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Libel Party Fiasco -- "Show And Tell"

ADVANCE SHEET

Well gentlemen I really don't know where to begin. I was recruited for this assignment and I'm certainly not able to do it justice especially considering the condition I was in. It has taken me three hours to decipher my notes along with a head which feels as if a herd of buffalo has thundered over it. Therefore, making all excuses necessary, I will attempt to put this extravaganza to paper.

The second year class in their annual presentation of fun and frolics cranked out another horrendous rendition of a Libel skit. One could tell the obvious professionalism and organization which accompanied such a spectacular. This display made "Ben Hur" look like "The Three Stooges Meet Wolfman and Frankenstein," but finally our commander and chief had to

request the throngs of stumbling drunks to move back.

The stage was set for an unprecedented show as Ken "Dumpee" Pickard darted about the stage with mikes in hand. It brought back fond memories of the anticipation which precedes a James Brown Show at the Municipal Auditorium in Atlanta.

From what I could gather the general plot envolved a super star student, Rufus Leroy Swartzburg, protrayed by "Night Crawler" Nadler, who has been enticed to join our student body by that Gung-Ho salesman Mr.

Corry, i.e. Mike Rushing.

The show opened with the second year's fearless leader making welcoming speeches. He also informed the audience that the Law Dames Decency Committee had rated this skit XXX. Scene one began with Rufus entering Mr. Corry's office. Mr. Corry goes bananas and jumps upon the desk to rattle off various tidbits to our prospective student but it seemed as if he has a case of mistaken identity. Could it be that Georgia has let a lizzard enter its scared portals. Obviously an exception must be made since Rufus graduated last in his class and had a miserable 2]9 on his LSAT. Convinced however that he has a great one on his hands, Mr. Corry decided to take Rufus on one of his scenic tours of the Law School, beginning with the library.

Enter Mr. Rodriguez ("Buzzara" Karph) who accused Rufus of not paying his fine. Rufus complained of the poor lighting but Chico rebutted that he was no electrician. Suddenly in came Larry Jones disguised as a Zombie

pushing a book tray. He was quickly ushered out by Mr. Corry.

As Rufus lit up a joint, Mr. Corry suggested he meet some of our outstanding faculty. His first encounter was with Mr. Charley Chiang ("Mumbles" Hoyt) second cousin to number two son of the famous detective. Charley cut a joke and was about to continue when he saw Deano's face. Being afraid for his 75 average he decided to exit after re-evaluating his comments on Dean Rusk's arrival in the Red and Black.

The skit began to deteriorate as more beer was consumed by the actors. As Deano (Huming Worm Shiver) and Assistant Deano Murray (Blimp Adamson) converged on future prospects, Rufus had to exit to the Little Boys' Room. In the faculty lounge gathered "Stevie Wonder" Harris contemplating his Shepard's Citations, as Mr. Davis (Jerry Varnadoe) talked with Mr. Link (Buzzard Hallman) as to whether gribet was effected by J. Frothingham

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Sir:

Traditionally the Libel Party has meant "open season" on the faculty and administration, however it seems only sporting that there be articulated some, even though only vaguely defined, rules of the hunt. Many may disagree with my views, but I felt that with a few exceptions, the outstanding one being Jimmy Carter"s rendition of Professor Sentell, the recent Libel Party was an inane and largely humorless event.

I hesitate to speak in terms of "taste" when discussing the Libel Party, since the audience, professors included, generally expects a ribald, caustic performance. However, I would hate to see what I consider a great satirical vehicle destroyed by abuse. The faculty are great sports to appear

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Fatback. Suddenly in swooped
"Flash" Odum disguised as Mr.
Player with a fifty foot screwdriver for student relief. Flash
because of a deterioation of brain
cells was unable to remember his
lines but he sure could swing that
cape. After leaving the faculty
lounge Rufus entered the model
classroom of Hunter Taylor (Boo
Booth) as Taylor was giving his now
famous line "you can snicker now
but 99 per cent of you won't be
here next year to laugh."

