

graphic by Shelia Gropper

The chronicle of rehabilitation practices in California penal institutions has often been grim. Only twenty years ago, for instance, psychiatry in prisons consisted primarily of punitive or disciplinary practices. Therapy generally included: electric shock, insulin shock, fever treatments, hydrotherapy and amytal and pentothal interviews.

Presently, shock treatment is out of vogue, considered as "aversive therapy." However, in its place at the Vacaville Prison's planned adjustment center opening shortly, is a drug that is a questionable improvement--the drug Anectine (succinylcholine). The drug paralyzes all voluntary muscles for about 60 seconds and makes it impossible for an individual to use his lungs.

While a prisoner is thus paralyzed, the therapist tells him that the next time he feels an impulse to smash or attack, he will remember the sensation. According to Dr. Arthur Nugent, chief psychiatrist at Vacaville, "the sensation is of suffocating and drowning. The patient feels as if he is on the brink of death." ("LA Times," Sept. 9, 1970).

#### Taking advantage of resources

The California Department of Corrections (DOC), at a cost of \$7000 per man, places perpetrators of violent behavior in similar "adjustment centers." These centers were originally conceived as places where men "would be allowed to take complete advantage of the educational, vocational, medical and psychiatric resources of the prison system," stated the "Sacramento Bee" (Feb. 9, 1970).

The reality is far different. The afore-mentioned "medical and psychiatric resources" comprise, instead, "pseudo-medical torture" according to Dr. Edward Opton, psychologist. After attending a recent DOC-sponsored conference in Davis, Dr. Opton revealed the DOC plans to open the new Vacaville "super-adjustment center" where men would be sent from prisons around the state for "psychiatric and psychological assessment." Most of the doctors at the conference were unwilling to discuss the therapeutic practices that will be put into effect at the new center.

#### Implanted electrodes

However, one doctor did proffer his opinion. Dr. Opton quoted ("Berkeley Barb," Dec. 2,

1971) Dr. Bach-y-Rita, half-time research psychiatrist for the DOC and half-time for Langley Porter: "I'd try drug therapy first. Then I'd use implanted electrodes." The psychiatrist was convinced that violence-prone inmates suffer from "temporal lobe epilepsy" and advised the sticking of long needles into the temporal lobe section of the brain to locate the epilepsy and kill that area of the brain. "Sort of a mini-lobotomy is what he was talking about," explained Dr. Opton.

Other therapeutic practices currently underway at Atascadero State Hospital for drug and sex offenders and in other California prisons include: a method of shock with electric prods for "curing" catatonic schizophrenics and the Errorless Extinction of Penile Responses for treatment of sex offenders. The latter therapy consists of giving a shock to the penis if it becomes erect at an erotic picture. Dr. Opton remarked upon the similarity of such "therapeutic" practices to the tortures used in Vietnam to secure information from enemy soldiers.

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Medical care in the local penal institutions is similarly often inadequate. Gwen Scott, 4th year UC medical student, is currently working on a pro-

## CAUTION: Prison Therapy may be hazardous to health

by D. Kelly Weisberg

ject visiting the women's section of the city jail for a course in ambulatory and community medicine.

"This project," explained Gwen, "was initiated by Marie Felton (U.C. '71, SFGH intern) and was continued last quarter by Betty Pfefferbaum, also a 4th year student. At the beginning of my rotation, a committee of four people, Dr. Bob Brenman, Dr. Ken Barnes, Joanne Donsky and myself went to the city jail to obtain permission for access to the jail."

#### Prison rounds

Permission was granted and since then, Gwen has frequently accompanied the prison doctor on his rounds. Inmates are brought into a small treatment room with a nurse and a police medical officer in attendance. "Most of the male prisoners come in for treatment of penile discharges. The patients are treated with antibiotics on clinical grounds alone.

"All those persons arrested for prostitution," she continued, "are put into quarantine. To my knowledge, before they are released from jail, they are given a blood test for syphilis (VDRL) and injections of penicillin. They may or may not be given a pelvic exam and cervical culture for gonorrhea."

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# YES: CO-ED RESIDENCE HALLS

Millberry and Parnassus Residence Halls exemplify the sterility of institutional living. Impersonality, anonymity and alienation are the characteristics engendered by the dormitory situation on this campus as on many others. Parnassus Hall, built in 1919, epitomizes institutional living at its bleakest.

