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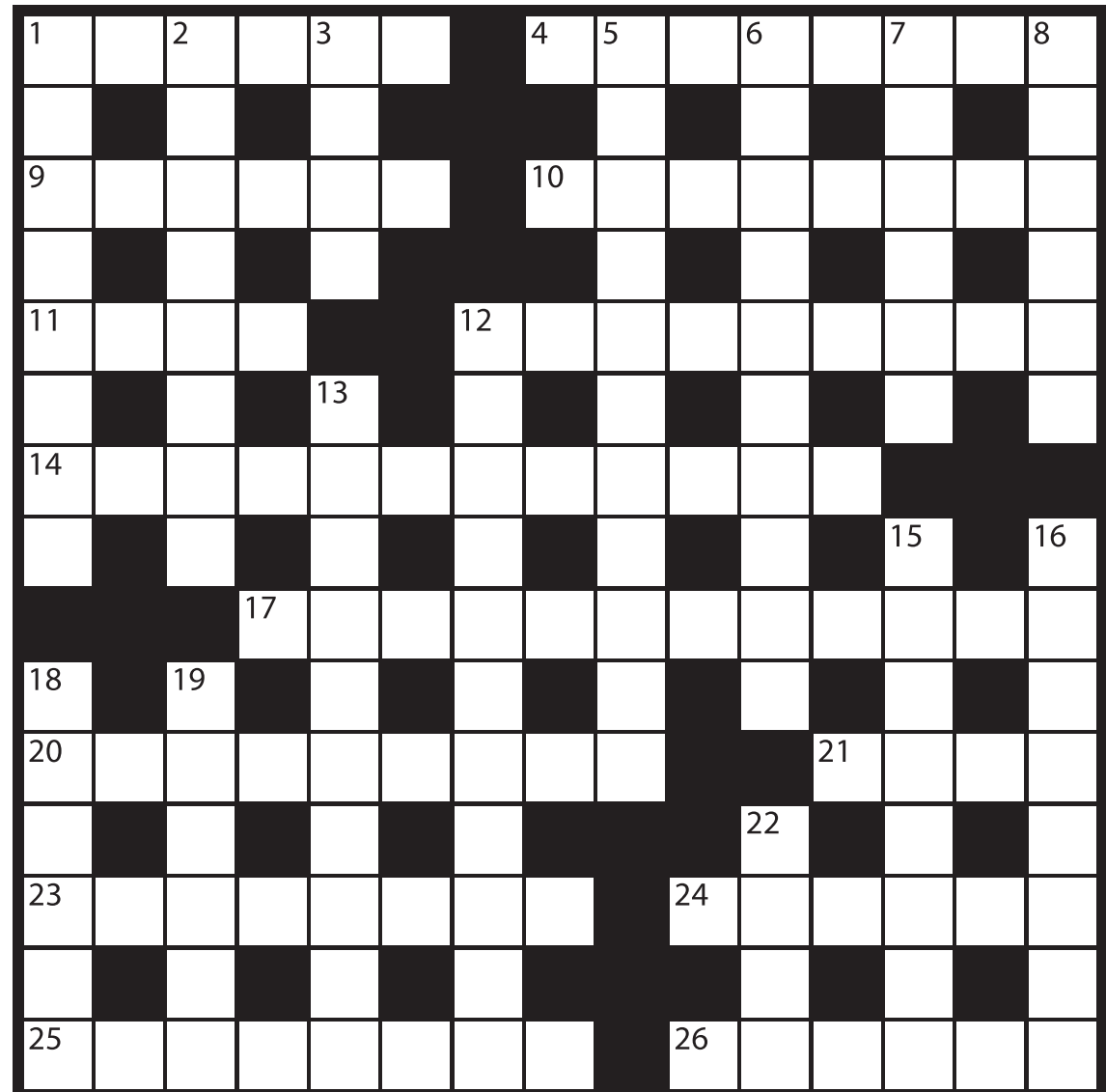
- 1 Gangster is individual that's put on headwear (6)
 4 Part of body, face with wrinkle, not the back (8)
 9 Argue at home with good sport (6)
 10 One who has goal to keep cold with hot, hot day (8)
 11 Ogle Alec after stripping before monarch (4)
 12 Periods of learning English stress me out (9)
 14 Was it mill converted to house small plant? (5,7)
 17 Pilot set about exercise, taxiing at intervals (5-7)
 20 Costs of extra managers (9)
 21 That lady's electronic present (4)
 23 Lovely design of birch cue (8)
 24 Beauties from Spain admitted to clangers? (6)
 25 Search among refuse in small den, initially need gloves even (8)
 26 A minor route overseas (6)

DOWN

- 1 The Parisian squeezed in hug is neglectful (8)
 2 Maybe electric fences close to sacred ground (8)
 3 Heard German's negative figure (4)
 5 Helpers place comics in new order (11)
 6 Hustlers having moans about detective, endlessly hard (4-6)
 7 Repeats base household tasks half-heartedly (6)
 8 Most certain American upset others (6)
 12 Exciting time involved in reproducing (11)
 13 Organised hours to see depot (10)

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- 15 Battle of note in major conflict to get on the throne (8)
 16 Very angry in church with yob biting son (8)
 18 Military from king caught among enemies (6)
 19 Unwanted creature around European area, old bit of Spain (6)
 22 Word of overbooking (4)