Confusion began to reign as Deano received a collect phone call from Roy "The Kingfish" Harris ("Inkman" Murray), "The Kingfish" quoted an old parable to the effect that Deano had better grab it and growl because the Big Ax in the sky is ready to fall. If this was not enough, J.D. Reaves (Hugh "Baby Lovin'") in his famous i.e., suppose, query, routine added to the confusion. Finally Perry Sentell added some semblance of unity in his now famous Jimmy Carter routine. Shouting and citing Mr. Sentell closed out the annual Libel Party on an hilarious note as it goes down into history as another extravaganza.

at an affair, which for them is somewhat akin to appearing before a loaded gun, to laugh with us at themselves, their personal idiosyncrasies and piccadillos. Consequently, I feel "taste" in the production of a Libel show would demand (]) a minimum of crudity for the sake of crudity; (2) an absence of character attacks with little or no basis in reality; (3) a softening of those blows which do land with a cushion of comedy.

The "libelous" remarks uttered on stage ostensibly gain immunity from censure if they are funny. Indeed, criticism enveloped in levity should enable even the most thin-skinned professor to suffer the slings and arrows of the second year class with a degree of equanimity. However, the absence of clever dialogue and scenario can render what might be deemed "borderline offensive" totally offensive.

Lacking any display of that "facile wit" which is supposedly the lawyer's stock in trade, an occasion for biting satire can quickly degenerate into an occassion for embarrassment. Hopefully this year's first year class will put more effort into next year's production and bring the Libel Party back into the realm of entertainment.

Bill Montgomery

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The Law School Forum will sponsor an address by Ralph Salerno on Thursday, Jan. 29 at 8:30 P.M. in the Law School Auditorium. Mr. Salerno is recognized as one of the leading authorities in this country on the Mafia. He is the author of The Crime Confederation, recently published by Doubleday.

Waelbroeck Visit

The Common Market does not purport to achieve political unification of Europe. The goal of the European Econimic Community (EEC) is, however, to develop an economic integration of the member nations. As Professor Michel Waelbroeck began his remarks to the Georgia Society of International and Comparative Law, Tuesday evening January 20, he made this observation to provide some basis for discussing the EEC.

Yet understanding the scope of the EEC is not simple. The treaty of Rome, which formed the EEC, went into effect on 1 January 1958. Provisions were made for gradual reduction among the member states of internal trade barriers such as import and export quotas and customs duties. Uniform duties were formulated and applied to goods entering the EEC from non-member nations, thus products of member nations are given a tremendous economic advantage.

The emphasis on economic development is apparent from the accomplishments to date of the EEC.

The transitional period for abolition of customs duties ended on 31 December 1969 although this goal had been virtually achieved as of 1 July 1968. Progress has also been made in overcoming technical obstacles to economic unity such as in conflicting health standards for the manufacture of household appliances.

Tax harmonization has been slow

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because each nation formerly taxed different items at varying rates. The EEC has achieved some unity and imposes a tax on the value added (TVA) to products rather than a tax on personal income as done in the United States.

Other areas have also been affected by the EEC. In agriculture, most prices are fixed and the tendency is toward overprotection of this part of the economy. Free movement of employees has been achieved except in those professions which require certain skill levels still set by the individual nation. Controls of the exchange of capital have been abolished, and anti-trust laws, similar to our Sherman Act, are being enforced.

The EEC has not been free of problems, and most of these have arisen after the obstacles to economic unity were solved. These are called second stage problems. The first stage is creation of the customs union, the second is the adoption of common policies so the customs union can function properly. Each member has its own quota on imports from non-members. If this quota is not respected by the other members and in the absence of uniform quotas by the EEC this individual quota is meaningless.

Professor Waelbroeck favors the admission of Great Britain, and eventually Denmark, Norway and Ireland to the EEC and feels the added competition would be healthy for the EEC.

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SBA REPORT

I would like to report on three objectives of highest priority which I hope can be accomplished this quarter. After an initial study and inquiry a concerted effort is now being made to effect a return to our former grading system. I hope that this can be accomplished either by maintaining separate records within the law school or by appealing directly to the Board of Regents to make an exception for the law school because of the special hardship the new system works on us. I have reason to believe that the latter has a reasonable chance of success. Any suggestions would be appreciated and should be directed to Phil Self or me. Second, prior to spring quarter exams, I wish to have a five-day period set aside for review. It would appear that lengthening class periods to 55 minutes could accomplish this without administrative headaches or a sacrifice of classroom instruction time. Third, I wish to establish a method of channeling responsible and representative student opinion to the faculty committees on instruction and promotions to aid in their evaluation of the law school faculty. The first step has been

initiated by the formation of a committee composed of the president and vice-president of the SBA, two officers from each class, and two editors of the Law Review.

