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Proposals for State Action a response to the Los Angeles Riots

By JESSE M. UNRUH

Four weeks ago savage violence and hatred exploded in California. The riots in Watts have become a topic of discussion throughout the world. There is much fingerpointing and blame-fixing. Everyone, from racial bigots to civil rights leaders, from Muslims to social workers, is propounding his theory and the air is filled with "I told you so's". In an effort to answer the question, "why?" old studies have been dragged off the shelves, new ones are being written, and editorial writers are "viewing with alarm."

As an Assemblyman from Los Angeles, and as Speaker of the State Assembly, I have been asked repeatedly to comment on the riots since the terrible day they began. I have refrained from public comment until this time. I don't have all the answers. I do know this. The explosive situation in Los Angeles and in certain sections of our other great cities does pose a grave and immediate threat to the safety of all our citizens, Negro and white, rich and poor. The progress we are making in the fields of education and fair employment is also jeopardized. This is clearly a time for fast, responsible action to restore confidence in the law and in legally constituted government.

I believe that the elected government in California must now act to solve some very critical problems. If our government does not act, others will. I am not willing to see our hard won constitutional democracy subverted and replaced by self-appointed leaders imposing vigilante law. This is the first step on the road to anarchy. We cannot permit extremists to capture the leadership of our disadvantaged citizens because we have failed to meet the critical needs in poverty areas.

All lasting progress depends on our ability to use our system of government to solve our social problems. Those who ignore that system - subvert or by-pass it - will destory the very basis of progress.

And there are many forces actively working to erode the leadership and decision making functions of our government. There are the ultra-conservatives who make shrill noises about law and order, but who have carried on a massive campaign to destory individual liberties, to undermine respect for law, to destroy our Supreme Court, and to discredit our Federal and State government. Just a short time ago thousands of Californians actually applauded the statement that "extremism in the defense of liberty is no vice."

There are those on the radical left who preach the same doctrine of extremism in the name of "social reform." Power hungry extremists appeal to the poor and the frustrated and seek to convert honest grievances into the fuel for fires of insurrection. They distort the concept of citizen participation in government to citizen participation against government.

It is for these reasons that I am convinced that our State government must now act - not only in response to the situation in Watts - but because the Watts explosion is evidence of certain weaknesses in our way of governing. These weaknesses must be corrected.

I have spent the past four weeks in private discussions with hundreds of individuals of varying points of view. I have talked with residents of the Watts area and with my neighbors in the Inglewood district that I represent. I have also met with informed members of our State Assembly and with local officials. During this same period a task force of technical experts from our Assembly staff has also been quietly at work, and I would like now to outline a suggested programs of State action based on all these deliberations:

I believe our State government must now develop a differential approach to the provision of State services in certain communities. Just as Federal government recognizes the special problems of Appalachia, we in California can no longer delude ourselves that all our communities are the same and that the same distribution of the same programs, manpower and money is appropriate throughout California. The fact is that most of our State services and resources and programs are provided with little con(continued next page)

sideration for the profound cultural, social, and economic differences in our various communities.

I am, therefore, recommending that the State Office of Planning be given the responsibility of preparing and maintaining a current listing of those California communities that rank high in population density, unemployment, illiteracy, school dropouts, substandard housing, criminal activity, and other evidences of serious social malfunction. I am further suggesting that these communities be ranked in such a fashion that when the combination of social problems reaches a certain danger point, the community will be designated as a "priority area" and will automatically become eligible for any or all of the following State programs:

EDUCATION

I believe educational programs are basic and offer the greatest hope for the future. Many long-range programs of compensatory education, preschool and basic reading services have recently been enacted by our legislature, but our "priority areas" require more direct and immediate assistance. For example, in the Watts area we have learned that one-third of the community has less than eight years of schooling. Two-thirds of the adults have less than high school education. One out of every eight adults cannot read or write. The school dropout rate is more than twice the average for the city. Two out of every three youngsters who enter the 7th grade will drop out before finishing high school. The programs just approved by the legislature -- basic reading, compensatory education, and the preschool program must be implemented immediately in "priority areas". The State Department of Education and local Boards of Education must waste no time in utilizing the funds the legislature made available for these excellent new programs.

Of these new programs I believe the preschool program is of critical importance. We must guarantee that every youngster will enter public school with the tools he must have to obtain an education. He must speak enough English, he must understand how he is expected to behave, and he must have some notion of the value of an education if he is to profit from his years in our schools, The new program for preschool education -

which I authored - provides \$2,000,000 of State money to match \$6,000,000 of federal money to finance preschool education for up to 10,000 youngsters. I suggest that this program be immediately expanded to serve many more young children in our "priority areas".

