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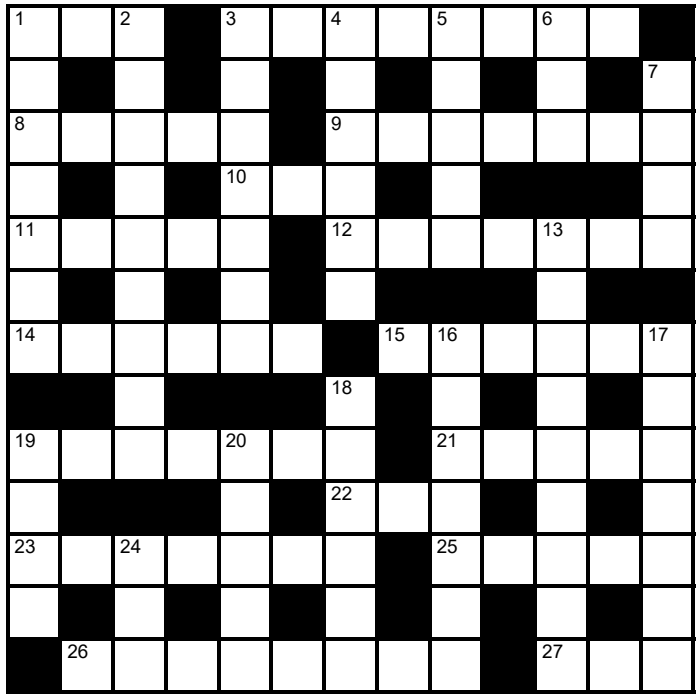
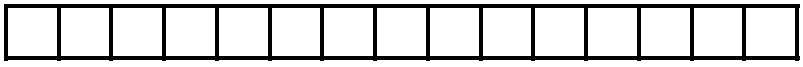
If you're inclined to give up, you should … combine three answers from the grid into a phrase to put in the box below.





Across

1 Prompt instruction to John Higgins (3)

3 State renovated train inside is hygienic (8)

8 City − Chesterfield, perhaps − I can be found in (5)

9 Instrument of French husband with business qualification (7)

10 Where to drink during Prohibition (3)

11 I like male and female feet (5)

12 Fancifully bullish detectives hid a chemical (7)

14 Good man leaves pushchair in America for a dearer vehicle (6)

15 Writer to plagiarise in the home counties (6)

19 Shonky automobiles abandon run-down slum in old Greek region (7)

21 Exposed college administrator came back hugging principal of Kings (5)

22 Estate agent provides meal (3)

23 Rugby play I might be baffled about (5,2)

25 Step back from abyss − I'm grateful I recoiled at first (5)

26 'Ave flu if mixing vile vapours (8)

27 *Infusion pour les anglais (3)*

28 [see preamble]

Down

1 Get rid of bank clerk (7)

2 At home under nurse, sick, embraced by celebrity (2,7)

3 This art's not moving, though it's able to move (7)

4 Hunter Biden finally gets Steiger's self-introduction (6)

5 He makes an attempt to embrace the queen (5)

6 Strange drink (3)

7 Pass partner peripheral connector to discard (4)

13 Get along with someone a bit odd that wants you to think they're interesting online (9)

16 Tupac's reportedly needed for a card game (7)

17 Sanction what you get according to 'obson's choice? (7)

18 What helps guide delivery vehicle back after end of working week (3-3)

19 City break's beginning at hotel (4)

20 What's sold in homewares dept? Two strange pieces of electrical lighting (5)

24 Official concerned with football primarily (3)