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- 28** Series of wars fought between Rome and Carthage in 264 - 146 BCE
- 29** Home of exiled Cain (regarded by Origen as a land of trembling outside the presence of God and symbolic of the condition of all who forsake God)
- 30** Giant bear from Alaskan archipelago

Down (contd.)

- 26** Short-necked, pear-shaped, lute-like stringed instrument with distinctive twang used in Middle Eastern music
- 28** Beautiful valley in Northern Italy

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Across

- 1** Divisive policy discontinued by Whitlam government in 1972 whereby young men were conscripted to fight in war in Vietnam (informal)
- 5** "Don't ask me what ... is. I never will know. But, boy! Let me tell you. It DOES clean up snow!" *The Cat in the Hat Comes Back*
- 9** New Delhi airport named after Indian leader assassinated in 1984 (initials)
- 10** Written teachings of Buddha (*Pitaka* etc.)
- 11** Famous English army
- 13** US state represented in Senate by Ted Cruz (postal abbreviation)
- 14** Gloomy Norwegian artist (*The Sick Child, Death in the Sick Room, The Scream* etc.)
- 16** Adorable 60s singer, actress and dolly bird (*To Sir with Love* etc.)
- 19** Greatly loved Palestinian leader assassinated in 2004 (initials)
- 20** Greatly loved English author outsold only by The Bible (*Crooked House* etc.) (initials)
- 21** Innately superior racial elite with special divinely conferred cosmological significance and unique destiny to dominate, enslave, plunder and rule over inferiors as master race
- 23** German singer known for catchy song about Luftballons
- 24** Short-lived union of Egypt and Syria under Gamel Nasser in late 50s (initials)
- 25** Take or seize in a sudden, aggressive, rude or criminal manner (handbag, sovereign territory of a neighbour state etc.)
- 26** A single time
- 27** *Radio Islam* (initials)

Down

- 1** Race of subterranean dwarfs from *Niflheim* ("abode of mist") in Norse mythology
- 2** Cast iron English stove
- 3** Famous Sidney Poitier role (not Virgil Tibbs, Noah Cullen or Dr. John Wayne Prentice Jr.)
- 4** Babylonian ruler of mid-2nd millennium BCE known for complex legal code inscribed on huge basalt "finger" in Louvre and source for Levitical scribes in exile in Babylon (mid-1st millennium BCE) of revealed commandments of Yahweh recorded in Torah
- 5** Extraterrestrial race known for being highly logical but without human emotions
- 6** Old Testament (initials)
- 7** Subject of famous American film from 1894 (filmed sneezing)
- 8** German actor best known for role as spectral Count in F. W. Murnau's *Nosferatu* (3, 7)
- 12** Yale University (initials)
- 15** *Mr ...* Nickname used by Western press for Soviet era politician Andrei Gromyko due to negative voting record at UN and repeated use of Russian Security Council veto
- 17** Popular taxi and food delivery franchise
- 18** Unhinged, Nobel Prize-winning, anti-Semitic German physicist rival of Einstein
- 20** Genus of tree found in hot, arid environments which the Israelites were instructed to use to make the Tabernacle and the Ark, translated in King James Bible as shittim wood from the shittah tree (FYI)
- 22** Majority branch of Islam and primary source of proponents of greater jihad and the moral betterment of society by violent means