Crossword 15,524 Set by Mudd

**ACROSS**
1. Idiot happy with parking in force (6)
4. Underground network not giving dog a brush then? (8)
9. Titan ending in court, finally (2,4)
10. A poet on the far side of loch in Scottish town (8)
12. Amazed, I fancy, to inhale soft drug (8)
13. He scored with honest talking (6)
15. Perch for bird (4)
16. Which carrier did you say requires space to fix on first of baggage? (10)
19. Mother and son, perhaps, not entirely great – that’s nonsense (5-5)
20. Second, then first – go no further! (4)
23. Money thief (6)
25. Result of last punch, a beauty! (8)
27. Possible call to get a grip on endless party woes (8)
28. The fall of Richard Nixon? (6)
29. Dry, Sun god out more then? (8)
30. Wilder state, conventional city? (6)

**DOWN**
1. Wind, average a shade up (7)
2. Rare element in London theatre (9)
3. Time to parade last of maggots in apple (9)
5. Ascendant king letting in a little light? (4)
6. Sanctimonious nob briefly subordinate to a workers’ supervisor? (8)
7. Stuffed with paper, one forced in many cases (8)
8. Grand in deposit, adequate capital (7)
11. Bob, perhaps, has to show contrition at first, entering small dwelling (7)
17. Present doctrine designed to impress university (9)
18. Come together when vote cast in Irish parliament (8)
19. Very big day before relaxing rest (7)
21. Colourful flower in taupe, surprisingly (7)
22. Soak, assuming cold stew (6)
24. South American animal, fur on one (5)
26. Somewhat cynical, a senator, unfortunately (4)

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