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Across

- 1 Statements of what one believes
- 7 German singer known for upbeat song about balloons
- **8** Love Island *or* lethal injection (initials)
- **9** Ted Danson *or The Damned* (initials)
- 10 Lev Bronstein *or* Linda Blair (initials)
- 12 "I distrust a man who says when. If he's got to be careful not to drink too much, it's because he's not to be trusted when he does" Celebrated US author creator of Sam Spade and the Thin Man
- **14** Ralph Nader *or* Richard Nixon (initials)
- 15 Excellent Japanese home studio reel to reel tape recorder popular with young men in 70s
- **16** Avogadro's theorem *or* Adam Troy (initials)
- 17 Assess quality or efficacy; assign a standard or value to something according to a particular scale, often comparatively (*Hot or Not* etc.)
- 18 Immortal horse of Achilles at Troy (in Iliad)

Down

- Deadly biological weapon brought to 2003 UN Security Council meeting by Secretary of State Colin Powell in dramatic argument for US military intervention in Iraq
- 2 School of Hindu philosophy
- 3 Oscar Niemeyer *or* Ozzy Nelson (initials)
- 4 Satanic US corporation known for paying starvation wages and selling assault weapons
- 5 Lord Lucan *or* Lindsay Lohan *or* Lou Loomis (initials)
- 6 Cultural period characterized as swinging
- Biblical unit of currency (chiefly silver) determined by weight equivalent to half a shekel (and 1/120th of a talent)
- 13 Russian pop duo from 80s known for pretending to be lesbians

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