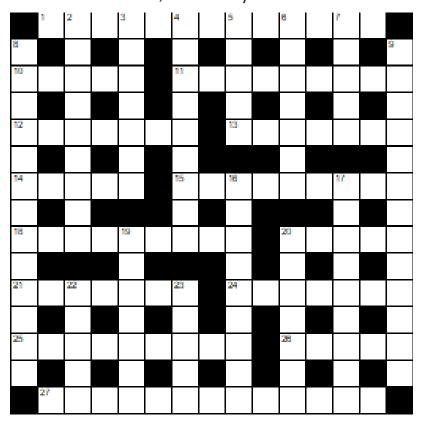
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No 17,346 Set by MONK



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ACROSS

- 1 Entrepreneur resides at work in cold, cold retreat (5.8)
- **10** Pablo Neruda embraces hermit (5)
- 11 Touring rugby player withdrawn around November, cut for missing a match (9)
- **12** Mostly unpleasant occurrence having caught out former star in court (7)
- 13 Mahler raving about a European city (7)
- 14 Slices first of chicken joints (5)15 What'd be picked up from supposedly
- West Country ham? (9)

 18 Might robotic lumberjack reportedly
- have this raised power? (9)

 20 Anxiety of Franco's people, say, but not his (5)
- 21 Daily free houses for king (7)
- **24** Joy Division finally runs into expresident's ex (7)
- 25 Fleet almost uncovered poetic sea creature (9)
- 26 America's killing old British chemicals company that's no good (5)
- 27 Actor/director breaking into cold sweat (5,8)

DOWN

- 2 Way to stop bringing down Scandinavian politicians? (9)3 Block clergyman over invective (7)
- 4 Must Helen corrupt possibly pithy sort of
- coverage? (3,6)

 5 Oddly enough, 'tenth' suggests a different fraction (5)
- 6 Unplanned escape of eagle flying around out-of-bounds lake (7)
- 7 Perfect statement of the obvious by croupier? (5)
- croupier? (5)8 Heartless cardinal involved with illicit drug tests, perhaps (8,5)
- 9 China, pursuing carbon left by India, coins term for global issue (7,6)
- **16** Significant flash blokes two guys regularly visited (9)
- regularly visited (9)

 17 Burma wanting housing for many in
- Chinese republic (3,6)
- **19** African managed to grasp stick (7) **20** Six unmixed drinks having wide range
- (/)
 22 Animal became lost, but only a bit (5)
- 23 Gently and sweetly send up online buffoon? (5)

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