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5-25-80 I spoke too soon about Portland being spared any fallout from Mt. St. Helens. The wind shifted yesterday and now we have a coating of gray ash over everything.

The mountain is erupting again; not cataclysmically, but enough to cause a lot of problems.

Ironically, when I went out onto the porch to get the Sunday paper this morning the headline staring up at me was: VOLCANIC ASH FALLS ON WESTERN OREGON. And there was a coating of ash on the paper.

GAD... I talk about quitting fiction writing, but soon after that my mind begins seething with ideas and scenes and themes and characters.... [Is a fiction writer like an alcoholic---just can't stay away from the stuff? Goes on "binges" every now and again?]

I feel vaguely doomed...condemned to write novels till I die or am physically unable to peck away or think clearly enough.

And doomed, too, to write my own contrary stories that aren't commercial enough to appeal to the large commercial publishers.

There is a Force in me which rebels against writing conformist category formula fiction...the nice, safe fiction that will earn me a nice safe living.

Instead I write porno or something like ONE IMMORTAL MAN or STAR WHORES... material I suspect strongly is unconsciously calculated to be rejected by editors buying for a mass market.

I say this is my cross to bear and also my pride, somehow. Like Popeye, I am what I am and tough shit to those [including parts of my psyche] who don't like it. I'm probably following a Script

given to me by my parents and which is sandblasted by events. I've about decided to resist not this Script and go with the flow---be "myself". Therein lies a kind of satisfaction and happiness.

As long as the Script doesn't call for suicide, prison, or extreme unhappiness, why not go along for the ride? After forty or so years you discover you've so much invested in this Script and Image that have developed, it doesn't pay to want or try to change it.

And there is the lurking hope that one day an editor of a Big House will take a chance on one of my books and it will be a smash best-seller surprise and I'll be rich and famous.

In the meanwhile I'll probably write and publish my novels in 500 copy editions for REG and SFR readers, and wait for the magic moment.

We can't say we haven't been warned. Crown Prince Fahd of Saudi Arabia is quoted in the paper today as having said:

"We want the entire world to be aware of the sincere desire on our part to protect security and economic stability and not to expose oil-consuming nations to economic upheavals that would affect the world at large. But this does not mean we are going to avoid using any weapons at our disposal if we despair of a possibility of a just solution (to the Palestinian problem) and if the international community fails to discern our good faith. In that case we will be obliged to utilize all weapons within our reach."

Fahd, who runs Saudi affairs on a day-to-day basis, also said:

---The Camp David peace accords between Egypt and Israel "were doomed to failure. ... We knew Israel was maneuvering to drive a wedge in Arab ranks to gain time and that it was not going to implement even a fraction of the concessions it was allegedly making under the Camp David accords."

---"We confess the dangers besetting us are increasing and that attempts to interfere in our domestic affairs do exist."

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5 issues \$3. --- 10 issues \$6.

He's saying we don't have much time left. U.S. policy will have to change to a far more pro-Arab stance, and we will have to seriously pressure Israel to yield real autonomy to the West Bank. And Europe had better be aware that this must happen [I would say the time limit is about a year] and European pressure must be applied to the U.S. and Israel--- or else!

Or else oil and big money will be used by the Saudis and other Arab OPEC countries to force action. Fahd may also be saying that the oil-consuming nations must make sure that the socialist and communist forces in place in Yemen and the horn of Africa, as well as fundamentalist (Khomeini-inspired) Moslem movements, do not become strong enough to overthrow the Saudi ruling family.

We'll see if the Rockefeller/Morgan power locus will yield on this and force poor Jimmy Carter to change policy and lose the election for sure.

If Carter moves before the election the Israelis will stall on giving in until after the November election in hopes of getting better treatment from Reagan. The Saudis will have to wait, too, I imagine. But no matter who wins the presidency, he'll face an ultimatum from the Saudis and OPEC.

