Hints for Harvard Puzzle "Dean"

Parentheses around a clue mean that a letter must be omitted from the answer before it will fit in the grid. Numbers in parentheses indicate lengths of answers, and an asterisk * indicates a capitalized word.

Across

- 1. In fact, a sign fails to be of much interest (11)
- 2. (Argon, before atomic disintegration, is sweet-smelling) (8)
- 3. Latin custom: eating bone (5)
- 4. (Get up without a hoist) (5)
- 5. Slow to understand, start of meaning is beginning to dawn (5)
- 6. Quiet pongid shows form (5)
- 7. (Respond about Dutch frame) (6)
- 8. Parsimonious singer gains admittance (6)
- 9. *Women's magazine outwardly ready for Queen (6)
- Magnate is unusually glum about nothing (5)
- 11. Pudding, s.v.p., without a bit of liquor (5)
- 12. Paula needs to keep track (4)
- 13. *Britain embraces Ora (4)
- 14. Uncle, in healing, becomes a concern (4)
- 15. Daughters getting first of nappies to mend (4)
- 16. (Shipwreck prompts an expression of impatience) (4)
- 17. Copy *Times* tip (4)
- Origins of one beautiful old eastern instrument (4)
- 19. (Adapting an oiler as a device to control flight) (7)
- 20. Stupidly yet rightfully keeping left (5)
- 21. (Prevent ten leaving on the right side) (5)
- 22. Author going around is in balance (5)
- 23. Defeat of the Spanish section (4)
- 24. (Reject torn purse containing Lire and Euros) (7)

Down

- 1. Story about his working on article in *Vogue* (11)
- 2. Plan, after being gutted, sounded empty (7)
- 3. (Amusing and attractive woman drinking a bit of rum) (5)
- 4. Oxygen added to fluid as a cleaning agent (4)
- 5. Stretcher man embraces nurse with energy (6)
- 6. *Dramatist has eggshell before end of play (6)
- 7. Remove last of scum from clear fat (5)
- 8. Locus of auditory sense (4)
- 9. Crazy prelate takes one for a snake, perhaps (7)
- 10. Sly and mean, team grabs crown at last (5)
- 11. Let in while a senior (5)
- 12. Troy hurried and followed (6)
- 13. (Sailor's a deceiving rascal) (6)
- 14. Note metal top of android's eye membrane(6)
- 15. (Nome said to encompass a plateau) (4)
- 16. *One of apples is replaced by ring for Mary (7)
- 17. (Get weary of spaghetti recipes) (4)
- 18. Run once in play with Earl and give up (8)
- 19. *(Trusty lexicon includes new wave band)(6)
- 20. Princess's sudden wind gives cause to feel offended (7)
- 21. (Bedlam had stirred inside of rodent) (8)