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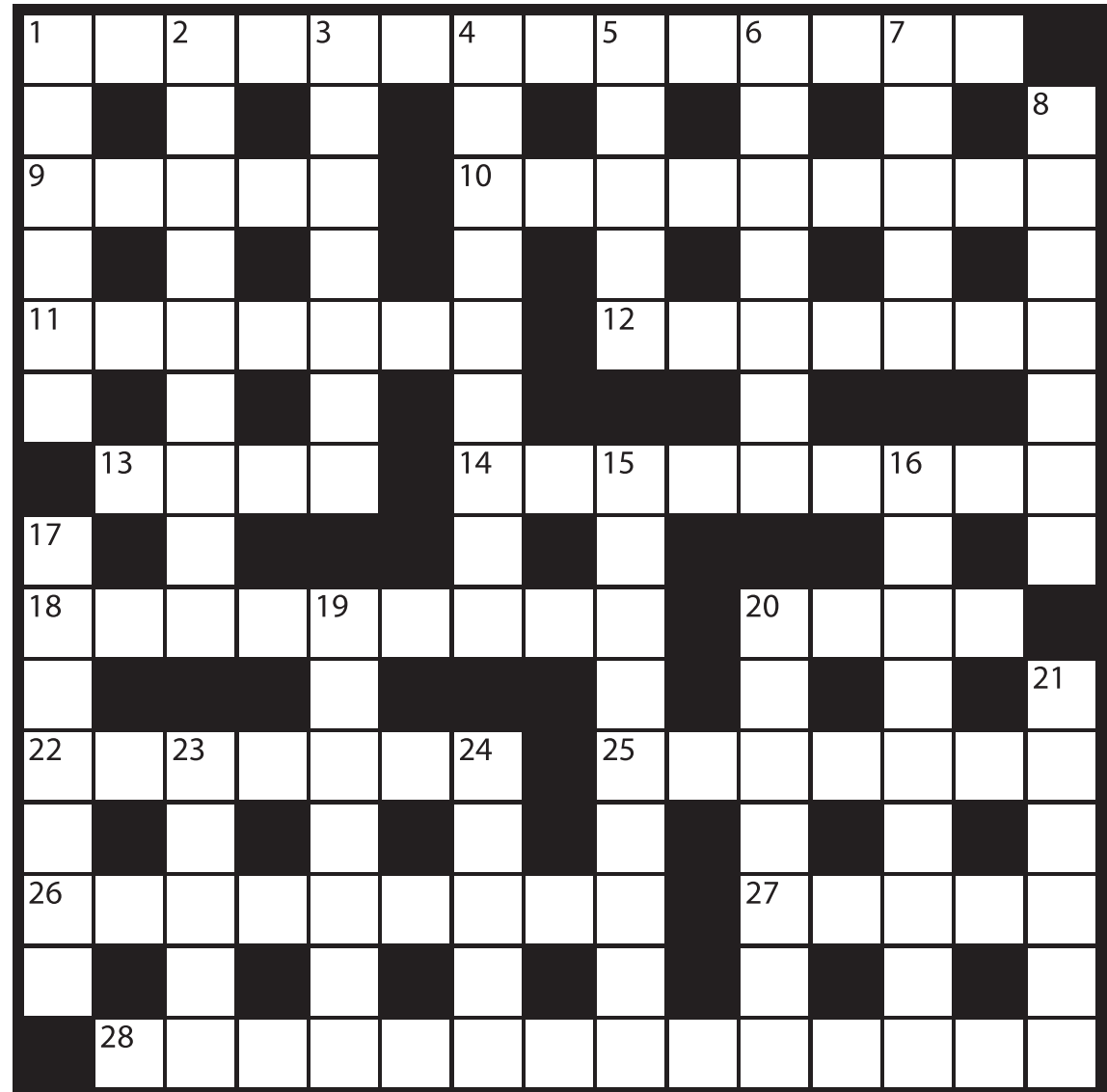
- 1 Sadly, rocks delay colonists (14)
 9 Slight mistake in circuits, we hear (5)
 10 Killer directed to a prison (3,6)
 11 US city or country given nothing (7)
 12 Rotate torque around a global line (7)
 13 Somewhat sec, a vapid wine (4)
 14 Rural place for ham, unusual purpose (9)
 18 A change of oil to put in jet's mechanical flyer (9)
 20 Sounds like court orders for luxury hotel (4)
 22 Composition by Tom in fancy coat (7)
 25 Expresses disapproval of articles (7)
 26 Friendly relations? Never, never! (4,5)
 27 Get about in ancient Rome? (5)
 28 Imagine garland on roller for masquerade (5-5,4)

DOWN

- 1 Large portion of students work after party (6)
 2 Asking earnestly to dine with one in factory (9)
 3 South Pacific islands seen from a canoe I upset (7)
 4 Sad when surf low or choppy (9)
 5 Drink borne by an earl at ten (5)
 6 Excessive to touch, hug poor Mo (3,4)
 7 Composer listening to record (5)
 8 Shifting dune engulfs limb that's unprotected (7)
 15 Trouble, so Reuters turned up (9)
 16 Hives off a curt air, I get trapped (9)
 17 Spouse right to catch up (7)

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- 19 Fantastic pals given endless credit by credit card? (7)
 20 Gets rid of imperfect goods (7)
 21 Fool would be sick to make attack (6)
 23 Price offered for a Spanish holiday region (5)
 24 Bitter cold in dry surroundings (5)