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## ACROSS

- 1 Criminal charge linked to a large town's greed (8)
- 5 Special, highly skilled people, cleared areas (6)
- 9 Comedian followed by a mother in the States - it's spicy stuff (8)
- 10 Health food dish oddly stains (6)
- 12 Fanciful claim by a drug pusher, perhaps? (5)
- 13 Representation of one's death? (9)
- 14 Make little of dress aunt strangely included in will (13)
- 16 Certain types of clients offend when tipsy (4-9)
- 20 Offspring of wild lion and tiger may be hanging around (9)
- 21 Bless Briton changing music at the start? (5)
- 23 Mad boffin's an eccentric to a certain extent (6)
- 24 I'm taking retirement in manageable home (8)
- 25 Eye fillet of beef served in round dish? (6)
- 26 Issues are not connected to a landlord's official documentation (8)

## DOWN

- 1 One involved in crash fractured spinal column (6)
- 2 Essentially a very deep shade of blue (3,2)
- 3 White wine, two types of cheese, and chopped basil (7)
- 4 Fiercely blast worker first to notice trouble (5,3,4)
- 6 Diminished activity of function is evident after appearance of cuts (7)
- 7 Talk of lawyers, perhaps, checking on son in agreement (9)
- 8 Interrupts broadcasts about American Pie's opening piece (8)
- 11 Had a meal with band in full bar (8,4)
- 14 Drug carrier, transporting business executive up river, is available to many (5-4)
- 15 Old religious writer misinterpreted missal in part (8)
- 17 Purify one greater than medium in weird seance (7)
- 18 Body fellow removed from editor's office building (7)
- 19 Fans, large in preference to small (6)
- 22 Gambler's choice evening dress (5)