## Zappa Frank "Agency Man"

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Frank Zappa (guitar, vocals)
Ian Underwood (alto saxophone, piano)
Bunk Gardner (tenor saxophone, clarinet)
Motorhead Sherwood (baritone saxophone, tambourine)
Roy Estrada (bass, vocals)
Don Preston (electric piano)
Arthur Tripp (drums, percussion)
Jimmy Carl Black (drums)
Members of The BBC Symphony Orchestra

(Were The Mothers of Invention Ahead of their time? at least in the case of AGENCY MAN (written in 1967), about Ronald Reagan running for president. (Since Bill Casey was Reagan campaign manager, and later became head of the CIA, the idea of a political sales pitch emanating from an agency man takes on a whole new dimension).

Sell us a president, agency man
Smiling Big Brother stern father perhaps
Sell us a president, agency man
(A gay?) smiling up we know never craps
Let's try California,
Pay us first before we do it
We get a smilin nazi
March him right on through
Wham a baby
Kiss a baby
Ladies in for tea

And here's a bunch of speeches Well toss 'em in for free

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We'll sell him in the movies On the tube throughout the year We'll sell him by the bucket
To the Okies drinking beer
We'll teach him how to walk and talk
We'll putty up his chin
We'll print his picture everywhere
Of course the shmuck will win

From the heart of Death Valley
To the ruling of our land
A simple trick you simple pig
It's just the way we planned

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