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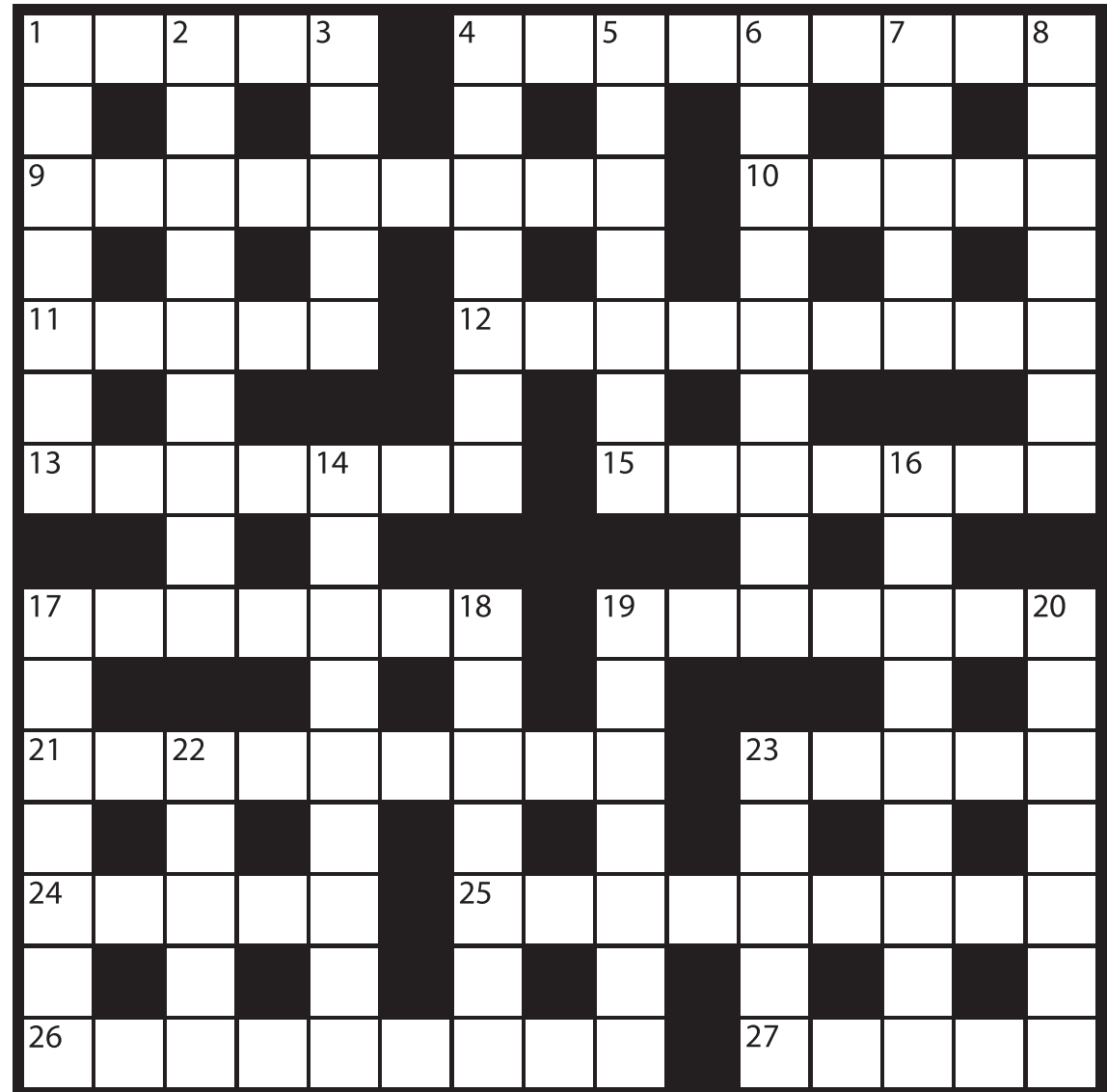
- 1 Locks and runs off (5)
 4 Garments that are spare if no different (9)
 9 Suspect everybody returned in term as planned (5,1,3)
 10 Take cover after cold rebuke (5)
 11 Thick, and needs to change (5)
 12 Start moving to Nigeria (9)
 13 Fame Ministry of Defence traitors rejected? (7)
 15 Good - pay attention and shine! (7)
 17 Entertainer embraced by sweetheart is tearful (7)
 19 Make a large profit and get rid of the mess (5,2)
 21 Frantically tail chap pinching old banger (9)
 23 Hearing of duty, turns into the wind (5)
 24 Flipping theatre night showing no sign of life! (5)
 25 Season performing with one spicy item (9)
 26 Practical divorcee exercises with nuts originally in regimen (9)
 27 Measures energy in sleep (5)

DOWN

- 1 Stays to grab points as well (7)
 2 Remain in bed and stay to prepare for ambush (3,2,4)
 3 Answer only accepting victory.... (5)
 4for each class act (7)
 5 Making a profit from open weave material (7)
 6 Copy of dossier about dodgy claims missing line (9)
 7 In Madeira it always includes this side order (5)
 8 The girl has gone for a drink here! (7)
 14 DT editor's sadly out of shape (9)
 16 Notice USA strangely being persistent (9)

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- 17 File records from March 1 ventures (7)
 18 Former politician drowning in beer as object lesson (7)
 19 Mine could be weirdly topical (4,3)
 20 Amorous advance includes link offering such snacks (7)
 22 I drink noisily and freeze (3,2)
 23 Fashion objective supporting Tory, oddly (5)