

ACROSS

- 3** Food item which can be cracked (3)
7 Colouring pencil (6)
8 Speech-maker (6)
9 Move in opposite directions (8)
10 Leguminous plants (4)
11 Leisurely walk (6)
12 US five-cent piece (6)
15 Vegetables, generally (6)
18 *The Blue ___*, Strauss waltz (6)
20 Tinned luncheon meat (4)
22 Arithmetical symbols (8)
23 Conqueror, victor (6)
24 (Had) jumped (6)
25 Blether (3)

DOWN

- 1** Apprehend (6)
2 Deciduous tree of the maple family (8)
3 Bring on as an inevitable consequence (6)
4 Exert political control (6)
5 Catch your breath (4)
6 Scene of an event (6)
11 Subside (3)
13 Perverse (8)
14 Another word for caustic soda (3)
16 Make good (6)
17 Soldier standing guard outside a building (6)
18 Reversible linen fabric (6)
19 Fit in a particular environment (6)
21 Umpteen (4)

