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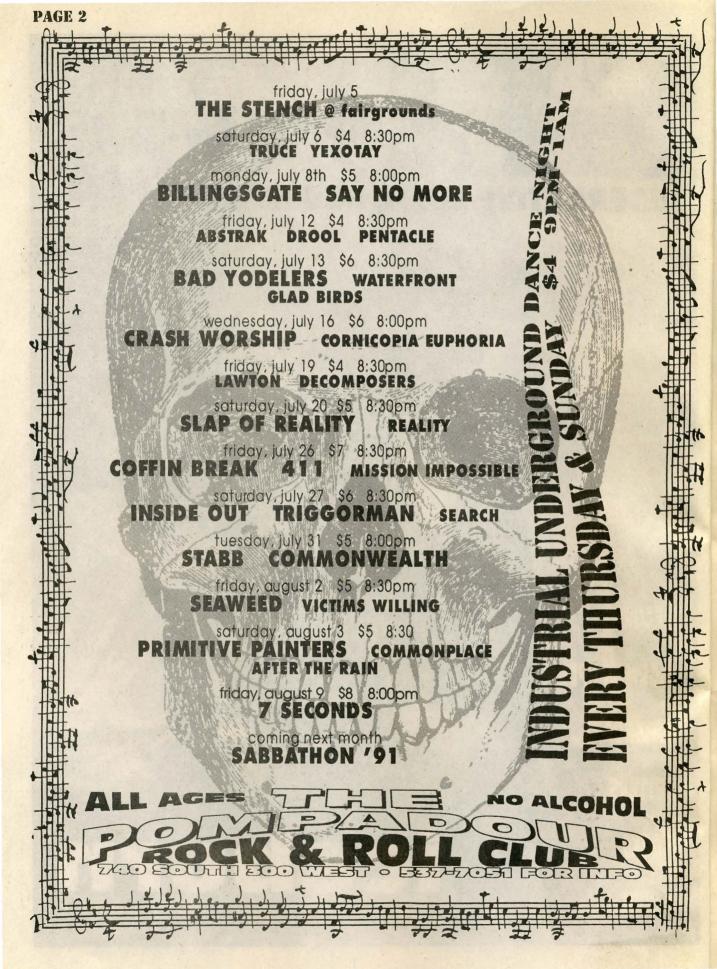
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dear dickheads...

To Mike Carlson,

Once again you have confirmed the fact that you are a complete geek. Do you ever tire of public humiliation?

T. Stinson

Dearest Dickheads,

Controversy, controvesy, controversy! After reading the Slug No. 30/June '91 issue, I must respond to the following:

- 1. Mike Carlson, suck mine. Your bullshit attitude is right from the pages of Maximum Rock And Roll. "Getting signed to the majors and being bled dry for the bloodsucking consumer machine?" That shit happens on quite a few indies, too, but why even bother to record or tour without some degree of success? Sorry, babycakes, but the money goes along with this and it's not the cash that makes things bad, but what you do with it. If this wasn't the case, records would be free of charge to make and distribute. Since you consider Slug a cute and cuddly pacifier, why don't you turn to the page my column was on and suck that with your true alternative lips? I advise you take your late fanzine's title to heart.
- 2. "Concerned Observer," you pussy, sign your name next time so I can look you up in the BYU directory. I'd love nothing more than to move BACK to New York, so find yourself a Pixie stick and kiss a pink poddle ass to your heart's content. You are a fool who's been brainwashed by your Revelation Records collection. Buy a six-pack, play some P.I., eat a hamburger, get laid. In short, pull your head out.
- 3. R.M. and Club Zero, a couple of your fans really should have stayed out on the farm. The bitch who threw beer cans at me and shouted epithets about my drum set almost got beheaded by a crash cymbal. Nevertheless, the majority of you were good people to deal with. In fact, your band is a group of really nice guys who were right on the ball. However, I wish Powerslave would have benefited from the use of your P.A. because we played an instrumental set. You

were right, though. The stage was cool.

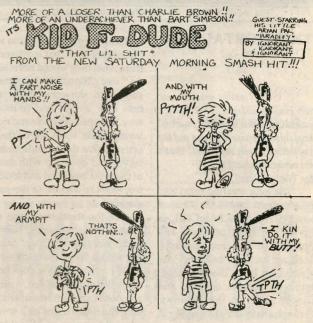
- 4. Mary Anne rules. She is the Alternative Cultural Icon for this month. Next up, I submit Chris Robin.
- 5. Matt Taylor is right on the ball, friends and neighbors. To

me, industrial always was shit like ELP, Kraftwerk, Laibach, and Throbbing Gristle. This guy knows what's surreal.

> Yours in warm regards, Love and bullets, Charlee X Nine

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record reviews...



THIS MORTAL COIL

photo: Kevin Westenberg

THIS MORTAL COIL Blood 4AD

"Well, I really enjoy music that invokes sadness. That doesn't mean at the end of a perfectly normal day I think it's wise to go and end the day feeling totally depressed. That's not remotely what I feel."

Ivo Watts-Russell.

The long awaited third and final release by 4AD "house band" THIS MORTAL COIL, is by far the most poignant and heartfelt of the three releases. Feeding on the "sadness" described by Ivo, "Blood" delves into new shades of grey and dances about in the shadows, through shafts of light varying in intensity and depth.

Like the previous two albums, "Blood" is a mixture of original songs and obscure cover tunes. "Blood" features songs by the unlikely artist Syd Barrett. Chris Bell (from BIG STAR), Mary Margaret O'Hara and Randy California as well as former 4AD artist Pieter Nooten (of CLAN OF XYMOX). Songs are linked by instrumentals and samples, giving the feel of a complete work as opposed to a collection of individual pieces. Featured artists include Kim Deal (PIXIES), Tanya Donelly (THROWING MUSES), Dominic Appleton (BREATHLESS), Tim Freeman (FRAZIER CHORUS) and Caroline Crowley (SHEELYAN OR-PHAN). According to Ivo, "It's supposed to be the point for people involved in this project

that they're given a vehicle for their expression that is different from what they would normally do," and "Blood" is the perfect vehicle to showcase these talents in a unique and unusual way. Stripped of power and ego, laying their souls bare, these artists delve deep inside themselves and come up with some of the most beautiful and touching work to surface in the past decade.

