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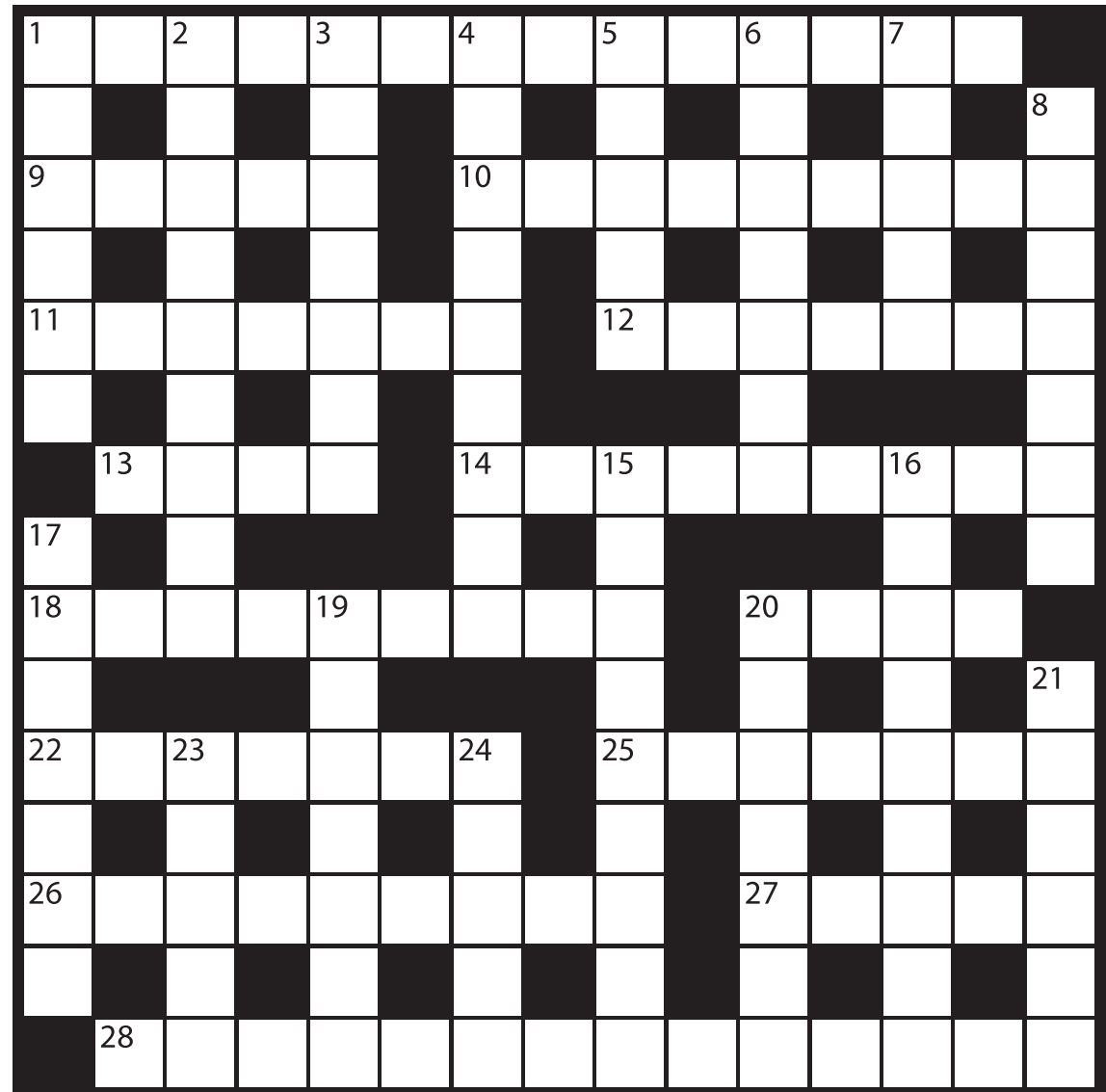
- 1 Material gain is outcome of fairness for all (14)
 9 Flower's position? (5)
 10 Bound closely to drunken noisy fool (5-4)
 11 Footballer's brush? (7)
 12 Hug me having returned with couple (7)
 13 Boss for a stable establishment (4)
 14 St Michael bewildered old scientist (9)
 18 Maker of the Arctic shift (9)
 20 Hit hard if it's worn (4)
 22 Tom, perhaps, to ring with a disapproving sound (7)
 25 Girl hides foreign currency for sitcom (7)
 26 Where in France to set off boat (9)
 27 A school boss in front (5)
 28 Spiritual entrant's candle goes out (14)

DOWN

- 1 Join up lines to form a square (6)
 2 A hit tune performed before a hundred – it's the real thing (9)
 3 Flavourless popular drink I had (7)
 4 Take it in turns to adjust neat modification (9)
 5 Fireplace where sole has head chopped off (5)
 6 Distinguished yet ineffective (7)
 7 Present-bringer from featureless Antarctica (5)
 8 Gives evidence at trials (7)
 15 Vessel with ram AA can't repair (9)
 16 Together in endless concentric circles (2,7)
 17 Understand how to become popular (5,2)

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- 19 Section of hospital I analysed is Roman, perhaps (7)
 20 Make cuts but fill to cover lapse (7)
 21 Beach, and a left shoe suitable for it? (6)
 23 Coach tour diverted going round square (5)
 24 Deduction from chart, one cent (5)