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April 22, 1969.

Hon. John N. Mitchell,
United States Attorney General,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

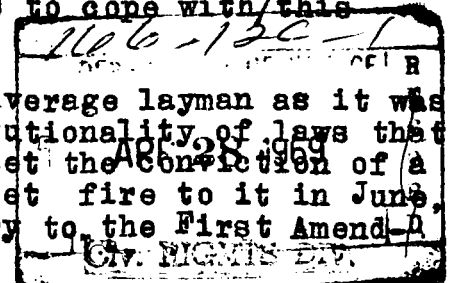
I am enclosing another news item that aroused our little neighborhood group called "Common Sense Seekers" to gather at my hacienda to discuss over a few beers, etc. this latest decision of the United States Supreme Court, since we are vitally interested in law enforcement with JUSTICE, but in our studied opinion, these Street and Watts decisions has about reached the bottom.

There have of course been other decisions during the last several years with respect to their philosophy and understanding of the Constitution that always appear to favor those who commit the crimes and forget the innocent victims or decisions that may discourage or prevent crime?

We have also concluded that no matter what your department or Congress adopt as laws to prevent crimes, the Supreme Court will, through nit-picking opinions nullify on mere technicalities even though minute, as contrary to certain amendments to the Constitution that was adopted over a century ago without appreciation or understanding by those honorable and respected forefathers of what is going on now.

How could those men understand or realize the great progress and advancements in our social, electronic, science, space, medical, education field and are we to be denied the necessary tools to cope with this nation is confronted with?

This latest reversal is shocking to an average layman as it was to us when they chose "to not rule on the constitutionality of laws that make a crime to destroy the American Flag, but upset the conviction of a defendant, who denounced the Flag and publicly set fire to it in June, 1966, convicted but now reversed as it was contrary to the First Amendment????"



Even though they upheld the constitutionality of the 1917 federal law against threatening the life of the President but threw out by a narrow vote of 5 to 4, that the Watts "threat" was merely "political hyperbole". (which means more or less than the truth)???

If such "threats" uttered publicly that he was going to refuse to be drafted and added, "if they ever make me carry a rifle, the first man I want to get in my sights is LBJ, etc." while LBJ was then our president, then yelling fire in a theatre is "childish hyperbole" even though very dangerous and final result not known.

If the above reasoning by our highest court through the useage of such fancied phraseology as "political hyperbole", probably coined by a liberal thinking law clerk, then Sirhan Sirhan used "political hyperbole" and he later managed to complete his political hatred by murdering Senator Robert Kennedy as he wrote his intentions.

Hon. John N. Mitchell, 2:

We have been very fortunate in Los Angeles County to have a very efficient District Attorney, Evelle Younger and his staff who have prosecuted Sirhan Sirhan against great odds, against competent and prominent defense counsel, a string of psychiatrists, some of whom became a bit mixed up on the stand with a great display of sympathy for the accused even mentioning the effects the jury's decision would have in every precinct in the Arab countries and the world.

We thank God and the staff of the Los Angeles County District Attorney for their determination to render justice in this case as we await the final penalty decision of the jury as to whether life or death, and, it is my hope that while I favor the death penalty in this case, I fear continuous appeals to the United States Supreme or California Supreme Courts, similar to the notorious Chessman trials would finally result in a reversal on some nitpicking basis.

Yes, Mr. Mitchell our little group is becoming disturbed about what is going in our higher courts especially as they seem to find some technical errors or their conception of the Constitution's meaning without a proper evaluation of the effect their decisions are having on society in general or protection of that society, particularly so when they make their findings retroactive.

Of course it is possible that we lay people are away out of line and we discussed that possibility too, but when groups of criminals can devise ways and means to beat the laws with immunity, using every conceivable tactic to carry on their crimes, we do not subscribe to the theory to deny the law enforcement agencies equal or superior facilities of detection as we are certain that the framers of the Constitution had that in mind. Hoffa case is another question?

If it takes a jury composed of twelve men and women after personal observation of counsel, defendant, witnesses and judge, to agree on a verdict unanimously in criminal cases, then by a mere vote of ONE in majority in higher courts can nullify such decisions does not seem fair or proper, as in our opinion, those members are not super-dupers although long occupancy and age may convince certain members of their invincibility, or being untouchable.

