

Boredom

Gone With the Winds of War sensational

By BOB PHILISHAVE
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The latest miniseries effort from ABS is a true masterpiece! Who would have thought it possible to combine the classic *Gone With the Wind* and the modern hit *The Winds of War* to create a new smash? Yet Harold Robbins has done it. *Gone With the Winds of War* stars Richard Chamberlain as Rhett "Pug" Butler and Suzanne Sommers as Scarlett O'Harasberg.

Rhett "Pug" Butler, an obnoxious naval captain and fortune-seeking gentleman, is working for War Planning just before the second civil war.

He makes a good impression on President Robert E. Roosevelt, and becomes naval attaché to Germany (an umbilical of the President).

He meets such villains as Ullyses S. Goering and Abraham Hitler, and foresightedly predicts the non-alignment pact between Russia and Tennessee.

His youngest son, Keats, is in Europe studying the humanities, and falls in love with a Jewish girl, Scarlett O'Harasberg (a heroine beautiful enough to melt you down). She loves a southern American diplomat who goes to Poland just before the Nazis invade (from the North).

War is imminent. All the gentlemen leave the plantation at Tara to enlist in the Pacific fleet. Scarlett stays in Italy with her dark-olive-complexioned servants.

Meanwhile, Pug does shuttle diplomacy between Berlin, Washington and Atlanta. He claims no allegiance, but is really a Soviet agent (born in the Georgian S.S.R.).

War goes badly for the Poles, and Scarlett's diplomat friend returns with his leg blown off. She had thought she loved him, but he marries her best friend instead.

To retaliate, she gets engaged to Keats. This scares him so badly that he enrolls in submarine school. But she catches him somewhere in the South Pacific (by the coconuts). They have one wild orgy and she gets pregnant.

She returns to Italy to save her aging, cultured, metaphorical Jewish father from Fascists, and ends up having a miscarriage on the boat to Israel.

After a wild storm, the boat ends up in Pearl Harbor. She is saved at the last minute by Rhett, who arrives just before the Yankees storm and burn Pearl Harbor in a tragic, romantic climax.

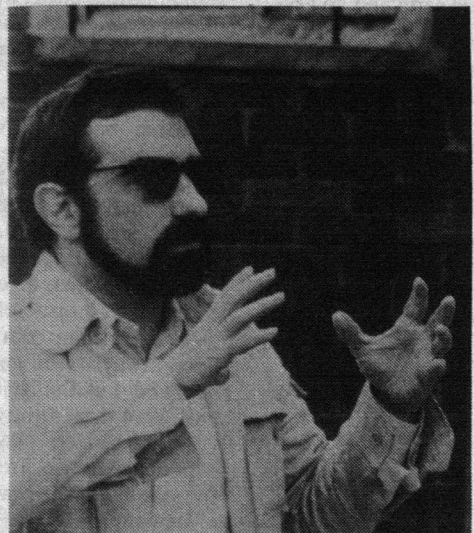
Rhett "Pug", incensed at the plot's improbability, complains through diplomat channels to that old poufter Winnie Churchill; who says, "Fwankly, my deah, I don't give a damn."

Scarlett/Sommers, a veteran of years of "adult drama," accepts it all stoically with the words, "After all, next week is another mini-series."

The series suffers from a few weaknesses — Lou Gosset Jr. strains credibility somewhat as President Roosevelt — but overall this show is a must, not to be missed, worth your while and real good besides.



Suzanne Somers stars as the scheming, manipulative heroine of ABS' new miniseries *Gone With the Winds of War*, Scarlett O'Harasberg.



Richard Chamberlain as Rhett "Pug" Butler bears a striking resemblance to Martin Scorsese. In this scene he describes Scarlett to an acquaintance.



The reincarnation of Chief Dan George stars as Scarlett's dear Jewish papa, Rabbi Schmo O'Harasberg, in this blockbuster new mini-series.

Beach Boys kill a Watt

By ALIEN CORNFLAKE
Journal Sniff Writer

The Beach Boys' new *James Watt Dedication* album is a real treat for audiophiles. Unfortunately, in Canada the album can only be purchased in a plain brown wrapper due to the graphic nature of gestures the California SUNshine (can I say that word in this paper?) band are making toward the American Secretary of the Interior.

