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\* "Morality is just an excuse for being a failure ~~and~~ a coward" - Romulus

\* "The hardest thing to fight is hope" - Romulus

" ten years ago there was hope of the feeling I could do anything. - now there is only defeat and the realization of powerlessness " - Romulus

\* " Man created God, not vice versa " - Romulus

\* "... too <sup>ignorant</sup> lazy and too much ~~ambition~~ <sup>ambition</sup> to play it straight for all the power I could get - and too much a coward to rebel with any significance. " - Romulus

\* " I was ignorant and then a fool - now I am only a fool never to be <sup>the</sup> smart nor the genius " - Romulus

" Science is very fascinating - but Power is All " - Romulus

" There are 3 games in town  
~~Power~~ Institutional Power  
~~Power~~ Bread & Circuses  
Rebellion - Romulus

\* " That con man of con men - Hope " - Romulus

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# Kiss Tomorrow Goodbye

Idea for film

Chronologically show the pretty, self-believing  
pictured history interspersed with short  
fragments of reality; set to consonant  
music for the illusions and dissonant  
chords for reality.  
Call it "Is it really...?"

"An entire world of glory would remain unseen, untested, unenjoyed" - Stan

"The words honesty and decency are meaningless words" - Stan

"Sometimes it's like standing on the  ~~Titanic~~  deck of the Titanic, awash up to your knees. But it's not. It's all here" - Steve Kesten - 1974

"To come under siege, was the inevitable fate of power" Paul Atreides

"To use raw power is to make yourself infinitely vulnerable to greater powers" - Ben Bova

\* "Many a person's life is futile & useless, it only becomes pitiful if they try to drag it out with some vain hope or worthless illusion" - Romulus

End 1975

Begin 1976

\* "What choice you got - between hell or oblivion" - Romulus

"Why should you sweat your selves to death to benefit the lords of Metropolis"

- Robot Maria

"Destroy the Machines" - Robot Maria

"The monster is the media" - TP

8/6/76 \* "I don't know about this fucking life - everything you want you can't have - everything you can have you don't want" Romulus after kissing Judy Licht goodbye

This world is mean and rotten & horrible -

It's the hell Dante wrote about but keeping your sweet tender lips made it bearable for a while - Romulus

"No moment of wit will ever separate his soul from disasters" - Marley

I should of forgot about the mind & taken my looks to Hollywood. Romulus

\* What's so depressing... is I see my life rapidly slipping away without having accomplished or achieved any of those things I value in this life (Power, Adventure, Fame, Fortune) - *Romulus*

\* Fear of danger is 10,000 times worse than danger itself

Not sharp enough to breach with the past to hold any hope for the future - *IFK*

... Battle for the minds and the hearts and the souls of men ... - *NOVATION*

But look up into the star lit sky some night and allow yourself the ~~great~~ freedom to wonder - *Rod Serling*

\* What they don't know - can't hurt me - *Romulus*

Patriotism - The last refuge of the scoundrel  
- *Kirk Douglas (cite Samuel Johnson)*

Better to try & fail than to ~~fail~~ yield without trying  
- *Thomson*

From the womb to the tomb we go living  
eternally in hopeless dread & loathing  
of our servitude - Living Dead  
of Omm

The wise man molds himself - the fool  
lives only to die - Aliq

To endure oneself may be the hardest task  
in the Universe - ghola

the voice that had charmed them because  
it played no tricks of subtle control  
- ~~Paul Atrieder~~

When a creature has developed into one thing,  
he will choose death rather than change  
into his opposite - Scytalis

look of lost hopes ringed the mouth, bitterness  
lay in the eyes - Nund d. b

His curse lay in the fact that he saw the cage  
- Paul Atrieder

The convoluted wording of legalisms grew up around  
the necessity to hide from ourselves the violence we  
intend toward each other. Between depriving a  
man of one hr. from his life & depriving him of his  
life there exists only a difference of degree.  
You have done violence to him, concerned he

his energy. Elaborate euphemisms may  
conceal your intent to kill, but behind  
any use of power over another the ultimate  
assumption remains "I feed on your energy."  
- Emperor Paul Mead'dab

... serenity which is just another word  
for death - Mead'dab

It's that  
(I love you) ... one of the lies that are easier  
to believe than the truth? - Aliq