We also must assure massive class size reduction in our "priority areas". We know from our studies that the largest classes are located in the areas of greatest need. I propose that we now act to reduce class size in certain critical areas with a fully State-financed program. Such a program should provide funds for teachers, teachers aides, and portable classrooms to assure significant reductions in class size.

Studies conducted by our Assembly Education Committee have revealed that many excellent teachers have for years been lured out of our depressed neighborhoods. I believe we must now reverse this trend by providing incentives for our best and most experienced teachers to come to and to stay to teach in these neighborhoods where their talent is so desperately needed. In the past, we have sought solutions to some of our school problems by moving children from one school to another. Rather than relying on this solution, I now propose that we begin to bus teachers - our top teachers - into those schools where they are most urgently needed. I believe we should create a new "Master Teacher Corps" for work in "priority areas" with the necessary salary incentives to accomplish this objective. I am very pleased to note that our State Superintendent of Public Instruction is now advocating a similar solution.

I am also recommending that we create a new kind of State-supported school in our "priority areas". We need a new concept of education for the thousands of young people who are now beyond the reach of our traditional school programs. These young people are out of school, out of work, with little hope and no money. They have been prophetically described as "social dynamite". For various reasons, some of which will take a long, long time to correct, the traditional schools have failed these young people. I propose that we establish in our "priority areas" State-sponsored "Advancement Schools" to be located in public buildings, libraries, hospitals, private businesses any appropriate place where a teacher and a

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group of students can work together. I believe that teachers for these schools can be recruited from among the residents of our "priority areas" and from among college students, businessmen - anyone who wants to teach and who has knowledge or a skill that he is willing and able to share. The courses in these "Advancement Schools" could consist of basic English, arithmetic, family budgeting, fundamentals of history and government, typing and business skills. The purpose of "Advancement Schools" will be to reduce idleness, to make people more employable, and to give people a chance to improve themselves. I further recommend that students attending these schools should receive stipends based upon the number of classes they attend, the number of courses they take, their grades, and their attendance records. sales amountaine radge

I shall request the Assembly Rules Committee to assign these proposals to the Assembly Education Committee for their immediate consideration. I shall also request that the Education Committee report back as to the feasibility of these proposals within the next six weeks.

LAW ENFORCEMENT

Another immediate need is to guarantee a more effective law enforcement program in danger areas where the crime rate is high and where sizeable portions of the population are active members of the criminal underworld. There can be no social progress in communities where there is no law and order. If we believe in people, and if we believe in civil rights, then we must create the peaceful conditions where people can grow and civil rights can flourish.

We have learned that well-organized gangs of young hoodlums stalk the streets and the schools in many of our "priority areas". These gangs begin their recruitment programs among 12 and 13 year old children. For example, the Watts area contains more than 500 parolees from the California Youth Authority. This one area has more delinquency and dependency petitions filed under the Juvenile Court than all the rest of the Los Angeles metropolitan area. In one 3 month period the police reported more than 1,000 crimes in Watts - including 196 murders, rapes, felonious assaults, and robberies. Gangs of vicious thieves and killers cannot be permitted to run wild. The vast

majority of the people in our "priority areas" are honest, hard-working people who respect the law and who reject and fear the gangster elements. They want protection from violence as much as anyone does. We would make a terrible mistake to characterize all Negroes or all poor people as "hood-lums" and "extremists". For the sake of the Negro citizens, for all of the poor in our crime and poverty infested areas, and for the sake of the larger community, I propose consideration of the following law enforcement programs:

First, I suggest that we consider increasing the number of State parole officers and that these additional officers be assigned neighborhood case loads in "priority areas". According to one statement in the Los Angeles Times, one out of every four arrested rioters in Watts had a previous felony conviction or felony arrest record. Apparently, our State correctional facilities failed to "correct" these people. In view of this failure, I believe the State is obliged to improve its community surveillance and rehabilitation efforts. I am suggesting that these State parole officers now be assigned to work with those released from our juvenile correctional facilities, as well as our adult parolees. I also believe it is essential that these State parole officers maintain the closest possible connection with local police officials to guarantee improved surveillance of known criminal offenders.

Second, I suggest that we review our gun and ammunition laws to consider imposing greater controls over the possession of dangerous weapons, and I believe we should try again to enact a law that was vetoed which would have required rifles and shotguns to be broken down or carried in a case when transported in an automobile.

Third, I suggest we consider making the possession of the lethal "Molotov cocktail" a felony rather than a misdemeanor."

Fourth, I propose that we consider assigning additional units of our State Highway Patrol to "priority areas" to relieve local police of certain traffic duties so they may devote more time to "walking the beat" and familiarizing themselves with the people and the problems in these areas. Local and State police must develop close working relationships. (We cannot afford to have

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the public's confidence in our law enforcement machinery to be undermined by silly public squabbles between these two vital arms of the law).

