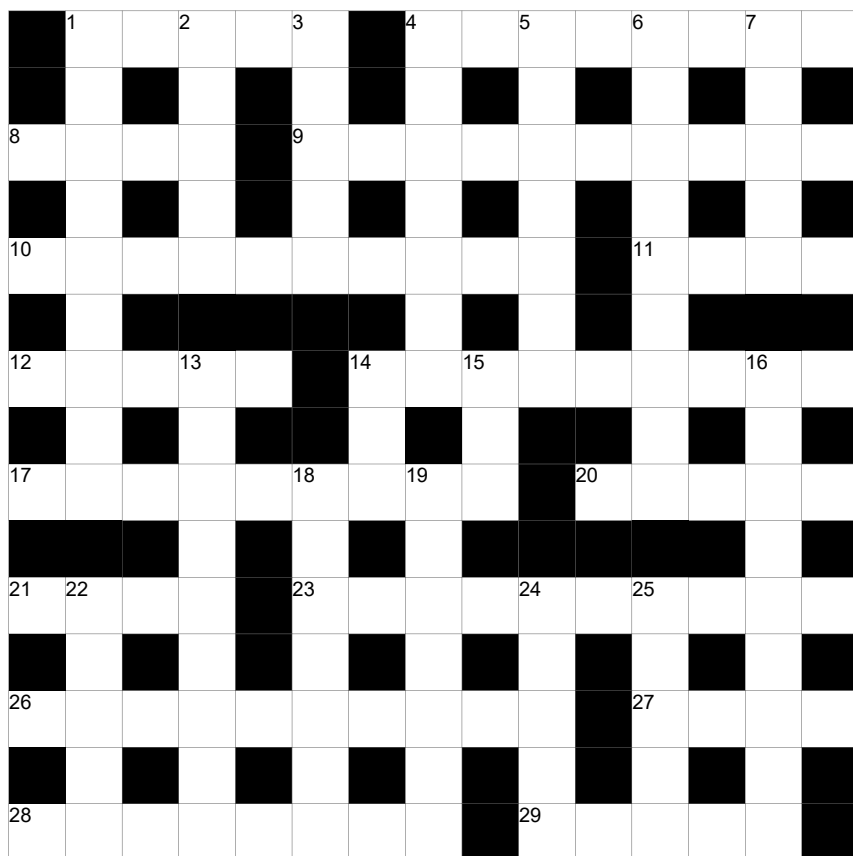


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## ACROSS

1. Rewrite items in New York newspaper (5)
4. Crossword dictionary rooms (8)
8. Cycles back to video game company (4)
9. Revolutionary force almost mad at infamous Spanish torturer (10)
10. West of Italy's capital, politico Sarah (Democrat) with mom or dad (10)
11. Name in the middle of caricatures! (4)
12. Get up around noon and gargle (5)
14. British dirty old man by the French yard where the Enigma code was broken (9)
17. Swung a fist (missing the head) getting a wallop in and split (9)
20. Crossword inventor's success in speech (5)
21. Yours truly and an alien come face-to-face (4)
23. Puzzle dragged on, enveloping confused Republican squad (4, 6)
26. Puzzle editor to be paid to sell imperfections to the Reverend (4, 6)
27. Excellent shot goes out (4)
28. Mandator meandering without rhyme or reason (2, 6)
29. Highly-polished Southern rock guitar line (5)

2. Note a Michigan city for snowbirds (5)
3. Overstuffed engagements after switching first and last (5)
4. Lewis who wrote Christmas song for audition (7)
5. Most intense Western Indians appear in part of play (7)
6. Every nine weeks: BLT, hominy, bananas (9)
7. "Way cool, using deadly gas!" (5)
13. Tiny amount of interest in Lily-like flower (9)
14. Pedestrian left out nuts (3)
15. After the face off, bow to pressure and then stop (3)
16. Hungarian puzzle maker and I broke urn, sadly (4, 5)
18. Mob lacking resistance around her bovine abode (7)
19. Accidentally murder a contributor to the Listener? (7)
22. Cited wrong statute (5)
24. Takes hold of then takes direction from kings and queens, say (5)
25. Selection of charcuterie for child development centers? (5)

## DOWN

1. First off, NPR venue covers brooding one for left-leaning magazine (3, 6)