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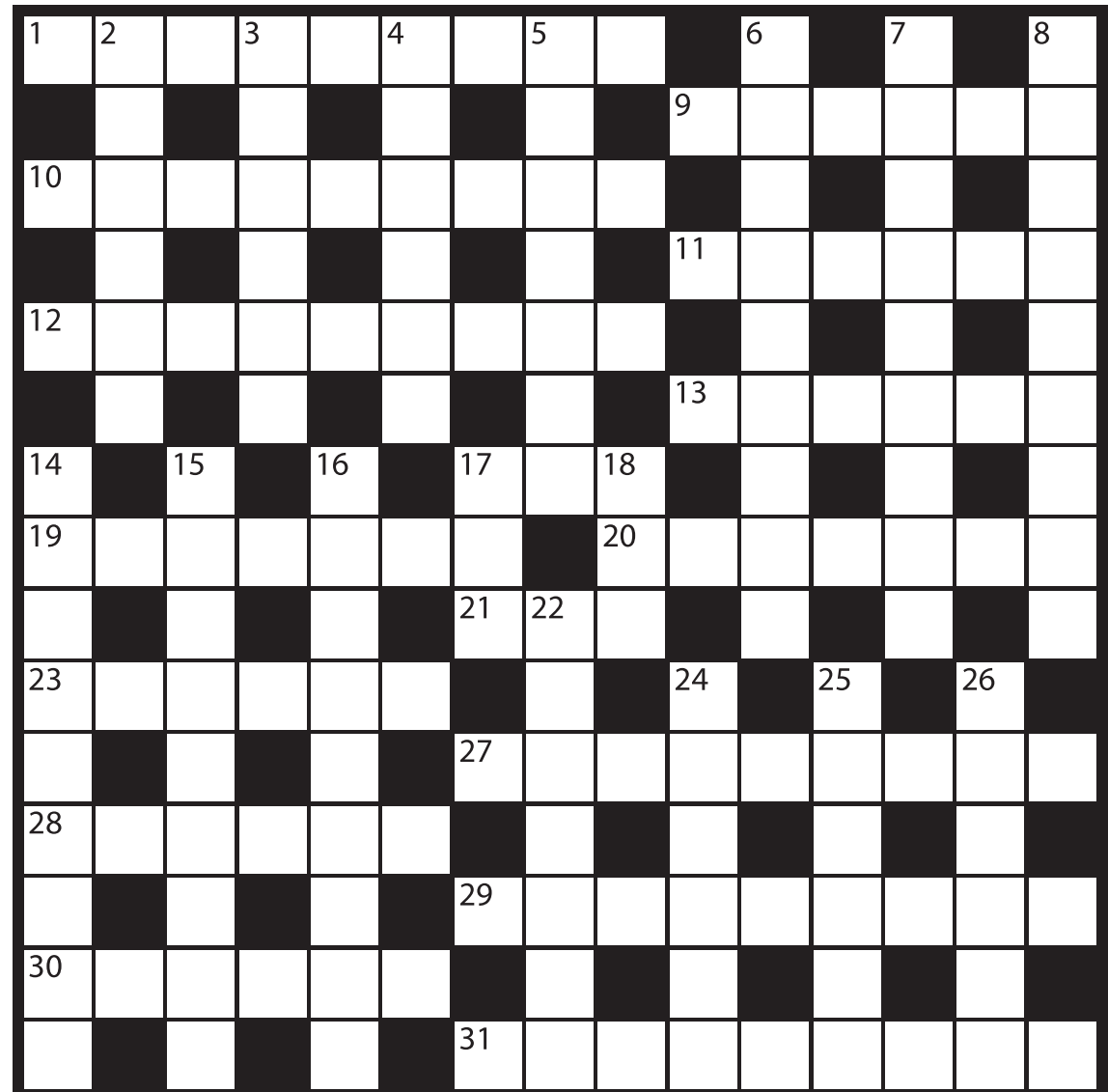
- 1 Pointlessly flogging a heavyweight jazz legend (9)
 9 Settle on plunging the cops in Scottish river (6)
 10 Arranged an instrument with a bad side (9)
 11 Save and make secure (6)
 12 Political scandal with a work unit in gallery (9)
 13 Popular cult for B, we're told (6)
 17 Two-way observer (3)
 19 Desire spectacles to be held in high esteem (7)
 20 Run-of-the-mill in true love? (7)
 21 It can't be returned in court (3)
 23 Assistant male takes record, hesitantly (6)
 27 Mad stream of trouble in city (9)
 28 Idiot savant can help driver (3-3)
 29 Wounds the costs of fabric? (9)
 30 Created unrest with city boy (6)
 31 Promote French green around weird ideas (9)

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- 2 Being popular, I attract hidden rope (6)
 3 I am taking a long time at the pictures (6)
 4 Smile and leave an American in Mexico (6)
 5 Finished with the last year's leaders in open style (7)
 6 Aspect of Eastern average in grim surroundings (9)
 7 Harm the reputation of little girl's direct manner (9)
 8 Three below the score (9)
 14 Carthorse cavorting with lots of players (9)
 15 1's look back at charge of solitude (9)
 16 Creates potential of teenagers (9)

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- 17 Alien article on old letter (3)
 18 Before evening's red express sources (3)
 22 Order nothing to be stripped from soldier (7)
 24 Old deity consumed bird within (6)
 25 Straying from the Queen with a diatribe (6)
 26 Tags Lincoln left in luscious extremes (6)