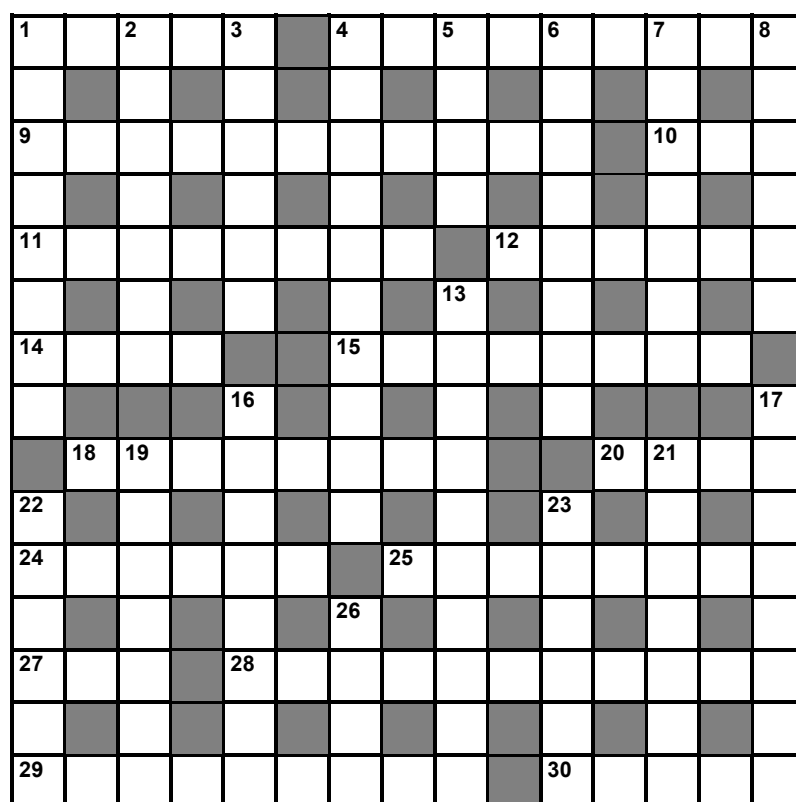


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## ACROSS

- 1 Discourage influence except for mine (5)
- 4 Company thought highly of is rendered ineffective (9)
- 9 Flipper, taking part in pool performance, is very distinct (4-7)
- 10 Large quantity of meat and drink (3)
- 11 Is a busybody hanging around large tank with soldiers? (8)
- 12 A leader behind mass assembly (6)
- 14 A concept not supported by a personal assistant (4)
- 15 One deprived of oxygen in passage should be tested (8)
- 18 I'm so excited wearing new lace negligee (8)
- 20 Singer's key opening to opera (4)
- 24 Clever piece of marketing one tossed in rubbish (6)
- 25 Girl tucked into some awfully sticky stuff (8)
- 27 Old PC program functions (3)
- 28 Definite or indefinite article used in drafts had varied (4,3,4)
- 29 Low-carbon alloy is melted, forged and left (4,5)
- 30 Get rid of right in facility (5)

## DOWN

- 1 Undervalue own place offered in set time (8)
- 2 Unionist finally joined as agreed (7)
- 3 Paint a new picture a primary colour and green (6)
- 4 Small restaurant's prices jump under company head from France (6,4)
- 5 Succession of notes on gramophone? (4)
- 6 Financial assistance, raised in property tax, spreads out (8)
- 7 Recipe's first used in cooking of entire meat dish (7)
- 8 Price silver locked away by noble lady (6)
- 13 Surrender outside bank or fight (4-3-3)
- 16 Rounds off angles around home (8)
- 17 Number 1 crossword writer, falling short, is cut (8)
- 19 Spray renovated salesroom apart from walls? (7)
- 21 Timeless cast all worked with a famous opera house? (2,5)
- 22 Members of management and employees, one behind the other (6)
- 23 Manage cultivation of the land with spare time (6)
- 26 Sincere leader of consortium pulled out of peaceful agreement (4)