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Across

- 1** “You’re going to have to answer to the Coca-Cola company” Best known movie role of Keenan Wynn (not scheming businessman Alonzo P. Hawk trying to steal gravity-defying invention of Professor Ned Brainard (Fred MacMurray) in *Disney* “flubber” films in 60s) (3, 5)
- 8** Initials shared by authors of provocative texts *Guide to Kulchur*, hardline, anti-immigration “rivers of blood” speech (quoting Virgil) in UK parliament in 1968 and *In the Ghetto*
- 9** Exotic capital of Morocco
- 10** French Calvinist protestant sect massacred on Saint Bartholomew’s Day, 1597, subjected to forced conversion by Louis XVI and stripped of all rights in Edict of Fontainebleau of 1685
- 12** Albert Ellis *or* Anthony Eden *or* Augustus Egg *or* Arthur Evans *or* Adolf Eichmann *or* Anita Eckberg (initials)
- 13** Marcel Ophüls *or* Mullah Omar *or* Maureen O’Hara *or* Mark Ornstein (initials)
- 14** German city known for atypical gridded layout with numbers and letters instead of street names
- 18** Ordo Carmelitarum Discalceatorum (initials)
- 19** “My, isn’t the moonlight terrible!” Greatly loved, Pulitzer Prize-winning play by Thornton Wilder in three acts - *Daily Life, Love and Marriage* and *Death and Dying* - depicting ineffable poignance of life (initials)
- 20** *The Day Cried* Legendary, unfinished, unseen, embargoed, 1972 Jerry Lewis film set in death camp called “so drastically wrong, its pathos and its comedy so wildly misplaced, that “Oh, My God!”, that’s all you can say” (3, 5)

Across (contd.)

- 23** Gritty, action-packed, TV series starring Robert Blake as streetwise, ex-con priest in tough East LA neighbourhood (with high-octane theme by Sammy Davis Jr.) (from 80s)

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Down

- 1** “He eateth grass as an ox...his strength is in his loins, and his force is in the navel of his belly. He moveth his tail like a cedar: the sinews of his stones (testiculorum) are wrapped together...his bones are like bars of iron...Behold, he drinketh up a river...he can draw up Jordan into his mouth etc.” Terrifying beast described in Job in climactic passage about futility of questioning G-d (possibly based on early account of elephant or hippopotamus though regarded by Young Earth Creationists as a dinosaur)
- 2** Hero of touching trilogy by Satyajit Ray
- 3** Pioneering Austrian American architect known for shopping malls designed with intentionally confusing layouts to make shoppers lose track of their original intent inducing impulse buying (*Ikea* etc.)
- 4** United Arab Emirates (initials)
- 5** A big nothingburger (initials)
- 6** Long-suffering Biblical heroine (with devoted Moabite daughter-in-law Ruth)
- 7** Amusingly named, underachiever, rock guitarist bus driver in *The Simpsons* (4, 4)
- 11** Indefatigable, nonagenarian Melbourne patrons of the arts
- 15** Dull pain in back, ear or heart
- 16** Australian Prime Minister with brutalist aquatic centre in Glen Iris contentiously named after him
- 17** Mmm, something is missing from this defining contemporary social movement (1, 3)
- 21** Tragic hero of lurid Emile Zola novel known for depiction of nineteenth century Parisian artworld and breaking boyhood best friend’s heart (initials)
- 22** Woodrow Wilson *or* Walt Whitman *or* Wieland Wagner *or* Wim Wenders *or* Walter Winchell *or* Wilbur Wilde *or* Walley World (initials)