ACROSS

- 8 Make beer, say, then laugh, causing uproar (8)
- 9 Ladies' broken principles (6)
- 10 Notice Eastern agent (4)
- 11 Avidly goad mad nude rider! (4,6)
- **12** Wore tin hat sloppily when about to cop it (2,3,5)
- 14 Bad idea from the assistant (4)
- **15** US city or country given nothing (7)
- **16** A treaty broken by carrier (3,4)
- 20 Who opposes inner band? (4)
- **22** Trouble at the top, braid had been ruined forever (3,4,3)
- 23 Attractive ace to drive away (10)
- 24 It's said to increase sunlight (4)
- 25 Insecure and broken fan? Sue! (6)
- 26 Beers brought round office for disciples (8)

DOWN

- 1 Boy taken in by nosey parker's con (8)
- 2 Covering your initial anger (4)
- **3** Hospital tolerated or blessed (8)
- 4 Ship's officer admits also having command (7)
- 5 Footballer who helps to make it a draw in Germany (6)
- 6 Teacher who specialises in the mind? (10)
- 7 East European journalist worked very hard (6)
- **13** Without obligation to buy having less than one commendation (2,8)

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- 17 No agent to hail upstanding Argentinian stateswoman (3,5)
- 18 Breaks down any sales arrangement (8)
- 19 Commander coming from lair, mad eccentric (7)
- 21 Vast seas wrecked canoes (6)
- 22 Brave doctor swallows European rodent (6)
- 24 Religious book only partly truthful (4)