ACROSS

9 Unwisely rile porter with photo showing Basil Fawlty, say (5,10)
10 American after fortune for plant (5)
11 Sporting contest put on outside chalet in resort (9)
12 Billy Bunter perhaps in train, getting by eating nothing? (9)
14 Piano note – it reverberated round courtyard (5)
16 How does one get the washing dry and relax? (3,2,3,4,3)
19 Pair in quite a battle (5)
21 Unwell, a guy is uncomfortable (3,2,4)
23 Lads set off to bring in gold struck (9)
25 Cap dismissed – Benaud’s last over (5)
26 Ministers, in private, sign (4,11)

DOWN

1 Something easily done in Peter Pan, for example (6,4)
2 Close to tears, very small person with a sharp pain in the side (6)
3 Last song about a Gorbachev initiative (8)
4 Poke pochard’s head with a slender stick (4)
5 Carol happy to change? That’s questionable (10)
6 Famous spinner in tent (3,3)
7 Knife fight about it upset league’s leader (8)
8 Smooth things out in golf club (4)
13 A scientific study – basic still, unfortunately (10)
15 Where there may be slates free (2,3,5)
17 Boring book about anger on top of softbacks (8)
18 Out? A Liberal admitting nothing speculative (8)
20 Put down soft drink (6)
22 Sim, maybe, as overlooked star (6)
23 One going round hospital in pain (4)
24 What one eats in assembly? (4)

Solution 15,985