

The Stickler Weekly 195

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ACROSS

- 1 An application in semi-solid form is a very good one (5)
- 4 Interior designer last month briefly hooked up with speaker (9)
- 9 A mouthpiece clutched in youngster's palm? (7)
- 10 Mother included in ramble (7)
- 11 Pacific island group is openly maligned by America's leader (9)
- 13 Bad guys lifted car parts (5)
- 14 Brave told stories about another in a bad way (4-7)
- 16 Sea, oddly, died down (3)
- 18 Leading vessel turned back (3)
- 20 Pompous goody-goody keeping on big top, say (11)
- 22 Experienced associates of intolerant pedagogue returned (5)
- 23 Mixture of ethane now past its prime (2,3,4)
- 25 Wooden pole put on an angle (7)
- 26 Blow off steam about writer, one in authority (3,4)
- 27 Favourite walk around stable (9)
- 28 Wrinkled, like the inside of a good suit (5)

DOWN

- 1 A perfect place contracted group's guide on board ship (9)
- 2 Great Italian goalie tossed around ball finally (7)
- 3 Go round wearing rabbit fur (5)
- 4 Complete time period (3)
- 5 Division's remark about gin turning up (11)
- 6 Resistance leader from Germany, living in hide-out, somehow did without basic comforts (7,2)
- 7 Outsider, greatly disconcerted, is tiresome (7)
- 8 Reports missing record number of dishonest schemes (5)
- 12 Investor has fixed her up with senior (11)
- 15 High temperature - it is restricting onset of patient's viral disease (9)
- 17 Broadcast is essentially produced in vacated dockland? (9)
- 19 Adolescent turned up on ecstasy to irritate (7)
- 21 Prepared to air one unfinished speech (7)
- 22 Help a small group (5)
- 24 Carefully move large piece of artist's equipment (5)
- 26 Experienced firm giving up right (3)