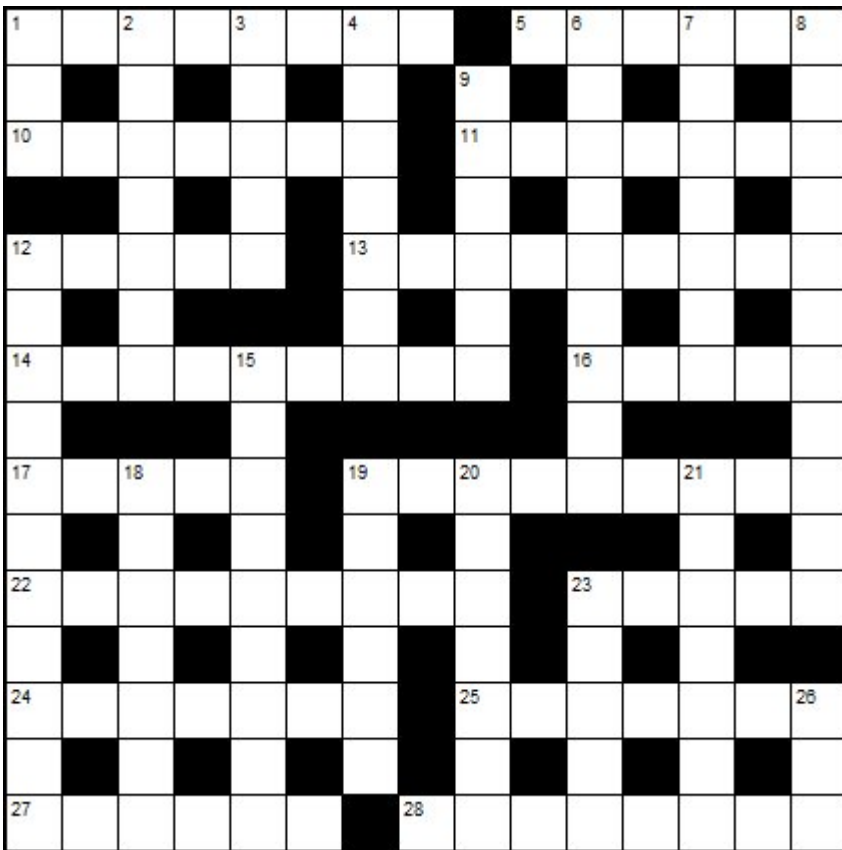


Crossword 78



ACROSS

- 1 See 25
- 5 Tree snake from the east, one shown in books (6)
- 10 Lead pencil's first to go back (7)
- 11 Theatre's to mount play again (7)
- 12 Unfit, elected to join a gym (5)
- 13 Service following sales is a farce, unfortunately, consuming endless time (9)
- 14 Bad hair day, Lucy? That's effected by water (9)
- 16 Subject of tenor ignored by opera company (5)
- 17 Charlie's impressed by leading revolutionary TV sound system (5)
- 19 Thrills given by loose woman? Get moving! (4-5)
- 22 Last month this writer's accepted corporation's final demand (9)
- 23 Beaver is an animal associated with dams primarily (5)
- 24 Could be second exam interrupted by racket (7)
- 25,1 across,8,12 down,9 Can't do it, uh? Beef at others' oeuvres in inane career – possibly beginning to convey what 28 said (1,6,3,5,4,7,2,6,2,1,6)
- 27 Figure from Greek myth taking Troy finally (2,4)
- 28 One composer or another exchanging daughter for sister? (8)

DOWN

- 1 Hot sauce with one stuffing (3)
- 2 Attendant pulls up outside empty theatre (7)
- 3 It's to throw out, first off (5)
- 4 Look at everyone following European governor around (7)
- 6 Soldier wears appropriate American equipment (9)
- 7 Group in prison needing help, we're told (7)
- 8 See 25
- 9 See 25
- 12 See 25
- 15 The last word in smart, fancy weapons (9)
- 18 Keep most of delicate fragments (7)
- 19 Pay with krona for small boiler? (6)
- 20 I knock computer over, having some booze (7)

- 21** Plants in herbaria can thicken, to some extent (7)
- 23** Dip in articles supporting Britain (5)
- 26** Seeress regularly picked vetch (3)