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ACROSS

- 1/5 Is his creativity flagging? (8,6)
- 9 See, in alcoholic brew, mature – this? (8)
- 10 Motivator needing to be revived, having dropped dead (6)
- 11 Rudimentary island pipe has only end of scale (8)
- 12 Notice former politicians' impromptu remarks (2-4)
- 14 Seabird arrives in a variety of weathers (10)
- 18 Unable to fulfil requisition, being broken-down (3,2,5)
- 22 Northerner backs in alarm (6)
- 23 Those against work problems? (8)
- 24 A group of police in charge, having a sharp effect (6)
- 25 British city to suffer, knocking back tropical fruit plant (8)
- 26/27 Praised elegy themes hid in confused form (6,8)

DOWN

- 1/15 The Way of All Flesh? (6,8)
- 2 Almost half of Vivaldi's excellent lively piece (6)
- 3 Characters going in summer to New College, Oxford (6)
- 4 You'll see this thing, crumpled, around middle of bedroom (5-5)
- 6 Band in pit, say, get ready to end performance (4,4)
- 7 One twice appears in fashionable gallery and institute (8)
- 8/21 Fictional place – are endless sands its lure? Possibly (8)
- 13 Small roles some act badly – that's about the norm (5,5)
- 15 See 1 down
- 16 Holding supply of footwear (8)
- 17 Bureaucrat's away – one of people should be overthrown (8)
- 19 *2001*, among leading features in cinema offers entertainment that's revolutionary (6)
- 20 Chaos to strike under flower-garden (6)
- 21 See 8 down