We saw the movie CALIGULA a few nights ago. It's a grotesque, sexual, depraved, sadistic, monster of a film which is sumptuously photographed, and which boasts an academy award performance by Malcolm McDowell whose last role was H.G. Wells in TIME AFTER TIME. [That little twerp playing Caligula, you ask?] But McDowell is so sly and mad and cruel and vicious in CALIGULA that you won't believe it's the same actor.

I'd like to nominate Peter O'Toole for his supporting, short-lived role as the aged, senile, amoral emperor Tiberius, Caligula's predecessor on the imperial throne.

Their scenes together are fine!

And the scenes with John Gielgud as Nerva are superior.

But both Tiberius and Nerva die (murder and suicide) early in the film, and after they leave....it's sadistic violence, sex, and the Penthouse Pets on parade...as Caligula screws around with Drusilla his sister and seeks to goad the army and the aristocracy into kill-

ing him. The orgy involving the forced participation of the wives of Roman Senators seems to have done the trick.

There are hardcore porno scenes--- two lovely young women do a lesbian scene that shows all in graphic detail, and in the final orgy scene two lovelies suck off an unidentified man (we only see his 10" penis) to the point of orgasm.

All the sadism and violence is (with two brief exceptions) against males and deals mostly with the mutilation of sex organs. This (it is said) is Gore Vidal's work and is one of the reasons the producer, Bob Guccione, decided to tone down Gore's script: too much homosexuality and too much homosexual torture and violence.

Guccione didn't like the way the original director, Tinto Brass, was casting and photographing the film, either, so Brass was fired and Guccione and Franco Rossellini finished it and reshot many scenes and added other scenes.

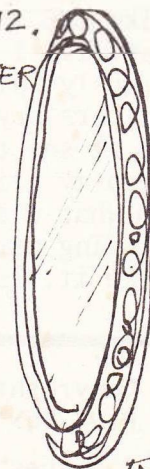
The scenes added are the rather pleasant orgy scenes and the porno scenes.

The movie shows the patches and the different slants and directions. Too, it is too palace-bound; only rarely does Rome and the empire and the non-sexual life of Caligula and his retinue and relatives appear. The sets are sensual and beautiful---if too perfect and exotic. Everything and everyone was too clean and #10-ish.

CALIGULA isn't a very good movie, but it has its moments. And it may turn out to be a pivotal film if it grosses enough to make a handsome profit after it earns its 17 million dollar nut. [I understand the admission price in New York

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IS A 9.85±.12.

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At 80

is or was \$10. Here in Portland the price is \$6.] It is unrated, but there is an "Explicit scenes" warning, and no one under 18 years is admitted.

We may be entering a new era in movie-making---the really respectable, big-money making porno film, using big-name stars. But I think---if it happens---that we'll see a social/cultural reaction (as in the mid-late 30's) to censorship and nice-nice films, by law.

Either that, or we'll go down the road of ever more graphic sex and violence in spectator entertainment...recreating the degradation of Rome as a jaded, thrill-seeking audience substitutes the Tube and the Movie House and the Cassette for the Colliseum...and which is comforted by the knowledge that no one is really getting hurt and the sex is all willing and professional.

The Roman Emperors during the decline and fall of the Roman Empire gave their citizens bread and circuses. The rulers of America during the decline and fall of our empire will give us [ARE giving us] food stamps and ever more sexual and violent equivalent entertainments.

I don't condemn this. I observe it and record it. I also intend to enjoy it.

5-28-80 Here's something to worry about as a signal:

'MAPS IN SHORT SUPPLY

'Working around the clock, Defense Mapping Agency experts are straining to overcome a significant shortage of military maps and charts of the Persian Gulf - Indian Ocean area.

'Starting virtually from scratch, they have been hustling to produce about 4000 different types of specialized maps and charts of that region's deserts, mountains, terrain and waters for use by U.S. land, sea and air forces.'

Why the hurry, all of a sudden? Could something be planned that requires a great need for that many maps? Something like a blockade of Iran's ports? Something like an Expeditionary Force?

