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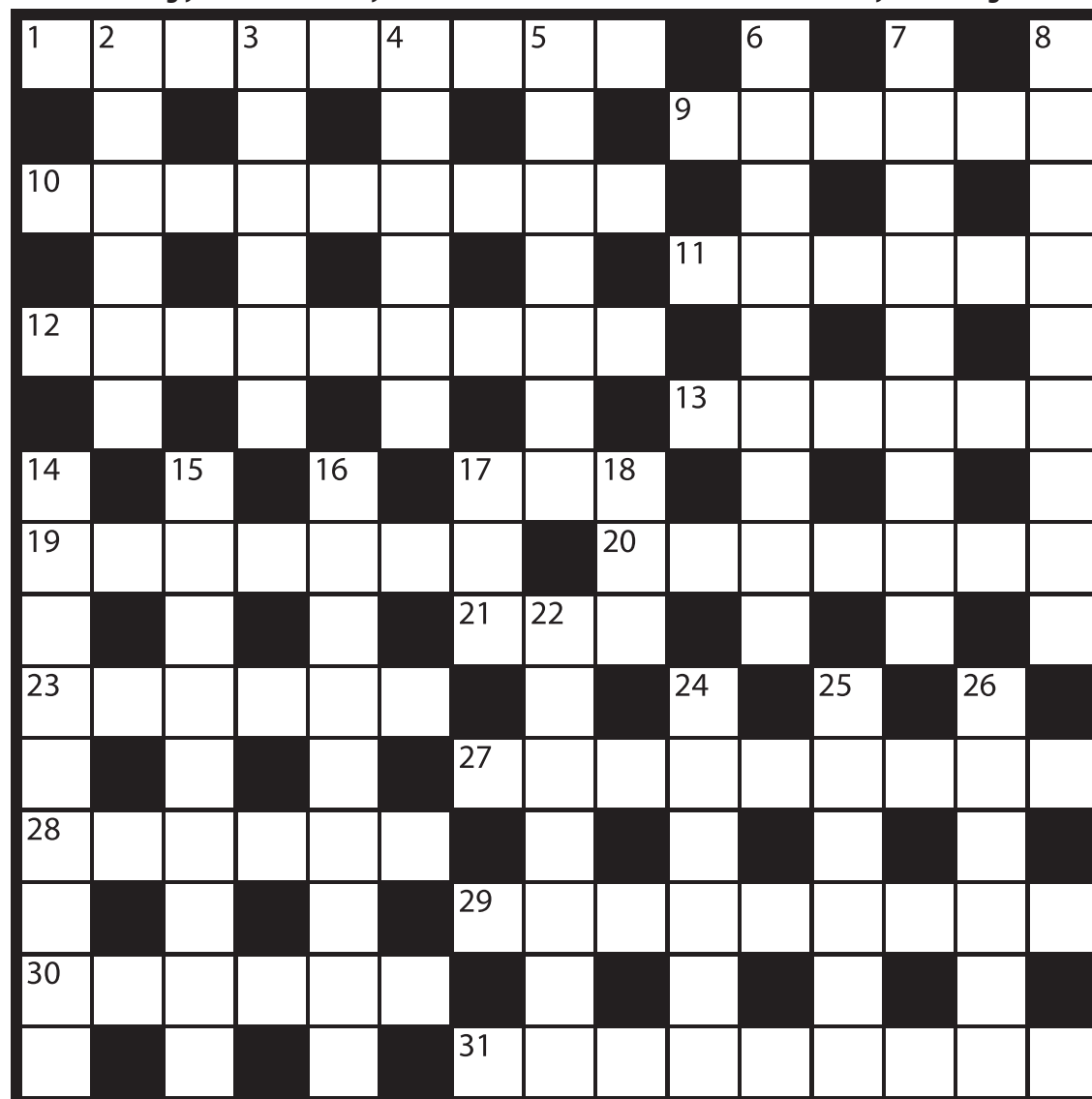
- 1 Director might go in after fish (9)
 9 Girl that is at the factory first (6)
 10 Director has a talk about composer (9)
 11 They may be cast or otherwise (6)
 12 Putting off record measure in the boxing arena (9)
 13 Train a group of swimmers (6)
 17 Paranormal quality of the sports pages (1,1,1)
 19 Opening alternative if it's on cold stuff (7)
 20 Old city features for waifs and strays (7)
 21 Ignited the French bed (3)
 23 Perspires and wastes potential (6)
 27 Point to member in trade-off - going down? (9)
 28 Horrifies very quiet lad when around (6)
 29 Great 4 in comic mythology (9)
 30 Island empire builder (6)
 31 A party share great affection (9)

DOWN

- 2 Fruits and drinks around prop's extremities (6)
 3 Favour whistler in retreating traveller (6)
 4 Interstellar cloud of a blue nature, originally? (6)
 5 Strays and absorbs messages (7)
 6 Director has a problem with bird (9)
 7 A little company holiday in charge of one who shouldn't drink! (9)
 8 All points loudly whip a bulletin (9)
 14 Director involved in jobs drain (3,1,5)
 15 City of organ and water (9)
 16 Made whisky calm and died out (9)

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- 17 Marvin's sent back by swimmer (3)
 18 Place sheep in reverse (3)
 22 Anger over light country (7)
 24 Guide for chaps on the hill (6)
 25 Barker's silly creature in wager (6)
 26 Country or new state (6)