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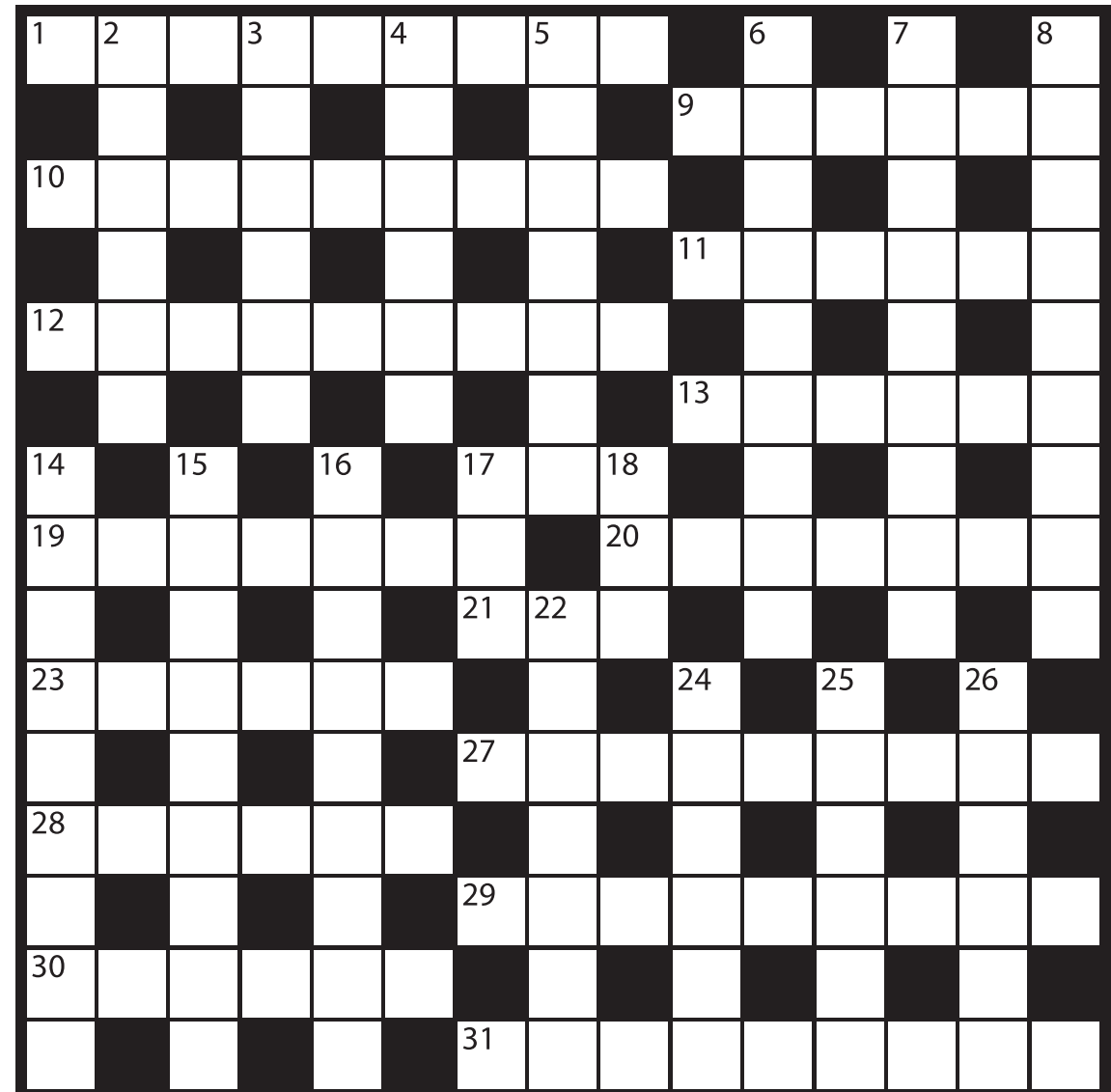
- 1 Top drawer from the past led Tom a right turn about Salah's first (3,6)
 9 Speed absorbs gangster at Kensington? (6)
 10 Detectives order back jerks in jerks (9)
 11 Europeans' force simply stinks (6)
 12 Such a pace might shatter kiss! (9)
 13 Creature's confused by Cleo's books (6)
 17 A quiet wood (3)
 19 Talks nonsense about May's problems around foreign sea (7)
 20 An infernal linesman with noted direction (7)
 21 The little boy's equipment (3)
 23 Possesses 100 for old Scottish climber (6)
 27 One serves with skill during drinking session (9)
 28 Calling for Vietnam in governmental contents (6)
 29 Moves very quickly on the road, detecting errors (9)
 30 Fiery dating site! (6)
 31 Beasts run away when covered with insects (9)

DOWN

- 2 Repels awfully wretched sorts (6)
 3 Young woman links with little fellow in letter (6)
 4 Derides cereal on board (6)
 5 Reveals Venice's disintegration (7)
 6 Scottish island needs something to chew - a fish (9)
 7 Less spirited way to be an old conqueror (9)
 8 One taking many flights to Blackdog? (3-6)
 14 Put a dash in the pan - hey, it's fabulous (9)
 15 Accumulation of ship workers in a coaster (9)
 16 Condemned German weight in the climax (9)

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- 17 Request when known to leader (3)
 18 Bowler, say, has all the sources (3)
 22 Loren, for instance, finds tack at one retreat (7)
 24 Type of diet cooked on plates (6)
 25 Shady part behind - I got in the mood (6)
 26 Star, we're told, might overcome the French (6)