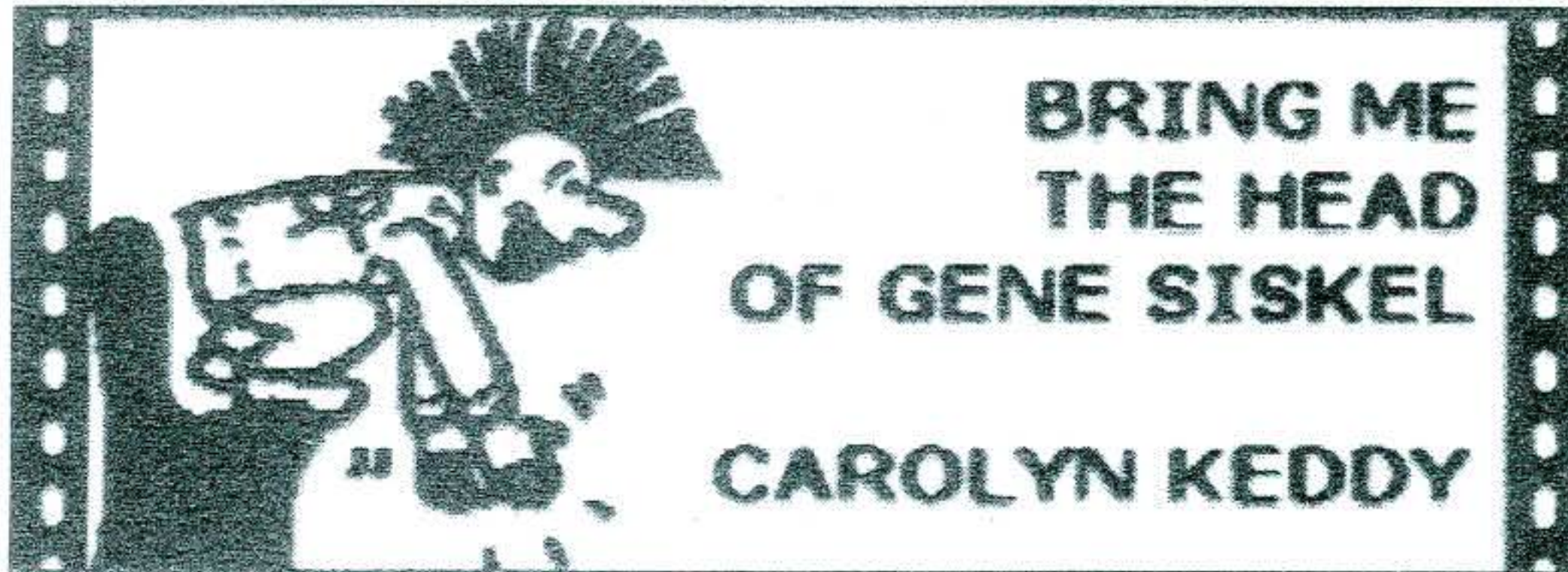


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The *Captain Beefheart Under Review* DVD didn't offer as much fun as the Velvet Underground one I reviewed last month. It is the same set up, an unauthorized history of Captain Beefheart and His Magic Band. Again, the main person you want to hear from—Don Van Vliet—does not participate. Ten members of the Magic Band are interviewed, and although they try to do some wacky set-ups—on the phone while in a tree, at a church pulpit, in a toy truck—to spice up their interviews, their stories just seem dull. So dull, in fact, that when the usually overly annoying music critics pipe in with their thoughts you hardly notice.

All of this is too bad because the music and footage of the band that is shown is so good. There just isn't enough of it. It's nice to know that Captain Beefheart and his Magic Band made so many promo films for their songs, but I would have liked to have seen all of them. The full videos could have been a nice extra for the DVD. Maybe someone can work on that. (<http://mvdb2b.com>)

I am always looking for films to review. If you've made one, send a copy to me c/o MRR, PO Box 406760, San Francisco, CA 94146-0760. Email me at [carolynmrr@juno.com](mailto:carolynmrr@juno.com), if you have a film screening in San Francisco. I will go see it.