HOW’S THAT AGAIN?
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Clues, which have been numbered for convenience only, are ordered by answer length but otherwise randomly; specific enumerations are withheld. Seven answers do not fit normally into the grid, but each explains how it is to be entered. An eighth self-descriptive entry does fit normally into the grid; to make up for this helpfulness, it is unclued. Answers 7 and 19 are uncommon, and several other entries are less than everyday.

1 Northbound flight leading to independent African nation
2 Run cut short by closing of lane
3 Edges away from base character in “The Simpsons”
4 Group of singers heading to the city in Brazil
5 Police officer keeps back of hair trim
6 Some agents trademark encyclopedia’s first name [hyph.]
7 Look for the Romans left and right
8 Sisters take nothing away from parts of speech
9 Endure stupid person
10 Antelope uplifted most of Duke University
11 Expos’ season features team from the West
12 Start to tinker with cubes more than once
13 Parties ending at last? That’s a shame
14 Western city originally sold proper gear for a cowboy
15 After the premiere, duo rehearsed with star of The Dukes of Hazzard
16 Catch old British man of means
17 Color TV drops volume in Connecticut
18 Egad -- one page going into progressive rock group
19 Retired after a mid-April stop in Paris
20 Help an actor named Quinn
21 Reads without comprehending context at first
22 I nearly claw author Calvino
23 Starts to stutter upon mispronouncing most any word on a diploma
24 Wicker worker is able to head off that woman
25 Visiting from afar, pull into hotel [2 words]
26 Excellent Yugoslavian leader assumes power quietly [hyph.]
27 Host finally came next to pale author of Atonement
28 Jerk ultimately upset sorceress
29 Mountain in Himalayas has tableland
30 Conclude heartless battle with a small dog [2 words]
31 Singer of “Crying” or “Buffalo”
32 Diets or exercising could be enhancement for an athlete
33 Discovers Lester eating Mexican food the wrong way
34 Entrance a rowdy drunk filled with love
35 Sneaky! True scoundrel reversed parts of a poem
36 Spanish military leader can fit outside a foxhole
37 Evenly divide copper and tin to spread around tungsten [3 words]
38 Treatise deconstructed short songs
39 Interest in judges for certain cases of assassination
40 Companies admitted to imperfections with money spent on the military [2 words]
41 One of the Virgin Islands designed most hats [2 words]
42 Dancing around Arkansas, Henry is going from nightclub to nightclub [hyph.]
43 Naked man left in ecstasy -- that’s going too far [3 words]
44 Changing direction, Mom, Rex, and nameless aunt come before vase [3 words, hyph.]
45 Adapted to rusty wheels going in one particular direction
46 Honored a current novel before long [3 words]