Puzzle #669
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ACROSS

1. This puzzle presents a ___ record of our State’s capitols.
6. In 1837, even as construction was begun for a much larger and needed capitol on a nearby hill, the first capitol building was struck by lightning and ___ to the ground.
10. Dick Rosen is a long time manager for Anheuser-Busch’s Clydesdale operations in St. Louis and for the five Busch theme park locations. From working on his uncle’s farm to the present, he says with satisfaction that all the jobs he has ever had have been ___ jobs.
11. A promise to pay.
12. Chemical symbol for gold.
15. The first State capitol, built in 1826 when the ___ of State govt. moved to Jefferson City, measured only 40 ft. by 60 ft.
18. Prefix for chew or reem.
19. Letters for transitional kindergarten; a school’s bridge program leading up to kindergarten.
20. Miss America would be entitled to wear one.
21. Former rulers of Iran.
22. Despite delays, our plane was still posted as ___ (2 wds.).
25. In 1911, the third State capitol was built and ___ to this day.
31. 7-Up was once advertised as the ___ cola.
32. “I am the alpha and the ___...” (Revelations 1:8).
33. I was appointed to the ___ hoc committee.
35. As the third State capitol was being built (1911-1917), a temporary structure of lathe and ___ on a hill east of the present building served for six years as a transient State capitol.
36. The second State capitol had two ___ instead of one. The second was much lower but wider over the south-facing main entrance.
38. Letters for the dogma stating that the Virgin Mary was born without original sin.
40. The ___ Bell Press in Fulton started in the 1890’s as a newspaper publisher (e.g., the Fulton Gazette) but in 1927 switched strictly to the printing of magazines, books and law briefs. Since 2012 it has been part of Walsworth Publishing, which also has a plant in Marceline.
41. Ha ha in text.
43. A shoe width.
44. In 1973, Deb Schnack at Wallace State Park became the first ___ to hold the position of park superintendent in the Mo. State Park system. Trails were her love and she considered her role in the development of the Katy Trail as the highlight of her career.
45. Fast flier.
47. “Throughout the world women no less than ___ tender girls as well as boys, have given their life’s blood in the struggle for this faith,” —St. Leo the Great, Pope; 400-461 AD.
48. This King of Bashan was said to be from a race of giants; his bed (bier?) was 13½ ft. high and 6 ft. wide (Deuteronomy 3:11).
49. ___ a doctor in the house? (2 wds.)
51. The third State capitol was built with a special property tax earmarked only for the capitol. It netted a $1 million surplus over cost. This was used to commission some of the most notable ___ of the day (e.g., N.C. Wyeth) to enhance this place of govt.
54. “‘Tis no sin to ___ the devil,” —Daniel Defoe.
55. Like a desert.
57. Two of these describe a drum.
58. Sculptures in our churches depicting the superheros of our faith.

DOWN

1. ___-Na-Na.
2. The first small State capitol also served as ___ for Mo. Governors and their families.
3. This State has the deepest lake in the U.S. (abbr.).
5. The Bible has two.
6. “So wasted are my hands and feet that I can count all my ___,” (Psalms 22:17-18).
7. Short for the Brazilian city laying under the outstretched arms of Christ.
8. The second capitol, built in Classic Revival style, was enlarged in 1887-88 by adding to the ___ and south sides of the building to accommodate Mo.’s growth.
9. A walrus has two.
17. Nickname for wealthy Greek shipping magnate Aristotle Onassis.
20. On average, Mo. experiences just over 30 ___ a year with about 50% occurring during April and May. That is fewer than Iowa or Illinois has, per the Missouri Climate Center.
23. 14th letter of the alphabet.
26. In 1911, the second capitol was also struck by lightning resulting in a massive fire that consumed many important historical ___.
27. Mizzou.
28. I had to scour and ___ skillet I had left cooking in the oven (2 wds.).
29. Latin abbr. meaning for example.
30. Letters for the continent.
31. Pre-owned.
34. “...shrewd as serpents and simple as _____,” (Matthew 10:16).
39. A notable later addition to the third capitol was the 1935 mural on the House Lounge walls depicting unvarnished scenes of everyday Mo. life in vivid _____ by Mo.’s own Thomas Hart Benton. Controversial at the time, it is now a source of pride and a popular tour stop.
42. Today, the present 1911 capitol is considered a splendid collection of stained glass, murals, carvings, and statuary portraying Mo. history, _____ and cultural achievements.
44. The Mai_____ in Hermann began in the early 1870’s and is one of Mo.’s oldest German festivals.
46. A pole that tells a story.
47. “These people are waterless springs and _____ driven by a gale...” (2 Peter 2:17).
50. Light beige.
51. My part in the play begins in _____ 1, scene 3.
52. The Greek letters chi (X) and _____ (P) are the first two letters of the Greek word for Christ and are used together as a Christian symbol.
53. About one third of the best farmland in the U.S. is in this State (abbr.).
55. Internet code for Austria.
56. For a golfer, a suffix for bird.