

AFR Cryptic (Saturday 20/7/2024) Solution

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Across	Clue	Explanation
1 SOLITUDE	Trade union, active in firm, stood by end of employee's privacy (8)	TU inside SOLID + employe(E)
5 FORGET	Lose track of time following fashion (6)	T after FORGE
9 RUN ON	Right one expelled from union is to continue (3,2)	R + (UNION minus I)
10 PORCELAIN	China's ore containing carbon found in open country (9)	(ORE outside C) inside PLAIN
12 AUTHENTICATION	Hallmark gold on the Titanic at sea (14)	AU + anagram of ON THE TITANIC
14 PLEA	A number of people accepted defendant's claim (4)	peOPLE Accepted
15 WORKMATE	Potassium absorbed by worm consumed colleague (8)	K inside WORM + ATE
18 RESPIRED	Race's leader, especially one flushed, took a breath (8)	(R)ace+ ESP + I + RED
20 STET	Retainer is organised, including time (4)	SET outside T
24 ORCHESTRATIONS	Arrangements made by composers or stores following case (14)	OR + (RATIONS after CHEST)
26 HOTOUSES	Conservatories you once fitted with external pipes (9)	THOU inside HOSES
27 RAT ON	Moved quickly around to sell down the river (3,2)	RAN outside TO
28 MASTER	Head of school in a term reviewed teacher? (6)	(S)chool inside anagram of A TERM
29 INFERRED	Last part of dinner, after a blend of fine wine, is concluded (8)	dinne(R) after anagram of FINE + RED

