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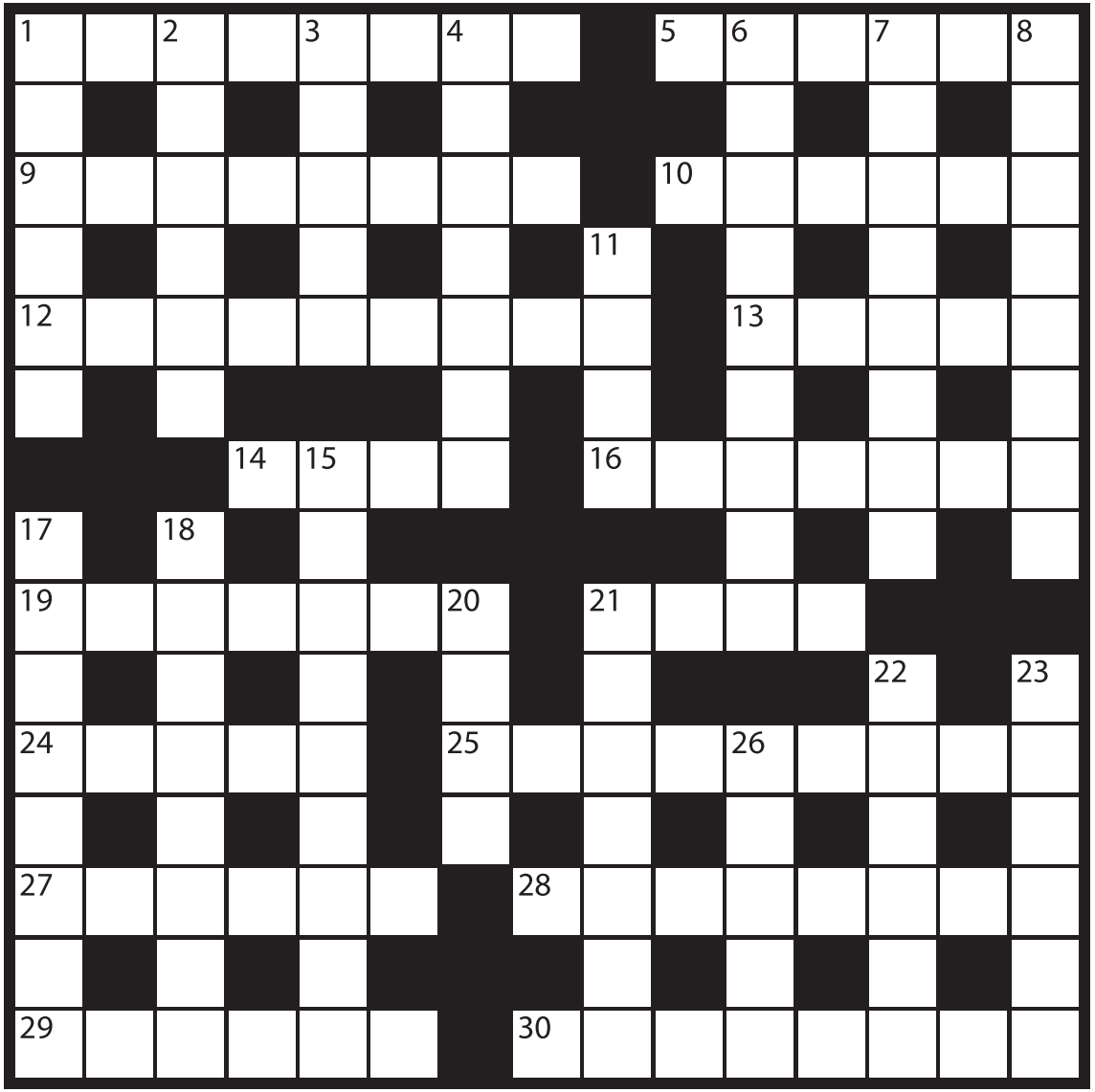

ACROSS

1 Garments with a fancy border (8)
5 Standing immediately west of America (6)
9 Backing woman to cut one tree or another (3,5)
10 Extortionist determined to enter old city (6)
12 Buildings changing hands in ballots (9)
13 Children using endless hankies (5)
14 Attempt to get fired (4)
16 Famous artist went without whisky (7)
19 Stress caused by dog eating bible (7)
21 Shy actors and model (4)
24 Places accepting new vessels (5)
25 Men ruined new handbag (9)
27 Places in which one sees bands, essentially (6)
28 Pole with nothing in a strange country (8)
29 Property in Spain, say (6)
30 Letter composed about a cold cheese dish (8)

DOWN

1 Aggravate mobile owners (6)
2 Save soldiers and judge (6)
3 Burn rubbish when inside (5)
4 Quit beer after entering boxing match (4,3)
6 Gives evidence in trial, provided that's necessary, in essence (9)
7 Husband stops rubbish journalist getting hammered (8)
8 Reptiles; could make exotic presents (8)
11 Man, perhaps, is extremely large (4)
15 Top celebrity beginning to take advantage (4,5)
17 Prevent servant causing delay (8)
18 Shrewdest accountant playing tennis (8)
20 Praise on raising twin (4)
21 High speed Allied bombing - it's useful for the French (7)
22 Outside pub, check for bird (6)
23 Bloke supporting Iron Lady (6)
26 After end of dinner, First Lady left party (5)