

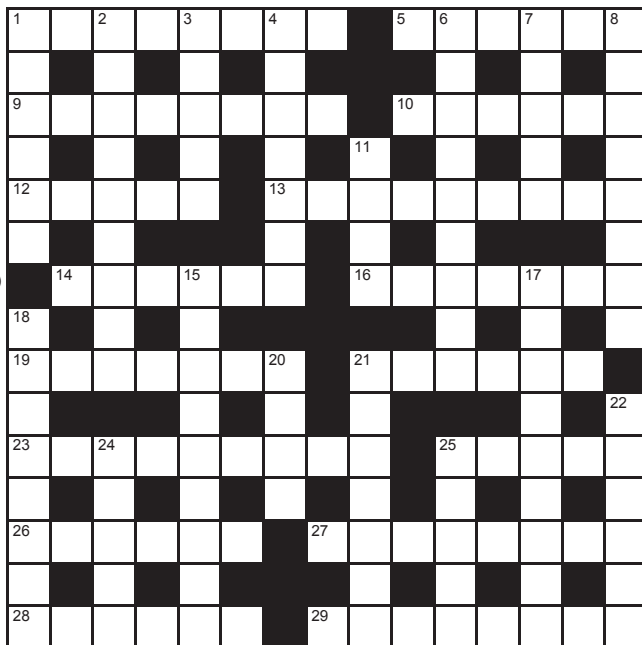
Crossword 17,208 Set by ROSA KLEBB

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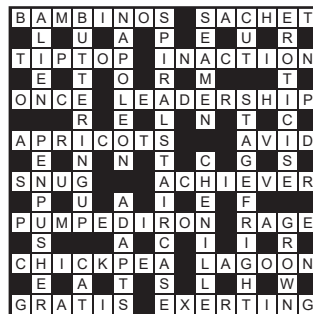
- 1 Complete flunkey in power (8)
- 5 Part of Vita's garden is heaven for northerners (6)
- 9 Spooner's father gambles money that won't be repaid (3,5)
- 10 Cheers state alcohol bans (6)
- 12 Random fish on street (5)
- 13 Closest friend follows professional team (9)
- 14 Inactivity of M16 station coming to the fore (6)
- 16 Female dons curse female spirit (7)
- 19 Gallery and museum welcoming monarch (7)
- 21 Frightful female pair refused to go on (6)
- 23 Lacking energy, Sue and mum tucked into pickle sandwich (9)
- 25 Very discontented Turkish canine? (5)
- 26 Get the better of guy after university (6)
- 27 Fancies retiring, a very good sign (8)
- 28 I snore violently, being older (6)
- 29 Order revolutionary books and articles from Helena? (8)

DOWN

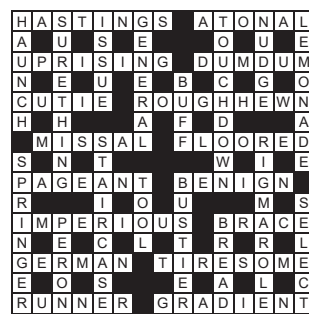
- 1 Lower seabed is churned up (6)
- 2 Presbyterian minister married toreador, unwisely (9)
- 3 Originally called vacuous dandy insecure (5)
- 4 Company about to discharge army swimmer (7)
- 6 Novel in store at WH Smith? (9)
- 7 Silver and gold accepted in marketplace (5)
- 8 Lovely First Lady will ultimately mess up (8)
- 11 Boss sobs, denying every small blunder (4)
- 15 North America shuns Finnish PM over enclave (3,6)
- 17 Gibbon, perhaps? Wrong – it's a rhino (9)
- 18 Excuses girl and boy pinching one shilling (8)
- 20 Like taking clothes off (4)
- 21 Old ass pulled up herb (7)
- 22 Picked nose rudely after church (6)
- 24 Staff keep getting the runs (5)
- 25 Reportedly followed plot (5)



Solution 17,196



Solution 17,202



Jotter pad