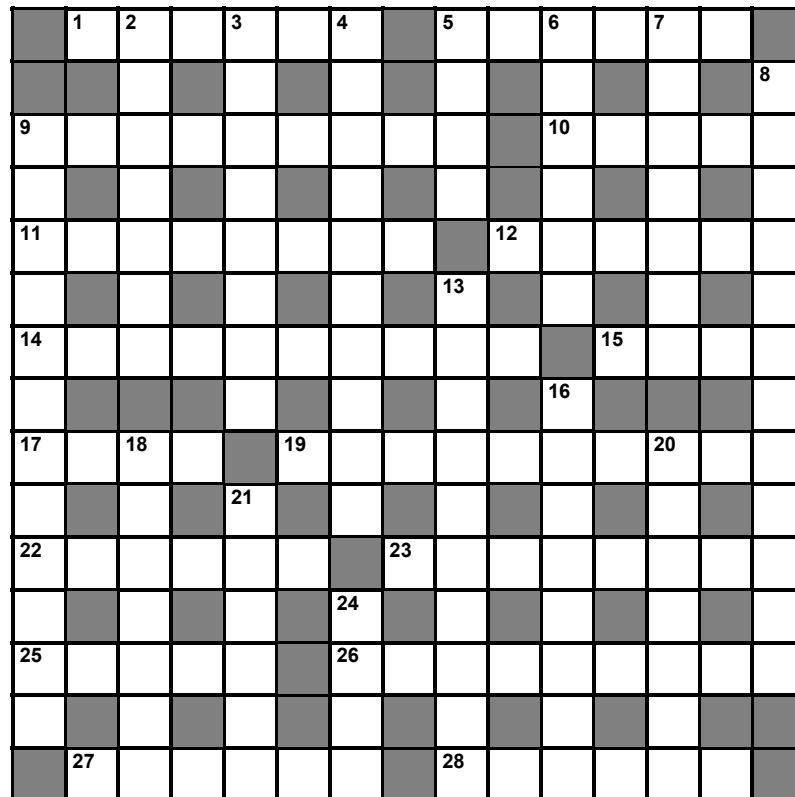


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ACROSS

- 1 Doctor on crack and dope (6)
- 5 Universal Pictures finally invested in funny man (6)
- 9 Spice considered good quality should be softened (9)
- 10 Betray one not committed to helping (3,2)
- 11 River is stocked with fish food (8)
- 12 Conceited young man distributed aid (2-2-2)
- 14 Publicity about chicken at farmstead, ultimately is double-barrelled (10)
- 15 Senior put in jail after losing case initially (4)
- 17 Bowl over turning balls (4)
- 19 They're seen in court contesting ordinary arguments (10)
- 22 Music-playing equipment operates poorly apart from public address system (6)
- 23 Journalistic reference swallowed by learner during lunch, perhaps (8)
- 25 Freeze one beaker, say, filled with ether primarily (3,2)
- 26 Traveller's point made in one violent declamation (9)
- 27 Intelligence work in a gallery described in text (6)
- 28 Played a round with gold-plated iron? (6)

DOWN

- 2 Group of people, with sign of infection over, approaches quickly (5,2)
- 3 Missile documented in withdrawn study may be limited (8)
- 4 Greek letter pocketed by noble in ruins is under discussion (2,3,5)
- 5 Programming language writing? (4)
- 6 Program that's often on sex, greatly upset show-off (6)
- 7 Fashion parade held in labyrinth ingeniously? (2,5)
- 8 In container, dip is brilliant (12)
- 9 Luxury car hasn't moved in cargo carrier (8,4)
- 13 Indecisive model limited by A/C option (10)
- 16 Maybe the realist, in part, is spiritual (8)
- 18 Structural part of roof that is fixed to top of bolt inside? (3,4)
- 20 Ship's appointed lot carrying equipment (7)
- 21 Guard raised sword in presence of two different kings (6)
- 24 IT equipment loaded with one photographer's work (4)