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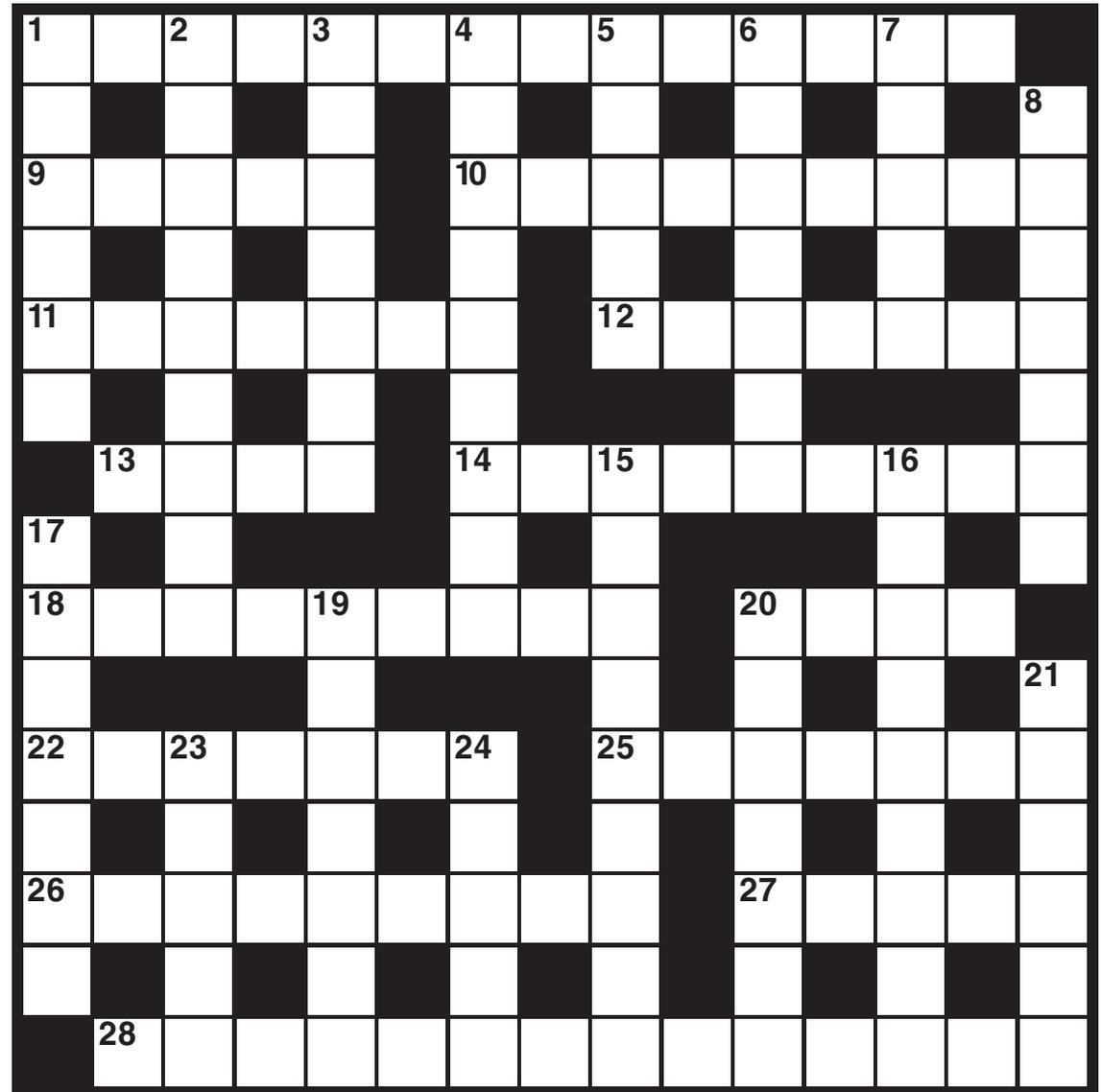
- 1 Humanity expert placing tag on polo shirt (14)
 9 A top spinning round one in courtyard (5)
 10 Joan to fish at water's edge (9)
 11 Form of an atom that's kept stoop crooked (7)
 12 Obscure city piles collapsed (7)
 13 Teases youngsters (4)
 14 Opening for an architect? (9)
 18 Exchange rate riles shopkeepers (9)
 20 Removes top from cold cuts and consumes (4)
 22 Pincers for kids (7)
 25 Very small bone and very large implement, say (7)
 26 Eccentric, but with moral strength (9)
 27 Cares about measures of land (5)
 28 Nerdy creature's turned out to be a minister! (14)

DOWN

- 1 Domestic article to raise tune (2,4)
 2 Rubbish – soot, it is removed by permanent marker (9)
 3 Rebellious unruly trio giving love to America (7)
 4 Don't give up, for each difficult (9)
 5 First woman to get into the foreign embankment (5)
 6 Duck put in part of cooker with a large beast (7)
 7 Be sparing, putting a thousand in bin (5)
 8 Fisherman found on a roundabout? (7)
 15 See hob is adjusted to cost slightly less (9)
 16 Hives off double 'air cut (9)
 17 Lazy Womble running through South America? (7)

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- 19 Restate that well-read learner has gone (7)
 20 Headless chicken's near crafty trap (7)
 21 Lower clothing? (6)
 23 Left in some discomfort, that's clear (5)
 24 Positions of tourist attractions, reportedly (5)