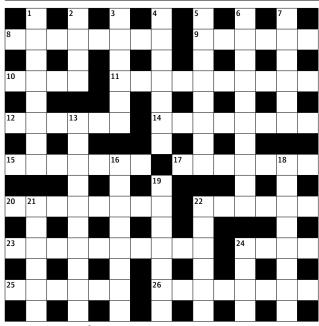
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Across

- 8 It may help you go and have fun, nursing a back strain (8)
- **9** Folk dancing in the capital of China (6)
- **10** 24 across today embodies puzzle's point (4)
- 11 Toppling from toilet back to front, mid-tinkle (10)
- **12** Go in another way, inserting a penny (6)
- **14** Laboratory chemicals are broken down by WC (8)
- **15** Playwright wanting smallest room pink? (4,3)
- 17 Left workplace XI one short for return game (7)
- 20 Comedian who played Broadway – or Flushing Meadows? (1,1,6)
- 22 Forming attachment, as one kiss pierces lover's heart (6)
- 23 Disposal of loot won't start without Irish – 150 going round (10)
- **24** By using Toilet Twinning, starts to reach target (4)
- **25** No end to the growth in snooker (6)
- **26** Potty-trains baby, ignoring books on hygiene (8)

Down

- Engagement ring's broken into two, with real suffering (8)
- 2 Pensioner wanting pee on way hops here (4)

- **3** Leak, as Jimmy's overlooked sieve (6)
- 4 Nearly reclued first of toilet-related anagrams due to reprimand (7)
- **5** Reduce or eliminate wrinkles (8)
- **6** Hollow trough beneath raised seat forming primitive loo (10)
- **7** Producer of Grease finds motion in UN toilet left by alien (6)
- **13** Pompous fiction distributed in China (10)
- **16** Toilet a collaborator erected, coming within budget (8)
- **18** Sanitation's essential: leads to life advances, vitally and as of right (8)
- **19** Most like what's scattered around in this sea
- **21** Eye angles made by bent end of toilet chain (6)
- **22** 24 across following detailed schedule (3,3)
- **24** Baby's No 1, when one's expected No 2? (4)