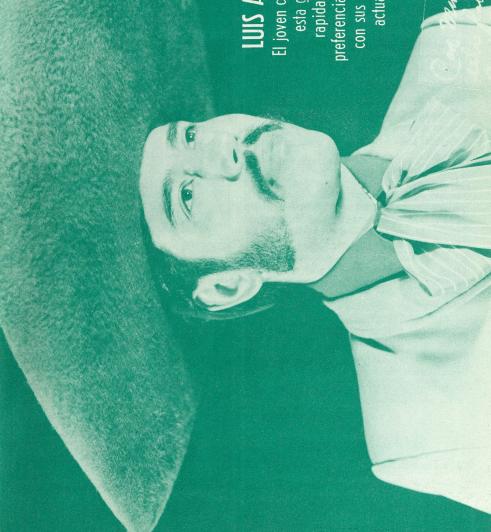
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by ESTHER MEDINA GONZALEZ

They say that sisterhood is powerful. Yet, I find that many Chicanas do not feel comfortable within the Women's Movement. I have tried to explore the differences that are causing the split within the movement and keeping us from becoming true, united sisters.

The frustrations some Chicana feminists confront are sometimes caused by the gabachas' inability to understand our differences. They fail to understand that there is a distinct difference between oppression and suppression. The Chicana has known oppression as a member of La Raza, and she has known suppression as a woman within La Raza.

Most gabachas have not experienced this double oppression. Moreover, most gabachas have not known from childhood the struggle for mere survival.

As a Chicana feminist, I hope someday our daughters will have the luxury of reacting to sexism without having to stop to analyze, if indeed it is not instead racism.

The gabachas are often frustrated by our stronger reaction to racism than sexism; to them we say, "How can we yell louder from the pain caused by a boil when we have learned to live with the pain from an ulcer?"

Often, another area of frustration to the gabachas is our loyalty to our men. To understand it, let us explore two areas that might account for that loyaty. First let me clarify that the male in La Raza suppresses the female in a very protective way. It is almost as though he holds her in a cherished position protecting her from the ugliness out in society. Culturally, a woman is most often treated like a lady until she proves otherwise.

Secondly, we have shared many hurts with Chicanos (be they brothers, fathers, husbands, etc.) when they have not been hired because the employer wanted someone whiter.

We have held one another as a means of survival against outside forces and that creates a strong bond.

Most Chicanas are aware of the negative aspects of our culture and our men, but we know the positive aspects are worth a great deal. For these reasons, we prefer to use persuasion instead of castration in declaring our independence.

Let us then analyze the affirmative action situation where the gabachas are also included as a minority. Parity for women may be reached without one Chicana getting her chance because if employers have to hire a woman, chances are it will not be a Chicana.

Have you ever tried applauding the second one in line when you are, time after time, moved to the end of the line, waiting for the turn that rarely comes. In the same way, it is often difficult for a Chicana to share a gabacha's triumph in creating equal employment opportunities for women when our Chicano brothers may again be bypassed.

These basic differences bring to focus the conflict in determining priorities. How can you equate the importance of getting into an all male clubs, to improving the status of electronic workers (mostly women) who are demoted, fired, and manipulated by their supervisors without much recourse.

The benefit from trying to change a sexist attitude such as calling women postal workers, postmen, is valid but will be enjoyed by our granddaughters. But, if we set our priorities to changing situations, the compensation is very often immediate. For example, if we change the situation of opening up a traditionally male occupation such as firefighting to women, many women's employment and economic situations would be immediately improved. And a sexist attitude would also change, for it would be difficult to continue calling firefighters, firemen, when half of them are women. Change the situation, and the change of atitude comes more easily.

In my opinion, we can work at eliminating sexism at all levels simultaneously but the priorities must be set where the immediate needs exist. It is, for example, an immediate need to make it illegal not to rent to a woman on assistance. The basic requirements of all people for food, shelter and clothing must be given priority as we work on the

improvement of women's status.

The problems and differences women are facing within the movement in Santa Clara County seem to be reflected by women all over the world at the International Women's Year Conference now being held in Mexico City.

The Chicanas and gabachas occasionally ask me how I feel we can come together. My belief is that feminists must learn to understand the subcultures within the movement and set the priorities that we can all humanistically identify with in order to achieve real power through sisterhood.

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According to sources, the interagency panel has drawn up recommendations including restriction of fluorocarbon uses, especially in spray cans, if a more detailed study by the National Academy of Sciences confirms the suspected danger of the gases.

