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Across

- 1** Six tapes end poorly in vapid yearly light entertainment? (5,6)
7 Cobra sheds skin, curls into ball (3)
9 Soldiers trap mouthy NCOs (9)
10 -pointer in schedule composer? (5)
11 Tempestuous monster regularly crawls in brains (7)
12 Group headless fiancé beside legless drunk (7)
13 Strange map embellishes stars (10)
17 Careful sale promoted Charlie, bankrupted Ray (10)
22 Liverpool edifice sans interiors gets answer (7)
23 Chronic pain, after two hip removals, requires full fillings, noted Texas libertarian (3,4)
24 Now grab odd busker who played a doll's house (5)
25 Deny necromancy opens rant Slytherin squibs (9)
27 Blast away a duty (3)
28 TV mob's healthcare failure grasped business as usual (3,8)

Down

- 1** Where Mel is old (3)
2 Fierce fast follower of voodoo and tripped-up spoon bender (8)
3 Cryptozoologist's killer probe by a PhD study? (4,4)
4 One who pines for slingshot side hustle (7)
5 Barely curious president procures snake oil (7)
6 Craven outlaw disembowelled after shriek (6)
7 Harden away when entombed by hollow strategy (6)
8 Deathmatch pits Aussie hero against crude talker (6,5)
11 Delightful bluff just about returns it twice, taking in Virginia with king kickers (11)
14 Springfield attendant pealed cactus! (3)
15 How a cockney schemer might ask for something!? (8)
16 Old UN head pursues adult sea god (8)
18 Weird comic delivered punch, one with bite (2,5)
19 Turn bad up in Canada (7)
20 Georgian trapper kills alien (6)
21 Monkey magnet transposes head and bird? (6)
26 Bit dodgy anyway you look at it (3)