Crossword 15,844 Set by Rosa Klebb

ACROSS
1 Lois stripped to take part in wild East German threesome (6,1,5)
10 Reportedly observe shrew freezing (3-4)
11 Base in Wiesbaden, inexplicably (7)
12 Are real male chauvinists ignoring boundaries? (5)
13 British faculty inspiring the rest (8)
15 Doctor and husband clash in corner of square (5,5)
16 Old South American tattooist on the radio (4)
18 Text about Ursula's initial problems at primary school (4)
20 Dodgy playmates pocketing fine lighter of mine (6,4)
22 Famous US city, three quarters Democrat (8)
24 Hotel twice leaving Hal the right change (5)
26 Typical example of English goody-goody, in my opinion (7)
27 Male favourite banned from tournament for it (7)
28 Irish girl experiencing pins and needles in irksome way (12)

DOWN
2 Steven in Grimsby keeping late hours (7)
3 Renegade disguised as teapot (8)
4 Extremities and backsides of these men developed chilblains (4)
5 It carries refreshments, stereotypically revolting but not spicy (3,7)
6 Love excellent series finale (5)
7 Saint from Spain concealing suffering inside (7)
8 Biography leads to passionate readers hosting book club (4,9)
9 Those expecting inheritance hire wanton to exhaust dad, perhaps (5,8)
14 Angry teen gang involving setter in battle (10)
17 Wheeling discontented granny over allotment (8)
19 Garment of one inferior to most of humanity (7)
21 Earthy construction workers make Xanthe inwardly sick (7)
23 Chap pressing suit with expression of alarm (5)
25 Southern Burmese perhaps get lost (4)

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