## ACROSS

1 Insignificant
5 Inauguration centerpiece
9 "Billboard" magazine feature
14 Bygone Monopoly token
15 "Hold on, now!"
16 Radiant glows
17 Back of the neck
18 Oxford-born author of "Big Bad Love"
20 App customers
22 A Stooge
23 London subway
24 Jackson-born author of "The Optimist's Daughter"
28 Exam that will be fully digital by 2024
29 Trace of TNT?
30 Prefix meaning "equal"
31 Atkins acolytes, perhaps
33 Emailer's button
35 Hot take preceder, via text
37 Profit's counterpart
38 Holly Springs-born journalist awarded a special posthumous Pulitzer in 2020
42 Practice fighting
44 Big green egg source
45 Inbox clogger
49 Counterweight for stability at sea
52 Umami additive: init.
54 Fuss
55 Org. that promotes Banned Books Week
56 Meridian-born
(and
Clinton-raised) author of "Airships"

59 Singer-activist Simone
61 "__ Is I" (anagram of 36 -Down that completes the title of a classic grammar guide)
62 Greek letter indicating sum
63 DeLisle-born author of "Salvage the Bones"
67 Sticking point, metaphorically
68 En pointe, as in ballet
69 "The Sopranos" actress Falco
70 He broke Babe's record in 1974
71 Feed, as a fire
72 French city on the Rhone
73 CPR experts

## DOWN

1 Stately dances in 3/4 time
2 Sign of a correction
3 Successfully lured, maybe with trickery
4 Febrero preceder
5 Bird in Tootsie Pop commercials
6 Type of illuminating moment
7 "The Velvet Fog" crooner Mel
8 Children's book character with a purple crayon
9 Uber alternative
10 Like some bad feelings
11 Piques, as interest
12 Places for oysters on the half shell
13 Basic guiding principles
19 Himalayan cryptid
21 $\qquad$ _ Lanka


25 Home to Earth's 150 (and then some) highest mountains
26 Site to which Freud insisted some want to return
27 Tarzan trademark
32 Get rid of
34 Old TV set feature
36 Come up a little short
39 Blah
40 Award named for part of a midcentury camera
41 Like rainforests
42 Noteworthy
43 Has every intention of
46 Sentence that uses all 26 letters of the alphabet
47 Unwilling to budge
48 Stereotypically punk-rock hairdos
https://www. matthewluter.com/crosswords
http://msreads.lib.ms.us

49 String instruments that might be "dueling"
50 Cut, as wood
51 Tool for a gardener or a brickmason
53 A state of matter
57 "__as I'll ever be..."
58 Arcanely specialized, like some interests
60 Bad way to run?
64 "__ haw!"
65 It can precede Bravo or Grande 66 Lion's lair


