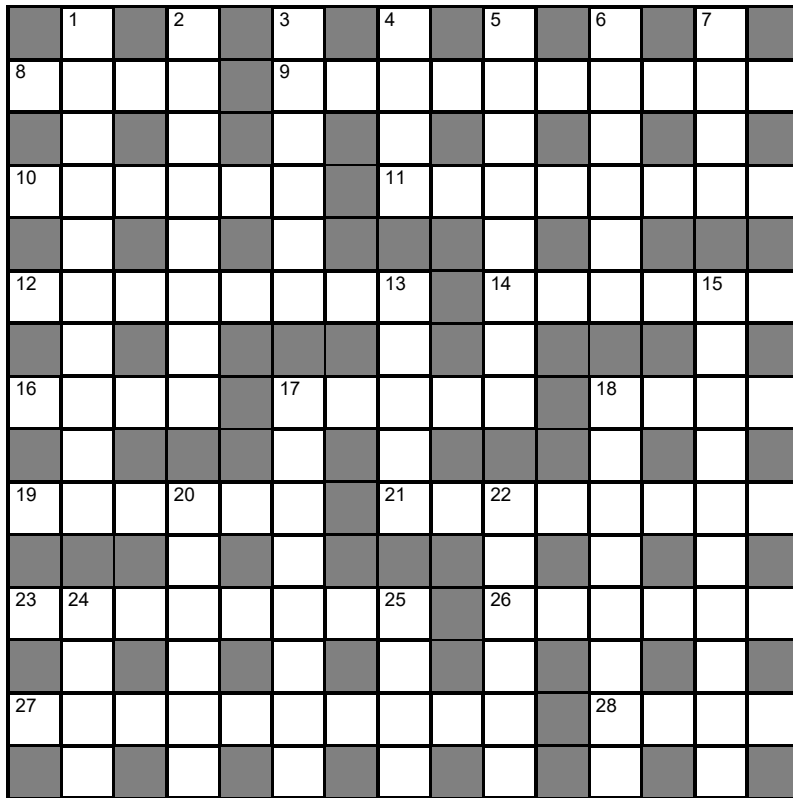


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Across

- 8** Germanic invader left out? Some nerve! (4)
- 9** Burkina Faso once exhibited in topmost V&A (5,5)
- 10** Around June 2nd, acts like Dame Edna in college site (6)
- 11** Friar out to conceal (4,4)
- 12** Footwear invoice cites wader (8)
- 14** Hymns initially offer praise, anthems, eulogies and noble sentiments (6)
- 16** Evens at Goodwood, perhaps? (4)

- 17** A huge nautical command (5)
- 18** Long story is a gas when told from the end (4)
- 19** Tap on Broadway? (6)
- 21** If E. Truss reconsidered excesses..... (8)
- 23** Empty tomb in Greece (not a photo) (8)
- 26** A case of assignation around four? (6)
- 27** Manager set about person of interest to Stasi (4,6)
- 28** Mass, perhaps, sounding correct (4)

Down

- 1** Old Church excommunicates student.....infallibly! (2,8)
- 2** Irritable paparazzi? (8)
- 3** Soundly contemplate Bruce in healthy breakfast? (6)
- 4** Expectorated tiff (4)
- 5** One drug after another for crazy person (8)
- 6** Prescription from pre-Windows era? (6)
- 7** Turn back before Sicilian smoker (4)
- 13** Giveaways are Welsh emblems on radio (5)
- 15** Pessimism, for example, during childbirth (10)
- 17** Awkwardly entreat a toothless mammal (8)
- 18** Catches sight of sailors to be dazed? (3,5)
- 20** Thumps a hundred yobs (6)
- 22** Play drop shot again for losses (3,3)
- 24** Dutch delicacy brings lady's rear to fore (4)
- 25** Topless pals prompt bear's airs (4)