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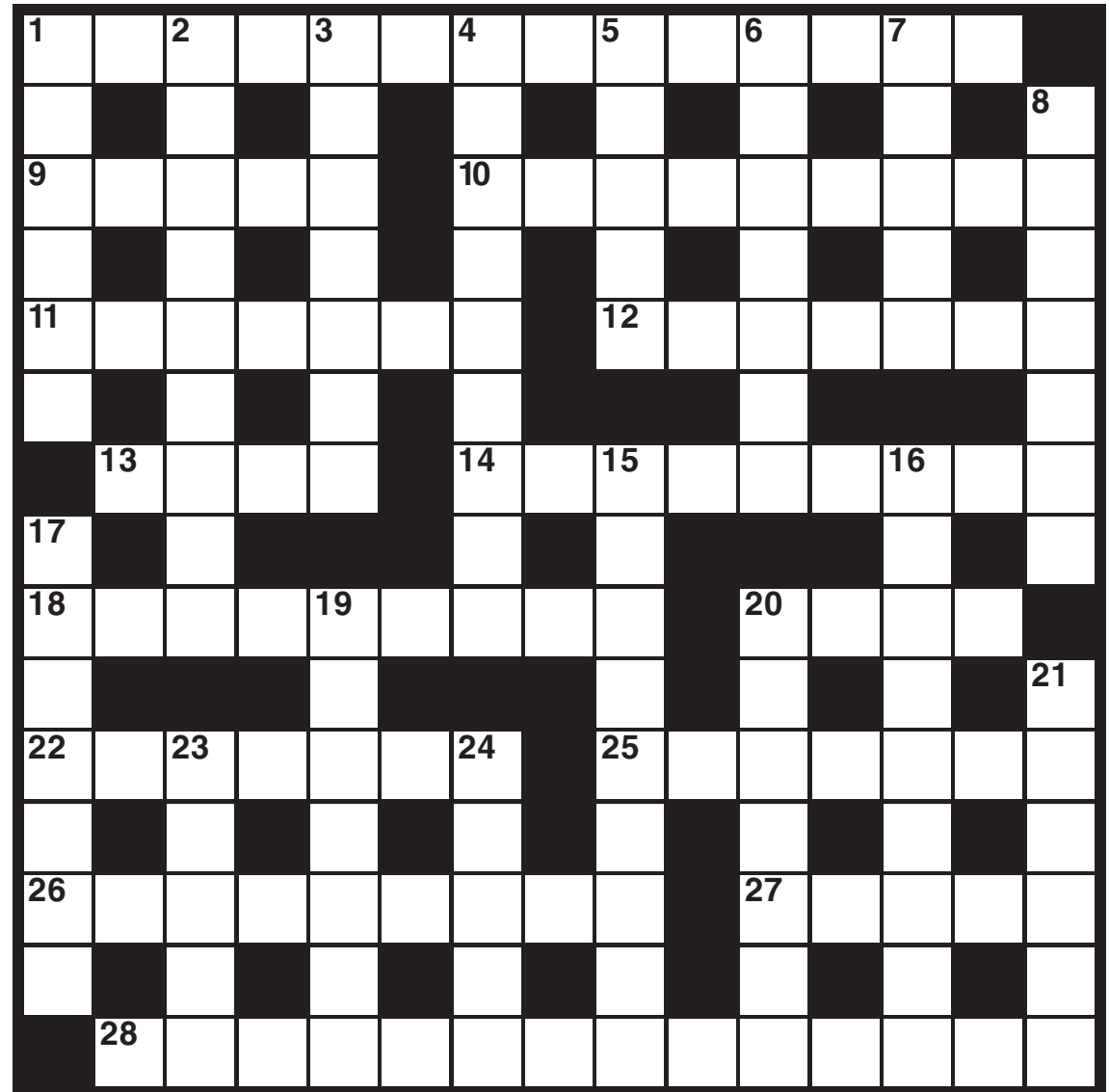
- 1 Secret local mess after hearing couple neck-and-neck (3,5,2,4)
- 9 Fill in map by using emerald at first (5)
- 10 Munitions retain one regulation (9)
- 11 I do the manoeuvring round university's shelter (7)
- 12 A main road? (3,4)
- 13 Sign in some newcomers (4)
- 14 Benefit from a point scored on the tennis court? (9)
- 18 Unrivalled crafty pair, none left (9)
- 20 Perform or entrance (4)
- 22 Arranged a truce accommodating knight and mythical beast (7)
- 25 Inquisitive about silver-backed bouquet (7)
- 26 Underlying reason to get drink restricted (9)
- 27 Shakespeare character receives signal, it's said (5)
- 28 Glowing prophet's chosen badly (14)

DOWN

- 1 Slow exercise came first in Haiti storm (3,3)
- 2 Official with many young flowers in sultanate (9)
- 3 Rest to have fibbed first (3-4)
- 4 Or sketch a crumbly biscuit (9)
- 5 Setback over identity flows (5)
- 6 Have not altered, entertained by Abel's brother (7)
- 7 Nothing written up by lawyer for girl (5)
- 8 Extreme note cut off (7)
- 15 Ugly lout with nerve to step forward (9)
- 16 Next to an extended border (9)
- 17 Fabulous creature gets grain behind university (7)

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- 19 Strong women get flower stem initially (7)
- 20 Frightens Miss Day, unfortunately (7)
- 21 Viewer permitted a loophole (6)
- 23 Heavyweight climbing up on top of church to make a mark (5)
- 24 River all will arrive at (5)