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Films 'Nightcleaners': political documentary as art

The images of Nightcleaners are separate from each other, every one surrounded by black space. They etch themselves into the memory with a sharpness that burns like acid.

"Nightcleaners" is an English film about women who work in large office buildings at night, cleaning. In 1968 they began to try to achieve better wages and working conditions, precipitating a protracted struggle which attracted the attention of the English left and the Women's Movement in particular.

Produced by the Berwick Street Collective of London, the film documents this conflict.

Nightcleaners represents a genuine breakthrough in cinema, welding the tradition of the art film to that of the documentary, something I've never before seen success-fully accomplished. The film not only raises all the old questions about the relation of art to ideology, but it also presents coherent answers to them. It deals with a complex set of circumstances in full detail, and does so in a form that is appropriate to the subject matter. It is an extended polemic against the unvoiced assumptions of the conventional political filmmaker; and at the same time a demonstration to the film artist who loves the pure projected image that he or she can focus on issues of the conscience as well as the imagination.

syntax and grammar of a events in the newspaper, spoke foreign language, a language to the principal parties, and more suited to what has to be generally kept a sympathetic said than one's own. First eye on what was going on. How the film's dark spaces and much more there is in a truth silences appear shorter—less that one discovers for oneself suences appear shorter—less that one discovers for oneself like distractions, more like breathing points or times to recollect and reflect. The work where the spectator's disconnectedness of the point is a ratio called a reflect to the point is an article and reflect to the point is a point in the point in the point is a point in the point in the point is a point in the point disconnectedness of images, the absence of a smooth flow from one to the next, gradually becomes a positive feature, in that it allows an examination of each image itself.

By watching the film I discovered how much I rely on a shot's context as a determinant of its significane in the film as a whole. Here in Nightcleaners the surrounding of each shot by neutral space has the effect of taking it out of context, so that there is nothing telling the viewer that this statement is highly significant, that one less so. We are left, in the end, to decide on our own what is to be emphasized in the composite picture of working women and the societal structure within which they

operate.

Over the eighty minutes that Nightcleaners runs, a highly complicated situation is pre-sented. But each person who sees the film leaves it with a different impression situation, for the viewer is

But one does learn to watch the material given. We learn Nightcleaners. The experience about the issues in much the is akin to coming to know the the mind is an active collaborator, not a passive subject!

The avant-garde film m ment has been making demands of its audience for in return for a state 20 years, in return for a rich ness of experience. Night. style of filmmaking to political cinema, avoiding manipulation of the audience-mind, and find ing a form in which this can b achieved without losing touch with its subject matter.

Grahame Weinbren

Theater 'Ice' a freeze out

"Ice" by Michael Cristofer, currently at the Mark Taper Forum, is a three act play that is missing the middle act. Set in the barren badlands of Alaska, it stars Cliff DeYoung who wrestles unsucessfully with the role of Murph, an American talkathon who has split the lower forty-eight for the peace and quiet of two hun-dred acres of loneliness. The area acres of toneliness. Inclong, windbag sequences, at times entertaining, generally wear the audience out. That is too bad, because "Ice" has its moments. Probably the best scene in the play is between Murph, who has not had human company for monthe screen for monthe screen for company for months except for an occasional chat in The an occasional chat in the Family Bar, and Ray, played with difficulty by Ron Rifkin. Ray is a drunk who can do nothing but grunt while Murph unwinds an avalanche of language.

The actor's problem is more with the play than with their delivery. It is like giving a Bartok concerto with a ukelele. The actors are the Bartok, the play is the ukelele.

Britt Swanson is reasonably convincing as Sunshine, though she does little to thaw the clumsy solidity of "Ice."

The major problem is the lack character development.

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There is a clumsy reversal of roles early in the first act Murph gradually becomes incoherent, approaching the comotose nature of Ray, while Ray, in a scene that falls entirely flat, shaves off his beard, washes off his lice and becomes Murph, a talking machine. Mouth Murph also manages to (literally) Sunshine.



The play is much too mechan ical. No one ever communicates; they talk at one another Though it makes a good philo sophical point it is not theatre. When the unexpected happens in "Ice," as in the dance sequence when Ray does a little wild patter in the wilderness, the play has life but such moments are all too infrequent. I felt embarassed for the actors, all o whom are fine performers. The major problem is that writer Cristofer must have missed half of his rewrite sessions. Too bad, "Ice" could have been a winner.

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Rexroth as critic: a critique

Criticism as Montage: a review of American Poetry in the Jventieth Century, by Kenneth gerroth (The Seabury Press, New York, N.Y.)

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diverse pieces are main flaw.