"Do not be trapped by the need to achieve  
anything. This way, you achieve  
everything" - the Zoroastrians

What had happened to all the clear meanings  
that screened out nonsense? - Duncan Idaho

Rather than face my failure, I would disappear  
within myself - P. Idaho

\* You may say I'm a cynic, you may say I have  
a negative attitude but you can't dismiss  
my words with those ~~arguments~~ for my  
prophecies are right and my theories are  
almost always proven - Romulus

On <sup>comeau</sup> Judy & Other Whores:

It's the good looking girl who has the most opportunity to be a bourgeois prostitute & it's the good looking girl who has the most reason for revenge (on men i.e. bitch)

∴ taking the opportunity & the Reason leads to a very good liar & conniver, who may become, ... ADDICTED to sex like a junky is to heroin (ie to the extent that a junky craves heroin)

- Remulus

How can I help it, if power likes to walk on crooked legs - ~~the~~ "wise man"

\* Morality is but a coward's excuse - Remulus

\* I'm depressed over ~~the~~ the prison created by the "laws of nature" (Time & Space), I'm depressed because there is no "Men Like Gods" world,

I'm depressed for I have none of those things which are of value in this world - Power, Adventure  
I'm depressed over all the things I could've [Fame, & Fortune] done but didn't



Absolutes are the most uncertain of all formulations while the uncertainties are the most real... Lacordaire

In Managua, the sexes do not regard each other as mysterious strangers to be conquered or manipulated - C. Tarris

In this vision there was nothing but dark rooms from which love & grace & charm were fled - Exley

I suffered the suspicion that people were always trying to make me see things in a less complexly marked light - Exley

For some perverse reason, masochism or a neurotic need to be rejected, I was ~~willingly~~ willfully acting in such a way as to alienate myself - Ex

\* It's all part of the game kid. Either play it by the rules or forget about it

~~But in those days~~

But I was in those days much given to self-dramatization - Ex

It is unmanly to burden others with one's grief - Ex

If I went wrong, it was because like Tom  
Koger, there was <sup>for me</sup> no right way - Ex

If one is led to expect the worst, nothing can  
really shock him - Ex

I wanted to destroy that America for its  
unending lack of imagination - Ex

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X I'm going to look the Borgon in the eyes  
no matter what the cost. Romulus

Fake melancholy of youth - Ex

And really, what good are dreams if  
they come true - Ex

I did know that the road I was to take would prove  
neither particularly pleasant nor edifying nor fruitful - X

In those languidly optimistic days, I still  
owned the distasteful haunter of me who  
believed the world could be shaken until the  
pieces fell together into the pattern of my  
own promised land - X

The way darkness comes to towns along  
the Pacific litoral - X

as it never does to people for whom the world has  
soured, creating in them the perverse capacity  
to measure everything & everybody in  
their own racial image. - X

Like most men who don't know why they work at  
what they do, - X

had sustained the illusion that I could escape the  
bleak anonymity of life - X

So bombarded are we by the power cliques that  
rule America - X

\* I work in the boss's shop  
I live in the boss's city, in the boss's country  
in the boss's world  
I buy the necessities of life in the boss's stores.  
I follow the boss's friends & believe what  
he decrees.  
The boss's <sup>mores</sup> ~~revels~~ & manner of actions are so  
deeply engraved in <sup>me</sup> ~~my~~, I no longer know  
<sup>what</sup> ~~what~~ is mine or his.  
I am not only the boss's slave,  
I am his product. - Remulus

hate can redeem as well as love - X

We were coming around to the most terrible knowledge of all: we were dying - X

It was my fate, my destiny, my end to be a fan. - X

There are acts from which men never completely abstain themselves - X

once dead I would be dumb forever - X

time once again became merely something to go through - X

\* I could've gone left... could've gone right or have played both sides against the middle but no I had to pull an Exley drop out - Romulus

\* What I am is irrelevant, it's what I do that matters - <sup>maybe</sup> Romulus

The only thing unjust in this world is losing - Tepak

\* Since I don't know how long I'll be here ...  
I might as well act as if I'm going  
to be here for a while but not as if  
I want to be here for a while - Tom

