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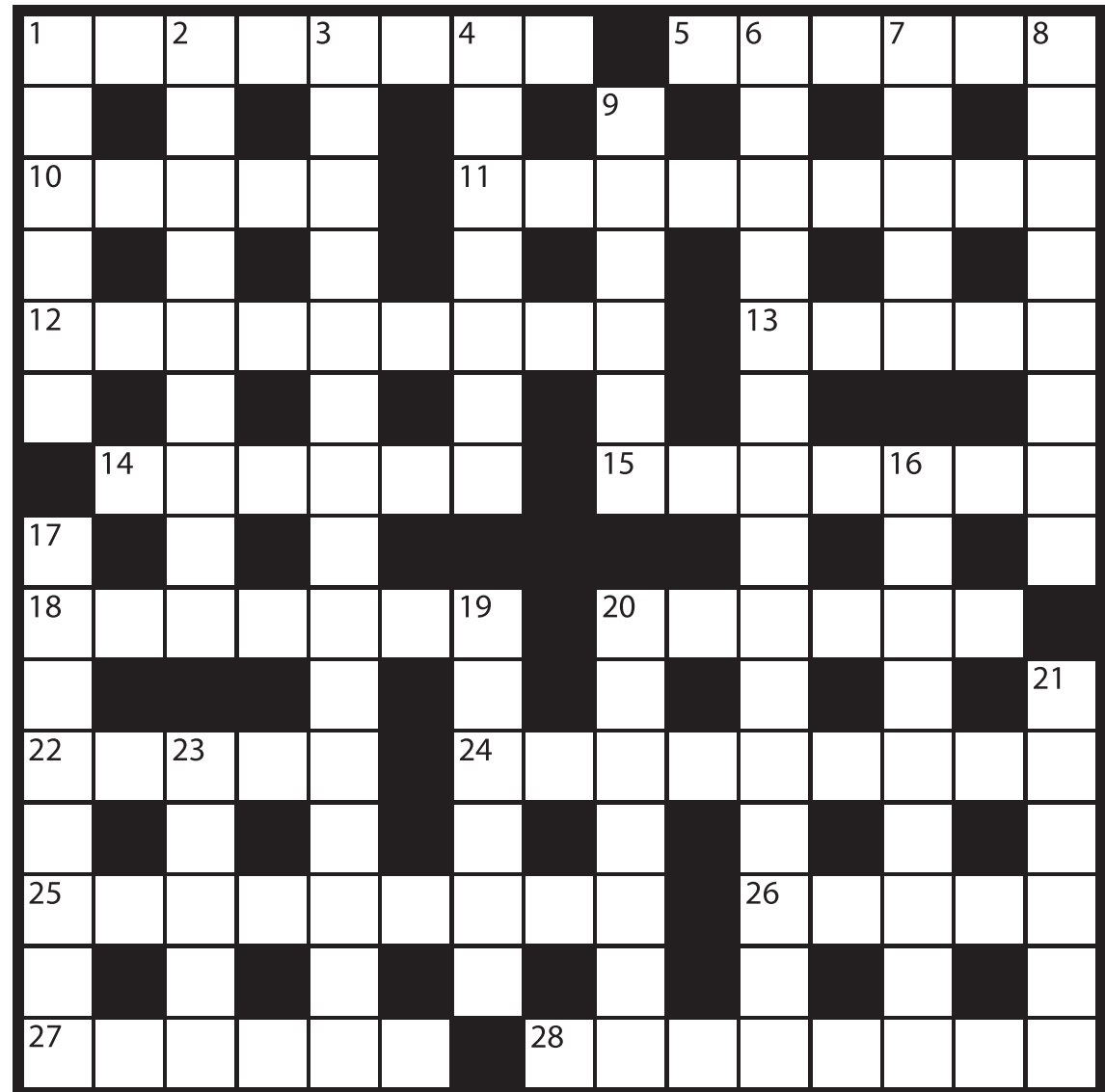
- 1 Rugby players drink in display of cordiality (8)
- 5 A drink with theologian makes sense (4,2)
- 10 Partially understanding our dog (5)
- 11 Cruder small boat? That's right (9)
- 12 Weirdos cause damage to vessels (9)
- 13 Dam in China meeting with resistance (5)
- 14 Menace from the east misbehaved (6)
- 15 Guys housing the Spanish must be fools (7)
- 18 Favour opponents wearing suit (7)
- 20 Fictional character in Sandhurst feeding troops (6)
- 22 Beast held back by Elle Macpherson (5)
- 24 Terrible, terrible actor promises to pay (9)
- 25 Queen's charming but heartless performance (9)
- 26 Make tougher cover, not using sulphur (5)
- 27 Few extra boxes close to Christmas (6)
- 28 Oxygen in guns is causing reduction in calibre (8)

DOWN

- 1 In Herald I see piece of clothing (6)
- 2 Business giant wrong about how Covid spreads (9)
- 3 Dirty tricks of selling small gifts (8,7)
- 4 Leave Jack assistant with no energy (7)
- 6 Air conflict made complicated - there must be a point to it (7,8)
- 7 Bob isn't a good person (5)
- 8 Keep getting penny for fellow gatekeeper (8)
- 9 Noticed children embracing partners (6)
- 16 Face villains, not starting conversations (9)

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- 17 Hides from boss raving about treatment (8)
- 19 After short time, rising smoke is disastrous (6)
- 20 Muscle-bound bishop - the perfect husband (2,5)
- 21 Property of a group aboard ship (6)
- 23 Old lady eating social worker's fish (5)