

ACROSS

- 1 Acrobat – one's seen on bars (7)
- 5 Sticking up for being stuck-up (5)
- 8 Italian villa houses forging equipment (5)
- 9 Talk about milliner (7)
- 10 Former clergyman, outwardly devout (8)
- 11 Trust response to be heartless (4)
- 13 Bit of cloth fellow put round monster (6)
- 15 Colour of canary or chicken (6)
- 18 Financial institution found by the river? (4)
- 19 Rise late, unfortunately, but still the first to arrive (8)
- 22 A get-up's the makings to steal the show (7)
- 23 Post bet (5)
- 24 Silly to include Rex in the sketch (5)
- 25 Once again considers, and pays to get back (7)

DOWN

- 1 Hit gently to grab run, but get caught (7)
- 2 Film second to compete (5)
- 3 Sweet money, we hear, dad's after (8)
- 4 Get back engineers before military takeover (6)
- 5 Blueprint of tailless aircraft (4)
- 6 Porridge AA motel dished out (7)
- 7 Dry it may be, but not clean (5)
- 12 Some cereal is edible, that's understood (8)
- 14 A name is wrongly given due to forgetfulness (7)
- 16 Humour the head and countersign (7)
- 17 Rush for the job (6)
- 18 Spring is on the way (5)
- 20 Delete some camera sequences (5)
- 21 Tense instructed orally (4)

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