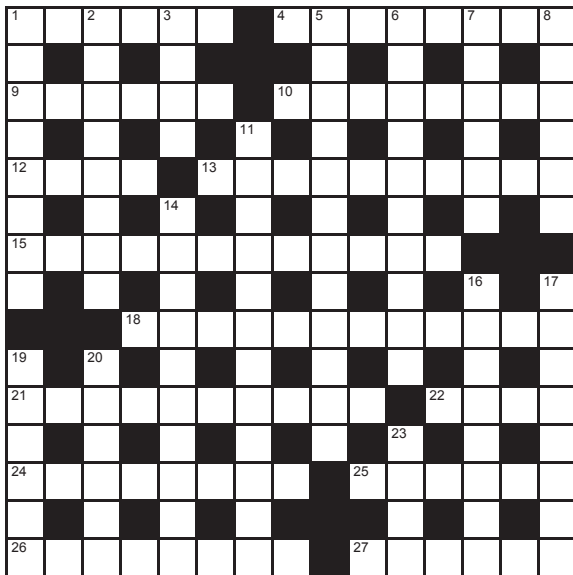


# CROSSWORD

No. 16,285 Set by ARMONIE



**JOTTER PAD**

## ACROSS

- 1** Head eats a new type of savoury (6)  
**4** Small pet escorted and walked with a hesitant motion (8)  
**9** Old man cultivated tree (6)  
**10** Hear a gun going off in lecture (8)  
**12** Spoil a schedule (4)  
**13** Left the last word to musician's sliding scale (10)  
**15** Italic screen breaks down? Sparks appear! (12)  
**18** Thought of French freedom (12)  
**21** Obtain applause for review, again (10)  
**22** Last train (4)  
**24** It's understood one representative's allowed (8)  
**25** Prevents Bill making wine (6)  
**26** Team up in hospital department? That's developing! (8)  
**27** Guarantee Poland's border (6)

## DOWN

- 1** Tea rose for composer (8)  
**2** Rattle on about award? That's insignificant! (2,6)  
**3** Wheeze like a man in gym (4)  
**5** Listen to Pluto in torment from illness (5,7)  
**6** Fellow to tease lunatic, ending in bits (10)  
**7** Member to finish folk-tale (6)  
**8** Father gets Quarter Day for Greek divinity (6)  
**11** Abolitionism provoked preparation for war (12)  
**14** A tenor is showing appeal and is trying (10)  
**16** Sickly little girl's made comfortable (8)  
**17** Ten cater for assembly in the interval (8)  
**19** Head of bakery to promote cook (6)  
**20** Old Bob's big test (6)  
**23** Drag prince round university (4)