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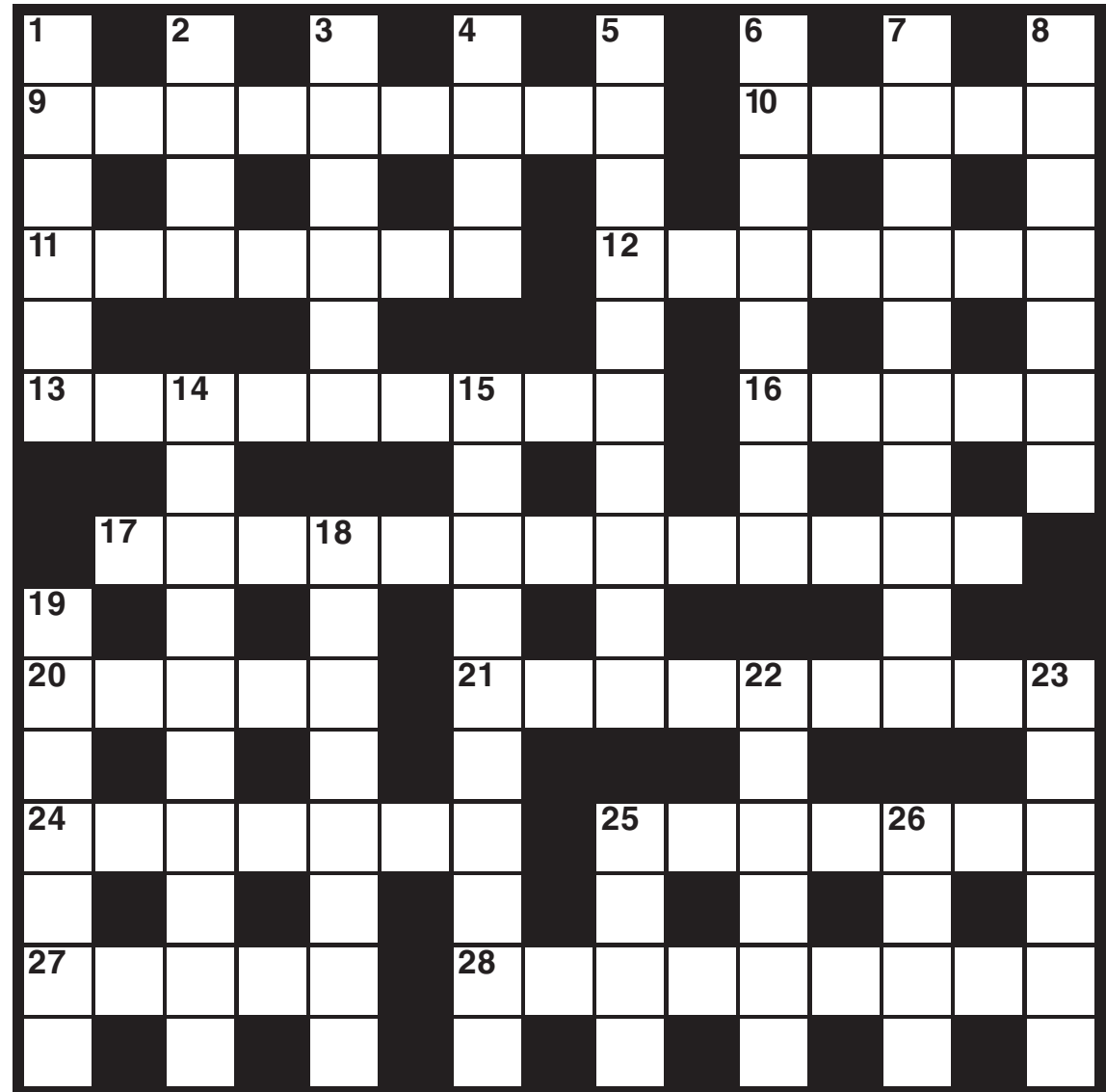
- 9 Move it freely to hide start of cheap thrill (9)
 10 Assume one put in mail (5)
 11 Encourage chief boffin (7)
 12 Set lout about shops (7)
 13 Sports venue, one of four needing capital (9)
 16 Is the woman something to talk about? (5)
 17 Fiery red, mother's pet mongrel (5-8)
 20 Pal OK, dancing the dance (5)
 21 Dance, then, could make you spellbound (9)
 24 His fact rattled online impostor (7)
 25 Chino made on British Airways (7)
 27 Short part of winter season (5)
 28 Decoration puts naval personnel in a spot (9)

DOWN

- 1 Ethel enabled to hold girl (6)
 2 Composer's ice formation (4)
 3 Wait for a motorcycle race to finish (6)
 4 Bound not to have won or lost (4)
 5 Awfully hip comedy gets right in under the skin (10)
 6 Plane to act like a dragon? (8)
 7 Judging idiots, people getting in the way (10)
 8 Almost stop building being hidden away (7)
 14 Stuffing poultry she found awkward (10)
 15 Inexpensively rebuilt Cenotaph, eh? (2,3,5)
 18 Got the picture from dealer, is confounded (8)

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- 19 Cloudiness of a copy, it is damaged (7)
 22 Total given by a horse (6)
 23 Small and neat in time, in time! (6)
 25 Modern diary lost in the swamp (4)
 26 Cook portion of quiche faultlessly (4)