Another treat are certain guest appearances on some of the cuts on the album. Johnny Lydon (AKA Johnny Rotten) sings along with the surfers on "Bad Vibrations" and then performs his own rendition of "Anarchy in the U.S.A." Iggy Pop joins the Boys for "Fun Fun Fun" ("Til the Secretary says we can't Play)" and then

does a raucous version of "I Wanna be Your Buffalo," a reference to the change in the Interior Department's seal so the buffalo on it faces right, brought about by Watt.

Since Nancy Reagan has been kind to the band lately, the group has agreed not to do "Little Old Lady from Pasadena" anymore. But the band has revised some of its hits, so "I Get Around" now includes "But Not to Washington," "Surfin' U.S.A." adds "Except D.C.," and "Be True to Your School" excludes being true to certain branches of government.

A special collectors item is "Help Me Ronnie (Help Me Get Him Offa My Back)" which includes the lyrics "Ronnie you look so fine/Though you're way over 69."

Who's Gandhi anyhow?

By JOHN DEDD
Journal Scratch Writer

Despite the fact that *E.T.* was a much better movie, *Gandhi* triumphed at the Academy Awards on Monday night.

The epic tale about the life and times of a curry-eating Indian who was too chicken to fight won eight awards, including best picture, best director, and best actor.

In his acceptance speech director Sir Richard Attenborough (his friends just call him Dicky) said, "It is not me you truly honour. You honour Mahatma Gandhi and his plea to all of us to live in peace." What a load of tripe! If Gandhi is the one being truly honoured, how come Sir Dicky gets the tacky little gold statue? You can bet that Steve Spielberg wouldn't have been such a phoney. And another thing—it took twenty years to make *Gandhi*. No wonder the British economy is such a mess, those bloody Pommies can't get anything done on time.

The unknown actor Ben Kingsley, who played Gandhi, was honoured even though his eyes are not as blue as Paul Newman's (anyone can shave his head).

Last year a Limey picture won too (you remember that soppy story about the two pansy runners, one of them was a Hebe—sure, you remember) and an alarming trend is starting to develop. This is carrying reverse discrimination a bit too far, it is time to bring the awards back home.

Meryl Streep was named best actress for her brilliant, striking, delicious and totally awesome role as the haunted Pollack survivor of the Nazi easy-bake ovens. (By the way, where is Tania?)

Jessica Lange won best-supporting actress for her role as the soap opera star who went to bed with Dustin Hoffman in drag.

As expected Louis Gossett Jr. won best supporting actor. This was a clear case of reverse discrimination. Why does he deserve an award just because he's bald?

Well enough of this nonsense, the real question on everyone's mind is why didn't *E.T.* win? I'm sure I speak for millions when I say that lovable little green latex creature was the best thing to happen to me since my pet gerbil died. It's all politics. Also, a reliable source has told me that there was cover up, actually the vote was in favor of *E.T.* but when Carol Burnett opened the envelope she said *Gandhi* because Richard Attenborough threatened her (see story).

I suggest that everyone write a letter to the academy and urge them to clean up the act. Enough is enough.

By STEPHEN SPIELBERG

A frightened and dazed Carol Burnett was taken to the County Jail for protective custody after receiving several threats on her life. The threats followed Burnett's revelation that the presentation of the Best Picture Oscar to *Gandhi* had been rigged.

Burnett says that just as she was making her entrance on stage to present the award someone handed her a note saying, "We have your pet budgie, announce *Gandhi* as the winner or else..." The note was signed Sir Richard (Dicky) Attenborough. Burnett's budgie is also named Dicky.

"I wouldn't have done it but I was so frightened for Dicky (the bird)," said Burnett. "I feel so ashamed...my conscience just couldn't take anymore, I had to tell."

The actual winner of the Best Picture Oscar was *E.T.* and the academy is already making plans for a new ceremony.

"None of this surprises me at all," said *E.T.* director Steven Spielberg.

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