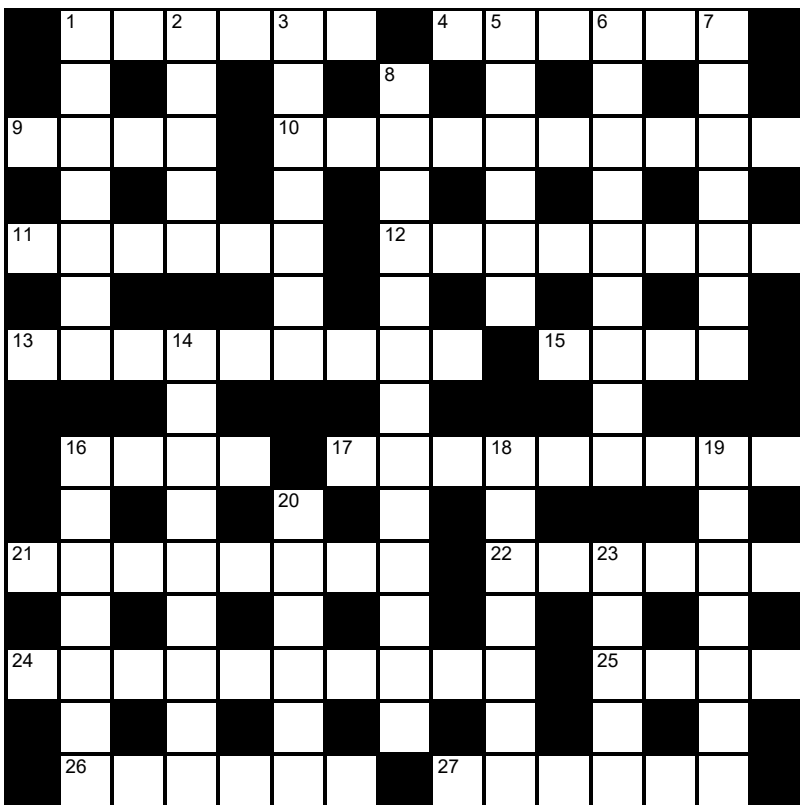


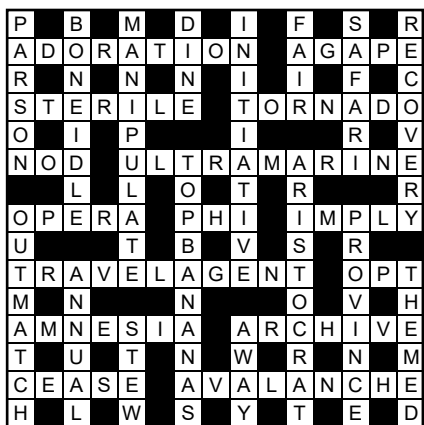
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ACROSS

- 1 Call round with recipe for making grubby food? (4,2)
- 4 A soldier in trouble gets order to proceed slowly (6)
- 9 *Frank Cooper*: in essence, marmalade's ultimate name (4)
- 10 Strange player wearing uniform at party in *The Bull*? (10)
- 11 Undated securities of the first class showing little growth (6)
- 12 Wild geese, leaving Lima, went off towards the border (8)
- 13 This may get a man down by holding him up (9)
- 15 First, not the last — to be precise (4)
- 16 Progressive characters in order take out each solemn vow (4)
- 17 Previously mentioned ideas for a novel (9)
- 21 Needlewoman perhaps overly bedded by King Edward? (8)
- 22 Give a hard time to American overwhelmed by European articles (3-3)
- 24 Victor Marks makes good a claim to ... (10)
- 25 ... Madame's principal help? (4)
- 26 Woman coming over not half sugary at first? (6)
- 27 Dog losing right to bag centre of every seat (6)

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DOWN

- 1 Bath City collecting prestigious award and certificate (7)
- 2 Sounds of the farmyard in fine society houses (5)
- 3 Coarse bristly thing holds regressive sort of appeal (7)
- 5 Excessive fondness displayed by former volunteers visiting prominent Venetian (6)
- 6 Beetles look healthy on plant containing trace of magnesium but no potassium (4-5)
- 7 A passage from Nostradamus so pointedly upset one possibly feigning death (7)
- 8 Unruly form met to hunt, arriving at crisis point (6,2,5)
- 14 Opinions of audit test varied (9)
- 16 Sanctioning smoking after leading couple's departure, as you initially assumed (7)
- 18 No time to supply sureties for further release (7)
- 19 Breathe fire (7)
- 20 Acknowledgement of riposte that hurt, piercing Terence's skin (6)
- 23 Set aside odd bits of *Oldie* mail to check (5)



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