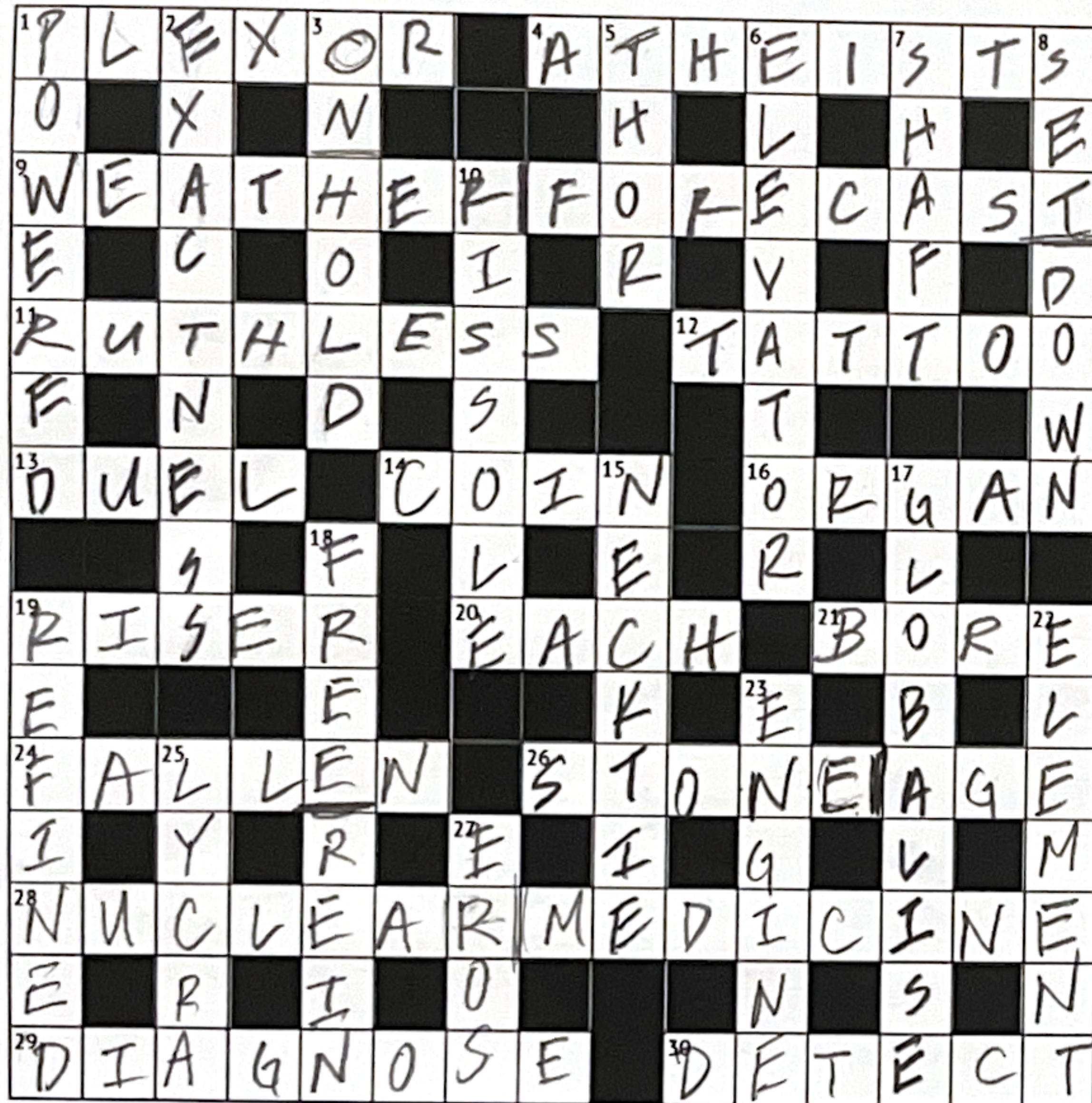


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ACROSS

- 1 Pressure applied to broken Rolex with small hammer (6)
- 4 They don't believe where thieves might be (8)
- 9 Outlook was taking care of three different things initially (7,8)
- 11 Hustlers prepared without pity (8)
- 12 Work of a skinny artist? (6)
- 13 Prearranged engagement is expected before long (4)
- 14 Company not out to make money (4)
- 16 It plays a vital part (5) *ONION*
- 19 Jack, say, is close to spare in Rolls Royce (5)
- 20 Every individual compartment in tea chest (4)
- 21 Put up with a pain in the neck (4)
- 24 The works built in marshy area may be lost (6)
- 26 One entering the theatre a long time ago (5,3)
- 28 Nice uncle worried about prepared iodine treatment that's hi-tech (7,8)
- 29 Prod proboscis pierced by a pinpoint (8)
- 30 Brief put off court to undertake discovery (6)

DOWN

- 1 A number of whales going around, were stimulated by electricity (7)
- 2 Unloved one involved in sex acts distorted truth? (9)
- 3 One cut off by hospital veteran is waiting (2,4)
- 5 Norse god is a nuisance mostly (4)
- 6 A lever twisted around to lift (8)
- 7 Handle has moved twelve inches (5)
- 8 Drop off record (3,4)
- 10 Gentleman returned fish patty fried in oil (7)
- 15 Kitchen tea informally presented without hat and formalwear (7)
- 17 Make international head of Gucci lose opening for Bali (9)
- 18 Interfere with arrangement, losing time for liberty (4,4)
- 19 Civil penalty printed in colour (7)
- 22 Third of the rent divided up by men in subdivision (7)
- 23 Beginner, out of bounds, rediscovered a driving force? (6)
- 25 Items fashioned in really crazy material (5)
- 27 God of love is tender in a different way (4)

TABLEAD

where do thieves be