

**ACROSS**

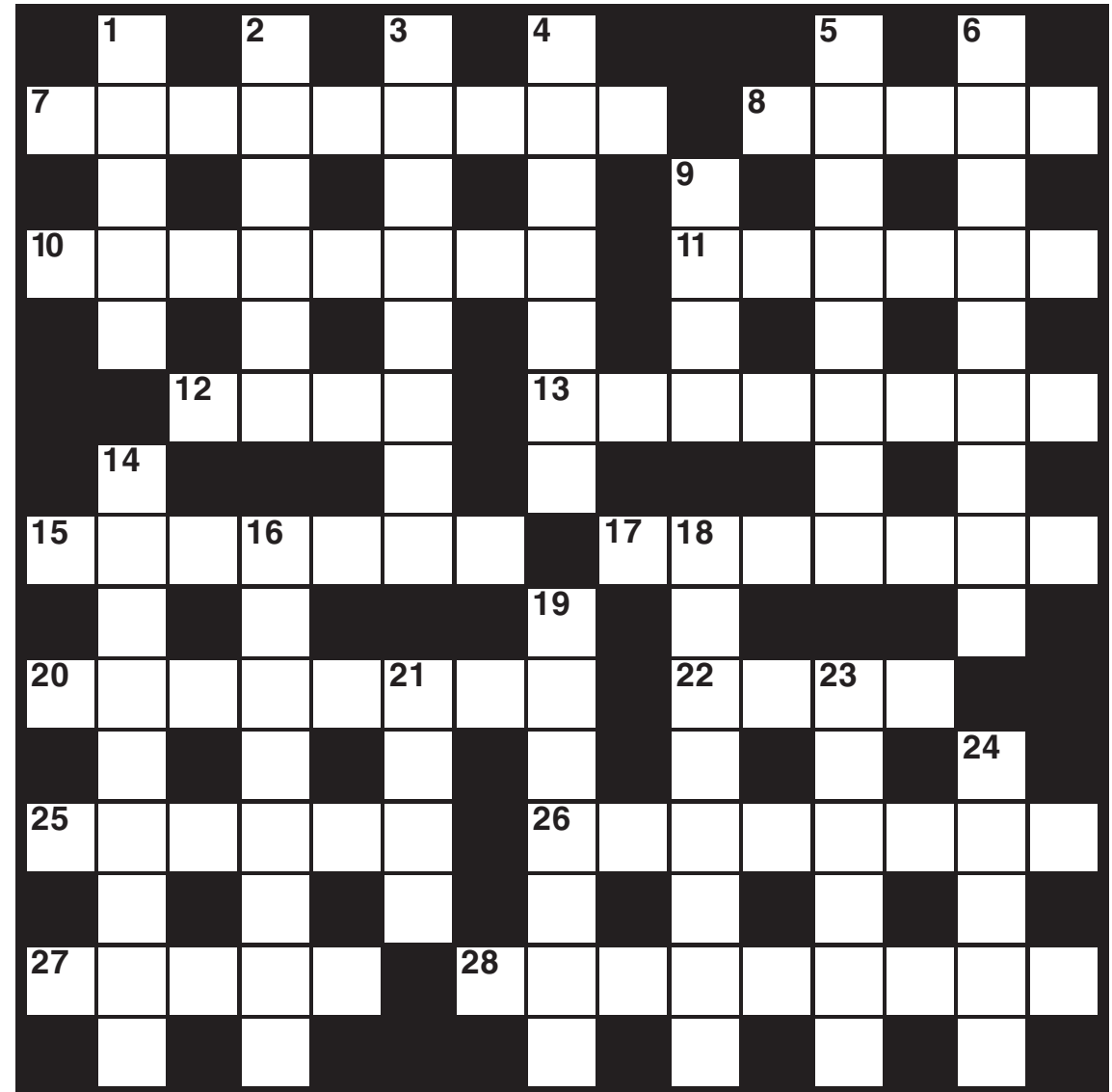
- 7 First of ladies enters sacred forest, a place in California (9)  
 8 Natural ability of learner in travelling show (5)  
 10 Sin disturbs rest? I don't know (8)  
 11 Recreational area often seen (6)  
 12 Artists returning with one Eastern garment (4)  
 13 This won't let you forget about the bodyguard (8)  
 15 Terrible rage can lead to massacre (7)  
 17 Bypasses upper class in Dorset resort (7)  
 20 Scotsman has bird and animal (8)  
 22 Clothing to boast about (4)  
 25 Shed the French put behind fort (6)  
 26 Tory ails, sick and lonely (8)  
 27 Wait to start play (5)  
 28 Badly organised but impressive (9)

**DOWN**

- 1 Directors sound completely uninterested! (5)  
 2 Ma's pal spilt blood product (6)  
 3 Rag swine about affirming on oath (8)  
 4 Keep company with criminal type (7)  
 5 Red duck, pink bird (8)  
 6 Weight encountered concerning distance (9)  
 9 Confidence trick captured by this camera (4)  
 14 Wrecked clog was old (9)  
 16 Film, for example, seen in local (8)  
 18 Urge factory to produce vegetable (8)  
 19 Reportedly abandon pudding (7)

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21 Love for blokes is a sign (4)

23 Hold volunteer soldiers in check (6)

24 Money for section of the orchestra? (5)