Another move reportedly recommended by the panel is quick congressional passage of a proposed bill that would provide broad federal authority to regulate not only fluorocarbons, but other possibly hazardous substances.

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THE NEW TREND-ETHNIC CONSIDERATION

By LUIS JUAREZ

Ethnic discrimination is not a new social problem in this country. What is new is a concern among some people that something must be done to alleviate this condition.

To accomplish this goal, governmental agencies and private industry have been gearing to develop educational programs to sensitize their employees to the cultural differences existing among the predominant minority groups in the area.

This effort is commendable since it indicates an effort to improve the concept some persons have of certain ethnic minorities who many look and talk differently from

the majority population.

This educational process which is often cultural awareness offers an explanation and analysis of cultural traits prevalent among minorities Chicanos and blacks in this area).

This, it is felt, is necessary to show that Chicanos or blacks have been left behind in the past because of marked cultural differences that hinder them in competing for jobs and status in a society which is almost "totally foreign" to them.

It cannot be denied that there is a cultural difference between the people of this country and Mexicans. But I have to say, however, that there is far less difference between Chicanos and the majority population in this area.

This is certainly more true today where a large segment of our citizens of Mexican origin have become considerably "acculturated" and may have crossed over the cultural line and blended with the majority.

We, as Chicanos, should worry less how our culture clashes with that of the Anglo-Saxon because the problem is far less serious than many Chicanos would care to admit publicly.

The problem the Chicano faced and still faces, therefore, is not that of cultural differences, but in the image and concept Anglo-Saxons have of him. People in this racial melting pot still are suspicious of non-whites.

Darked skinned people still are looked upon as servants of lower mentality. In this area, Chicanos traditionally have been associated with low paying, unskilled jobs and stoop labor.

It is difficult for many people to see Chicanos in positions of responsibility. Appointments of Chicanos to good jobs are seen by the Anglo-Saxon community as quotas the employer has to meet to satisfy certain requirements.

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The U.S. Department of Labor reports that it's illegal for an employer to lower someone's wage rate in order to equalize rates between sexes. The law, however, does not prohibit wage differentials on a justifiable seniority system or a system which pays by the quantity of work produced.

If you have a complaint based on the Equal Pay Act, contact the Wage and Hour Division of the U.S. Department of Labor which has offices in the major cities of California. Or, you may contact the Commission for the office location nearest you.

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Pancho Villa, a nickname, at the head of his brilliant cavalry, Los Dorados, gained control of North Mexico by the audacity of his attacks.

One of his daring acts in the midst of chaos, Villa, with Emiliano Zapata, occupied Mexico City for a time during December 1914 to January 1915.

It was Alvaro Obregon who pursued Villa, and their armies engaged at Celaya. Decisively defeated, Villa was driven north astrously against Plutarco Calles in Sonora. Villa's waning power was further diminished by President Wilson's recognition of Carranza.

Mad as a hornet, he turned his wrath against the United States because of the American support to his enemy. Many Americans were killed by bandits and although it was not certain that Villa participated in the assults, he was universally held responsible.

General Pershing was ordered by Wilson to capture Villa dead or alive. For eleven months Pershing's expedition pursued Villa through Chihuahua but failed to capture him.

Villa continued his activities in northern Mexico throughout Carranza's regime, but in 1920 he came to an amicable agreement with the government of Adolfo de la Huerta.

Three years later, at the age of 46, he was assassinated at Parral. In a sense he was a rebel against social abuses, and at times he worked a rough justice, but he was a violent and undirected destructive force. His daring, his impetuosity, and his horsemanship made him the idol of the masses, especially in north Mexico, where he was regarded as a sort of Robin Hood and the Vila myth is perpetuated in numerus ballads and tales.