Fifth, I think we do need to improve the relationship between the police and the community in certain "priority areas". I would urge all local police authorities to increase the number of Negro police officers assigned to duty in Negro neighborhoods. A recent University of Wisconsin study proves that there is less likelihood of race rioting in cities which have significant numbers of Negroes on their police forces. Unfortunately, the lack of qualified Negro applicants for police jobs often retards the hiring of more Negro policemen. California now has an outstanding vocational training program for young people who desire to go into police work. However, funds are not paid directly to the student under that program, and poor people often find it very difficult to take advantage of this educational opportunity. I think this problem may be solved by providing needy students with subsistence pay while they are engaged in pursuing an approved program of peace officer vocational training.

Sixth, I propose that we consider increasing the present minimum penalty for arson of one year in the county jail to at least three years in state prison. And, in keeping with our vigorous support of anti-lynch laws, I recommend special penalties for physical violence inflicted by mob action.

We must make it perfectly clear to any hoodlums that senseless brutality and the wanton burning of private property cannot be tolerated and that the penalties for such crimes will be severe.

I shall request the Assembly Committee on Rules to refer these 6 recommendations regarding law enforcement to the Assembly Committee on Criminal Procedures for their immediate consideration and recommendations.

We must also extend our concern to include those who were innocent victims of the riots.

An old Aesopian fable states that the injury we do others is not weighed in the same scales as that which is done to us.

And while many Negroes of the Watts area are innocent victims of neglect, exploitation and discrimination, the victims of the Los Angeles riots, many maimed and some even killed in the line of duty, are just as innocent.

I propose that the State consider ways and means of financially compensating persons who suffered physical injury at the hands of the mobs in Los Angeles. Society owes its law-abiding members physical protection from this kind of violence and, if that physical protection is not provided, the victim or his survivor has a legitimate financial claim on society — just as legitimate a claim as the deprived resident of the ghetto.

I shall ask the Assembly Ways and Means Committee to explore methods of accomplishing this.

DISASTER PROBLEMS

Another one of the problems revealed during the Watts rioting was a certain degree of confusion over the responsibilities of State and local agencies during the time of disaster. There is a need to review thoroughly the California Disaster Act and the mechanics for coordinating local, state and federal efforts. The California Disaster Act is a product of wartime conditions. The time has come to re-evaluate this program in light of new and changing conditions. I shall call for a review of the responsibilities of the various state agencies in times of disaster, whether the disaster be a flood in Northern California or a riot in Los Angeles.

I also believe this is the time to take a complete inventory of State facilities available in times of disaster. We need to know much more about the availability of medical facilities, fire fighting equipment, temporary housing, riot-control equipment, and men. A realistic reappraisal of our State resources must be made.

We must also re-examine the California Disaster Plan. The State is divided into six mutual aid regions involving State and local authorities in an agreement whereby one governmental agency will assist another in fighting disasters. We should examine each mutual aid region and mutual aid agreement to determine if there is room for

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This luscious looking doll is one of the entertainers at the popular Safari Room in East San Jose. I don't know whether she sings, dances, or just stands there and lets people look at her. If that's all she does, it's good enough, Yummmmmmmmm!!



Impresario Paul Catalana, owner of the Safari Room in East San Jose, is shown with top entertainer Leslie Gore during one of Miss Gore's recent appearances at the plush eastside nitespot.

Shown relaxing at the Rainbow Ballroom are, left to right, Pepe Ozuna, Lupe Robles, Elvira Robles, and Enrique Perez.



improvement. There may be a need for legislation to strengthen the role of the respective agencies both on the local and State levels in effecting a coordinated plan of attack.

This comprehensive review of the California Disaster Act and Plan is long overdue. I shall request the Assembly Rules Committee to refer the matter of reviewing State disaster relief planning and operations to the Assembly Military and Veterans Affairs Committee for immediate consideration.

EMPLOYMENT -- HOUSING

The matter of providing additional employment in our "priority areas" is also of critical importance. There can be little question that the problem of unemployment is a major factor in the despair and frustration so evident in Watts and other "priority areas". According to one survey, one out of every five persons in the labor force in Watts is unemployed! The task of providing additional jobs in our rapidly changing economy is perhaps the most difficult of all the problems facing us in California and across the nation. There just aren't any easy answers to this complex problem. But I do believe there are things that our State government can do to provide some opportunity to many of the poor people who want to work but are presently idle. In our "priority areas" we cannot afford to wait for permanent solu-I believe we must do as much as we tions. can do, as fast as we can do it.

