

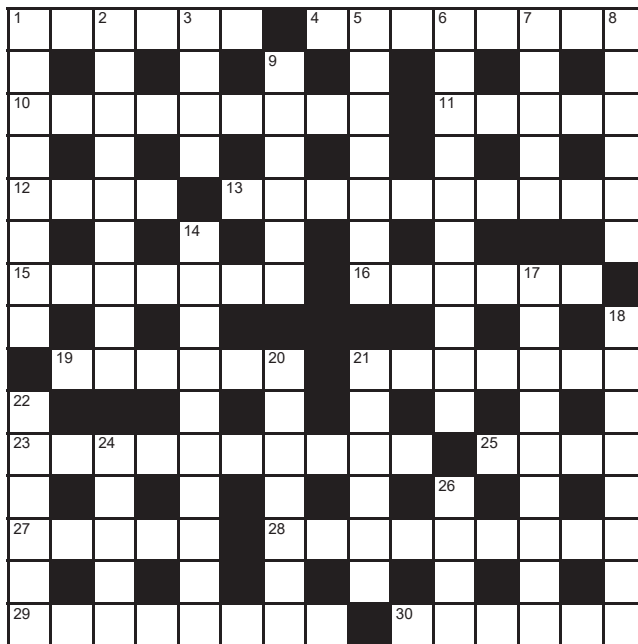
# SUNDAY No 72 - NEWS PUZZLE by JULIUS

## ACROSS

- 1** Row about a Republican trade tool (6)  
**4** Eh? Did Hunter really say this to his dad? (6,2)  
**10** Note testimony to give in return (9)  
**11** Lad in charge, spiky character when animated (5)  
**12** Honour to screen debut of Oliver Reed (4)  
**13** Told to keep lean, like the BBC for example (5-5)  
**15** Expressed contempt about western health resort (3,4)  
**16/21** Failed PM married Cherie Blair after changing given name (6,7)  
**19** Repeated back and forth — diocese was repelled (6)  
**21** See 16  
**23** Shock measure announced by President in sole career broadcast (7,3)  
**25** Detained Haigh finally led out (4)  
**27** Leaders in Romania explain Russian upset necessitates new election (5)  
**28** See 20 Down  
**29** One who commentates on ordinary British tennis player (8)  
**30** For starters, Kemi ate no sandwiches... awfully soggy state (6)

## DOWN

- 1** Buyer of the 29 suggestive of a shell company? (8)  
**2** That which explains the painful decision from Guinness? (9)  
**3** Just a typical Christmas tree put outside? (4)  
**5** Catkin American mother put around hospital dept (7)  
**6** Candlestick covered in muck to cause disturbance (10)  
**7** Material Biden finally privy to? (5)  
**8** Coin old Mussolini tossed son caught (6)  
**9** Breaking news: he's leaving the palace (6)  
**14** Rod sending angry comment on poor effort from Masterchef (4,6)  
**17** Boss — I'm red, I perspire all over, covering my skin (9)  
**18** In court, Giuliani eats cored raw veg (8)  
**20/28** BBC Xmas highlight — controversial presenter Gary taking year off in MOTD drama (7,3,6)  
**21** Support Democrat in Empire State? That's the spirit! (6)  
**22** Might one be created by more messing around? (6)  
**24** Efficient trucks run over River Ouse regularly (2-3)  
**26** District heads of al-Assad regime evacuate asap (4)



## Solution No 71



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