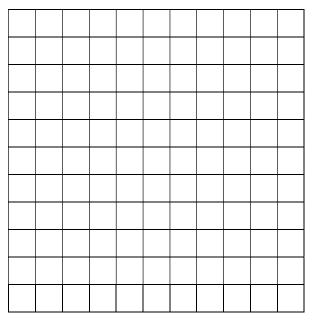
Puzzle #19 – December 2002 "Bargain Sale"

Instructions: Guess the words defined by the cryptic clues (words vary in length from three to eight letters), then enter them in the grid one after another in the same order as their clues, starting in the upper left corner. Across words that don't end at the right margin continue on the next line below; down words that don't end at the bottom margin continue in the next column to the right. Four across words and three down words won't fit in the grid unless one of their letters is removed. Those seven letters, taken in order, spell a two-word phrase that indicates how certain other words – eight of them across and six of them down – are to be treated before they're entered in the grid. Five answers are hyphenated words and another five are proper names. As ever, I am grateful to Kevin Wald for help with the clues.

Across

- 1. Candy stuck in blob on bonnet
- 2. Strangely cool, initially red, possibly blue
- 3. Two cats in a drum
- 4. Pay them covertly for understanding
- 5. Rudely oral in public relations room
- 6. Dance put cheer in rotated sphere
- 7. Novice lover begins in bed
- 8. One very recently put in quarantine
- 9. Man with start of gruesome English disease
- 10. Dad lives in cheap apartment
- 11. Badger brings cheer back to donkey
- 12. Smooth writer holds note
- 13. City strike conflict
- 14. Gives birth, initiating first of a long series
- 15. Father one art form
- 16. Wings of one drowned in drink
- 17. Break initially, then fix
- 18. Africans repeatedly turn us around
- 19. Chomsky's back keeping track of chestnut
- 20. Region in Far East
- 21. Partition conceals monkey
- 22. King has a place destroyed
- 23. Disciplinarian in matter is undisciplined
- 24. King wrapped in cord by topless servant
- 25. Prison toilet dance
- 26. Random firing around French beast
- 27. Bird caught in fine net



Down

- 1. Putting bone in brew, one gets disease
- 2. Peter embracing small hound
- 3. What protects honey from recombination
- 4. Initially scrape and polish
- 5. South American sun devil
- 6. Disdain returning two rings
- 7. Warning: universe started in a particle
- 8. California harbors every flower
- 9. Ardent love bird
- 10. Fish caught in mite trap
- 11. Shaquille, eg, has Knicks starting in real disarray
- 12. Instrument of early renown
- 13. Botanist Gray lives in Pasadena
- 14. Relation of rodent and Greek maiden
- 15. Machine gun decoration
- 16. Phrase translated for Nepalese tribe
- 17. Brawl involved a scarf
- 18. Fussy dress has four in double trouble
- 19. Mix tonic with right fruit
- 20. Mark nothing in measure
- 21. Hill-climbing lines on top of Kilimanjaro
- 22. Manager in distress about start of voting grievance
- 23. Two French words for "bird"
- 24. Sensory organ of fish held in iron rod
- 25. Yes, positively a lemur