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THE WOMEN'S LABOR PROJECT

The Women's Labor Project (WLP), an all women group, was organized last fall in response to interest in a legal project focused on the special needs and demands of working women in the Bay Area. The initial meetings were designed to educate the members of WLP about existing organizing efforts and support groups, and involved presentations by Union WAGE, and the California Homemakers Association. Throughout the year WLP attempted to evaluate the political significance of the work these groups were doing and to develop their own analysis of the role of women in basic industry, service industries, and the home.

As a result of these meetings, members of the WLP provided legal assistance, information and organizational support to California Homemakers Assoc. (CHA), the California Nurses Assoc., the Bank Organizing Support Committee in San Francisco and the Coalition for Workers Rights, a group concerned about attacks on protective legislation.

As a Guild Summer Project, the WLP continued to group politically through study and practice. Weekly meetings of the study group focused on issues such as Title VII and layoffs, the ERA and protective legislation, women in unions and Wages for Housework.

Nine law students worked with the WLP this summer with funding from the NLG, the Law Students Civil Rights Research Council and the Community Projects Office of the University of California. There was continuing work with California Homemakers Assoc. (a community "union" which organizes attendant careworkers- those persons who do domestic work in the homes of the aged, blind, and disabled welfare recipients). A majority of work centered on a law suit to enforce the federal minimum wage for attendant careworkers. Other WLP members worked with the Cannery Workers Committee, a group of workers in canneries throughout the state who are organizing to combat race and sex discrimination. Another group worked with Jobs for Older Women, an organization of older women who are organized to fight sex and age discrimination in employment. Along with the California Rural League Assistance Senior Citizen's Project and the Women's Litigation Unit of

SNFLAF, they have been preparing a suit against the Social Security Administration to challenge the rule which prohibits women who have been divorced after fewer than twenty years of marriage from collecting Social Security Benefits upon their ex-husbands' death or retirement. WLP members have assisted clerical workers employed by California Rural Legal Assistance in their unionizing drive by researching contracts which deal with the special needs of women, e.g. childcare, parental leave benefits.

Plans this fall include continuing project work from this summer as well as exploring new projects.

1. Cannery Worker: developing and analyzing factual and legal support for further challenges to discrimination in the canneries.
2. Clerical Organizing: assisting the Clerical Workers Group of the SF Women's Union in organizing clerical caucuses in major SF industries such as banking and insurance.
3. Social Security Suit: continuing legal work on this suit publicizing discrimination in the social security system and developing proposals for credit for homeworkers.
4. National Women and Labor Committee: developing a national program concerning women and labor for presentation at the Guild Convention in February.
5. Study Groups: developing an analysis of women's labor under capitalism.

The first meeting of the WLP will be October 2 at Boalt Hall downstairs lounge (by the lockers) at 8:00 p.m.

For information and childcare call 647-4730.





CONSPIRACY CORNER

by Mark Derzon

THE COUNTER-REVOLUTION

Sara Jane Moore, the would-be assassin of Gerald Ford, is being sent away to a federal mental institution in San Diego. This institution is one of many behavior modification centers run by the federal government. Another one was opened recently in Alaska, while the most famous is in Springfield, Mo. Jack Anderson has referred to the latter as "Clockwork Orange," Mo. Some of the people who have involuntarily spent time in these "correctional institutions" are listed below.

Abraham Bolden - the secret service agent who tried to tell the Warren Commission about a plot he discovered in Chicago to kill President Kennedy. He claimed the FBI was trailing Oswald in Chicago three weeks before the shooting in Dallas. Bolden was locked up without a trial, and it took years to free him.

Alex Battos - he worked as an undercover agent and put the finger on some Midwest heroine pushers. Through his underground connections he gained information about the plane crash in which Dorothy Hunt, the Watergate pay-off woman, was killed. Battos was scheduled to testify at the National Transportation Safety Board's hearings on the crash, but on the day they were to begin he was whisked away to Springfield, Mo. without even the formality of a hearing. He spent 40 days there, and again it took tremendous citizenry pressure to get him released.

