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ACROSS
1, 6 BBC TV children's programme first broadcast in 1953 (3,3,7)
10 US government service founded in 1947 (3)
11 One who studies death and associated customs and practices (13)
12 A difficult or tedious journey (6)
13 Friars of a Roman Catholic order founded in the 12th century (10)
16 Means of punishment designed for women, particularly witches (7,5)
17 British blues rock band, active between 1968-73 (4)
19 Warrior king of Sparta, son of Anaxandrides (8)
20 At 14,433 feet, the highest summit of the Rocky Mountains (2,6)
22 Actor who found fame as Frank Butler in Annie Get Your Gun (4)
23 To attest as true, corroborate (12)
26 Members of a North American tribe, part of the Iroquois confederacy (10)
27 A lover in A Midsummer Night's Dream (6)
29 A short coat worn by horse riders (7,6)
31 An old cloth measure of 1¼ yards (3)
32 The rank and jurisdiction of a ruler in an Islamic country (7)
33 Title conferred on the emperor under the Roman Empire (9)

DOWN
1 Declared unable to judge due to lack of impartiality (7)
2 Stories told in comic-strip format (7,6)
3 Organs in non-flowering plants (eg mosses) that produce male gametes (10)
4 Dutch football team who play at the Amsterdam Arena (4)
5 Decorated with glass cut to resemble diamonds (8)
6 The judicial capital of South Africa (12)
7 Money, especially if gained dishonestly (6)
8 The yellowfin tuna (3)
9 Yellowish in colour (9)
14 Equestrian competition involving dressage, cross-country and show jumping (5-3,5)
15 An ornamental moulding carved in wood, stone or plaster (3-3-6)
18 English city in which the Sunday School movement began (10)
19 Body of water on the California/Nevada border (4,5)
21 French name for the Hindu Festival of Lights (8)
24 An online entrepreneur (1-6)
25 ----- Park, Test cricket ground in Jamaica (6)
28 A beehive (especially if made of straw) (4)
30 The 22nd letter of the Greek alphabet (3)

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