

"Men go and come, but earth abides."

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Standbys needed!

Bring that horse and wagon in here, lower that backdrop. Come on, we got to get this game off the ground. Do you remember your lines Dorothy? Great. Cue the wind machines. And somebody find the stupid dog. . . OK, roll 'em!

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Please note the new English player and Craig's new address (was it worth the eight block move, Craig?). Also the lower case spelling of F/R was unintentional and will hopefully not be construed as GM interference. This is a three (3) week game. Deadline for Spring '01 is March 21, noon. If you are going to call, I work nights of Fri & Sat (boo, hiss) and sometimes on Thurs, as well as my coaching in the afternoons. Basically, I'm a hard guy to get ahold of on the phone. If I'm not home just leave your number (and name) and I'll call you back at the nearest reasonable hour. Do not give moves to my housemates. They may get something wrong and how would I know if it's really you? Hope everyone is still interested in the game.

THE OSCAR AWARDS POOL

Want to make Oscar night a little more suspenseful? Take a stab at who will win from the ten categories listed below and send your guesses and one dollar to me. Winner takes all. Tie-breaker will be to guess which picture will cop the most awards and how many oscars they will get. Card must be postmarked by March 24th with one dollar. Awards are held March 25th.

Best Picture: Amadeus, Killing Fields, A Passage to India, Places in the Heart, A Soldier's Story.

Actor: F. Murry Abraham (Amadeus), Jeff Bridges (Starman), Albert Finney (Under the Volcano), Tom Hulce (Amadeus), Sam Waterston (Killing Fields).

Actress: Judy Davis (Passage to India), Sally Field (Places in the Heart), Jessica Lange (Country), Vanessa Redgrave (Bostonians), Sissy Spacek (River)

Sup. Actor: Adolf Caesar (Soldiers Story), John Malkovich (Places in Heart), Pat Morita (Karate Kid), Haing Ngor (Killing Fields), Ralph Richardson (Greystoke).

Sup. Actress: Peggy Ashcroft (Passage to India), Glenn Close (The Natural), Lindsay Crouse (Places in the heart), Christine Lahti (Swing Shift), Geraldine Page (Pope of Greenwich Village).

Director: Woody Allen (Broadway Danny Rose), Milos Forman (Amadeus), Roland Joffe (Killing Fields), David Lean (Passage to India), Robert Benton (Places in the Heart)

Original Song: "Against All Odds" by Phil Collins, "Footloose" by Kenny Loggins
 "Ghostsbusters" by Ray Parker Jr, "I Just Called to Say I Love You" by
 Stevie Wonder, "Let's Hear it for the Boy" from Footloose.

Original Song Score:

- Muppets Take Manhattan by Jeffery Moss
- Purple Rain by Prince
- Songwriter by Kris Kristofferson

} What a strange group!

Original Screenplay: Beverly Hills Cop, Broadway Danny Rose, El Norte,
 Places in the Heart, Splash, Babaloo Mandel ((?)).

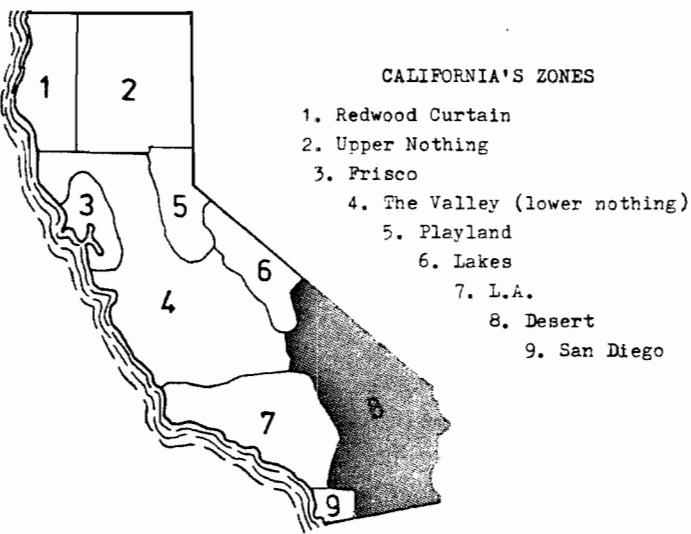
Cinematography: Amadeus, Killing Fields, The Natural, A Passage to India,
 The River.

Tie Breaker: Who will take home the most awards? How many?