I agree with those who have suggested that we establish a State-sponsored public works project in our "priority areas". We should create jobs to clean up and beautify dilapidated areas and to construct, maintain and operate parks in congested neighborhoods. We also should recruit and pay non-professional aides for work in schools and hospitals and to provide housekeeping assistance to the many old and sick people who reside in older neighborhoods. These recruits can also aid in staffing day-care programs and "Advancement School" programs.

Public Works Projects should be organized to utilize all available federal funds and local monies wherever possible. But even if no federal or local money is available, I believe our State government does have an immediate responsibility to act to create as many jobs as possible within the shortest period of time.

Second, I am suggesting that with the help of the California business community and local Chambers of Commerce, efforts be made to assist unemployed adults in "priority areas" to develop their own small businesses. Federal and State loans could also be made available for this purpose.

I shall request the Assembly Committee on Industrial Relations to review the feasibility of these two proposals. The chairman of that committee, Assemblyman Mervyn Dymally, has already announced that his Committee will conduct public hearings on the matter of jobs for the unemployed within the next few days. Assemblyman Dymally has informed me that his committee also intends to review the possibility of creating new and decent low-cost housing opportunities for residents in our "priority areas."

The matter of slum housing is an extremely difficult problem, and we must not raise false hopes about easy solutions. I know of no simple answers. It is a fact that one out of every four homes in the Watts area is dilapidated or deteriorating. I am told that many of these homes are owned by absentee landlords who charge exorbitant rents for housing which is unsafe and unsanitary. The housing conditions in some of our other priority areas are equally bad.

Assemblyman Dymally S Committee will devote a major portion of its work to this critical problem, and I shall request the entire Assembly staff to provide all the technical assistance this Committee may request. I am hopeful that this Committee will make its preliminary recommendations within the next eight weeks.

There is one other area of concern to me partly because it is vital to the neighborhood in which I live. All of my family life, my wife and children and I have lived in an integrated neighborhood.

We have belonged to multi-racial PTA's, Cub Scouts, neighborhood groups and we know the benefit of such associations.

But the inexorable march of the ghetto makes it very difficult to keep these areas integrated.

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Reina de las Fiestas del 16 de Septiembre





In the photo are Mr. Benjamin Ulloa, center, President of La Comision Honorifica Mexicana and Queen Linda Alfaro Gonzales, second from left, and her Court of Honor.

Photo was taken at the San Jose Civic Auditorium on Sunday, September 12th after a spectacular parade witnessed by a crowd of over 25,000 people. Immediately after the parade a Literary-Musical Program was held at the Civic Auditorium in which many excellent acts were presented. One of the highlights was the presentation of El Mariachi Infantil de Los Niños de Monterrey.

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Minority housing demands, often denied elsewhere, cannot be denied on the periphery of the ghetto. Eventually the mixed neighborhoods succumb to pressure and the ghetto has swallowed another block, another neighborhood, another city. The Inglewood of today will be the Watts of 1975 unless steps are taken now.

Fortunately, many people now see this and want to do something about it. I believe with help they stand some chance of succeeding. I propose a two-fold approach:

- A state and/or federal study of the effects of lending laws and practices on the maintenance of stable integrated neighborhoods.
- State and/or federal financial help for staffing local bi-racial volunteers neighborhood groups which are attempting to stabilize an area.
 Homeowners, no matter how eager they may be to do so, cannot go it alone.

INSURANCE

Another problem requiring attention is the problem of insurance for businesses and industries in areas where there is a high crime and vandalism rate. We must try to keep insurance rates down to provide incentives for business and industry to remain and to locate in "priority areas". It is still too early to know what effect the riots will have upon insurance rates in the Watts area. If events show that private commercial insurance channels are unable to provide protection at a reasonable premium, it may be necessary for the State to establish an "insurance pool" to underwrite some of the abnormal risks in certain priority areas.

I am, therefore, requesting the Assembly Finance and Insurance Committee to initiate inquiries into insurance company ratings in these areas to determine whether such a State pool is necessary.

I believe that many of the proposals I and other people have made can be initiated within the next few months. If our Assembly committees find that a significant number of these proposals are feasible, I intend to request the Governor to place these matters on call for a special session of the legislature,

In discussing these proposals, some of my friends have asked what relationship such State-sponsored programs would have to other programs now in operation in "priority areas". It is my thought that new State programs be initiated on a selective basis in certain communities to the extent that they would supplement rather than replace or compete with existing programs. It is also my expectation that these State-sponsored programs would be conducted in such a way as to cooperate fully with all other federal, local and private activities. In our priority areas we cannot afford to engage in destructive jurisdictional conflicts between various well-intentioned but differently sponsored efforts. These foolish bureaucratic wars only increase the disorganization and the frustration in communities which are already disorganized and frustrated.

