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'Pigging' sorts through Houston's best Mexican

They say that Yankees are the biggest converts to Mexican food; that once they try it, they seem to crave it every other day. Well, I'm no Yankee, just an Air Force brat, but once I found out that Mexican food didn't come in TV dinners, no one could keep me away from the exotic delights. Comes from having grown up on saurkraut and kolbasse, I guess.

Whatever the reason, I love Mexican and



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TexMex food. And although the best is in San Antonio, and Dallas has some original concoctions, Houston has the most and most varied Mexican restaurants of any city I've visited.

Ninfa's is one everyone knows and loves, and with good reason. It's clean, has a spectacular green sauce, is the only eatery I've been to that has quail, and you can usually get out of the place on Navigation without getting mugged. Besides that, it is over-rated

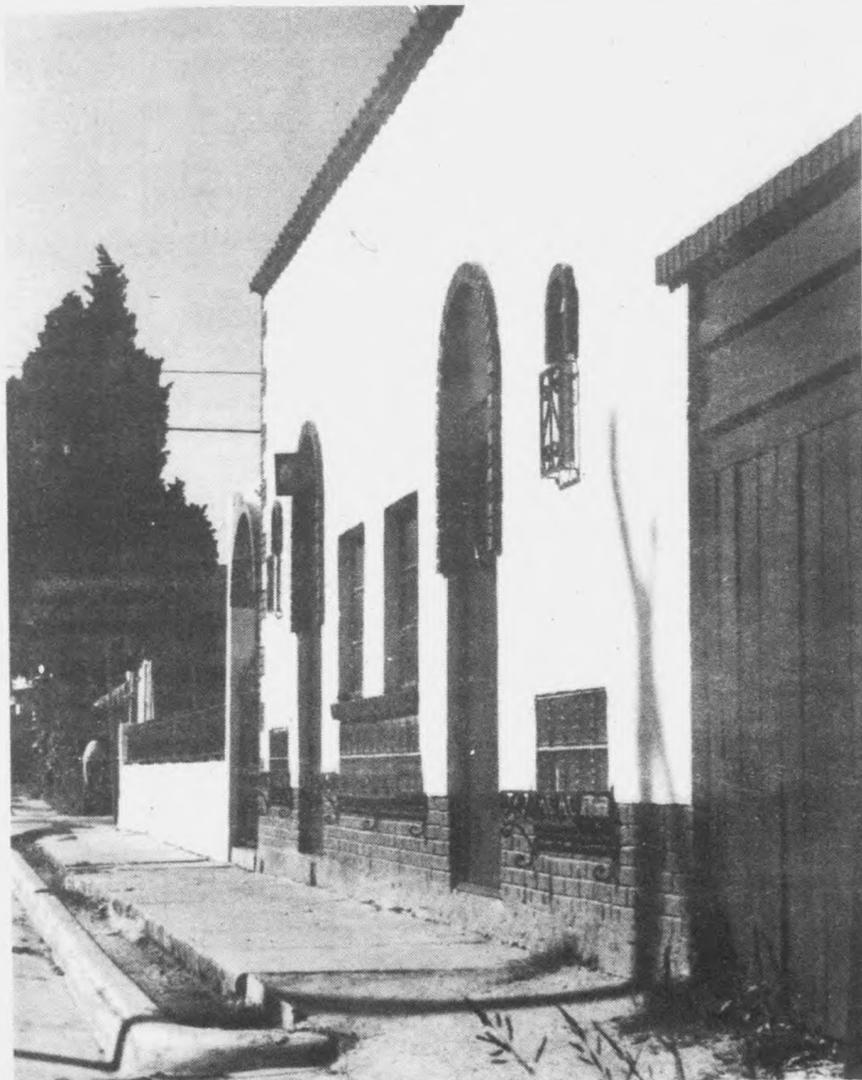
and over-priced. There are better bargains to be found.

In previous columns, I mentioned two fine places; **Doneraki's**, 2836 Fulton, and **Las Brisas**, West Gray at Stanford. D's quality isn't the best, but it has a fine hot sauce and they feed you well for your money. One can't say enough about Las Brisas. It has a lovely atmosphere, the people are friendly, the prices are extremely reasonable, and the food is GREAT.

