Frank Zappa releases his second solo album *Hot Rats* after the break up of the original Mothers of Invention. He dedicated the jazzy instrumentals to his newborn son Dweezil. Shot on infrared Kodak Aerochrome III film, the cover artwork shows Miss Christine of the GTO's (Girls
Together Outrageously, Betty progenitors) emerging from an empty swimming pool.

26 October 1971 and/or 6 Ramadan 1391

— Day 299 in the Gregorian calendar (300 in leap years)

— Luboš Kohoutek discovered in Hamburg-Bergedorf over thirty new minor planets including 1865 Cerberus.

— Ten days earlier, the Cambodian PM suspended the National Assembly announcing he would run the country by executive decree. Lon Nol said that “the sterile game of democracy” was hindering the Cambodian government’s fight against the communist forces of the Khmer Rouge and North Vietnamese.

— The top ten songs on the US charts were:
1. Cher – “Gypsys, Tramps & Thieves”
2. The Osmonds – “Yo-Yo”
3. Rod Stewart – “Maggie May”
4. Carpenters – “Superstar”
5. Isaac Hayes – “Theme from Shaft”
6. John Lennon – “Imagine”
7. Lee Michaels – “Do You Know What I Mean”
9. Cat Stevens – “Peace Train”
10. The Free Movement – “I’ve Found Someone of My Own”

— The most popular flicks included:
1. Louis Malle’s Le Souffle au Coeur
2. Roman Polanski’s Macbeth
3. William Friedkin’s French Connection
4. Gerry de Leon’s Women in Cages

— Bob bought Process and Reality at a B. Dalton’s for $3.95 plus tax.
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