According to testimony given during the U.S. Senate's investigation of mental health practices in this country, the newest advances in behaviour modification: love and hate, hot and cold, and thorazine treatments are practiced at these centers. When one comes out of these centers one thinks and behaves as he is programmed.

If Sara Moore spends 60 days in San Diego we will probably never know who was really responsible for what happened in front of the St. Francis Hotel. She was an FBI agent; this is admitted by herself and the bureau. Here we have another former FBI agent turned "radical leftist revolutionary." She joins the ranks of such notables as Lee Harvey Oswald, Donald David Defreeze, Charles Manson, and others. Why is it common for former right-wingers to be so vocal and active in the leftist movement today? These alleged revolutionaries who get all the headlines spew forth phoney leftist rhetoric while utilizing fascist rightwing tactics.

Most students at GGU were going to school in the '60s and some were probably active in leftist politics and opposition to the Vietnam War. What an appalling switch the movement has taken when the most widely publicized liberal advocates are a mob of former undercover agents for various law enforcement agencies.

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During the past decade legitimate action had begun to take affect, and the mood of the country had begun to shift toward a more liberal outlook. But all this gain and more has been wiped out by the actions of a handful of so-called revolutionaries working under the direction, consent, and funding of the FBI and other law enforcement agencies.

Film Reviews by John Fisher

NASHVILLE

Robert Altman, Director

Nashville is the story of the world of country music told in a documentary fashion shifting from character to character so that it captures at most a brief glimpse of their lives. Along the way we run into winners, losers, and those in-between (not a success but not ready to concede defeat.) The film has 24 featured performers, many of whom perform their own material.

Henry Gibson is the established star, a twenty-five year veteran now being touted for governor. Politics is as pervasive as country music in this film and perhaps for this reason the main character seems to Hal Phillip Walker, the unseen candidate of the Replacement Party for President. His soundtrucks are everywhere broadcasting a program that is vaguely Populist in its tone and appeal. With politics the film also gives the All-American assassin. In the end, it is a country performer and not the politician that gets shot beneath Nashville's very own Parthenon. Gibson's wife is also into politics, but as a contributor and not an active performer. Her interests are non-partisan but the film leaves an implication that she once slept with Bobby and Jack ("those boys were special"). Her son is a Harvard Law type whose career seems to consist in mainly hanging around and not doing anything substantive. Lawyers are around, though, one of the top country stars is married to Gibson's attorney, and of course Walker wants to remove all the 280-plus lawyers from Congress.

The finest performances in the film come from Ronee Blakely and Lily Tomlin, primarily because they are the only characters whose private lives are seen to any significant extent. Blakely plays an established star whose career at the moment seems to consist of being in and out of the hospital. Allen Garfield, her husband and manager, treats her like a child at a time

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when she needs some understanding. Upon being released she suffers a nervous breakdown on stage and begins to ramble about her childhood and mother who forced her to sing at an early age.

From all indications, Lily Tomlin may be joining her soon. Tomlin is married to Gibson's lawyer, played by Ned Beatty. While Tomlin is making gospel recordings, Beatty is out raising money for Walker. Tomlin has two deaf children at home, and perhaps for this reason her conversational range is limited to a discussion of the physical misfortunes of others. She does manage to find time for Keith Carradine, a member of a rock group. The supporting cast is also excellent. Gwen Welles is a notable singer forced to striptease at one of Beatty's fundraisers. Keenan Wynn is the husband of a terminally ill woman in the same hospital wing as Blakely. One seemingly out of place character is Geraldine Chaplin as a tape-recorder carrying English groupie claiming to be making a BBC documentary, but since the country music capital attracts all types she might as well stay.

For director Altman, NASHVILLE is his biggest success since M*A*S*H in 1970. NASHVILLE succeeds like the earlier film, despite its lack of an overall plot, by presenting a fragment of society to tell us the condition of the whole.