The dormitory setting on this campus allows resident students to socialize with their fellow students only while brushing their teeth, should they live in Parnassus Hall. This opportunity for meaningful human contact being lost to Millberry residents because of the semi-private bathroom facilities, students there content themselves with social interactions by nodding to each other in the elevator or with joggling each other while cashing checks in the Union Lobby. It is a testament to the anonymity promoted by institutional living that residents of Millberry Union are generally *not* acquainted, let alone well-acquainted, with their neighboring students.

A solution to this antiseptic institutional environment is in the offing--yet, unfortunately, it will undoubtedly get stalemated by bureaucratic red tape. On December 1, the Student Housing Advisory Committee passed a resolution to "instruct the Housing Office to circulate a questionnaire" concerning student response to making the dormitories co-educational (students occupying alternate rooms in Parnassus and alternate suites in Millberry).

The advantages of such a policy are incontestable: primary of which is improved student relations, in addition to stability of tenancy and reducing the monotony and dehumanization of the institutional living situation. Furthermore, Editor Uno of the Housing Office has suggested that the presence of males on the same floors as females would greatly minimize the possibility of danger in these facilities--instances of "uninvited male guests" have not been unknown in the university dormitories.

The response to the housing proposal has been "overwhelmingly favorable," according to the Housing Office, as judged by the number of returned questionnaires (the tally is presently running 10 to 1 in favor). With the advent of the new quarter comes the usual exodus of students who have had their fill of the institutional lifestyle. Students vacating the residence halls entail a considerable financial loss to the Housing Office. If, indeed, the response to the housing proposal was so "overwhelmingly favorable," why not stop the exodus and institute the change immediately--thereby ameliorating the present living conditions?

The answer to this question, and one which could be expected, was furnished by

the Housing Office--"bureaucratic red tape." This signifies that the Housing Office would have to change: telephone numbers, addresses, mailboxes, directory listings, keys and office files. As is typical when dealing with bureaucracy, such procedures could be prolonged indefinitely--most likely until the summer--thus delaying the entire proposal for at least one year. However, realistically, such changes could be expedited in a number of days

with the determined effort of the housing staff and the co-operation of the students.

An alternate lifestyle has been proposed to remedy the ills of institutional living on this campus. This alternative would improve both safety conditions and interpersonal relations. It is an unfortunate state of affairs that the immediate institution of such an excellent proposal is in jeopardy because of an excuse no better than "bureaucratic red tape."

editorial by D. K. W.

## Q & A

### Should the dormitories on campus be co-ed?

#### Ralph Raasch, Pharmacy student I

"Yes. It gives me more opportunity to meet people right off the bat. I can meet people in different schools. My being in the boy's wing doesn't allow me to talk to nursing students and so forth."

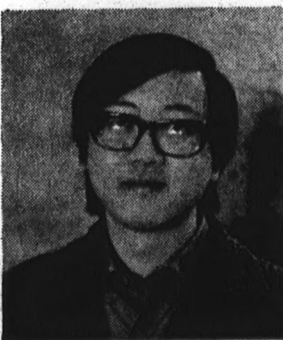


#### Susan McEwan, Nursing Student II

"I've already voted yes on it. It's about time we got up to date. It's happened all over on a lot of other campuses."

#### Jamie Warren Nursing Student II

"Personally, yes. It would make them more attractive. The trend is living away in an apartment and this could effect that trend."



#### Felix Wau, Pharmacy student II

"I put down yes, because I think the situation already is boys and girls going across to each side. The concern of co-ed dorms is noise. I don't think there will be more noise with a co-ed dorm. It may be a little more, but not that much."

#### Wally Murray, Pharmaceutical Chemistry graduate student.

"A terrific idea...it's too bad I'm married."



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by Robert Solem

The Millberry Union Board of Governors held their regular monthly meeting Wednesday, December 8th. Under Old business, the agenda included several by-laws changes involving the Committee on Arts and Lectures, and items concerning bookstore operations, the possibility of winter sports equipment, loanouts, & rental rate on Steninger Gymnasium. New Business items included a report on C.A.L. winter quarter programs, a report from Chairman Mullins on progress in obtaining suitable quarters from the UC administration for a combination Coffee House/Child Day Care Center, and the question of membership status of the staff of S. F. General Hospital.