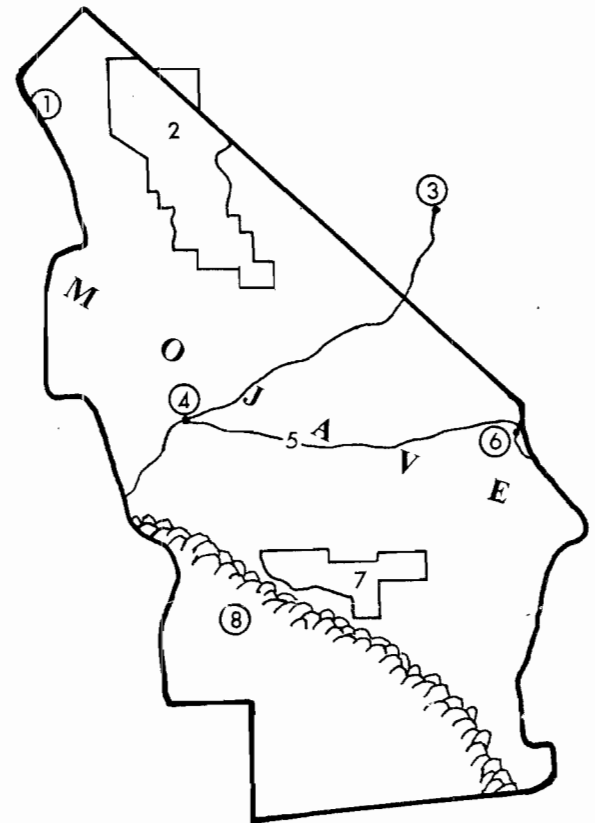
A Passage to India, and Amadeus have 11 nominations each. Killing Fields
 has 7, and Places in the Heart has 6. Good luck. I'll print my choices
 next issue.

***** This issue is going out to the few The Prince subbers that are still
 ***** left, since I never got around to sending in Humboldt to Jim. Also,
 ***** there are a few H's going out to former TP subbers just because.

ZONE 8 - DESERT



ZONE	CHARACTERISTICS
1.	Redwood forests, undammed rivers, rain, marijuana farms.
2.	Forest land, lava beds, no people.
3.	Earthquakes, Bay Bridge, homosexuals, wine country, Silican Valley.
4.	Central Valley farms, Sacramento, Monterey, illegal aliens.
5.	Tahoe, Yosemite.
6.	Mono lake, Owens lake.
7.	People, Disneyland, Hollywood, beaches, foreign cars, and lots more people.
8.	Highest and lowest point in Continental US, gateway to Las Vegas.
9.	Navy base, Tijuana.



- San Bernardino Mts.
1. Mt. Whitney 14,494 ft
 2. Death Valley -282 ft
 3. Las Vegas 5-1 odds
 4. Barstow
 5. Route 66
 6. Needles
 7. Joshua Tree National Mon.
 8. Palm Springs

GET YOUR KICKS ON ROUTE 66

"The Joads topped the pass while the sun was still up, and looked down on the desert - black cinder mountains in the distance, and the yellow sun reflected on the grey desert. The little starved bushes, sage and greasewood, threw bold shadows on the sand and bits of rock. The glaring sun was straight ahead.

Al said, 'Jesus, what a place. How'd you like to walk acrost her?'

'People done it,' said Tom, 'Lots of people done it; and if they could, we could.'

'Lots must of died,' said Al."

John Steinbeck

"Survival Hint #1: Stay out of there. Don't go. Stay home and read a good book. The Great American Desert is an awful place. Even if you survive, which is not certain, you will have a miserable time. The desert is for movies and God-intoxicated mystics, not for family recreation."

Edward Abbey

"I saw a picture postcard of the desert with bones on it."

"Man bones?"

"Well some, but mostly cow bones and animal bones."

"Boy, I sure would like to see some of them Man bones."

from Grapes of Wrath

No one lives in the desert. Nor is it a hotbed of economic activity. Californians see the Desert as a place to travel through, preferably in the cool of the night.

I've only been through this area once when I drove through Death Valley (I didn't stop, of course). I vividly remember the narrow roads going in and out of the valley, particularly the 1000ft drops and the lack of guardrails. For the many people who migrate to California this is their first glimpse of the state ("'Milk and Honey' my eye, Martha. Let's go back to Tulsa.").

Needles (home of Snoopy's brother, Spike) gets it's share of national highs with summer tempertures of 120-130 degrees. Average rainfall is 5". But the best way to illustrate how desolute the area is, is to total up the Indian Reservations. There are ten. "Sign here and we promise not to bother you anymore." The most populated city is Palm Springs, 21,000 people and over 30 golf courses.

After living in a densely forested area of California I appreciate the openness of the desert. This is the only zone where the land commands the people. If you mess with the desert, you die. Still there are hundreds of species of plants and animals that survive quite nicely. It is an area I'd like to see again, only this time for an extended visit.

"Why go into the desert? There is nothing out there. Nothing at all. Nothing but the desert. Nothing but the silent world.

That's why."

Edward Abbey

In the last issue of RC I had Reagan living in the same area as Nixon. He really lives near Santa Barbara. It's an honest mistake, I always confuse those two fellows.

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