Of the stand-out pieces on "Blood," the strongest is "I Come and Stand at Every Door." Starting with a lone voice, the song builds musically as it does lyrically. Strings are added, drums are loosed and a chorus of voices sing the final strains as a seven year old victim of Hiroshima pleads for peace in a world of apathy. This song typifies the work of THIS MORTAL COIL and the overall feel of the records the 4AD project has recorded. Emotion becomes song, pouring from the stereo and grabbing hold of the listeners hearts and minds.

With pre-release orders in America numbering around 25,000 copies, THIS MORTAL COIL's infamy will spread further, reaching a larger and more diverse audience in the States. The demise of TMC leaves us anxious for Ivo's next project, but the farewell bidding is one that will long be with it's listeners.

"Dreams are like water; colourless, and dangerous..."

Matt.

JELLO BIAFRA "I Blow Mind's for a Living"

(Spoken Word Album No. 3)
Alternative Tentacles Records

I know, you're all getting sick of me touting Jello's virtues.

Tough shit, since this is one you cannot miss!

If you only buy one spoken-word album in your life, make it this one, Jello's beat.

Not only are superb updates of "Die for Oil. Sucker"

and the "Pledge of Allegiance" included, but truly chilling discussions of censorship and mariiuana are included.

For example, on the former subject, Biafra (a.k.a. Eric Boucher) blasts those so-called "liberal" hypocrites who would censor Two-Live Crew without realizing their similarities to their so-called "foes." On the latter, it's been said before how much this country used to rely on hemp production, but not so succinctly.

Best of all are Biafra's comparisons of George Bush to Adolf Hitler. I know that once I would have found such allegations to be paranoid rantings of a lunatic, but things I've learned have changed my tune. You owe it to yourself and your country to listen to Jello Biafra, at least before civil rights are all gone.

Chris Robin

SKINNER BOX

The Playhouse
Toxic Shock Records

SKINNER BOX is the dream-filled fantasy world of Julianna Towns. Towns' play-house alternates between pillars of light with breezes of cool wind and dark corners with shifting shadows, crawling with un-

knownable life. The music changes with childlike whims from the sing-song, rope-skipping melodies to the strange demons that riddle one's mind. Full of unusual noises and whispers, "The Playhouse" is another world where illusion and reality dance together in beautiful and



Jello Biafra

grotesque forms.

"Always Dear Iris" is a demented waltz with the interplay of two music box rhythms in the background. It is two lovers dancing closely in the moonlight to an unseen orchestra; music that bursts from their hearts, full of uncertainty and unsurity that plagues romance.

"Lotus Land" has amazing keyboard parts; the endless flow of rolled notes and runs as Towns' fingers glide over the piano. Written in the 1950's, it has the seemy feel of a smokefilled blues joint, evoking deep feelings, while tempting the listeners to tap their toes.

Towns musical talent seems limitless as she writes her music, plays keyboards, flute, strings, drums, and then adds her breathy, mellow vocals which eminate forth as sighs, lazily spilling from her mouth over the background she creates.

M.

THE SKATENIGS

"Chemical Imbalance"
EP WaxTrax Records

Anyone who caught the guys opening for the Revoltir Cocks knows how hard the Texans rage.

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Supposedly named from a skateboard enthusiast magazine that can't spell, it's not surprising that one of the two songs sounds strikingly like a cross between Ministry and the Cocks.

"Chemical Imbalance" opens with a chilling spokenword, prose poem by one Lorri Jackson, a now-departed friend of the 'Nigs. That icy intro leads into a menacing industrial roar replete with Billy Skatenig's dead-on Alain Jourgensen imitation. It's a stunner.

The second number blends a funk groove into the mix and Billy's vocals are a little more varied this time. This one takes a little more time for appreciation, but this is where the 'Nigs' future lies. Don't miss this one! Also, these guys are opening Ministry's world tour starting in October. Need I say more?

Chris Robin



"The Reality of My
Surroundings"
Columbia Records

Remember England's "Three Angry Young Men" - Ilvis Costello, Joe Jackson and Graham Parker? Well now merica has it's "Three Angry Young Black Bands" - Living Colour, 24-7 Spyzand Fishbone.

The latter, the best of the tree, has released it's best altum of it's career, a sprawling rasterpiece mixing ska, funk, lighop, hardrock and punk into a consistent hybrid.

Unlike Living Colour, those songs start sounding the same after a while, and 24-7 pyz, who are frustratingly in-



BRAINSTORM

consistent, the 'Bones never make the same album twice. This one is their "political" album their "Green," if you will blasting apathy (the metallic "Fight the Youth"), media figures (one particular "If I Were A...I'd" hilariously pans Ollie North) and the prospects of nuclear holocaust ("Sunless Saturday").

That's not to say the album is a downer, though. Unlike mealy-mouthed spokesmen like Peter Gabriel and Sting, these dudes do have a sense of humor, as the "If I Were A...I'd" series and "Nasty Man" can attest to.

Producing themselves for the first time, the Bones flex all the muscles in their musical repertoire. "The Reality of My Surroundings" is a mature, solid work that puts these guys into rock's heavyweight category. Let's hope these guys make a tour stop here.

Chris Robin

BRAINSTORM Let Me Forget & Awake 7" Flatline Records

After listening to this a few dozen times, I must say I'm really beginning to enjoy this one!

"Let Me Forget" - Slow, but intense, some seriously heavy stuff. Damn good lyrics too: "I guess I trusted too much/And people let me down." Great guitar and bass lines. Lie down in the dark and absorb this one.

"Awake" - Faster, though not as catchy as "Let Me Forget." Nevertheless, most good. Many a changing rhythm, some darn good bass, groovy fills, <u>NICE</u> ending! So, uh, time to go pick this one up at RAUNCH. Do It!

MisHell.

ALICE DONUT

Revenge Fantasies of the Impotent Alternative Tentacles

Oh how I jumped for joy upon discovering "War Pigs"

to be a track on DONUT's newest! After witnessing them do this live, I thought I was never to hear it again. Alas, I was wrong.

