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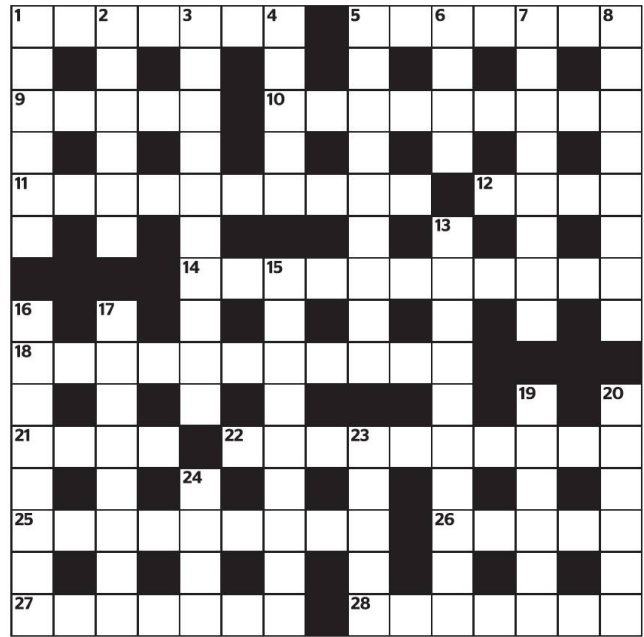
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ACROSS

- 1 Thief rejected food - mainly fat (7)
- 5 Wasted fruit core wanted biting (7)
- 9,18 Keen to see you in recital, cracking frenetic fiddle work? (5,11)
- 10 Top diplomat leaves top luxury car in trust (3,2-4)
- 11 Reckless, yet one rigs charity (10)
- 12 Musical-sounding Berliner? (4)
- 14 He wanted some more obvious card game, reportedly stopped by incomplete pack? (6,5)
- 18 See 9-across
- 21 Mandatory detention cell in Sydney suburb (4)
- 22 Issue for bush, essentially illiterate (10)
- 25 Noisy mass sabotaged kids' game (5,4)
- 26 Lost a shirt, moving in behind (2,3)
- 27 One 26-across suffering hesitancy, overlooking both poles (7)
- 28 Make a tidy profit? (5,2)

DOWN

- 1 Peep at author drinking, say, in bottle shop (6)
- 2 A climber trapped south of spur's ultimate canyon (6)
- 3 Chief lost a favoured cap off Swiss ensemble (10)
- 4 Poser skimmed Antarctic mountain (5)
- 5 Second self-effacing platypus? (9)
- 6 Match outfit (4)
- 7 Rising troubles beset baker in central Europe (8)
- 8 Daughter attends funeral? That's some nerve (8)
- 13 Sabbatical in Congo? (5,5)
- 15 Get one's goat lavishly dressed before one dined (9)
- 16 XXXXX in SE Melbourne? (8)
- 17 Widespread dime novel - boring saga (8)
- 19 See 24-down
- 20 Leave power after 31 days (6)
- 23 Strains muscle when leg's almost wrenched, straddling unfenced pit? (5)
- 24,19-down Messily thank... um luminary Nobelist of literature (4,6)



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