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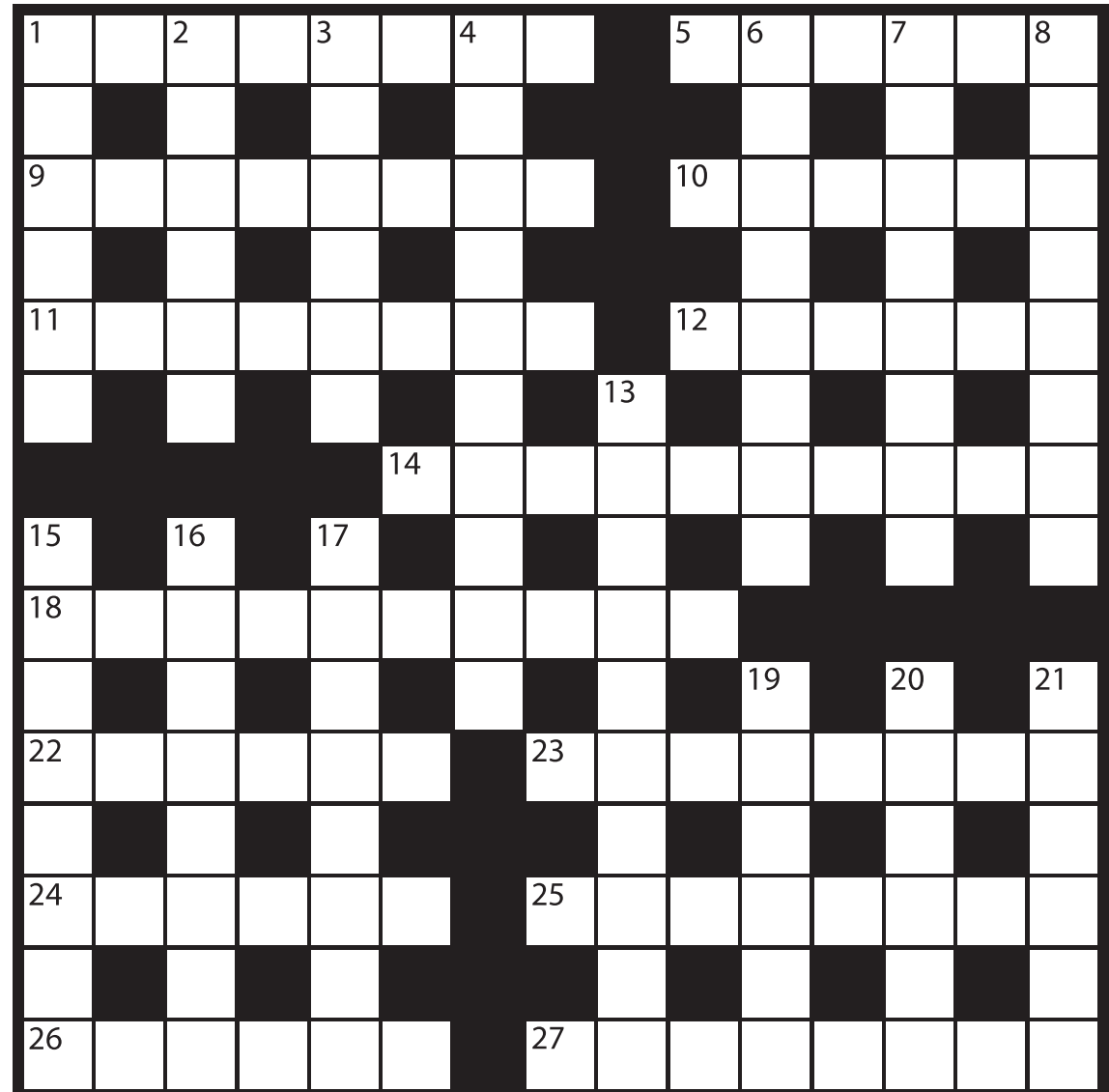
- 1 Types of houses frequently not totally rigid (4-4)
 5 Beasts cross, trapped in tangled vines (6)
 9 Search island for armed soldier (8)
 10 Mother with terrible rant repeated phrase (6)
 11 Credit one with measure of intelligence in day assessment (8)
 12 Gentleman backing European Union, quiet rebel (4,2)
 14 Awfully reliant, Meg is organised (10)
 18 Studied scorch beside church in grass (10)
 22 Utterly wide, prickly plant (6)
 23 Hopeful snake to circle round Boz (8)
 24 Characters involved in complaint, entirely objective (6)
 25 US soldier back in vessel on river for fight (8)
 26 Plug in good purchase, ingenious device (6)
 27 Pins taken from set with kilts to be altered (8)

DOWN

- 1 Impressed taking in Queen hit (6)
 2 Bungling, not totally finishing cake (6)
 3 From hearsay, understand prison is offering great views (6)
 4 Uncle felt a stirring, caused by this? (10)
 6 Pictures from one publication fiancée's regularly cut out (8)
 7 Request access to grab nosh (8)
 8 Small labels covering edges of palette knives (8)
 13 Sea creature, it upset German, quiet on boat (5,5)
 15 Highest birds finally reversing direction, group losing rook (8)

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- 16 Walked east and strode randomly around centre of Kirkcaldy (8)
 17 Mean to pierce tongue (8)
 19 Paltry blended nip in dram (6)
 20 Stuff around one area appropriate for child (6)
 21 A place where men go to become spies (6)