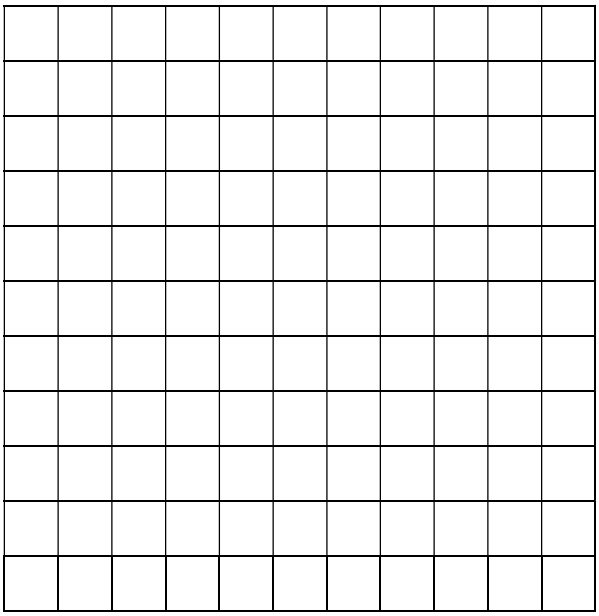
Guest Puzzle #66 – July 2017 "Indeterminacy"
(by Arthur Schless)

Instructions: Guess the words defined by the cryptic clues (answers vary in length from three to eleven letters, eight are capitalized, and one consists of two words) 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 continue on the next row, and down words that don't end at the bottom continue in the next column. Eight across words and eight down words won't fit in the grid unless one of their letters is omitted. Those sixteen letters, taken in order as they occur in across and down words spell two words related to the mystery entries. Thanks to John for his puzzle wizardry.



Across

1. *Mystery word*
2. Verne's crazy chutzpah
3. Minor is attractive without a bit of rouge
4. Robot operating system
5. Director misdirected Gore
6. Acclaim only in spirit
7. Reprocess latices to make them resilient
8. Frank is partly suntanned
9. Angry, I charge
10. Unfortunately, only 2/3 of state is represented
11. Be in prison and dominate without an upheaval
12. Grade of favorite students returned
13. Transfer part of police department
14. Home of primarily nightingales, eagles, swallows, and terns
15. Eat helter-skelter and drink
16. Riot breaks out for Amos
17. I tape disintegrating renaissance image
18. Roland's wild love for southern city
19. Vow about a hot state
20. Sacks with improvised tools
21. Babe is badly hurt
22. Samuel's poor, troubled sleep
23. Speaking about sharing a common origin
24. Alcoholic ingesting hard liquor
25. *Mystery word*

Down

1. Weakened, crumbling ruin mended
2. Watch one rube holding a whetstone
3. Dull meal cooked
4. Drink to a saint
5. Garment worn by Rabbis, one from Zagreb maybe
6. Same eroded tableland
7. Desire to dance with Earl
8. Tool of vivisection
9. Lower porch
10. Made a mistake in border reduction
11. Unusual treat: a home run
12. Lounge volume encompasses circle
13. Allie's disturbance is intestinal
14. Elaborate talk about number
15. I left commander to get fungicide
16. Feline turns up, and it is silent
17. Braggart of boastful talk and study
18. Excoriate some of his kind
19. Dry one running over there
20. Nerd's endless, idiotic pride
21. Hector under stress about Newton
22. Idols you decimate loathsomely
23. Knight leaves foul tunnel not rented
24. Energy and marrow (a small measure) for a poultice, perhaps