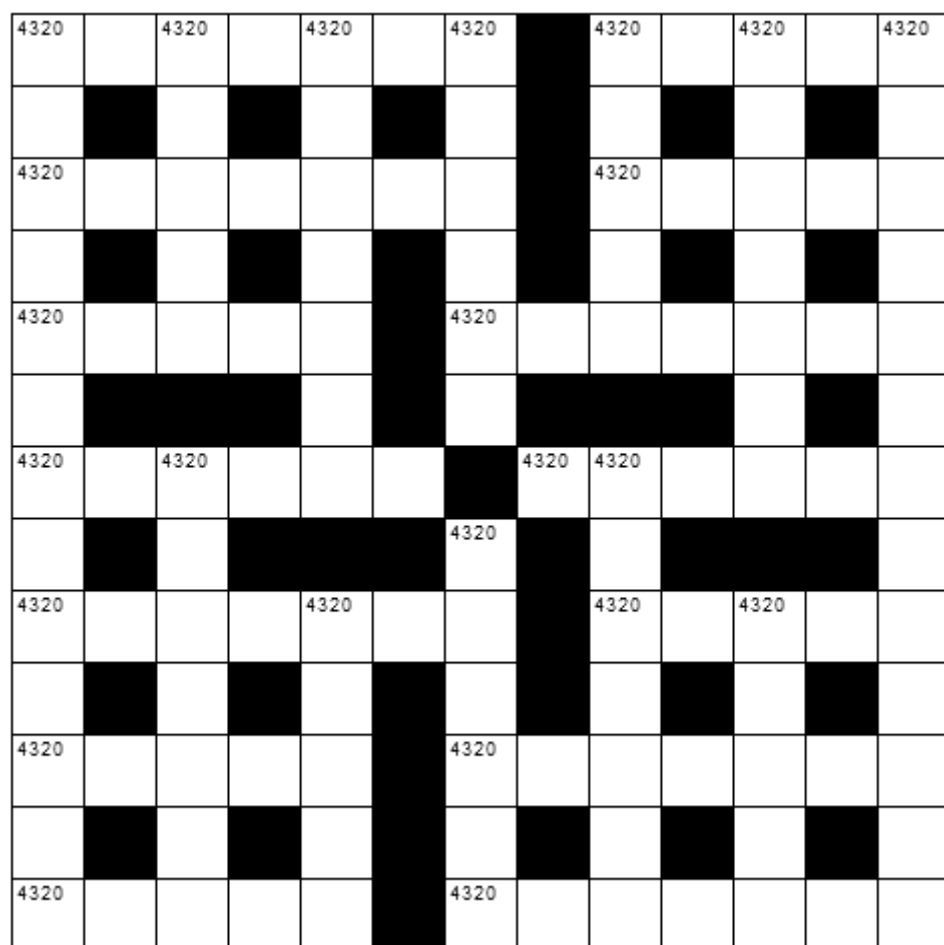


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ACROSS

- 1** Returning government agent to collect actress Alison's post-event report (7)
- 2** State "I had to return love" (5)
- 4** Passage in A key (5)
- 5** Grim male pilot consumes bar cocktail (7)
- 9** Old woman and old first aunt eat last of oatmeal cereal (7)
- 10** Republican to follow embargo covering lead cables or transmitter, perhaps? (6)
- 16** Swindle one late-night show host (5)
- 20** Rise to follow after the leading of Neil Young (7)
- 24** Vehicle going around the French plain (5)
- 32** Numbers like six and seven, strangely (5)
- 36** Agent bringing in one that's easily influenced (6)
- 40** Marina goes after piece of bread in gravy that's more sugary (7)
- 45** Top tradesperson searches for trinkets (7)
- 54** Problem children (5)
- 80** Serves us hibachi containing Japanese food (5)
- 96** Clouds unable to re-form close to haze (7)
- 108** Guy's one that's charged for residence (7)
- 120** Bankrupt regretted picking up present (6)
- 135** Drink bottled up in poured ice (5)
- 180** Expensive marinade (5)
- 216** Accept criminal has been executed (7)
- 270** Character's part of home game (5)
- 432** Boasts against adopted relative (6)
- 480** One in a series of records about one poem (7)
- 864** Retrieve coat again (7)
- 1080** Bank's detailed process hides bigwig (5)
- 2160** Italian man broadcast baseball player Gehrig, for example (5)
- 4320** Sailor follows shadows to Sirius (3, 4)

DOWN

- 3** Stalemate? I'm out (7)
- 5** Dreamer forgetting November under changing moon, initially casting hues in one color (13)
- 6** Stall for box exhibiting southern comedian Fey (13)
- 8** Champion scratching head near the centre (5)
- 12** One with superior attitude returning to take a seat in part of floor (7)
- 15** Smoke rising after end of accident—terrible! (6)
- 18** Staff overwhelmed by editor's edits (6)
- 24** Star celebrates dropped prices (5)
- 27** Stateroom of ministers rejecting alien (5)
- 30** Replay effect of original screenplay can involve man (3-2)
- 48** Singer Sheeran provided odd items for coaches (7)
- 60** Criminal Level 51 going back in vain (7)
- 72** Originally, bribe expert to restrict network stability (7)
- 90** Refrain from six pack: "ain't getting drunk" (7)
- 144** Spread of start of snowy weather (5)
- 160** Toll from that guy entering church (5)
- 180** Cast of *Shanghai* (5)
- 240** Stay on edge (6)
- 288** Heard, one after the other, coffee-maker or photocopier, perhaps? (6)
- 360** Mixture salient to skin protein (7)
- 540** Thoughts I had for one second (5)
- 720** Note intel and start to request mortar support (13)
- 864** Siege of Sparta acts as milestone event (4, 2, 7)
- 1440** Tin soldier returned, and with originally elegant dancer, caught fire (7)