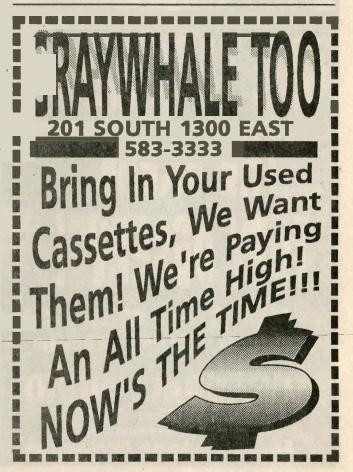
Along with "War Pigs" are nine other brand new tunes. Wow. "Rise To The Skin-" actually not totally disgusting (lyric wise, of course). Pretty clean, good melody line and not too much extra ka ka thrown in."

"Come Up With Your Hands Out," a lovely little ditty put to groovy, jazz-like music, about your psycho grandma.

Generally slower than older DONUT, yet no reason to dislike it. Tom's still pumping out them crazylyrics with that cool/almost annoying but not quite voice of his. I like it, I like it...but they're more fun live.

MisHell,

DO WE HAVE A COPY OF YOUR ALBUM?





buş is it cool...

Anybody remember the Word? Or the Palladium? Or the Speedway Cafe? How about Orem's the Keck or concerts at Reptile Records' old Provo location?

Well, pretty soon you might be adding the Pompadour to the list. Hell, shows at the Fairpark, Bar-n-Grill, Zephyr Club and others may soon just be a distant memory.

There are two problems, folks! 1) Truth is stranger than fiction, and this state's law enforcement officials seem to think they're reenacting "Footloose," harassing club owners and enforcing restrictions that make it impossible for a small clubowner to stay in business; and 2) The scene is dying due to a lack of support. Sure, the Dinosaur Jr./Nirvana show did great, but how about some others?

OK, it sounds hypocritical of me to blast all of you when I've been a notorious no-show, too (most notably the Nomeansno



concert). But I've made an effort to get out and around, even when certain of you accuse me of despising local bands, which is bullshit. Shit, Goddamn, get off YOUR asses and Jamn!

What can we do about our law enforcement officials, you ask? Well, how about writing letters and/or phoning your county commissioners or Mayor and City Council and let them

know how you feel? If these chowderheads don't do anvthing about it, then Goddamnit, vote their sorry asses out of office next time. I may not believe this country is a democracy, but at least I take the time to choose the lesser of two evils. If voting statistics are correct, then a lot of you voted Republican and helped make this mess. Sure there's a lot of them but there's also a lot of us! We've got to start doing something before the "scene" evaporates. I know that sometimes there's a lot of shows that you may not care for. Why don't you request concerts and help out the scene by boycotting radio formats like KJ-snooze, which plays nothing but commercial pop?

Oh well, it doesn't matter.
I'll probably get hit by a bus
anyway.

Wallowing in a sea of hatred,

Chris Robin



A Call to Give

It's come to my attention, brothers and sisters, that you, His sheep, are not submitting to Big Brothers wisdom. To be more specific, the omnipotent one has informed me (first hand) that many of his subjects have failed to render all that they can to sustain this promised land. Didn't God bring Lehi and his kin to this Heaven on earth to be an ensign unto all the nations on this planet? The red, white and blue has continued to answer this

TOTAL STREET

Just as God's own true church can not operate without tithes, neither can His chosen country operate without revenue. OK, let's say it, "TAXES!" Have YOU been cheating on yours? The great Jehovah, famous for his swift and merciless punishment to wrongdoers, knows the evil lurking within

the deepest recesses of your lowly soul.

Cheating is tantamount unto a lie. And as we all know, "Wo be unto the liar, for he shall thrust down to hell." And we don't want that now, do we? And surely I, Uncle Ezra, would be deeply disappointed if any of my sheep fell prey to the great Horned one. Deeply.

And this being the time of year when our country should mean the most to us, when better than now to give all we have (excluding, of course, the mandatory 10% and such). Just ponder, if you will, the selfless and great accomplishments our great white forefathers achieved like: the fulfillment of scripture in the scourging and subjection of those malevolent Lamanites (cursed with the mark of Cain), the grand attainment of military superior-

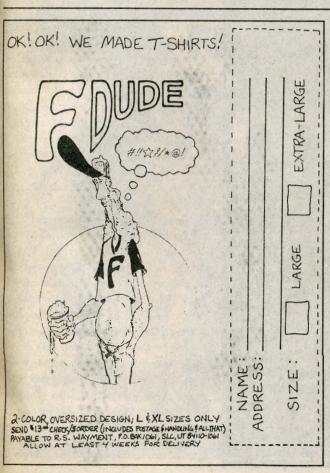


ity, and our victory over the restraints of our once bountiful God-given resources.

Forget not that ye are sinners. But even a sinner, through blind compliance to the laws of God and His chosen nation, may hope not to suffer as severely as those God-less communists, liberals and homosexuals. Heed my

counsel, evil-doer. Remember your sins will be shouted from the rooftops, just like Totally Hidden Video. Salute the flag with all your heart. But remember, your garments always lie between your hand and your

Uncle Ezra





feature band...



iceburn "All GROWN UP"

Since the summer of 1989 I have been keeping a close eye on the straight-edge scene. I knew that it would not last, nationally that is. In Salt Lake however, things have a way of popping up a bit late and never leaving. Regardless, Insight was one of the biggest, most successful bands to emerge from this group of musicians. Insight broke up officially last winter after landing a 7" on Liberty Records and two relatively successful national tours. In Salt Lake they would pack The Word and almost fill Speedway Cafe.

From Insight and Better Way

(another straight-edge band) came Brainstorm. This band featured 3 members of Insight and two members of Better Way. This band broke up the same time that Insight quit. In fact both bands played their farewell show at the Speedway Cafe Friday, September 7th 1990 to a near capacity crowd. At this point there were almost no straight edge bands left in town and a handful of these musicians were eager to start something new. Five of these musicians including Gentry Densley (guitar from Better Way), Doug Wright (bass from Insight), Joseph Smith "Chubba" (drums from Insight), Jeremy Chatelain (vocals, ex-guitarist from Insight) and Jamie Holder guitar from Insight) formed the first incarnation of Iceburn.