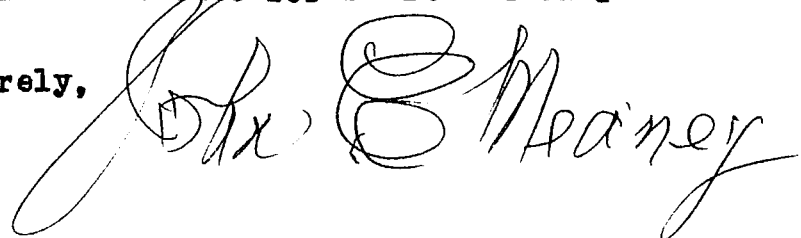
I am sure your short occupancy in the department of justice has opened an entirely new era to you and your staff, as I am personally and my beliefs are shared by my neighbors that it is about time that those in power in this country had better to begin to make more than a study of what is going on within our courts, legal fraternity and especial reference to the U.S. Supreme Court, as even tho we suspect that a majority of the judiciary are opposed to the penalty of Capital punishment, but nevertheless permit more than 80 men in the California prison await their final decisions.

Many claim Capital punishment has not proven as a deterrent BUT has anyone proved that it is NOT a deterrent? Delays, deferments, repeated trials on technical grounds is a main contributing factor to a law breakdown as there is no substitute for swift and fair trials.

Best wishes,

I am,

Sincerely,



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James Meredith had been shot in Mississippi.

The court held 5 to 4 that New York's law under which Street was convicted also outlawed spoken contempt, contrary to the First Amendment guarantee of free speech.

—Upheld the constitutionality of the 1917 federal law against threatening the life of the President. But the court threw out the conviction of Robert Watts for threatening former President Lyndon B. Johnson during a 1966 antiwar rally at the Washington Monument.

The court held 5 to 4 that Watts' "threat" was merely political hyperbole. Watts, then 18, stated that he was going to refuse to be drafted and added: "If they ever make me carry a rifle, the first man I want to get in my sights is L.B.J. They are not going to make me kill my black brothers."

—Refused to prevent the Army from sending to Vietnam a Bakersfield, Calif., soldier who claims the conflict there runs counter to his conscience and religious training.

Pfc. Louis A. Negre originally was scheduled

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and
MINKS**

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Hon. John H. Mitchell, U.S. St

Department of Justice,

Washington, D.C.

51 WASHINGTON AVENUE
IRVINGTON, NEW JERSEY
APRIL 17, 1969

ATTORNEY GENERAL JOHN MITCHELL
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20530

DEAR SIR:

IS IT TRUE THAT THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT IS THINKING OF MAKING A DEAL WITH THE COUNTRY OF JORDAN TO RELEASE SIRHAN SIRHAN (UPON CONVICTION) TO THEM FOR AN EXCHANGE OF SOMEONE? IF SO, WHO IS THAT SOMEONE THAT HE IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN THE MURDERER OF ROBERT F. KENNEDY?

THE SHOCKING FACT THAT SIRHAN SIRHAN HAS BEEN PROCLAIMED A "HERO" IN THE ARAB STATES FOR KILLING A HUMAN BEING IN COLD BLOOD WAS ALMOST TOO MUCH FOR ME TO BEAR, BUT THEN UPON LEARNING THE NEWS THAT THE JUSTIC DEPARTMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA WAS ACTUALLY CONSIDERING A DEAL TO GIVE HIM BACK TO JORDAN FILLS ME WITH SUCH DISGUST AND CONTEMPT FOR MY COUNTRY THAT I HAD TO WRITE YOU THIS LETTER AND ASK THIS QUESTION: WILL HE BE SENT TO A JORDANIAN PRISON OR BE ALLOWED TO WALK THE STREETS AND ENJOY THE FRUITS OF HIS MOST HORRIBLE DEED?

NO MATTER WHAT, LETS FORGET THE OIL THAT IS IN JORDAN, LETS FORGET THE MIDDLE EAST CRISIS (BECAUSE IT WILL ERUPT ANYWAY) AND LET US SAVE AMERICA'S LITTLE PRECIOUS DIGNITY THAT SHE HAS LEFT AND NOT PERFORM SUCH A DISGUSTING ACT.

AS AN AMERICAN, AS A TAXPAYER, AS A SIMPLE HUMAN BEING, I DEPLORE THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT FOR EVEN CONSIDERING SUCH AN INJUSTICE. MORE WORDS FAIL ME.

FILE L.M.S.

