WHAT DO WOMEN WANT IN POLITICS?
BARBIE FOR PRESIDENT
by Kathryn Jean Lopez

"O
t in one Americans thinks the United States will never elect a female president, and more women hold that view than men," Eleanor Clift and Tom Brokaw write in their new book, Madam President: Shattering the Last Glass Ceiling.

"Some of the most ardent feminists are the most pessimistic," they continue. The authors joke that when the first woman president stands on stage to be sworn in, her hand on a Bible held by her husband, her mother will rush to the side and say: "Dear God, why did this happen to you?"

Right on! The single-most embarrassing moment of modern political history—putting aside, for a moment, the entire Clinton presidency—was the parade of liberal female senators and congresswomen on Wednesday night of the Democratic convention this summer led by California senator Dianne Feinstein from the stage, moving from woman to woman.

We are women and people were stupid enough to elect us. Hear us roar!

If it were just the Democrats with those kinds of silly estrogen displays, it wouldn't be so humiliating to be female. But it's not. The GOP has more than its share of ridiculous gender politics. Besides the tendency to sign onto bad legislation for the sake of women, they, too, rush out women just as well as the Dems do. Consider, for instance, pro-abortion congresswoman Jennifer Dunn, one of the few members of the House leadership allowed on stage (the other being J.C. Watts) at the July Republican convention.

Thank goodness, in that spirit, that George W. Bush wasn't a woman who was the Republican nomination for president. The main catalyst for the thought, a Lifetime/Potential tribute to Elizabeth Hatford Dole that came in the form of a luncheon during the

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AD HOMINEM, AD NAUSEAM

Regarding the letter in your September/October 2000 issue from Mr. Steve Helmanf, I find it hugely amusing that a Democrat would have the gall to complain about ad hominem attacks from anyone. As the saying goes, people who live in glass houses should not throw rocks. In his letter, he intimated that the conservative woman I cite has some kind of "psychopathological" and "disturbed and disturbing" problem where Mrs. Clinton is concerned, that they are "jealous" and "catty" with their "tired screeds," etc, ad nauseam. And let us not forget that good, old Democrat standby, "baters." These people are Bill and Hillary. "Do you want to talk about hate? Ad hominem attacks? The liberal left is general and the Democrats in particular are masters of hate, character assassination and ad hominem attacks or whoever dares to oppose them. For as long as I have observed the political scene in this country, I have seen Democrats, and with the help of their accomplices in the media, call anyone who disagreed with them, "bigots," "racists," "sexists," "homophobes" (if ever one needs a good laugh, parse this word into its component Latin parts and see what you get), "murders," "murders," "idiots." The list is well-nigh endless. And character assassination? Right now we see an excellent example of Democrat character assassination in the case of Florida Governor Jeb Bush and Florida Secretary of State Katherine Harris. The Democrats have spread rumors, which has been picked up by the new media (what a shock) that the reason Harris certified the George W. Bush electoral victory was because Jeb Bush and Harris are an affair. Never mind that what Secretary Harris and Governor Bush did was mandated by state and Federal law, and that there is not the slightest evidence that they are or have had an inappropriate relationship. The Democrats said it, therefore it must be true. Oh, and let's not forget the Democrat charges that Mrs. Harris is a "hag," a "snoop," "wears too much makeup," and is a "paranoid puppet." I would invite Mr. Helmanf to show which of part of this is not an ad hominem attack or character assassination.

And this is just one example. The list of people whose lives and reputations have been ruined by the Democrats over the years is long and disheartening. Not that any of them did anything wrong; they just dared to oppose the party in one way or another. The sad fact is that had Bill and Hillary Clinton been Republicans, and had been accused of even half the things that have come out about them and their administration, the Democrats would have seen to it that they both were removed from office if not sent to prison. They were very wise in their choice of Attorney General Janet Reno, else that might have happened anyway.

When it comes to the "politics of personal destruction" and pure, raw hatred, the Democrats wrote the book. For Mr. Helmanf or anyone else of his party to complain about supposed personal attacks is the height of hypocrisy. Or to quote a line from our not-so-distant political history, "Have you no shame?"

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GORRISMS

It was disheartening to see that Helterdoxy fall for an internet fake quotes hoax ("Gorrism", Sept-Oct 2000). The things you attribute to Gore were nearly all actually said by Dan Quayle. While Gore has indeed made some dumb statements, I don't believe he said one of these you featured.

John George Oklahoma

Debra Saunders' piece about Al Gore in your last issue was excellent. This is a strange man with strange politics. He made Americans uncomfortable not because he was "robolute" and not even because he couldn't tell the truth. He made them uncomfortable because he seems so unsure about himself. We hear a lot about self-invention. It is something everyone does—making yourself up as you go. But for most of us it proceeded from a solid core of character which is disintegrated upon. With Gore, one senses that his invention takes place because he is uncertain about who he is. Instead of a solid core, there is a hole in the center of his being. We are lucky to be done of him. The only danger is that now—on Saunders points out in her excellent book, The World According to Gore—he'll do what he did last time losing an election (the presidential primaries of 1988) throw him into "a middle crisis": write a book.

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Saunders has Gore down. As people on the street might say, "He's weak!" Everything is all calculated. He is dead set on something like abortion, and he got it all set up because he's been making these holocausts for himself for 15 years. That's bizarre. Some young politician sitting there talking these stage lines filled with legalese to his constituents about how much he supports the right to life but inserting all these loopholes and nuances so in case the climate changes (which it did with Roe v. Wade) he can always say that he was actually only reluctantly against abortion and that in fact he actually sorta believed in it when he didn't even believe in it. That makes "depends on what you mean by 'it'" look like baby talk.

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As a result of Gore’s disgraceful campaign in Florida, the most basic institutions of our government have been called into question, and the legitimacy and authority of the next presidency will be profoundly submerged. The election process has been constructed in such a way—purposely—as to reveal naked power relationships. How will public reverence, let alone respect, for elections be restored? Is it possible that Al Gore has accomplished in such a short time the damage John F. Kennedy did not dare do for almost a generation? Just not for now, but the possibility exists.

To fully appreciate the sourness of cynicism into which Gore has plunged a stupefied nation, one has only to look to the systematic effort by his legal mob to deprive overseas military personnel of their votes. These were not rogue raids into the enemy camp, any more than the big effort to toss out votes in Seminole County was a random effort by the campaign itself. Gore lawyers fanned out across the Florida counties and descended on the precincts where the military votes were being registered. Armed with a legal memo circulated by Team Gore, they set about browbeating and intimidating citizens attempting to count the incoming votes in believing—in fact—the law disallowed military ballots without postmarks.

By the time the dust partially settled, the Gore team had managed to cast 1,327 of 3,733 overseas absentee ballots thrown into the trash. That was about 50

Fighting to his Last Breath in Wisconsin
by Walter Black

A week after the November 7 election, Wisconsin’s Democratic Attorney General James Doyle announced that claims of fraud in the state’s Milwaukee ballot counting for president had been “blown out of proportion.” Such charges had been made by 14,000 Wisconsin voters in Milwaukee. Claims of fraud in Milwaukee for president had been “blown out of proportion” by the city election commission. Voter complaints of irregularities were insignificant, and that any thoughts to the contrary were “completely unfounded.”

What Milwaukee was up to was to move to the nation on election night when that old trend was to stop providing information or services for the state’s government. The city of Milwaukee is the seat of government for the state of Wisconsin, and it is where the voters were concentrated. The city of Milwaukee is the seat of government for the state of Wisconsin, and it is where the voters were concentrated. The city of Milwaukee is the seat of government for the state of Wisconsin, and it is where the voters were concentrated.

The Milan story might never have made national headlines if it had not been captured on video by a local TV station’s report, but next to the election, Marquette University had an unexpected visitor it had not expected. Milwaukee. This breezy interview with a man who had been drinking was a jolt to the faculty and students.

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percent. However, in the handful of Democrat-controlled counties, Gore's continued support for his plans to overturn the national election, the percentage of disallowed absentee votes was astronomical. In Democrat-run Broward County, Gore's vote was able to get 364,000 overseat ballots rejected out of a total of 396,000.