Three other matters deserve comment. As announced in an earlier Advance Sheet, there is to be a Legislator's Day honoring the Georgia legislature. February 27, has been agreed to by Lt. Governor Smith and plans for the day are: coffee, main address, luncheon at continuing education for legislators and law students, tour of the law school, and mock session of the legislature.

As a student service the SBA will sponsor a Placement Resume Service for next year. At a cost of \$1.50, any student who desires will receive 100 printed professional resumes including the student's picture. Anyone not desiring this service may still avail himself of the data sheet provided by the placement office.

I wish to announce that a letter of welcome has been sent to Dean Rusk and that the Board of Governors' unanimous endorsement of Rusk's appointment has been conveyed to the Board of Regents.

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CHARLES MORGAN SPEAKS

A leading civil liberties lawyer late last quarter told an overflow audience of law students, many of whom expressed interest in forming a Georgia chapter of the Law Student Civil Rights Research Council, that although law school curricula needs change, "there is nothing wrong with learning what the enemy knows."

Charles Morgan, regional director of the ACLU, a graduate of the Alabama Law School, and the principal attorney in Reynolds v. Sims and other leading constitutional cases, joined Reinhold Mohr of the Southern division of LSCRRC in discussing civil liberties and poverty law. As for the students, they are now organizing such a chapter and plan to meet to solidify their plans.

Morgan told the students that they could become involved in unpopular cases, win, and be called civil rights lawyers or they could graduate from Georgia, defend oppressive systems and ways, lose, and be called constitutional

lawyers.

He said that many lawyers are needed in the South to handle cases and help the poor, white and black alike. He described such lawyers as "the few willing to put it on the line because they took an oath."

Such practice, continued Morgan, involves "a certain con-



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frontation that occurs when faced with an unpopular client." He said that the politics of a prospective client does not concern him.

Morgan added that he has not yet given up on the system and that change takes time. For example, he said, "it took thirty years for the abolitionists to get the Civil War," but he warned that individuals can not change things "after becoming president of General Motors."

An individual who compromises himself to reach the top, implied Morgan, is so entangled by the system when he reaches the pinnacle that he is unable and usually unwilling to effect change. He must be committed to change and work for it tirelessly throughout his life if he wants to effectively contribute to changing things for the better.

Change, Morgan concluded, will ultimately require a bar willing to work in the civil liberties field, a responsive jury and court system (including fully integrated juries) and a political system in which everyone actually can vote.

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The Legal Eagles under "Baby Face" Wotten stayed off a last minute shooting spree to defeat the Alpha Phi Omega Panzies 45-43.

The game opened with both teams being cold. Finally Boom-A-Rang Willis hit a short popper and the Eagles were ahead for the rest of the game. At two different times the Eagles were fifteen points ahead only to blow it as players collapsed of exhaustion and too much beer. The Eagles 2-3 zone contained the Panzies as "Night Crawler" Nadler's playmaking and Bob Cosey jumpshots pulled the Eagles ahead. Jim "Elasticman" Mobley was noted for his outstanding ball control, resembling Meadowlark Lemon of Harlem Globetrotter fame.

Under the boards it was naturally "The Stilt" Crenshaw who dominated as he completely terrorized the opposition. The Stilt was highpoint man and number one in rebounds also. I certainly think the Dean should consider raising the Stilt's Scholarship. Along with the Stilt was Meadowlark Ginsberg who was second in freethrows and three for eight at the charity stripe. However Meadowlark's Red Socks probably enabled him to grab those rebounds because his opponents were blinded. A newcomer "Strech" Morris was of great help as he made some unbelievable

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tip-ins and rebounds. In fact I don't think Strech believed it either. And who could forget that old field general Jimmie Poo Humes as his coolness under pressure and beautiful ball control was a deciding factor in the Eagles victory. Tears came to my eyes as I saw the old general take to the court his hair graying but still maintaining that agile form of old.

But in the last analysis it was Baby Face Wotten clutch freethrows in the final seconds which clinched the Eagle victory. I talked with Baby Face after the game and he commented of the outstanding performance of the team. He said more time would be devoted to fundamentals as he called a skull session for Allen's. Till next time
Remember to hang in there sports fans.

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