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WITH DEEP REGRET,

Janet Bruders
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IRVINGTON, NJ, NEW JERSEY

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ATTORNEY GENERAL JOHN MITCHELL
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20530

NOTE, THIS IS ONLY A START.
I SAY - THIS IS A PLACE TO STOP.
NOW

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CORRESPONDENCE UNIT

Pres. Nixon, PLEASE, For
pete's sake, stop this lawyer or
lawyers. NOW. Since Uncle
Sam is paying the tab, the lawyers
are out to make a kill, here.

1ST Everyone knew
who the criminal was
and how he planned
this crime and how
guilty he is. So,
why drag it
out any longer.

15 weeks and 3
wks to choose a jury
now, they hope to
start all over
again.

Sirhan to Fight Trial Outcome

LOS ANGELES, April 15 (AP) —Sirhan Bishara Sirhan told his lawyer today that he is ready to keep on fighting, regardless of the outcome of his trial for the assassination of Sen. Robert F. Kennedy.

"This is only the start," defense attorney Russell Parsons quoted Sirhan, after talking with the defendant in the latter's jail cell. "We'll keep on fighting."

A jury, meanwhile, was pondering Sirhan's fate. The jurors were sent back to their hotel for the night at 6:55 p. m. (Pittsburgh time) with no indication of what, if any, progress they made.

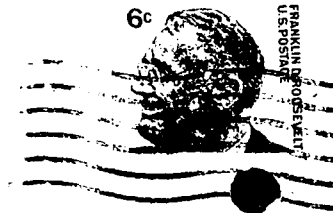
The jurors got the case at 2:55 p. m. yesterday and their first assignment was election of a foreman. They chose juror No. 8, Bruce D. Elliott, a systems analyst for an electronics firm.

PGH. POST GAZETTE
4-16-1969

Let see how much authority
a president has - Uncle Shylock
is broke, NO WONDER.

A colored man accidentally, bumped a
white woman on a street and he was
hung. This punk needed a bullet
long ago. F D F redley.

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President Nixon
White House
Washington
D.C.

FILE L.A.S.

April 16, 1969

White House

Washington, D.C. 20503

Dear Mr. President

MAY 1 1969

Re: Sen. Robert F. Kennedy

The murder seems to be a great
Circus. I am not a Lawyer or
know the Code of Ethics practiced
by Lawyers. I don't think
anything can "Justify Murder"
perhaps "extreme insanity"
since perhan perhan had complete
control of his Reflexes and could
pull a trigger I don't think he
was Insane. As a Hospital
Volunteer I have toured the
Hospital and the Violent Wards.
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Veterans Hospital.

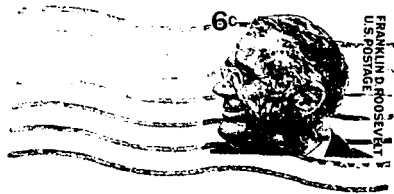
The excuses are obvious
it's political sympathy for
refugee etc etc since this is
an International Trial for "urban"

Wome has mentioned the
character of Senator Robert Kennedy
Political Father, a dedicated
young man with a great
purpose in life to better
the conditions for his children
citizens and posterity.

"Thou shalt not kill is a
Commandment of God." Let us
not forget the man or his family
that was left without a Father
in our summations.

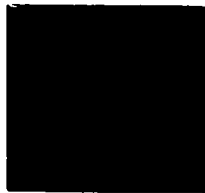
I appeal to you as a former
Lawyer, Mr President

Sincerely,
Wm E J. O'Brien



President Richard M. Nixon
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CORRESPONDENCE UNIT

Dear Mr. President,

I really hope you get a chance to read this letter because it is very important.

I am a 13 year old girl. Like many other girls my age, Bobby Kennedy was my hero.

He was the perfect president and he was an American dream. Everything a president needs was combined in him. Brains, wit, good looks, ambition and moral courage. Like many others also I was very sad when that jerk assassinated him. Now I'm disgusted that our government is so easy going that Sirhan is getting away with it.

Sirhan's defenders are saying he fired "In trance". Well maybe, he has not got all his marbles but it doesn't give him the right to go around killing nice guys. So to get to the point, I'm speaking for all Americans when I ask you to please persuade Congress to pass a law making court rules harder. For instance Sirhan is now probably thinking "I'll just pretend I'm insane then they'll let me go." It's probably the same thing James Earl Ray, Chaz Shaw, De Salvo, ~~Spot~~ Specks ect, are

thinking. But if Sirhan, who obviously did it, got a fair punishment, others would be reluctant to kill because they are afraid. I trust you, Mr. Nixon so please do what I ask. You would help everybody. If you don't do anything else in the 4 or eight years you serve, do this. PLEASE.

