

Across
1 Greatly loved Melbourne clowns with long career ending sadly in disgrace $(3,3,3)$
8 Latin abbreviation indicating date in Julian and Gregorian calendars sometimes replaced with CE to give least offence to members of non-Christian community
9 Lonely Nappy (initials)
10 Admiral of IJN (1890-1945)
11 Name shared by iconic US hipster (Walk on the Wild Side) and prescient English political analyst (The Controversy of Zion)
13 Idiot
14 Poetic term for inhabitant (often of somewhere unusual or mysterious)
16 Magical place where Dorothy and Toto went
17 Cryptic dedication by T. E. Lawrence in Seven Pillars of Wisdom
18 Who was secretly in love with Dobie though he was in love with Thalia Menninger in The Many Loves of Dobie Gillis?
20 Excellent Daft Punk record feat. Nile Rodgers, Paul Williams and Gorgio Moroder (1, 1, 1)
21 The Entity (initials)
22 Romantic German river with central role in 20 down
24 Jud ... 1927 historical novel by Lion Feuchtwanger remade in 1940 as chilling Nazi propaganda by Dr. Goebbels
26 Opposed to, against (war, gay marriage Semites etc.)
27 94-year-old, German-born US diplomat and war criminal with distinctive voice and 60s glasses (also valued mentor to Hillary Clinton)

## Down (contd.

20 The greatest work of art of the nineteenth century (commonly used abbreviation)
23 Second imperial dynasty and golden age of China ( 206 BCE - 220 CE )
24 Initials shared by authors of disparate texts The Sickness unto Death, It's a Mad, Mad, Mad, Mad, Mad World and Pet Sematary
25 Schutzstaffel or Sophie Scholl (initials)

Down
1 Bizarre 1974 John Boorman sci-fi film with Sean Connery in red mankini and thigh boots with arresting Planet of the Apes, Waterworld, Citizen Kane style ending
.. fixe An obsessional thought which cannot be altered or discarded but goes round and round and round in one's head
3 Popular German discount supermarket chain with inferior products and low prices
4 Term used in German penal system in the 30s for prisoners designated enemies of the state and slated to vanish without trace into the night and fog ("Nacht und Nebel") in macabre reference to Wagner's Der Ring des Nibelungen
5 Hilltop site of City of David in Jerusalem also used symbolically for Jewish nation Australian Taxation Office (abbrev.)
7 "We can forgive the Arabs for killing our children. We cannot forgive them for forcing us to kill their children." Prime Minister of Israel (1968-74) known for pithy aphorisms such as nauseating, chutzpadik dissembling above $(5,4)$
12 How long is the torment of hell (or an Antonioni film)?
13 Brimless hat worn by Kemal Ataturk and disgraced Melbourne clown in 1 across
15 One of the five cities of the plain spared from destruction with brimstone and fire (unlike Sodom and Gomorrah) to be a refuge for Lot and his daughters
17 Maison d'arrêt de la ... Prison where Genet after ten convictions was sentenced to life
19 Small ornamental case for holding needles

