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Across

- 1 Accompanying one who cares (9)
- 6 Steal back to find a man of steel (5)
- 9 Beginner immersed in a dig became a wreck (5)
- 10 Article in which I lead, or it is altered (9)
- 11 Angler in favour of agricultural mechanisation (10)
- 12 Duck on the German river (4)
- 14 Left cue, possibly to daughter, changed to another form (7)
- 15 Thus ask for comfortable residence immediately (7)
- 17 Luminous phenomenon seen in the polar regions (7)
- 19 Copper star given to daughter for baked pudding (7)
- 20 Malle expert to make a war club (4)
- 22 A stony hangar-on (10)
- 25 Overburden with an additional cost (9)
- 26 Behaved in a specified manner (5)
- 27 The skill required to run a regatta (5)
- 28 In his bid for success he may study an offer (9)

- 3 In search of which one may go to a spa (6,4)
- 4 Punished a mercenary newsman (7)
- 5 Adapts to fit exactly a special need (7)
- 6 Return to gold source (4)
- 7 Has no previous knowledge (5)
- 8 Related to dreadful bore (9)
- 13 Study a secret arrangement to sanctify a place, maybe (10)
- 14 Those who can appreciate the value of notes (4,5)
- 16 Came back to a mixed diet and became lean (9)
- 18 Ridicule in an invective manner (7)
- 19 She has a pass with the French measure (7)
- 21 Many find iridium around California (5)
- 23 An office bearer of the Presbyterian church (5)
- 24 Just the ticket for a young girl (4)

Solution to puzzle 7499

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- 1 This fabulous fellow had a model head over heels (5)
- 2 Make an unreasonably large request (4,5)