However, the list doesn't stop there. There is the one and only 24 hour Mexican food joint, **Las Cazuelas**, whose claim to fame includes delicious soft chicken tacos, fried tripe, and cabrito. Not to mention mariachis at 3 in the morning.

Another great dive is **Pepe's** over on 925 S. 75th. It really is a hole in the wall, but the service is fast and the food is consistently good. If you ever happen to venture downtown, pop in to **La Siberia**, 1207 Capitol. The food is slightly on the expensive side for the amount and the quality, but the homemade flour tortillas **make** the tacos al carbon. It's also entertaining to watch the women making the dishes, which they do in an open area near the window.

But no restaurant can touch the air of mystery and intrigue that surrounds the **Last**
(See Cruising, Page 11)



Last Concert entwines mystery and great food



Doneraki: A garden party with plenty to eat for all

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FEBRUARY 22, 1968 -- UH HAS ONE OF ITS FIRST PROTEST MARCHES OF THE TURBULENT DECADE. 25 PROTESTERS ASSEMBLED AT THE UC TO PROTEST CIA RECRUITERS ON CAMPUS. OF THAT NUMBER, 19 JOINED THE MARCH TO OB HALL. THREE MORE MARCHERS WERE LOST AT E. CULLEN. LATER ON THE ROUTE, THE PROTESTERS LOST TEN MORE TO THE WARMTH OF THE UC. BY THE TIME THE MARCHERS REACHED THE CIA OFFICE, THERE WERE ONLY EIGHT STUDENTS TO CONFRONT THE SPOOK RECRUITERS. THE RECRUITERS HAD BY THIS TIME GONE TO LUNCH.



dibrell and bell

A few departed parts on the lamb

While playing a violin, Mr. T—p discovered for the first time his shoulders belonged to a longshoreman in Brooklyn. His discovery occurred midway through a Bach recital when Mr. T—p had the irrepressible urge to toss some cargo onto a clipper.

But Mr. T—p wasn't the first person to discover his anatomy wasn't all his own. While promenading one evening in front of a mirror, Ms. T—e discovered the distinctive wiggle in her walk was being loaned to her by a retired veterinarian. The walk was a special technique of hypnotizing horses and Ms. T—e had potential she might not ever realize.

And not very long ago, Mr. T—r really found himself in a pickle. His knees were a plumber's helper's, his nose had "Fred" tattooed on it, his knuckles were the property of someone named Leroy and his lunch was cold. "I can not stand," he said in his distinctive baritone voice belonging to who knows who "to hold my spoon in a grip everyone will give Leroy credit for."

And these instances are just the beginning. There are thousands of other misplaced parts on various bodies

carrying on as though they knew what they were doing. Unfortunately most of these parts haven't been documented because the rate of discovery is only up to the t's.

But what, if anything, could this bodily uncertainty do



david quine

to the size of the line at the paranoia bank? And what can the customers do with all that mounting tension without a withdrawal? A Mr. T—w returned from the bank only to find he had taken the paranoia reserved for a Yugoslavian rump roast inspector. "Without his

paranoia," someone in authority said, "this poor inspector might get too emotionally involved with his business."

Occurrences of misplaced parts have appeared throughout the universe. On the planet Zippo, a rare Klockdon started his ceremonial mating dance only to discover he had been attracted by his own rahooley.

But misplaced parts aren't always so embarrassing. A poodle trimmer in Newark awoke one morning to find the unsightly wart on the end of her nose had been transferred to a picture of General Custer.

Some people even turn around to find their brain in the wrong body. Once while buying groceries, an old woman suddenly found herself addressing the graduating class at Harvard. Her brain just checked into a very coveted position while her body was left in the produce aisle with a handful of fruit.

My own brain often runs off with other bodies. In fact, it wrote this column while in the body of a kangaroo psychiatrist in Toronto. But the guy was a real slob. He returned my brain with gravy on it.

Ex-governor solves problems with citizens' aid

by ron foster

Former presidential candidate George Romney said Wednesday night it will take "more than just good politicians to straighten out some of the problems America is facing now."