Warren Levinson, Chairman of C.A.L. announced the results of a survey conducted by the Committee. The survey sought to determine patterns of attendance at C.A.L. sponsored events. During one week, all regular programs (the Monday noon documentary film, the Wednesday noon lectures, the Friday Far-out, and

the Friday night movie) were polled as to number of students by school and non-students by category. Briefly, the results revealed that 11 1/2 percent of the student population attended one C.A.L. program during this week, while 6 percent of the non-student population took advantage of the programming. Within the student category,

dental students with 13 percent had the largest proportionate attendance. The by-laws changes concerning C.A.L. provide for a closer supervision of the committee by the Millberry Union Board. Its provision that there be a vice-chairman of the committee and that one of the two executive positions be filled by a student is an attempt to get greater student involvement in committee proceedings. This student will also have voting membership on the Board. Finally, the C. A.

L., with the financial and spiritual assistance of the ASUC, will host a trial TGIF social on the 2nd Friday of the winter quarter. Regent guidelines specifically stipulate that social events and meetings in which alcoholic beverages will be served cannot be advertised

as eligible for Millberry union membership. At present, only residents and interns at General are eligible for membership. While they had several good points to make favoring inclusion, regrettably their presentation included a personal attack and denunciation of the recrea-

the motion raised the question of student services and benefits in the operation of Millberry Union. Profits in any department should not be at the expense of the students, but a by-product of volume usage due to the excellent quality and reasonable price of the service being rendered.

Following the formal close of the meeting, Gary Hubiak proposed to the students in attendance that a student caucus be formed which would meet prior to the Board meetings in order to work out student positions, student objectives, and student tactics. He will work on getting closer communication between the school presidents and their Board appointees. With eleven of the twenty-four voting positions on the Board presently allocated to students, we can have a persuasive voice on the Board. This is not to suggest that students should vote as an unthinking bloc, but that advance planning and threshing out of issues and points of view can greatly add to the effectiveness of student input in the operation of Millberry Union.

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or publicized as such preceding the event. Unfortunately, therefore, only refreshments will be served. You will get all the refreshments you can hold between four-thirty and six-thirty, p.m., as there will be several kegs of refreshments on tap.

Several guests from San Francisco General Hospital were present at the meeting. They were present to argue for the inclusion of San Francisco General Hospital employees

tion director Alexandra Hrenoff, which (whatever may be the facts of the case) was in the opinion of 'tiness offensive and inappropriate in the extreme. The matter of County Hospital memberships has been referred to the Membership and Organization Committee.

One positive action of the Board was the lowering of the price of photocopying in the bookstore from ten cents to five cents a copy. While a minor action in itself, the debate on

## "THE GREAT SAUNA BATH PURGE"

or "Alexander Solzhenitsyn's Relevance to America"

Last February, Charley and I joined Millberry Union. We called up the central office, said we were employees at SFGH and were interested in becoming members. Whoever we spoke with at the other end of the wire checked the regulations, called us back later and said fine.

At the beginning of the summer, the hours and use of facilities at Millberry Union were changed to accommodate fewer summer students and to save money. Part of this reduction was the exclusion of women from the sauna bath located in the men's locker room. (The arrangement had been a "woman coming" yell and a guided tour from the pool to the sauna, which worked fine and offended no one.)

Feeling disappointed about this prohibition of women from the sauna and the deprivation of hours (our use of the facility was in the evening since we worked until five p.m. and Millberry now closed at 7 p.m.), I began discussing the matter with the employees who worked at the Millberry pool area. It seemed that a number of other members were unhappy about the cutbacks, especially women.

The staff mentioned that a new woman's sauna was being installed soon. In light of this Charley and I felt better, but our pleasure quickly disappeared when we learned that the woman's sauna was to be installed in the pool area, thus preventing women from taking nude sauna baths. The staff suggested that if enough people ex-

pressed their dissatisfaction to the recreation supervisor, Alexandra Hrenoff, that maybe the situation could be changed.

I called Mrs. Hrenoff first, intending to explain the problem. But before I

worked at SFGH, rather than the actual UC campus.

"How did our names come to your attention?" Charley asked.

"We received a complaint about you," answered Mrs. Hrenoff.

## FAN LETTERS

got past the first sentence, Mrs. Hrenoff began arguing--not reasoning, but almost shouting at me. I don't think she was interested in listening to what I had to say. In fact, she hung up on me in mid-sentence.