Gore apparently thought he could do this in the dark. Once the military ballots became the subject of public outrage, he tried to avoid a potential political backlash by nightmarish means by sending out Joe Lieberman to further deceive himself by whispering his hands over the equivalent of "no controlling legal authority." Interviewing Lieberman on NBC's "Meet the Press," Sunday, Tim Russert asked, "Will you today, as a representative of the Gore campaign, ask every county in the state of Illinois to re-examine these ballots that came from armed services people and waive any so-called irregularities or technicalities which would disqualified them?" Lieberman replied: "I don't know that I have that authority. I don't believe I do legally or in any other way."

In the meantime, Democrats like Sen. Bob Kerrey, a military hero turned out of office by Gore to defend the indefensible, explained that, of course, Democrats did not approve of the disenfranchising of military personnel. When it was pointed out by MSNBC's Chris Matthews that they had done just that, Kerrey replied: "I haven't accused Republicans of being anti-Semitic or anti-African American," thus implying accusing Republicans of being anti-Semitic and anti-black because of the butterfly ballot.

It was not a rogue state argument by Kerrey. Racial McCarthyism, it could be said, was the most potent theme of Al Gore's Florida electoral success story. Defining the campaign, millions of dollars, worth of Democratic ads painted George W. Bush as a supporter of racial lynching mobs—personally responsible for a series of legal lynchings of convicted black prisoners. It was Willie Horton in reverse, and the success of this reprehensible campaign could be measured by the 68 percent increase in the black vote in Florida over the previous presidential election, with an overall vote increase of 93 percent of that vote going to Gore.

It was a fitting climax to a campaign that had begun a half a year earlier with Gore's embrace of Al Sharpton and his statement that left-leaning former Sen. Bill Bradley was a closet racist. It was almost anti-climactic when Gore, in an act of political and racial nihilism, disowned the nation's racial astonish in chief, Jesse Jackson, to proclaim: "Gore again, sons and daughters of slavery and Holocaust survivors are bound together with a shared agenda, bound by their hopes and their fears about national public policy." The subtext was far from subtle: Bush Republicans are crypto-slave drivers and Nazis. The election must be won—by any means necessary.

This is Al Gore's legacy—not the noble words of concession summing up President-elect Bill Clinton's: "The American experiment in democracy is not over."

-Gay Political Schism

I n 2000, for the first time in the history of the presidency, the strident voice of the gay community, and its allies, was heard loud and clear. The gay rights movement had come of age, and the LGBT community became a political force to be reckoned with. The year 2000 was a turning point in the fight for equality for all Americans, as gay rights groups sought to make their voices heard in the political discourse of the nation. The LGBT community had come together to fight for their rights and to demand equality for all. This was a significant moment in the history of the gay rights movement.

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Republican convention in Philadelphia. They applauded Mrs. Dole for her (failed) campaign for the GOP presidential nomination.

Practical, Lifeline, Rep. Jennifer Dunn, and others, mistake Oklahoma First lady Cathy Kirkpatrick all applauded Mrs. Dole for her "campaign"—over and over again. Since courage implies some sort of advocacy, CSPAN viewers can see why women besides being married to Bob Dole, what great obstacle did Mrs. Dole overcome?

Well, of course, it's that she is a woman. Her primary campaign was a good thing for American politics and for women in general, simply, because she is a woman. Period, and, her, obstacle—the reason she couldn't make it would be the New Hampshire primary—is being a woman. Hence the Lifetime video and greatest praise.

In Madame President, Cliff and Brannis observe that "the whole perception is that all (women's) are liberation. Well, of course that is the perception. Why should it be? The one is in power, including many of the Republicans—don't eradicate anything else.

To play stupid in a game of sex politics isn't a new tendency for the GOP. Remember Susan Molinari, star of the GOP, the keynote speaker at the 1996 Houston convention? Whining about older, declining numbers of Congress having difficulty embracing players in the halls of Congress, and, occasionally on the floor, Molinari wrote in her 1996 memoir, "Representative Woman."

The_indexpayers weren't confined to the House of Representatives. In fact, I remember their faces most clearly from a hearing that Pat Schroeder and I arranged just after the 1996 election. We had run into each other in the restaurant at the Clunies brothel Magical Women of the Year awards at the Sherry-Netherland Hotel in New York. I was being honored that year, while both she and Connie Morella, who was with her, were past honorees. The problem of sexual issues among female8
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women is a problem for women. Women, football players, are problems for women. Women who wants to make it big times in politics has the woman problem.

The woman problem is the fact that any woman who runs for office is viewed by herself and everyone else—particularly as a woman. On the surface, that seems only natural. How can she not be? But being a woman is common and increasingly regarded as an ideology. The candidate's policies are regarded as unquestionably what is best for women and children because she is the former and has (we don't yet check with her) the biological ability to birth to the latter. So she, as an ideological woman, caters to a specific audience: women. And even like wise leaders can be aware to address women as one solid constituency.

One of the few smart books about women in politics, Laura Ingalls' "The Hillary Trap," gets into this phenomenon at length. Her critics, the panderers—"is the political equivalent of a cheap pickup line," she writes. It's a political thesis about wage gaps while ignoring excessive regulation that stigmatizes female (as well as male) entrepreneurship and it's a politics that ironically undermines everything feminist purports to have done for women by packaging them as victims in need of special government protection. The Hillary Trap, best exemplified by the Senate candidate of Hillary Clinton, is devotion to "a liberal agenda that reduces women to yet another interest group seeking yet another government handout." It's the new political game for all candidates, but especially female-candidates.

Some Republican women have been able to transcend this a bit. Kay Bailey Hutchison, for instance, advocates the much derided missile-defense shield—not a "woman's issue." She's allowed to do this, however, only so long as she matches the street-hustler on citizens issues, and regularly has dinner at the Mandala with her true colleagues—the other female senators—on a regular basis. (The coast goes on—

the Ladies' Club got a boost this November when recent New Yorker Hillary Rodham Clinton, Washington's Maria Cantwell, Missouri's Jeanne Carnahan, and Michigan's Debbie Stabenow all—Democrats—joined.)

This campaign season there was a deluge of women-in-politics stories and related products. The White House Project, developed for the purpose of encouraging a girl president, has a Barbie for President doll at Toys "R" Us; complete with her own platform and inaugural gown. The doll is the logo of Marie Wilson, president of the White House Project, formerly of the Ms. Foundation, and founding mother of "Take Your Daughters to Work Day."

And there is, of course, the aforementioned "80 women in national politics by Eleanor ("Can I Finish?") Cliff and her husband Tom Brannan. And the nine women of the Senate collaborated on a book; published last summer, Nine and Counting. You might wonder what Republicans Kay Bailey Hutchison, Susan Collins, and Olympia Snowe could possibly have in common with Debra Barbara Mikulski, Dianne Feinstein, and Barbara Boxer besides being women?

Well, of course, that is it. It's all in the DNA. What more need there be? Take, as evidence the point of Nine and Counting. "These nine women who are most distinguished by their differences come together not because of what they believe, but because of who they are."

The introduction continues, explaining that gender has been the transcendent characteristic of women's personal and professional lives. They were raised to be in a era when women were not encouraged to seek political office; yet here they are. They have reached the Senate by overcoming obstacles. All of them have encountered resistance to their dreams and ideas, not because they looked bratwurst, ambition, ability, or charisma, but because they were women. They have been forced to invent the roles of politician as wife, mother, daughter, sister, grandmother. Perhaps, too, their successes have been sweeter because they have been gauged at such a high cost.

The session knew each other on a fundamental level. Worse still, it's not just the women who are the problem. Men are just as bad, the classic panderers. Their position translates into a politics of accommodating themselves to deliver the promised land to "women and children," but, delivering nothing but big-government dependancy.

Still, for all the women who subscribe to the politics of womanhood, the men who pander to them, there are some who do not read from the prepared script. As former Dobbs mice campaign manager Susan Estrich completes in her book, "Sex and Power, The Equal Rights Amendment was defeated by men but by women." And, "Not every woman who gets elected to office cares about the issues that most women do; there are men who do more to support families than women. And there is no reason a woman should feel constrained to vote for a candidate with whom she has fundamental disagreements, simply because she is a woman."