Iran's oil production is now down to 500,000 barrels a day...and sinking. This is less than they need for domestic use.

This shortfall can be borne till late fall, I'd say, if absolutely necessary, but come winter when the people's need for kerosene goes way up (to heat their homes in addition to cooking), something will have to give. Another revolution or major change of government is coming.

[In pre-revolutionary days Iran exported at least 6 million barrels per day, and produced enough besides for its own needs.]

6-4-80 The signals are coming thick and fast: historic, record breaking numbers of new applications for unemployment insurance, record drops in the economic leading indicators, record lows in car sales, housing starts....a record-breaking drop in the prime rate of interest...

Even Jimmy Carter has been forced to admit that the recession is now going to be deep, though he expresses the conviction it will be short.

Nobody tells us where the stimulus will come from to reverse the slide.

Truth is there is a natural bottom down the road: with inflation going up and interest rates going up, people bought quickly to beat higher prices later. NOW, people are holding off buying many things, convinced lower prices are in the future. This delay in buying, of course, makes the slump even worse. But once the bottom is reached there will be a sharp rebound as people decide there's no point in waiting any longer.

BUT---once that initial surge of delayed buying and borrowing is spent...there will have to be a great infusion of new money or incentive (both, probably) in order for the economy to really recover. Failing a BIG tax cut and changes in the tax laws which favor savers and investors instead (as now) favoring borrowing and spending) the economy will simply thrash around in a depression.

Many financial experts see the government forced once again to turn on inflation spending, especially because those experts (in and out of government) see disastrous bankruptcies in financial institutions looming ahead. 1981 will be critical.

PERSONAL FINANCE--The Inflation Survival Letter, May 28, 1980, reports:

'Nervous over the shaky condition of the U.S. banking industry, and prompted by the need for a \$1.5 billion rescue package to prop up just one bank (First Pennsylvania),

the Federal Reserve has acquired additional just-in-case powers.

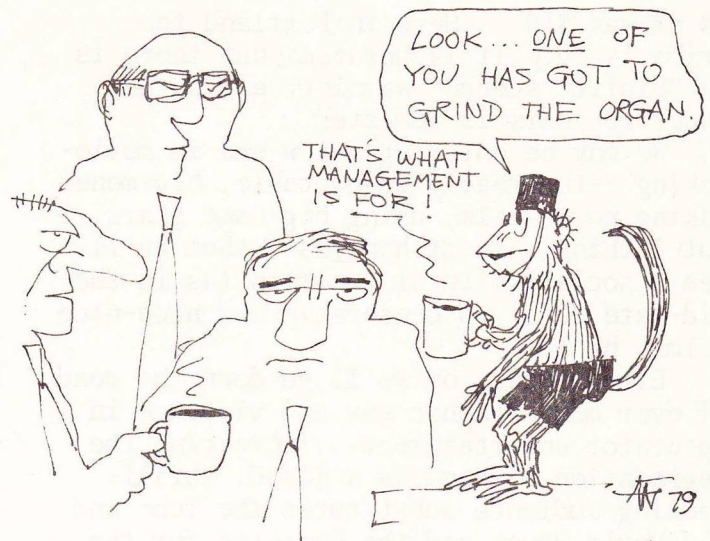
'In the recently passed Depository Institutions Deregulation and Monetary Control Act of 1980 there were several "sleeper" provisions, to help the Fed deal with bank failures on a larger scale. There is no longer a distinction between banks that are "members" or "non-members" of the Federal Reserve System; all are now allowed to borrow from the Fed's discount window. The Fed is no longer required to have collateral for its stock of Federal Reserve Notes (paper money in everyday circulation); these may now be printed and stockpiled. Collateral now legally includes any assets the Fed wishes; if necessary, stocks, bonds, commercial paper, even mortgages could be purchased by the Fed. Reserve requirements for banks may now be set, without real limits, by the Fed itself; if thought essential, reserves could be set at zero. National bank holidays may now be declared piecemeal, state-by-state, or even locality-by-locality.