Charley was surprised to hear that I had got into a shouting dispute over a sauna bath and thought maybe I'd said the wrong words or sounded antagonistic on the telephone. But when he called, the same thing happened--even worse. Mrs. Hrenoff made a point of asking who Charley was, where he worked, and who his supervisor was. Baffled, Charley asked, half-humorously, if she was planning some sort of reprisal. With dignity, she replied, "no." No improvements were made, but months went by and we forgot the issue.

But Mrs. Hrenoff didn't forget. When, in October, we attempted to renew our membership, we were told that we would first have to check with Alexandra Hrenoff. And, when Charley called her, he was advised that we were no longer eligible for membership at Millberry Union because we

Who was this mysterious denouncer?

"It is immaterial," stated Mrs. Hrenoff, and refused to elaborate. But she would say that she had made a "special investigation" of us at the UC Registrar's Office.

Did she make "special investigations" on everyone?

"When the circumstances warrant it."

What circumstances?

"It is immaterial."

Amazed at what we considered to be a "sauna bath purge," we got together with Robert Alexander, Director of Millberry Union, and Anna Mullins, Chairwoman of the Board of Governors, asking to be reinstated. Both listened politely but said that their interpretation of the Union by-laws excluded any one from membership who is not an employee on the Parnassus area of campus. And therefore, our membership had been an "unfortunate mistake" from the beginning. Oddly enough, it became evident during the discussion that a file of memo's, and dates of tele-

phone contact, had been carefully accumulated on this earthshaking matter. Despite this attention to detail, they apparently failed to find anything out-of-the-ordinary concerning Mrs. Hrenoff's conduct of the affair.

Mr. Alexander did state that he would speak with Mrs. Hrenoff to get "her side of the story" and get back to us. So far, we have not received any response on this.

After this meeting, we realized that our initial complaint had grown into two larger issues: 1) Is it fair for anyone to be the subject of dossiers, special investigations, and expulsions as a result of complaining about a sauna bath? 2) Why should em-

ployees at SFGH be denied the right to membership at Millberry Union?

SFGH is a teaching extension of UC Medical School. All interns and residents are students from UC. The entire house staff at General holds professional positions at UC. Social Workers and Eligibility Workers at SFGH generate the money for the salaries of UC staff. All doctors who work at SFGH have membership rights to Millberry Union. But, all other staff at SFH are denied membership. Should Millberry Union be treated as a "club up on the hill" or should it include all the workers who contribute to UC's outstanding reputation as a teaching facility?

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"Friend of those who have no friends...  
enemy of those who make themselves our enemy."

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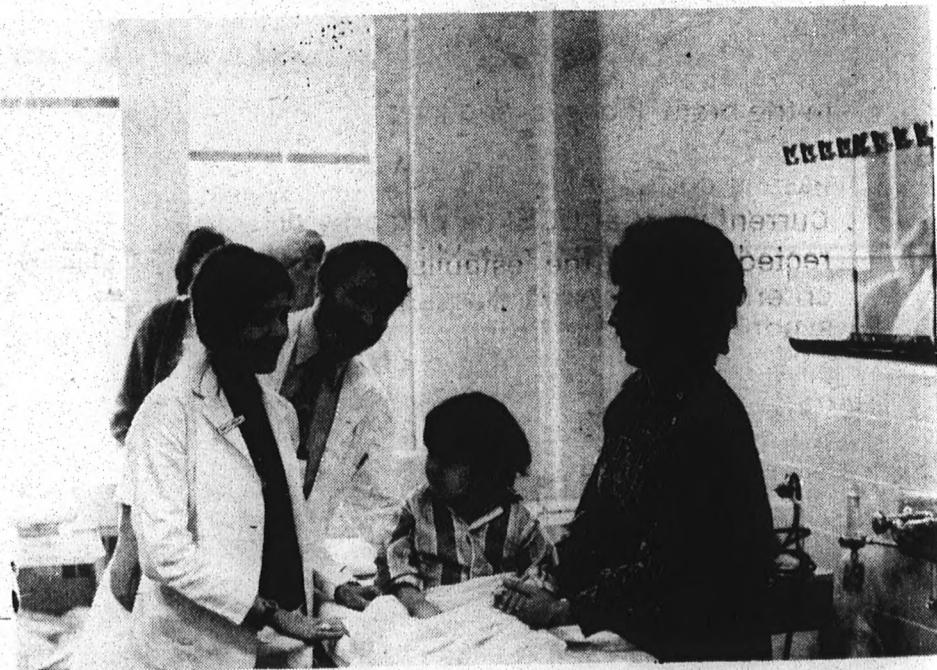
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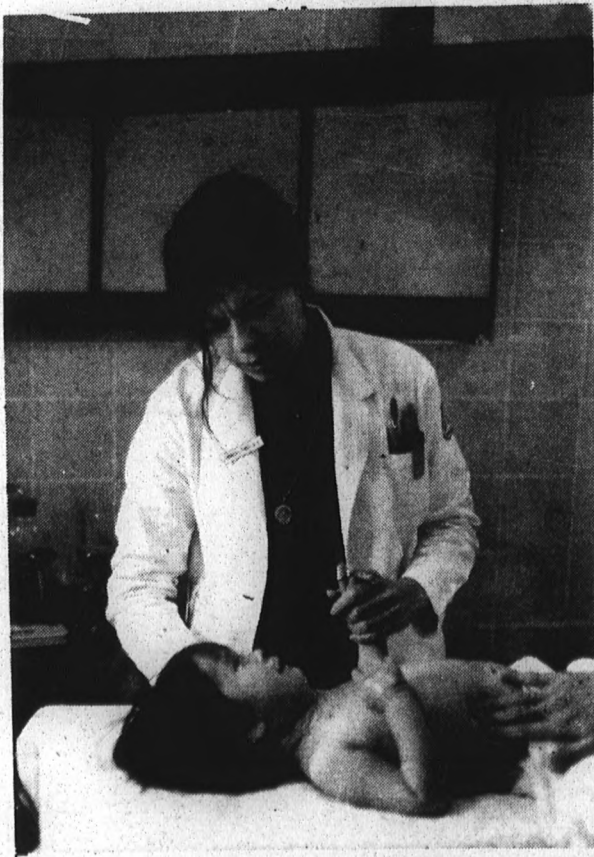
# Diagnosis