Don't get me wrong. Rexroth wotes the same parry line Ido: Whitman, William Carlos williams, Kenneth Patchen, Denise Levertov, Gary Singder, Fu. I don't think he likes Biot or Pound very much, which is to his credit. In fact, he chastiess left writers for never having attacked Ezra Pound politically. And on Eliot he sails thus: ails thus:

Like Valery, Eliot banished the first-person singular from poetry, and persuaded all of his disciples and epigones to follow him. Behavior of this sort him. Behavior of this sort is a commonplace on the psychoanalytic couch and Eliot's poems, like Val-ery's, have the embaras-sing intimacy of the psycho-analytic confessional.

analytic confessional.
Unfortunately, there is a
hedge to the bet. For at the
end of the very next paragraph, Rearoth adds: "But
that does not mean it is not
great poetry. Most great poetry
has been written from false
principles and with cover,
embarrassing intimacy."
We this is just bullshit. You

university English Departments love Eliot! He makes the crack-up of capitalism seem so fash-

ionable and literary an affair in "The Waste Land." How much safer than Rimbaud's "A Season in Hell" or Ginsberg's "How!." Yet Rexroth comes away somewhat admiringly from Eliot.

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nothing to say.

The book's value and strength
lies in Rexroth's profound rendering of the great anti-clitist
poets of America. His comments on Whitman are illuminating and even inspiring. It
staggers the mind to realize
Whitman is, generally reduced
to 'O Captain, My Captain'
by the adacemicians and professors of poetry. There is a
something almost sinister about
this, when you consider the
prophetic sweep and quality of
Whitman's work. To me he is as
immense and significant, in
poetry, as Marx is politically.

I don't know much about

I don't know much about Kenneth Patchen except that he's a great poet, and that I'm a better person for having read

him. His social protest and love poems are among the first rank in world poetry. His rage at the war-makers, profiteers, profiteers, politicians, in short capitalist ruling class, burns throughout all his work, including his masterful work, including his masterful worse allegory. The Journal of Albion Moonlight. I don't think there really was much revolutionary poetry written in the proletarian thrities', but Patchen is easily the greatest work-nig class poet the U.S. has seen its class of the control of the co

ing class poet the U.S. has seen to date.

As Restroth approaches the present period, I feel his grip weakens. Under a creatian almost weind dried to cover everyone, his arguments be a section on black poets, for example, Restroth makes much of LeRoi Jones, who is actually a minor poet, and mentions Nikki Giovanni, who seems more a creation of the ClA than a serious poet, while failing to mention two outstanding young black poets. David Henderson and Alice Walker. Worse, still, is the attitude of reverse racism, a pandering to black nationalism, which obliges Restroth to discuss black poets separately rather than in historical sequence.

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I like the book in spite of its many weaknesses, but I don't think this is the way to write criticism. Take a stand, Praise who you like and attack who you don't. There is nothing wrong with simplicity and depth, in criticism as in anything else.

Roger Taus

Music Rock notes

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Toots Seger (November 4),
Chuck Mangione and Esther
Satterfield (9th), Patti Similar hero Ted Nugent to
the State of Sugar (10th) and
Labelle (12th) ... New album
Johnny The Kid expected from
Thin Lizzy this month but them
wild-eyed boys aren't expected
back in town until the new
year ... Neil Young and Crazy
Horse at the Forum November
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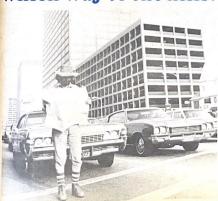




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We commend you for approval of federal funding of the job training program in the amount of \$305,250, which you have recently voted to allocate to the Community Services Center.

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in community leadership today.

We wish at the same time to

Inited States, whether a cou-

express our indignation at the irresponsible remarks made by your president, John S. Gibson.

himself of the facts concerning homosexuality, and we condemn him for his uninformed

• That the United States is the statements quoted by the press

against our loved ones.

We wish to go on record food production and develop recommending that those who self-sufficiency, serve the public have an • That if the rest of the implied obligation to inform themselves before making goods at the rate Americans do, themselves before making goods at the rate Americans do, public announcements. As it the resultant pollution would is, Mr. Gibson may have probably kill the planet.
enjoyed the benefits of an • That massive hunger in
emotional catharsis; however, many parts of the world is not emotional catharsis; however, he has done so at the expense of a great many people.

Sincerely, Charlotte Spitzer Chairperson Parents and Friends of Gays

Critique

Dear Editor,

I read your "Time for a Critique" article in which you reviewed the objectives of the Vanguard and invited feed-back from your readers. So, here's mine.

I subscribed to the Vangaurd because I see it as a forum for expressing opinions, (so repug-nant to the leadership of this country.) that we in the left alternative culture feel are important. In one sentence I would have to summarize

and the goals of our thinking I am not alluding to any anon-and actions should be to see ymous "thems", but to us. that all segments of our society Not just the money hungry

get an equal chance at the goodies."

