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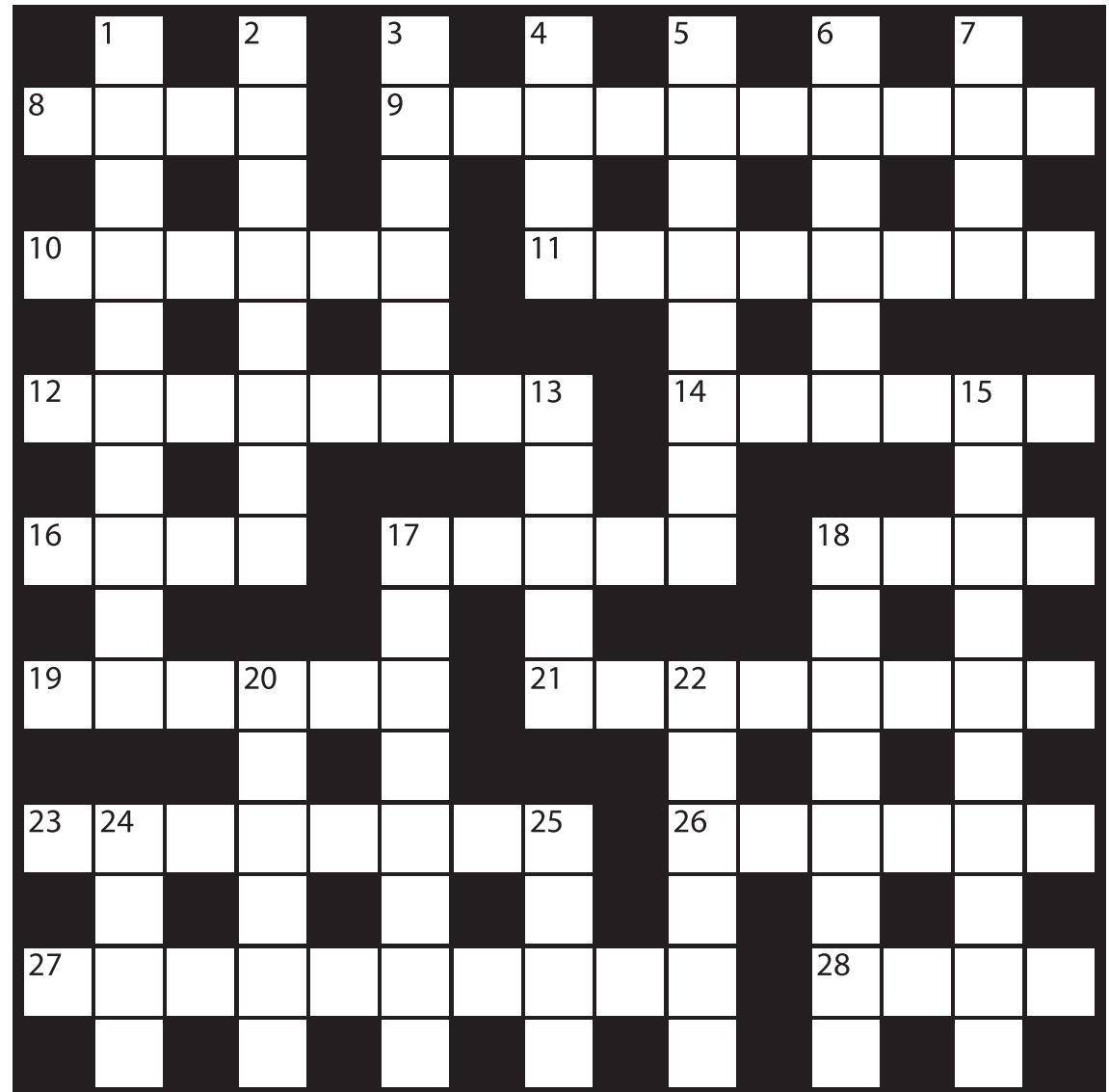
- 8 One using sonar to capture old vessel (4)
9 Lousy table needs sorting out for sure (10)
10 A quiet drive to see Hindu community (6)
11 One giving orders for hams creditor ruined (8)
12 A way to get into shopping centres for birds (8)
14 Peacekeeping force sure can be dangerous (6)
16 Roguish type going around hot country (4)
17 Fanatical battalion's first into attack (5)
18 Luxury car son's taken out for a spin (4)
19 Love theologian's given to short stiff weirdo (3,3)
21 I once let fools vote (8)
23 Get in touch with swimmer on programme (8)
26 Husband seen by small river cuddling Penny (6)
27 Insult hospital attendant in an unruly way (10)
28 Drug found by a unit of the police (4)

DOWN

- 1 Wearing Fu Manchu costume, had to mess about (10)
2 Liberal dons kicked off, being shocked to action (8)
3 French main to follow bit of pig in batter (6)
4 Did drugs unstress some exceedingly distressed leaders? (4)
5 Everybody drinks (for everybody has many sides) (3-5)
6 Small, bloodsucking parasites in dead tree branches (6)
7 Muppet in tree overlooking edge of ocean (4)
13 Black market stocks bit of butter (5)
15 Company of ship well at sea (10)

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- 17 Animal paraded madly around end of garden (3,5)
18 On trial, a criminal of sound mind (8)
20 Take That singer and a standard of his! (6)
22 Goes for tests (6)
24 One moving into home to get settled (4)
25 This woman's energy is present (4)