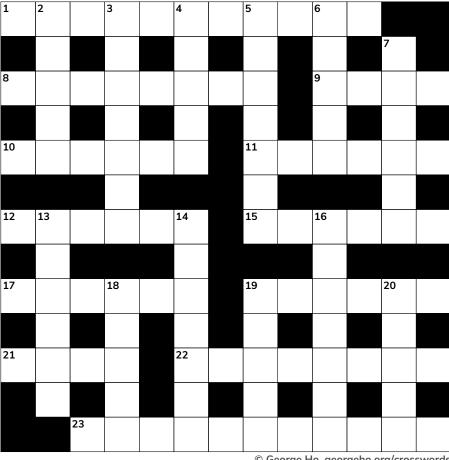
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ACROSS

- 1 Agitated teen piled on embroidery (11)
- 8 Blanco's single, set-aside composition (8)
- **9** Unlit ship met bad end (4)
- **10** Watergate: one is surrounded by various clues (6)
- 11 Mischievous political philosopher in lecture (6)
- 12 North America has a purpose: disgust (6)
- **15** Rock dresses, primarily, on a trip (6)
- **17** Top cow (6)
- 19 Prude making A1 manservant (6)
- 21 Parrot in Czechoslovakia (4)
- 22 Scruffy person near lowa state (8)
- 23 Rationale for a demilitarized China? (11)

DOWN

- 2 Message for Amelia, losing head and losing cool (1-4)
- **3** Small teams' parts (7)



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- 4 Aristocrat, 51, bathing in French summer (5)
- **5** Throughout eons is everything needed for unity (7)
- **6** Bottom drain's broken (5)
- **7** Pop star's Starbucks order (6)
- 13 Company's eerily cagey about new leader (6)

- 14 Baby's saliva absorbed on the bed? (7)
- 16 Loaded, loaded Elton acquires plutonium (7)
- 18 Indigenous tribe to seek justice, I hear (5)
- **19** Boy stealing post office's cutlery (5)
- **20** No one in here regularly backs up animal (5)