Of course, Estrich believes that there really is only one true political point of view for all women to subscribe to. Scolding her sisters for not understanding real woman for real office, especially her friend Hillary Clinton for New York's Senate seat, she writes, "Instead of seeing our common agenda, we are viewing our best allies.

Along with Estrich, the boomier-feminist sisterhood basically excludes the woman who aligned with a different drummer, estr Warning her to read "in L'Homme's work," an "explanation" from the self-described feminists of America—most notably the First Lady—who women who accused the president of unwanted advances and (in an article that reads like a civil rights case) the crime of rape—were targeted by the IRS. Florida Secretary of State Katherine Harris was victim of the "ownwoman" treatment during the Florida post-election fiasco. From Washington Post articles to even conservative pundits wanting to be cool, Harris was constantly maligned for her movement application, and the (!(Martha Coakley's case)! They hated her because she was a Republican—although not nearly as partisan as they made her out to be. And they were jealous of the woman for having a rich father and being the wife, regardless of the fact that most women voted for Gore this cycle. (Where were the Junior League protests in support of Sister Harris)? Of course, law professor Estrich was among the early circle of critics.

Estrich simply goes ballistic at the realization that women—who have children, take time off to do so—still lag behind men. Men are more of the nation's CEOs, more of the senators, and are always president of the United States. etc. Her book is full of observations with an: "I remember looking around the campaign plane during one presidential race and finding that almost every man on it was married, many of them fathers,
while every woman was single. There was not a mother in the group. What mother would travel six days a week, for a year? The senior White House staff is made up entirely of men with school-age children. "And of course they let them."

The media has gone gaga over women candidates since what is universally known as the "call to arms," the Clarence Thomas Supreme Court nomination hearing in the Senate in 1991. "I am, from beginning to end, the male-dominated Senate failed to grasp how women across the country would be sleepwalked by bills and votes on sexual harassment. After first ignoring their allegations, then falling in the eyes of many women to take them seriously despite ignoring to stop the Thomas hearings, the senators insulted women," Clift and Brannish write. Washington Post to which columnist Lucy Mann wrote at the time, "No matter what comes out of these hearings, there is one overriding lesson for women. And that is that they cannot depend on men to protect their interests. Women have to run for the House and they have to run for the Senate and they have to win. If there has been a couple of women on that committee, that debate has been taken by the Clinton women. Hillary and her fellow travelers use women the same way they use children as "political props," says Ingraham. "Whether it's mediocrity, education, or crime, women and girls gain far more from across-the-board improvements than from anything the politicians set out to do for women."

What role does the called gender gap play in the politics of women? Well, women do not always elect women. Just ask Christie Todd Whitman.

"Women are often barred from other women running for office. They don't want to be embarrassed, and if one woman fails, all women feel sagged," Clift and Brannish write. (Would a Hillary Clinton Senate defeat really be a defeat for everywoman?) "There could also be a touch of envy. The full range of human emotions come into play when women—like other women—compete. For whatever reasons, and some are better than others, women want more than gender to decide their vote."

Women, however, do not vote for women because they are particularly apt to want the votes they cast. There was strategic wisdom in both parties' campaigns in having their men go on "Everywoman" lists, women need to hearDubay's favorite sandwich is peanut butter and jelly. The poll numbers certainly suggest that.

For the time being, the politics of victimization and solidarity definitely seem to be the ideology of choice for women. What Clift and Brannish write, "As prime minister, [Margaret] Thatcher was not particularly helpful to women. She didn't surround herself with female advisers. She didn't promote women. And she was Margaret's soul mate in her zeal for slashing spending on social welfare. Any woman who ignores the Thatcher model should stay away from either end of Pennsylvania Avenue.

Clift and Brannish note: "At the start of the new millennium, there were nine women among the 103 senators, and 45 women among 435 members of the House. At the current rate, it will be 250 years before the number reaches parity with the number of men in Congress."

Sorry, girls, but practicing the politics of victimization and sisterhood (sorry to be redundant) isn't going to change that—and it shouldn't.

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Hot Times in Brown Town

Ecoplis Now!

By K. Lloyd Billingsley

There's been vicious opposition. So says Jerry Brown, once Governor Moonbeam and now a Presidential contender and now, after a period of exile, mayor of Oakland, California. It is late September, and Brown's words are an urging notice that retains a raspy edge, is speaking to a packed house at Oakland's First African Methodist Episcopal Church. This is not one of his usual haunts. But given the theme—school choice—the mayor can't pass it up. The Rev. Floyd Flake, a former congressman from New York, is the keynote speaker, but Brown is clearly the star.

In his tenure as governor of the Golden State, when he hung out with chanteuse Linda Ronstadt and had a cerebral solution that included figures ranging from Whole Earth Swarman Brand to Black Panther Fannie Brown, Jerry Brown bore more than a passing physical resemblance to Anthony Perkins in Psycho fame. Now 62 and topped with a shiny dome, Brown appears a cross between Kojak and Caesar, still with that lean and hungry look. He's checked out in a grey suit gray suit, with a casual shirt and no tie. Compared to Willie Brown, his salt-and-pepper mustache of color across the bay, he looks positively handsome.

Brown is speaking at "Opening the Dream: Choices for Our Children," a conference on school choice sponsored by the Center for Urban Black Studies. Before Brown mounted the pulpit, his constituent critic and education appointee Leo Baez told the audience that in Oakland, "public schools have become a holding cell for state prisoners." The mayor knows this is true and has come to talk about his solution. Always unpredictable, he is reading a speech that could have been written by Milton Friedman or even Jerry Falwell.

Specifically, Brown backs the Oakland Military Academy, a college preparatory boarding school at the former Oakland Army Post, yes, the California National Guard. Students will attend class six days a week, wear uniforms, and go through daily inspections and rigorous exercises. Brown guarantees that this charter school will get results.

"Our boys are getting a raw deal," he says, conceding that some of the new programs he backs as governor didn't do the job. "Competitive weapons," Brown says. "We have to uphold the power of family choice. ... If parents don't like it, they can go somewhere else—didn't freedom." Though not the rhetoric for which Brown is known, this draws a favorable response from the mostly black audience, many of them clergy. Polls show that 60 percent of Oaklanders back Brown's approach to the military school. But there's a problem.

In this town, almost as left leaning as neighboring Berkeley, where the National Guard means Kent State, Brown might well have proposed a statue of Ronald Reagan for Jack London Square, or decreed December "Victory in the Cold War Remembrance Month," with readings from Solzhenitsyn at city hall and every school. Jerry's military school indie Oakland's progressive front, with outgrowths most of the city establishment, go ballistic. In the audience, and making side comments all through Brown's speech, is one of that establishment's big guns.

It is Don Siegel, a student radical at Berkeley in the late 60's who became almost famous for his involvement in People's Park, and then an attorney for the Oakland Unified School Board before becoming president of the Oakland School Board. The mostly dismissed Siegel tells the audience his parents were poor immigrants from Russia, a fact he, in this setting, comes across like Steve Martin, in The Jerk, saying, "I was born a poor black child." The place is dead quiet and a woman from the Malcolm X School responds with a look of disdain and bewilderment. Siegel's posture as a person of the people has shifted, he switches to attack mode, telling the elected governor, an office previously held by his father Pat Brown. In Sacramento, Brown quickly proved that "Governor Moonbeam" wasn't just a clever tag.

Brown made a big show about rejecting the governor's mansion for a humble apartment. This played well with the press, but there was nothing symbolic about his rule. Brown was only vaguely aware of Silos Valley until his last year of office, which is like the governor of Michigan being only vaguely aware of Detroit. Brown taxed corporations not just on what they made in California but what they made anywhere, a new standard of government greed and one that prompted corporate flight. He also allowed unions to compel non-member dissenters to pay dues.

It was not a distinguished record that he carved out for himself. Brown piled squads of professional ethnics and politicalically correct incompetents like his health and welfare boss Mario Obledo, an unqualified bigot who now demands that "gayos" leave California. Brown appointed as Chief Justice of the California Supreme Court a dim ideologue named Rose Bird, whose judicial philosophy was not colored enough to be called "activist" and whom the state's voters booted out.

