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Across

- 1 Kind heart of Malaysian getting warmer? (6) 4 Seal broken by force at
- first, before I look (6) 9 See 16
- **10** Criminal prevailed before ending in slammer, one going down for a long time (5,5)
- 11 Take gold and go cold (6)
- 12 Annus mirabilis for the rubber man (8)
- 13 6's pretty flaky character? (4,5)
- 15 Comedian, one in a suit? (4)
- 16,9 Bit of fun with possible role to impress partner, initially – later a 23 26? (8)
- 17 How often what needs translating into another language not entirely okay in the end (9)
- 21 With sound method pack it in roof (8)
- 22 In a book, heroic opening captured (2,4)
- 24 Creator of life inspiring Irishman in assembly (10)
- 25 Hot stuff seen in photograph album (4)
- 26 See 23
- 27 Remained proper, by the sound of it (6)

Down

1 Sax was being almost all jazzy? (7)

- 2 So far away several yetis entering Tibet's most westerly extremes (2,3)
- 3 Drop tray, emptied onto church's work of art (7)
- 5 Earth: then what rises? The Sun! (6)
- 6 This in fact not half a distortion of reality? (5,4)
- **7** Where you may see reindeer I see antelope (7)
- 8 Upset tabloid concealing dread, rubbished paper as aggressive performer (7,6)
- 14 Incoherent speech, so a drawl collapsed and died (4,5)
- 16 Pay on time for some film (7)
- **18** In which 16 9, say? (7) **19** Order, no doubt for
- starters (7) 20 Tension in the air (6)
- **23,26** 13 has one, as a friend of hers is dying (5,6)

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