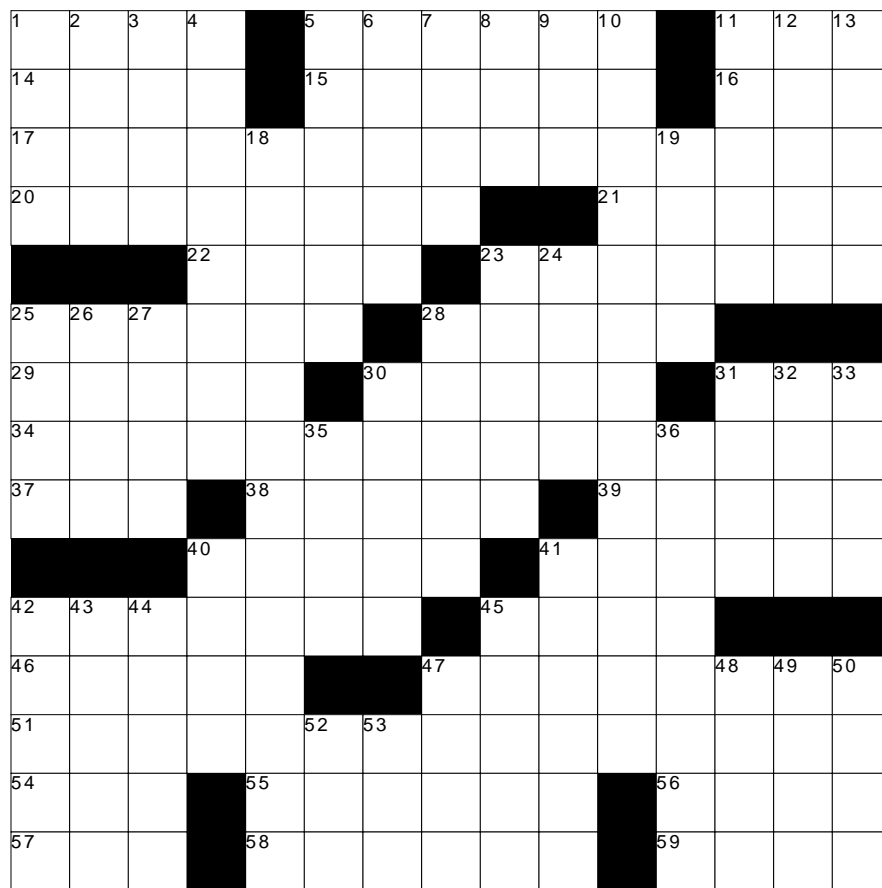


Across

- 1 Significantly lessen
 5 Where Scotch Tape was invented c. 1930
 11 Marvel villain aka Cleo Nefertiti
 14 Virtual reality purveyor
 15 Quick charge
 16 News magazine cover figure in '49 and '72
 17 They say it ain't so, formally
 20 Hand axes?
 21 Clears the way, in a way
 22 Sport sharing an etymology with "spatula"
 23 Basic sound unit
 25 Makes legal
 28 Primary course
 29 Its university turned 800 in 2022
 30 Change positions, incompletely
 31 Netted
 34 Soon enough
 37 Galaxy part
 38 Laity's locales
 39 Erstwhile neighbor of Burundi
 40 Throw out
 41 Goth (not recently)
 42 Close relative of Bianca
 45 Coiner of "horsepower"
 46 Spruce cousin
 47 Jersey and Oxford
 51 Iconic song on AFI's 100 list (recorded 1500+ times) named for a '55 film you've likely never heard of
 54 Letter letters more often seen with one more S



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- 55 Standing trial
 56 Takes on
 57 Held back
 58 Grounds
 59 Much more than pleased
 12 City about 50 miles (or a city about 100 miles) from Portland
 13 Confederates
 18 Seat of power
 19 New York school with Gaels teams
 23 Smart devices
 24 Key factor in tort law
 25 Unusually great
 26 Grammy alternative
 27 Rodin's Creation of work
 28 Caribbean seismic spot
 30 Mixed bag of stage
 31 Red state
 32 For flight
 33 Pal of Pepys
 35 Put under a lot of pressure
 36 Coral reef scavenger
 40 Hardly move
 41 Beatles "Be thankful I don't take it all" tune
 42 Red coat
 43 Lounging spot
 44 Made a bow
 45 One with
 47 Tools for opening holes
 48 Stay behind
 49 Dante's summit of Mount Purgatory
 50 Forest* A * __ (online woods management tool)
 52 It's like -like
 53 Prime Video partner as of 2025

Down

- 1 Hoe foe
 2 MGM tech first heard in '37
 3 Big apes
 4 Special feature
 5 Points of view?
 6 Pull a switch
 7 Party regulars
 8 Any of seven words on the UN Member States list
 9 Athlete competing for the Beehive Boot
 10 Royal news source since 1665
 11 Rock