Yours Truly,
Me

P.S. I'm not trying to give a severe punishment to Sirhan if he doesn't deserve it. But I know he does.



President Richard Nixon
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington D.C.

April 15.

Dear Sir:

My family bitterly
oppose the building
of a special set of
rooms for Sispan
Bishara Sispan
if he is declared
insane. He should
be put in the State
hospital. Also, his
family should be deported
before another tragedy
occurs.

Sincerely
Lunia Shendock

Eunice Shendock
20371 Superior St.
Chatsworth, Cal. 91311

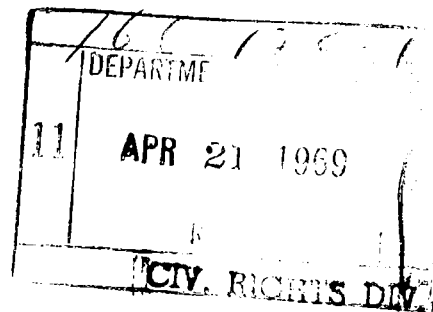


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27. Justice
Dear Mr. Nixon -

April 13, 1969

What is the difference between a nation and
an individual? Pray with me that our country
is reconciled with God.

Most sincerely,
Kay Dalke

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Nothing Short of Life in Prison

Sirhan Deserves It, Defense Shouts

LOS ANGELES (AP) — "Whether Mr. Sirhan likes it or not," thundered Sirhan Bishara Sirhan's own lawyer, "he deserves to spend the rest of his life in a penitentiary."

Ignoring Sirhan's hurt gaze, Grant B. Cooper looked intently at the jury trying his young client for murder and said: "We are not here to free a guilty man. We tell you, as we always have, that he killed Robert Kennedy."

Cooper thus began Thursday the last part of a three-man defense summation in Sirhan's lengthy trial. He resumes the summation today.

"I for one am not going to ask you to do more than bring in a verdict of murder in the second degree," said Cooper.

The penalty for second-degree murder in California is a sentence of five years to life, with the exact term and parole eligibility determined later by the Adult Authority. The state is asking a verdict of first-degree murder but not necessarily the death penalty, which is the only alternative to life in prison.

THE JURY MAKES the choice on a conviction of first-degree murder and a prisoner sentenced to life is not eligible for parole for seven years.

"I wouldn't want Sirhan Sirhan turned

loose on society when the psychiatrists tell us he is getting worse and he is going to get worse," Cooper said. "There is a good Sirhan and a bad Sirhan and that bad Sirhan is a nasty Sirhan."

"I have learned to love the little good The dark, curly-haired Jordanian, pallid from more than 10 months in a sunless prison cell, smiled at that.

But his face became sullen again when Cooper quoted now-familiar passages written in Sirhan's dairy before the slaying, asking each time: "Is that mature thinking? Is that meaningful thinking?"

MOTIVE, said Cooper as he launched into a lengthy explanation of the law, "is not an element of the crime charged and need not be shown," but can be considered as a circumstance in the case.

"Can there be any question in anyone's mind that Sirhan's motive was political?" he asked. "Though the motive was political, was it a healthy motive? Obviously the motive in killing any

human being is not healthy, but was it a mature motive?"

That, he said, is "the guts of the whole case" — whether Sirhan's mental capacity was so reduced that it affected his ability "to form any of the following specifics — intent to kill, premeditation and deliberation and . . . to reflect on the gravity of his contemplated act."

AND THEN Cooper made one of the few personal references to the victim heard in 14 weeks of trial.

"I have not overlooked that the man who was killed was Sen. Robert F. Kennedy who left a wife and 11 children, one who was born after his death," Cooper said.

And, in a voice tinged with astonishment, the white-haired attorney gestured toward Sirhan, sitting at the far end of the counsel table:

"He believed he was right. How stupid? He believed he shouldn't be punished. How stupid? How immature?"

She also wanted to encourage one of her nine children, fellow graduate Mrs. Lorraine Bowers, to get her high school certificate.

Mrs. Guerrero went to high school "because my father wanted me to go," but added: "I didn't appreciate it then. I think when you're older it means a lot more."

She said that her daughter, the mother of six, "might have to work someday and now she'll be better prepared to get a good job."

• **ABOUT 125 PEOPLE** attended the classes when the program got under way in October. Average of the students is 35 to 40.

There is no cost for the adult education classes. A \$5 fee is charged for taking the GED test.

