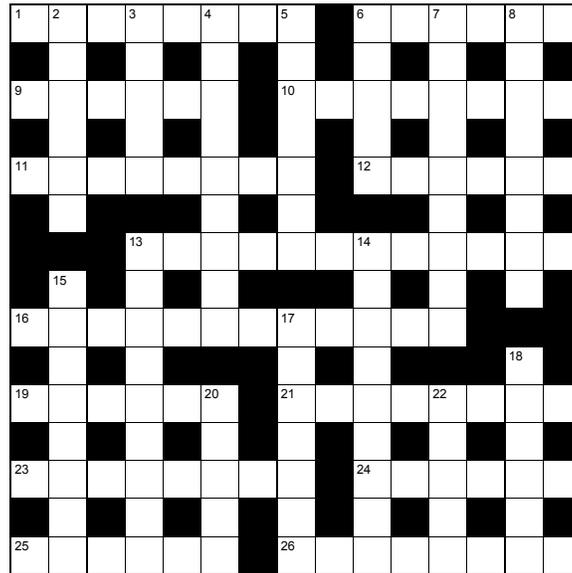


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ACROSS

- 1 Heard van crashing from terrace (8)
- 6 He's entering wager by request (6)
- 9 Alternatively, daughter is captivated by month in the country (6)
- 10 Old woman can have energy drink (8)
- 11 Tease the awfully arty type (8)
- 12 Agent gets around centre of Leeds fast (6)
- 13 Telling off for wearing casual clothes (8-4)
- 16 Felt sympathy for semi-democrat in trouble (12)
- 19 Say no to rubbish (6)
- 21 Drinking vessel on table may be put away in here? (8)
- 23 Friend is to help, we hear, with fence (8)
- 24 Model posed around university, being pretentious (6)
- 25 Its passengers have already departed (6)
- 26 Was barely seen in public (8)

DOWN

- 2 Upset, East European director initially ran away (6)
- 3 Examine car before start of trip (5)
- 4 Ned's sense is confused with stupidity (9)
- 5 Owls' noses (7)
- 6 Supporter starts to send some money (5)
- 7 Easily angered, he had to tangle with editor (9)
- 8 Expel student and put him in prison (4,4)
- 13 Foolishly I am rude about old city's writer (2,7)
- 14 Mark exam questions, written on this? (9)
- 15 Reporting anger in bay? (8)
- 17 Disease from insects, first off (7)
- 18 Tramp needs time with Barnaby (6)
- 20 Destroy part of camera's equipment (5)
- 22 Work a long time producing piece for the stage (5)

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SOLUTION

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ACROSS

1 verandah. 6 behest. 9 Jordan. 10 Ovaltine. 11 aesthete. 12 speedy. 13 dressing-down. 16 commiserated. 19 refuse. 21 cupboard. 23 palisade. 24 pseudo. 25 hearse. 26 streaked.

DOWN

2 eloped. 3 audit. 4 denseness. 5 hooters. 6 brass. 7 hotheaded. 8 send down. 13 Du Maurier. 14 notepaper. 15 coverage. 17 rickets. 18 trudge. 20 erase. 22 opera.