Some people have asked where the money will come from. There is no doubt about the fact that a crash program will require money, but I believe that the massive tax reform designed by our Assembly Committee on Revenue and Taxation has within it sufficient funds to establish these new programs, while at the same time providing significant tax reform and relief to the property taxpayer.

I wish to make it quite clear that these suggestions are not offered as definitive or total solutions. They are based on what we now know, and they are offered because I believe our State government must act now on the basis of our present knowledge.

Hopefully, the new studies now underway will produce additional insights and recommendations and my comments should not be taken as a rejection of the need for further study. I also wish to make it quite clear that the suggestions I have offered have to do with the activities of our State government. The leadership on local and federal levels must concern itself with its appropriate responsibilities.

We cannot stand by idly and watch the gains of our Negro citizens washed away in a flood of civic sabotage and vandalism. We must assert the responsibilities of our State government. We who have been elected to provide leadership must now provide that leadership.



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RIVIERA IN U. C. C. PLAYOFFS!

The UCC softball league is now over. All that remains is the playoffs. In the second half of play the Clubs El Dorado and San Joaquin were tied for first place. They both finished with 5 wins and 1 loss. Riviera was third with 4 wins and 2 losses. After El Dorado and San Joaquin playoff for first place in the second half, Club Riviera will play the winner for the season championship. Club Riviera was the undefeated team of the first half.

During the softball season Riviera hosted a team of Tracy All Stars on August 28th. While we had our regular team the Tracyites seemed to have loaded up with ringers. At any rate we lost 4 to 1. We later had eats and refreshments for the victors at 570 Coe the home of yours truly. The party lasted until the wee hours and everyone had a swinging time. Our only bad moments were when the Tracy ballplayers reminded us of the score. All I can say is, wait till next year. That's what we said last year. Maybe we can make it the best three out of five. SCHOOL DAYS

The children are back to school again amid the cheering and shouting from hundreds of thousands of mothers across the

country. Seriously, now is the time for all motorists to be especially careful of children going to and from school. In these early days of the school term the kids, especially the smaller children, tend to be forgetful of the traffic. In their wonder and awe of being in school amid so many youngsters their own age and older they tend to wander off the sidewalks while they walk and skip on their way home. Let's make sure they get home.

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We hope these youngsters will grow up to be members of Club Riviera. Many happy returns to all three boys.

UCC MEETING POORLY ATTENDED

Coming back to the UCC activities. A meeting was scheduled for all managers to review the league and to set up a playoff schedule. Even the two clubs playing for 1st place of the second half were not present.

Listen you guys, John Popovich is getting d——— tired of this type of reaction. We might end up by not having a league next year or years to come. John has treated us more than fair. Maybe we should cooperate a little better. I recall when the UCC league was one of the best in the San Jose area.

With some effort it can be so again.

Till next issue I'll keep an eye out for you.

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Foster Homes for Adults Needed by The Dept. of Mental Hygiene



Boarding homes for the care of adult men and women are needed in the San Jose area by the California State Department of Mental Hygiene, according to Mrs. Margaret Manly, Psychiatric Social Worker, Homes are needed for adults who have received hospital treatment for their illnesses and who are now well enough to leave the hospital.

Some of them are alone, with no family to return home to. Those who do have relatives cannot return for various reasons.

"There is a woman who has been forced to remain in the hospital long past the point of recovery because she has no one to provide for her, and is too forgetful and confused to live alone. She needs a home where she can live as part of a family while she learns to make friends, to travel about in the community - things she has forgotten how to do during her years of hospitalization," said Mrs. Manly.

"A young woman who suffered a temporary breakdown following the tragic deaths within one year of her parents, husband and baby, needs a home where she can live until she finds employment and the courage to start another life."

It is for these individuals, who are well enough to live in the community and whose hopes for the future are dimmed the longer they remain in hospitals, that the Department of Mental Hygiene maintains a boarding home program, officially known as Family Care Program.

This program has been in existence in the State of California for 20 years, and has been responsible for the successful rehabilitation of many lonely, dependent people who languishing in state hospitals, Mrs. Manly said. Homes are carefully inspected and must meet certain building requirements of floor space, window space, etc. There is no certification or licensing fee imposed, and the State pays \$130.00 per month for room and board for each individual. Clothing, medical care and spending money are supplied in addition to the board payment.

The men and women placed in homes are carefully selected and screened by the | Phone 259 - 2100

hospital medical staff. A professionally trained psychiatric social worker supervises each home and maintains a close relationship with the person in placement.