About 95 per cent of those who take the classes earn the certificate. Only about 60 per cent of those who take the test without attending the preparatory classes get certificates.

Mrs. Fieta Hendricks' success in school was recognized by her son's third grade class at Finn. The class made a large scroll bearing notes of congratulations to Mrs. Hendricks from each student which was presented to her Thursday.

Every student there had his own personal success story . . . and a high school certificate to show for it.



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Art Linkletter, right, and other film notables saw world premiere

The showing was in the Hollywood home of Edgar Berger

Private Home Theater Scores 1st World Premiere

HOLLYWOOD (AP) — Picassos on the wall are nice. So are swimming pools, Rolls Royces, pool tables and mountaintop homesites. But for a real status symbol here you can't beat having your own, private home movie theater.

Pioneers like Charlie Chaplin, Douglas Fairbanks

Sr., Harold Lloyd and Sam Goldwyn first had them when flickers were silent. Now, equipped with wide screens, stereophonic sound and seats for 20 to 50 guests, they're in the homes of about 50 stars and executives.

TO NAME A FEW: Bob Hope, Dean Martin, Debbie

Reynolds, Ed Charlton, Hester Arthur Jacobs, Ransohoff.

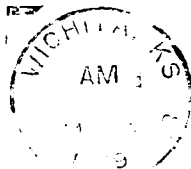
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Mr. and Mrs.
Monroe J. Dalke
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Wichita, Kansas 67213



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Dear Sir:

Referring to previous correspondence regarding Law Enforcement with Justice, I am enclosing another news item rather proves that too many of our courts are using and exercising their own philosophy when they overturn lower court decisions time after time, as in this particular case.

It should be obvious to the courts that this person is a dangerous person who has committed cruel and vicious crimes but nevertheless, instead of confining him, they nit-pick the thinking and decisions of other courts who heard evidence at first hand, studied the defendant but seem to find something to reverse.

No wonder law enforcement agencies are becoming frustrated when they are confronted with such repeated reversals, especially when the higher courts make their decision based on their own recent thinking and not what the law was at time of crimes.

So, I appeal to you Mr. Mitchell when your commission is making a study of law enforcement with justice, and when future members of the U.S. Supreme Court are appointed, they should leave their own prejudices behind them since it is becoming a matter of liberalism and conservatism, as especially one of the members seems to be that no one can do wrong, so let em go on their way.

Why are we having so many early retirements from our law enforcement agencies? Because every block is placed against them in investigations, depriving them of the necessary tools to gather evidence while the criminals use anything at hand and get away with it.

Many of our citizens are becoming plain disgusted, sick and tired with what is going on as in this particular case, there is no question of the defendant being guilty but what can the courts do to continue trial after trial and ignoring the plain facts, especially when such dangerous characters should be confined.

Now, we are going through a trial at is almost at an end in the Kennedy murder when their attorneys appeal to the jury seeking mercy, etc. even arguing what effect their decision will have on the defendants country Palestine and we ask why should any attorney argue such a point-eight or ten psychiatrists testified in Sirhan's behalf the defense attorney stating that he even has learned to love the defendant, etc. What sort of rot is this and when are we really going to enforce the law with justice without thinking of what effect it will have on International relations?

The answer is swift court trials, fair, just to both sides without all of this maudlin treatment. I am not a law enforcement member but a plain disgusted citizen.

Sincerely,

John E. Meaney

Los Angeles Times 4/12/69

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LETTERS—TV

SATURDAY, APRIL 12, 1969

Slayer of 3 Wins Right to Retrial, Penalty Hearing

BY GENE BLAKE

Times Staff Writer

A triple killer who made legal history five years ago in a death penalty reversal has been granted a new trial for two 1962 murders and a new penalty hearing in a 1964 slaying.

The California Supreme Court reversed the conviction of Joseph Bernard Morse, 25, for the fatal bludgeoning of his mother and invalid sister in their Chula Vista home.

And the court invalidated a death penalty decreed for Morse in the strangling of a fellow prisoner in the San Diego County Jail.

In deciding the two cases, the six justices were divided sharply with six separate written opinions totaling 91 pages.

Morse was 18 when he used a rock and a baseball bat to beat to death his widowed mother, Mrs. Hope Morse, 58, and his sister Jennifer, 12, a victim of cystic fibrosis.

He made two detailed confessions. In the second, the Supreme Court said, he "described with dispassionate particularity the background and execution of the crimes and exposed them as a coldly calculated expression of accumulated rage."

