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Across

- 1** Morally repugnant state in the Middle East founded by military invasion *after* drafting of international law at Nuremberg prohibiting waging of “aggressive war”, which operates with little objection a system of apartheid conferring rights and privileges based on race, practices ethnic cleansing to maintain racial purity, has seized the sovereign territory of other nations which it refuses to relinquish in defiance of repeated United Nations censures, has nuclear weapons but refuses to sign a non-proliferation treaty and bars international inspectors, has assassinated a high ranking UN official, re-electing as Prime Minister the man who gave the order, has dispossessed 4,000 Palestinians by demolishing their homes and created 762,000 refugees refusing them the right to return, which regularly breaks the Geneva Convention by imposing collective punishments on whole towns and villages, has used a weapon of mass destruction (*i.e.*, a “smart bomb”) on densely populated civilian areas, justifies torture of persons deemed (or suspected of being) enemies of the state, is reckoned the 16th richest country in the world yet receives one *third* of all US overseas aid and is presently witnessing final dénouement of audacious plan to “reshape” geo-political character of Middle East and establish incontestable hegemony in region
- 6** *MENE MENE TEKEL UPHARSIN* (“Thou art weighed in the balances, and art found ...”) Ominous message written on wall by disembodied hand at Belshazzar’s feast in Daniel 5
- 12** French pope (1088-99) who inaugurated the First Crusade at the Council of Clermont in 1095
- 14** Sinister Korean industrialist and founder of Unification Church
- 15** Latin prefix meaning against (war, abortion, disestablishmentarianism, Christ etc.)
- 17** Final state of Nietzsche, Ruskin and Richard Dadd
- 19** Bolshevik revolution *or* Bruce Ruxton (initials)
- 20** Mahmoud Abbas *or* *Mandate Australia* (initials)
- 21** Marvelous English actor known for roles as beastly heartthrob Heathcliff, proud, study Mr. Darcy, troubled Max de Winter and really bad dentist Dr. Christian Szell (initials)

Across (contd.)

- 22** Sight, setting, socially embarrassing brouhaha
- 24** Lovely purple flower breeding out of the dead land in April (the cruelest month) in *The Wasteland* by gloomy American poet T. S. Eliot?
- 26** Stirring Communist anthem of 1871 (“Arise ye starvelings from your slumbers. Arise ye prisoners of want” etc.)
- 28** Popular Norwegian boy’s name (not Edvard or Henrik or Peer)
- 29** Operation: *Overlord* (initials)
- 30** Famous Australian poet of haunting lines “I am still the black swan of trespass on alien waters” (initials)
- 31** No future *or* Norman Finkelstein (initials)
- 33** Holy, blessed, consecrated, worthy of veneration or worship
- 35** Latin for hail as ... Maria
- 36** Extinct volcano in Eastern Turkey where Noah’s ark landed
- 39** Larry Fine *or* Lion Feuchtwanger *or* Louis Farrakhan *or* Len French (initials)
- 40** Biblical character whose wife turned into pillar of salt when she looked back and saw the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah
- 41** Invocation of divine blessing at end of Mass
- 45** Home of fictional killers Walter Huff and Phyllis Nirdlinger and real-life killers Lyle and Eric Menendez
- 46** Ugandan mass murderer (first name only)
- 47** Enormously long periods of time (like Hindu yugas)
- 48** Dissent from accepted codes of behaviour or received ideas
- 50** Mr. Spock (or Squiggle) (initials)
- 52** Nablus nightmare *or* neo-Nazi (initials)
- 53** Improbably named angel who revealed the Book of Mormon to Joseph Smith
- 54** Cretons, morons, fools
- 56** Without content, empty (“And the earth was without form, and ...; and darkness *was* upon the face of the deep” Genesis 1:2)
- 57** Excellent Spanish Mario Bava-style haunted house movie with Nicole Kidman as ghost who doesn’t know she is dead (initials)
- 58** *Big ...* Beautiful, rocky coastal area in Southern California (seen in *The Sandpiper* and *One-Eyed Jacks*)
- 59** Present whereabouts of Ramzi Ahmed Yousef Illich Ramirez Sanchez and Lord Archer
- 60** Deadly viral infection
- 61** Jewish high holy day aka Day of Atonement (3, 6)
- 62** Department store on corner of Bourke and Swanston Streets, Melbourne

Down

- 1** The quality of that which cannot be taken away or transferred to another (*e.g.*, the right to fair and impartial trial, the right to return to ones home if driven away, tea break etc.)
- 2** A groove or furrow in a dirt road created by traffic (as in lower than a snake’s belly in a wagon ...)
- 3** Got up, happened
- 4** Non-PC English author and creator of Noddy, Big Ears and Golly (initials)
- 5** The twenty-fifth book of the Bible depicting the devastation and despair after the fall of Jerusalem to the Babylonians in 587 BC (“Judah is gone into captivity, she dwelleth among the heathen, she weepeth sore in the night and her tears are on her cheeks”)
- 7** Celebrated US author (*Death of a Salesman*, *The Crucible* etc.) (initials)
- 8** Rousing contemporary anti-war slogan (unsuccessful) (3, 5, 3, 3)
- 9** City in Northern Italy on river Po known for mysterious shroud (Italian name please)
- 10** ... *My Room* (*Beach Boys*), ... *agaddadavida* (*Iron Butterfly*)
- 11** Tragic, alcoholic American author (*Peyton Place*, *Return to Peyton Place* etc.) (5, 9)
- 13** Tragic heroine of lurid, hyper-realist Emile Zola novel about descent into degeneracy of immoral, young girl
- 16** Latin prefix meaning not (Christian, smoker, proliferation treaty, white etc.)
- 18** Discourage from acting or prevent from occurring by instilling fear, doubt or anxiety
- 20** With wicked or evil intent, with the desire or design that someone will come to harm
- 23** A holy war, especially one undertaken by Christian Europe against Islam
- 25** Loni Anderson *or* Louis Althusser (initials)
- 27** The Koran *or* Ted Kaczynski (initials)
- 32** Mertz, Krueger, Flintstone, Hollows etc.
- 34** Celebrated Romanian American Nobel Peace laureate (*Night, All Rivers Run to the Sea*) (first name only please)
- 35** Gore, Capone, Bundy, Fatah, Aqsa, Jazeera
- 37** Religious belief widespread in Africa that all things, animate and inanimate, possess a soul or divine spirit and are worthy of veneration
- 38** Racial epithet *or* Roman Empire (initials)
- 42** American media monolith
- 43** Tourette’s syndrome *or* Tori Spelling *or* *The Sandpiper* (initials)
- 44** Unprepossessing young person bullied at school by cool people
- 49** 70’s soft-porn star (*10* etc.) (retired) (first name only please)

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Down (contd.)

- 51** Exotic open-air marketplace in North Africa or the Middle East
- 53** Negroid Muslim from North Africa or gloomy, windswept plain with beautiful wild heather such as in *Wuthering Heights*
- 55** Latin prefix indicating three (angle, colour, fecta, nity, partite, logy, gonometry, ptych, pitaka, skaidekaphobia, beca etc., etc., etc.)
- 56** Twenty-second letter of German alphabet (as in ...*W* motorcar)
- 59** German people *or* George Pell (initials)
- 60** Coarse expression in wide use meaning "I am displeased with you and no longer desire your company" ("Your views are of no interest and I do not wish to discuss them" etc.) (initials)