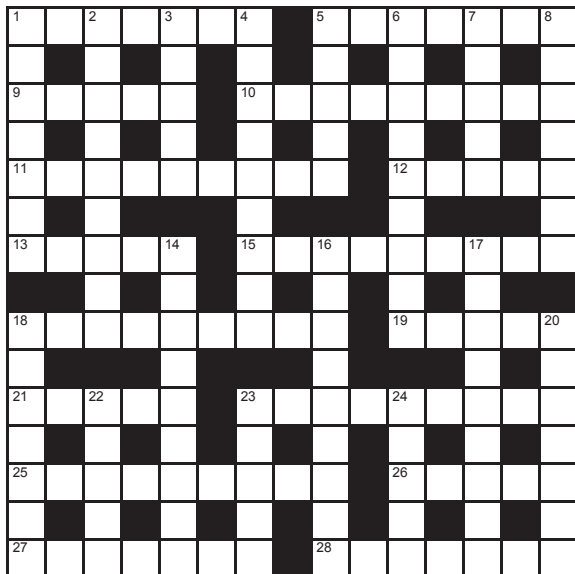


CROSSWORD

No. 15,992 Set by NEO



JOTTER PAD

ACROSS

- 1 Neo brought in to discourage fertility goddess (7)
- 5 Italian dish discovered at bend in road (7)
- 9 Knight in hairpiece needs small band 25 created (5)
- 10 Monstrous riddler into cream crackers (9)
- 11 Common youth touring North Country (9)
- 12 Speeds one gets with agency typist? (5)
- 13 Official woman tempted by soldiers (5)
- 15 Bill wears close-fitting jacket in performance (6,3)
- 18 Leading lady in protest accepting short audition (9)
- 19 Ship loads drink that's brought back strength (5)
- 21 Endless row about horse doctor's lozenge (5)
- 23 Card's empty wrapping temporarily given place at tip (9)
- 25 Singer met with RCA in NYC explosively (9)
- 26 Bust of Nietzsche's Trapedach (5)
- 27 Lincoln supporter grabbed by an execrable player? (7)
- 28 Judas for one bitter about situation (7)

DOWN

- 1 Rich old girl complete with mature Romeo (7)
- 2 Pie filler cut up heart (9)
- 3 Pugilist, unknown, succeeded stopping heavyweight? (5)

- 4 One crashing into store to steal butter? (3-6)
- 5 Went along with rules (5)
- 6 Calls it in maybe giving hint (9)
- 7 Smarten up grand accommodation (5)
- 8 On site working without serious linesman (7)
- 14 City editor in gets hot food served up (9)
- 16 Fiery procession Paul Healy organised (2-5-2)
- 17 Restrained element breaks away (9)
- 18 Instrument in scripture claimed by serpent (7)
- 20 Pressure on after time in war zone (7)
- 22 Follow in stretch limo possibly? (5)
- 23 What makes ham have lethal ingredient? (5)
- 24 Officer regularly devouring a hot snack (5)

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