I do not disagree with this viewpoint when it is put forth as a total and complete posi-tion. When the liberal/leftist sees no need to look beyond this and still expects to get into The People's Heaven, then I have to dissent. The view goes wrong when it sees the problem enter. as one of maldistribution of As an active community wealth within this country, Parents and and that other countries have Friends of Gays, we feel your their own, independent, undecision showed the kind of related problems. Believers in decision showed the kind of related problems. Believers in courage, integrity and fore this are either unaware of or

- That almost everyone in the United States, whether a corp exec or an assembly line mechanic or an unemployed per-As a public servant, we feel son living on county checks, is he has an obligation to avail participating (myself included) in the exploitation of the non-
- leader in per capita consump-tion of natural resources and We fear that emotional out-cheap energy, and to such an bursts such as this can only create a climate of fear and violence in the community never be able to afford those resources needed to improve

 - neces necessarily caused by a lack of food or land availability, but because of our use of potential grain producing land for fattening beef cattle, and our importation of food from countries that cannot meet their own food requirements.
 - That the wealth of this country is based to a great extent on economic exploita-tion of less developed countries and it is backed up by the threat of war.
 - That our economy thrives on the arms race and we would not want to stop it if we could. Whew!

What do these things have to do with the Vanguard? They are relevant if we believe that exploitation is wrong and that exploitation is wrong and equal opportunity is right. There can be no equal oppor-tunity for much of the world now or in the future if we continue on our present path. I would have to summan the viewpoint of much of the the viewpoint of much of the left and your publication as: tunity for much of the world now or in the future if we country is based on exploicontinue on our present path, tation of the many by the few. And when list these criticisms



This colorful character refused to tell the Vanguard whether she/he/it was (a) a Hayakawa (b) a mannequin employed by the novelty shop next to Hayakawa's Santa Monica headqu a not-so-innocent bystander or (d) all of the above.

titans of government and industry, but the liberal sipping his/her wine while absorbing groovy sounds on the quadraphonic record player; the downto-earth, four-wheel-drive, beer can, CB radio group; the anti-system person who lives on beefburgers, McDonalds knows or cares nothing about resource conservation, offers no positive alternatives to grab-what-you-can.

I would like to see the I would like to see the Vanguard give some permanent space to questions relating to "living so that all can survive." Respectfully,

Steve Schroeder

Editor's note: We agree with everything you say, but we are a local alternative paper, and remember, exploitation, like charity, begins at home.

On the Levil?

Dear Editor, Whatever happened to the political cartoons by J. Louis Messina and James Ruther-Bring them back! How much

Cobb can I take? Alex Leviloff

Jack's brother?

Dear Editors.

Having discoverd your publication some time ago, I now miss a particular omitted seg-ment, that was lost in the scramble for a new format. That of which I speak is the primal sarcasm inherent in primal sarcasm inherent in the drawings and humor of the Louis/Edward (Messina/

Rutherford) team. It would seem to me, that for this much time to pass without any representation of their stringent wit shows a certain amount of neglect and/or disrespect for such talent.

Desiring some sort of satisfaction, I would appreciate either their return to print, or an explanation for their loss. Deeply sorry and pissed, Howard London

Rascals all

What are the Hayden supporters going to do? That is the question Senator John Tunney's hacks are asking these days. Are they going to support Sam Hayakawa? Probably not. Are they going to vote for Peace and Freedom? Some will. Are they going to vote with their feet? Many

The Tunney supporters will say, if you vote for a "minor party you are throwing your vote away, giving it to Hayakawa, who made war against the students. In a way that is so. Hayakawa led the police into battle against the young, the blacks and the Chicanos; but while he was doing that Senator Tunney was sitting in Washington checking out his secretary. When did he stand up for the

students the way Tom p did?

The Tunney supporter give you that old line about a loaf. We say shove that loaf down their throats at them gag on it. Tunner wolf in sheep's clothing, kawa is just a wolf. T came out against the murd of people in Vietnam who was safe to do so, not b He is a joke in congress. I kawa, in his tam, wil another joke. You are it same position you were you chose between Jo and Goldwater—nowhere

We say don't be fool liberal chatter. Ask your friends how many time have been invited to test ials for Tunney. Ask Chicano friends how times Tunney has come to the people who need in spite of the yak about s ized medicine, we feel you turn away from both Tu and Hayakawa. Half a while the bureaucrats champagne over at the Be Wilshire is not good end Don't dignify rascals by g them your vote.

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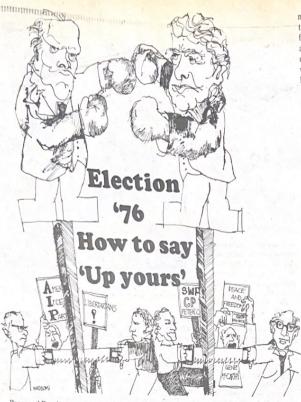
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Peace and Freedom party presidential candidate Margaret it this year for the first time Wright of Los Angeles is waging an open socialist- ran for Senate and Governor feminist campaign designed to 'get people involved in demo-

American voters are so apathetic is that they know they don't have any power when they don't have any power when they vote for Democrats or Republicans. "You tell people they've got power like they would have under socialism and they'll be out. But how can you expect them to give up the boob-tube and beer when they know they don't have power?"

