Double Room
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The single grid on top is just too small to accommodate all of the Across entries without overcrowding, so I have provided an alternative seating scheme where these same entries are put into the two separate bottom grids. Don’t worry about the enforced separation, however, as when the solving is over, everyone will get together again; 5 and 6 Down in the bottom grids, which answer the question asked in the most crowded parts of the top grid, will say how.

(Note: The Across clues are given in alphabetical order by answer; you must determine for yourself where each Across answer goes into the top grid and one of the bottom grids. Enumerations and tagging have been omitted.)

ACROSS
A. Gore is not, ultimately, elite (hyph.)
B. Very much in favor of floral arrangement (2 wds.)
C. One computer company finally sent a piece of software
D. Yes, I beg frantically for fish
E. Other trains get stripped
F. When love is right, lust is wrong
G. Real ham cured in North Holland’s capital
H. Legatees will receive a pair of female cattle
I. Short literary piece all about our mace
J. Oil in each one’s center reflects diffuse cosmic lights
K. Gets energetic young dog that has endlessly sped around (2 wds.)
L. Drench over-excited wererat
M. Successful, for a play about a tavern and restaurant chain
N. Fails to brown surface of knishes
O. Right at the end I carp about men’s jewelry
P. Following which, the queen invested in grain

DOWN ON TOP
1. Yalie meets one famous Cuban boy named Gonzalez
2. Kefauver is in Canada and in Mexico
3. Help last of hobbits with rings
4. Boasts about Sunday clothes
5. Answer like an agent?
6. Oafs missing fifty opportunities to escape
7. In Scotland, pour heads of beers into really little eggcups
8. Weirder than a hyperbolic trig function (abbr.)
9. Home for an exile having the wherewithal to come back
10. Singer McEntire has raised a sword
11. Say hi to mostly-grey alien
12. Dub over English guy
13. Wearing nothing but a teddy, perhaps, when giving a speech
14. Does rest of stories
15. Rent money, fourthly, is not green
16. Ms. Ward’s beer has spilled
17. How to turn someone down in Moscow, in New York, and in Paris
18. Sure to freak out employer

DOWN ON BOTTOM
1. Expressions of grief from upset playwright
2. Where you’ll find auctions in Pig Latin exist
3. Extra red, towards the middle!
4. A character from Xena is brave enough when beheaded
5 & 6. See instructions
7. Line botched by director Riefenstein
8. One down-in-the-mouth French tributary
9. Ones with heartless poisons!
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