1. Morning: Daniel and friend in bed while Mrs. Urteaga looks on.



2. Preparation for liver biopsy. Left to right: Drs. Carmela Tardo and Michael Thaler, Daniel, and Mrs. Urteaga.



3. Daniel and Carmela converse in Spanish about numbers, dogs, and cats.



4. A little support for Daniel



# : Reye's Syndrome

by Loren Pickart

Daniel Urteaga, age 27 months, of Stockton, California, was admitted to the Pediatrics Ward of UCSF for lethargy, vomiting, and a loss appetite and thirst. He was diagnosed by Dr. Carmela Tardo as suffering from Reye's syndrome. In the sequence of photo's a needle liverbiopsy is performed to obtain tissue for electron-microscope pictures to follow the course of the disease.

This clinical syndrome was first described by Reye, Morgan, and Baral in 1963, who noted similarties to the Jamaican vomiting sickness. This childhood illness is usually characterized by an upper respiratory tract infection which is followed within 1 to 3 days by vomiting, fever, seizures, disturbed consciousness, and coma. Biochemically there is an elevation of liver enzymes in the blood, hypoglycemia, acidosis, and a rapid accumulation of microscopic lipid deposition in the brain, kidneys, and liver.

Since the fatality rate of the disease is currently over 80 percent, the Current work at UCSF is primarily directed toward the establishment of criteria for the rapid diagnosis of the syndrome in time to initiate effective supportive therapy such as glucose infusion, blood pH control, and exchange transfusions. The combination of the physical symptoms, blood biochemistry, and electron micrographs of liver cells obtained by needle biopsy are used for diagnosing the disease and monitoring the effectiveness of treatment.



7. It hasn't been the best of days for a brave young man.



6. Now that wasn't so bad. Daniel seems to disagree.



5. Dr. Marc Frader performs a needle liver biopsy for electron microscope assessment of theraputic effectiveness.



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by Julius Warthen

One of the questions asked on the Black Issues Survey questionnaire was: Are most Black employees on campus serious about getting upgraded in their jobs for accepting more responsible positions? The answers were quite interesting and it is not surprising that they all reflected overwhelming opinions in the

his personality into what the establishment thought that it should have been. It has become an established fact that some whites have within their minds an image of what most Blacks are like and the way most Blacks should be. However, when a white is confronted with a Black whose character doesn't fit into this stereotyped mould, he finds it quite difficult to deal with particular

# BLACK ISSUES

affirmative.