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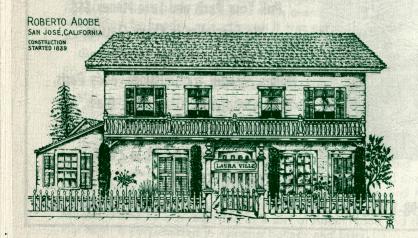


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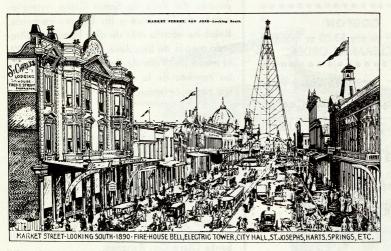
Los libros que ha escrito e ilustrado el Sr. Rambo tienen los títulos siguientes: AL-MOST FORGOTTEN, REMEMBER WHEN, ME AND CY, LADY OF MYSTERY, LO THE POOR INDIAN, TIBURCIO VASQUEZ, THE LITTLE HOUSE, ADVENTURE VALLEY PIONEER BLUE BOOK OF SANTA CLARA VALLEY. Tambien ha dibujado un mapa del Valle de Santa Clara; ilustró un libro escrito por Clyde Arbuckle, (historiador) el título es Santa Clara Co. Ranchos.

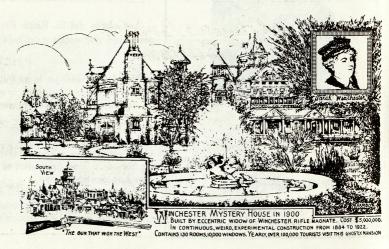
Las obras del Sr. Ralph Rambo refejan la erudición del escritor, dibujante e historiador.

Me acompañó en la visita al Sr. Rambo, un buen amigo mio, el Sr. Gordon Hutton y su esposa, ellos admiran la obra del Sr. Rambo como la admiro yo, Ralph autografió una colección de sus libros para Gordon y nos obseguió unas trajetas con copias de sus dibujos relacionados con estampos de lugares de San José, que existieron el siglo pasado y que han desaparecido.

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BITE THE BULLET

Western Columbia Release, produced, written and directed by Richard Brooks. Stars Gene Hackman, James Coburn, Ben Johnson, Candice Bergen and Jan-Michael Vincent; Camera, Harry Stradling Jr.; Music, Alex North; Second Unit Direction, Hal Needham; MPAA Rating, PG; Running Time, 140 minutes.

"Bite the Bullet" turns back the pages in today's film making in several ways; One, its a western. There have been very few made in the last few yearsá due to the avalanche of "cop" movies made in the time. Two, its a purely entertaining piece of work that doesn't try to hit you over the head with a "message." It was put together merely to entertain. And thirdly, it is not violent. There is plenty of action, but not the blood letting and sadism of the more recent cine product. In short what it is, is a good old fashioned western with the "good" guys and the "bad" guys and plenty of action to keep everyone interested without getting sick.

The story is about a 700-mile cross country race on horseback, all the contestants in the race and their reasons for being there. James Coburn plays a gambler, who's in it strictly for the money. Candice Bergen plays an ex-prostitute, who's in it to use the prize money to help get her husband out of prison. Jan-Michael Vincent is the "punk" kid, who is out to prove himself at whatever the cost. Ben Johnson as an old tired cowhand reaching for his last rainbow, hoping that this time there might be a pot of gold at the end. And Gene Hackman as the man who ends up in the race because he lost his job as caretaker of the "prize" horse (favored to win the race) and decides to show them all. There are other riders, to be sure. Their parts, although smaller by comparison, are as rich and as earthy as any of the leads adding spice and variety to the total picture.

The picture moves on a very fast pace. The director, Richard Brooks, wastes no time in getting right in to the story and spending as little time needed to get the establishing preliminaries out of the way. As in Mr. Brooks' other pictures, "The Professionals" and "Lord Jim," he paces the film at a swift, yet fluid pace, taking time for slower scenes, which give the actors time to really develop their character and move on and grow from that scene to next, giving you a total picture of the character at the end of the film. The screenplay, written by Mr. Brooks has been mounted superbly and is directed with style, finesse, a tremendous sense of honesty (which comes through his actors eyes) and above all, total command. His direction is complemented by his action second unit genius, Hal Needham. The stunts are some of the most "hairy" ones ever devised, with hosses and riders taking falls into lakes, bears attacking ond horses colliding with other horses. The film itself took six months just to shoot it. That is something that is never done in today's Hollywood, because of production costs. And in the end result, you can see why it took so long. The race scenes sometimes took as long as tive days just for a 30 second sequence. Harry Stradling, Jr's. cinematography is nothing less than fantastic, with Mr. Stradling hand holding the camera and holding on for dear life underneath a horse's belly. The movie itself is quite an undertaking, something that hasn't been done in years. But what's more, it succeeds. With all the ambition, sweat and time spent, Richard Brooks has triumphed again. It's a movie on the level as "Red River," "The Wild Bunch" and his own "The Professionals." If good westerns are your thing, I strongly suggest that you see it. They don't make them like this, but once in a great while!

