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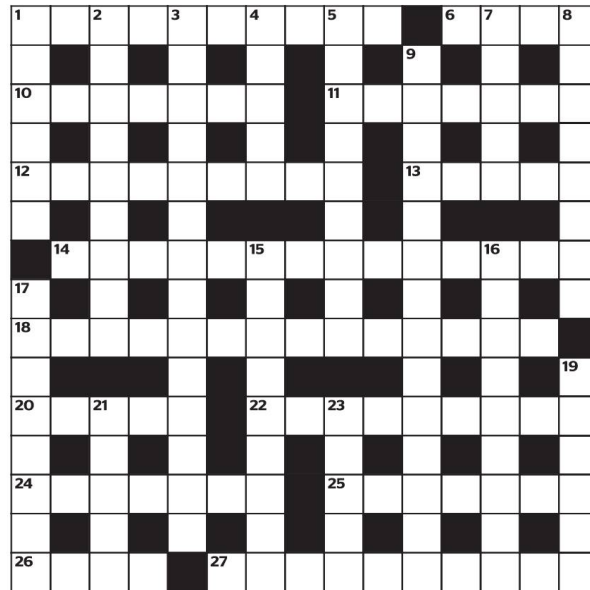
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**ACROSS**

- 1 Cutting flower with perilous vigour (10)
- 6 Cut, trimming back tree (4)
- 10 Harmonised sounds, at heart, integral to *Tangled* first off (7)
- 11 A sporadic escort in drag was humbled (3,4)
- 12 Wooden place for a case? (9)
- 13 No more talk about thickness, contrary in slender one (5)
- 14 Fantasy upkeep? (6,2,3,3)
- 18 Furniture where you may find a holster? (5,2,7)
- 20 Opening night limits insufficient press coverage (5)
- 22 Where revhead gets a speed charge! (5,4)
- 24 The Spanish floozy letter-writing perhaps? (4,3)
- 25 Sulker sounding less civil after bottom jab (7)
- 26 Young oyster falling out? (4)
- 27 Newborn feast within family! (10)

**DOWN**

- 1 Spell C-E-R-T-A-N? Wrong (6)
- 2 Following cheer, captain changes into shirt (9)
- 3 Exercise of the law (14)
- 4 German car wheel is sound (5)
- 5 Digger is firm, manlier sort (4,5)
- 7 Worry about philosopher's tips for 30 days (5)
- 8 Football club almost had narrow, tight finishes on siren (8)
- 9 Uses rubber plugs? (4,3,4,3)
- 15 Keeping them for Sterne, a novelist (1,1,7)
- 16 Brigadier developed an attachment for Charles de Gaulle? (9)
- 17 Comic plumbing professions? (1,1,6)
- 19 Gutlessly battled on being shown mercy (6)
- 21 Electrical whiz set up aluminium switches (5)
- 23 Bush name: Dwarf Sweet Potato (5)



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