(Editor's note: John Fisher is a third year day student; this is his second film review printed in CAVEAT. These reviews are published with an eye towards adding something light and entertaining to CAVEAT. Your comments are welcome on this and all other material printed in CAVEAT.)

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BAY AREA REVIEW MEETING
TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 30, 1975

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Room 205

JAN HORN, director of Bay Area Review (BAR) will talk and answer questions on the October 11th Legal Responsibility (Ethics) Examination, the Winter and Summer Bar Examination and BAR's aid in preparing for those examinations.

GGU BAR student representatives are: Ted Bayer, Lynda Brothers, Vicki Hobel, John Kerbleski, Daryl Dobashi.

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Alumni Publication Editor and Business Manager Applications are Still Being Taken

October 3, 1975 is the deadline, applications must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. in the Dean's office. Check the Dean's bulletin board for details on qualification and application requirements. The Editor will receive 2/3 tuition remission, and the Business Manager will receive 1/3 tuition remission.

HOLIDAY*HOLIDAY*HOLIDAY*HOLIDAY

In case you've forgotten or were never aware of the fact, the week of October 6 - October 10 is a school holiday. Classes will resume on October 13th. The Law Library's schedule will not be changed during that week.

LAW LIBRARY RECEIVES A REQUEST

The entry hallway at 562 Mission St. is not a part of the Law Library. Businesses on the upper floors of the building have requested that law students cooperate in keeping the hall clear.

ATTENTION FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS

NOMINATIONS ARE NOW OPEN FOR FIRST-YEAR REPRESENTATIVE TO THE SBA

One representative will be elected from each of the first year sections (day A, day B, night) The term of office runs until March 1, 1975. The Rep will be expected to attend the weekly (or bi-weekly depending upon innumerable factors, like the weather) meetings of the SBA Board of Governors. The only other qualification for these elected positions is an overriding desire to serve your school and fellow students. Interested candidates should submit a petition, signed by 10 students, to the SBA box in the faculty center, the SBA President's box in the Dean's Office or a member of the SBA Board of Governors.

Deadline for nominations : Oct. 3, 1975/
elections will be held after Fall Break.

SBA BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACKNOWLEDGES LIBRARY IMPROVEMENTS

Last spring, the SBA Board of Governors requested that the library make arrangements to have coin change available to students wishing to use the library copying machine. Additionally, the Board asked the library staff to consider alternatives to the present copier which makes it difficult or impossible to copy double pages.

The bureaucracy at GGU being what it is, it has taken some time to get action on these minor but irksome points. However, as many will have noticed, a coin change machine has been in operation at the library for the last couple of weeks. A new copy machine is presently on order. The SBA would like to thank the library staff, and especially Robin Orme for pressing to see that their student needs are met. We would also like to thank John Teitscheid, Manager of Administrative Services, for agreeing to implement the changes.

We understand that Robin is about to leave the staff to go into practice. We wish him well and hope that his replacement as Reference Librarian will be as responsive to student concerns as he has been.

Howard Moscowitz
Second Year Day Rep

ABA-LSD REPRESENTATIVE

This year for the first time, a student representative to the American Bar Association-Law School Division (ABA-LSD) will be elected by general election. The election will be held simultaneously with the election of first year reps to the SBA (the week of October 14th).

Every registered student is eligible to vote for and run for the position of ABA-LSD rep.

The only requirement is an ability to read. The benefits are many. By virtue of being students at an ABA accredited law school, every GGU law student is to some extent (which is unclear to me), a member of the ABA-LSD. Benefits to members include being entitled to financial grants for student projects, assistance in seeking employment and participation in numerous ABA and ABA-LSD activities.

All nominees should submit their names to the SBA box in the faculty center or a member of the SBA Board of Governors by October 3, 1975.

