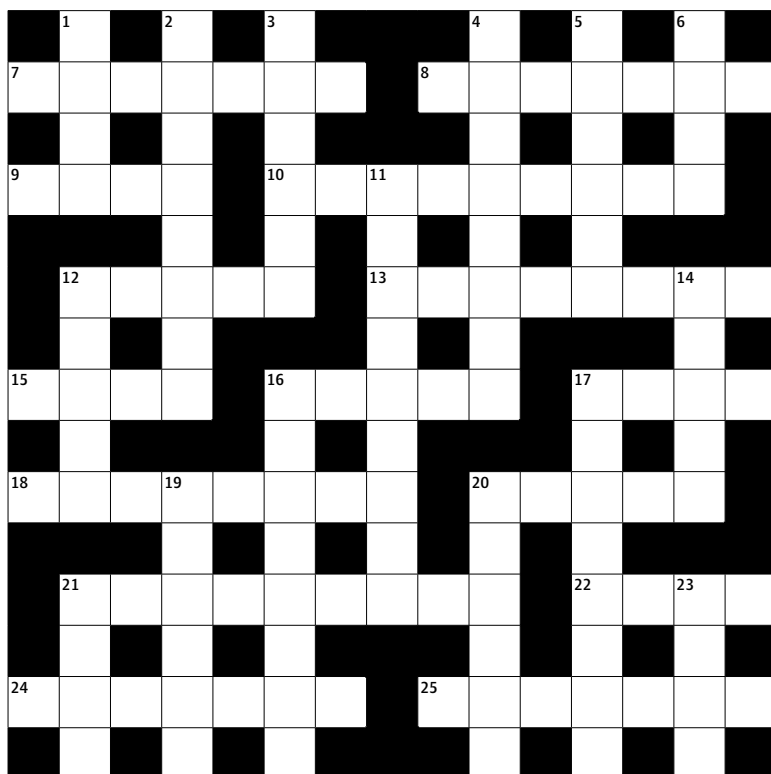


Guardian cryptic crossword No 28,575 set by Boatman



Across

- 7 Don't split small dead plant (7)
- 8 Removing wrappers to use gas oven, Lloyd prepared food (7)
- 9 Keystone Cops' initial material, worth mining (4)
- 10 Director mistakenly cut Roach's last saloon number in storage on farm (5,4)
- 12 Keep out of steep enclosure for entry to barbican (5)
- 13 In every other Sennett reel, artist begs (8)
- 15 Clamour for return of Fatty Arbuckle in small part (4)
- 16 Poach cycling ducks (5)
- 17 See 22
- 18 He went from Italy to America by scooter to join fashion house, squandering silver (8)
- 20 Boatman's following silent film, a universal horror (5)
- 21 Drunken parties with pineapple and edam starters as canapé (9)
- 22,17 Normand – one in supporting role as a rule (8)
- 24 Athletic Chaplin for head of Disney! (7)
- 25 Clap Purviance, unevenly acting like a goat (7)

Down

- 1 Dance seen in pantomime Our Gang orchestrated originally (4)
- 2 Was absent, yet recast? Not Stan

- Laurel (5,3)
- 3 Communist trap? On the contrary, not Hardy (6)
- 4 Hapless Chase met agents to make cuts (8)
- 5 Buster Keaton missing on second shooting of scene! (6)
- 6 Funny film shortened – would be, too, if the ending was cut (4)
- 11 For some, WC Fields blowing his top with hate is outrageous (3,6)
- 12 Langdon's heart captured by desperate lament (5)
- 14 Quite forgetting to count (5)
- 16 Silent comic ain't curt (8)
- 17 Clue to warming together (3,2,3)
- 19 Old Russian clown is said to die (3,3)
- 20 Coarse grass laid down and shooting up (6)
- 21 Boatman has appeal but not much (1,3)
- 23 Garvin finally accepted in routine, the smallest of the brood (4)

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