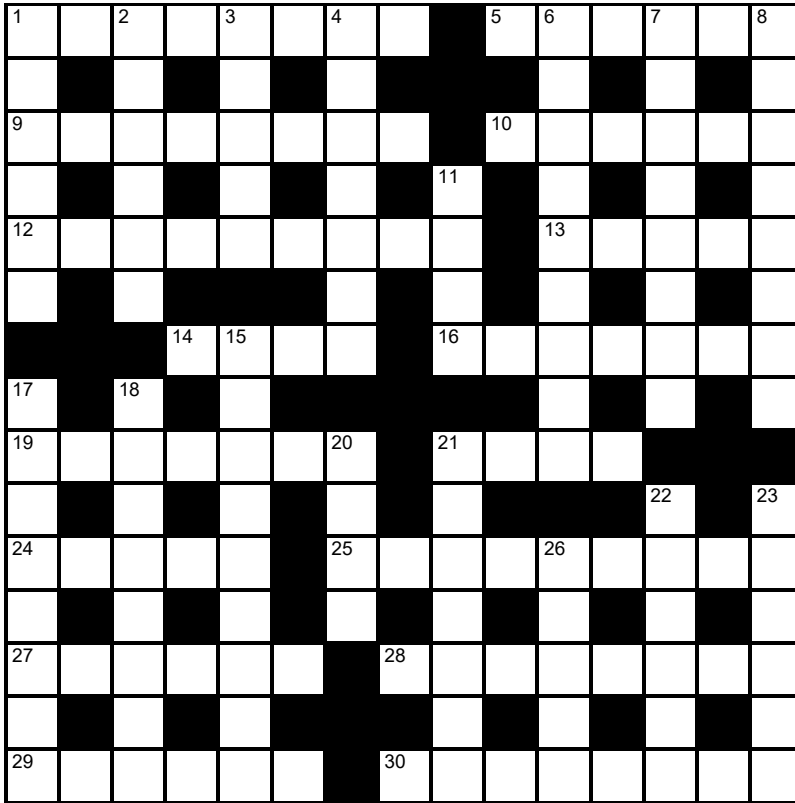


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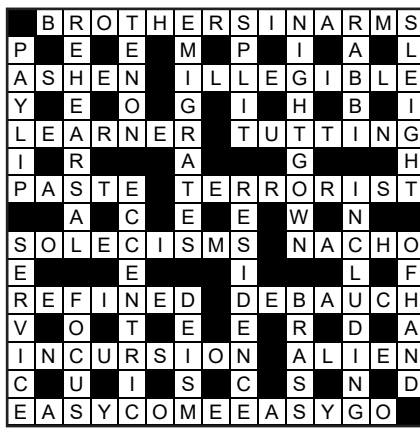
- 1 Lark in flight embracing the beginning of another day (8)
- 5 Well-known for earliest of five love affairs after binning Rex (6)
- 9 Incurable optimist's long pass goes wrong (8)
- 10 A financial share for each person (6)
- 12 Unusual world of American rock band (4,5)
- 13 Be without at first (5)
- 14 Heads for university on New Street going west (4)
- 16 Can see about grasping a bit of life being free from guilt (7)
- 19 Relinquish part of contraband only (7)
- 21 Roughly made cross by the sound of it (4)
- 24 Come in time to block French fellow from the rear (5)
- 25 Acknowledgement of truth from Democrat hiding in American embassy (9)
- 27 Resourceful soldiers back lining mine opening (6)
- 28 Noble reportedly talented is deserving of praise (8)
- 29 Cashier to spill the beans about retiring (6)
- 30 Refutation by contrary argument not assumed to implicate Bottom (8)

DOWN

- 1 Make a strenuous effort to overwhelm Penny with an ace (6)
- 2 Fled northward taken in by scoundrel's false report (6)
- 3 Beat poet's opening line dividing American enthusiasts at first (5)
- 4 Leaves from unfamiliar trees in the centre of Pudsey (7)
- 6 Pick up twig (9)
- 7 Yielding to revolutionary over plot that's Chinese essentially (8)
- 8 Go on the radio in support of amiable climber (8)
- 11 Almost shot getting caught with it (4)
- 15 Intrigue against union leader and end with miners mostly in revolt (9)
- 17 Appropriate getting a constituent to join in (4,4)
- 18 Ended having spoken of rural life (8)
- 20 Wicked town? Not entirely (4)
- 21 Dad finding German mare let loose outside in storm (7)
- 22 Snippet of goss? Tenor has it repeated about bass (6)
- 23 Strengthen old queen before return of the French (6)
- 26 Evident in Assad humbled by a holy man (5)

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