Liberty Records also signed this band to release a 7" record which is still in the works but will be available any day. The fact that Iceburn still had four of the five original members gave Liberty Records enough of a reason to release the record. This last month both Jamie and Jeremy quit the band to pursue other musical interests, leaving Iceburn a three-piece.

Before the new three-piece line up Liberty paid Iceburn enough money to record of full-length album which they have already begun. This left both Liberty and Iceburn in a very strange situation. Jeremy has developed quite a following across the United States straight edge scene. Needless to say, Liberty Records which is primarily a straightedge record label, was not overjoyed with the new line-up change. This did not stop them with their plans for the new album which should be available this fallor winter.

The band has a new sound, It is obvious by listening to the band they have moved away from their traditional straight edge sound. This was fairly intentional since all the members have moved on to bigger and better things. I would have to guess that this was not so much a conscious choice, but a need for more of a variety in musical styles and expression. This still puts them at a bit of a disadvantage. All of their music is available on a straight edge label and more than likely they will be marketed as such. This will put a lot of people off that don't like straight-edge music.

Iceburn is now doing what they can to develop an audience of people who can appreciate what they are trying to do with their music. When I asked them what they were trying to say now with their music they really didn't have n answer. Good answer. I have a tendency to shy away from overpolitical and over-zealous bands. Gentry told me their main concentration was on the musical aspects. They all have quite varied musical influences now including Jazz, blues, avante-garde, and many forms of experimental ratiosic. This is not evident in their music as much now as it will be in say six months or a year. However, by broadening

feature band.

their minds musically, they have developed quite an eclectic sound.

I have noticed Doug's liking for funk become laced into their music over the past two years. Along with Gentry's crunchy guitar sound and Chubba's tight solid drum-

ming, the band has become one of the most refreshing new sounds in town. One of the things I have enjoyed about listening to Iceburn is their ability to not shy away from implementing whatever they want into their music including tricky time changes and interesting chord structures.

Iceburn is great band and they have a great future in store for themselves. As long as they stay as determined and inno-



vative as they are now they will always move forward. The Liberty deal could give them a lot of opportunities that most Salt Lake bands will never get. If you haven't seen

will be playing Friday, July 5th at the Fairgrounds with The Stench. This may be the last chance you will get to see them for a while. They leave July 16th for a two week tour to the East coast and again on August 23 for a week on

the West Coast. Gentry has also been asked to tour with Bad Yodelers in Europe this fall. Watch Raunch for new music from the band and keep your ears open..you will be surprised.

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"Jungle Fever"

Written, produced and directed by Spike Lee

Ho-hum, what else is new in Hollywood? Another Spike Lee feature film, another flawed masterpiece.

Spike's fifth drama hearkens back to the ambitions of his "Do the Right Thing," probably his strongest film to date and definitely his most controversial in its racial violence theme. "Jungle Fever" aims a little lower, this time telling a tale of love between a married architect and his temporary secretary. The problem is the architect (Wesley Snipes) is a black from Harlem, while the secretary (Annabella Sciorra) is an Italian-American from the ultra-white Ben-

It's not that Flipper (Snipe's character) doesn't love his wife (Lonette McKee) and daughter (Veronica Timbers), or even that he's curious about coital relations with a white woman. I think. After a while I wasn't too sure why Flipper enters the relationship, which climaxes with a torrid love scene on his draftsman's table.

sonhurst area.

Such indecisiveness on Flipper's part is what makes "Jungle Fever" frustrating, especially since Flipper can't stand up to his white racist boss (Tim Robbins), but can't live with the racist proddings of foe and family alike.

What is surprising is that Angie (Sciorra's character) is so well-defined and more heroic, especially in light of the fact that Lee has often been blasted for his weak portrayal of females (though "She's Gotta Have It should allay those fears). Also faring much better is Paulie (John Turturro), Angie's childhood sweetheart who endures much over Angie's affair and his own longing for a black, Junior College professor. Turturro's performance here and in the upcoming "Barton Fink" (a Coen brothers feature) should give him a ticket to east street in Hollywood. Unfortunately, looks do play a role in movie success, and



Turturro's not exactly Robert Redford.

As for the racial acceptance motif, it works just fine, especially when Flipper is shunned by his parents (Ruby Dee and Ossie Davis), the latter of whom shows that so-called "Christians" are as ignorant and intolerant as the next man (maybe even more so). Also, a scene in an all-black restaurant is similarly hilarious and heart-rending.

Perhaps the film's weakest spot is the introduction of Flipper's crack-addicted brother, Gator (Samuel L. Jackson), which would have worked fine in another film, but serves here only to slow down an otherwise fine picture. Better yet would have been to have the film end with Paulie's triumphant walk to a tryst with the professor. Spike Lee may be accused of being a racist, but at least in "Jungle Fever," his light-skinned protagonists fare much better than the more dark-hued. Who would have thunk it?

Chris Robin





New from Nettwerk Productions Ltd. is the "Attitude" video compilation, a special treat for all you fans of Nettwerk artists. The video styles are as diverse as the bands on the label and feature acts such as SKINNY PUPPY, CONSOLIDATED, SEVERED HEADS, MOEV and MANUFACTURE.

Leading off with the spooky "Dig It" video from SKINNY PUPPY, the video works its way through horror, art, pop, and winds up with HILT's highly stylized, Eastern interpretation of "Stoneman."

Some of the most interesting pieces on this video are the SKINNY PUPPY works, which, due to large amounts of blood and terror have been banned from mainstream video programslike MTV. Their anti-vivisection clip of "Testure" is especially gruesome, with scenes of animals from experiments gone wrong performing vivisection on a human subject. Tied up and shot full of syringes of indistinguishable chemicals, the human "guinea pig" is tortured and bled as scenes from actual animal "experimenting" are faded in and out over the mock experiment. SKINNY PUPPY takes a stand and their point is not lost when shown in full techno-color, Add that you'd hear coming out of to this Ogra covered in blood

and crawling through the streets in "Stairs and Flowers" and the frenzied grave-digging of "Dig It," and you have SKINNY PUPPY at their best. Too bad there's not a collection of all the PUPPY videos

Other videos of interest are the two SEVERED HEADS pieces, which use live actors interspliced with computer generated images. SEVERED HEADS have long been video pioneers with their innovative video sampling machine, manipulating video in the same way many bands use sounds, to create completely new and unique images. Even if you don't appreciate their more "pop" sounding music, you'll enjoy the audio sensations.