Lynda Brothers
SBA President

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SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY TICKETS

S.F. Symphony tickets can be purchased starting Monday, Sept. 29th from Gloria Dralla, 3rd year day, in the faculty center. Interested students may at this time select their seat locations for either the full 24 concert series or either of two 12 concert series subscriptions. Tickets must be paid for by check, and a maximum of two season tickets may be purchased with a valid student I.D. Besides reduced admission prices to the Wednesday night concerts, student subscribers are also invited to attend a series of complimentary post-concert gatherings to meet, drink, and eat with various guest performers and conductors. The tickets are for the 1975-76 season under the baton of Maestro Seiji Ozawa and will be on sale until October 24th.

SAN FRANCISCO VOTER REGISTRATION

This is the last week to register to vote in November's election for Mayor, Sheriff, District Attorney and 6 Supervisors. You must re-register if you have moved or if you didn't vote last November. Persons who live here now have sufficient length of residency to register. Sue Hestor (3rd year day) is registering people in the second floor lounge, or leave a message in locker 435.

SBA STUDENT-FACULTY PICNIC

The annual SBA Picnic will be held Sunday, October 19, 1975, 11:00 a.m. until ?? at a yet-to-be-determined location. Mark that date on your calendar!! All law students, families, and faculty are invited. As you all undoubtedly know, the SBA picnic is THE most significant social event of the year. In addition to the Student v. Faculty Softball game, we will have some inter-class football games, volleyball, frisbee and other less physical activities. Some food and drink will be provided.

We still need some help in planning and organizing the picnic, so please volunteer to do some little job. The following people have volunteered to help so contact one of them, or leave a note in the SBA box in the faculty center, or tell your SBA rep if you can help. See you the 19th.

Activities - Rita Whalen (564-9563)
Student Softball Team - Tim Smallsreed
Faculty Softball Team - Larry Jones
Publicity - Howard Moscovitz
Food - ?
Drink - ?
Arrangements (Reserving a place, etc.) - ?
Lynda Brothers, Pres., SBA

GGU BUSINESS SCHOOLS TO START CLASSES

On Monday, September 29, 1975, the rest of GGU will begin their fall semester, which will continue until January 23, 1976.

MARQUIS CHILDS TO WEIGH PROSPECTS FOR A MIDEAST PEACE AT WORLD AFFAIRS COUNCIL PROGRAM, MONDAY, SEPT. 29, 5:45 P.M., Mark Hopkins Hotel

Recently returned from visits to Iran, Israel, Egypt and Jorday, columnist/journalist Marquis Childs will report on his talks with Shah Reza Pahlavi, Prime Ministers Rabin and Sadat, and King Hussein, and weigh prospects for a long-term peace in the Middle East at a World Affairs Council Forum on Monday, September 29. The program will begin at 5:45 p.m. at the Mark Hopkins Hotel. Mr. Childs was associated with the St. Louis Post-Dispatch for 42 years and served as their chief Washington correspondent from 1962-68. His columns, syndicated by United Features, appear regularly in 120 newspapers in this country and abroad. Among his numerous journalism awards is the coveted Pulitzer Prize for Commentary which he received in 1969. Mr. Childs is also the author of more than a dozen books, among them They Hate Roosevelt, This is Democracy and The Peacemakers. His latest, Witness to Power, will be published shortly. Reservations at \$1.25 for members may be made by calling the World Affairs Council at 982-2541. By virtue of being GGU students, we are all members. No-host cocktails will be available from 5:15.

ULSTER LAW AND THE NO. IRELAND WAR

Sean Walsh, National Director of Irish National Caucus, will speak this Monday, Sept. 29, 3-5 p.m. in the Moot Court Room of USF Law School. In his talk Mr. Walsh will address himself to such legal questions in Ulster as internment without trial, the Special Powers Act, and the European Human Rights Commission trial of the English Government, etc. All are welcome.

Intramural Sports

For information about on-going activities please check second floor vending machine.