'In addition, there are several bills now pending in Congress that will expand even these extraordinary powers.

'HR7080 would amend the Bank Holding Act to allow emergency banking mergers across state lines; this would take some burden off the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, by permitting stronger banks to absorb faltering ones regardless of legal limitations on bank holding companies. This act also expands the powers of the FDIC, The Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation, The Federal Home Loan Bank, and even allows mergers of troubled credit unions.

'Reminiscent of Germany in 1923, when money was printed on one side only to save time, is a new Senate bill, S2305. By law, U.S. currency must now be printed by Intaglio, a fussy engraving process; this new legislation would allow the backs of \$1 bills to be printed by any means, including offset. Though lowering printing costs is probably the main objective, this law could help free the presses to allow greater production of higher denominations, if needed.

'Together, these new laws, passed and pending, undoubtedly give the Fed the emergency powers needed to rescue a failing banking system. They are significant in two ways, the first being that the Fed and Treasury recognize the condition of our banks, the need for such tools. The other



is that hyperinflation is now more possible, more probable. In an emergency, using its new tools, the Fed could pump out massive quantities of new bookkeeping money and currency, expanding the money supply 30%, 70%, 150% in a few months, maybe even weeks.'

In my opinion the stage is being set, the props are in place, the "actors" know their lines. Soon the play, ECONOMIC CATASTROPHE, WAR & DICTATORSHIP IN THE GOOD OLD U.S.A. will begin its run.

MOVIES-----

NIGHT GAMES (X)

implies intercourse, sucking, a bit of lesbianism...but nothing explicit goes on except kissing and a lot of see-through clothes go off. It all revolves around a young woman who was raped as a young teenager and whose marriage is going to hell because she cannot often stand to have her rich Hollywood husband get into her.

Pissed off, he flies off to London to a conference and she is left neurotically alone with her despair and fantasies. Well, sir, apparently these fantasies are real--or are they? A great-bodied stud in costume (face always covered) balls her every night. Is it her husband who may have only pretended to fly away? Is it a friend of the hubby? A horny, crude hanger-on?

After a while you don't care. There is a very unconvincing happy ending.

Cindy Pickett is the young woman. She is scrawny and her constant nude and semi-nude scenes are virtually neuter and anti-

erotic. She looks like a young Jean Seberg. Roger Vadim directed--badly--and was apparently not much interested. The adequate supporting cast did its best.

Don't waste your money.

THE FIFTH FLOOR (R)

trots out the old pretty-young-woman-trapped-in-a-mental-ward-who-is-preyed-upon-by-an-evil-male-attendant formula.

Basically unbelievable because modern big-city hospital mental wards do not allow male aides to be alone with female patients where advantage could be taken.

The production has the aura of a C-movie but does show very well the Catch-22 life of anyone sent in for "observation": any unpalatable stories told to staff about staff are discounted/not believed because the teller is a crazy. And any anger or physical display at being humored, patronized, conned, or flat-out ignored is considered a further, incriminating symptom of mental illness!

Anyway, this has a basic suspense, and Bo Hopkins is good as the vile attendant, and Sharon Farrell is very good as an around-the-bend patient who can't-take-it-anymore and hangs herself. She's wasted in these low-budget films she has to act in to survive.

Mel Ferrer as a psychiatrist, and Julie Adams (looking old) as a nurse lend their names and nothing else to the film.

6-6-80 Unemployment surged another .8% in May, to 7.8%, and I'm not surprised. I also read in the WALL STREET JOURNAL of plans by major corporations for additional layoffs in June and July. And there are the unnoticed/unreported thousands of layoffs by smaller firms, the business closings and failures....

