sligo (9)
21 See 31
23 The largest North American ring-necked plover (7)
25 German-born Danish composer and concert pianist, best known for the incidental music *Elverhoj* (6)
28 1894 opera by Massenet which includes the famous *Méditation* from Act 2 (5)
29 Large predatory gull-like bird of the genus Stercorarius (4)

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