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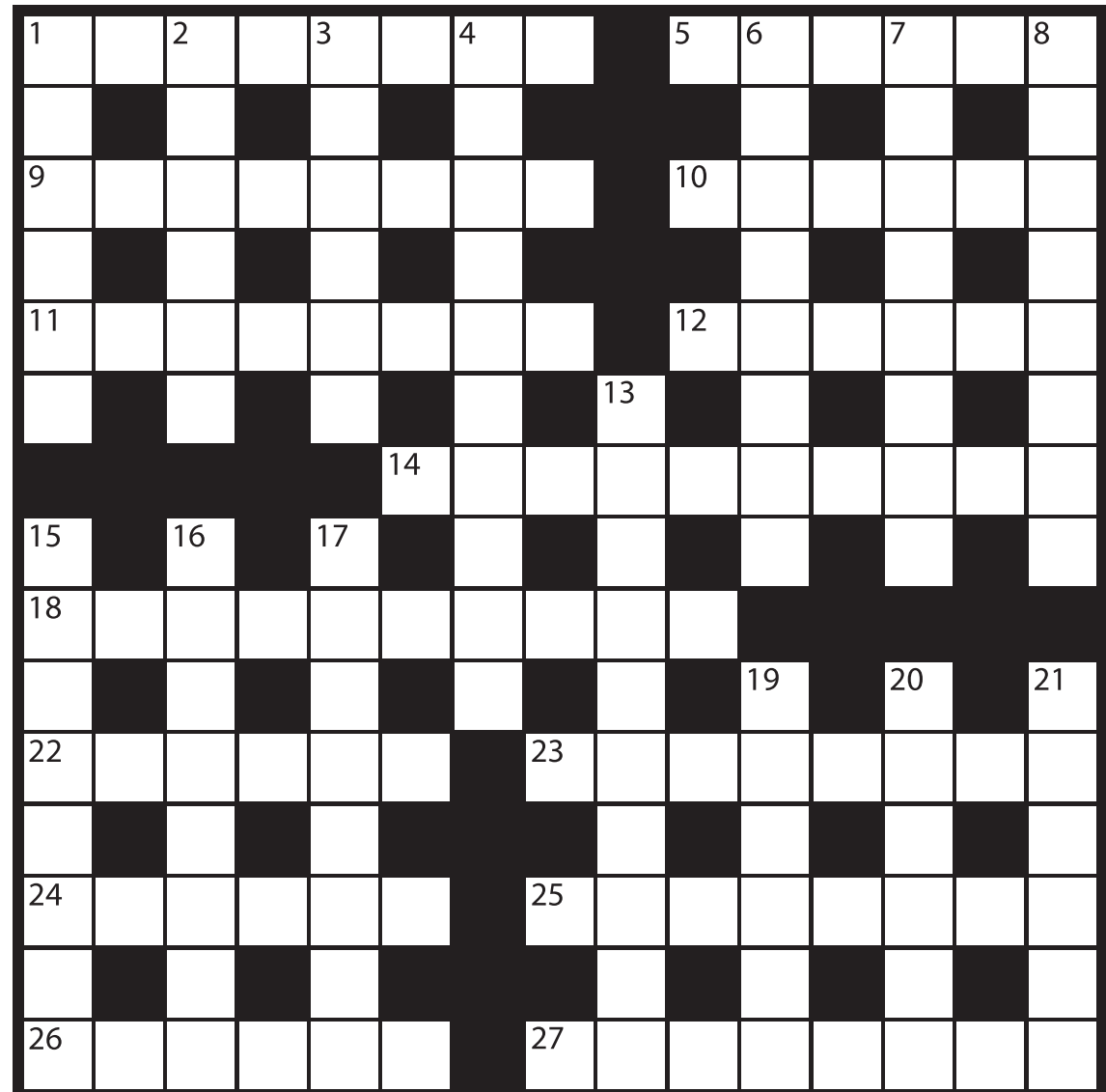
- 1 Slovenly friends backtracking a little (8)
 5 Carves up wild animal aboard ship (6)
 9 Soldiers carry wheels having broken backs (8)
 10 Setter's contract is in effect (6)
 11 Smaller houses are, in essence, more attractive (8)
 12 Superior-sounding kitchen utensil (6)
 14 Only sister is weaving threads (10)
 18 Warmth here isn't as unusual (10)
 22 It helps one see there's no point, essentially, in drink (6)
 23 Want bank to accept identification (8)
 24 Audience's impression of breakfast show (6)
 25 Tolerating upright position (8)
 26 Balls performs on Strictly (6)
 27 Putty gripping a small window (8)

DOWN

- 1 Sabbath? Rubbish band (6)
 2 Cast learn about Mainwaring, ultimately Pike's nemesis (6)
 3 Remove obstacle in river (6)
 4 Playing tennis with peer - it's far from straightforward (10)
 6 Poet regularly fuels English devolution (4,4)
 7 Criticizing chef's technique (8)
 8 Make fun of teacher turning into composer (8)
 13 Bread supplied by airline without the crust, sadly (10)
 15 Sang in Church, admitting god died (8)

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- 16 Tough players meeting press (4-4)
 17 Person breaking leg a long time ago (5,3)
 19 Relative, say shown around house (6)
 20 Hatred I see in bloke (6)
 21 Stone perhaps with small cube (6)