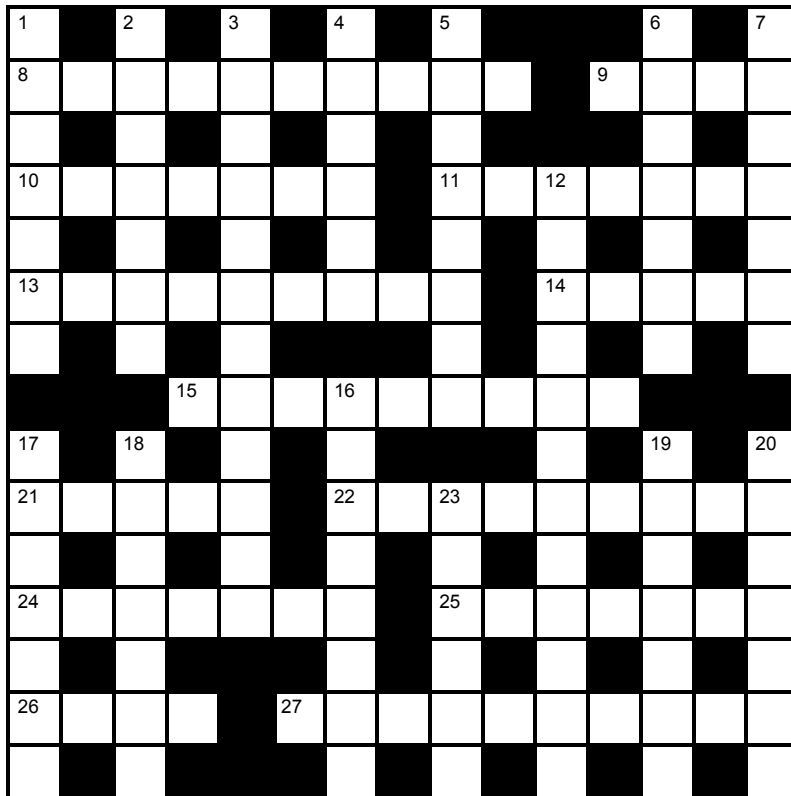


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Across

- 8** Looters rage - nearly crushed chart follower (10)
- 9** /25: Soap goes in and out (4,3,4)
- 10** Are no changes to be found in newspaper? Don't be scared (4,3)
- 11** I swear at goal first, sir (7)
- 13** Hand closed on drug - I set out, most excitable (9)
- 14** It's not perverted to go after men, says writer (5)
- 15** The Roaring Twenties, say, not characterised essentially from the outset by decline (9)

21 See 4 Down

22 Anabolic steroid traded when bistro destroyed, being neither hot nor cold (9)

24/25/12 Match instructions uttered by 21's concerned mother? (4,3,3,4,4,8)

26 America's absence makes sense (4)

27 Be alert about listener indoors, who's a snitch (10)

Down

1 After supporter turns up on foot, kill and go away (4,3)

2 Triglyceride as inert compound (7)

3 Do her nut about strip - it's mad! (5,3,4)

4/21 Supporting Chester on this occasion (3,3,5)

5 Mixed penne with the liquid - you've forgotten what comes after this? (8)

6 Half-arsed practice sessions are damaging arrangements of computers (7)

7 It's simple to return in an environment of vacant detachment, though not normal (7)

12 See 24 Across

16 A bird of passage might fall victim to it (5,3)

17 Moving deviously, partners like a bit of groping (7)

18 Pin shoved up into jacksie - does that ring a bell? (7)

19 Show up as small where sex is involved with expression of laughter (7)

20 'Beheaded fool (beheading difficult in drinking environment) (7)

23 Being an ass for one brief time, right? (6)