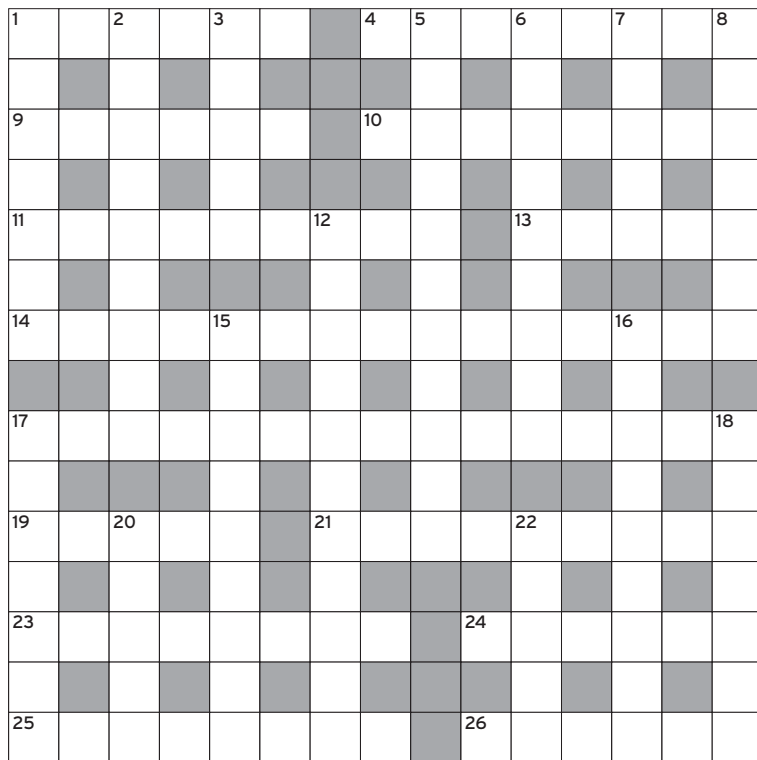


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Across

- 1 Well-mannered European admitting it (6)
- 4 Invites questions (4,4)
- 9 Cause resentment in joint after start of rehearsal (6)
- 10 Overjoyed, Bill mostly during jaunt abroad (8)
- 11 League to hoist flag (5,4)
- 13 Take legal action following one's publication (5)
- 14 Outspoken legal document shown in club, perhaps (5,10)
- 17 Film theme skittishly altered (3,4,3,5)
- 19 Cruelly hang leader of African country (5)
- 21 Left in danger, tragically, in St Petersburg some time ago (9)
- 23 A racket, commotion echoing in slaughterhouse (8)
- 24 Slender and elegant, the Parisian returned wearing new vest (6)
- 25 Tree is at the far side of park by river (8)

- 26 Plastic one inside works (6)

Down

- 1 Upset some shopper, turbaned (7)
- 2 27 (9)
- 3 Short speech about bird of prey's claw (5)
- 5 They mostly pick on us, running a place where free food is supplied (4,7)
- 6 Song in second religious ceremony (9)
- 7 Small containers - little girl's holding one (5)
- 8 Give ground in retirement (7)
- 12 Relatives and friends, scapegoats (4,7)
- 15 Study behind in mirror (4,5)
- 16 Girl in Cuban city (9)
- 17 TV detective's name - Garth? Not quite (7)
- 18 Diet - it's about to make you most trim (7)
- 20 Member going round US city in distress (5)
- 22 New book (5)

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