"Attitude" is a must for your music video collection and is a rare chance to see artists that won't get played on cable video shows due to obscurity or controversy. If you like these, then you may also want to check out two other Nettwerk videos: SKINNYPUPPY's "Ain'tItDead Yet," and a collection from SEV-ERED HEADS...

...And it's finally out! After months of waiting, BERAKTIF's full-length 'Tenebrae Vision" has been released by WAX TRAX! The album contains the two singles "Temper" and "Nothing Stays" as well as "Ruptured Freeks," "The Road Kill" and "Paradiessiets." More mellow than Leeb's FRONT LINE ASSEMBLY and Key's SKINNY PUPPY, CYBERAKTIF is moody, pumped up beats with all that great industrial noise adding depth. There's also a special appearance from Blixa Bargeld of EINSTUERZENDE NEUBAUTEN, German noise masters...HILT has released a new single, "Orange Pony," on Nettwerk. HIL/ is another PUPPY offshoot. From the single cover you can tell that this one's going to be a bit different from their previous releases. "Orange Pony" is a psychedelic rave song with all the groovy beats and such But still, it's not something Madchester; no HAPPY MON-

DAYS bullshit. This single grooves with a vengeance... Now available at the coolest record outlets is the steamy, disco-eroctica of "Sexplosion!" from MY LIFE WITH THE THRILL KILL KULT. You dark, scary people will have to give this one a chance before you cast it off into your rubbish pile. Sure it's got disco grooves BLACK BOX vocal interplays and throbbing bass licks, but it also has that trademark THRILL KILL humour in lyrics and samples (why did they tie you up? / cause I said I was leaving/didn't somebody tie you up the other day?/yeah I was forced to stay some place like a slave) and lots and lots of sex! (sex/sex is perverted and sick). Groovy Man has finally earned his name. So turn on the disco ball, and put on your favorite spandex outfit and work it!...More disco-erotica from WAX TRAX! as CHRIS & COSEY's new album, "Pagan Tango", hits your favorite record outlet. Still chock full of pumping, grinding rhythms with Cosey Fan Tutti's sensual vocals, this is a great record and a must for your collection...More English pop than REVCO rehash is CHRIS CONNELLY's "Whiplash Boychild "If you remember CONNELLY from his days with FINITRIBE you'll really tune into this record. Vocals are smooth and reminiscent of late seventies BOWIE CONNELLY has really made a break from the COCK's literally-and has laid himself open to more vulnerable, poporiented music. Another one to listen to with an open mind... Another one for the hardcore Industrialist is the new ZOVIET FRANCE release. If you missed them on their short U.S. tour you'll want to hear them at home ... One last note—LEGEN-DARY PINK DOTS will be playing in Phoenix on the 30th of July. The DOTS were refused entrance into America because of doubts as to their artistic merit. some new bullshit in the land of the free and the home of the brave. So see the DOTS live while you have the chance. Phoenix is much closer than Europe any day.

POMPADOUR INDUSTRIAL NIGHT TOP TWENTY

- 1. REVOLTING COCKS Beers, Steers and Queers.
- 2. KMFDM Godlike.
- 3. NINE INCH NAILS Get Down, Make Love.
- 4. SKINNY PUPPY Spasmolytic Remix.
- 5. THRILL KILL KULT 'Coz It's Hot.
- 6. FRONT LINE ASSEMBLY 6699
- 7. MEAT BEAT MANIFESTO Psyche-Out.
- 8. THRILL KILL KULT Daisy Chain For Satan.
- 9. FRONT 242 Tragedy For You.
- **10. SKINNY PUPPY** Morpheus Laughing.
- 11. CYBERAKTIF Nothing Stays.
- 12, 1,000 HOMO DJ'S Supernaut.
- 13. MINISTRY So What.
- 14. FRONT LINE ASSEMBLY Mental Distortion.
- 15. THRILL KILL KULT Days of Swine and Roses.
- 16. KMFDM Split.
- 17. COIL Windowpane.
- 18. THRILL KILL KULT Sex On Wheels.
- 19. FRONT 242 Rhythm of Time.
- 20. WOLFGANG PRESS Time.

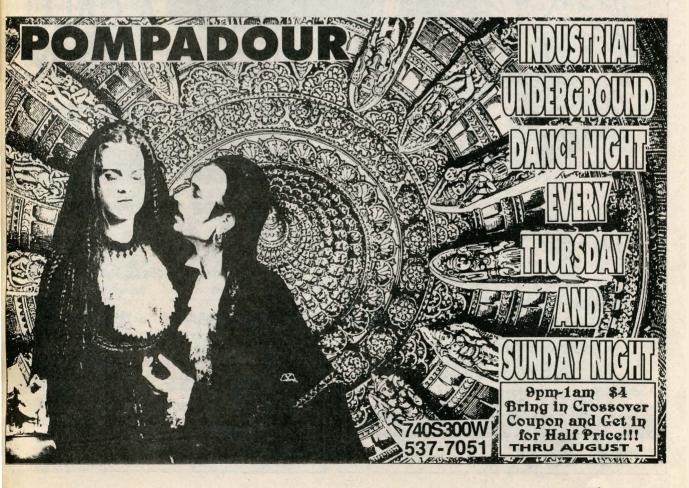
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Monday, June 24, I found myself dropped off in University Circle in front of Kingsbury Hall to a most ghastly sight—the KJQ milkbeast. You know something, I hate that goddamn thing. I covered my face as I walked past so nobody thought I was actually patronizing it. At this point I knew my long-awaited Replacements experience was ruined. Three summers ago a few friends and myself made a pilgrimage to Los Angeles to see them play. We ran into hell trying to get through the desert, (nothing as horrible as the KIQ) milk beast) but wound up making it there and having a reletively posetive experience. (The trip wound up being more of a "Fear and Loathing on the Replacements trail." I was passed out or incoherent through most of their set, but came home relieved I had finally seen them live.

This time knowing it.was going to be a KJQ geek-fest, I reluctantly weasled myself a ticket and showed up despite my preconceived notions of a bad time. I will say this much, I am glad that there were seats in the hall so I didn't have to watch any modern-music-moshin', Jesus I hate that.

