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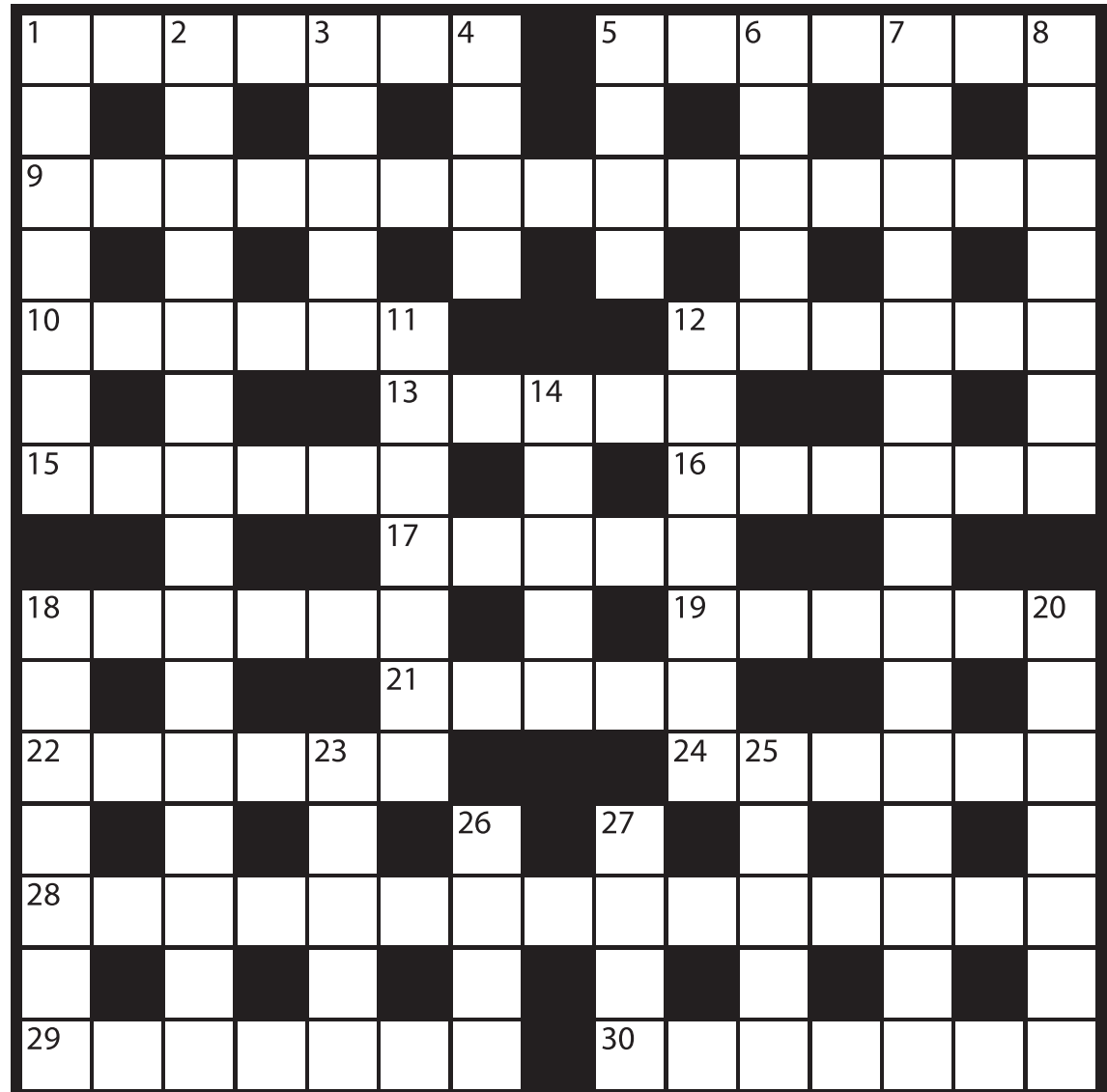
- 1 Steep alternatives absorb initially terse replies (7)
 5 One publishing stuff about Allan Wells loses his head (7)
 9 Hobson's choice at one: elevator and kite go mad (4,2,2,5,2)
 10 Laugh at flier with steep 8 (6)
 12 Make secure - and make safe! (6)
 13 Follow on from Barker, chasing two points (5)
 15 Severe treatment for old magistrates (6)
 16 Ghostly courage (6)
 17 It beats lentils (5)
 18 Charles makes a pincer movement (6)
 19 Flawless learner? (6)
 21 Artist might be removed from October work (5)
 22 Plead for old ham or rotten thespian, initially (6)
 24 Position taken by boy at church (6)
 28 Benevolence searching for Oscar-winning film (4,4,7)
 29 Grief of melancholy head (7)
 30 Gets one's own back on Geneva's destruction (7)

DOWN

- 1 This muscle works either way (7)
 2 Aim high to find old soap (4,3,4,4)
 3 Elevate one in artist's embrace, originally (5)
 4 Cease kitchen receptacles' 8 (4)
 5 National banker joins the French (4)
 6 Terrorists take note, being livid (5)
 7 So knight and 18 love corrupt film (3,8,4)
 8 Go back at steep rate, perhaps (7)
 11 Are spectacles hiding esteem? (7)
 12 Takes exception to Ernest's novel (7)

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- 14 This power also with right turn (5)
 18 Vows to go on quiet shelves (7)
 20 Comes out of work unit - seem peculiar externally (7)
 23 Argument that's pursuing north-east food (5)
 25 Nervous about the future, say (5)
 26 A record's on the mountains (4)
 27 Hate spread by female (4)