The Socialist Workers party

is on the ballot for the first time in Califronia history, and

the Communist Party made in 34 years. Upton Sinclair California as a socialist in 1922, 26, 30 and Frie Hass as on the Socialist Labor Party Wright feels that the reason California ballot for president.

Bob Klonsky, speaking for the Communist Party candidacy of Gus Hall and Jarvis Tyner says that third parties have taken on enormous importance this year because the Demo-crats and Republicans have veered to the right.

"Carter is even attempting to out-Reagan Reagan and people, feeling the pressures of the economy and unemploy-ment, are looking for something else," Klonsky

said. He also feels that the impact of third parties hasn't gone unnoticed by the two party system. "That's why both political parties are fighting hard to keep us off the ballot.

Getting on the ballot has been the biggest problem to third parties, ranking just ahead of a "boycott" by the news media. Getting a third party on the ballot in California requires more than 600,000 signatures on petitions. Single candidates listed as independents must gather nearly 100,000 signatures.

Media coverage (or more properly lack of coverage) of third parties is also a constant battle. Bruce Marcus, Califor- democracy.

nia campaign chairperson for the Socialist Workers Party, feels that the media deliberately ignores third party candidates and issues, and, in effect, work as "pawns for the established two party system.'

Veteran California political analyst, Joe Cerrell regards the impact of third parties, especially in California, as particularly significant this year. "You do have basically four possibilities to vote-left of Carter, (McCarthy, Peace and Freedom, Socialist Workers and Communist Party). Overall, Carter gets hurt because of that. The Republicans are a little more disciplined than Democrats so there won't be as many Republicans breaking ranks to vote for a third party." Cerrell notes that "Many voters are convinced, more so this year than in the past, that we really do have tweedledee and tweedledum. In the past that voter might have held his nose and swallowed hard. But now he says I'm gonna protest."

Cerrell notes that if the third parties pull off enough votes it could result in blocking any single candidate from getting the 270 electoral college votes needed to be elected president and raise the spectre of a nation with first, non-elected president and then a president who couldn't get elected by popular vote but had to be chosen by the congress.

that happened (third parties) would be more viable and would prove that people had a legitimate ability protest through third parties."
Should that spectre become a

reality it will, in all probability, have been California's third parties that provided the impetus and votes that would perus and votes that would force the nation to finally realize that the two party system is an archaic system in a nation celebrating 200 years of supposed

3rd Party Senate Campaigns



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While incumbent Senator John Tunney, described by his opponents as the light-

message.

The message, whether it comes from the left (as in the

Superficially the same: The system doesn't work and it's not going to get any better as long as we keep electing Democrats and Republicans. It is time to make some changes.

The motto of the Peace and Freedom Party "Don't waste your vote by voting for the lesser of two evils—vote Peace and Freedom," could be the essence of all four alternative campaigns. You could simply change the party label.

But similarities stop there.
On the left, David Wald i and Omari Musa are openly campaining to put "socialism, on the agenda." AIP candidate I Jack McCoy and Libertarian hopeful Lynn Kinsky have

geared their campaigns to "keeping government out of our lives."

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David Wald contends that the primary issue of this campaign is to drive across the point that this economic system doesn't simply need reforming, it needs scraping. "Public ownership of production and resources is essential. This economic system is incapable of meeting the needs of people. It has given us inflation and recession at the same time. Neither party has meaningful answers to those problems. We do."

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party system has eliminated a competitive "free-enter

prise" economy and replaced it with monoply capitalism. "The result is alienation and apathy, not enthusiasm and hope."With Socialism and a true economic and political democracy Wald feels those feelings would be reversed. Peace and Freedom campaign goals include free health care, nationalization of key industries such as the energy sector, the dismantling of nuclear power plants, guaranteed jobs for all, drastic cuts in "Pentagon Welfare" and child care for all who want it. Many of those goals are shared by Omari Musa and the

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FIGHT BACK

Farmworkers Charge **Growers** Lie

Bill Neff/UFW

California farm workers and their supporters, led by United Farm Workers President Cesar Chavez, have been contributing hard-won dollars and scarce free time to urge California voters to vote Yes on Proposition 14.

Their effort to ensure the basic right to vote for union representation is being opposed wever, by an expensive campaign of lies and distortions funded by agribusiness and other major corporations. The farm workers need help to counter this massively funded media barrage.

Proposition 14—qualified through the initiative process last April when the United Farm Workers secured a record 728,000 signatures in 29 days— is on the ballot because agribusiness pressured the legis-lature into denying funds for the state's new Agricultural Labor Relations Board. That board was supposed to oversee the new agricultural labor law designed to give farm workers the right to vote in union representation elections.