Commonplace started the show with an absolutely brilliant set that was an ample warm-up for what I still consider one of my favorite bands. Lara's vocals rang through the Commonplace instrumental wall of noise like a bell. Private Eye readers called it right when she was voted "Utah's best female vocalist." The rest of the band did just as good of a job instrumentally. I am afraid the crowd, except for a few open-minded types, didn't appreciate them as much as I did, but the band should be commended. I think they were a just abit too dark for the pop-fanatic crowd gathered to see Replace-

Replacements entered the stage with their usual zest for making a scene. These guys may be pop music stars now, but they



The Replacements — A band for the Eightees

still carry the old pre-eightees punk-attitude I have learned to love. First thing they did was come out on stage and discredit anything they were about to do. We even got to see Paul Westerburg trash an amp that had been rented for him that night. I have heard grizzly tales of these guys ruining equipment all over the U.S. by blatant misuse and or irresponsibility, including throwing up in monitors or kicking over amps and speakers as displayed at Kingsbury Hall. Keep it up guys.

The band played mostly stuff off their two newest albums which really put me off, but of course they hit all the KJQ faves so the audience wouldn't freak-out. The older songs they did play turned out to be more of a spotlight of nostalgia for Paul Westerburg. I was bummed that there were only two original members playing on this tour. Chris Marr left the band after

Paul ripped on his drumming technique in *Musician* magazine. Tommy, who looked smashing in his John Lydon outfit and pink bass, is the only other original member besides Paul.

I will say they sounded great even though the whole tour was sort of thrown together as sort of a token gesture to push the new album. Not even one song on their latest album, All Shook Down, featured all four members playing at one time. It is sort of a Paul Westerburg showcase. The last two albums have been good but they don't have near the energy their earlier albums contain. Still good, just a bit wimpy.

Regardless, to sum up the evening I would have to say...Band gets a ten, and the concert gets a mere 2 or 3. Buy the albums and don't feel too disappointed that you didn't get to see them live and probably never will either.

Now Dinosaur Jr. and Nirvana were not the least bit dissappointing. I expected the worst from Nirvana. See, every time a band comes through I like, I get my hopes up and the band members turn out to be total wankers and assholes or they don't sound like shit live. (like Fishbone and Circus of Power respectively) This time Nirvana and Dinosaur Jr. were totally cool and they both played killer sets. Except for some equipment problems, Nirvana played one of the best sets I have heard from an band in years. Dinosaur Jr.'s Mascus was sick as hell whe they showed up and said he might only be able to play a twenty minute set, but wound up playing an incredible hourlong set that was far better than I could have imagined. What was a real shame was that half the crowd left after Nirvana and missed out on seeing a really great band. Big mistake! Nirvana. did rock hard but Dinosaur Japulled off an incredible set.

I did make my annual mistake of going to the Arts Festival again this year. Not enough local stuff for my liking. I tried to see Laurie Anderson but there were so many people I couldn't even hear her, let alone see her. I wanted to see Company of Four dance, but due to usual parking bullshit I couldn't get there in time. The thing I liked best was waiting 20 minutes in line for a three-dollar beer then having to wait in another 20 minute restroom line to get rid of it. Too much dayglow and over-priced yuppie gear attempting to b passed off as art.

Don't miss Stench this month, it will be the last chance you will get since they are breaking up this month. Bad Yodelers will also be playing this month, which is a complete rarity. They haven't played since before they went on tour, and they probably won't play again until they get back this fall. Two of Salt Lakes best bands.

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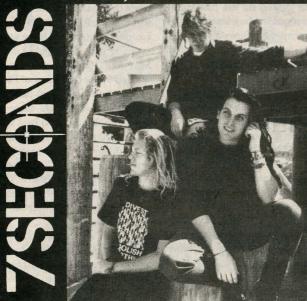
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If you're a B-movie buff or are interested in B-movies, or especially if you don't know what the hell a "B-movie" is, the this is the book for you Incredibly Strange Films is the definitive guide to cult movies, especially those of the gore / violence genre. Useful as an introduction to the filmmakers and stars, as well as titles of films, this is also a good introduction to this type of movie as well as an informative look at low-budget filmmaking.

Incredibly Strange Films has interviews with many of the unsung pioneers of the movie "industry," or more appropriately, the anti-movie insustry. Unless you're a hardcore gore follower many of these names might not strike familiar chords. But these women and men are the real innovators, the people who have pushed and continue to push film to it's furthest and strangest limits.

Andrea Juno talks extensively with Frank Henenlotter, the man responsible for Basket Case. Henenlotter's dark humour comes out in the text as he discusses everything from gore films to sex hygiene movies made for the government.

"I'll never be satisfied until I see every sleazy film ever made—as long as it's breaking a taboo (whether deliberately or by misdirection). There's a thousand reasons to like these films. A film can be exciting because it deals with an impolite subject. In most horror films—just killing someone is an impolite enough thing to do."

Herschel Gordon Lewis (The Gore-Gore Girls, The Gruesome Twosome, She-Devils On Wheels), the "guru of gore," is interviewed by Juno as well as Boyd Rice. Lewis talks about each film he's made, what has and hasn't worked for him, and what he thinks of the "modern" filmmaking process.

"I just don't get along with the people in < Hollywood>. I'm not a coke freak, so already I'm eliminated from 95% of all the social parties here. And at the same time, if I come up with an ulea of something I want to do, they think I'm nuts."

Interviews with other key figures of the genre included are: Ted V. Mikels (Corpse Grinders, Blood Orgy Of The She Devils), Larry Cohen (It's Alive, Q, The Stuff), Russ Meyer (Faster Pussycat, Killl Killl) and Ray Dennis Steckler (The Incredibly Strange Creatures Who Stopped Living and Became Mixed-Up Zombies) and his wife, and star actress, Carolyn Brandt.

Each interview delves deeply into the process of individual filmmakers as well as rationales for their art and their personal favorites in the genre of incredibly strange film. Each director/producer/actor adds her/his insight as to the success of underground and cult films as well as their disdain for the "Hollywood" film circles and the stifling atmosphere of working within that realm. True freedom and innovation come from outside of the mainstream, in film as in all forms of creative expression.