Morse was quickly convicted and sentenced to death. But in 1964, in a precedent-shattering decision, the State Supreme Court reversed the death penalty.

The court said then the jury had been improperly advised that it could consider Morse would be eligible for parole in seven years if given a life sentence.

Jurors should be instructed that they may not consider the matter of parole, the court said, and must be instructed:

"It would be a violation of your duty as jurors if you were to fix the penalty at death because of a doubt that the Adult Authority will properly carry out its responsibilities."

As a result of that decision, many other inmates of San Quentin's Death Row were granted penalty retrials.

In Morse's retrial, he received a life sentence. The sentence was imposed Aug. 21, 1964, and it became final without appeal.

But exactly a week earlier, he had strangled Thomas Larry Taddei, a jail trusty serving 120 days for

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ports, Shirley is responsible for an outbreak of the
his factory bubonic plague. MA (1½ hrs.)
conformity in **10** Movie—Drama (1947)
good-looking "They Won't Believe Me," Robert Young,
ent in a wild Susan Hayward, Rita Johnson. A man,
hrs.) intending to kill his wife, finds she
has committed suicide but he must face
trial for her death. MA (1½ hrs.)

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aughton, Ella **13** Movie—Drama (1957)
man is lured "The Black Whip," Hugh Marlowe, An-
MA (2 hrs.) gie Dickinson. MA (1½ hrs.)

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5 Movie—Comedy (1943)
"Ghosts on the Loose," Bela Lugosi,
Ava Gardner, the Dead End Kids. F (1½
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Terry-Thomas,
Robin Hood **11** Movie—Drama (1959)
ing of merry "Wolves of the Deep," Massimo Girotti,
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masquerading as a priest and soliciting money on the streets.

The motive? Taddei had refused to pay Morse 10 packages of cigarets won in a series of domino games.

Morse's trial was shifted to Orange County. He was convicted and sentenced to death for a second time in 1964.

In reversing the 1962 convictions, the Supreme Court ruled 5 to 1 that Morse's confessions were obtained in violation of his constitutional right to counsel.

At the time the conviction originally was upheld, the line of court decisions (Escobedo, Dorado and Miranda) requiring that suspects be advised of their right to an attorney and to remain silent had not commenced.

Eligible to Appeal

But the court, in an opinion written by Justice Raymond L. Sullivan, said Morse was still eligible to appeal by the time the Escobedo and Dorado decisions were handed down, and that his conviction thus was not final.

Therefore, he was permitted to raise the issues on a petition for a writ of

habeas corpus. In a retrial, the admissibility of the confessions will be judged on even stricter standards imposed by the Miranda decision.

Concurring with Justice Sullivan were Chief Justice Roger J. Traynor and Justices Raymond E. Peters, Mathew O. Tobriner and Louis H. Burke.

Justice Marshall F. McComb dissented on the ground that the error was not prejudicial. Justice Stanley Mosk did not participate because he was attorney general at the time of the case. His replacement, Justice Thomas P. White, has since died.

In the second case, Justice Sullivan was joined by Justices Tobriner and Burke in upholding the conviction but reversing the death penalty.

They held that, under the compulsion of the U.S. Supreme Court's Witherspoon decision of last year, some prospective jurors were improperly excused for their opposition to capital punishment.

In a lengthy dissent, Justice Peters said the prosecutor improperly commented on the failure of Morse to testify and a manslaughter instruction should have been given to the jury.

Comedy 'Angels and on Stage of Melrose

BY MARGARET HARFORD

Times Staff Writer

There's a lot of skittish, amiable fun in "Of Angels and Eskimos," Oscar Mandel's comedy now absorbing the fancy of the Melrose Theater's workshop regulars. It leaves a little ping of enjoyment like one of Mr. Cash's used cars which are always pinging. And because Cash himself may be a little mad, his cars are bargains at the price, always lower than what the buyer says he'll pay.

It is this kind of sweetness and light, the reverse of man's native greed and vulgarity—so prevalent now in the Sick Sixties, that generates a smile and a friendly reception for "Of Angels and Eskimos," which is far from flawless, even a mite amateurish in a literary sense.

In other words, Mandel is no Neil Simon when it comes to writing witty, indelible lines and constructing airtight plots. What he has going for him here, awkwardness notwithstanding, is a raffish comedy sense and an optimistic spirit, both as refreshing for a change as a glass of spring water.