When the board exhausted its budget after just five months in operation (much of the money having been spent to investigate and prosecute the hundreds of unlawful acts committed by growers during elections) agribusiness and its supporters in the legislature blocked a special appropriation

sought by Gov. Brown to keep the board alive through the rest of the fiscal year.

The growers said they'd agree to the additional funding only if certain amendments were made to the farm labor law, even though they'd agreed in 1975 when the law was passed that they wouldn't try to change it.

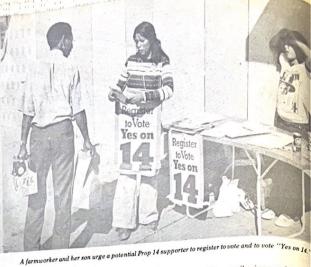
The amendments would have seriously eroded farm workers rights and were sought only after the workers had over-whelmingly voted for the UFW in elections held under the state act.

Since the board's money ran out in February, there have been no elections in the fields.

The heart of the growers' campaign against Proposition 14, evidenced by advertise-ments that have blanketed radio and television in recent weeks, is that the proposition weeks, is that the proposition will permit wholesale erosion of personal property rights. This message is conveyed in one of the growers' ads by the ludicrous assertion that a vote for Proposition 14 will permit strangers to walk into your backyard at will.

That argument is nothing but a distortion obviously intended to mislead and scare voters.

When the farm labor board started up, it held hearings on and then passed a limited "access rule" permitting



union organizers to talk with workers at the jobsite during non-working hours for a limited time and in limited numbers. Growers charged that the rule violated their private property rights and appealed it to the California Supreme Court.

The court denied the appeal. The majority opinion stated, in essence, that the growers' private property arguments were preposterous and a typical antiunion ploy. The growers appealed the decision to the U.S. Supreme Court, which on Oct. 4 refused to hear the case on the grounds that the growers didn't have an argument. The highest courts' thus had the effect of upholding the California court's decision.

Yet the growers have persis-ted in claiming that the "access usly intended scare voters. labor board thearings on d learning on de limited permitting but also from such public

officials as Los Angeles City Attorney Burt Pines and San Francisco District Attorney Joseph Freitas. Last Thursday, Los Angeles County District Attorney John Van de Kamp announced that he was launching an investigation of the growers' ads.

Agribusiness also is arguingdeceptively - that Proposition 14 is unnecessary because the 14 is unnecessary because the farm labor board has been refunded and soon will start holding representation elections again. What they omit is that they authorized their legislator friends to release funds for the hoard the day funds for the board the day after the initiative was qualified. They hoped that by get-ting the board back in operation they could defuse the issue, much as legislators defused the Nuclear initiative issue by passing some safeguards passing some safeg before the June balloting.

The main reason for Proposition 14 is as valid as ever. Without its guarantee of adequate funding of the board, there's nothing to ensure that

agribusiness and the legi won't again cut off boar ing when union election more start going growers.

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I story has had an impact tant D.A. Herbert Jacobowitz, heads the program, told the

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paper this week, "We have told our people to keep their guns in their desks, if they have those things." Well, at least that's better than parading past a bunch of already nervous women and children wearing them.

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Police state makes stride

The United States has moved a giant step nearer a police state with a recent decision by the Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia which broadened a policeman's power to enter a private home without a warman out a warman.

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According to the New York Times, the decision ruled that under special circumstances a policeman may follow a person into his home even without "probable cause" to support his belief that a crime has occurred. Traditionally, a policeman is supposed to present certain facts to a magistrate who then decides whether or not to issue a warrant. The appellate panel noted this rule but said there were also "special circumstances" in which a "rule of reason" must be applied.

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Clearly, this is a police state law.

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Coupled with the horrendous powers given to a president by Executive Order No. 11490, a product of the Nixon-Mitchel administration that is still on the books, it virtually establishes a dictatorship.

This is something to keep in mind while remembering Rockefeller's words uttered during his Senate confirmation hearing for the vice-presidency. He said, "if anybody goes against the government of the imprisoned."

-Burt Wilson

PUC abuses to be revealed

One of the most important public hearings concerning one's right to privacy will take place on Tuesday, October 26th at 10:00 AM at the State Building, 1st and Broadway.

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For three days, the Public
Utilities Commission will be hearing testimony on a complaint
filled by CAUSE (Campaign
Against Utility Service Exploitation) brought against the Pacific
Telephone Company regarding
their abuse of the confidentiality of unlisted numbers.

Th complaint grew out of an
expose of the phone company's
practices that appeared in the
Vanguard on May 28th. The story
revealed that unlisted numbers
are given out daily to over 250
government agencies and other
organizations.