However, this is not the consensus of this establishment, for it has its own criterion for determining if Blacks are serious and responsible. Consequently a majority of Blacks never get the opportunity to move into responsible positions. Responsibility carries respect with it and this is what most Blacks seek. Blacks are not interested in being placed in puppet positions, where there is neither responsibility nor respect, but positions based on their capabilities and qualifiable potentials. It becomes quite apparent that Black propensities for job success and autonomy in decision making are seriously underestimated.

Most Blacks realize that there are many cases where the only way they can receive tokenistic responsibility and respect is by being the antithesis of what they really and truly desire to be. In too many cases have Blacks, who had strong desires to be upgraded to seemingly responsible positions been victimized by the establishment. For in order to achieve such they had to relinquish some of their most profound beliefs. Each had to become less of a man by becoming a "yes man." Each had to deny himself some of his self respect by having had to reshape

Blacks as being an individual. Results, this Black is never encouraged or given the opportunity toward advancement. There are numerous instances on this campus where Blacks have worked in positions seven years or more and have never been given the opportunity to improve their skills and knowledge let alone get upgraded. There always seem to be a scheme to make things seem more complicated for Blacks to comprehend. There is always an emphasis on the underestimation of Black intelligence.

Even in those areas where Blacks have worked for any number of years, performing duties far above their job descriptions, they are not given new job descriptions. Whenever they ask to be upgraded or given a different job classification, ironically enough, he is often told that his duties don't qualify him for reclassification, in spite of his efficiently performing the same duties as a white who was hired to the classification he seeks.

Blacks as well as any other people are serious about advancements and achievements, and are willing to prove such if given the chance. They stand ready to accept the challenge providing their achievements can come with respect and dignity.

## FAN LETTERS

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Charley and I, along with another SFGH Social Worker Sue Skinner, attended the December 8 Millberry Union Board of Governors meeting. Contrary to the impression we were given by Robert Alexander and Anna Mullins in the previous meeting, the Board was not antagonistic towards allowing membership to SFGH employees. In fact, a number of people on the board were vocal in our favor. However, one member of the medical staff disagreed, stating that this would open the doors to San Francisco policeman,

fireman, and public school teachers (????). Rather than hold an immediate vote, upon the suggestion of Anna Mullins; the matter is to be "further investigated" in the membership committee.

What started as a minor problem over the sauna bath has now blossomed into memo's, secret complaints, expulsions, by-law interpretations, meetings, committees, and who knows what else. We are awaiting the results of the next meeting.

by Carole Dicker and Charley W. LeBaron



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

AFSCME LOCAL 1650 invites its members and friends to their open house Monday, December 20, 3:00 - 10:00 p.m. Women's Residence Lounge, Millberry Union. Come as you are.



## ASUC/CAL Get - Together

ASUC is stepping out of the social activities business. The Executive Board has allocated \$4,000.00, 10 percent of the total ASUC Budget, to C.A.L. in order to develop a series of co-sponsored social/cultural events. The committee on Arts and Lectures will provide the staff and framework to set up and carry out the activities which ASUC provides the funding. Doreen Bauman, program director of CAL, attended several meetings of the ASUC Executive Board in order to help set up a program both feasible and advantageous to CAL and ASUC. With this new relationship the campus will soon see ASUC/CAL programs which CAL could not have done alone for lack of funding and ASUC could not have done alone for lack of experience and manpower.

The Guidelines for the use of the money developed with Doreen Bauman, are as follows:

1. All events co-sponsored with ASUC monies will be provided as a service to the students of this campus at as minimal a charge as possible.

2. There will be at least one campus event: each month (eg. dance, beer bust, wine tasting, Friday night "coffee house," etc.)

3. There will be one major event off-campus with a "big name group(s) with any profits going to the campus E.O.P. program.

4. C.A.L. will attempt to provide tickets to students at reduced rates for events of interest to the campus in the S.F. area (eg. Act, symphony, concerts). This can be accomplished by buying block sections in advance of the event at sizeable discounts in price.

5. An itemized budget of the expenditures of this allocation will be presented to the Executive Board of ASUC at the end of each academic quarter.

C.A.L. needs extra students to help decide exactly what programs should be funded with this money. If you are interested in participating in this selection process, contact either your class/school president, Donna in the ASUC office (X-2010) or Doreen Bauman (X-2761).

