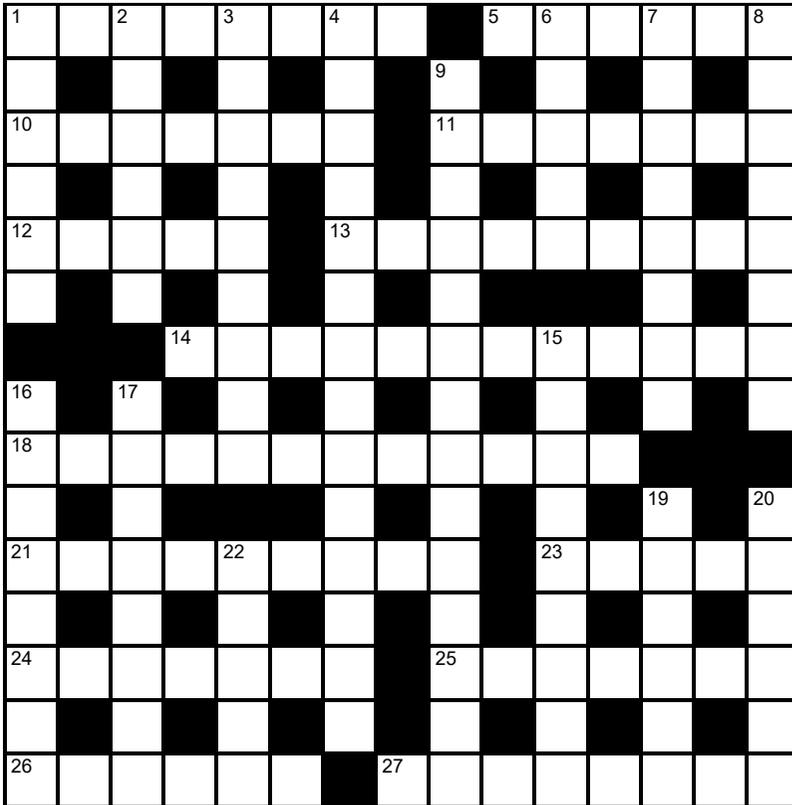


CROSSWORD

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ACROSS

- 1** Celebrity limits retiring astronaut (8)
- 5** Number six starts to rant guiltily at the Italian linesman (6)
- 10** Expert essentially protected by new apron in theory (2,5)
- 11** Left remaining ladder in area beyond airstrip (7)
- 12** Taunt, reportedly swallowing last of pear drops (5)
- 13** Undisturbed by story about feminine type of painting (5,4)
- 14** Gain control over city capturing rebel leader of coup (12)
- 18** Become widely discussed online during trial causing great distress (12)
- 21** Undertaking, in French, to quickly read boxing article (9)
- 23** Put forward by a left-leaning teller of stories (5)
- 24** Working OK (2,5)
- 25** Make lively Hindu queen run off with ship's officer (7)
- 26** Kind of soldier wearing shades for the most part (6)
- 27** Extremely delicate repair of leather around end of banquette (8)

DOWN

- 1** Track lacking nothing by extremely trendy Spice Girl (6)
- 2** Come into use as American soldiers turn up without protection against disease (6)
- 3** Die to have Adams' earliest books on space by the way (2,7)
- 4** Applying to all provision of meals after cook chats with Rose (6-3-5)
- 6** Most suitable stuffing inside already (5)
- 7** Bishop in Georgia is against making place fortified (8)
- 8** Say nothing in return about daughter's delayed departure (8)
- 9** Flyer showing various retro bread bins (5,9)
- 15** Entice frustratingly awkward Titans with ale (9)
- 16** Like Uriah perhaps after son's feeling embarrassment from shame (8)
- 17** Chinese lawyer primarily looking into death of textile producer (8)
- 19** Landed property in the middle of Donegal say (6)
- 20** Fellow, under pressure, putting on a monkey suit (6)
- 22** Camus oddly dismissed study by poet (5)

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