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If some of you are wondering what's going on when it gets to Clubs from Del Rio, Texas,

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The Del Rio Ex-Student Association had a very successful reunion on May 30th. And the next event is The San Felipe Ex-Student Association Reunion, which will be at The La Barron Hotel on South First Street, in San Jose, California. Their honored guest will be Mr. Lucio Diaz, a very dedicated coach, teacher and above all a very good man in every sense of the word. If you wish to attend this reunion which will take place on attend this reunion which will take place on attend this reunion which will take place on the city. We wish to express our best wishes for a very successful reunion to The San Felipe Ex-Student Association.

Club San Felipe will have it's anniversary ball on August 30th. Bailamos?

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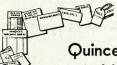
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'Don' Term Of Respect For Spanish-Speaking

One of the beautiful words commonly used throughout Latin-America and wherever Spanish-speaking people are found is the term of respect, "Don."

When a man has been granted the respect it then becomes a part of his name, as in Don Pedro. Among Mexican-Americans, the use of "Don" is found primarily among first generation immigrants, and it has primary reference to the respected male.

The use of the term "Don" is always with the given name, never with the surname. To apply the term with the surname, Don Gonzalez for example, is generally considered a base insult. Furthermore, it is never used alone, nor is it ever combined with a descriptive term.

In addition, "Don" is never supposed to be used with reference to a member of one's own family. In such cases, the kinship term or the given name takes precedence. Neither does a man use the term when referring to himself, such as in signing his name to a letter or document. To do so is generally considered a display of excessive self-importance.

When addressing a "Don," it is required that the addressor make use of the formal "usted" (you) in place of the familiar "tu." The "usted" form is also accompanied by the proper, and forma verb forms. In turn, the "Don" has the prerogative to speak to younger men, and those not called "Don with the familiar "tu."

The fact that a man to whom the term "Don" is applied is not present during a conversation in which reference is made to him in no way affects the dictates of usage, for the term is used equally in the man's absence as in his presence. Similarly, when one "Don" addresses another, the prevailing rules apply and the term is used.

In the event that reference is made in print, or publicly, as during a speech, to more 'han one ''Don,'' it is proper to say, ''Los senores don Jose don Ramon,'' and so on if the audience is familiar with the men men tioned. If not, the surname is used, i.e., Dor Jose Gonzalez.

In most Spanish-speaking communities, there exist two major classes of men called "Don."

On the one hand, the term is granted on the basis of traditional usages and categories. The traditional Don includes the patron (the boss, the Mexican Consul, certain wealthy businessmen, individuals of relatively high political office, curanderos or folkhealers, and very old men).

On the other hand, the term is also granted to achieved categories of prestige and respect status. Achieved donship involves granting the term, not on the basis of position or profession, but on the basis of having met the prevailing conditions of the community's life in a particular fashion and exhibiting particular behavior characteristics. That is when such men "behave in a manner" which commands respect."

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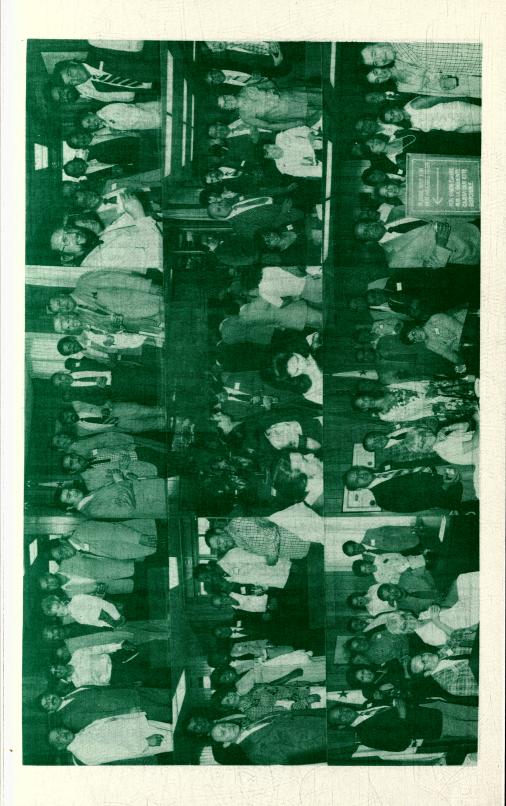
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