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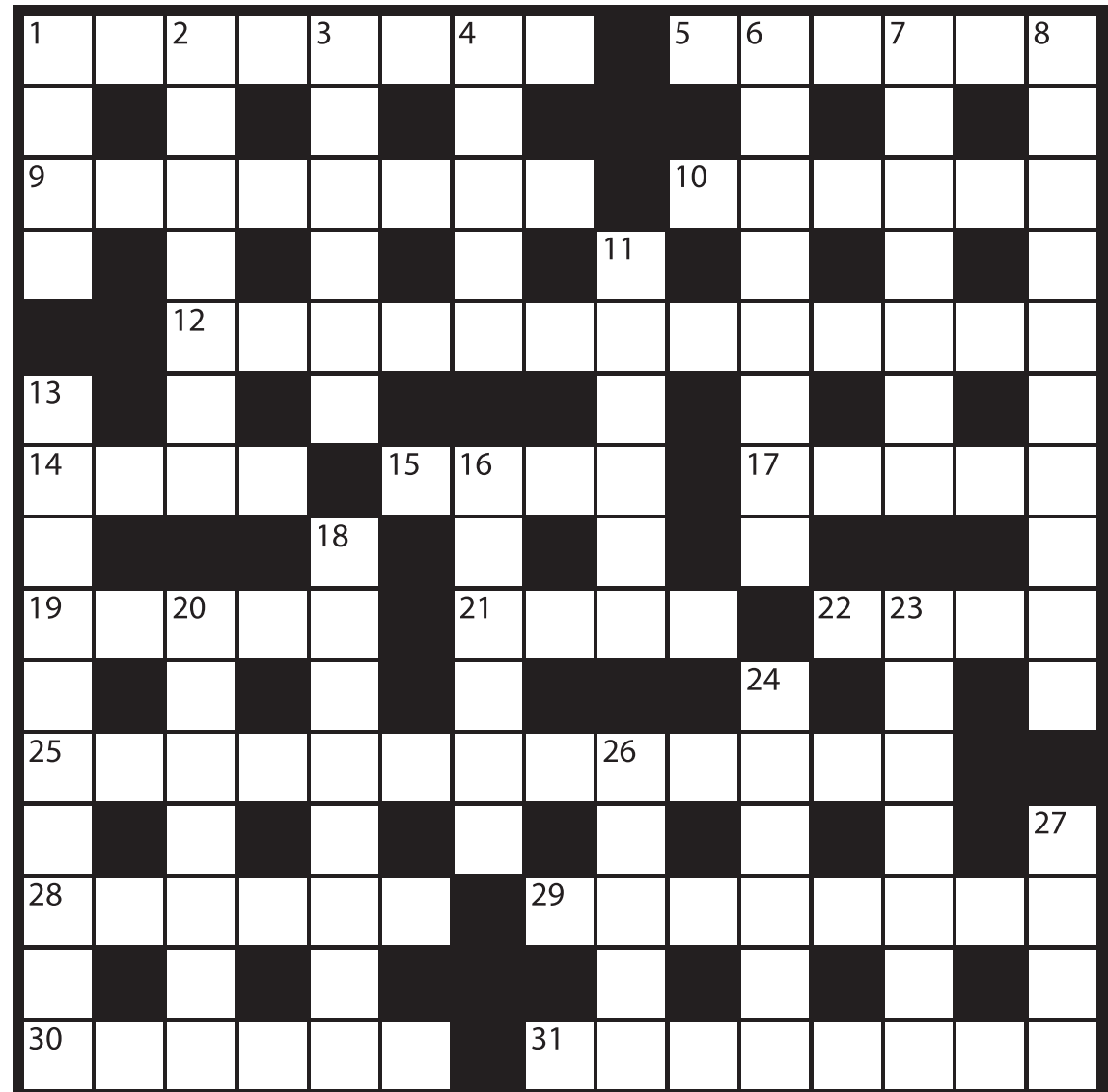
- 1 Could be harder, so they accumulate (8)
 5 Railway town acted with bed (6)
 9 Whose bin broke V-shaped part of bird? (8)
 10 Make point inside box (6)
 12 View smooth cook next to toasting facility (3-5,5)
 14 Small Penny to cry (4)
 15 Prohibits drinking places (4)
 17 Hundred in charge of pick-me-up (5)
 19 Bottled spirit? (5)
 21 Playthings – two, yes without centres (4)
 22 Competent board, but no leader (4)
 25 Wall covering for moving mule into Spain (8,5)
 28 Sports team appears in novel event (6)
 29 Tiny cads twisting like hereditary rulers (8)
 30 Right inside room that's well-built (6)
 31 1950s teenager is a cuddly lad! (5,3)

DOWN

- 1 Hard bird to wail (4)
 2 Sure eat again, being severe (7)
 3 Bribed about gardening tool (6)
 4 Scope to be angry around the north (5)
 6 I rig rate madly to get water (8)
 7 Old trumpet in carol arrangement (7)
 8 Conservative rebel felt around for musical symbol (6,4)
 11 Channel Island sweater (6)
 13 Boastful people exchange Reg's wagers (10)
 16 Writer removes our hat (6)
 18 Frame for those who've retired? (8)
 20 Modern French seen after art? (7)

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- 23 Where washer sat with city vessel (7)
 24 Reptile gets the point in Cornwall (6)
 26 Tax system, note, for money recipient (5)
 27 Teach yourself with painful interior (4)