Nine down answers contain a spelled-out number. These should be converted to numerals, and will each share a square with a letter from an across entry. Put these letters in order by the numbers that share their squares, and you get the phrase I CAN DIG IT ... or perhaps, in this case, I CAN DIGIT.

ACROSS
1  DU(TCHMA)N (match anagram)
7  HE + W + N
10 SCH. + L(E)P
12 COOIER
13 SHE + L + TIE
14 INGE + NUdE
15 EA. + ST.
16 ES + TA TES (full reversal)
18 E(X)EC'S
21 RENE(G)E
22 PE(A + HE)N
23 D(ICE)R.
25 TAX RATE (anag.)
27 WhEERE
28 PL. + ACID + O
30 DEITIES (anagram)
31 P(L)ANS
32 RU(IN)ED
33 RICH (hidden)
34 STY + P + TICS

DOWN
1  FIVE-SPICE POW(D)ER (previews of epic anagram)
2  THE SEVEN SEAS (anagram)
3  aCLU + E
4  HENNAS (reversed hidden)
5  THREE CHEERS (anagram)
6  NOvELS
7  H(OLEIN)ONE
8  W + RI + S, T
9  FOUR-LETTER WORDS (anagram)
11  CAN + E
17  SECTION EIGHT (anagram)
19  CHE + ETAH (hate reversal)
20  cANAPES + T
23  DRAW + UP (full reversal)
24  DEEPS + I + X (speed reversal)
25  NIN + EPINS (full reversal)
26  ED + GE (e.g. reversal)
29  TW(O)BIT