

**ACROSS**

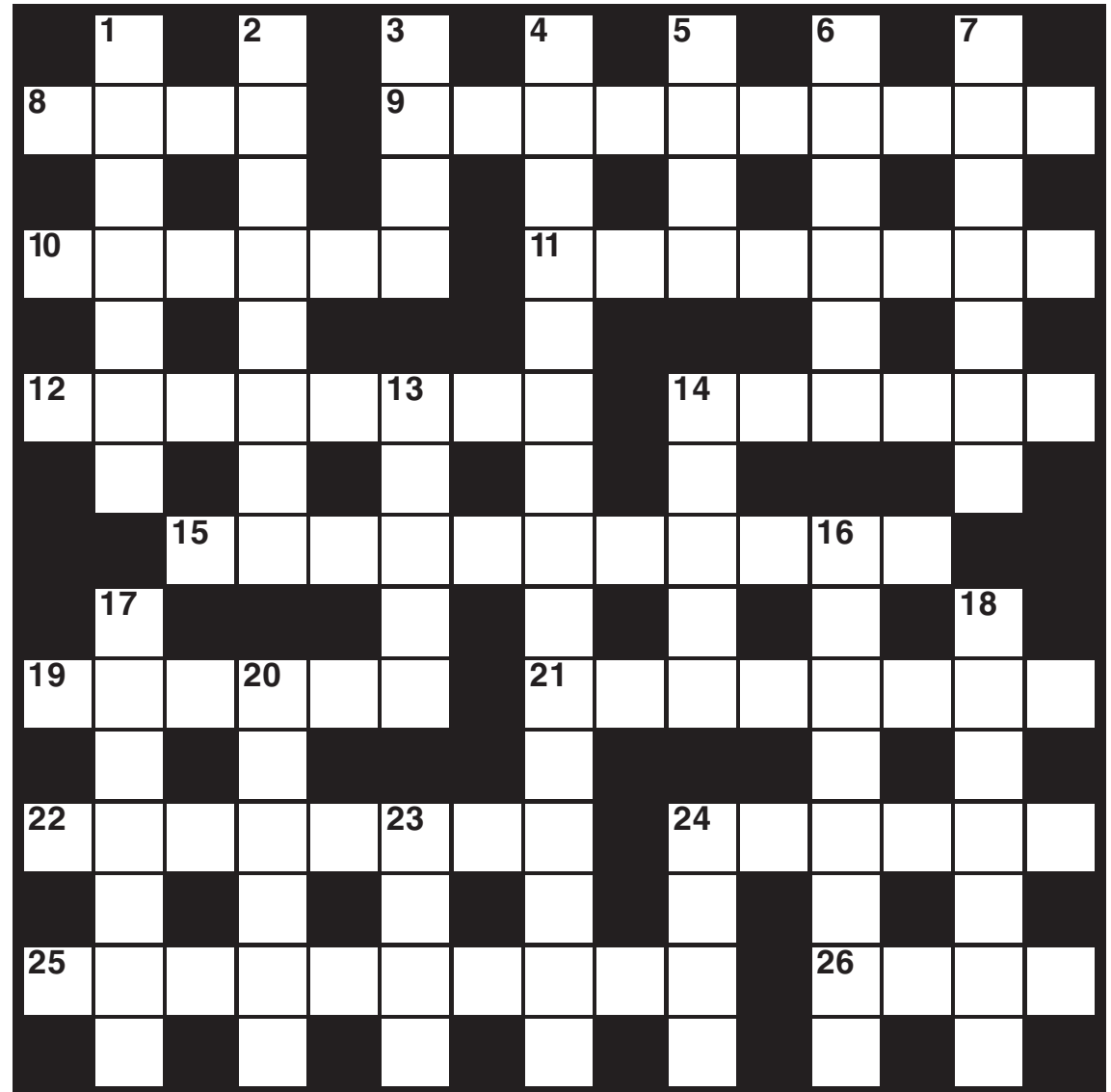
- 8 Almost shuddered to scare away (4)  
 9 Pots of tea tractor wrecked (10)  
 10 Braved making alteration to part of speech (6)  
 11 Instil change when outside, greeting extreme sceptic (8)  
 12 See that I waver and dither (8)  
 14 Bottomless part of pool to become more intense (6)  
 15 Clairvoyance takes a little time, then location spoken about (6,5)  
 19 Country boy almost entering small lake (6)  
 21 Flooring for fifty-one travelling on mule (8)  
 22 Running away on a plane? (2-6)  
 24 Fools with second estimate (6)  
 25 Get angry, as poor golfers might? (3,2,5)  
 26 A one-off time period (4)

**DOWN**

- 1 Has dire problem, being more underhand (7)  
 2 Devise problem beside number to drop sharply (8)  
 3 End of objections after turning (4)  
 4 Country route lad's arranged for Miss Jones (7,2,2,4)  
 5 Right tree, but imprudent (4)  
 6 Dog the miner endlessly (6)  
 7 Almost stop building being hidden away (7)  
 13 Granted your say, for all to hear (5)  
 14 To condescend a bit rude, ignorant (5)  
 16 He left mast, oddly, with person such as the steerer (8)

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- 17 Gather together, as just ahead in boxing match? (5-2)  
 18 Hunts go off with this sound? (7)  
 20 Using maximum effort, gets everyone dismissed (3-3)  
 23 Talk at length about right dress (4)  
 24 You may suffer one in each ear! (4)