

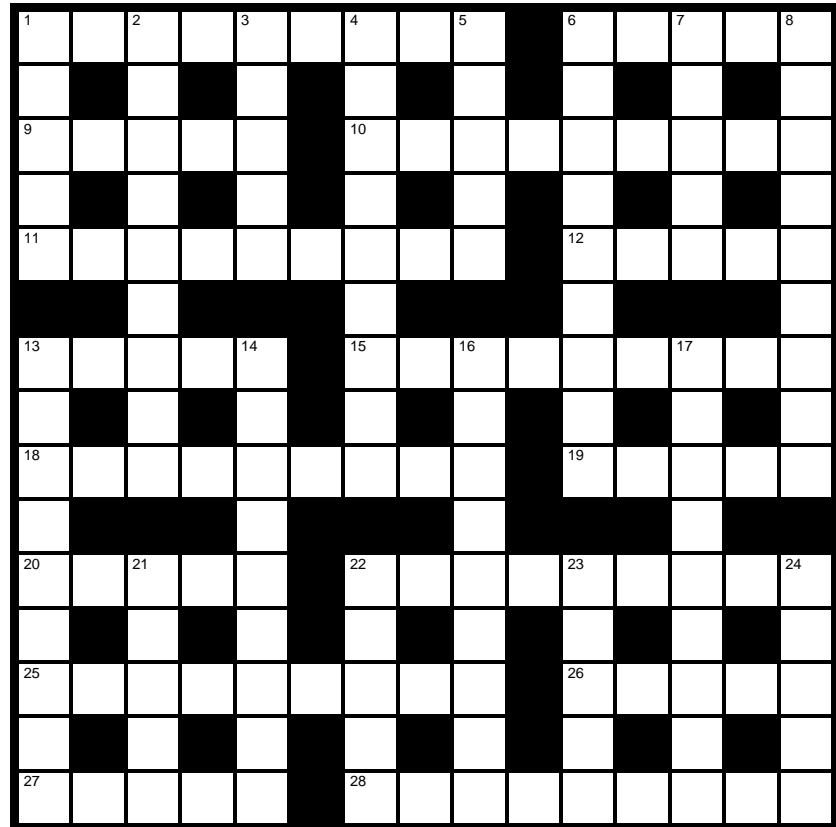
NINES AND FIVES

Across

- 1 Prisoners chart officer (9)
- 6 Celebrity carries one instrument (5)
- 9 Expert wearing a new protective garment (5)
- 10 Ran on any hit around league's top pitcher (5,4)
- 11 Someone from 28 Across playing the piano with intensity (9)
- 12 Greek island produce: first class leaves (5)
- 13 Small friendly crowd (5)
- 15 People from Toronto or Ottawa not weird ram people? (9)
- 18 Charged with a crime arresting adult being pointed out (9)
- 19 Lower porch (5)
- 20 Lack of interest operating interactive video game reportedly (5)
- 22 Work with another person repairing wooden casks, corroded (9)
- 25 Men without bind breaking jaws (9)
- 26 Be a chauvinist perhaps losing face (5)
- 27 Before crucial point left sweetheart of a game dominated by the pitcher (2-3)
- 28 Gulf in island near a country in Africa once (9)

Down

- 1 Follow score (5)
- 2 Roth novel parts drawn up and up? (9)
- 3 Dance round and fly about (5)
- 4 Boot around and I start to crush rat (9)
- 5 Cancel Leno featuring a funny talk show host (5)
- 6 Functions without five positions requiring little effort (9)



- 7 Herb's vocal rhythm (5)
- 8 Purer nuns sacrificed those finishing second (7,2)
- 13 Superhero mired awkwardly in bridge (9)
- 14 Assembly worker's jaw part is caught in tangle (9)
- 16 Turner notes: "Finish off liquor slowly" (9)
- 17 Love a party food (9)
- 21 Contribution to run in the last part of a baseball game (5)
- 22 Sound made by flighty one's eyelashes (5)
- 23 Pitchers: top people who can thread the needle? (5)
- 24 Redundant without building skill (5)