A man has two reasons for the things he  
does - a good one and the real one  
- J. P. Morgan

Wed Midnite April 13, 1977 - on Allean  
To intimidate & scare a flower child is one  
of the most abominable things one can do  
- Rom

\* I'm scared to care in part because of reality  
but also because I don't have the will  
to win the fight - Romulus

... We are the rich; we own America; we got it,  
God knows how; but we intend to keep  
it... - Frederick Townsend Martin

First fall means to coniliate; failing that,  
all means to crush - Richelieu

OF all forms of tyranny the least attractive  
& the most vulgar is the tyranny of mere  
wealth, the tyranny of a plutocracy - T. Roosevelt

Of the Rich - "malefactors of great wealth" - T. Roosevelt

there would arise hosts of men and women,  
numerous enough, who knew that  
they could no longer live in a world where  
such things can be ...

4/20/77 \* (re: Allison) As I look back on my life at all the errors &  
mistakes I've made I see a major reason  
why... the vicious hatred for people  
and a paranoid fear of them combined.  
Not forgetting other reasons my laziness,  
lack of will to win a fight and hedging  
from reality in dreams (but I guess it's  
all understandable when I look at the way I  
was raised as a spoil brat). - Romulus

\* My indifference  
~~has now~~ <sup>has now</sup> reached a point of  
perversity <sup>viciousness</sup> where I now wear it like a  
medal noting my difference from others  
~~and~~

and glowing in its shock value, when  
in the beginning I adopted indifference  
as a protection from all the heart breaks  
& inhuman acts of the world. - Romulus

\* I do not understand how one can be gentle  
& caring in this world & still survive  
- Romulus

\* But finally I see the world in a clear  
light and there is no hope - Romulus

4/21/77  
(Allison) Hud's a loser too - Romulus

4/21/77 \* (Allison) The flies of Argos are becoming impossible to bear - Romulus

Your emotions must support the goal you're after  
You must operate without anxiety

- Adam Smith

The crowd always loses because ~~it~~ <sup>the crowd</sup>  
is always wrong - Fred Kelly

A crowd of men acts like a single woman, it does  
not reason, it only thinks it reasons, it accepts  
a series of images, not necessarily connected  
by any logical bond of succession spelling  
contradictory ideas simultaneously - Le Bon

If you can keep your head when all about  
you are losing theirs - Keating

You're either a wage slave or you're not  
- Harry (Adam Smith)

All professionals use leverage - Harry

In the long run we're all dead - Keynes

You don't believe in nothing... not  
even yourself - Ramon Magsaysay

\* What's the future hold... year after year of touring &  
scrapping the corporate empire? ... of  
following & furthering their ways. - Ramon Magsaysay

\* The controlling force in my life seems to be the friction between myself & society - I know the friction should only be against the corporate rulers as opposed to their slaves & 3<sup>rd</sup> rate lackeys but so many years of hassles have buried it so deep in my brain it's an almost natural rxn.

\* It seems like I'm run by the fear, arrogance & hatred I have for the corporate empire & its dominions - Tomulus 6/23/77

\* I guess the major theme & controlling factor in my life has been the opposition to & rebellion from the society of this corporate empire - it all began when I was a spoiled brat & over the first two thirds of my life the extreme defensive tendencies & characteristics predominated to an illogical point... even today they ~~are~~ <sup>noisily</sup> <sup>rearing</sup> <sup>their</sup> <sup>heads</sup> <sup>in</sup> <sup>my</sup> <sup>mind</sup> <sup>they</sup> <sup>aren't</sup> <sup>totally</sup> <sup>without</sup> <sup>merit</sup> <sup>&</sup> <sup>just</sup> <sup>cause</sup> but a reason must prevail for whether you play the game or not you're still a prisoner... the only way out - violent revolution? - who knows. - Tomulus 6/23/77



one of those completely unquestioning, devoted  
drudges on whom, more even than on the thought  
police, the stability of the (Empire) depended  
- 1984

The aim of the party was to prevent men  
& women from ~~loyalties~~ loyalties which it  
might not be able to control

- 1984

X Better to fight than to submit but not  
necessarily better than to compromise  
- Rom

X It's almost always been my emotions  
that have fracked up my endeavors  
- Romulus