"These people are not mentally disturbed or unbalanced and would not be a problem in a community," Mrs. Manly points out. "These are people like you and me who have had to cope with tragedies and burdens that we have been fortunate enough to have escaped. They have had temporary breakdowns and are now recovered to where they can rejoin communities. It is difficult for them to establish friendships, difficult to They need support and enobtain jobs. couragement and a home where they can live quietly and in comfort."

In regard to the number of persons in a home, Mrs. Manly said that two can share a bedroom and as many as six may be placed in one home if adequate space is available. Homes should be located near transportation so that community resources of recreation, employment, etc. will be available. Those interested in obtaining further information about the program are urged to contact Mrs. Manly at the California State Department of Mental Hygiene, telephone 241-4300.

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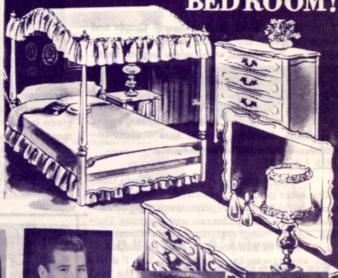


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I'd like to thank Connie Garza and Angie Medina for writing my last column, - although I'll admit when some people found out they were writing it, they were sweating it out, hmmm. I wonder why? It seems certain people could hardly wait to read it, and were sure relieved after they did.

Our sincere sympathy goes to the Caballero family, on the loss of their beloved. May he rest in peace.

THE LATEST

Congratulations to Miss Linda Gonzalez after getting crowned Miss 16th of September. Also to her princesses Benita Flores, Maria Luisa Moreno and Mariana Torres. Also, congratulations to the Comision Honorifica of San Jose for their beautiful fiesta which took place September 12. I'd like to thank the girls who helped with the hostessing, we will mention their names next time.

Many people were disappointed when Miss Gonzalez didn't show up for the contest of Miss 16th of September for 1965 of all Northern California, which took place at the Hawaiian Gardens. All I can say is that she she had a good chance of winning but was taken to the wrong place at this certain date. Mr. Ulloa, President, will soon let us know the reason and we are waiting.

I'd like to congratulate the Queen of Union City for taking this title. She is a lovely girl. Also to the other queens, I'd like to thank Mr. and Mrs. Molina, Mr. Valenzuela, and Rudy Belluomini for the beautiful trophy that was given to all the girls, and I myself received one, I was only a queen guest, representing Los Charros. Last but not least thanks to Mas Grafica because they cooperated too.

Miss Trudy Ceballos would like to thank everyone who attended her wedding and for all the beautiful gifts. A birthday party took place at the Hawaiian Gardens for the popular band leader Kiko Morales. Tamales and drinks were served all afternoon and at night a dance took place by his popular band, one thing though he won't say how old he is.

LENNY



On the following picture, I d like to introduce Lenny Sandoval who just got out of the service. A welcoming home party was given in his honor. He was stationed in Germany for a year and a half. His favorite sport is motorcycle racing, in which he has won many, many trophies. He attended San Jose High School and San Jose Tech. Yes, girls, he is single and a very good looking civilian.



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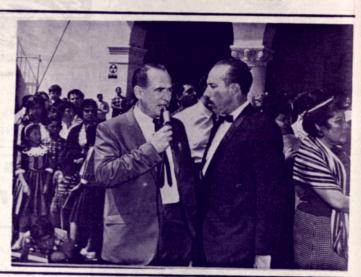
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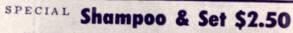
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La Reina de La Cumbia y su fabulosa orquesta ADEMAS: LOS MARCIANOS Domingo 10 de Octubre

Mr. Carlos Gomez interviews publisher Humberto Garcia

Being interviewed on KPER by Carlos Gomez is Excentrico publisher Humberto Garcia. During the Fiestas Patrias Parade on Sunday, September 12th various members of the Mexican American community gave their impressions of the fine parade.





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El muchacho de escasos 19 años de edad,
se convirtió antenoche
"Record Men" en chocolates. Su hazaña sólo
es superada por otro
pitcher mexicano que en
la Liga Central Mexicana, se sostuvo por espacio de 26 entradas
completas lanzando, sin
embargo, no extraqueó
a más de 15 bateadores.

La hazaña de Gabriel de la Torre, es hasta el momento lo más maravilloso para Campeona-



tos Nacionales de Béisbo, pues esos 40 chocolates, representan una cifra muy difícil de igualar y más todavía de superar.

El día de ayer la hazaña de Gabriel de la Torre, fué comentada, en las oficinas, bancos, tiendas, mercados, restaurantes, en los noticieros de radio y televisión, incluso la agencia de noticias UPI, envio un despacho dando a conocer la proeza del muchacho mexicalense.

