ACROSS

- 1 Great ball includes a cake excess (14)
- 9 Little violin played backwards in game (5)
- 10 Reproduction Renoir's at cutting edge (9)
- 11 Tell fibs about drink fizzy drink (7)
- **12** Old record held to rig out bighead's jaunt (3,4)
- 13 Some cyst? Yes, it's a swelling (4)
- 14 Sea-bound, by and large (2,3,4)
- 18 Unstable USSR's left worrying (9)
- 20 Small horse for £25? (4)
- 22 Dance, how done is incredible (7)
- **25** I turned out to trespass (7)
- 26 Insurgent otherwise expressed (9)
- 27 Levy suggested for small nails (5)
- **28** Type of gypsum wound dressing for Achilles' killer? (7,2,5)

DOWN

- 1 Burden with joint of meat (6)
- **2** Peter goes round mire rising on the border (9)
- **3** A setter about to say it again (7)
- 4 Outstanding art form? (3-6)
- 5 Hospital tender (5)
- 6 A laboratory turns up single sea creature (7)
- 7 Announcer, one in tears? (5)
- 8 Cutting not quietly and firing (7)
- 15 Reprimand when tag on kilt destroyed (7-2)
- **16** Section of training will mean no uncertainty for him (9)
- 17 Smith turned over American strip of land (7)

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- 19 Partners and advocates lacking opening (7)
- 20 Quick Grand Prix break (3,4)
- 21 Stops and relaxes after a hundred (6)
- 23 Join up in forlorn expectation (5)
- 24 Green one installed in part of church (5)