During the Brown years, the psycho-ballooning Left had a field day with "public" school." suburban conditions and other junk that provided material for Gary Trudell. But what's my point? To get you thinking. How about my quack could get a university accreditation, and did, including More University, literally a sex school (See "University of Sex," heterolotix, March 1996).

Brown nominated Jane Fonda, then in her Tom Hayden phase, to the California Arts Council. He also got more of those claiming to be "artists" on the state dole, increasing spending for grants more than 1,000 percent. Soaring property taxes were driving people from their homes while the state enjoyed a fat surplus, but Brown crusaded against the tax-limiting Proposition 13 as a kind of Apartheid Now. After it passed in a landslide, he proclaimed credit for the ballot measure, prompting Paul Conrad of the Los Angeles Times to draw Brown in a football jersey, number 13, captioned "Quarterback sneak."

In 1992 Brown ran for the Senate but fell to Pete Wilson, claiming to be a "reforming politician," Brown fled to Japan and then to India, where he worked briefly with Mother Teresa. Back stateside, he practiced law in Los Angeles and in 1998 became chairman of the state Democratic Party, launching pad for another run at the presidency after giving Jimmy Carter a battle for the nomination in 1976.

During the 1992 primaries, Brown defeated Bill Clinton in Maine, Colorado, Vermont, Connecticut, Utah and Nevada. Brown backed a flat tax, a concept with little support among Democrats. His charge that Bill Clinton, as governor of Arkansas, had lied to work his wife's law firm got the press snooping into the Rose Law Firm and the Whitehouse Watergate.

After Clinton prevailed, Brown moved to Oakland, living anti-communally in a warehouse at 220 Harrison Street. The place fronts six small private apartments, four guest rooms, a law library, office space, and a theater with a capacity of 400 guests. These quarters also housed Brown's "We the People," organization, as well as the name of his radio program, launched in January 1994, on KFPA, part of the left-wing Pacific network. These broadcasts, with a theme of "The People versus Big Money and Corporations," continued until Brown decided to run for mayor of Oakland.
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San Francisco is the Mecca of the California Left. Oakland is at least Medina, a status it acquired after the fall of the Republican machine of Tribune Publisher William Knowland ("The Senator From Fremont") and the concurrent rise of the hemogenous Black Panther Party in the 1960s. In the wake of the Panther, a former judge named Lionel Wilson became the city's first black mayor in 1978, selling in motion a Black establishment that extolled even the old Knowland Machine for amplitude and coyness. At least the Knowland version of Oakland knew about economics. Under black government, its poverty rate climbed to 100,000 a year, nearly twice as many as neighboring San Francisco, which has twice the population. Gangs run rampant and vio-

lenct crimes take place in Oakland at double the rate of New York. As one Oakland historian noted, "you are never more than five blocks from a crack house." The city bristles with razor wire, and private security guards. And the city that still revives Huey Newton, who once operated here after dark like a black Snider Leiber while counting the white chumps from Berkeley with his daytime lesson on Marxism.

Oakland's school system became a place to reward friends of the establishment with high-paying jobs, part of a booming, racial-scape system. But Oakland students, despite high levels of spending, scored among the worst in the state. During the 1983-84 school year, the city spent on special events for drunks, drugs, and black separatists.

The growing glory of this regime was an attempt to break down the status of Latin and Greek. After initiating the ethnic movement, the city and district became a national laughing stock, denounced by a series of Assemblymen and other co-eds. Its success, let's be candid, was a pathetic attempt to institutionalize dysfunction.

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Debate, corruption, ignorance, lechery, lechery, lechery...Oakland's new mayor, who had asked him to remove his stage. Reed, who had told him to remove his stage, is effective, "'em, 'mhmm,"' for the city arts uts, and Brown failed to respond. It also miffed Reed that Brown calmly addressed the mayor and his staff. And given the forced exodus from Oakland of African-American renters, perhaps I'm not the only one who feels this way. People are beginning to say that Mayor Brown is using Oakland to show a national audience that he's not a waky, Staffoon Mayor, who can play tough with black weekies as well as say 'complote' conservative.

Judith Oster, a Brown feminist, fired back with a long list of black women that the mayor had appointed, adding "the smallest groups would seem to be the Asians and the Latinos who together compose about 40 percent of the population." That didn't change the reality that in Oakland issues come with hue.

One of those faces is Joseph Samuels. Oakland's first black chief of police, a man named Brown thought he was too soft on crime. Brown and city manager Robert Roby, who is also black, took aim at Samuels and inspect general superintendent Carole Quinn. The chief told an assembly to shape up or ship out. Suddenly the chief's mayoral function led to a kind of coup.

Leo Barili, who had run for mayor twice, said a reporter that Brown and Bobb were trying to "loot the legacy of African-Americans at City Hall." The Community and Cultural Center, headed by Bobb and including NAACP head Shannon Rees, used Brown's opponents for the sake, marched on City Hall and then to Brown's warehouse chanting "We're the people." Former mayor Ethel Harris said that Brown didn't care about "diversity." When a reporter raised the issue with Brown, he retorted, "Let's talk about diversity. Every city department head but one is black—what's that diversity?"

Brown plans to bring 10,000 new residents downtown from interest in 90 minutes. The mayor explained how he wanted to attract invest-

ent to Oakland, and re-build the middle class. "If you want capital," he said, "you have to talk to capitalists." Brown called his project "elegant design" but critics saw it as a "Jerry-Preston" plot to replace blacks with white students.

When Brown held a "technology summit" at the Kaiser Center, protesters marched around the building with a 20-foot flag of the mayor singing, to the tune of "Mary had a little lamb," the refrain: "Mary has a housing plan for people white as snow."

"We—the people who are being evicted by the current wave of gentrification, under way in West and North Oakland—are tired of being pushed around," said a statement of the Jerry-Freedom People's Coalition. "The City is coordinated by POOR magazine, the Oakland Black Defense Center, and other Bay Area groups. We are the only Avant-Garde in these parks," the statement said, "paving the way for white dot-coms, multi-ethnic artists, lawyers and other professionals to come in and get their 'living' because it's so fucking hip." But the reality of the language was drawn from an article that hadn't been used since Richard Reagan.

"Mayor Jerry Brown's mean-spirited, race-phobic has been arrived," wrote San Francisco Examiner columnist James T. Callahan, in a piece titled "Mayor Moorehead's Mean Brown," written in a style that, with all due respect to Michael Reed, might be called neo-statism. "Jerry Brown has succeeded in making Oakland closer to a Manhattan lifestyle," wrote Brown. "As usual, it's made sure the rich receive sweet ver-

mouth, whiley, and a man-made cherry. Unfortunately, Oakland's working people are left with the bitters."

Criticism of the mayor became a local growth industry, headed by the Jerry-Watch Coalition, an alliance of groups such as People United for a Better Oakland, ACORN, BOSS, Community Organizing Team, and East Bay Alliance for a Sustainable Ecology. Jerry-Watch retained Brown's organization "Me, the People" and its website, Jerry-Watch, to display the mayor's in greater African-American, the sort of thing that usually happens to Pat Brown.

When Brown told two Chronicle columnists that "race is just kind of silly anyway because 99 percent of our DNA is the same," Jerry-Watch thundered, "It is, take a look at a white man, the product of wealthy white family, ruling in a city where large numbers of low-income people of color struggle to have a decent life, to say that race doesn't matter." Jerry-Watch also urged more close and personal, reviving rumors about Brown's precocity.

Under the banner "Jerry Ralph Watson," they listed eight prominent female senators who had left the mayor's office in Brown's first year. A woman named Julie Peeters quit, they said, because "Jerry and Jacques look way too deep, even for her middle-aged ways." Jerry-Watch also charged that Brown had given Baglio, his "long-time friends and housemates," a lavish party, to a total of $14,122, and brought to life the warehouse for almost every member of his "inner sanctum."
Brooks's decision to allow the United States Marines to conduct their Urban Warrior exercises in the area also got the Left surging to the barricades. "It seems Oakland is on its way to becoming a militarized city, starting with the Urban Warrior exercise, and now with this new military school," said Dawn Phillips of JerryWitch. Brown's military academy is now the front-line issue.

