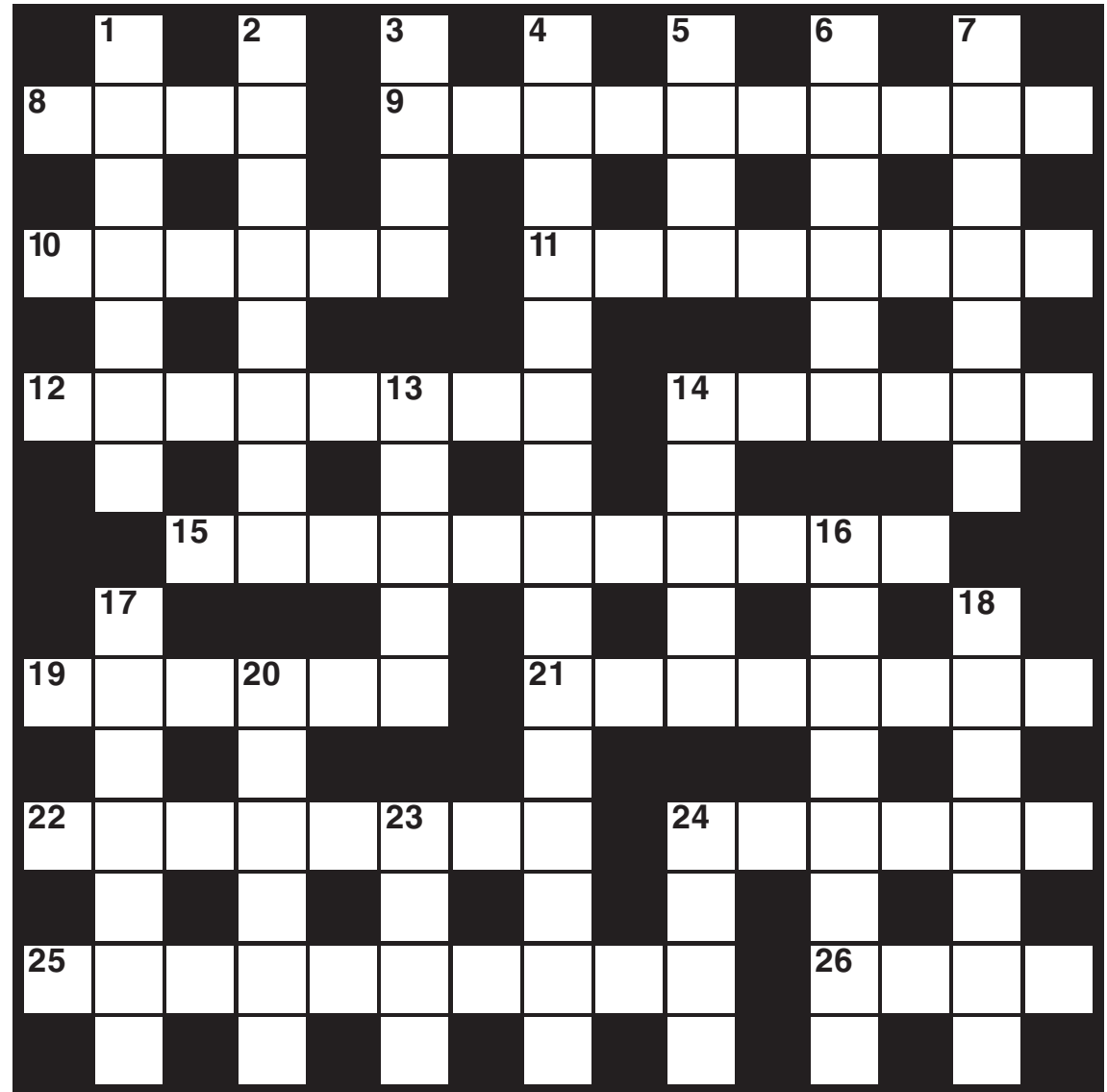


ACROSS

- 8 Only a lake (4)
- 9 Zero income wasted by California, which is frugal (10)
- 10 Starry part of the last rally (6)
- 11 Tiny diet prepared for personality (8)
- 12 Ten left with short song from operetta (8)
- 14 Hair-fixer for heavy wave (6)
- 15 What a moth will do is appear (4,2,5)
- 19 Obstruct picnic basket (6)
- 21 Followed and watched closely, had scattered seed outside (8)
- 22 Herb I start to cook approaching a church (8)
- 24 Opened wide to reverse study method (6)
- 25 Trainee friend on the inside (10)
- 26 Some music from piano teacher (4)

DOWN

- 1 Sounds reflected round small get-together (7)
- 2 In a previous era possibly or age, say? (5,3)
- 3 Fix the foot part soundly (4)
- 4 Initially PC investigator (6,9)
- 5 Tedious person's drill (4)
- 6 Having lot to drink, going back for gun (6)
- 7 Eatery where cutlery is kept? (7)
- 13 Some of what he irons is owned by a person (5)
- 14 Tiara ruined by yogurt dish (5)
- 16 Trick Robin of Sherwood with cheeky eye movement (8)



- 17 Pasta to droop in the country way (7)
- 18 Figure like two, perhaps, in pigpen (7)
- 20 First coat of paint is best quality, right? (6)
- 23 Europeans with no head for pubs (4)
- 24 Toy with two words of greeting (2-2)