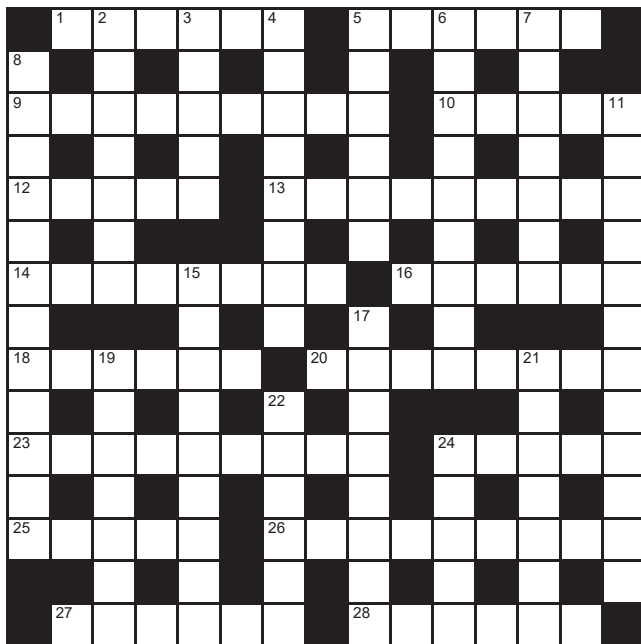


ACROSS

- 1** How one might describe war-torn country? (6)
5 Loose garment is able to cover behind (6)
9 Continent covering wild land and uniform region (9)
10 What stops legal profession backing treatment for problem? (5)
12 Cack-handed group of ministers cut by almost half clings onto power (5)
13 Get a woman transported in emergency vehicle (4,5)
14 Drug arrest takes place behind toilet (8)
16 Pilot delaying appearance of international fashion designer (6)
18 Sticky situation caused by men stopping service (6)
20 Right-wing politicians quietly rage and plot (8)
23 Cure fears about to appear again (9)
24 Imperial measure by current president-elect (5)
25/22 "Celebrity" in *Bake Off* regularly cooked with large gin (5,6)
26 What might one ask of star sign? (9)
27 Avoid encountering Simon Case at public enquiry initially (6)
28 What might startle little green man from Mars? (6)

DOWN

- 2** Extra leg comprises last of Peking duck (7)
3 African native not accepting Israel's borders (5)
4 *Mail* uncovered case involving 2000 technocrats meeting here (2,6)
5 Originally *I'm A Celebrity* somehow managed to create a storm (6)
6 Temperamental outburst dismisses nursing profession (9)
7 Group occupying cenotaph — a giant, potentially life-threatening issue (7)
8 A divorced man managed to become prime minister (5,7)
11 Celebration of failed plot is no brief thing surprisingly (7,5)
15 World cup winners from European country winning almost everything (9)
17 Former home secretary possibly in favour of locking up people there "on vacation" (8)
19 Gives up because of what king does about opening of speech (7)
21 Disgrace of lines effacing old lady in *I'm a Celebrity* (3,4)
22 See 25 Across
24 Comparing *Now and Then* with *Revolution* is very enjoyable (5)



Solution No 22 Set by Reorder

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