"OF ANGELS AND ESKIMOS"

A comedy by Oscar Mandel, directed by Karl Swenson at the Melrose Theater, 7420 Melrose Ave. Production designed by Dale Barnhart; Elmer Bladow, technical director.

Mr. Cash	..... Paul Kent
Master Tennyson	..... Rory O'Brien
Mr. Buckingham	..... Richard Bull
Mr. Talbot	..... Shawn Michaels
Mr. Inuk	..... Jeff Burton
The Angel	..... Bunny Bernhardt
Miss Talbot	..... Linda Melkisch
Mrs. Talbot	..... Barbara Collettine
The Doctor	..... Audrey Marilyn
The Black Shadow	..... Don Elson
The Policeman	..... Thom Brann

a better world beyond. As you can see, this sort of thing isn't the ticket for those who have stopped praying for Rosemary's baby and seek new thrills.

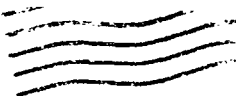
Paul Kent plays the idealistic used car dealer Mr. Cash, who does his best to hold the flimsy plot together and thinks normalcy is an open invitation to trouble.

Broker's Wife

Richard Bull, his chief salesman, strives to sell the merchandise at rock-bottom prices despite persistent efforts of buyers like Shawn Michaels, a wealthy real estate promoter, to pay the top tariff.

There's a burglar (Don Elson) who brings things instead of taking them and

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Terri Ann Palumbo

258 Flower Avenue West, Watertown, New York 13601

April 7, 1969

Dear Mr. President,
I sincerely hope that you
receive this letter before it is
too late. This letter concerns
the trial of Sirhan Bashira
Sirhan.

For one thing, I have great
respect for our country and
the Supreme Court. However,
I feel the Court is making
a serious mistake by trying
to let Sirhan off on insanity.
These are my reasons:

- ① Sirhan has already
pleaded guilty.
- ② Certainly anyone who
kills a man, especially
Senator Robert Kennedy,
is insane to a certain
extent.

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③. The Supreme Court itself
BLIND in Sirhan's diary,
QUOTE: "Kennedy must
be killed tomorrow
night." When a defend-
ant stood up and
said that Sirhan was
incapable of pre-planning
the assassination.

Number Three is the most
disgusting fact of all. Please
see if you can do something
about this, I ~~am~~ am a
Republican, and my parents
voted for you in 1960 and 1968,
I am thirteen years old,
and I'm very fond of you
and your wife and government.
Sincerely,

Arri Palumbo

P.S. Has Tricia heard the song
called "Tricia Tell Your Daddy"?



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The President of the United States,
The White House,
Washington, D.C.



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The Honorable Richard M. Nixon
President of the United States
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear President Nixon:

We were deeply moved by the Eulogy you gave in behalf of "Ike". We were proud you are our President, and the words you spoke in his behalf were appreciated by the world I am sure.

We recently read an article in the San Diego Union stating that "a three-cell suite is being built for Sirhan...at a state medical facility...".

We were shocked, disgusted, and angered by this news. Since this particular crime was committed "beyond the shadow of a doubt" before numerous witnesses, punishment should have been swift and sure, and if the laws were upheld (those of the Constitution as our forefathers wrote them) it shouldn't have taken longer than 24 hours for the sentence to be carried out.

We love our country and are proud to be able to contribute to its support through our taxes. As an ex-service family of 23 years, we get "fighting mad" at this judicial farce that is going on for Sirhan at our expense. We strongly protest the mollycoddling of criminals. Something is drastically wrong with a judicial system where justice is not the prime concern, but where the defense is allowed to "win at any cost" and at the taxpayer's expense, and at the decent people's terror when they are released on technicalities.

We appreciate your efforts to bring this country back to a set of moral values where we can be proud to be Americans.

Respectfully yours,

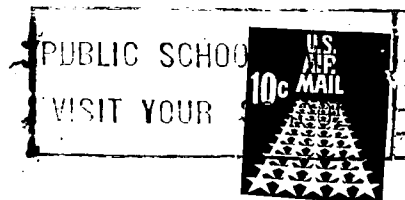
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THE HONORABLE RICHARD M. NIXON
PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Justice

Hon. Sec. of State, Rogers:

The ridiculous prolonged trial of Sirhan Sirhan, is even being made more ridiculous by the tactics of three expensive attorneys who with the aid of an Arab UN official named Issa Nakhleh who thru radio and TV broadcast has been able to besmirch and excuse the murder of Robert Kennedy. With deliberate lies and exaggerations, this Nakhleh is ~~even~~ exonerating this vile crime that it was justifiable and the Arab world think of Sirhan as a guerrilla who did his bit like all the Arab guerrillas for the UAR.

