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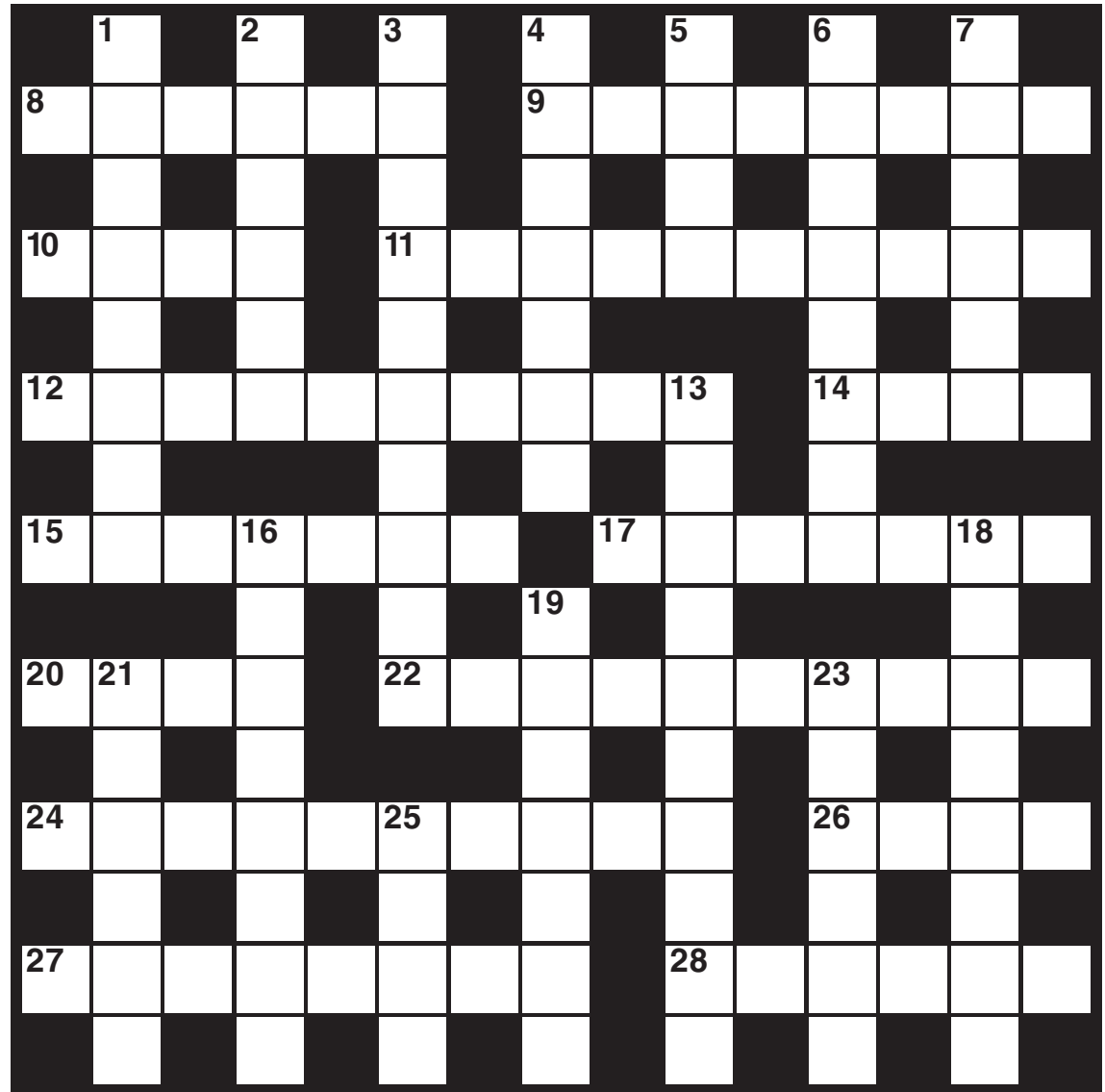
- 8 Calm half-seen Frenchman (6)
- 9 Long poem about half the rage (8)
- 10 Volkswagen appears mint? (4)
- 11 Permission arranged for an imitation (10)
- 12 Reduced the price and treated as irrelevant (10)
- 14 One hastened to land (4)
- 15 Groups feel unwell and leave port! (3,4)
- 17 Wrap up, even perhaps cut (7)
- 20 Round the German river (4)
- 22 Records attempts to put down hangings (10)
- 24 Crustacean chewed crispbread (6,4)
- 26 Dismissal hit when retiring (4)
- 27 Strong nets, round at back (8)
- 28 Dull weather? – Don't start, if not (6)

DOWN

- 1 Learn to stand up after note (8)
- 2 Chivalrous choir playing out east (6)
- 3 Foot specialist is pictured struggling (10)
- 4 Undeterred by neck of land in river (7)
- 5 Retreat providing animal cover (4)
- 6 Sweat for each high point? (8)
- 7 What may grow from Maoism (6)
- 13 National colour of cheese (6,4)
- 16 Sit astride seat on horse around middle of patrol (8)

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- 18 Work can set puzzle for mine (4-4)
- 19 Ghostly drinks apparently (7)
- 21 Some French post sorted for warehouses (6)
- 23 Outcome of Ulster review (6)
- 25 Travelled along, we hear, this way (4)