

" AN ACUTE CASE OF CUTENESS "
BY PAT/SALTY

CUTE CHILD ACTORS; They ALWAYS
HAVE A HOT NEW CROP OF THEM
MAKING THEIR CUTE WAY THRU THE
HOLLYWOOD/MEDIA PIPELINE.
ITS LIKE AN ASSEMBLY LINE TURNING
OUT CUTE LITTLE ACTORS + ACTRESSES.
WITH A VERY, VERY SHORT SHELF LIFE.
BECAUSE CUTE CHILD ACTORS LAST ABOUT
AS LONG AS FRESH TOMATTOS.

~~RECAPTURE~~ CUTENESS HAS A VERY SHORT
SHELF LIFE FOR T.V. SHOWS, COMMERCIALS,
AND MOVIES.

A COUPLE OF YEARS, AND THEY ARE
OUT OF WORK - REPLACED BY THE NEWEST
CROP OF "CUTE LITTLE DARLINGS" OF THE
MOMENT.

THEN THEY OFTEN SPEND YEARS - EVEN
LIFETIMES - TRYING TO "RECAPTURE THE MAGIC"
OF HAVING BEEN "CHILD STARS."

ITS PATHETIC, PREDICTABLE, AND DEPRESSING.
MICKEY ROONEY IS IN HIS 80'S AND STILL
HASN'T GOTTEN OVER HIS 1930'S CHILD STAR DAYS.
ROBERT BLAKE - FORGET ABOUT IT!

GARY COLEMAN, DANNY BONADUCE, ON
AND ON THE FORMER CUTE CROWD MARCHES



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ON, pushes ON, AGES ON, Forever
Feverishly ATTEMPTING TO somehow TURN
BACK THE CLOCK AND "RECAPTURE" THEIR
"GLORY DAYS".

ONLY They NEVER CAN,
NOT NOW, NOT TOMMOROW, NOT EVER.
BECAUSE WHAT HOLLYWOOD + THE MASS
MEDIA AND AUNT EDITH CONSIDER
THE HIGHT OF CUTENESS GOES BAD FASTER
THEN TUNA FISH SALAD LEFT IN THE SUN
FOR 5 hours DURING A JULY picnic.
IN FRICKIN' BERMUDA.

Like, FAST.

THEN ITS THROWN ONTO THE ASSEMBLY LINE
JUNKPILE WITH ALL THE PREVIOUS EX CUTE ONES.
MIDGETS LIKE GARY ~~COLEMAN~~ COLEMAN
(OR THAT LITTLE BLACK CUTE BOY STAR OF THE
1980'S IN "WEBSTER") CAN LAST A LITTLE
BIT LONGER - BUT NOT MUCH LONGER.
IN THE MEDIA ~~STAR~~ SPOTLIGHT.
AFTER THAT, LIKE COLEMAN, THEY JUST
BECOME OCCASIONAL PART TIME C LIST
"CELEBRITYS" AS IN "WHATSOEVER HAPPENED
TO " UPDATES EVERY NOW + THEN.
MANY, SUCH AS THE CUTE LITTLE GIRL FROM
THE 1960'S SHOW "FAMILY AFFAIR," END
UP DEAD OF O.D.'S FROM DRUGS →

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AFTER THEIR CUTE CAREERS ARE WASHED UP.
DONNA PLATO - COLEMAN'S CHILD CO-STAR -
FIT THAT CATEGORY, TOO.

OR THE ACTOR WHO PLAYED "ALPHALFA"
IN THE OLD "OUR GANG / LITTLE RASCALS"
SHORTS; STABBED TO DEATH IN A BARFIGHT -
OVER HUNTING DOGS!

OR END UP, LIKE ROBERT BLAKE, ON TRIAL
FOR MURDER.

NOTHING VERY CUTE ABOUT THAT.

OR LOOK HOW MICHELE JACKSON ENDED UP.
NO BARFIGHTS OVER HUNTING DOGS FOR HIM.
HE JUST LEFT THE HUMAN RACE ALTOGETHER.

THEY COULD DO AN ENTIRE DOCUMENTARY
SERIES CALLED "WHEN CHILD ACTORS GO BAD".
PARTS ONE THREE - WHAT? - 29? IT
~~WAS~~ PROBABLY WOULDN'T EVEN SHOCK ANY
OF YOU TOO MUCH IF YOU WERE TO LEARN
THAT ONE DAY A FORMER CUTE CHILD STAR
WOULD ONE DAY BE ELECTED PRESIDENT,
AND WOULD BE THE ONE TO BLOW UP THE WORLD,
NOW WOULD IT?

WOULDN'T SURPRISE ME ONE BIT, EITHER.

BECAUSE AFTER CUTE OFTEN COMES ROTTEN.

SO ENJOY TODAY'S CUTE ONES WHILE THEY LAST.

BECAUSE IT'S SURE AS HELL NEVER DOES.

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