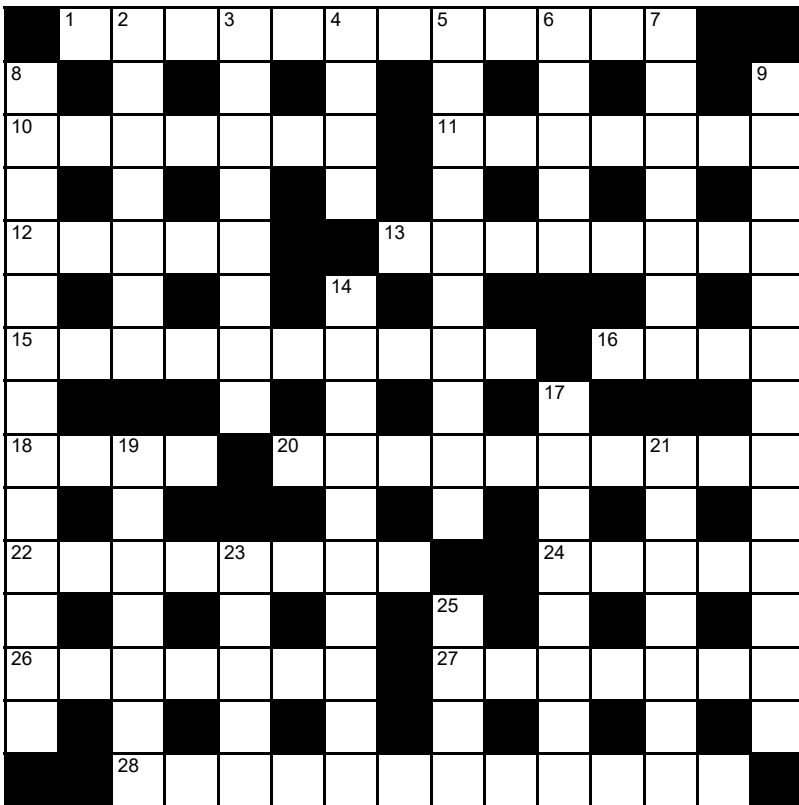


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ACROSS

- 1/25** Act in America? At first we see Bond ordered to chase his boss! (9,3,4)
10 Sea captain succeeded with smoked herring (7)
11 Conclude working after retirement is hell (7)
12 Dutch to Donald she was — in four stories? (5)
13 Solon perhaps and a Scotsman around at that time (8)
15 Business with many outlets secures rent (5,5)
16 Struggle seen in Chicago neighbourhood (4)
18 Something of a looker this particular Murdoch (4)
20 Sensual book finished, issued in recession, brought to us (10)
22 Express disapproval — delay stops double English teaching (8)
24 Left worried by right eventually (5)
26 Hide from huge bird with two tails coming in low (7)
27 Needing help in Hanoi, sacked by the French (2,1,4)
28 Approach into motorway indeed causes accident (12)

DOWN

- 2** Island all right to some extent that Yankee leaves (7)
3 One involved with old schemes makes things clear (8)
4 Crooked answer by grass on the radio (4)
5 Transport rounding rocky rise — too rough (10)
6 Ball of fire regularly shown in picture (5)
7 Bold investing pound for Grace or Wendy? (7)
8 Make prompt repair like small person, home bird (1,6,2,4)
9 Johnson's lockdown revellers' suitably-styled venue? (7,6)
14 With beheadings, is it wrong? Judge comes to castle (10)
17 Robust law reforms — shock about that (8)
19 Fit and healthy being full of energy for acting (7)
21 Having lost election, party men not in the House? (7)
23 Somewhat leggy stripper almost in place? (5)
25 See 1 Across

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