The book also has short essays on particualr genres of B-movies ranging from Biker Films, Women in Prison Films & LSD Films to Sexploitation and Educational Films. And there are seven essays on film in general, which add insight to this previously unexplored area.

Incredibly Strange Films also includes plot synopsis of many

of the films discussed, a favorite films listing from Jim Morton and Boyd Rice, a section of quotes from films, movie posters and other sources on art and creative expression, plus an A-Z Directory of prominent persona in the gore/cult/underground film world.

With the upsurge in video releases, more of these film "classics" are available for home viewing and they are gaining larger audiences and greater appreciation from the public. So pick up your guide to the wonderful world of Incredibly Strange Films and then visit your local video store for an adventure into film watching.

Matt.



BOY IN THE AIR

Don Bajema 2.13.61 Publications

2.13.61 Publications is an upand-coming publishing company from Los Angeles. With current titles from Henry Rollins as well as the American publication of Nick Cave's King Ink, 2.13.61 adds Don Bajema to their list of available authors,

Bajema's name may already be familiar to you from his spoken word work on Our Father's Who Aren't In Heaven (along with Rollins and Lydia Lunch.) But his published writings add another dimension to his creative exploration and give a very stark and unabashed look at changing American culture.

Boy In The Air chronicles the maturing of American society as juxtaposed with the transformation from adolescence to "adult" of his characters in his short stories. The disillusionment of America as a whole, as it moves from World War II through the

Korean War and into the Vietnam War era, is reflected in Bajema's characters own development and refusal to glorify war and a society that feeds on death and destruction. The acceptance that typifies the earlier men who go to war, with a country to back them, is rejected, along with the mores and ideologies of a culture that sends its sons off to fight these wars. Naivety is cast off for anger and experimentation and overall rejection of God, the "American way of life," and all the dogmas attached with such a way of living.

One of the recurring characters in Bajema's stories, Eddie, shows the greatest metamorphoses; from a wide eyed adolescent, to a drug-crazed young man on the run from the police. Eddie's value system is put to the test as he has an affair with his best friend's mother, deals with a shell-shocked father and goes on to be a drug-runner and draft dodger, even a murderer. Bajema challenges traditional values and puts them in a new light for his readers. He doesn't pass judgment on them but leaves evaluation for the reader. His job as author seems to be a guide, a giver of information, not a moralist or preacher.

The content of Bajema's stories is frank and often graphic. Blood, decapitation, abuse of spouses and children, alcoholism and death are as integral a part of his world as love and sex and Sunday picnics. Good plays off evil and the two are seen as parts of a whole, irrevocably intertwined and ultimately, equally necessary.

While the tone of Bajema's stories is dark, he sends hope and strength out through his characters to the reader. Upon finishing Boy In The Air I felt despair and something akin to futility, but these feelings were balanced by a sense of triumph and the human will to survive and to move forward, whether blindly or with renewed insight. Bajema's stories stand as a tribute to the darker side of human nature and the ability to reconcile this with reality and one's surroundings.

Matt.



miscellaneous...

ROCKABILLITY-NEWS, BLUES AND REVIEWS



STRANGERS photo: Steve Midgley

Howdy guys 'n' gals and greetings from the wonderful world of roots rock n' roll. It's time for the first installment of news on Salt Lake's small (but growing) rockabilly scene. It's been a busy month for this ol' cat with some pretty cool stuff happening, including some very hot happenings right here in Salt Lake. Since the scene here is still in its infancy, I'll give y'all some hot news from around the rockabilly world to keep all the Hepcats n' kittens up to date.

Did y'all catch the Blasters at the Bar & Grill in May? Well, I was out of town that night, but I understand that show kicked ass. As a veteran of many Blasters shows, I can tell you that these boys from L.A. can still rock it with the best of them. Besides, Blasters singer Phil Alvin is the only cat I know who not only shows all of his teeth when he smiles, but all of his gums as well. Any man who can do that is OK in my book.

On June 18th I mosey'd on down to the Zephyr Private Club in Salt Lake to catch the

STRANGERS playing with LOST IN AMER-ICA. If y'all haven't caught the STRANGERS live and in person yet, it's time to crawl out from under that rock you've been hiding under because these cats know how to rock. It did my ol' heart good to see a band this good, and they're from Salt Lake no less!

The band immediately got my attention as they announced that all the songs for the evening would involve the three W's:

Wine, Women and Wheels. These cats had it going with their own brand of music that takes the roots joy of rockabilly, and mixes it with the intensity of British psychobilly. The guys ripped through rockin' versions of "Twenty Flight Rock," and "Jailhouse Tattoo" that almost brought a tear to this ol' cat's eye.

When I moved to Utah from the Rockabilly Heaven of California, I thought that my days of great local rockabilly bands was over. I'm happy to say that I was sadly mistaken, as the STRANG-ERS are from Salt Lake and they kick ass.

As a recent transplant to Utah, I find myself missing the good old Rockabilly scene back home in sunny California, but I've got some new records in my jukebox this month that are keeping me from going totally insane. I also gotta know, where can a guy get a good can of pomade in this state? Anyway's back to my jukebox.

The Guana Batz have just released a new album on England's World Service label called

"Electra Glide in Blue." Man, this is the rockinest album I've bought in years, and it proves that the British psychobilly scene is still alive and kicking. This album'll burn off your dancin' shoes. Also new to my jukebox are great new records from Georgia's Flat Duo Jets, as well as a greatest hits album from the aforementioned Blasters. Like the Batz album, both of these platters rock, and you can take that to the bank, my friend. The "Jets" new one, "Go Go Harlem Baby," proves this band to be one red-hot act, and the new Blasters' album not only re-issues the best of their long out of print first three albums, it also contains some unreleased tracks that no hep-cat should be without.



If you thought Sub Pop was just a bunch of dudes with long hair and distorted guitars, think again. Dallas, Texas' own REV. HORTON HEAT just released a red hot single on the afformentioned Sub Pop label. "Psychobilly Freakout" b/w "Baby You Know Who" is one of the best psychobilly singles on the planet, and should get any cat with grease in his hair swingin' from the first beat. I hear the ol' REVERAND has a full album coming out this year on the Triple X label, so keep your ears peeled.

