

ACROSS

- 3 UK motoring organisation (inits) (3)
- 7 Gondola city (6)
- 8 Fencing sword (6)
- 9 Stopping (6,2)
- 10 Meat from calves (4)
- 11 US film awards (6)
- 12 Follow secretly (6)
- 15 US government department (6)
- 18 Headpieces for brides (6)
- 20 Mark on the body caused by a blow (4)
- 22 Food leftovers carrier (5,3)
- 23 Push with the nose (6)
- 24 Slacken (3,3)
- 25 'Peggy' ____, Buddy Holly song (3)

DOWN

- 1 Exceptional talent (6)
- 2 Work (against) (8)
- 3 Prevails (6)
- 4 Vaults beneath churches (6)
- 5 Black marketeer of the war years (4)
- 6 Seaside cycle-boat (6)
- 11 Small ornamental sphere (3)
- 13 Those who carefully examine something (8)
- 14 Form of the verb 'to be' (3)
- 16 Handy and beneficial (6)
- 17 Women's lingerie (6)
- 18 Duffel-coat fastener (6)
- 19 Counting frame (6)
- 21 Idle, indolent (4)

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