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- 7 Republic consisting of 26 of 32 counties that achieved independence from the United Kingdom in 1921 (5,8)
- 8 King of Sparta at the time of the Trojan War; brother of Agamemnon; husband of Helen (8)
- 9 United States showman famous for his Wild West Show (1846-1917) (4)
- 10 Island and province of Sweden in the Baltic Sea (7)
- 12 Joint capital (with Riyadh) of Saudi Arabia; located in western Saudi Arabia; as the birthplace of Muhammad it is the holiest city of Islam (5)
- **14** States (5)
- 16 Region in Finland and Russia between the Gulf of Finland and the White Sea (7)
- 19 United States inventor (born in Scotland) of the telephone (1847-1922) (4)
- **20** French Calvinist of the 16th or 17th centuries (8)
- 22 British violinist (born in the United States) who began his career as a child prodigy in the 1920s (1916-1999) (6,7)

Down

- 1 Soft creamy white cheese; milder than Camembert (4)
- 2 Relating to bone or to the skeleton (6)
- 3 Beautiful daughter of Minos and Pasiphae; she fell in love with Theseus and gave him the thread with which he found his way out of the Minotaur's labyrinth (7)
- 4 Painful and involuntary muscular contraction (5)
- 5 Large west African tree having large palmately lobed leaves and axillary cymose panicles of small white flowers and one-winged seeds; yields soft white to pale yellow wood (6)
- 6 The generals who became monarchs of the various kingdoms into which the empire of Alexander the Great split after his death (8)
- 11 Overseas (8)
- 13 Hypothetical continent including all the landmass of the earth prior to the Triassic period when it split into Laurasia and Gondwanaland (7)

- 15 Collection of ancient rabbinic writings on Jewish law and tradition (the Mishna and the Gemara) that constitute the basis of religious authority in Orthodox Judaism (6)
- 17 Greek god of darkness who dwelt in the underworld; son of Chaos; brother of Nox; father of Aether and Day (6)
- **18** Leader of an Arab village or family (5)
- 21 Roman poet remembered for his elegiac verses on love (43 BC AD 17) (4)