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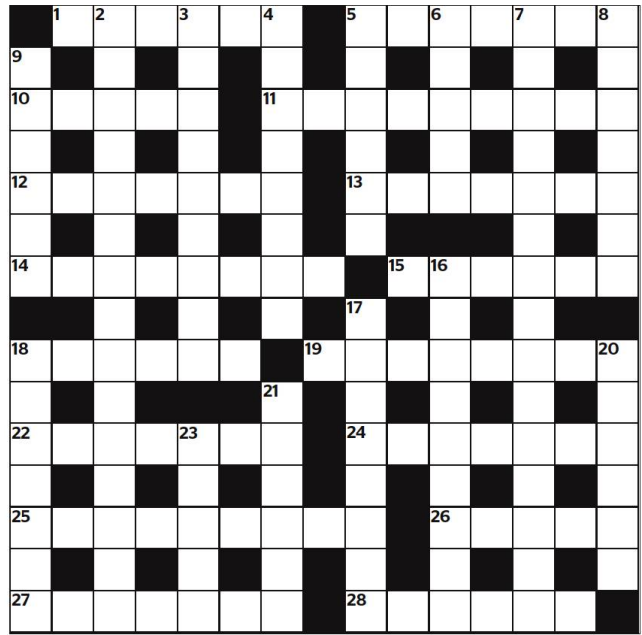
ACROSS

- 1 Regally inviting? (6)
- 5 Bushranger and outlaw meet in tender booze outlet? (4,3)
- 10 Bottle that carries discs? (5)
- 11 Pothead nirvana for 'airy little mother, maybe (9)
- 12 Chance to get even light after tree lost bark (7)
- 13 Explorer caught in one 2-down (7)
- 14 Flash attached to one camera recalled, having strings attached? (8)
- 15 2-down enterprises attracting reader in Berlin (6)
- 18, 26-across Make out lonely heart in drag, heading for sexy 2-down (4-2-5)
- 19 Quaintly obscures clues Don pitches (8)
- 22 Comic twist involves lasses splitting sides of rubber (7)
- 24 Had Bingle strayed after Pup skipped out of bed? (7)
- 25 A nerd in essence fled *Rollerball* for *Plenty*? (9)
- 26 See 18-across
- 27 They give the going rate for 2-down (7)
- 28 Serge's zanily way out (6)

DOWN

- 2 Cryptically some cut 14-down, for one (8,7)
- 3 NZ mascot fulfilling one impression that makes faces (9)
- 4 Drawing closer, young male assistant to press the flesh (4-4)
- 5 Leading consumer mounting a bleat about colourless stone fruit (6)
- 6 Direct source of beef (5)
- 7 One busting moves, cross-dressing, going outside era's regular 2-down? (6,9)
- 8 Leaves variety of tomato vine lead-free (7)
- 9 A charlatan runs inside retreat (6)
- 16 Work shirt relegated on sound, secure ship (3,6)
- 17 Dictator's achieved truce for 2-down? (3-5)
- 18 Ant-eaters sedated at surgical opening (7)
- 20 Resident invades a dismal school noted for its punishment (6)
- 21 2-down cases (6)
- 21 The solemn creed we worshipped lasts through (5)

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