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12/18/72 In recent months there have been a number of stories on the gutting of the network of "public" broadcasting, a nother today's Anderson column. There have been mentions of specific programs to go. Especially black. NOT among them is the Wall Street program. What THAT is going on "public" TV I have never understood. There is no shortage of readily-available information about Wall Street, but tyere is a shortage of information people need, including very much about their government, which is 2here the axe was applied with most gusto. HW

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12/18/72 Hal's sideline has taken a new turn, according to CBS TV a.m. news today, Underground Comics, largest printer San Francisco's Rip-Off Press, 50,000 copies a day, %250,000 a year. These are current productions. A cartoonist Shelton was aired and Gary Anderson in his shop. He's said to be your tycoon. Anderson says this new breed helps people make a mental hit each day, which is good for the head. Surprisingly, CBS(Threlkeld) did not ridicule. If it did avpid airing the comics on sex. H

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NBC-TV, which you never look at, has a rerun of their Bold Ones series 12/26 dealing with acupuncture, with a genuine, articulate Communist acupuncturist (here) and a ~~vizz~~ very wealthy extreme-right surgeon who is the villain until he capitulates. All of these things are rare for TV. I saw that show and saw the trailer announcing it just before tonight's NBC Reports, which is on the dismal subject of medical costs, so I'm not looking at it. Maybe this is what Whitehead was talking about? H 12/19/72

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