Burt Wilson



Conpresswoman Bella Abzug, (D-NY), a popular figure and lame duck after her unsuccessful senate primary bid, ran into some flack at UCLA last week. She had come to endorse Democrat Jimmy Carter, but at the end of her speech, she was handed a note. Reading it, she hastily added, "Oh, and please be sure to vote for Senator John Tunney." Suddenly, a number of Hayden supporters in the crowd fmany still wearing buttons from that holly contested primary light hissed and booed loudly. Memories linger, and Hayden's decision to vote for his old opponent have opparently left some angry.

ti booked like a form for a potential dossier on those who had attended the event, as it asked applicants for their social security number, their sex, phone number, and "sfilliation."

No sooner was the application and program announcement released

No sconer was the application and program announcement released and circulated, than the ACIU, a cosponsor of the program, was deluged by callers protesting the invasion of their privacy. Some said they would refuse to attend. One of these who who voiced this threat was Morton Halperin, a featured speaker and panelist in the program, and a majorcritic of the U.S. intelligence network.

werk.

Halperin was outraged at the application, and noted that is even violated the law, which limits the use of social security numbers of social security numbers and the application, "When I first saw it althought it was a joke, but then I realized that UCLA is not that subtle. They don't have that kind of sense of humor. They have institutionalized this kind of thing, and have to be reminded that the times they are achangin."

When things got hot, extension division officials announced that the information was "optional." Halperin agreed to participate, along with former CLA director and mass former CLA director and mass former CLA director and mass former classification form. We use the social security numbers or not!

Asked about the problem, extension division official Robert Conhaim said, "It was just our normal registration form. We use the social security number to record attendance for students who want to receive credit."

However, this particular program had not been offered for credit anyway. UCLA just asks "intelligence" type questions out of habit, apparently. Halperin was absolutely right, Conhaim said. "We are not in compliance with the law, and the dean has asked our lawvers to drawer to dean has asked our lawvers to drawer to drawers to drawer to drawer to drawers to drawer t Halperin was outraged at the ap-

"Legally, Halperin was absolutely right, Conhaim said. "We are not in compliance with the law, and the dean has asked our lawyers to draw up a form that complies."

Dave Lindorff

Students call UCLA's bluff

UCLA's Native American Student Association called the school admini-stration's bluff last Sunday, by ignor-ing a ban on their rally and assembling on Janss Steps to hear American Indian Movement leaders Dennis Banks and Ernie Peters

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The rally, attended by more than one hundred Native Americans and AIM supporters (student and non-student) was held on the second anniversary of the arrest of two AIM members, Paul Skyhorse Durant and Richard Billings Mohawk, in Ventura County.

Skyhorse and Mohawk have been jailed for two years in Ventura, charged with the murder of a taxical driver. The chief witnesses against them are FBI paid informants and stoolies Douglas Durham and Marvin Wayne Redshirt, who admitted to the crime and turned state's evidence in return for a suspended short sentence and a B.I.A. college scholarship.

NASA, the Indian student organization, applied for and received permission to hold the rally, but Lyle Timmerman, dean of student affairs and sought to abour it.

Two days before the event, Timmerman sent a memo revoking permission, saying, "This program was presented to us ... in a very hurried manner, and unfortunately, the matter of off-campus audience and time necessary, somehow escaped our attention."

NASA organizers were told if they held the rally as planned, campus police would be called ir to disperse them.

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KPFK reporter and UCLA graduate student Joan Voger indicated that the holding of the rally had been something of a victory in itself, though Skyhores and Mohawk are still in prison awaiting trial.

"There's a real trend to keep these people from speaking," she said.
"The university has tried, in the past week, to prevent Angela Davis from speaking, to limit the audience that could hear Cesar Chavez, and now to hear Dennis Banks."

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Prop. 13: Racing for the dogs

Glenn Holland

Lovers of democracy will be elated by the appearance of Proposition 13, the Grey-hound Racing Initiative, on the November ballot. Proposition 13 promises to usher in a new era in the people's struggle to make the laws that govern their own actions. Every word of the proposition setting up the regulations for legalized betting on dog races was written by the very people the law will regulate: Georg G. Hardie and his Golde State Greyhound Association. Golden

The Greyhound Association members gain several advan-tages by bravely writing their own law. First, they know the law was written by people who really understand the business of dog-racing. Second, they gain the law's generosity to prospective track owners prospective track owners— it grants them a larger-than-

average cut of the betting pool, no local taxes to pay, and a guaranteed county-wide racing monopoly. Thirdly, the Association's friends in Sac-ramento are designated to pick some of the commissioners who will oversee the initial licensing of track owners, thus saving the Association the trouble of lobbying. Lastly, and most radical of all, the provisions for granting track licenses are set up to practically assure George Hardie and his association of controlling legalized greyhound racing in California for years to come.

