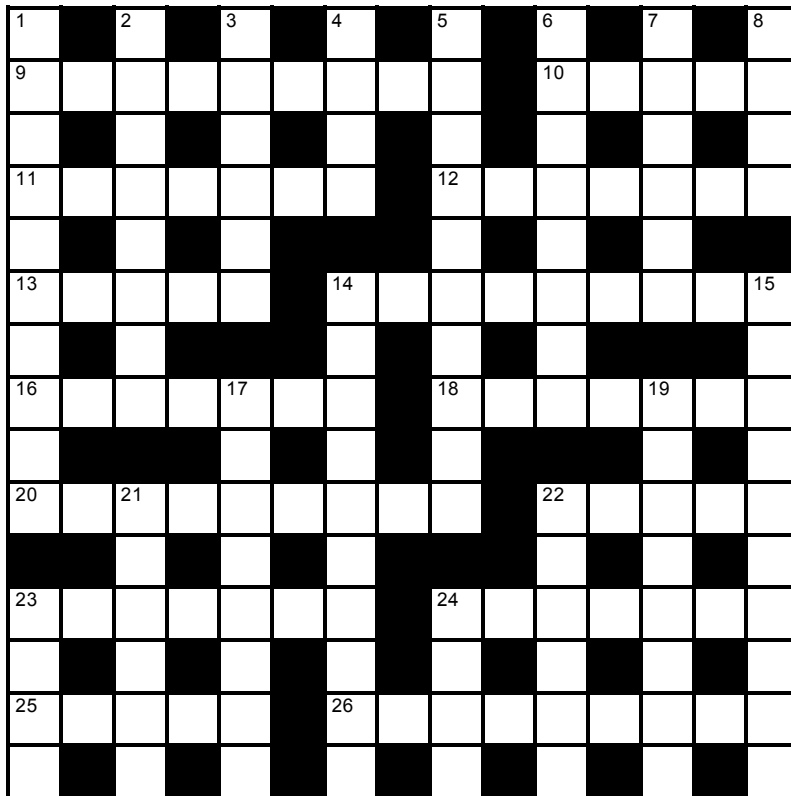


Cryptic Crossword #21

Set by Qaos



Across

- 9** A cornucopia in favour of the merger? (9)
10 26 2 might be two characters? (5)
11 Prophet to dribble over better half (7)
12 26 2 is the royal who tied the knot (7)
13 My first role about a Breton saint (5)
14 26 2 island without power is surrounded by a strange aura (9)
16 Fights with energy and claws (7)
18 To that extent, it's buried in the remains of a ruin (7)
20 Old obscure sentences (9)
22 Live down under (5)
23 Each vessel gets right upset (7)
24 26 2 from the midlands? (7)
25 The Cold War's over when Lenin begins to grovel! (5)
26 This can prevent the argument's return - don't start! (9)

Down

- 1** Represents a good example of a violent time, I s'pose (10)

- 2** One who arranges for a company man to acquire a fortune (8)
3 26 2 is plain and lacking energy (6)
4 Over criticise Waterhouse's Billy? (4)
5 26 2: I'm setting a puzzle! (10)
6 Pulls over the holy vehicle? Thanks! (8)
7 Son of Dallas star clinches a pointless merger (6)
8 Helps, like with 1 down (4)
14 Re: "W's N" - a cryptic reply? (6,4)
15 A quarrel over the promotions involves explosive points (10)
17 26 2: father's question: "Have you heard of beer?" (8)
19 A cheeky surprise every month? (4,4)
21 Wisdom from France? (6)
22 Reportedly, potions can be black and blue (6)
23 26 2 is a "Goodfellow" in a dream, perhaps (4)
24 Write a journal, note and report (4)