I think this is a matter for our Ambassador to the UN to take up this matter. Could an American minor official go to any Arab country and interfere in a trial of murder that this Issa Nakhleh calls this trial a political one and a justifiable one thru the press and in his TV broadcasts?

Yours truly,

Edward G. Ford

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MEMORANDUM TO ALL EMPLOYEES

SUBJECT: Tetanus or "Lockjaw" Immunization Program

A tetanus immunization program is recommended by the Public Health Service of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

Tetanus can result from any injury, including nail punctures, insect bites, splinters, burns and lacerations. There is no known cure for tetanus which has one of the highest fatality rates of all infections.

Tetanus can be prevented by the tetanus toxoid immunization, which is 99.9% effective if the immunization series is completed and booster injections given as directed. The tetanus antitoxin which must be given to persons who have been injured and who have not had the immunization can result in a dangerous allergic reaction.

The complete series of the tetanus toxoid immunization program consists of:

- (1) First injection
- (2) Second injection given 4 to 6 weeks after the first injection
- (3) Third injection - one year after the second injection.
- (4) Booster injections should be given after an injury regardless of the time lapse since the last injection.
- (5) To maintain immunity a booster injection should be given every 5 years.

The Department will administer a tetanus immunization program at a charge of 25 cents per inoculation to cover the necessary costs. If you are interested in participating in the program, complete the form appearing below, detach and forward to the Health Unit, Room 2305, Main Building. Detailed plans for the administration of the program

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Dear President Nixon,

Could you tell me why; they are taking such a long time on the Sitom-Kennedy trail? I think it's been going too long. Thank you very much.

Harmon H. Lange

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Rapid City Journal

Tuesday, April 1, 1969

Quote Suite Of Cells Being Prepared For Sirhan

By DONALD H. HARRISON

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A suite of three cells—complete with living and dining quarters and a television set—is being built for Sirhan Bishara Sirhan in case the young Jordanian is convicted of assassinating Sen. Robert F. Kennedy.

The California Department of Corrections wants Sirhan to stay in the special extra-secure cell whether he gets life imprisonment or the death penalty.

"If he's convicted," a Corrections Department officer said, "There's always the chance that some inmate would try to kill him. We've spent about \$5,000 to remodel his section so he'll never come into contact with other prisoners."

The walled-off suite of cells is being prepared at the California Medical Facility at Vacaville, near Sacramento. A bill pending in the California Legislature would permit Sirhan, if sentenced to death, to stay there rather than at San Quentin's death row as is now required.

Sirhan's trial, starting its 13th week, was recessed Friday until Tuesday with rebuttal witnesses for the prosecution on the stand. The defense has rested its case with testimony that Sirhan did not meaningfully premeditate the assassination in Los Angeles last June 5.

Phil Guthrie, the corrections officer, said preparations for Sirhan's incarceration were being made in advance of a verdict because "we'd get him within days after sentencing." If the jury convicts Sirhan of first-degree murder, it will decide the penalty—death or life imprisonment.

Sirhan would be confined to three adjoining cells—each about 10 by 15 feet. In one would be a kitchen with a stainless steel stove where uniformed guards would cook Sirhan's meals. Most prisoners eat in a central kitchen. Sirhan's quarters, Guthrie said, would "eliminate the risk of someone trying to poison his food."

In the second cell, a living room with television set, Sirhan would receive visitors. He would sleep in the third cell. A bathroom is off the kitchen.

Full-time security guards would be posted near Sirhan's quarters, Guthrie said, "the cost of imprisoning him would probably far outstrip the \$2,800 yearly spent on average prison-

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Sirhan is acquitted
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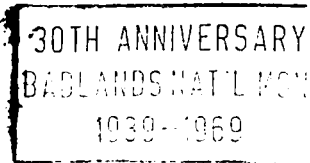
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April 25, 1969

Honorable George Murphy
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator:

This is in reply to your request for our comments regarding the letter of March 31, 1969 from Miss Lillian Shaw on the Sirhan case.

Since the prosecution of the Sirhan case is being handled by the local law enforcement authorities in California, it would not be appropriate for the Federal Government to comment about the case in any way at this time.

Your enclosure is returned herewith.

Sincerely,

WILL WILSON
Assistant Attorney General

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