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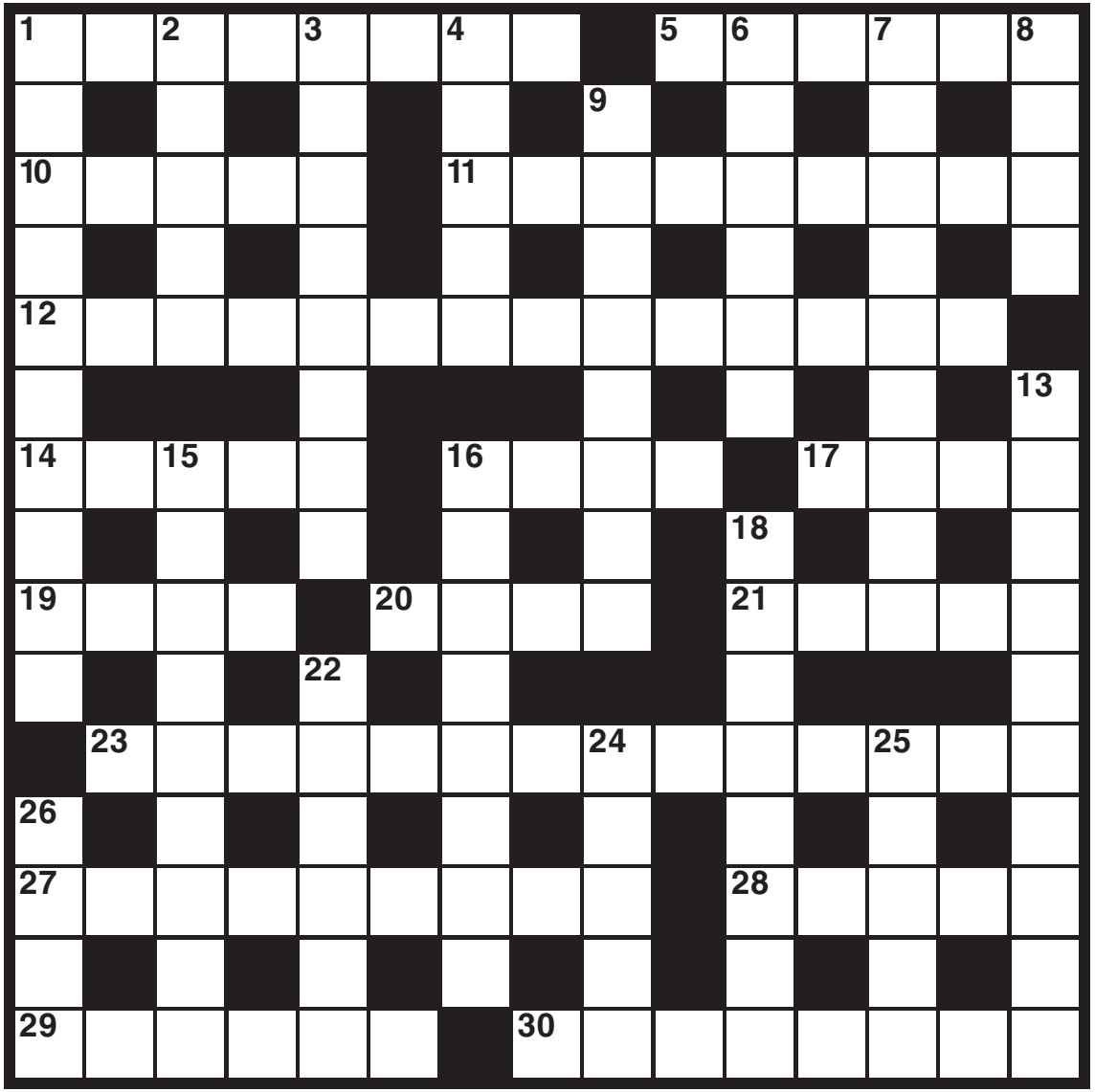

ACROSS

1 Suffers while America backs marks (8)
5 Prohibited orchestra, we hear (6)
10 Put off some lemonade, terrible! (5)
11 Horribly restrict king involved with con man (9)
12 Son going on foot to middle of mall (8,6)
14 Tranquillity of gym expert (5)
16 Baby cow's leg part (4)
17 Beast had nothing in pub (4)
19 Promise a hot outcome (4)
20 Performing arts celebrity (4)
21 Crime for minister to lose his head (5)
23 Mystical magic lantern stand outside church (14)
27 1970s scandal, it held back liquid assets (9)
28 Pride of losing almost ridiculous (5)
29 Light shade of broken plates (6)
30 Snail set out around the goods (8)

DOWN

1 Drink dispenser placed on soap dish (4,6)
2 Determined to fight (3-2)
3 Plane's pace creating despair around end of sortie (8)
4 Idea I rejected as unacceptable (3,2)
6 Demanding, like a royal (6)
7 Infamous Orion's out for change (9)
8 Challenge for five hundred, time up (4)
9 Leaflet is surprisingly crucial to king (8)
13 Composer of Slant and Frizz (5,5)
15 Painting one shirt clumsily gives rise to complaint (9)
16 Prepare to hear brilliant article on marine mammal (8)
18 Lace Liam draped round shrub (8)
22 Turn off in outskirts of Uxbridge? Wrong (6)
24 Send East round for requirements (5)
25 Ringleader leaves crowd leather strip (5)
26 Hands up for exchange (4)