ACROSS
1  Battle strategist's last flip-flop left as is (5, 3, 3)
9  Author's objective holding frogman back (4, 5)
10 Invalid living in Virginia estate (5)
11 Excellent meal with only one serving of pepper (5)
12 Cry from a fighter plane spotted in Indian city (5, 4)
13 Birds sitting in the museum (4)
14 I give up—answer remains most cryptic (10)
19 Metal nuts I misplaced right before the deadline (4-6)
20 Three errors describing tip of propeller blade (4)
22 Our French partner in politics? Just the opposite! (3, 6)
25 Because of “Endless Love”, for example, you stripped (3, 2)
26 Legs storing energy for sports (5)
27 Five art movies train actor (3, 6)
28 Elected officials surrounded by Hurricanes Ann and Abby, e.g. (4, 7)

DOWN
1  Goes back and forth speaking disclaimers (6)
2  Fix the speech of cardinal introducing university bishop (5)
3  Sell a most unusual horror novel (6, 3)
4  Save any “radical liberal” Special Forces soldier (4, 4)
5  Acknowledge everything that hurts (5)
6  Except for the front part, dismal yard is full of holes (5)
7  Shade of white, for example, marginally glamorizes hot spot (8)
8  Doctor broods about foremost of Oberlin students leaving school (8)
15 What a cat supposedly has brought about: Russian ruler meeting American composer (4, 5)
16 Sees pros blending coffee drink (8)
17 Some Girl Scout cookies with non-kosher greases (8)
18 Absorbs me into organization of misers (8)
21 Unexpectedly says “Rocky is bald” (2-4)
22 An Englishman’s title sounded dark (5)
23 Star of My Cousin Vinny: Volume One (5)
24 Craving the unfilled role in Fiddler on the Roof (5)