Gary Hubiak

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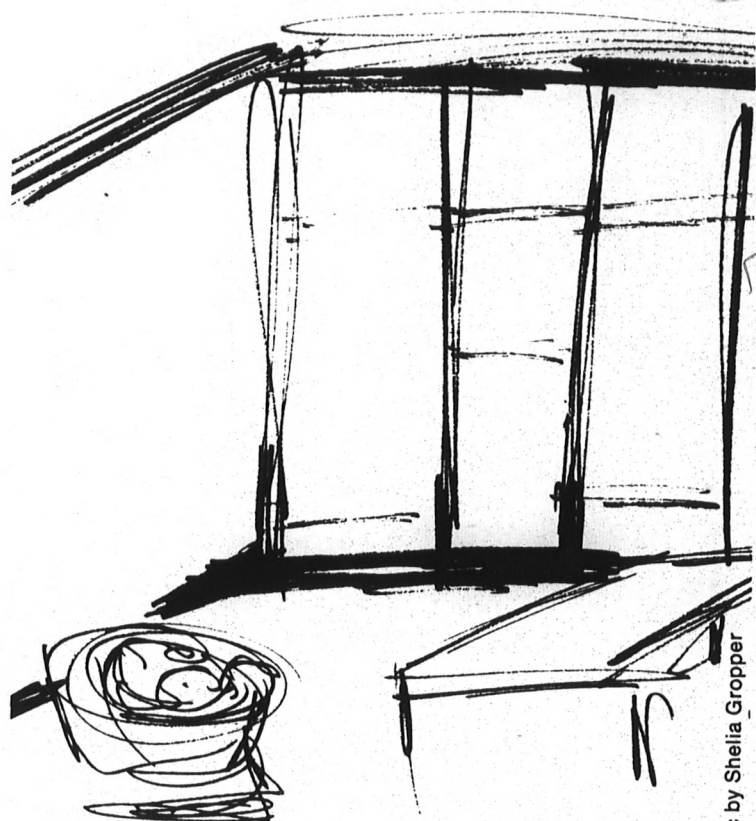
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# PRISON THERAPY



graphic by Shelia Gropper

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## Nothing through a Straw

On one particular occasion, Gwen saw a girl who had had surgery for a broken jaw just prior to being picked up on a felony charge. The girl, at that time, indicated to Gwen that she could not open her mouth and maintained that she had not been given anything to eat which she could take through a straw during the 18 hours she had been there. Some of the "jaw stabilizers" had broken and she stated that she had received no pain medications although she was allegedly in pain.

When Gwen indicated to the medical officer that the girl should be taken to the clinic for repair of the broken stabilizers, the officer explained the difficulties involved for the police officers. When an individual charged with a felony has to be taken to the hospital, the person requires a 24-hour guard.

Upon another occasion, Gwen noticed a woman who had a badly infected toe at the site of a skin graft. The dressing had not been changed and the woman stated she had no facilities available to her to soak the toe.

Gwen commented upon the appearance of the "dormitory cells." "As has been similarly observed in penal institutions across the country, prisoners tell of thin mattresses, no sheets and thin woolen blankets for cover. They complain that the cells are cold and the food is not nutritious."

She also remarked that the striking feature of the jail is the pervasive boredom. "Women are daily taken to a large enclosed recreation area with a cement floor and five picnic tables. No radio, television, newspapers or magazines and only two or three paperbacks are present in the room."

The San Francisco city jail and the California state penal institutions offer testimony to the many failings of the California Department of Corrections. It is encouraging that Gwen and a few other individuals have expressed their concern with improving the present conditions of medical care and rehabilitation practices in these institutions.

The Medical Committee for Human Rights has organized a prison project to continue the investigation of these issues. Panels and workshops will be held at Boalt Hall Auditorium, U.C. Berkeley, on January 28, 29, and 30. Further information may be obtained from Dr. Dick Fine 648-8200, X601, or by writing to MCHR, P.O. Box 7677, S.F. 94119.

## "EURIPIDES, WITH TEARS IN ONE'S EYES..." By Eugene Ionesco

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The film is harsh, simple, true. Cacoyannis leaves the word to Euripides, the text grips us with the same force as the sublime beauty of the images, stark, violent against the nudity of the landscape. It all leaps into our eyes and the greatness of the work invades us, the evidence of our tragic existence is revealed to us, clearly, from the beginning right through to the end.

That our existence should be tragic, that the war that man wages against man should be part of our destiny and at the same time that this eternal tragedy should be so great, is the paradoxical comfort that we draw from watching this film. I came out a happy man."

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