Proposition 13 that applications for track licenses would have to be submitted to the racing commissioners between December 3 and 12 of this year. Each applicant would at that time have to provide a selected site for track construction, already zoned and with an environ-

mental impact survey, a comprehensive plan for law enforcement and internal security, a traffic and parking control analysis, plans for landscaping, and an estimate of tandscaping, and an estimate of tax revenue and economic benefits for the surrounding community. As Hardie knew when he wrote the proposition, these requirements are immediate. these requirements are impossible to fill, except for members of the Golden State Greyhound Association. But then, as Hardie says, "Why should (other businesspeople) have a right when they didn't lift a finger to bring it about?"

Best of all, there is no

chance of a meddling legis lature interfering with Hardie's handiwork. Proposition 13 can only be amended by the voters only be amended by the voters at large, an eventuality as likely as Earl Butz being elected president of the NAACP.

We can only hope that other civic-minded individuals will be quick to follow the Golden State Greyhound Association's lead and get their own special interest initiatives on the ballot. If the Farm Labor Initiative had been written by the growers, for instance, might restrict unions to holding elections only between the

hours of 3:25 and 3:30 Easter Sunday, or that all farmworkers have memberships of 51% white Anglo-Sar testants with annual of over \$25,000

The idea of writing you initiative to establish own rules for running you business (and to grant monopoly to boot) could a whole new sort of Ar democracy. As George himself has said, enterprise private how things get done country.

Rising high with Prop.

Carl Neiburger California may go into business financing high-rise apart-Proposition 1 approved Nov. 2. Then again, it may finance home mortgages or home improvement loans

Fact is nobody, not even the California Housing Finance Agency (CHFA), which will be in charge of the money, knows for sure how the \$500 million bond issue will be used if it passes, thanks to a state Supreme Court decision, a new state law, and uncertain federal

More certain, however, is that should the proposition fail, CHFA will be able to do little of anything—exactly what it has been doing since the state legislature created it a year ago.

The theoretic goal of Propo-

sition 1 and the finance agency is identical: to finance housing for persons of "low and mod-erate income." The proposition would provide the money, backed by the full faith and credit of the people of California, and the agency administers the program.

The 1975 law creating the

finance agency says it may:

—Make direct loans to developers of apartment projects intended for low and moderate income persons and the elderly. Such projects may be eligible for federal rent subsidies but could charge market rents of up to \$451 a month for a two-bedroom apartment, under federal guidelines.

—Loan money to cities to finance "neighborhood preservation programs" in which homeowners are given low-interest loans to improve their property. CHFA is now reviewing applications for about \$85 million for these programs in-cluding \$10.5 million sought by

the city of Los Angeles.

—Finance homeowners directly who buy rehabilitated homes or who want to remodel. This program was originally given low priority by the agency but may become its major thrust if obstacles facing the apartment development program are not overcome.

agency intended to use Proposition 1 money primarily to 1 apartments, according to CHFA Senior Vice President Pat Goeters, but its plans hit a sharp setback when the state Supreme Court ruled that the agency cannot finance lowincome housing projects unless voters in the cities concerned approve such projects through referendum.

The court decision was based on Article 34 of the state constitution, passed two decades ago to keep cities from being forced to accept public housing pro-jects against their will. Los Angeles voters have given referendum approval for housing only for the elderly. A handful of other California cities have passed such measures, these usually to benefit the elderly alone and not poor families.

Another snag to the apart-ment program is caused by cutbacks in the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) "Section 8" rent subsidy program. Under Section 8, a tenant pays up to 25 per cent of his income in rent. The government pays the rest, up to established maximum "fair market

In new housing approved for Section 8 idics, HUD agrees to dize a specific number for a specific number o according to Vera Ols HUD's Los Angeles office The problem, said Go

is that HUD wants to its subsidies to 20 years apartment mortgages last 40 years. Thus explained, there is no gu tee landlords will be ah find tenants who can pa rent for the second 20

of the mortgage life.
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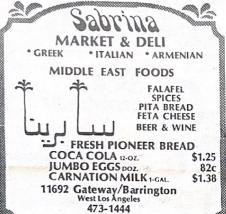
In any case, said Gowithout Section 8, CHFA not provide housing for the and would have to conce on "moderate-income" ing, mainly through mortgage assistance and

improvement programs.
Goeters said the is now considering is now considering finan \$100 million in loans for sin family home mortgages he explained, would families to buy hous below-market and would replace ar HUD program which HUD program whice recently been cut back.

One ironic problem CHFA is the question of for new apartment hou Robert Joyce, director of Los Angeles City Com Analysis Bureau, said st by his office indicate is adequate; the only pr is many Angelenos afford the rents.

Goeders said that in Angeles there is offe Angeles, there is greater need to rehabi existing housing than to new structures.