It's possible to project an even steeper-than-expected unemployment rate for November. Say the rate increases like this:

July 6th---8.4%

Aug. 6th---8.9%

Sept. 6th---9.4%

Oct. 6th---9.9%

Nov. 6th---10.3%

Could Carter be re-elected with an official 10% unemployment rate reported close before the election?

If the rate of unemployment increases

are diminished for the next few months---say only .3% per month---you get an 11.2% rate by February.

6-12-80 Cold confort: Iben Browning, an expert on climate, says: "This [St. Helens] volcanic activity and other things are causing the northern hemisphere to grow cooler and this will result in shifts in crop patterns."

"Since the last harvest" there have been volcanoes going off in Japan, Italy and Iceland.

He says there are three major causes of climate changes: volcanic, solar activity and magnetic field changes.

The magnetic field, which is the position of the magnetic north pole, is moving slowly but inexorably westward. "The magnetic field affects the position of storm tracks, and it is now in about the same position as it was in the 1200s when a severe drought occurred in the Colorado basin area."

"The deep snows in Nebraska last winter caused calves to be dropped into three feet of snow where they suffocated," he cited as an example of adverse effects.

The ice storms that hit Portland the last two Januarys also are evidence of a basic change taking place in the climate. "The overall change is a gradual trend, but there will also be considerable oscillation when it will be sharply warmer or sharply colder."

"I have a hypothesis of equivalent misery. People will keep going from one place to another until it's as miserable where they would have gone as it is where they would have come from. The last immigrant arrives from New York when Oregon is as miserable as New York."

He thinks the cold cycle now developing will bottom out around 2010. "It will remain that way for some time before starting to warm up." He pointed out that the sun warmed up until early in the 1930s and now is in the process of cooling. Solar activity accounts for about 50% of climatic changes.

My comment: colder winters and shorter summers will mean more energy used for heating and thus higher prices for energy. A trend toward smaller, better insulated solar homes will come soon. If you are going to move---try to move south.

OPEC just inched its prices up a few dollars per barrel; the biggest blow will come when the Saudis raise from \$28 to \$32 this summer. And there is always the unnoticed hit as the domestic oil producers, gradually being decontrolled by the government, raise their prices to keep up with the world price of oil, which is set by OPEC.

Chrysler is up against the wall: it has been forced to stop paying its suppliers until later in the month when it can tap the first \$500 million of those recently okayed government guaranteed loans.

But it will be a narrow squeak for the company: it has in recent weeks already gone through hundreds of millions in Michigan and Canadian government loans.

A few days ago a bank in Germany seized \$8 million in Chrysler credits to cover debts owed it by Chrysler [much as the big banks seized Iranian funds a few months ago]. With new cars selling at catastrophically low rates (50% or less than 1979 per day sales), all the American car companies are in trouble, with Chrysler the worst of the lot.

In my opinion new car, new model, sales will be terrible this fall and by Christmas Chrysler will be belly up.

Bankruptcies are up 100% from March to April, this year, in Oregon, by the way. The May, June and July bankruptcy rate should be hair-raising.

The real fallout won't come until next year when some really big corporations die.

The great deflation is beginning. The terrible destruction of the debt structure is proceeding apace, on schedule.



6-14-80 Several stories in the paper the past few days have disturbed me...

My expectations/predictions in re Iran (Khomeini is losing power and the country is sinking into chaos; he won't last too much longer.), and Afghanistan (The Russians are losing ground and will soon have to accept a face-saving device to cover their exit, or will have to come in like a ton of bricks and kill everybody in sight.) are on target.

The details of the gas rationing plan concocted by the government are out: Owners of registered cars would get "checks" from the govt. which would be "cashed" at banks or post offices, perhaps, for gas ration coupons.

You could sell those coupons to anyone for whatever you could get---they'd be a second currency, backed by gasoline.

It will take a year for the govt. to set up this system: "Unless Congress blocks the plan by a joint resolution within 30 days, the rationing system would be constructed over the next twelve to 15 months at a cost of some \$103 million."

