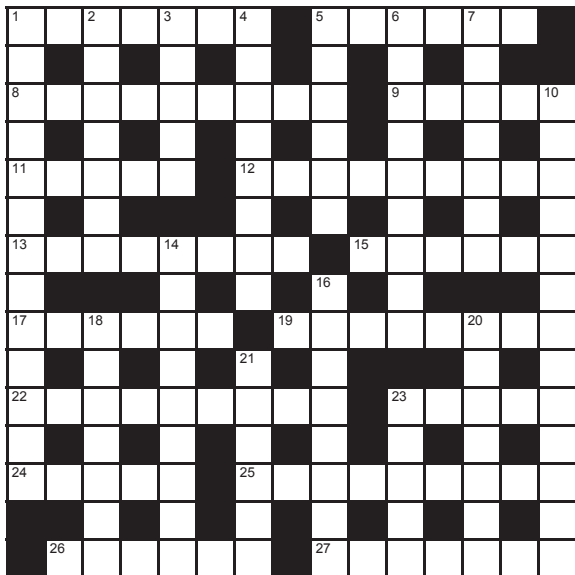


CROSSWORD

No. 16,269 Set by JULIUS



JOTTER PAD

ACROSS

- 1 Some monks burn private parts (7)
- 5 *Florida Times* reviewing book – it's somewhat limp (6)
- 8 Atomic power in place, working machine (9)
- 9 Orchestra left in healthy condition (5)
- 11 Praise former ace army officer (5)
- 12 Pacific seaport union invested in commercial vehicle insurance (9)
- 13 Best friend following United 'til sacked (8)
- 15 Military update worries priest (6)
- 17 Flamboyant style queen, old Madame Chanel (6)
- 19 FM broadcast time – it'll be short-lived (8)
- 22 Coffee brewing – nice aroma! (9)
- 23 Farewell, American princess, 10 (5)
- 24 Lament awful golf breaks (5)
- 25 Queen's new tiffen manufactured in E1 (9)
- 26 Arms manufacturer to show respect to retiring Spanish king (6)
- 27 Couldn't get over lewd, revolting fashion (5,2)

DOWN

- 1 Romantic French writer ordering a Thai bean curd (13)
- 2 Tar (a sailor) sitting outside pub (7)
- 3 Swindle Wally holding spades (5)
- 4 Overhaul Nevada city tax base (8)

- 5 Father, son travelling around eastern US city (6)
- 6 Drunken Idaho rep embracing tense love goddess (9)
- 7 Flaubert's Emma, about 51, spending year in Venezuelan capital (7)
- 10 Our neighbours put a pure "oui/non" cross in the space (8,5)
- 14 Heavy equipment moving very quickly on North Eastern railway (9)
- 16 Spoiled golf club – iron – on the last at Muirfield (8)
- 18 Toast a lighter version of 23 across (7)
- 20 English literature is translated to German for the select few (7)
- 21 Ringmaster/comedian beginning to nark The Queen (6)
- 23 Rangers exec regularly fail to see eye-to-eye (5)

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