

HERB CAEN



One Thing After Another

LITERARY FOOTNOTE: Let's hear it for the Dashiell Hammett fan who has spray-painted "Miles Archer Was Shot Here" on the sidewalk at Bush and Stockton: Tak Matsuba, manager of the Bush Gardens restaurant there, was about to have the inexplicable, to him, message removed till a fan of "The Maltese Falcon" explained the historic importance (Archer was Sam Spade's partner and if you don't remember who killed him I'm not going to tell you, except the initials are B. O'S.) Convinced at last, Tak will leave the words there till they fade away, which Sam Spade fans never do.

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CAENFETTI: Donald Lee finally tore it down—a big sign posted for three weeks on a pole near Second and D in San Rafael, reading "Garage Sale, 1600 Pennsylvania Ave. Everything Goes! Tapes Galore!" . . . Meanwhile, the Young Republicans, coming a bit belatedly to the aid of their beleaguered President, are circulating bumper stickers with a message aimed at Teddy: "Nobody Drowned at Watergate" . . . S.F. Actor Howard Hessman, on tour and currently staying at that selfsame Watergate in Washington, postcarded Writer John Grissim here: "It's lonely on the road. No one to talk to, and worse yet, nobody listens to you. Maybe this place'll be different!" . . . Hard to believe, but Ben Swig, the Boston Strong Boy who came whistling into S.F. after his mark (correction, Fair- his birthday,