"Rationing would be put into operation only if the president found the nation faced a shortage of at least 20%, lasting at least 30 days, and if Congress did not block rationing within 15 days after his announcement; or if Congress waived that standard and allowed rationing in a less severe emergency." [*Italics mine*]

Comment: If you want to be sure to have enough gas in 1981-82 and onward, buy a junker, register it, get plates for it, and either keep it (if you have room) or lend it to a friend for safe-keeping. And remember, once rationing is obviously close or an emergency hits, old used cars will be bought up like crazy by those wanting extra gas, for registration in their names. The prices for old cars will skyrocket.

A few days ago Gerald Ford met with Ronald Reagan for a "reconciliation love feast" and Ford reportedly urged Reagan to take on Henry Kissinger as a top foreign policy advisor [and appoint Henry to a top spot in the coming Reagan administration.]. It is reported that Reagan did not accept the suggestion.

But he didn't publically reject it, either.

Today a story: Reagan said William Brock will stay on as National Chairman of the Republican Party. Some of Reagan's

more conservative advisors had wanted to get Brock out of that influential post. Why? Because Brock is a member of David Rockefeller's Trilateral Commission and is a Rockefeller/Morgan agent.

For Reagan to keep Brock suggests an accommodation has been made with the Eastern money establishment.

Item: In the "Washington Outlook" of the June 23 issue of BUSINESS WEEK, is the news that two large, Rockefeller-controlled organizations are setting up to use a "loophole" in the elections law to spend multi-millions of dollars supporting the coming Reagan candidacy for President. It is estimated they could outspend Carter 2 to 1.

The evidence accumulates that Ronald Reagan has either sold out to the mega-fortunes that really rule, or has been secretly in their camp all along.

This view is further buttressed by the "surfacing" of trial balloons that George Bush might be a very good v.p. candidate for Reagan.

Bush, a former member of the Trilateral Commission and long-time Rockefeller agent, was defeated in the primaries largely because the grass-roots voters knew that and rejected him. For him to be chosen as Reagan's Vice President running mate would be quite a signal...and the odds of Reagan living too long after election would diminish. He might serve one full term and then turn the country over to Bush. We'll see. If he took order well....

Oh, yes, here's another note from the "Washington Outlook": "On June 10, Bush's former campaign manager, Representative Barber B. Conable, Jr. (R.N.Y.), led a group of 23 former Bush backers in the House in endorsing Reagan."

Conable is a member of the ubiquitous Rockefeller Trilateral Commission. These relationships are not accidental. And for Conable and 23 other Representatives who are in Rockefeller's pocket to come out for Reagan.... It smells like Ronnie is in that same big-money pocket, now.

STAY TUNED FOR LAVA OF LIFE.



6-18-80 I've come to the conclusion that politicians, and especially bureaucrats, just adore a natural disaster; it allows them to function, to be officious and concerned and to prove to everyone how necessary they are!

Daily, here in Oregon, we are advised by our DEQ (Department of Environmental Quality) how much 'particulate' is in the air, how to drive, how to breathe, whether to stay in or go out....

Because a week ago an eruption by Mt. St. Helens dropped less than 1/16th of an inch of fine ash (dust!) on Portland and parts of northwest Oregon.

It takes an hour or so to wash it off the driveway, sidewalks and patio. Once on lawn or open ground it gradually melds with other dirt and is soon part of the soil. For a while it gets swept into the air by wind and car tires, but as time passes more and more of this dust will end up in the soil and off the streets and after a month it will be as if it had never been.

Yet today our governor asked the president to declare Oregon a disaster area...

Jesus!

Anybody who has lived in a desert city subject to dust and sand all the time would laugh his head off at the Chicken Little [THE SKY IS FALLING!!] behavior of our local idiots in government.

And the people of Portland are no less idiots. For a few days after the dust deposit half the people who went outside wore a filter mask!

I saw one woman with a filter mask, upon entering a store, take it off and light up a cigaret! That one cigaret put more junk into her lungs than a week's worth of St. Helens "particulate"!

