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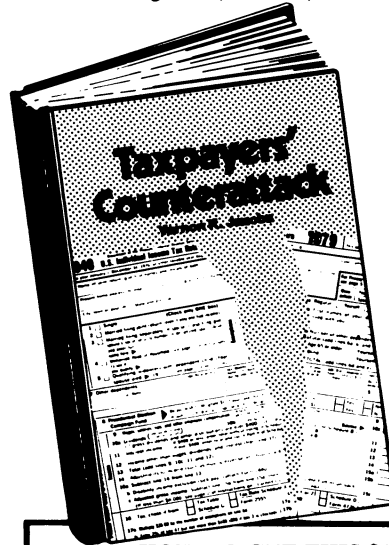
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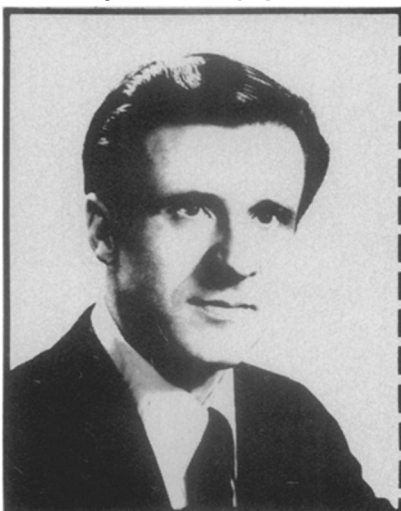


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COVER: Mass suicide rehearsals during so-called "white nights" were a common ritual in Jim Jones's People's Temple commune in the forests of Guyana. After the killings of Congressman Leo Ryan and four others, the rehearsals came to an end; Jones and more than 900 of his followers committed suicide, just as they had practiced it so many times. One year later, behavioral scientists are beginning to discover how it all could have happened. See p. 378. (Photo: Wide World Photos)

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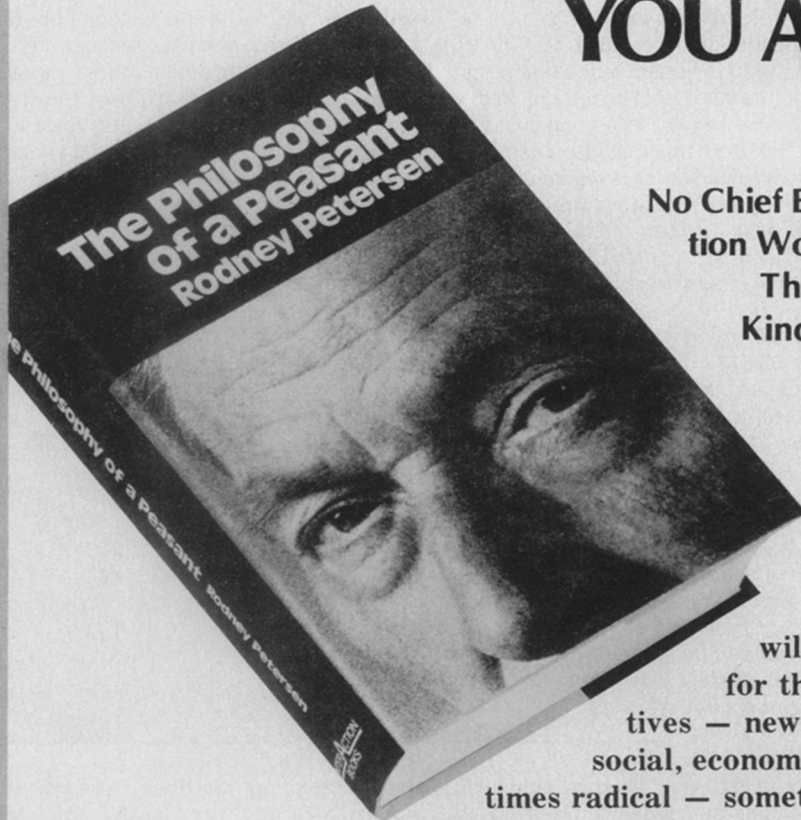
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