"I campaigned with Jerry Brown in the 1960's," said teacher Mark Lee Krohn. Now he's a huge disappointment. I don't think the solution for Oakland schools is to lock up my kids in a boot camp. It doesn't seem to have registered that nobody's kids have to attend the school, a choice that Oakland parents now lack.

Although you would never known it, given all this heavy '60s rhetoric, many Oaklanders, black and white, are generally pleased with the job Brown is doing, even though Robert Bobb, performs much of the heavy lifting, leaving Brown free to orchestrate and visualize. He has built a racial spells system and, though it may not be his intention, revealed that even in a new century, the Left remains reactionary, violent and vacuous.

For many Oakland lunchers, Brown's plans are clear. Mooebeam in One City is a platform to run again for president, perhaps under the slogan Theopolis Now! Those plans, and some of Brown's recent comments suggest that he does indeed need to be watched.

Despite his attempts to court Silicon Valley, Jerry Brown recently told the editors of Red Herring magazine that "the gap between rich and poor has increased as technology has expanded... It's not a question of belief. It's a statistical fact." And as the editors noted, Jerry Brown is probably the only elected official in the United States who openly champions the redistribution of wealth.

"Income-redistribution programs are the only way that governments have figured out to soften the blows of inequality," Brown said. "The market is highly efficient, but also environmentally destructive and fundamentally inequitable."

Both statements verify the observation of Oakland resident, author and San Francisco Chronicle columnist Debra Saunders that "the older Brown gets, the more removed from reality he grows." Despite their attacks, the local Left knows that at heart Jerry Brown is still a politically correct believer in salvation through government planning, a development they would welcome in the White House. But maybe Jerry Brown's pattern of downward political mobility will persist.

If Brown is not, after all, running for president, perhaps he could challenge for a seat on the Alameda County Mosquito Abatement District. If on the other hand he decides to remain mayor of Oakland and wants to really distance himself from the Left, there are some strategies he can consider.

Instead of supporting one rather unconventional charter school, mayor Brown can join a number of prominent blacks and push for full educational choice for all Oakland students, as a matter of civil rights. The injection of true competition, which Brown says he believes in, would improve the dreadful Oakland districts and enable students to select high quality schools such as St. Ignatius, which Brown himself attended. The crime issue also offers possibilities.

A woman named Betty Van Patterson worked as a bookkeeper for the Learning Center, an Oakland school run by the Black Panthers. Van Patterson disappeared, suddenly, after she found some irregularities in the school's accounting, and was found dead in San Francisco Bay, her head caved in. Others associated with the Panthers also met similar ends. It would take a truly courageous mayor, dedicated to truth and justice, to reopen those cases, but if he did there's no telling what would happen.

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Transgressions in Michigan

A Very Politically Incorrect Young Man

by Wendy McElroy

The third issue of a student newspaper, The Spartan Spectator, hit the campus of Michigan State University (MSU) on October 9th. On October 10th, a press release from the publisher and founder Jason L. Van Dyke stated, "At approximately 12:30 am October 19, 2000 I was assaulted by an unknown individual. At the time I was in a study lounge reading for a midterm. When I returned to my room at approximately 10:15 am, the place had been completely trashed."

In addition, someone had urinated in Van Dyke's mattress and written "die" on the left with a magic marker. Because that word constitutes a threat, the police reported the incident as a case of both vandalism and assault. A second press release, dated October 30th, added, "The perpetrators also stole Van Dyke's credit card number and ordered large amounts of electronic equipment to Van Dyke's house. The bill for the equipment, according to police, is $2,100. Dan Van Dyke (Jason's father), is so far in excess of $6500, putting the theft into the range of felony credit card fraud and grand theft.

The theft came on the heels of another attack earlier that same week; an unidentified female destroyed the press run of Issue 3 by tearing up copies and tossing them all over the third floor of Case Hall, which is Van Dyke's place of residence. Investigation into this matter has been suspended due to the stress of the subsequent criminal assault. An e-mail update, Van Dyke explained, "We plan to start distributing under the same conditions as the previous week--320 degrees, increasing press run, and varying the days that we press out issues. This should make it much harder to steal at least large quantities of the papers." Indeed, the theft of papers was a problem for Van Dyke and anticipated. The first issue of The Spartan Spectator warned, "It is illegal to steal a free newspaper and offer a reward for information leading to the arrest of anyone doing so with the intention of stopping distribution."

Why does The Spartan Spectator inspire such rage? Its mission statement reads, "To promote conservative journalism at Michigan State University through the publication and distribution of The Spartan Spectator." To many, the word "conservative" is a red flag and virtually a synonym for "racist" or "anti-feminist." Moreover, Mr. Van Dyke has been an outspoken critic of political correctness on campus. For example, last October, he was told not to use the elevators and various other public areas of Case Hall, because a university-sponsored campaign of racial and sexual discrimination was underway. Signage posted throughout the Hall indicated that racial and cafeteria tables were for "blacks," or "gays only." The discrimination against white heterosexuals was part of a program called "Our Divided Reality," which was coordinated by Case Hall Black Caucus, the Department of Residence Life, and MSU PRIDE—a support group for lesbian, bisexual, gay, and transgender students. The laboratory program was meant to highlight students' awareness of how it felt to be a victim of discrimination. Figuring that his tuition gave him the right to access public areas within his own residence, Van Dyke refused to obey the program's "edicts.

who were strategically stationed to pressure anyone who did not obey.

Instead of obeying, Van Dyke filed a complaint with MSU's Sexual Affairs Office claiming that the discrimination—voluntary or not—violated MSU's anti-harassment Sexual Discrimination Policy. Article II of the Policy reads, in part, "Thus, even if not illegal, and even if not intended, it is prohibited...1. Discriminate against any University community member(s) through inappropriate exclusion or deprivation of employment opportunities access to University residential facilities..."
buried and intolerant people... In this day and
age, you only have free speech when you agree with the
liberal establishment. The day you begin to dis-
agree, speech is no longer free."

The next day, April 4, The State News
printed a letter from Blake Spear, vice-president
of MSU's Prisms, a gay rights advocacy group.
He threatened to bring MSU judicial action against
Van Dyke for violating the MSU Anti-
Discrimination Policy. Van Dyke e-mailed Mr.
Spear to inform him that any frivolous prosecu-
tion would result in a lawsuit. In an interview
Mr. Van Dyke explained what happened next. "This
person [Mr. Spear] forwarded my response to the
Opinions Editor of The State News. Dan McMillan,
the very same Dan McMillan who was fired in
recent months, is now the editor of the News.
He said there would be no problem with my
letter." The editor responded that the letter was
mere silliness.

While doing research on Van Dyke's dis-
missal, I was reading his columns in The State
News archives one minute. The next minute they
had vanished into the embiggened part of cyberspace.
A phone call from Opinions Editor Don McMillan,
I inquired about access to one article in particular—"Matthew Preaches Tolerance Hypocratically"—which I had not downloaded. He assured me that if the article existed and he would not confirm that it did, then it would be in the archives. It is.

Van Dyke explained why I could not access it.
"This is because they took the URL offline. However, I have the URL http://www.state-
news.com/editor/040305/first_col.html because they did not actually delete the file from their webpage."

That call I was promised from the main
editor of The State News never materialized.
Although McMillan claims that Van Dyke was fired because of his "bad" attitude and unprofessionalism, it is difficult to understand why published articles were suddenly gone in the cyber equiva-
 lent of book burning.

