

'Tropic of Cancer' Has 'Redeeming Social Value'

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The United States Supreme Court handed down decisions on four obscenity cases on June 22, 1964. One case involved a filthy book titled "Tropic of Cancer," the author of which is Henry Miller, the darling of all those who think that everyone in the world is "sick" except them.

The U.S. Supreme Court decision regarding "Tropic of Cancer," according to several outstanding lawyers specializing in constitutional law, means that any publication, such as a magazine article or story, a book, or a newspaper article or story, regardless of how indecent, filthy, and pornographic it may appear to be to the majority of the people of the United States of America, has the protection of the United States Supreme Court, and the blessing of the United States Supreme Court.

any bill of mine which would effectively slow up and possibly stop the peddling of pornographic literature.

RETURNING to the filthy book, "Tropic of Cancer," here is part of what the Supreme Court of Illinois, the highest court in the State of Illinois, said about "Tropic of Cancer" in its decision handed down on June 18, 1964: "The book admittedly has no story, no plot in the usual sense, and no character development. Instead, it contains simply a series of revolting sexual encounters described in the most filthy language imaginable. These descriptions in our opinion are so offensive and disgraceful, and demonstrate such a preoccupation with lewd and lascivious sex, that any philosophic theme or portion of the book with literary merit would be lost to the average reader, whereas those illicit and obscene portions would clearly remain in his mind as the book's dominant theme."

Here is another excerpt from the opinion of the Supreme Court of Illinois regarding "Tropic of Cancer." . . . the question of obscenity in cases where the work does possess artistic merit turns on whether the salacious aspects are so objectionable as to outweigh whatever affirmative value the book, when considered as a whole, may possess . . . Since the Illinois Supreme Court decision regarding "Tropic of Cancer" was rendered on June 18, 1964; and on June 22, the U.S. Supreme Court held that "Tropic of Cancer" enjoyed its protection, it is reasonable to assume that the Supreme Court of Illinois was wasting its valuable time. Remember that Lenin and Stalin said that the citizens of the United States of America would destroy themselves and Krushchev has said that he would bury us. Is it logical to ask on which side stands the Supreme Court of the United States of America?

THE EXCUSE given by the U. S. Supreme Court in its decision regarding "Tropic of Cancer" is that any publication such as the "Tropic of Cancer" has the protection of not only the U.S. Supreme Court, but also the First Amendment to the Constitution of the United States of America, if such pornographic material has "any redeeming social value."

Please notice this weasel expression, "any redeeming social value." This is the very phrase which I tried to take out of the California Penal Code by means of my Assembly Bill No. 3, introduced by me on the first Monday in January, 1963, and killed twice. It was killed first in the Assembly Judiciary Committee. Criminal; and killed again on the floor of the Assembly when there were not forty-one Members willing to vote to take my Assembly Bill No. 3 out of the Committee and bring it to the floor of the Assembly for debate and vote for passage to the State Senate.

It should be known that there were more than forty-one Members who orally promised in advance to vote to take my A.B. No. 3 out of the committee, but when the day came for this to be done, many of those who promised to vote with me either sat quiet and did not vote at all or left the floor to avoid the risk of anyone seeing them sit mute.

I CANNOT understand what went on behind the scenes in regard to my A.B. 3 because the roll call record shows both Republicans and Democrats voting for withdrawing the bill from committee; both Republicans and Democrats voting against my effort to revive the bill; and both Republicans and Democrats who did not choose to vote one way or the other. The sad fact which I must report is that if all Republican members of the Assembly who were actually present on the floor of the Assembly that day had voted on the side of public morals, their 28 votes, added to the recorded votes of the Democrats who voted with me, would have totaled more than the required 41 votes needed to withdraw A.B. 3 from committee.

Therefore, I am reasonably convinced that one of two situations prevailed: (1) Either the vote on my A.B. 3 was not in any way a partisan vote or (2) Some Democrats and some Republicans, for reasons best known to themselves, became persuaded that they would "get along" with one or more so-called "powerful" big people, much better if they killed

Garden Checklist

1. Plant berried shrubs such as pyracantha now for color in fall and winter.
2. Your local member of the California Association of Nurserymen now has well developed tuberous begonias. Plant them at this time for late summer-early fall dashes of color.
3. Plant native shrubs and trees now and water them well.
4. Set out annual bedding plants for winter bloom.
5. Feed roses for continued bloom into fall. Blooms in November depend on good care now.

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Annual Pet Show Set at Peck Park

Peck Park in San Pedro will hold its fourth annual pet show Aug. 28 at the park. The activities will begin at 2 p.m. Trophies and ribbons will be awarded to winners of five divisions, including dogs, cats, birds, fish, and miscellaneous pets. All entries handled by juniors will be accepted, and all pets must be kept in cages, on a leash, or in the designated areas. Each handler must be able to control his pet, and water must be provided.

Registration will be taken at the show. Trophies have been donated by Gaffey Pet and Gift Shop, and the San Pedro Optimist Club is donating the show pins.

Democratic Volunteers Set Meeting

The newly formed Democratic Volunteers Committee will meet at 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 13, at the Torrance Recreation Building, 3031 Torrance Blvd.

According to David K. Lyman, acting chairman for the 68th Assembly District committee, "All Democrats are invited to attend to hear of our future plans and participate in the affairs of the Democratic party."

Principal speaker will be Art Seltzer, statewide co-chairman of the Democratic Volunteers, who will discuss the reason for forming the committee and the purposes it will pursue.

U.S.D.A. CHOICE BEEF WE CUT TO YOUR SPECIFICATION

U.S.D.A. GRADE A FRYING CHICKENS 29¢ lb CUT-UP . . .33c lb.	FRESH GROUND BEEF . . 3 lbs. \$1	7-BONE ROAST 49¢ lb				
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CHICKEN O' SEA
TUNA
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 CHUNK STYLE
23¢

CLUB STEAKS 98¢ CHICKEN PARTS Breasts 59¢ Legs & Thighs . . 49¢ Backs & Necks . . 5¢	BAR-B-Q STEAKS 98¢ COUNTRY STYLE PORK SAUSAGE 3 lbs. \$1
FILET MIGNON \$1.89 LB.	

HUNT'S 14-OZ. BOTTLE
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2 for 25¢

HUNT'S - NO. 2 1/2 CAN
PORK & BEANS 5 for \$1

PILLSBURY Cake Mixes 3 for 1.00	NABISCO PREMIUM CRACKERS LB. PKG. 27¢
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COFFEE
 1 LB. **69¢**

PRODUCE SPECIALS

LG. SOLID HEAD LETTUCE	10¢
WHITE ROSE-8-LB CELLO POTATOES	39¢
SOLID RIPE MED. SIZE TOMATOES	2 lbs. 25¢
RIPE SWEET CANTALOUPE	7 for \$1

HORMEL - 4-oz. VIENNA SAUSAGE 5 for 1.00	KRAFT JET PUFF MARSHMALLOWS 4 1-Lb Pkgs. \$1.00
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SKIPPY DOG FOOD 26-oz 7 for \$1	CHIFFON LIQUID DETERGENT Reg. 49c 22-oz. 39¢
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BUTTER Grade AA 67¢
ICE CREAM Big Dip 1/2 Gallon 59¢
ICE CREAM Family Style 1/2 Gallon 69¢
ICE CREAM Premium 1/2 Gallon 79¢

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