Gabriel de la Torre, debido al desgaste físico por aguantar ese tren de pelea con Miguel Puente (Chihuahua) des de el cerro tal vez no le permita actuar sino has ta finales del XXI Campeonato Nacional, ya que la hazaña de antenoche, en Tijuana, lo debe haber cansado enormemente.



Noice

MARIA REYES

AN OPEN LETTER TO A FRIEND

Love Again

When I say men (man), I will mean men (man) and/or women (woman). Assuming that men become victims of alcohol, drugs and what have you, because they lost the woman they love...through deception.

This deception was caused (?) by the loved one, not by him. What of it? Does he when it comes to summing up his life say. "Well, you see Peter, it was plainly her fault?" Does Peter then forgive him and hurriedly opens the gate? No. He is responsible for his life; the whole thing, the successes and failures, the whole nightmare.

We are responsible for the sum of our life. We will get compassion, we will get understanding, but no one can condone our carelessness. If someone fails us, we must make the best of that failure.

I can understand, I can feel compassion for your friend, but I cannot condone him in deciding to end his life because end it he will, by becoming a woman hater, a drinker, etc., just because a woman decided that? (I don't have the other side of the story).

Love is important, no one can deny it, but it is not the most important thing in life. It holds up life, it transports it, it complements it, it transforms it, and yet it denies it. But in the end it becomes devoured by life. Love in its early transports forgets the changeability of life, that we grow old; feeble, blind, bowlegged, flabby, and absentminded. In its fever it forgets that family exists, that friends exist, that promises are broken, and that a one-sided love does not mean the other person is bound to us, just because we are in love.

Some men bring their success to it, others forget their failures (in life), through

it, but love is the same, except that there are different people involved. I am speaking of Love Love, not of brotherly love, etc.

Love can be understood from the context of two people-and maybe not even then.

Johnny loves Mary Mary loves Johnny They are in love And they do not know what to do about it!

Johnny loves Mary because she has such a cute way about her. Mary loves Johnny because her girlfriends envy her for going around with him. But what do they know about each other? Do they understand each other's jokes, and sayings, and do they understand the terrors that is in each of them. (Do we ever understand another's terror? Do we understand our own?)

A truly generous sweet man (I've met few) loves with all of himself without thinking that if he loses the loved one to another man, he himself will be lost? Why should he? No one can possess another human being (brainwashing not excluded—I've seen men who practice it on their wives).

Some men would rather see their loved one dead than with another man. So they commit murder. I do not call such an act selfish, I call it temporary insanity, or more appropriately self-defence. In their warped mind the person they love is theirs and only theirs. But paradoxially the loved one possesses him, so he feels that without her, he will die.

Why do I know so little about love? Because I am just as blind as everybody. I have been in 'love' a couple of times, but in the end I came to myself. Me, that is what counts—for if I do not count, how could my loved one count for me? For it would amount to a one-sided love affair: He in love with me and me in the perpetual search for myself—in him or in other men. It is not silly. It is tragic, and it happens every day; all the time; constantly; but not everyone crucifies another human being to such a torture: I am evil therefore you who loves me is evil; I am stupid therefore you are stupid; I lie therefore you lie, ad infinitum. Amen.

Maria Reyes

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Miss Benita Calsadillas became the bride of Mr. Jose Carillo on Sunday, August 8th in wedding ceremonies officiated by Father Jose Peña at Sacred Family Church in San Jose, California.

Miss Calsadillas is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vicenta and Alberto Calsadillas of El Paso, Texas and Mr. Carillo is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Manuela and Domingo Carillo of Dallas, Texas.

A reception at the Continental Cuisine after the ceremony was attended by over 100 friends and relatives of the newlyweds.

In the photo are, left to right, Eden Lopez, Olga Lopez, the newlyweds, Luz Chaffino, and Manuel Calsadillas. The little boy is Baby Chaffino and the little girl is Helen Chaffino.



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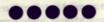
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Eleanor Serrano informa al Sr. Joe Labarbera y al Sr. Walt Straley, que la California Packing Corporation reunio entre sus trabajadores la cantidad de \$3, 100 para el United Fund, consiguiendo con ello figurar en el primer lugar entre los trabajadores de las canerias.

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A million thanks to Bertha Garza for the use of her house for our meetings and the goodies. You too Ben, but remember, Bertha does all the work and I have never seen such a cheerful lady. Thanks again, Mr. and Mrs. Garza.

We would like to thank the following business establishments who contributed handsomely to our San Felipe Schools Reunion. El Rebozo on E. Santa Clara Street, Las Palmas Taco Bar on The Alameda and Magnolia, Zamora's Quiet Village on South First Street, and the Furniture Discount House on 82 E. Santa Clara Street. Thanks a million ladies and gents for your generosity.

