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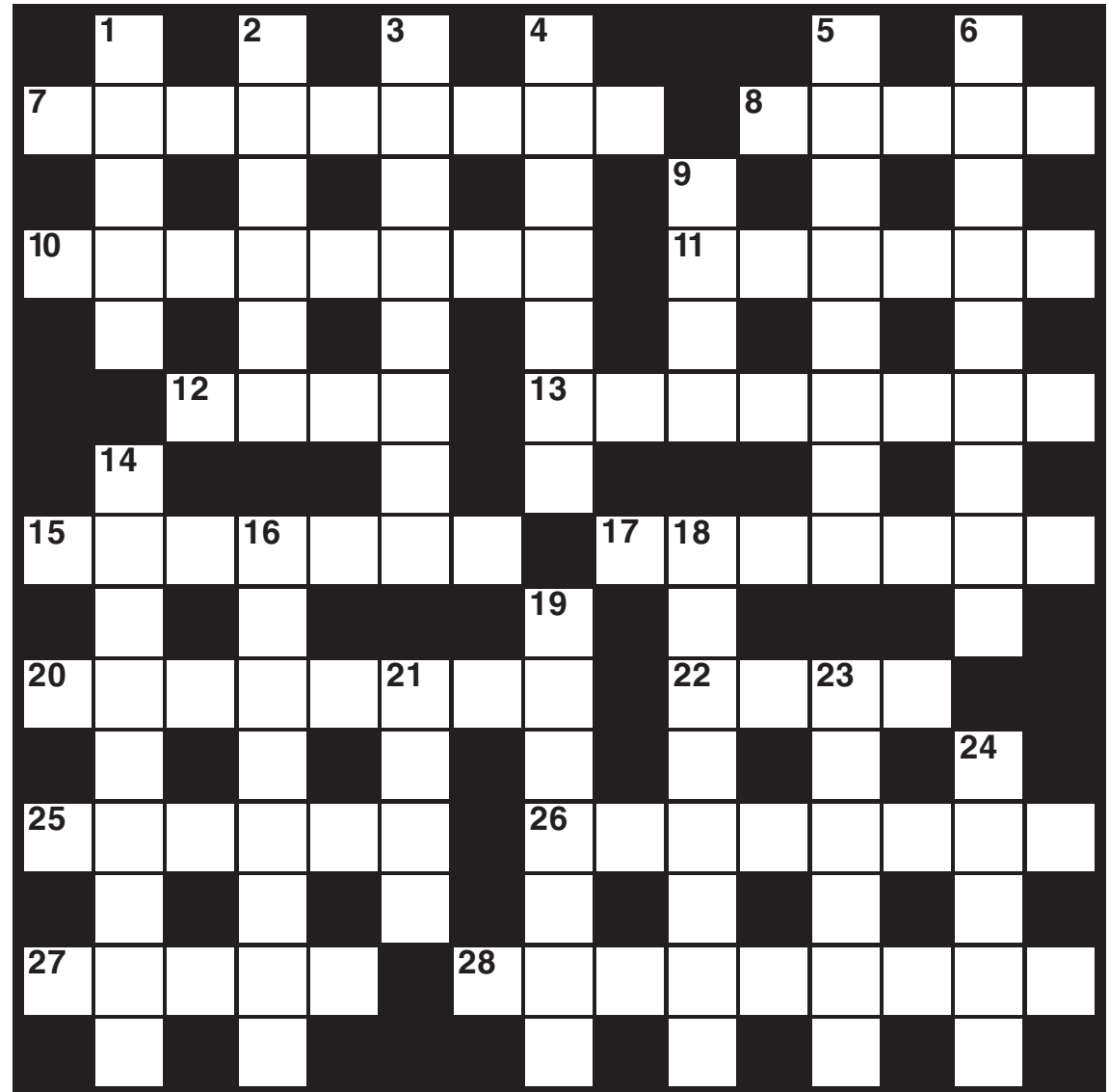
- 7 Let no care upset the liberal spirit (9)
 8 Smooth forward and back (5)
 10 Note, Den's knocked over monument (8)
 11 Garden tool, beginning to rust, is put in dryer (6)
 12 Step out and be a nuisance (4)
 13 Unaware of rating on outing (8)
 15 Mug finding military vehicle on a road (7)
 17 So much French spirit results in outburst (7)
 20 Ignoble party game (8)
 22 Charge learner who's getting experience (4)
 25 Company sets out to get pet (6)
 26 Marine disturbed a lunatic (8)
 27 Ken's a terrible reptile (5)
 28 Restore control, say (9)

DOWN

- 1 Carry male tribal symbol (5)
 2 Meteor orbiting a long way off (6)
 3 Nectar is spread round container (8)
 4 Current demand for public recognition (7)
 5 Rebellious comrade had time for political supporter (8)
 6 Belittle our conduct (9)
 9 Characters in most unpleasant shock (4)
 14 Standard quantity of the highest importance (9)
 16 Reminder to store Japanese wine (8)
 18 A fellow eloquent and rich (8)

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- 19 Soft soap for cloth (7)
 21 Gold put on to car (4)
 23 Is sports team besieged by poor Tess? (6)
 24 It's spread from bygone days, note (5)