Though the agency finance rehabilitation as as new housing, he added can only consider properties bring to it. St. there have been to for new development, explained. The only protation project in Los was rejected as unfeasible



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Currently over 1000 police from a score of city police departments are trained yearly at the county facility in addition

sheriff's recruits. An estimated \$400,000 would be required each year if the 300 Los Angeles police recruits were to be trained there. As of now the city spends over \$3 million annually for the city's academy training including a \$54 staff of 200 and for repairs and eight-story twin-tower maintenance of the site which office space does not even belong to the and office of the parker Center, a city. The private Police Athletic to Parketic Athletic and New Police Athletic and New Police academy and Revolver Club owns the an Park, a \$2.5 million land and leases it to the city in range in West Los exchange for upkeep of the as, and nearly one million club.

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Save Elysian Park, said, "Besides the fact that the academy is unnecessary and a total waste of taxpayers' money, for the first year down it is illegal for it to be there. That is an R-1 zone (singlehouse assessed between family dwellings only) and the police buildings violate that law. Furthermore, the police

law. Furtnermore, the ponce training is incompatible with any Environmental Impact Report that would be taken. The shouting of obscenities, the urging of the trainers to the recruits to 'Kill, Kill, 'do not compared to the companion of the comp belong in a park." Her committee continues to fight this ing to the current rate of oth plus a 15% inflationary or, which would not necesissue in the courts.

The city planning and zoning departments contend that the academy is exempt from EIR's under the California Environment Quality Act since it was built there before the act (1935) was signed into law. However, City Planner James swimming pool be elimi-ed from the academy plans. Crisp did say that the police department should conduct its own EIR since it plans to build a new facility thereby 972, found that the Elysian y/1, tound that the Elysian site for an academy 'will ars be inadequate for the going beyond the "categorical exemption" granted when a small change is made for a facility built before the act facility (1946). is for police training "will esult in constant

The police apparently have no such plans, according to Commander Pete Hagen, who contends that "We'd be neglitamines to buy boundination with the Commander Pete Hagen, who below-market inner pair. Piper said that since and would replace as "mompatible" with the HUD program with ed public land, and since recently been cut back edy pays 40% of the cost of Commander Pete Hagen, who below market inner pair to contends that "We'd be negli-and with the HUD program with ed public land, and since recently been cut back edy pays 40% of the cost of and parking spaces" given the senate and is back again this year 4s the candidate "right of Hayakawa." Campaigning for increased ... military spending, the right to bear arms, and an end to abortion, McCoy feels the Democrats have both "sold out" the country to creeping socialism.

None of the alternative candidates on this year's ballot realistically feels that they will win. David Wald jokingly states that if elected, "I'd demand a recount." What they all are attempting to do is provide a disenchanted, apathetic or anti-establishment voter a third choice, a voice at the ballot box and an opportunity to build an opposition party to the reigning monarchs who offer them hundreds of thousands of other voters no rehoice.

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Chief Davis answered Piper's report four years ago on the training issue by saying,
"Should these personnel
(police recruits) be mixed in with recruits from other jurisdictions, their identity with the City as their employer would not only be weakened and their loyalty perhaps diluted, but also their confidence in the policies and practices of the City of Los Angeles and the Police Department could well be shaken ... recruit officers (so) exposed ... might easily ... arrive at an independent judgment to the effect that the policies and practices of the Sheriff's Department are superior to those of the Police Department."

Piper, at the time, character-

ized Davis as "paranoid."

Peace and Freedom party spokesperson Lou McCammon feels that Davis is simply attempting to consolidate his power. "I think Davis wants a fiefdom, with the police academy as his indoctrination center, and he can pull it off because of his extensive dossiers on not only activists but on city officials including Tom Bradley, whose performance is disgusting. He (Bradley) never stands up to the police."

> Last year, under pressure the police department allegedly destroyed two million dossiers on some 55,000 individuals and groups. It still maintains files on 2,500 persons and organizations.
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> McCammon claims that

Davis sends a warning when-ever anyone balks at his empire building. He referred to the investigation Davis conduon Bradley when he ran for mayor in 1972, the morals Mayor and the arrest of Deputy Mayor Maurice Weiner, and the investigation of Police Commis-sioner Sam Williams' wife for her affiliation with the moderate Women For group.

The police have set up the

Citizens for Police Proposition BB headed by former police lieutenant Bradley and the President of California Federal Savings and Loan, Robert Dockson. Davis' slogan is What every Los Angeles resident wants is a police car in front of their house.' Although the tax override would not provide officers or vehicles, the intent of the commercial is to play into the fears of Los Angelenos.

Chief Administrative Analyst John Coombs, who helped write the 1972 CAO report, said that despite the inconsistencies in the growth projections for the police department between the city council and police chief, the council voted to support the police proposal without any changes. (Only Lorenzen and Wilkenson voted no.) "It is non-existent logic; simply power politics. On any given day the police can get anything they want from the city council," Coombs said.

It remains to be seen whether they can get anything they want from the citizenry.

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