X A spoil brat can only do that which  
he feels like, is inclined to and interested in  
because a spoil brat has never known  
discipline ... which <sup>with</sup> out which one's  
feelings can not be controlled & no plan  
can successfully be executed.  
- Romulus

X I go the way the winds of my feelings  
blow - better shelter - with no theme  
or direction - Romulus  
(no step by step progression)

\* A spirit that lacks the ability to go through the miserable means to get to the enjoyable end - it's got to be right now or not at all - couple this with a pessimism that the end is just around the corner & you've got an inert human being  
- Romulus

(Needless to say - instantaneous dreams, sci fi & movies are the brat favorites)

\* Once one has ~~the~~ power, one will do anything to keep it  
- Romulus

\* To be a part of history... better yet to make it in any direction... but it looks like a fan's life

Romulus

To have Power, Adventure, Fortune &/or Fame...

To be violent Revolutionary

Effective Opponent

Member of the Empire's Oligarchy (or at least a top lackey)

Rich & Famous

Rich & Adventurous

Dead

It was impossible that this affair should end successfully, such things did not happen in real life. - 1984

The moment you declared war on the party, it was better to think of yourself as a corpse - 1984

X The root of power is control over something(s) others want or desire or fear. - Romanus

~~Power is control over something(s) others want or desire or fear.~~

X Power is controlling others in order to make them do your bidding

Dazed bitterness cruded her soul as the realization of utter helplessness was thrust brutally upon her. She had instinctively ~~thought~~ supposed a woman's consent the pivotal point of such a game as she supposed to play. She was stunned by the realization that nothing hinged upon her at all. - Howard.

What would be the blackest treachery in another land, is wisdom here - Howard

they are irreversible - now what?  
But of course the major influence was & is  
fear & my reaction to it

8/29/77

Intelligent, competent, talented & lucky... but  
no smarts.

\* UNLESS YOU'RE VERY SUCCESSFUL AT  
SOMETHING YOU VALUE ... THERE'S NO  
SENSE IN LIVING.

- Romulus

→ (I'd see something I wanted to do but being  
so scared I'd devalue it, attack it to  
rationalize my fear - I tried to turn fear  
into arrogance, hatred & pseudo egotism -  
I got an attitude - but the shaking &  
trembling were still there & still is - just  
can't bury it, it still rules)

\* Only a sucker keeps commitments that aren't to  
his advantage.

- Romulus

9/9/77 Always the right move at the wrong time or  
the wrong move at the right time.

9/9/77 \* Boy I tell ya, I can understand man's  
need for a God.

9/9/77 Once again no smarts or guts... if only  
there was control.

\* Pick your game early, play it well or moderately well, stick with it thru thick & thin & with a little luck...

Ambitious members are made harmless by allowing them to rise - 1984

All the belief, habits, tastes, emotions, mental attitudes that characterize our time are really designed to sustain the mystique of the empire & prevent the true nature of present day society from being perceived. 1984

Since military & commercial rivalry are no longer important, the level of popular education is <sup>actually</sup> declining - 1984

The masses can be granted intellectual liberty because they have no intellect - 1984

You would not make the act of submission which is the price of sanity - 1984

One does not establish a dictatorship, nor does to safeguard a revolution, one make the revolution in order to establish the dictatorship. - 1984

## \* Fear

Society fosters to fear to prevent people from attempting something or regularly attempting something. Fear therefore aids the control of individual social members in accordance w/ the norms established by the few who control society.

There are two types of fear

- 1) Fear of failure - person takes failure too seriously so when they overcome the fear to attempt an act & subsequently fail, they allow themselves to be so crushed - feel so miserable that when the opportunity arises to act again, they remember the "agony" of defeat and in order to avoid it they don't act, don't try. However if you can't lose you can't win

ANYTHING WORTH DOING IS WORTH

DOING BADLY

- 2) Fear of Social disapproval - that others will laugh at or look down on your attempts

BE A WISE GUY

\* Everybody is scared, fearful

\* The cowards are not ~~the~~ necessarily the successful but those who attempt something despite their fears.

\* It's no good to analyse a fear when in a fear provoking situation what's needed is a realization that failure is irrelevant the sole importance is trying - acting and a rebelliousness against social pressures