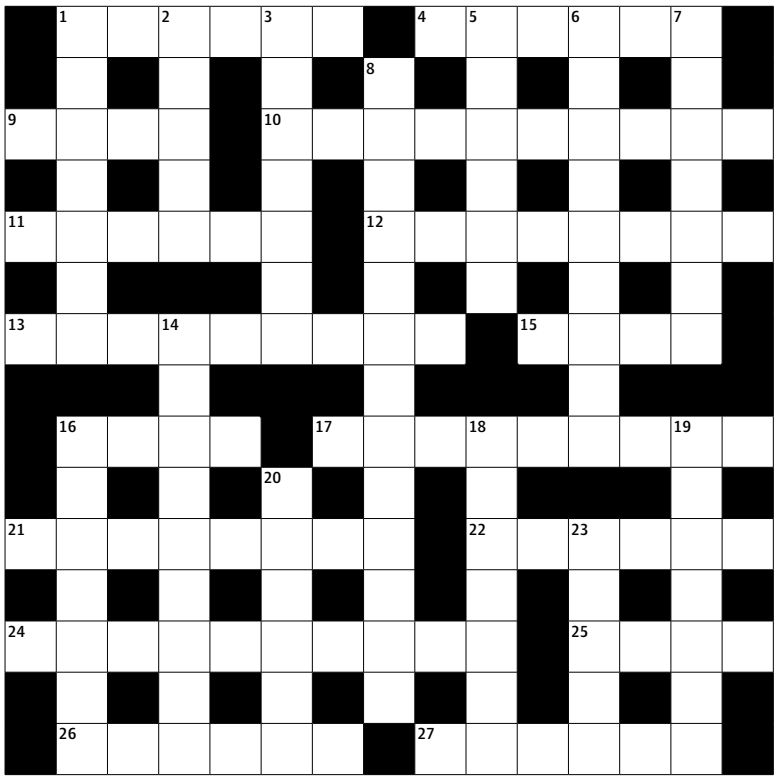
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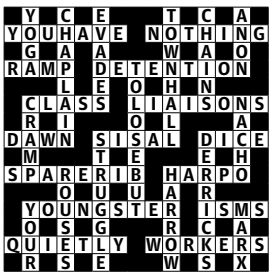
Across

1 Pester old lady for Spooner's ice cream (6)
4 Discharge redirected by custom exhausts (4,2)
9 Solver used pencil? (4)
10 Australian supporter blocking toilet with English magazine (7,3)
11 Essentially foulmouthed terms for Mrs Slocombe and her pussy (6)
12 Translation of Stoker inspiring the French author (8)
13 Team part way through busy stage becomes ambitious (4,5)
15 Deliver twists with the ultimate in cloak and dagger (4)
16 Haggard woman engaging old trainer? (4)
17 County's opener dropped with series getting tight (9)
21 War in shot put with equipment scratching the face of Geoff Capes? (8)
22 Mark getting into difficulties producing Genius (6)
24 Villa manager not unknown to eat crackers and cheese (10)
25 Follow story on the radio (4)
26 Flight fault caused by flash (3-3)
27 We're not sure about concealing drug user (6)

Down

1 Horse broken by melancholy playwright (7)
2 Booty-lifting trousers quietly getting stares (5)
3 Officiated mud wrestling entered by 10 soldiers (7)
5 Smooth jazz singer's embracing power suit (6)
6 Posh golfer held up device looking for clues (9)
7 Tax system collecting Penny's tips from snack counter (3-4)
8 New dad tricks lady driver (4,9)
14 Former club director accepting price paid to overindulge (5-4)
16 Queen supporting most of Suede and one of The Pretenders? (7)
18 Endless dithering unlikely to succeed (7)
19 Wild reindeer striking Rudolph's nose and wanting more (7)
20 Bloke left before the end of *Softly, Softly* (6)
23 Reveal upset Christmas stocking time (3,2)

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