Pete Rojas and San Felipe Queen Lillian Lozano went to the Fair and salty Pete could not win any prizes for Lillian. Better luck next time.

Picie Carmen Molina and Hair Stylist Jessica Castillo (how about that) are inseparable. They even read the EXCENTRICO together and memorize everything it says.

Dora Gutierrez patiently waiting for Louie Coca - O QUE NO?

Bill Vasquez: Tuvo un accidente automovilistico chicho.

Paul Gary: Que chicho?
Bill Vasquez: No chicho nada!!
10,000 comedians out of work and here I am
trying to be funny. Ha Ha!!!

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Prominent club member Joel Reyes and lovely Grace Guevara will be married in November. Congratulations and may all your troubles be little ones.

Look! Look! Look! At the Rainbow Ballroom ad. It tells all about its best shows and dances in town. Everybody dances at the Rainbow Ballroom every Saturday and Sunday. BAILAMOS?

We would like to thank Juanito Paredez for leaving his paddy friends long enough to attend the San Felipe Reunion. We hope it wasn't too much of a sacrifice.

Nikita Khrushchev met a Mexican lady and said, "Good morning, how are you?"

The Mexican lady said, "No entendo."

Says Nikita, "I don't intend to either but I thought I would say hello."

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FIESTAS PATRIAS

Mr. Paul Baracker, what happened??? When are you going to take the BULL by the horns and not let people walk all over you? It seems to me that you ought to tell the Comision Honorifica Mexicana that you will coordinate the Fiestas Patrias Parade and only you will decide who will lead the parade and whoever doesn't stay in line, you will remove them.

Never in any parade in the United States of America has any flag other than Old Glory led any parade. Now why should it be different in our Fiestas Patrias parade? I don't know who the Honor Guard was that refused to march because our flag (Old Glory) was not to be honored. But I know that you, Mr. Baracker, and the Comision Honorifica Mexicana should write a letter of apology to that Honor Guard.

As you were aware, you didn't have an Honor Guard at the reviewing stand until our SAN JOSE GI FORUM COLOR GUARD passed by the reviewing stand and were requested to be the Honor Guard. And still the same person that caused all the trouble got in the way of our Color Guard and had to be pushed off by one of our Guards. Next time please instruct this person to get out of the way of our COLOR GUARD's way or they will march over them.

Paul, I must say that outside of the two incidents mentioned above, you did have a very nice parade.

LADIES AUXILIARY SCORES AGAIN!!

Our Ladies Auxiliary, after working all morning serving hot cakes with syrup and hot coffee, they then went to work at their booth at the County Fair until midnight. But it was not in vain. The San Jose GI Forum LADIES AUXILIARY won Third Prize in their International Booth at the Santa Clara County







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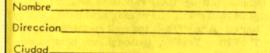
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Dear Mr. Sierra:

We would like to inform the general public of the three-day Governor's Youth Conference to be held November 11, 12, and 13, at the state capital in Sacramento.

Four Mexican-American youths will be participating from the county-wide MEXICAN-AMERICAN YOUTH ORGANIZATION.

The expense of attending the conference will be approximately \$30,00 and it is hoped that it will be possible for Mexican-American Organizations to sponsor the youth delegates who would like to participate.

At the conference problems of youths in California will be discussed, with both adults and youths in attendance. The youngsters attending will be expected to return to report on the Youth Conference and the ideas, discussions, problems and solutions that were presented. We hope that the Mexican-American youth will be given the opportunity to attend this conference.

We need financial backing and support for these young people. Please send contributions to:

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Sincerely yours, LINO M. LOPEZ We hope that our readers will want to help out the Mexican-American youth in this project. Amigos, this is a good cause. Dig into your pocket right now, put a dollar bill in an envelope and send it along to the Mexican American Community Services Project at 1668 E. Santa Clara Street. Or drop by their offices and find out more about the project. Please help.

EL RESTO:

UCLA will dedicate its new Edwin Pauley Pavilion in the near future with a game pitting their two-time national collegiate basketball champions against the highly touted Bruin frosh led by Lew Alcindor, the 7'1" New Yorker, touted as the best hoopster on the west coast since Hank Luisetti.

The Richmond Chapter of the American GI Forum is hosting a regional meeting this Sunday in El Cerrito. Lunch will be served at noon for 50¢. Esos tacaños, lleven sus tacos!!

Furniture Discount House bossman Hank Coca escorts lovely Linda Gonzalez at the Rainbow Ballroom. Linda was FDH's candidate for Queen of Las Fiestas Patrias and she won. Congratulations on picking another winner, Hank!!



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