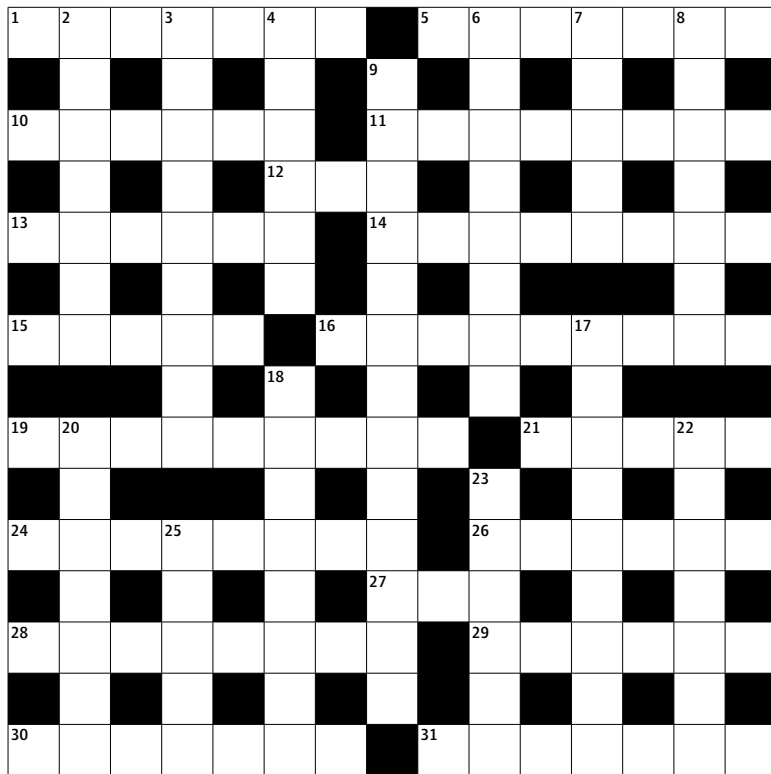


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Across

- 1 Who will volunteer in a big city matter? (7)
- 5 In retrospect working both sides of casino is impossible (2,3,2)
- 10 This might help vehicle that's regularly going the wrong way (3-3)
- 11 Rather get away without minor inconvenience (4-4)
- 12/9 Abroad with old newspaper - ambassador has issue 5 (3,2,3,8)
- 13 Bob maybe in N. London borough (6)
- 14 Attendant doctor possessing perfect penmanship at the outset (8)
- 15 Unknown joining Disney to make music (5)
- 16 Crush West when revolutionary invades - being easily shocked (9)
- 19 Financial assistance from founders securing a little investment (9)
- 21 Small PC close to price range (5)
- 24 Particularly noxious six books on order (8)
- 26 Uhura discovered characters bringing up the rear in red will die in difficulty (6)
- 27/23 They're melting variety of cheeses with it (3,6)
- 28 Also manage to hold sign saying farewell (6-2)

- 29 Originally, everyone sees knitting is my love language (6)
- 30 Occasionally teenagers obsess and completely engage (7)
- 31 Huge egg supplier in Germany - east of Berlin - I must get right involved (7)

Down

- 2 Falls over climbing crag out of bounds (7)
- 3 Cash that folds inside turban knot essentially (9)
- 4 Commit seconds to advising Gen X? (6)
- 6 Refined lead ore contains note - it's poisonous if ingested (8)
- 7 Record American left behind (5)
- 8 Stays in ground instead (7)
- 9 See 12 Across
- 17 Scandalmonger's best mate covers chest up (4-5)
- 18 Vegetating, comic Eric Morecambe is finally visiting Naxos on vacation (8)
- 20 Everyone can see this news about independent business run as symbol of Scotland (7)
- 22 Compile 12 to make argument (7)
- 23 See 27 Across
- 25 Two European articles below (5)

Solution No. 29,995



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