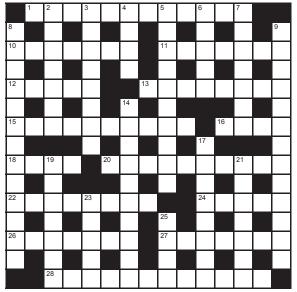
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ACROSS

- 1 Comic news bulletin from Spooner at Little Bighorn? (6,6)
- **10** He's taken off ceremonial hat to deliver speech (7)
- **11** Italian barman returning home with endless hiccups (7)
- **12** Go fishing, bitterly cold in Tobol on vacation (5)
- **13** 16 at sea a few tending to worry (8)
- **15** Totally special to get Hermes trousers (10)
- 16 Monsieur's first film? (4)
- 18 Republican leaves loud party (4)
- **20** Send over Britannic nickel to insulate home for some Ohioans? (10)
- 22 Phoenician state wagon Tyre's last – transporting crone (8)
- 24 Middle East artist regularly getting distinction (5)
- **26** Folding towel, I'd time for a walk on the beach? (3,4)
- **27** Knight blocking way in front of Her Majesty is just a big pussycat (7)
- **28** Corrupt tycoons keep special constables in action (8,4)

DOWN

- 2 Dollar bill avoided by Donald Trump? (2,5)
- **3** Convert to eg holy study of religion (8)
- 4 Healthy-looking Rovers striker embracing son (4)

- **5** Witness former VP suppressing rising anger (10)
- **6** Time to do something about independence, it's understood (5)
- **7** Terrible rain over outskirts of Burundi capital (7)
- 8 Hollywood giant's Byzantine bulky artefact? (5,8)
- **9** Head of science institute loaned old Scot original English work featuring 1, 8 or the 28? (6,7)
- **14** Top actor Rhames under pressure, according to Spooner (6,4)
- **17** C'mon men! I ordered a reminder! (8)
- **19** Scots departed to visit part of Guernsey, an island state (7)
- 21 Song's cool is it one by Zeppelin? (7)
- 23 Scary, like Esau (5)
- 25 Unlock old enclosure (4)

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