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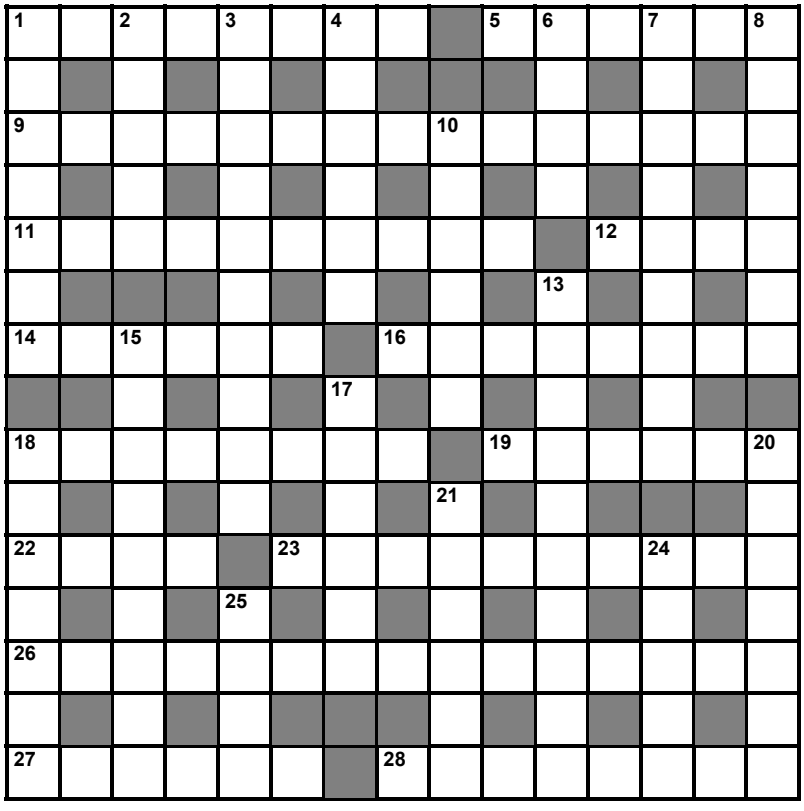

ACROSS

1 Mean-spirited social game (8)
5 Simple people occupied with small plot changes (6)
9 Building block discovered by station implicated individual (10,5)
11 Tropical viral disease that could kill girl and a fellow at any time (5,5)
12 Division of Israel evidently? (4)
14 Spot religious book dropped by a gent with senility (6)
16 Knocks back migrants regularly taking flight (8)
18 A child star reflected in agreement (2,3,3)
19 Tungsten delivered by senior metalworker (6)
22 Truck used by a port in Latvia (4)
23 Devoted Roman Catholic is standing in old French capital with tin (10)
26 Problem-solving technique eventually used by a large, weak leader (7,8)
27 Reproduced cobalt of various colours (6)
28 Event that focuses on one type of cheese is most revealing? (8)

DOWN

1 Confused great turned up then ran away (7)
2 Accommodation for skiers in centre of Russia closes (5)
3 Dirty linen originally found in bed in tatters (10)
4 Fat greatly broken up by the soap (6)
6 Thin coat of paint used to be hard (4)
7 Character in lecture is severely lacking in warmth (5-4)
8 Type that is wearing glasses (7)
10 Boxing combination went awry in two rounds (3-3)
13 Support one in possession of a weapon with loyalty (10)
15 However RAM is created? (7,2)
17 Dancer's support connected to long tube (6)
18 Lycra manufactured with one carbon fibre that's synthetic (7)
20 Call English fool in capital of Malaysia (7)
21 It may be used to secure an unfinished task (6)
24 Channel's first to screen lecture (5)
25 Real saint leaving trustee short (4)