You would have to breathe heavy laden dusty air for YEARS before appreciable damage would be done to your lungs. I mean eight hours a day for ten years at least. And if you tripled your intake of vitamin C and E and the B-complex you'd probably neutralize most of the damage potential.

Christ--it takes twenty years of smoking twenty to thirty cigarets per day to develop lung cancer! [Without extra vitamins!]

And people go into a panic over a little dust! Because bureaucrats want to be important and show how needed they are!

I think I need a filter against bureaucratic officiousness and public credulity. My tolerance of moron-thinking shrinks each year, and each year I'm more and more aware of the quantities of idiot mouthings in the air.

6-19-80 Labor Secretary Ray Marshall (with three weeks of near-record new unemployment compensation claims in his head) said yesterday that unemployment may rise as high as 8.5% by early next year.

I nearly choked when I read that! The lying con-artist expects us to believe him?

Even as he spoke he knew the unemployment rate is now 8.5%. When the figures are released in early July everyone will moan, piss and sigh and there'll be some "action" to counter joblessness.

THEN Marshall can come out with a 9% prediction. Each month he can amend his sooth-saying crap.

The truth is by year-end unemployment will be in the 10% range. Right now almost every industry is scheduling further layoffs for July-August. Tourism is way down and will be downer, causing further unemployment in that major area of the economy.

The airlines are making large cutbacks in flights and employees for the prime flying months of July-August!

5-22-80 PARADE's "intelligence Report" by Lloyd Shearer carried a big discussion about Ronald Reagan's possible v.p. choice. It concludes: 'The political savants say Reagan has winnowed the field down to Sen. Howard Baker, George Bush, former Sec. of Defense Donald Rumsfeld and Republican National Chairman Bill Brock.'

All of these men, just coincidentally, are now or were until recently members of either (or both) David Rockefeller's Council On Foreign Relations and/or David Rockefeller's Trilateral Commission.

I'd bet on Bush.

No nudity, virtually no violence. A pretty good chase sequence using police Rabbits (in Netherlands). [I should amend the above: no frontal nudity. Bare backs don't count no omre.]

Subsequent issues of REG will be in the three-column mimeographed 8-page format of a few issues ago. I'll be using the Congressional type (17 characters-per-inch) Olympia typer. This will just about double the wordage but eliminate the cartoons. A trade-off, I guess.

The reason for the change is economic, of course; offset costs too much. REG income isn't enough to pay for each issue at present, so the budget forces a less expensive...yammer yammer, whine, whine..... Whimper. So it goes.

We're going to have grapes this year, some seedless, some with. I'll have to get some more 2 x 4s and 2 x 6s to make still longer and higher frameworks for them to grow up on and along. We'll end up with sixty feet of vines.

That should provide all the snackin' and wine-makin' grapes we'll need, in about three years.

That recalcitrant peach tree is firewood. I run a tough produce-or-die society around here!

I have about forty redwood boards and am treating them with water/soil sealer. They'll be used to extend the container gardens to five feet width, effectively tripling the garden area. I have two big 2-year-old compost boxes full ready to fill the new boxes. Looking good!

Movie Review ROUGH CUT (PG)

The latest Burt Reynolds movie is a fun master-diamond-thief caper. Burt is macho, charming, amusing, debonair, clever, intelligent... It is his film all the way. David Niven as the Scotland Yard Inspector out to get him is adequate (but losing his touch in his 70s). Leslie Anne Downes is beautiful and just right as Burt's lovely partner. (But she hasn't the personality or character of Sally Field.)

In the thirties and forties and fifties the last scene showed the criminal being caught. Nowadays it would be a twist if he did get caught.

I LOVE TO WATCH SITCHEMS.
"JOHN'S OTHER LAB," "THE
HAPPY SYNTHESIST" AND
"SECRET INGREDIENTS" ARE
MY FAVORITES.

