PARODY



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OLD TESTICLE

The Book of Genitals

Chapter I

- 1. In the beginning Mac was the heaven and the asylum and all that was.
- 2. Mac was the form and the essence; He created and created and procreated. Everything came from Mac and was Mac.
- 3. In His creation He made Chief Bromden and from him the house known as Chronic. Bromden begat Ellis and Ellis begat Col. Matterson and Matterson begat Ruckly and Old Pete. From the son of Pete came all the Wheelers and Walkers and Vegetables.
- 4. Mac saw no color except black and white and created another house.
- 5. This was the house of Acute. Harding, the father, begat Bibbit and Cheswick. Bibbit began Martini, etc.

Chapter II

- 1. Mac reigned over all except the Combine. The Combine was the Big Nurse and all her [blacks] and machines and arch-[blacks] and arch-machines in the bowels of the asylum and everywhere.
- 2. The asylum was because Mac was not paying attention. Time passed with fear and hatred; no love was to be found.
- 3. The Big Nurse perpetrated and mechanized and cast fear on Acutes and Chronics alike.
- 4. The houses of Mac existed in nothingness under the wrath of the Combine.

The Book of Perverts

Chapter I

- 1. In the reign of the Combine, Taber the soothsayer brought the word of the coming of Mac, and he was screwed.
- 2. Later, an old cretin called Pete of the Railroad told of the wonder of Mac and how the Combine operated. The strain was too much for the live miscarriage and he fizzled and was tired.

NEW TESTICLES

Epistles of St. Kesey

The Coming

Chapter I

- 1. Mac was a product of passion, copulation, and bawdiness. He lived in the town of Everywhere, South of the Columbia.
- 2. The infant Mac got Himself laid and learned to love and flew His yellow banner high.
- 3. There is a time for laying and a time for loving, a time for fighting and a time for conning. Mac picked the wrong time and got Himself thrown in the cooler.
- 4. Fighting some more, He was committed. Mac, being human, could not send a son to earth and also, being human, couldn't see evil until Her stepped in it.

Chapter II

- 1. And all the asylum was without happiness and all was feat and order. No laughter or love was to be found.
- 2. The Spirit of Mac moved into the scene. Mac said, "Let there be love and laughter," and the Big Nurse said, "no."
- 3. Mac saw the lack and was sorely pissed.

Epistles of St. Bromden

The Going

Chapter I

- 1. All the asylum except the Big Nurse rejoiced at the new Admission. Mac gave hope where no hope existed.
- 2. Mac was a hero. He bucked the Nurse and the Combine. He was strong and bull-headed and innocent.

Chapter II

- 1. Mac wanted to get out and started looking out for ole number one and hope left the asylum. St. Cheswick died of despair.
- 2. Mac journeyed to the X-ray clinic and talked with the inmates. His questions astounded them with His common sense. He learned of the common despair and the inner fear. Mac learned the ropes.
- 3. Mac re-enlisted and smashed His hand through a plate glass window.

Chapter III

- 1. Hope returned and Mac continued to buck the Big Nurse, who was biding her time, which she had and Mac didn't.
- 2. Things were rosy, so Mac, knowing His lack of time, gathered up Twelve of His buddies and headed for the sea to fish.
- 3. On the way, Mac had to con the gas station money grubbers. They used fear and shame to sell their wares. Mac conjured up a big lie and beat them about the head and shoulders with it.
- 4. On the ocean, they drank and loved and learned to laugh.

Chapter IV

- 1. When the crew returned, the Big Nurse said they had the crabs and decreed that a sanitation program be initiated to persecute them.
- 2. The arch-[black] Williams scared one of Mac's children and He and Chief Bromden cleaned the devils good.

Chapter V

- 1. Mac was faced with giving up or suffering and he went to the electrodes and suffered for his kindness.
- 2. Bromden and Mac were given EST, Bromden once and Mac many times.
- 3. Mac triumphed and the Big Nurse retreated.

The Gone

Chapter I

- 1. Mac returned to the ward and all was rosy except Mac knew His time was short.
- 2. A gala going away party was planned for Billy's cherry and Mac.
- 3. Whores and booze and laugher slipped in during the night and a good time was had by all.
- 4. Mac was caught because the Good Negro forgot to wake him.
- 5. Mac forgave the Good Negro because he knew he could not escape anyway.

Chapter II

- 1. The Big Nurse caught Billy and Billy's whore. She shamed Billy and brought back the old fear.
- 2. Billy stole a scalpel and cut his throat. Billy could not live in Mac's world.
- The Nurse's insinuations caused Billy's death and Mac knew what He must do. The Nurse tried to shame Mac and He unveiled her boobs in their human splendor and then choked her. Aides and Officials pulled Mac off her and he knew he was to die.

Chapter III

- 1. The Big Nurse sent Mac to the Main Building for a lobotomy, so He would no longer be free and strong. The pious Dr. Spivey, a half-hearted supporter of Mac, did not stop the lobotomy.
- 2. The physical form of Mac became a shell of nothingness, placed in the ward to create fear in the hearts of all.
- 3. All Mac's people saw this and knew Mac's physical being must be destroyed so that others might live.
- 4. Mac's people, through the hand of his most devoted disciple, St. Bromden, snuffed out His life with a pillow.
- 5. All the fishing crew scattered to the ends of the earth and Pious Spivey bucked the Nurse.

Chapter IV

- 1. Mac once again became the form and the essence. His fishing Buddies and Whores all over the earth are laughing and loving and bucking the Combine.
- 2. Someday the hum of the Combine's machinery will be drowned out by laughter and all will be free from the fear within and love and disorder shall reign.

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