ACROSS

- 1 Build-up (of feeling or opinion) (11)
- 9 Unscripted reply (2-3)
- 10 State south of Tennessee (7)
- **11** Easily beat (7)
- 12 Cinema's entrance hall (5)
- 13 Isolate or sever (3,3)
- **15** Seller of food (6)
- **18** ___ over, reads carefully (5)
- 20 Sanctions (7)
- 22 Most exalted (7)
- 23 Slowly wear away (5)
- **24** Tyre inflator (7,4)

DOWN

- **2** Exclude (4,3)
- **3** Of a city (5)
- 4 Male ducks (6)
- 5 How come? (4,3)
- 6 Verdant (5)
- **7** Someone joining in (11)
- 8 Salon worker (11)
- **14** Place where aquatic creatures are reared (7)
- **16** Obey (7)
- 17 Price-fixing group (6)
- 19 Jewish religious leader (5)
- **21** The Big ____, Bogart film (5)

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