Van Dyke responded to his disappear-
ance down The State News Orwellian Memory Hole by establishing a website called ThePotato [http://www.thepotato.com], which declares, "The Potatoes, those lovable underdogs of ThePotato.com is to promote Conservative and Christian political thought on the World Wide Web and beyond." He explained, "I started ThePotato.com with my friend, Bill Barnwell, who just happened to have been fired a
week or two earlier under highly similar circumstances [by The South End, Wayne State University's Student Newspapers]." Why is the firing of such a strange name? True to the in-your-face loco-
class of the two founders, ThePotato is named in honor of former Vice-President Dan Quayle. Mr. Van Dyke explains, "ThePotato.com is spelled exactly the way Mr. Quayle read it" in the famous television news clip that was played over and over again by the liberal media in order to ridicule him. Perhaps embarrassing the ridicule aimed at conservatives is a sound strategic move, given how difficult it can be to take the PC criti-
tiques seriously. Bill Barnwell describes the sort of incident that causes fellow students to refer to
"fag"- or "Nazi." It occurred while he attended an officially sponsored discussion of race relations at Wayne State. The audience was asked a question: if you were the principal of a school that received complaints about racial discrimi-
nation, what would you do? Among the solutions offered: students would be forced to sit at integrated tables in the cafeteria; the parking lot and lockers would be similarly integrated. When Barnwell's turn to speak arrived, he opened with, "For one thing, I would honor the right to free association."

ThePotato is a place where college con-
servatives who are denied the right to object and speak freely can have their work published. One such writer is Chih Li Lilk, Editor-in-Chief of a student newspaper called The Conservative Column at Villanova University. In the early months of this year, Lilk's paper was confiscated by the school administration. He received a voicemail message from the school's director of student development expressing concern about a poster advertising circled at a local bank that provided Vaggava's ATM services. Excerpts of the voicemail informed Lilk, "I will be removing all the issues of the Conservative Column that I see." The paper was defaced, banned from campus. He now writes for ThePotato, where The Spartan Spectator is also available online: http://www.thepotato.com."

Are the opinions expressed in The
Spartan Spectator offensive to the "average stu-
dent"? Perhaps. Certainly feminists will be dis-
agreed by the strong, pro-life stand that calls abortion "slaughter." Some Blacks may be insulted by the controversial Confederate Flag of Georgia that was displayed on the frontpage of the second issue. Liberals should be outraged by the Spartan Spectator's photo contest: "Could you use an extra $20? In our ever-growing quest to rid the world of liberals, The Spartan Spectator is acting as the positive voice for change by offering this photo contest. Do you have a picture of a liberal that embarrassed them to premature retirement, divorce, or even criminal proceedings? Why not send those photos to The Spartan Spectator? Our staff will vote on the winning entry, print it on the front page, and send the person nothing but joy. Double pay if the photo actually lands them in jail!" Anti-gun zealots will be horrified by the Nazi photograph of the bodies of Jewish women in a Nazi grave with the text, "On May 14, 2000, the so-called Million Moms marched to stop civil-
less from owning guns. Here's what happens when they get their wish."

The lack of self reflection and complacency about ThePotato.com—namely, that it is anti-
gay—Van Dyke explained it to me. "The site is not designed to be a distinctively "anti-gay" site. ThePotato.com is designed to bring to light a variety of issues. Gun control, affirmative action, taxation, censorship, and racism have been popular choices among our staff. The homosexual rights movement just happens to be the topic that has gained our website the most recognition and notoriety."

He then offered a detailed account of his personal position. "Homosexuality is unnatural as homosexual sex has no biological function. I believe homosexual conduct is a sin against God, just the same as murder, adultery, and theft are sins, although I don't believe homosexuality is somehow more a grievous sin than others in the eyes of God. For Van Dyke, homosexuality is more than a personal choice. It has political and social consequences such as the "spread of dangerous STDs" [sexually transmitted diseases] and a general increase in promiscuity."

Van Dyke later goes to law school, undoubtedly because he will have to defend the right to be political incorrect over and over again in his life. As his way he was willing to spend so much time and effort on The Spartan Spectator when it led to incidents such as the trashing of his room. Van Dyke is not "so green" that he "thinks that conservatives need to have a voice on campus." Then, he added, "We will not be silenced or scared off by a bunch of bleeding hearts. I see this simply as evidence that they are afraid that we want them to stop publishing. If so, they think they will stop me, they have another guess coming.

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REPARATIONS

Some African-American leaders are calling for reparations to be paid to American blacks by the rest of America—European, Asian and Hispanic. Blacks in America are the poorest and most oppressed black people on earth. The average descendant of African slaves in America earns between 20 and 50 times as much as the average black person in Africa, whose ancestors were not kidnapped and enslaved. Why should a Vietnamese or Iraqi refugee, a Mexican migrant worker, or a Polish escaper from Communism pay reparations for an injustice committed 150 years ago? Why do African-American leaders want to separate African Americans from other Americans? Blacks came to America before the Mayflower. Who is more American than the descendants of African slaves? For African Americans to pursue "reparations" claims against European, Asian, and Hispanic Americans is a divisive and self-defeating idea.

A leader of the reparations movement, Randall Robinson, has written a manifesto—The Debt: What America Owes to Blacks—which is a model of what is wrong with the reparations cause. Anti-white sentiments and anti-American feelings leap out from every page of Robinson's book including a chapter devoted to praising Fidel Castro, one of the world's most sadistic dictators. A rhapsody for Castro's Marxist police state would seem a bizarre irrelevance to a book on reparations for American blacks, except that for Robinson, Castro is a quintessential victim of American "oppression," and therefore a hero regardless of his crimes.

In the eyes of Randall Robinson, Thomas Jefferson, the author of the Declaration that "all men are created equal," was merely "a slave owner, a racist, and—if one accepts that consent cannot be given if it cannot be denied—a rapist." (Robinson is referring to Jefferson's affair with his slave Sally Hemings.) In Robinson's view, the fact that Americans still honor the author of the Declaration of Independence makes his personal sins into archetypes that define America itself: "Does not the continued unremarked American elevation of Jefferson tell us all how profoundly contemptuous of black sensibilities, American society persists in being? How deeply, stubbornly, poisonously racist our society to this day remains?"

Behind the reparations idea is, finally, an irrational fear and hatred of America. It is about holding America responsible for every negative facet of black existence, as though America were God, and God had failed. Above all, it is about denying the gift America has given to all of its citizens, black as well as white, through the inspired genius of its founding. This hatred for America blinds Robinson—and those who think like him—to a truth far more important than Jefferson's dalliance with Sally Hemings, which may or may not have been unwilling (consent obviously can be given even if it cannot be denied). For it is the words Thomas Jefferson wrote—"all men are created equal"—(words that white Americans died for) that accomplished what no black African did: they set Randall Robinson's ancestors free.

For all America's faults, African Americans have an enormous stake in America and in the heritage individuals like Thomas Jefferson helped to create. To denigrate Jefferson is to denigrate themselves. The heritage enshrined in the American founding and the institutions and ideas to which it gave rise, is what is really under attack in the reparations movement. This assault on America, led by racial separatists and the political left, is not only an attack on white Americans, but on all Americans—and on African Americans especially.

America's black citizens are the richest and most privileged black people alive—a bounty that is a direct result of the heritage that is under assault. The American idea needs the support of its African-American citizens. But African Americans also need the support of the American idea.

—David Horowitz

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How Many Divisions Hath the Pope?

Communist China Trashes Its Catholics

by Mark Tooley

The Chinese government decided to usher in the Christmas season by dynamiting hundreds of churches and temples. "The illegal activities in these illegal buildings do harm to the people," a government spokesman explained about the December demolitions. He just drenched these superstitious activities." In other words, "Merry Christmas from your communist government!"

At least 200 churches were blown up, and another 200 were shut down, mostly in southeast China near the city of Wenzhou. Although Foreign Affairs Ministry officials labeled the demolitions a local initiative, he added: "This could be a good example for other cities." Many of the destroyed churches were linked to the underground Catholic church, which recognizes the Pope and not the Chinese Politburo as its leader. Christmas is apparently a traditional time for government crackdowns against "unofficial" religious sects in China. But this latest assault on religion, especially on Roman Catholicism, may be part of a larger spiritual battle between the Vatican and Beijing.

The battle was dramatically illustrated by rival ceremonies in October. The contrast was stark. During its annual National Day on October 1—a holiday honoring the former Boxer Rebellion—the communist Chinese celebrated the 51st anniversary of their party's bloody take-over, with all the mechanized armament and robotic pomps that such events in People's Republic governments can organize. On the same day, half a world away, the Pope canonized 57 Chinese Christian and 33 Western missionaries who were martyred for theirmassage during the anti-Western Boxer Rebellion a century ago.

