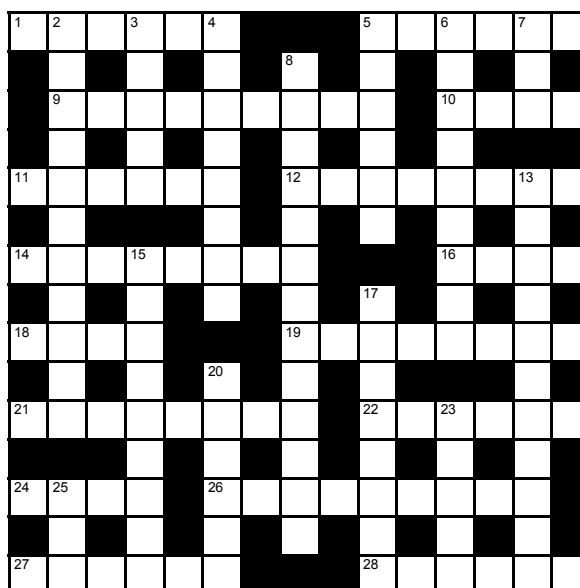


Across

- 1 Very unpredictable pox to work on public opinion (3,3)
- 5 Late energy overcomes cold for a long time (6)
- 9 Prisoner gets time in 'W' - utter last dorm in on-going sequence (9)
- 10 Principal ungraciously offers a breather (4)
- 11 Tell story backwards and around about (6)
- 12 Odd ... it's odd to make an exit and burst about "upsets" (8)
- 14 Bali - a 1st possible coastal resort (8)
- 16 Broadcasts excellent case of Rieslings (4)
- 18 Step 1: Put in gun (4)
- 19 Hung about fifty strangled deer around Soviets now and again (8)
- 21 Live by judging and scolding (8)
- 22 Run over current manuscript that is weak (6)
- 24 Boast about small quiet turn-around (4)
- 26 Means setter can guard hotel and is final alarm (9)
- 27 Fold cold one left in drawer (6)
- 28 Smooth pipe gets knots regularly (6)



- 17 Guitar repeats - 2nd one modified for hoi polloi (4-4)
- 20 Bleak ideology held by boy growing up (6)
- 23 Stomach radical militants, unaware at first (5)
- 25 Palatable starter that is pastry (3)

Down

- 2 Arrange gold box at first especially to trap vermin (11)
- 3 Criticise party animal (5)
- 4 Old and proper veal stew (8)
- 5 Death by meds i.e. treatment (6)
- 6 Calm cult rejects closures; makes tea for work out (9)
- 7 Climbed into constituents making dreadful noise (3)
- 8 Challenged people in court to cut stage antics by half (13)
- 13 Writer-director shed unsure "yes" with "I am performing!" (6,5)
- 15 Allow husband Craig to be pathetic and lazy (9)