

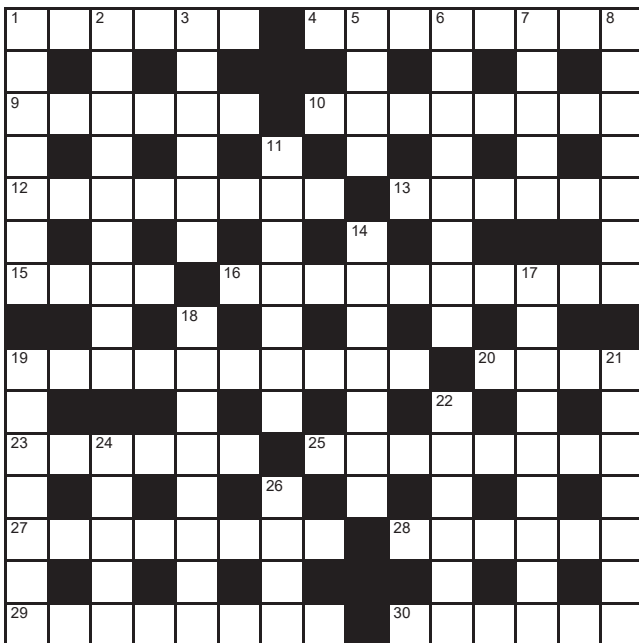
# CROSSWORD 17,682 by ROSA KLEBB

## ACROSS

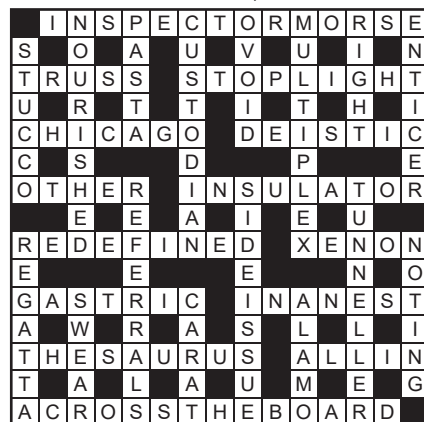
- 1** Bob understood puzzle (6)  
**4** Number of old miners chasing extremely fast driver (8)  
**9** Bird in front of scythe risking losing wings (6)  
**10** Cuts deposits drastically (8)  
**12** Old Scandinavian calls DeSantis reactionary (8)  
**13** Bye-byes put back after children left evening party (6)  
**15** Sappy nurses softly blubbed (4)  
**16** Heavenly body briefly struck female as alluring (4-6)  
**19** Nonsense about Oswald spread by hack (10)  
**20** Fiery kiss regularly drives one mad (4)  
**23** Mummify poor Mabel with myrrh initially (6)  
**25** Spots extremely hostile American deplorables (4,4)  
**27** Ignorant of normal etiquette at first, I sniff trousers (8)  
**28** US prosecutor heartily rebutting one's case (6)  
**29** Romp with libertine, one fond of drama (8)  
**30** Goddess of heathen Europe (6)

## DOWN

- 1** Presently one's shunned by Trudeau, and it hurts (4,3)  
**2** Setter perhaps about to acquire a pet slug? (9)  
**3** Tips from priapic escorts (6)  
**5** Reassuring statement to friends in a frenzy? (4)  
**6** Tyrannical leader opposite retired over small idiosyncrasy (8)  
**7** Low point of daughter in rain, shivering (5)  
**8** Erasmus invented rubber (7)  
**11** Much trouble over Charles de Gaulle's rival (7)  
**14** Carrying nothing, Persian king runs off (7)  
**17** Encouraging uncertain Thai voter (9)  
**18** Residence is favourably placed in outskirts of Dorking (8)  
**19** Make large profits, free from corruption (5,2)  
**21** Austrian who painted school Nile blue oddly dismissed (7)  
**22** Finally places book on top of table (2,4)  
**24** A senior wearing burka inside out in Iraqi city (5)  
**26** Wished to shed clothes for a bet (4)



## Solution 17,676



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