The rival ceremonies are no coincidence. In fact, the Vatican and China's Communist leaders are now engaged in a new round of spiritual warfare for the souls of China's Catholic believers. And if recent history is a guide, the successor to St. Peter is likely at least to hold his own in a struggle against the successors to Mao.

In the flash point came when China's government denounced the Vatican ceremony as a "grave affront to the nation." The Chinese State Administration of Religious Affairs described the event as "criminal and agents of imperialism guilty of "monstrous crimes" against the Chinese people. And the Pope was honoring China's former communist Holy day, in a deliberate insult to the People's Republic, whose leaders see the murderous Boxers as early versions of the proletariat.

A Chinese Foreign Ministry official was even more vitriolic, claiming that most of the alleged martyrs were "executed" for violating Chinese law or "bullying" the Chinese people. "The sanctification of such people disorients truth and history, beautifies imperialism and shames the peace-loving Chinese people." With no sense of irony, the Chinese spokesman decried the main martyrs as "deluding sinners," and lamented the lack of repentance by the imperialist Vatican. More remarkably, spokesman for China's "official" church echoed these harsh statements from Chinese communist officials. These church leaders participated in the Patriotic Day celebration in Beijing as representatives of the government-controlled Chinese Christian Council (for Protestants) and the Chinese Patriotic Catholic Association. The latter organization professes to be Roman Catholic, although it maintains no ties with the Vatican, acknowledging China's communist rulers instead of the Pope as the supreme authority over the church.

The leader of the Catholic Patriotic Association was sufficiently in the Pope, "Choosing [October 1] to canonize the so-called saints is an open insult and humiliation against Chinese Catholic adherents," intoned Patriotic Catholic Bishop Michael Fu Teotian. He called some of the martyrs "henchmen" guilty of "crimes" against the Chinese people.

"Today is a holiday that marks the liberation of the Chinese nation from imperial and colonial invasion and robbery," Fu was among 120 Patriotic Association bishops, priests, monks and nuns who attended the flag-raising ceremony in Tiananmen Square to celebrate communism's take-over of their country.

Later in the day, Bishop Fu presided over a special mass commemorating the anniversary of Mao's victory. "We are here with a special purpose to celebrate the growth of the Chinese Catholic Church over the past five decades which has been free from control and interference from foreign forces." He pronounced his indignation that the Vatican would want to "disorganize and tampering" by glorifying imperialism.

The Pope's Catholic Church has been taken advantage of by the imperialists and colonialists in history to cause tremendous trauma to the Chinese people," the bishop solemnly intoned. "The Chinese Catholics have the past 25 years regained the confidence of the Chinese people for our consistent adherence to the policy of self-administration of religious affairs."

Meanwhile, back in Rome at the canonization rite, the Pope spoke especially movingly of a 14-year-old Chinese girl during the Boxer rebellion who "resisted the executioners' threats" that she would die miserably unless she denounced her faith. "Rather than denying God, she "professed for redemption" and "cried with a radiant face: 'The door of heaven is open to all.'" The canonizations took place on a feast day traditionally reserved for honoring missionary activity.

Those who watch human rights in China were left wondering what kind of religious leader, even a flabby of his government, would deny any honor accorded a martyr's legacy, no matter the circumstances? Yet the state-controlled churches in China have never had quals about defending atrocities and repression aimed at their supposed brothers and sisters in the faith, whether historic or current. The Catholic Patriotic Association has been particularly egregious in its efforts to subvert religious sentiment and channel it into forms acceptable to the government while using its alleged authority to help in the perception of practitioners of the true faith. Protestant's typically do not have a centralized authority by which they define their religious identity. Roman Catholics by definition recognize the Pope as the supreme head of their church. Catholic teaching makes clear that to deny the Pope's authority is to be in schism. In addition to constructing a flimsy Peter's Village version of Catholicism, China's Catholic Patriotic Association makes no effort to hide its hostility to the Vatican. The Politburo, rather than the Apostolic Succession, is the Association's guide. Patriotic doctrine and ritual try to replicate Catholic doctrine where possible. But when church teachings are contradicted by communist policies, such as a mandatory one-child per family law and coerced abortion, the Catholic Patriotic Association must side with communist policies against the church.

Several bishops, hundreds of priests, and countless lay people from the underground ("real") Catholic Church continue to be arrested for their fidelity to Rome and to the Pope's teachings, particularly those involving human freedom and responsibility. Even attending a mass at an "unofficial" church can incur severe fines, or worse. Even so, some estimates as many as 10 million Chinese belong to the underground Catholic Church, while the government claims 4 million belong to the Catholic Patriotic Association. The "real" Catholic Chinese Catholics are active in both, either from ignorance, self-interest or a desire for rapprochement between the two. Few Patriotic Catholic are persecuted by the state. But many more in the underground church, including Bishops and perhaps a cardinal or two—have been accorded secret status by Rome.

This distinction between the two religious entities in China is not always made in American media, some of which will simply refer to Beijing's policies as the "Catholic" leadership of China. According
to the Connecticut-based Cardinal Kung Foundation, which monitors Catholic persecution in China, 50 Patriotic Association seminarians and priests are studying in U.S. seminaries. They receive full tuition and room and board from these seminaries, as part of a program conducted by the left-wing Bishop Fu. Some Patriotic Association priests have even been given full faculties in some U.S. Catholic dioceses. U.S. Roman Catholic institutions, sometimes financing the program with millions of dollars to ministries in China under the control of the Patriotic Association. The Cardinal Kung Foundation complains that the seminaries and church does not receive similar support from the U.S.

Underground Catholics obviously are unable to appeal for support in public. But official church leaders are permitted to travel to the U.S. and reap publicity and funding for themselves. The aforementioned Bishop Fu, who heads the Catholic Patriotic Association, led the Chinese delegation to Ted Turner's global Millennium World Peace Summit of Religious and Spiritual Leaders at the United Nations in August. With no trace of irony, Fu spoke out in favor of maintaining religion's "purity" and defended China's "full religious freedom" in what he called a "golden period for religion In China.

But in a foreshadowing of his triumphant National Day remarks in Beijing, Bishop Fu warned against trampling over the sovereignty of other countries in the "name of protecting religion and human rights," in an obvious reference to the busboydias who are distressed over China's continuing persecution of religious believers. And Fu excoriated people who lived for fame and split the motherland under the cloak of religion.

"Now is the time when we must go into action to end the tragedy where religion is being desecrated, faked, distorted and abused and restore religion to its true nature," Fu declared. "It is also the time that we should bring into play our moral and spiritual strength as religious leaders and promote world peace."

Ties That Bind

The Chinese government composed Chinese Catholics to cut their ties to the Vatican. In 1951, China has insisted on a renewal of ties requires not only cutting off Taiwan, with which the Vatican has maintained relations for decades, but also renouncing any "interference in internal Chinese affairs under the pretext of religion." This pledge would mean, for example, that the Pope could not appoint any more Chinese bishops or compel obedience to the edicts of Rome. In 1957 the Chinese government created the Catholic Patriotic Association, which has been ordaining its own bishops since 1956. There are now close to 70 official bishops, along with 5,000 churches, 14 seminaries, 1,000 priests, and 2,000 religious, in addition to churches with parallel structures, is also said to have an equal number of bishops, clergy and nuns, and 1,500 churches, all of whom acknowledging the Vatican's authority over them. All forms of communication are by necessity sometimes sporadic.

According to a 1999 letter from the Catholic Patriotic Association, 60 of China's 110 official dioceses then had bishops. The rest functioned with diocesan administrators. The latter encouraged dioceses without a bishop to elect and ordain one. Early this year, the Patriotic Association ordained five bishops at the Immediate Conception of Our Lady Cathedral in Beijing.

It was the exact same day that the Pope ordained 12 bishops in Rome. According to a Vatican news agency, the Patriotic Association had wanted originally to ordain its own dozen bishops, in a direct mirroring of the Vatican ceremony. The news agency said that nine of the Chinese candidates refused ordination when they realized the ceremony was meant to directly compete with the Pope. Some Patriotic clergy still are reluctant to directly insult the Vatican, and no doubt more than a few still harbor some disguised fidelity to the Roman Catholic Church. But the Patriotic Association publicly found two others who were willing to accept ordination. The Vatican news agency said that this was a "sign of the pressure which the government is exercising on the candidate to accept the ordination."

