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Across

- 1 Italian leader set to erase accounts if overthrown (6)
- 5 Neighbourly individual spies bishop being arrested (8)
- **9** Amorous way in which couples canoodle? (6,4)
- **10** After taking cocaine, need to talk wildly (4)
- 11 Bird hatched from rotten egg (8)
- **12** Drunk adult regularly carried by orderly (6)
- **13** Network heads to make erotic series happen (4)

- 15 Do over ferryman for being in debt? (8)
- **18** Hurry up and break set point (4,2,2)
- **19** Crown prince recalled army base (4)
- 21 Artist embraced by sweet clergyman (6)
- 23 Hung around student during German Ed. (8)
- **25** Following Aida's opening note for note? (4)
- **26** We hear longdistance runner is jerk without belief (10)
- 27 Best to cover up frisky nude swinger (8)

28 Bow to regal figure wearing cultured pearl? (6)

Down

- **2** Island tax supports introduction of airport (5)
- **3** Joint stashed under southern gang's boat (9)
- 4 Take exception to being here topless (6)
- **5** Bloomer as hero blames theft on The Fly! (4-2-9)
- 6 Recapture wild and heartless beast (8)
- 7 Bitter queen gets into LSD (5)
- 8 Most charming

- treasure stories end in excitement (9)
- 14 Gent stripped to explore mature escort (9)
- **16** Odious leader with power to crush men? (9)
- 17 Fiendish fellow knocks out model in domestic (8)
- 20 Line manager who's often engaged by banks? (6)
- 22 Revise end of petition to Lord's director (5)
- 24 Bigoted chap to be beheaded live (5)