Speaking of red hot (and naked) psychobilly, I'm starting a campaign to bring the greatest psychobilly band on earth to

Utah—BUCK NAKED AND THE BARE BOTTOM BOYS. This S.F. band is as hot as they come and with songs like "Teenage Pussy From Outer Space," "Bend Over Baby And Let Me Drive, and "That Uncontrollable Flesh, these guys have invented a new style of music-Porno-billy. So come on Utah, write your con gressman, write governor, hell, write the Presi dent if you have to, but let's ge BUCK and the boys out here for some naked good times. If you'n interested in hearing some mu sic by BUCK and the boys, they'n featured on "Lazy, Loud, and Liqur'd Up-The San Francisco Alternative Country Compila tion," on Shindig Records. Trus me, this album rips!

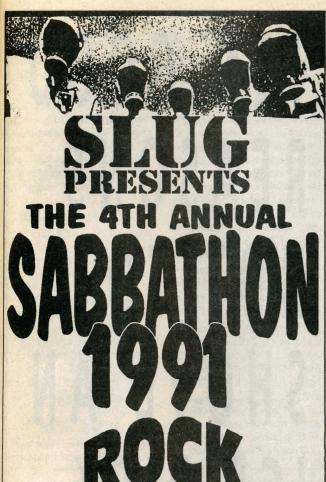
On to some sadder news...ir the obituaries this month: two of Sar Jose, California's hottest rockabilly bands have de cided to throw in the towel. After almost ten years numerous tours and one shake album, the grea Kingpins have decided to call i quits. Those of you who had a chance to see the Kingpin

and their frenetic brand of rock abilly on one of their many tour will be as sad as I am to see thi band go, Another great San Jos band, "The Boogiemen" als decided to go into early retire ment just recently. Though no as well known as the Kingpins the Boogiemen knew how to rock the joint, and I'll miss them. Tim for some Salt Lake cats to take up the slack? Let's just keep ou fingers crossed and hope.

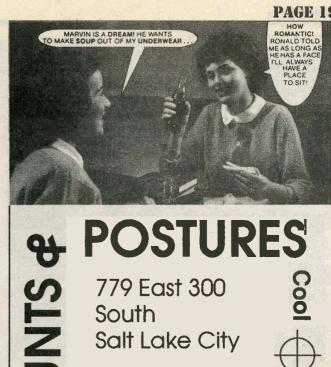
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Besides a few long-awaited shows by some of Salt Lake's local bands, the month of July is packed with some great out-of-town, touring acts too!. Starting on July 8, BILLINGSGATE, from Illinois, and SAY NO MORE, from Nebraska, will be playing the Pompadour.

Saturday, July 20, SLAP
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sound with lots of optimistic
vocals. Don't let these guys leave
without playing their version of
"Just What I Needed" by the
Cars. , a local
will be opening the show.

X Friday, July 26, Dan O'Mahoney (No For An Answer, Carry Nation) comes backstrong

with his new band 411. With former members of Farside and Headfirst in the line-up. 411 recorded their Say It EP (already in it's third pressing) featuring Dave Smalley (All, Dag Nasty, Down By Law) and produced by Bad Religions Brett Gurewitz on Cargo Records. 411 has received great live reviews, so be sure to see them for yourself. The will be bringing with them So. California's MISSION IMPOS-SIBLE and will be playing the Pompadour the same night as COFFIN BREAK.

X Saturday, July 27, Orange County delivers two of their finest, hard-hitting bands to Salt Lake. Revelation Records recording artists INSIDE OUT with TRIGGORMAN. Triggorman was formed by Gavin Ogsby (No For An Answer, Carry Nation) and Sean Higgins (Smart Bomb, Dog Born) in the spring of 1990. For those familiar with the O.C.

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Finally, after the early spring release of INSIDE OUT'S No Spiritual Surrender" 7", the band will be hitting Salt Lake as the first stop on their 1991 U.S. tour. After a short East Coast tour last summer with Quicksand and Shelter, Insideout quickly established themselves as one of the most outstanding hardcore bands to emerge from California. With a new LP due out this fall, Inside Out will be playing lots of New Material. This show is a must see! SEARCH will be the Opening band

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W Tuesday, August 6. Last but not least, get your tickets now for 7 Seconds who will be playing at the Pompadour. They will be playing with one of three really great bands, so watch for information at your local hangout or record stores.

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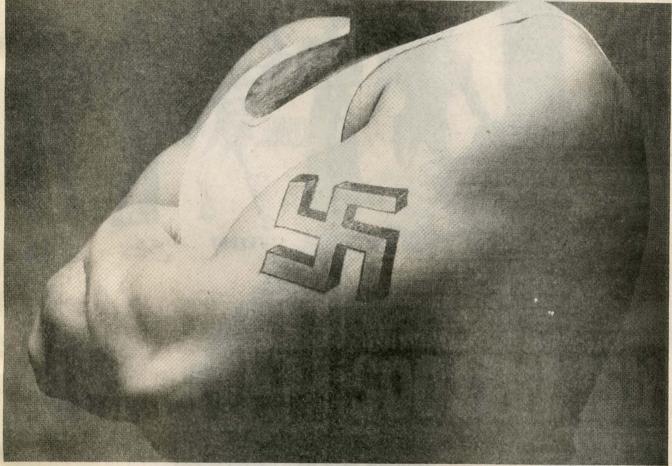
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Unfortunately, talking isn't the only thing these kids engage in: In Portland, Oregon, three

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In Sacramento, California, skinheads punished a young man who had defected from their group by nailing his palms to a board and slashing him with a razor blade.

In Tampa, Florida, two teen-age skinheads beat a 41-year old Black man and then fatally stabbed him in the heart.

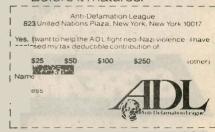
The Anti-Defamation League is committed to doing something about the skinhead problem, and fighting all forms of racism.

We track the activities of racist

organizations and individuals. Educate the public about them. And work with law enforcement officials to crack down on them when they break the law.

Please give us your support, to help us do something about this problem now.

Before it matures.



For regularly updated information about current neo-Nazi activities and ADL's fight against them, call 1-900-860-3235.

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