This jig-saw puzzle celebrates the 70th birthdays, (4.12.07 and 30.7.08) of two media giants dedicated to hard-hitting, festive journalism.

Clues 1-27 are placed in alphabetical order of their solutions. Jig-saw solutions into the diagram following the arrow directions.

August Sirius

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
				1	2	3
				Single measure of Scotch given to Roman sheep (1,4)	Comical feast for septuagenarian?	Mineral at Peril
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Fight for right in full cry	Girlie magazine shows Playboy waitress dropping number around joint	OAP comic appears at end of American Graffiti. Splendid!	Perverse odds	Sounds like hard- wearing trousers of Singer in the Rain. (Hand-me-downs)	Literary DCI attached to force loses lead in bush	By the sound of it, want massage, given the dough
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
The sound of Bing's voice makes money in Estonia	Comparatively happy boy	Bucking mule on a run in Madagascar. Animal	Monthly 'to do' with heavenly body	A litle guana salsa up the nose and thus one sounds like Melvyn Bragg?	Unpleasant saint in denial	Verne turns other cheek. It goes to one's head
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Material used by bank robbers in tight situations?	Once a peculiarly large volume. Could be Indian	Repeat but no time to arrange return (2-3)	Aroused impersonal Frenchman wearing rouge	Resident comic has an eye-catching breast and a batty friend	A dodger, perhaps jolly	Kind of wee heard before flush
25	26	27	28	29	30	31 (Theme)
Puzzling Hungarian stopping to scrub? I know	Wears thin layers being German within, French without. (This clue written by Erskine Childers?)	Greeting from Bart Simpson to which a respectable countryman might reply (2,3)	XX P	······	<b>N</b>	

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