Unfortunately, the clues are not given in order, and the enumerations are missing. Fortunately, 26 letters have already been entered into the grid. Unfortunately, those 26 letters have been omitted from the subsidiary parts of the clues.

a. After good book, Carson’s returned something people have with their dinner.
b. Alternative to love in New York: start and end affair of the heart.
c. Announce an individual delay.
d. Blundering, Lew errs – he may get pinned down.
e. Completely foreign: nu, tau too. (hyphenated)
f. Dear! To hold Alamo without a crescent? (hyphenated)
g. Do penance within sepia tent.
h. Edit one essay, in part, without expression.
i. Entertainer, relatively dull, absorbs lyrics before Aida’s overture.
j. Favorite returned after having been elected with the majority. (two words)
k. Following race, I put on one piece of clothing.
l. Henry, inside out, disturbed, gets kind word. (hyphenated)
m. Implement silent disruption.
n. Invert ratio to get clever thought.
o. It’s foolish to look around, Penny.
p. It’s like this, ma’am -- Father left Indiana, rode around.
q. Poe’s first letters from Marshal.
r. Mineral monster.
s. Odd -- French one originally called back.
t. Order, dine. Cook angry. Time to pay up. (three words)
u. Party coordinator embraces millionaire.
v. Plant secretion about season’s limits.
w. Ruined Lynn’s material.
x. Small stage filled exclusively with celebrities. (hyphenated)
y. Squeeze right into first place.
z. Student’s last degree is over the top.

aa. Tumble when West and East invade a group like OPEC.
bb. Unpredictable, dashed note.
c. Verbally detain the lout on break.
dd. Wild beast beheaded, i.e. put in danger.