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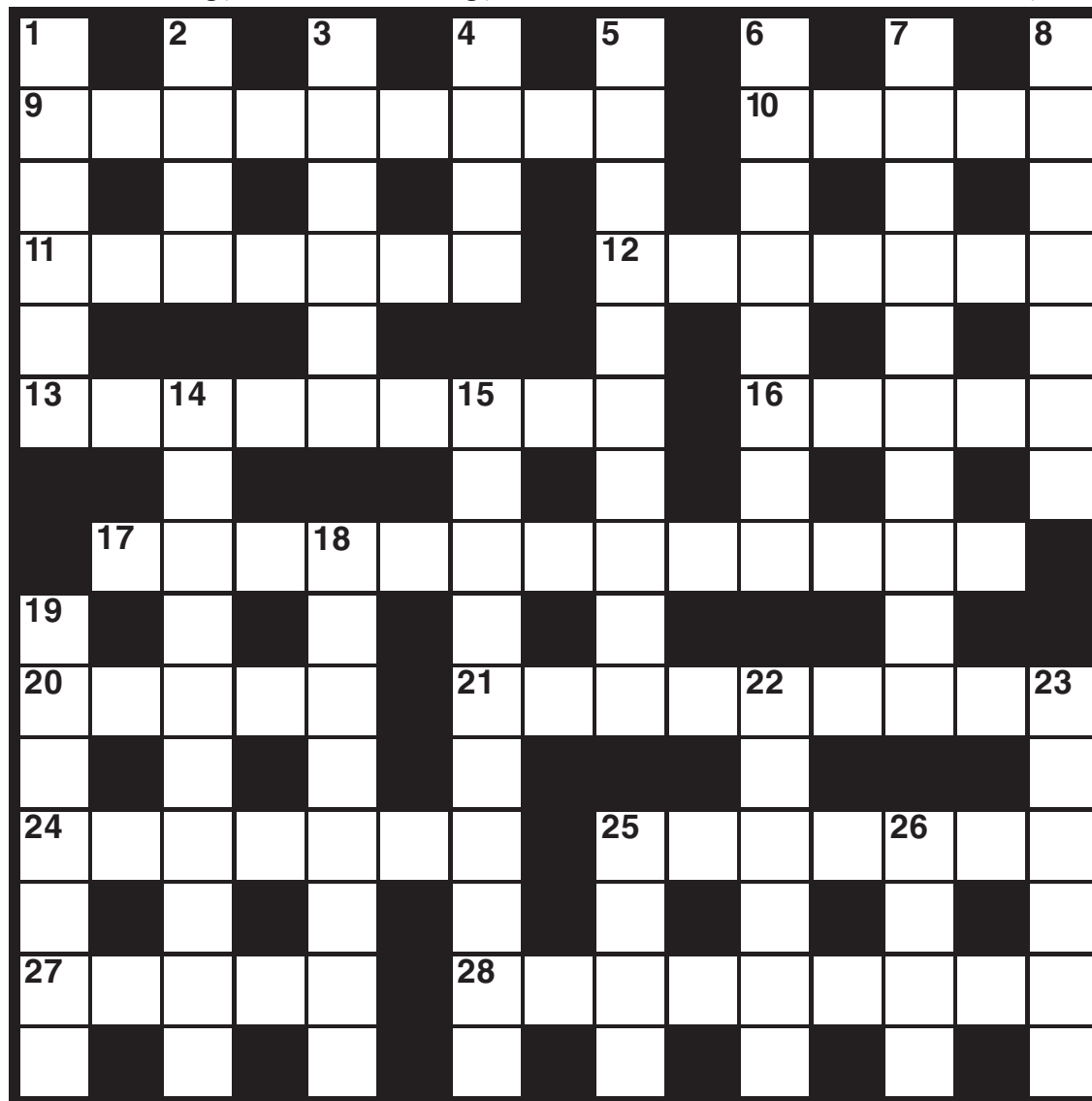
- 9 Oil, in fact, made up when refined (9)
 10 Sacred Old Testament section is something to believe in (5)
 11 Praise a grown-up about energy (7)
 12 Part of the Crown jewels gets respect, perhaps (7)
 13 A spirited individual? (9)
 16 In the red, some now in grey (5)
 17 Pinot noir, same blend at take-off (13)
 20 Number three is out (5)
 21 Suspects condensation corrodes (9)
 24 Star not working by nightfall (7)
 25 Improves parts of tennis game (7)
 27 Subject of Tenerife ends covering border (5)
 28 Ant alters novel to put it another way (9)

DOWN

- 1 Fearful of a loud attack (6)
 2 Sandy is among the crusaders (4)
 3 A wild outing and one light celebration (6)
 4 Bet the volcano is given up (4)
 5 End rows? This is what soldiers might do (5,5)
 6 Performed in the open-air as if in a play (5,3)
 7 Exam could be spoilt by developing flyers (4,6)
 8 Return of rule by monarch from abroad (7)
 14 Ships money abroad for musical works (10)
 15 Endure very little that's hurried (4-6)
 18 Noble awards for some of listeners (3,5)

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- 19 Where to find spiders on the internet? (7)
 22 Enjoy the sauce (6)
 23 Relative in the NHS (6)
 25 Protected by fire alarm? True (4)
 26 Man in the clutches of diva nearby (4)