Upset with such resistance, Chinese Prime Minister Zhu Rongji called for greater control of all religions to "guarantee political stability." In a meeting with directors of all local government religious offices, Zhu warned them that they must "actively study the Marxist concept of religion and, based on the law, reinforce the administration of religious affairs."

Faithful to government policy, in August Bishop Fu ordained four priests at the Beijing cathedral. But reportedly half the congregation boycotted the ceremony. And 14 priests declined to co-officiate in the ordination for reasons of health. So it appears that the Catholic Patriotic Association's pretenses to authority are not fully accepted even by its own communicants. The Vatican called the ordinations a "serious violation of canonical discipline."

The rival ordinations and rival ceremonies on communist China's National Day point to a war of nerves between the Vatican and Beijing. As Fidel, the Vatican's official news agency, explained: "The canonization of the Chinese martyrs is a challenge to the cause of Beijing government" to expand religious freedom. Vatican spokesman Joaquin Navarro-Valls emphatically stated Church's allegation that the martyrs were agents of Western imperialism, "All of the missionary martyrs had a deep love for China."

He complained that China had leveled "vague accusations" against the martyrs without proof. A day after the canonizations, China's official news agency published a long article making specific accusations against three of the European martyrs. One priest, for example, was accused of having irregularly conferred local Chinese virgins into his diocese. Another priest was accused of supporting the opium trade. The Vatican responded that the history of each martyr had been carefully investigated, and all were in fact "genuine and zealous preachers of the Gospel who loved the Chinese people and were dedicated to serving them."

Prior to the Vatican canonizations, Hong Kong's Catholics were warned by Beijing to be low key in their celebrations. Generally, the Hong Kong Catholics complied, having avoided Masses. But Chinese authorities cancelled a scheduled visit by Hong Kong's Catholics to groups to visit churches and shrines in neighboring Guangdong province. Reportedly Beijing was apprehensive about letting Hong Kong Catholics have contact with mainland co-religionists. Not intimidated, the Coadjutor Bishop of Hong Kong defended the canonizations and criticized Beijing's angry response.

The bishop was subsequently informed by the Catholic Patriotic Association that the Chinese government "was highly displeased."

Incompatible Catholics

The Chinese Foreign Ministry also warned that the Vatican's "provocative" actions had "seriously damaged" the possibility for normalized diplomatic relations, for which there had been some positive signs over the last year. Only in September, a French cardinal, who is also an aide to the Pope, visited Beijing to meet with government and Catholic leaders. But the day after the canonizations, both the Catholic Patriotic Association and its opposite number, the Pro-tectio: China Christian Council, organized respective symposia to reiterate their condemnations of the Vatican. They warned that evangelization in China would be impaired by the reminder of Western imperialism. And they alleged that the Vatican was historically in cahoots with foreign invaders of China, citing the Vatican's recognition of the Japanese Manchukuo puppet government during the 1930s.

During a European trip this summer, a spokesman for visiting Chinese Prime Minister Zhu Rongji told reporters that Beijing will never compromise with the Vatican over control of Catholics in China. "The Chinese ecclesiastical situation is based on a compatibility with historical and national conditions," he insisted. "This won't ever change." The Catholic Patriotic Association exists because of "the desire of the mass of Chinese believers."

Meanwhile, an editorial earlier this year by the head of the Vatican news service pointed out that China's Communists have married hundreds of Roman Catholics. So far the Pope has canonized only Chinese martyrs killed prior to Mao's triumph in 1949, he observed. "We must have the courage to stipulate the list all the way, up to the present day." But he predicted that, "This will require Beijing to allow accurate investigation and to admit that the history of the Church in China linked to the Chinese nation since the time its origin is, so the state is an alien, in its universal freedom."

China's communist leaders cannot be expected to acknowledge rival claims of authority or principles about universal freedom. But their half-century of revolu- tionary control is not likely to out. The last millennium Church of Rome.

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Supermarket Execs Face Indictment

by Judith Schumann Weizner

What began as a single complaint of ethnically
inspired discriminatory acts quickly escalated into an inquiry into
the policies and practices of FoodSource's parent com-
pany, Marley Industries. Included in the expanded inves-
tigation were Mana president and CEO Ken Minna, in
addition to FoodSource executives Percy Fleisch and
North Milch. Along with Mr. Peace, the three now face
indictment under Section 24 of the Federal Code of Civil
Conduct.

Both Mr. Fleisch and Mr. Milch have stated that
while FoodSource managers have considerable latitude to

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to what items they stock, the company encourages them
to sell ethnic items to neighborhoods where there is suffi-
cient demand, but does not define sufficient demand. Mr.
Fleisch is on record as saying that one request would usu-
ally not be considered sufficient unless the request
request belonged to a group that was likely to purchase
FoodSource in large numbers in the future, and that he sup-
ported Mr. Peace's decision because
Wayne Chibwe and the adjoining area have a significant
African-American population. (These are
currently two other FoodSource stores closer to the
predominantly African-American neighborhoods that stock
collard greens, as well as many other items often referred
to as soul food.)

The preliminary Justice Department report, released last week, indicates that an anonymous witness, present
outside the room in which a meeting of
FoodSource's top executives took place, knew that ethnic
inventory was the topic under discussion. The witness
is expected to testify that he had heard Mr. Fleisch laugh
during the meeting. A second witness is said to be
ready to testify that he heard "unprecedented laughter" com-
ing from the room at the time the meeting was taking
place, although Mr. Fleisch is said to have explained
that the laughter occurred when Mr. Milch, who has been
known to boast about his record as a boastsFY, threw
himself across the conference table in a vain attempt to
prevent a bowl of artificial sweetener from falling to
the floor.

The preliminary report concludes that spread-
out laughter did occur at a meeting at which food was
discussed, and does not accept the artificial sweet-
er's explanation, which the department's relative
on the floor, not of discrimination, because
which Mr. Milch's attempt to retrieve a bowl of
artificial sweetener would have caused "excessive "apologies." Laughter, he answered, "You'll have to be that...

The outcome of the pending indictments is cru-
ial for FoodSource, which has already been cited twice
for civil rights violations. A trial verdict in this case
could leave the company vulnerable to government
suit, will not be a trial.

Three years ago, the company was charged with
failure to advertise in the Inner City Gazette (IGC), a
Rocky Haven publication with a paid circulation of 59.
Inner City Gazette brought its complaint under the
Equality of Protection Act, alleging that the supermar-
ket's advertising policy denied the minority community
equal access to information about sales of nutritious foods
at FoodSource. FoodSource advertising manager Thomas
Lambertini testified that he had told IGC's publisher
that it was against company policy to spend more than
$10,000 per month advertising in any publication with
a paid circulation under 10,000. In an administrative
hearing before the Food Education Panel of the Depart-
ment of Fundamental Nutrition, FoodSource was found to
have violated a policy that effectively barred advertis-
ing in local minority publications, thereby denying vital
information to the minority population.
The company was fined $12 million and ordered to submit
IGC for a period of nine years.

Last year, federal judge Norma Doug ordered a
FoodSource store in New Jersey to pay $3 million to the
Liberia Lottery Foundation for selling potato chips to a
white woman in violation of federal food safety standards
for minority youths. The decline of the retail food industry
outside the retail food industry because it occurred at the
same time as the verdict in the trial of Isaac top
National Motion executives for conspiracy to commit
misdemeanor fraud.

Mr. Peace is believed to have violated the
Ethnic County Provision of the Federal Code of Civil
Conduct by refusing to stock an item requested by a
member of a minority as defined under Paragraph 2A
of the Federal Register of Prominent Spies, he could
face as much as 12 years in prison and fines up to
$500,000. Mana's Fleisch and Milch also are facing
the same possible for conspiracy to legitimate policies
resulting in failure to extend untoward courtesy to a
number of an ethnic minority.

Mr. Peace could also be charged with the late
crime of reality-based restriction stemming from his
insistence that Mr. Milch pay in advance for a
food enjoyed primarily by an ethnic or racial
minority.

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