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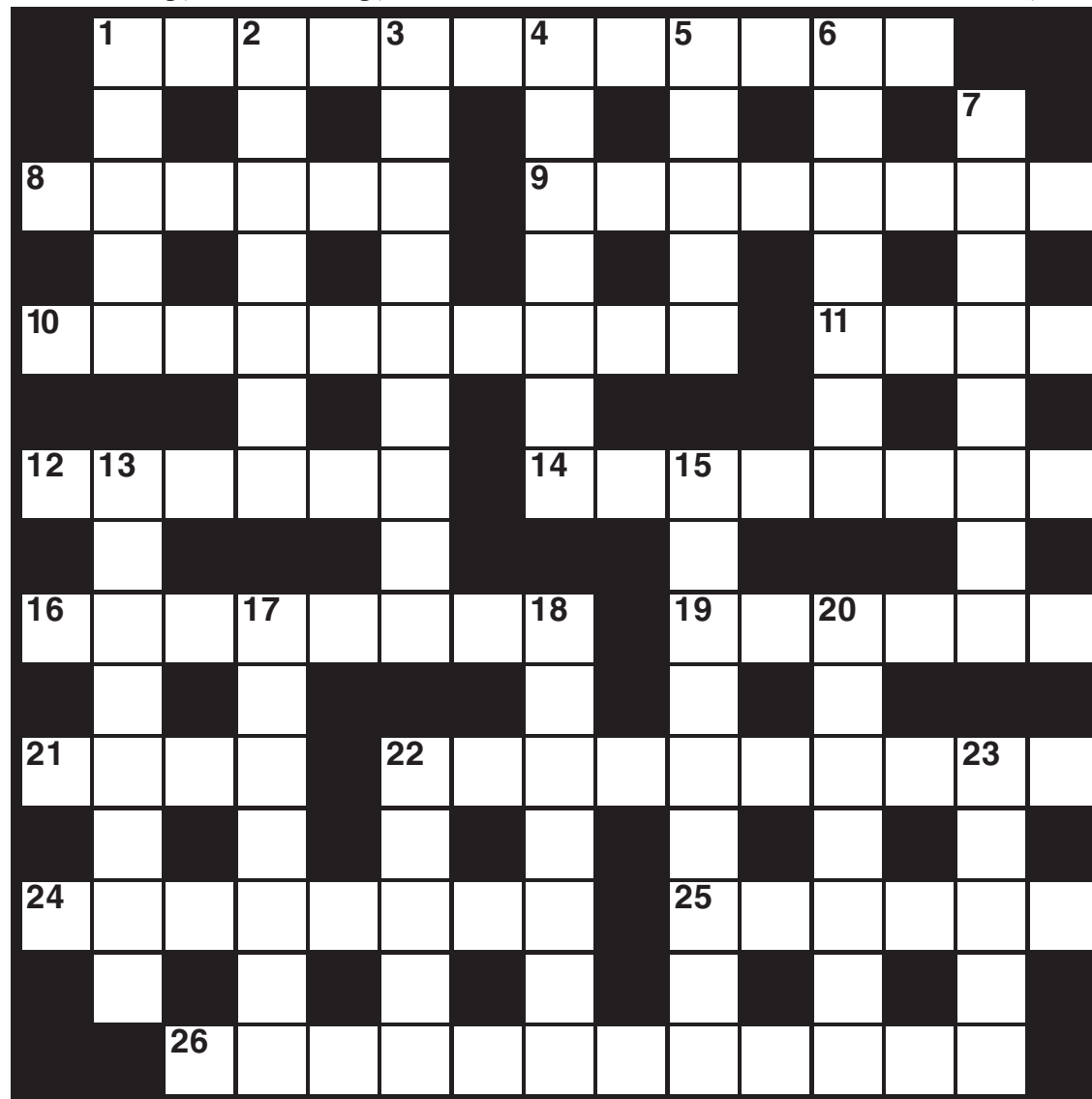
- 1 Webster's year out for making beer? (7,5)
 8 Boot protector needing to step back (6)
 9 Type of punishment for army officer (8)
 10 Odd French blokes need time to cause damage (10)
 11 Carrier is very French, it's said (4)
 12 Interference but not on the move (6)
 14 Hoped sir could get into shape (8)
 16 Power the lamp arranged for small book (8)
 19 Some of tribe yearning for piece of steak (3-3)
 21 Talk of fruit or two (4)
 22 Being biased about initial look of food additive (10)
 24 Gold given to friend to convert from manual (8)
 25 Formally accuse country without a court (6)
 26 She rammed leg badly with heavy tool (12)

DOWN

- 1 Brush the shrub (5)
 2 Fondness won't begin to show delight (7)
 3 Pragmatic claimer about to grab sleuth (9)
 4 There's no telling if these are to be kept! (7)
 5 Poltergeist held back white bird (5)
 6 Attacking player with small nose (7)
 7 Raise the standard over a large town, showing greed (8)
 13 So a clock is placed in part of the brain (8)
 15 New chairman harbours love for musical instrument (9)

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- 17 Average black cooking liquid needed to cook partially (7)
 18 Top equipment for the high-flyer (7)
 20 Apathy shown by leftist during period of economic growth (7)
 22 Embezzlement by Munich wife with diamonds (5)
 23 Penniless prince managed to be more agreeable (5)