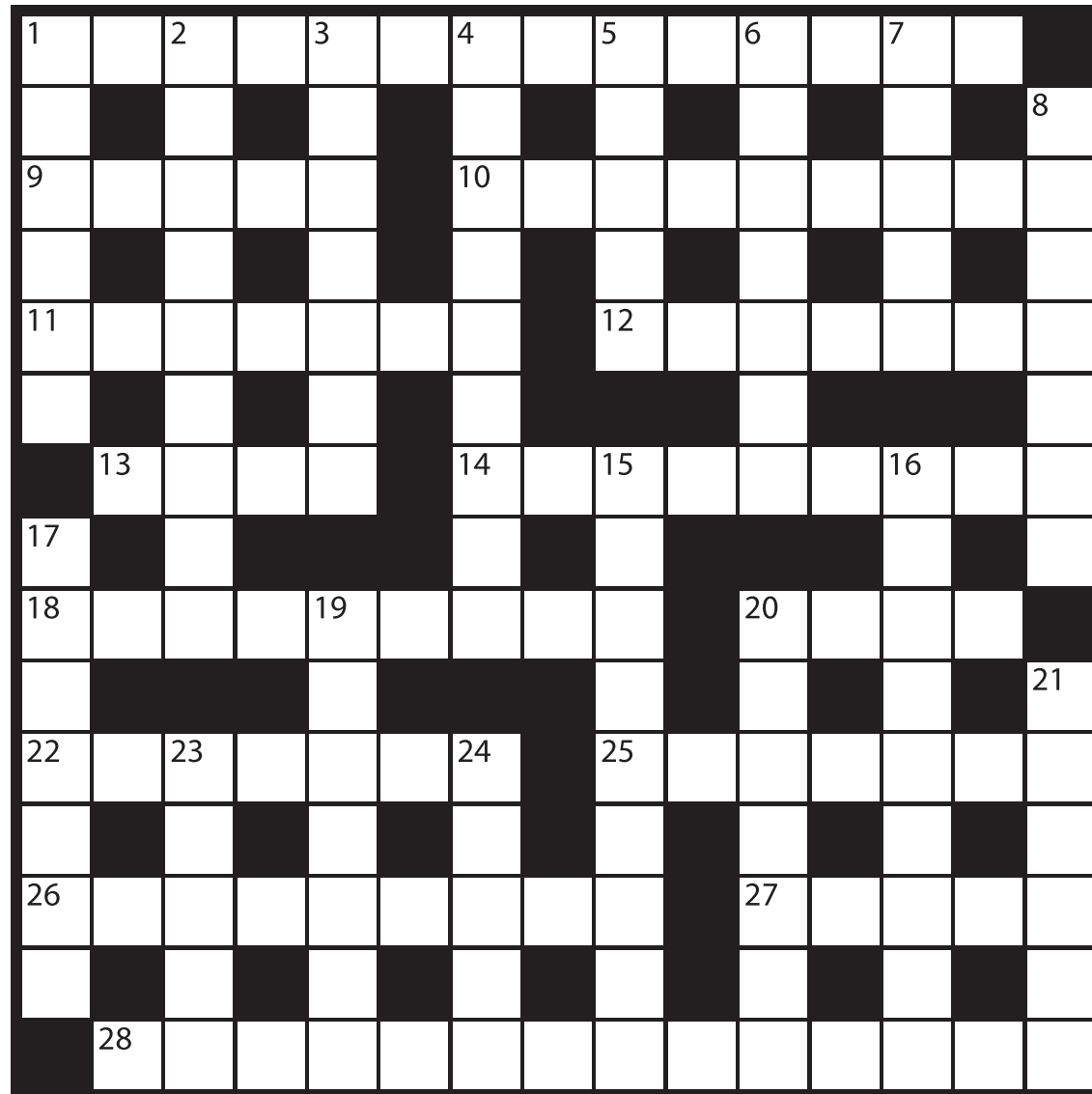


ACROSS

- 1 County point on brown terrain (14)
- 9 Snoops in casinos, essentially (5)
- 10 Large amount I made irregularly from TV, press etc (4,5)
- 11 Row about stray dog (7)
- 12 Traders upsetting leaders (7)
- 13 In this place, but in another era (4)
- 14 The gin ran out, almost a disaster (4,5)
- 18 Steriliser left in car chamber (9)
- 20 Change of gear causes fury (4)
- 22 Country's song about male workers (7)
- 25 Instructor's soft sports shoe (7)
- 26 Dog could be too old? Yep (3,6)
- 27 Play monotonously, that's almost the spirit (5)
- 28 Careless lads do unearth old manuscripts (4,3,7)

DOWN

- 1 Figure finding some translation in etymology (6)
- 2 Going up again, big increase in housing charge (9)
- 3 Unfriendly presenter on French island (7)
- 4 Poorly made Roman notes (9)
- 5 Alleviated and stopped, though not at first (5)
- 6 Roast meat with a good man (7)
- 7 Prod undraped statue holding end of prong (5)
- 8 Meat product with herb going round USA (7)
- 15 Rental for manoeuvring eastern ship with vigilance (9)
- 16 Mostly haphazard learning about English (2,7)



- 17 Is it possible for a saint to have a game of cards? (7)
- 19 Former aircraft lacks energy and harmony (7)
- 20 One who responds to the nuclear apparatus? (7)
- 21 Crumbles without the French bread fragments (6)
- 23 Is allowed to live, perhaps (5)
- 24 Sum up the French muddle (5)