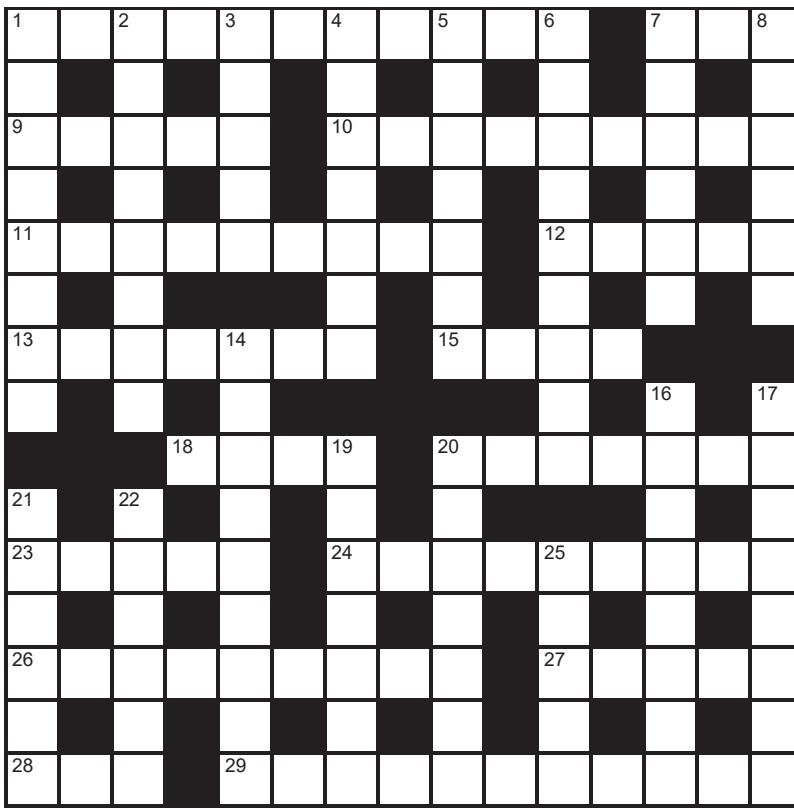


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ACROSS

- Offsets the effects of Communist writer needing to satisfy Stalin primarily (11)
- Snub Nick (3)
- Academic, a short time after, left to get port (5)
- Nothing found in lined bra used as an ammunition carrier (9)
- Following advice enrol a number on the way back? Grand (9)
- Plant last of evidence before broadcast about implicating Colombian leader (5)
- Fate of criminal once finding work absorbing in that place? On the contrary (3,4)
- Musician's vibrator found in study I hear (4)
- Resolutely oppose ignoring daughter's support (4)
- Excessive to intervene in free love as a public entertainment in the past (7)
- Start without a midday meal (5)
- Take out language proceeding from fear at the outset (6,3)
- Extremely volatile converted realist of many sided ability (9)
- Site of siege and massacre a month after the French return (5)
- Town's bread maker (3)
- Deus ex machina perhaps causing present outcome (5,6)

DOWN

- Fully equipped to contend for a prize around the end of April (8)
- Missouri girls making treacle (8)
- Wear away strip essentially against European opposition opening with Germany and Spain (5)
- Cave in Southern Belgium penetrated by university team (7)
- Flier showing volunteers facing half-hearted moaner (7)
- Went, after having no doubt reportedly, for an aquatic perennial (9)
- Piece regularly dismissed after endless quote about back of door knocker (6)
- About to block not this but the other source of danger (6)
- In excess of principal's expenses (9)
- Become pale finding American in fancy toilet cubicle at last (8)
- Impudence seen on prisoner's face (8)
- Copy in Erica struggling to grasp programming language (7)
- Priest interrupting continually sent up with ease (7)
- Cunning Conservative joins party on the rise (6)
- False dawn finally admitted by United faithful (6)
- Remain unfinished needing fellows in support (5)

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