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Down (contd.)

- 23** Voracious monster from outer space in 1958 horror film thwarted by resourceful teen Steve McQueen
- 24** Anthony Eden (initials)
- 26** Alan Seale (initials)
- 27** Cautionary Cold War horror film of 1954 (seminal in “big bug” genre) about giant irradiated ants created by atom bomb test attacking LA
- 29** Beer variety
- 30** The (German, masculine, singular) (*Stern, Spiegel, Ring des Nibelungen, Untergang des Abendlandes, Judenstaat* etc.)

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Across

- 1** Troubled teen rapper from Florida (*Hi Bich, Gucci Flip Flops* feat. Lil Yachty etc.) (4, 6)
- 9** Lil Yachty (initials)
- 10** South African river (and territorial border) associated with Bantustans in Apartheid era
- 11** Oscar Niemeyer (initials)
- 12** Popular laundry detergent made by sinister multinational
- 14** “A mulatto, an ..., a mosquito, my libido” *Smells Like Teen Spirit*
- 16** *No Blood for ...* Stirring Howard-era anti-war slogan (largely missing point)
- 17** Lauded Australian movie star (*BMX Bandits, Eyes Wide Shut, Australia* etc.) (first name)
- 18** Eerily named, wood-boring beetle known for clicking sound made by tapping its head deep within timber of old houses thought to mean that someone inside is about to die
- 22** Popular Israeli name (Melber, Fuld etc.)
- 23** Canaanite idol associated with King Ahab, Queen Jezebel and backsliding Israel “gone a’whoring after other gods”
- 25** “Look ... Here’s the deal” Joe Biden in Iowa
- 28** Jibber jabber, flapdoodle, malarkey, nonsense
- 31** Torpid, morally vacant, post-human race in year 802,701 AD (and food source of bestial, subterranean Morlocks) in dystopian vision of H. G. Wells in *The Time Machine*
- 32** *United Earth Directorate* (initials)
- 33** Racially supremacist belief held by a group that its people can live in a specified region by virtue of mystical destiny regardless of whether or not it is inhabited by others

Down

- 1** Lurid meme prevalent in Medieval Europe about use of blood of Christian children to make Passover matzos resulting in celebrated trials and veneration of child martyrs such as Simon the Immaculate of Trent and Little Saint Hugh of Lincoln (5, 5)
- 2** Adorable 60s TV robot (played by Dick Gautier)
- 3** Donatella Versace *or* Dieter Vogel (initials)
- 4** Secular, socialist, anti-imperialist, pan-Arab nationalist political party associated in West with Saddam Hussein (and Chemical Ali)
- 5** Memorable Stanley Kubrick villain from 60s
- 6** Ankle-length, seamless clerical vestment difficult to remove quickly in heat of passion
- 7** Order of Greek classical architecture known for scroll-like volutes such as in Erechtheion in Athens or the Naxian Sphinx at Delphi
- 8** Minor biblical figure associated chiefly with conservative English politician known for 1968 anti-immigration “rivers of blood” speech in UK parliament (quoting Virgil)
- 13** Australian artist from East Melbourne (*The Fairies’ Tree* etc.) (first name)
- 15** Bouts of spontaneous, escalated violence in popular resistance to occupation of historic Palestine (Arabic for “trembling”)
- 19** Australian brand of form hugging underwear with ribald ad campaign (and charismatic spokesperson)
- 20** What was John in psychedelic *Beatles* classic?
- 21** Ayn Rand *or* Alfred Rosenberg (initials)