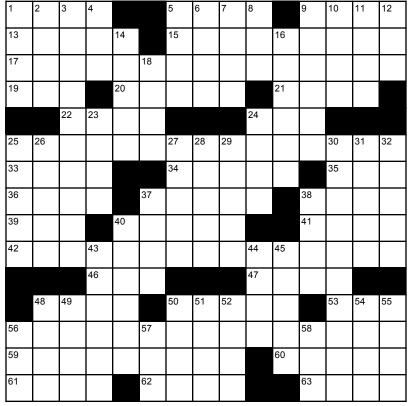
Rationing the Alphabet

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ACROSS

- 1. Going rate?
- 5. Spice Girl married to Beckham
- 9. Pump, for example
- 13. Northeast Corridor train
- 15. Broke the budget
- 17. In the public domain
- 19. Prefix with con or classical
- 20. Exceed expectations
- 21. Gnus, to lions
- 22. The Big Easy, casually
- 24. Director Anderson or Craven
- 25. She ___ wrote "She have wrote"
- 33. Troop group
- 34. Rte. through the Atlantic states
- 35. Chit
- 36. "Et voilà!"
- 37. Get home safely, perhaps
- 38. Cath. VIP
- 39. 157.5° from W
- 40. Ship to remember
- 41. Fighting
- 42. Science of fingerprints
- 46. Bobbie Gentry wrote one to Billy Joe
- 47. Trompe I'
- 48. Non-negotiable
- 50. Sweethearts
- 53. Mauna ____ (Hawaiian volcano)
- 56. 17-, 25-, and 42-Across are the three longest words in the English language lacking these
- 59. Frances Gumm and Robert Zimmerman, for two well-known Minnesotans
- 60. Media mogul/philanthropist with a Presidential Medal of Freedom
- 61. Benchmarks: Abbr.



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- 62. Giving one's fish sticks to the dog, for example
- 63. Last word of the year, for many

DOWN

- 1. Debussy's "Prelude to the Afternoon of a "
- 2. Teen spots
- 3. Take another look
- 4. "Xanadu" grp.
- 5. Left at sea
- 6. "Ars amatoria" poet
- 7. Western lily
- 8. Initials for George or Charlotte
- 9. Few and far between
- 10. Goddess of youth and spring
- 11. Just
- 12. Hot time in Montréal

- 14. ___ Anton Ohno
 (speed skater with
 eight Olympic
 medals and a
 "Dancing With the
 Stars"
 championship)
- 16. Fla. retirement mecca
- 18. Chinese currency
- 23. Bi- cubed
- 24. Draw to a close
- 25. Like annoying commercials, sometimes
- 26. Cockamamie
- 27. Schoolyard pal in a Simon song
- 28. Taking advantage of
- 29. "___, Escher, Bach" (1980 Pulitzer winner)
- 30. Mash unit?
- 31. Field for 29-Down
- 32. Mongolian tents
- 37. Fill to the gills

- 38. When repeated, a Hawaiian fish
- 40. Don Draper, e.g.?
- 43. Gourmet mushrooms
- 44. Knight time
- 45. Basil-garlic-olive oil sauce
- 48. Body parts that, metaphorically, may get wet or cold
- 49. Jobs creation
- 50. It's just for show
- 51. First place
- 52. "The Sun ____ Rises"
- 54. Mediterranean port
- 55. Eponym for ESPN's Award for Courage
- 56. Four of the five \$200 Monopoly properties, briefly
- 57. Capture the bronze?
- 58. Plays a sophomoric prank on, informally