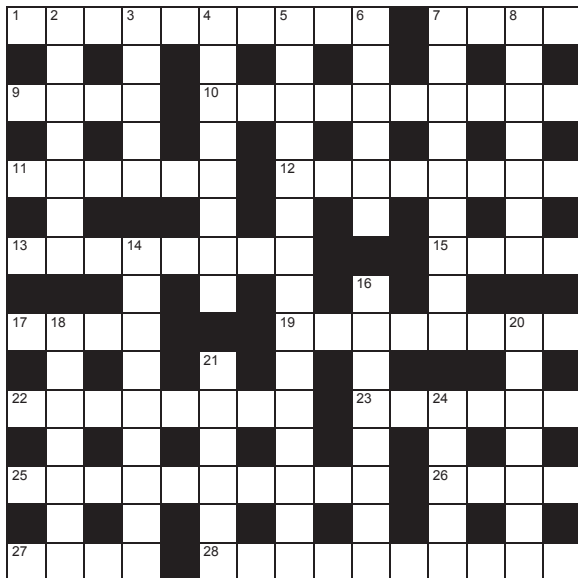


CROSSWORD

No. 14,253 Set by PHSSTHPOK



JOTTER PAD

ACROSS

- 1 Verdict on suspension (10)
- 7 Money in vault (4)
- 9 Punch a priest (4)
- 10 Soldiers billeted in home flaunt power (10)
- 11 Where to find ancient Greek army after fight (6)
- 12 Prayer often follows sudden explosion! (5,3)
- 13 Pass out leek recipe? (4,4)
- 15 Told to milk farm animals (4)
- 17 In scrabble, valuable characters embody a style of music (4)
- 19 Broke and not very fresh (8)
- 22 Unfinished dessert also known as main course (8)
- 23 Wrapping leg inside slip (6)
- 25 Insincere praise for pelvic rise exercise (3,7)
- 26 You reactivate sample of organic compound (4)
- 27 American's nearly getting on although in disagreement with (4)
- 28 Perhaps Mozart is inferior to musical number in section of the orchestra (10)

DOWN

- 2 For this, say former wife's getting fat (7)
- 3 Live using oxygen-rich gas (2,3)
- 4 University vivisectionist first dissected hollow mollusc (8)
- 5 Mutiny aboard naval vessel receiving orders (15)
- 6 Anxiety as 7 Up is contaminated by river (6)
- 7 Explosion is awful surprise (9)
- 8 Sympathise when control panel's heart goes dead (7)
- 14 One spins around heavy star without it (4,5)
- 16 Sweatier gymnastics in a manner of speaking (2,2,4)
- 18 Devoted a party to band (7)
- 20 Elderly relative eager to make cloth (7)
- 21 Till arrival, broke into native greeting (6)
- 24 Nerve extract (5)

Solution to the Saturday prize puzzle on Saturday March 16
Solution to yesterday's prize puzzle on Monday March 18
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