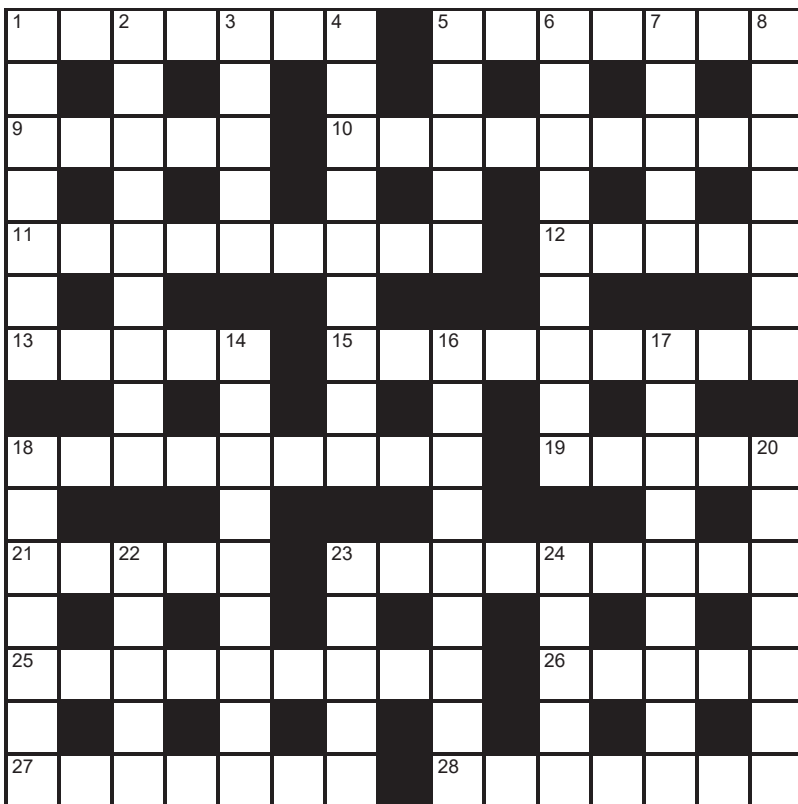


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ACROSS

- 1 Frenchwoman wearing Shilling hat's lost weight (7)
- 5 Pathetic (but not, ultimately, poignant) novel about an organ (7)
- 9 Beverage companies against commonest feature of amalgamations (5)
- 10 Transport fish in bulk at front of aircraft (6,3)
- 11 Freedom to perform *Othello* perhaps withdrawn by army section (5-4)
- 12 Run a bit more (5)
- 13 Revolutionary somewhat averse to teddy bears (5)
- 15 Guides losing heart arriving at factory back to front? That's speculation (9)
- 18 Case of recurring Xmas present being given fresh introduction (9)
- 19 Swimmer about to spend time drying out? (5)
- 21 Bird starts to make awful crow-like noise (5)
- 23 Swirling stream, primarily menacing or life-threatening? (9)
- 25 They segregate active political prisoners without principle, unfortunately (9)
- 26 Scouts' special food (5)
- 27 Former news chief, bored by prince, sighed (7)
- 28 Pay band essentially lacking limit (7)

DOWN

- 1 Most unhealthy model inspiring US fashion brand eats without stopping (7)
- 2 Fancy aircon, but bacteria may thrive in it (9)
- 3 Part of Queen's Speech upset without intention (5)
- 4 Moved away from infernal place where freemasons meet by day (9)
- 5 Boring transposition of halves of humble home (2-3)
- 6 I'm occupying a chair adapted for posers (9)
- 7 Extended family having no right, initially, to land (5)
- 8 Russian cooks regularly given the boot (7)
- 14 Crazy place to dance the twist? (9)
- 16 Football sides scoffing extremely saccharine refreshments (9)
- 17 Different white rose cultivated (9)
- 18 What setters do in school on French island (7)
- 20 Confused birds overwhelmed by garden plot (7)
- 22 Liberal in bed with hot cleaner (5)
- 23 Second dictionary supports derivative of bovine expression (5)
- 24 American man's recycled food from the East (5)