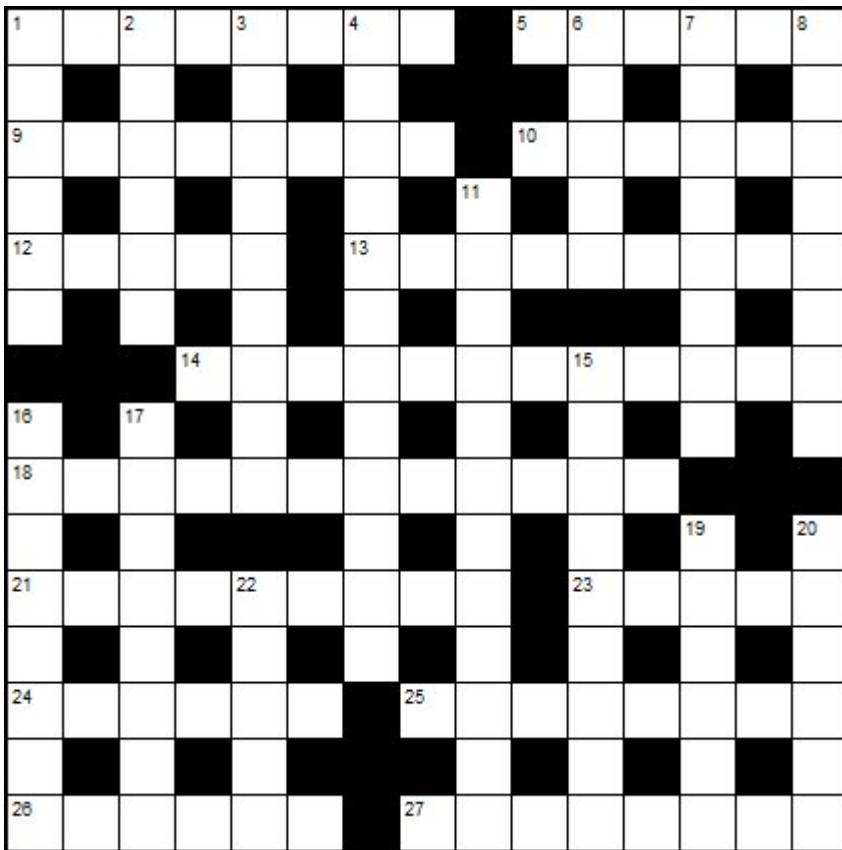


Crossword 81



ACROSS

- 1 One so has designs on her body! (8)
- 5 Fair-haired beauty, initially single, secures date (6)
- 9 Involved in argument, drunk's about to produce dagger (8)
- 10 Expression of appreciation for sexy woman who sports short split skirts (6)
- 12 Well, a market will stock this wool (5)
- 13 Consequences of a chubby husband stifling expression (9)
- 14 Motion, say, to repeal EU act fails without Conservative (4,8)
- 18 District nurses treated artist making recording (12)
- 21 Procession of vehicles turned out to carry old metal band (9)
- 23 German politician's true love (5)
- 24 Raid fashionable bar, arresting American (6)
- 25 Leaves a note on feature article (5,3)
- 26 Lesbian poetess apparently invested in second house (6)
- 27 Laurel's worst influence, according to Spooner (5,3)

DOWN

- 1 Fight thugs regularly, getting almost killed (6)
- 2 Bachelor enters competition involving a race (6)
- 3 They work to rule, disrupting musical dramas (9)
- 4 No longer crazy about farm machinery? It'll clear the air (9,3)
- 6 First off, Mahler is fantastic composer (5)
- 7 Rewrite a page on new supporter of contemporary religious movement (8)
- 8 Groundnut sauce, after short time, is introduced to Eastern region (5-3)
- 11 Who else's that disposed to attract the most admiration? (5,3,4)
- 15 River rising mostly precedes danger at sea (3,6)
- 16 More than one citadel's king beheaded mischief-makers (8)
- 17 A fool to support seditious material (8)
- 19 Is it possible for ban to exclude University of Cambridge? (6)
- 20 Turned on, cheers extremely raunchy legal official (6)
- 22 Arrive at right place to sunbathe, going topless? (5)