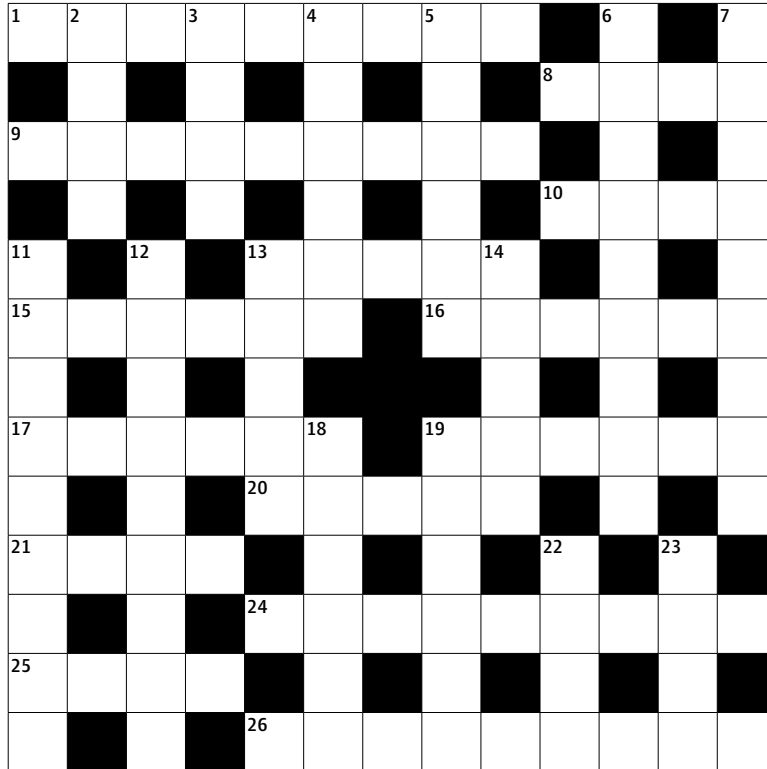


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12/10/2021: Clue for 18 down has been corrected

Across

- 1 Baleen – enable who? (anag) (9)
- 8 Military alliance, created 1949 (4)
- 9 Wrong (9)
- 10 Extravagant promotion (4)
- 13 Beam supporting floorboards (5)
- 15 Delight greatly (in) (6)
- 16 Eating (anag) – Moroccan spiced stew (6)
- 17 Malodorous (6)
- 19 Old salt (3,3)
- 20 Irish poet who wrote The Lake Isle of Innisfree, d. 1939 (5)
- 21 Scottish dance (4)
- 24 Prestigious group of US private universities (3,6)
- 25 Wine sediment (4)
- 26 Abundant (9)

Down

- 2 Round of applause (4)
- 3 Asian country (4)
- 4 Accept a loan (6)

- 5 Most kind (6)
- 6 Colourful beetles (9)
- 7 King or queen (9)
- 11 Cylindrical cake (5,4)
- 12 Children's TV programme, running since 1958 (4,5)
- 13 Jovial (5)
- 14 Things you ought not to tell? (5)
- 18 Somerset town close to the Dorset border (6)
- 19 Soviet Union's leader after Lenin's death in 1924 (6)
- 22 Move slowly down the runway (4)
- 23 Large ethnic group of eastern South Africa (4)

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