

"IF THERE'S ONE THING ELLSWORTH HATES, IT'S TALKING-DOG-ON-DESERT-ISLAND CARTOONS"

A Six-Month Tally of New Yorker Cartoon Concepts

THE FINE PRINT CONTINUED

Dishes, glasses and flatware were improperly sanitized. In the cellar, water was leaking from the ceiling. The deli-counter floor area was grease-laden. Inspectors found old and fresh mouse excreta, live roaches and live flies. There were no screens in the locker room and, best of all, a foul urine odor was noted on ledge outside the window.

HAVE MERCY, JUDGE: THE FRIENDS OF MICHAEL DEAVER

Michael Deaver, the former chief propagandist of the Reagan White House, was convicted in December 1987 of two counts of perjury. Deaver was not convicted of media manipulation or craven obedience to Nancy Reagan or writing a blabbermouth book about working in the White House or even for advertising his influence-peddling prowess on the cover of *Time*. Instead, prosecutors nailed him for lying to a House subcommittee about trying to set up a meeting between the president and a South Korean trade envoy, and to a grand jury by claiming not to remember doing what clients had paid him hefty fees to do. Before he was sentenced, some of Deaver's family, friends and associates wrote to the judge on his behalf. Here are excerpts from nine of the 18 letters that were made public:

Carolyn Deaver, wife:

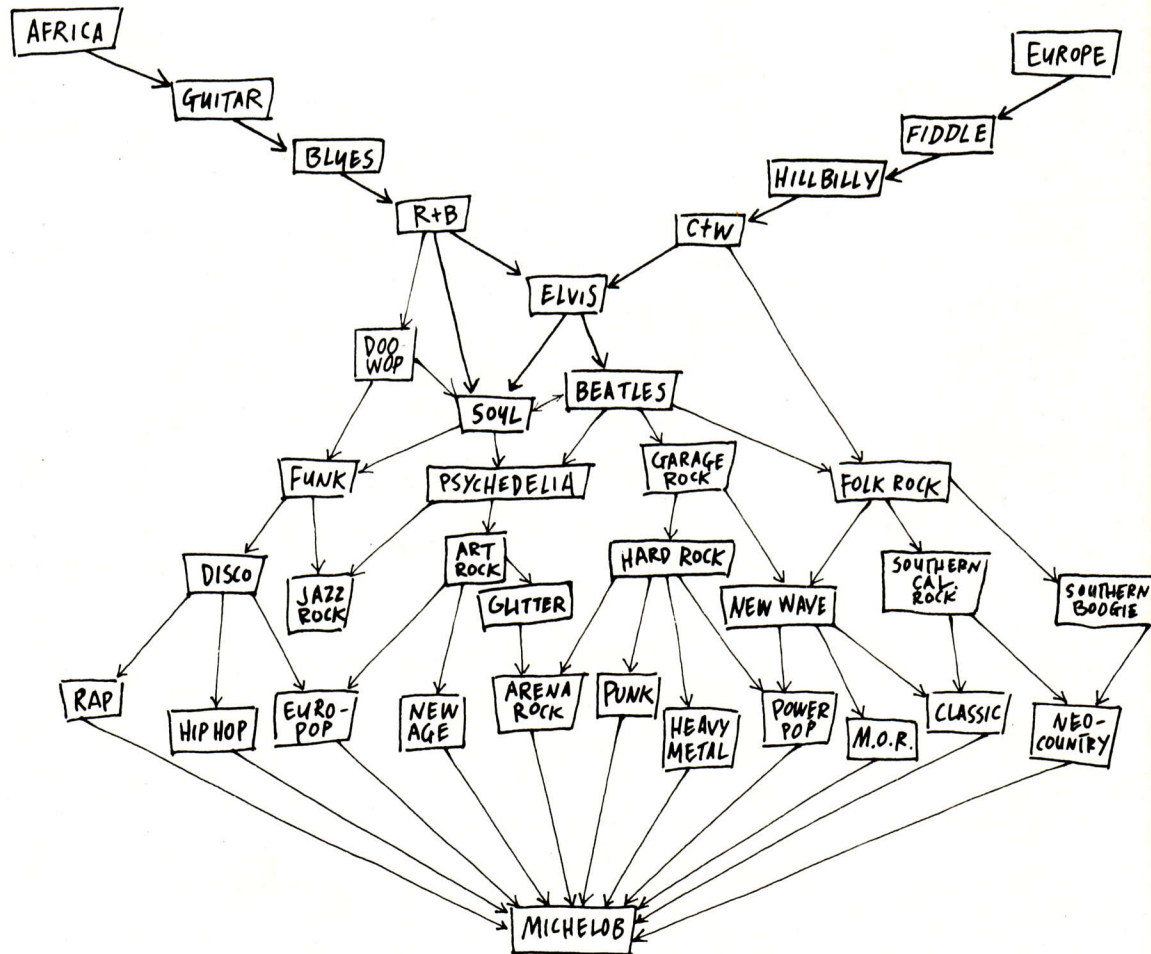
"On July 20th my husband and I celebrated 20 years of marriage. We celebrated quietly, subdued by the threatening circumstances which have engulfed our lives. But we found, in fact, cause for celebration even greater than the same occasion three, five or ten years ago. You see, Michael Deaver has come home. . . .

"I don't think we 'moved' to Washington [after Reagan's election]; it is more accurate to say we 'orbited' the capital. It was an overwhelming experience to find ourselves in a strange city, trying to comprehend and understand a milieu for which we were totally unprepared. . . . ▶

Talking animals	36	Humanized plants/objects	7
Label/sign (nonroad, nonbusiness)	28	Military men	7
Ancient times	28	Waiter	7
Husband/wife	22	Woman to woman about nearby husband	7
Humanesque animals (nontalking)	15	Business meeting	6
Watching TV	15	Figurative expression taken literally	6
Man at desk alone	10	Man buying clothes	6
Party	10	Prison	6
Business sign	9	Sophisticated children	6
Road sign	8	Man at mirror	5
Courtroom	8	Man leaves for/returns from work	5
Legal (noncourtroom, nonprison)	8	Statue	5
Boss/employee	7	Desert island	2
Heaven/hell	7		

— Seth Roberts

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DEAN ROHRER