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Across

- 1** Neat casual fashion trend
- 8** Celebrated Romanian-American author and moral compass (*Night* etc.) (first name)
- 9** Mediocre English pop group from Swindon (*Senses Working Overtime* etc.)
- 10** Not genuine, fraudulent, such as Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities, *Fragments: Memories of a Wartime Childhood*, Telstra tech support calls and Mayor Pete
- 12** Legendary Hollywood studio boss known for witticisms about well-attended funeral such as Red Skelton: "It proves what ... always said, give the public what they want and they'll come out for it" (initials)
- 13** Sluggish, muddy river in northern France associated with series of battles of 1916 resulting in deaths of a million young men
- 15** Star in northern sky 25 parsecs from Sun (AKA Epsilon Ursae Majoris) located in tail of Ursa Major (Great Bear) (also handle of Big Dipper) (or Plough) of great significance in era of celestial navigation
- 16** Land where everyone is crazy
- 18** Greek letter corresponding to Roman "R", comprising, with Chi (X) the Christogram seen by Constantine in a dream leading to victory over Maxentius at Milvian Bridge in 312 and conversion of Rome to Christianity
- 19** Premier American manufacturer of barbells, dumbbells and all weightlifting needs
- 21** Lurid 1974 exploitation film set in Old South with James Mason as plantation owner and Susan George as insatiable southern belle

Down

- 1** Mysterious beings in Bible interpreted variously as giants, fallen angels and the offspring of extraterrestrials ("sons of God") and "daughters of men" (before extinction in flood) in controversial theory from 70s
- 2** Catholic church at 49 Nicholson Street, East Brunswick with golden statue on cupola of Mary as Hodegetria presenting Christ child (and message of salvation) to Brunswick (initials)
- 3** Racy men's briefs from 80s
- 4** Popular clothing (and formal hire) outlet in Bell Street Mall, West Heidelberg "outfitting men since 1969"
- 5** Figure of speech based on irreconcilably contradictory elements such as deafening silence, living death or Catholic intellectual
- 6** Red threat (initials)
- 7** Tableaux from Passion occurring between crowning with thorns and Jesus being condemned to death (Latin) (4, 4)
- 11** Expression of interest (initials)
- 14** *Maximum the Hormone* (initials)
- 15** Ladd, Hale, Greenspan, Dershowitz, Turing, Bond, Jones
- 17** Movie queen (*Mogambo*, *The Barefoot Contessa*, *On the Beach* etc.) (first name)
- 20** Killer instinct *or* Kangaroo Island (initials)