He made his remarks just prior to speaking before some 2,000 Mormons gathered in Hofheinz Pavilion for a program entitled "Strong Families—Strong America." The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, for which Romney is a regional representative in the St. Louis and Champaigne areas, sponsored the event.

"I decided when I left American Motors that I would devote the rest of my life to improving the country and solving problems through working with the citizenry," he said.

"Right now I'm working toward the same objectives that brought me into public life in the first place," he added. Romney refers to his successful campaign for governor of Michigan in 1962. Prior to that election, he had risen to president, general manager and chair of the board of American Motors.

His administration brought to fruition a number of causes he had espoused as a private citizen—the new state constitution, tax reform, a healthy state economy and an end to budgetary deficits.

Romney went on to explain that the difficulty with solving controversial community and civil problems lies with the no-win situation a politician must face in a partisan situation.

"The great journalist Walter Lippman couldn't

have said it better," declared Romney. "You can't be too right too soon and win elections."

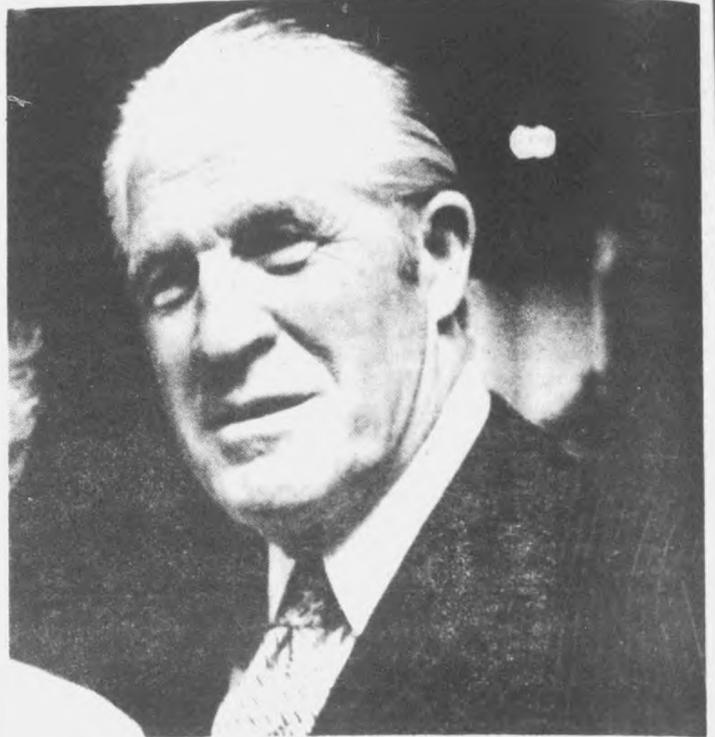
"Supplement political parties with opportunities for concerned citizens to work with improving the government, and you'll solve some of these problems," he said. "You give me 300,000 truly concerned citizenry volunteers and you'll turn this country around," he added.

Romney said that aside from serving on the advisory boards of a few corporations, such as the Arthur Anderson Co. in Michigan, one of his primary interests now is serving with the National Center for Voluntary Action, where he works with an organization which acts as a control center for various voluntary organizations around the country.

While in Houston Romney spoke to Joan Hanlon, executive director of the Voluntary Action Center for Houston and Harris County, a local organization which acts as a clearing house for recruitment of volunteers in and around Houston.

Hanlon said the great man was especially interested in voluntary interaction with corporations, particularly Tenneco, Exxon and Shell, which have a large voluntary program to help retirees and families in need.

Romney gained national notoriety in 1968 when he ran against Richard Nixon in the Republican presidential primaries. Romney's defeat in that campaign is said to have stemmed from an unfortunate statement he had made saying he was "brainwashed" by the Vietnamese.



George Romney... straightening things out

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Grading system may change next semester

by robert cahill

Tony Colson, UH associate provost, said Thursday the plus and minus grading system probably won't be put into effect this semester.

But, he added that the chances for implementation in the spring are "excellent."

The '78-'79 UH General Information Bulletin states the plus and minus grading system was to be operative this fall; however, Colson said problems in the computer programming of the new numerical grade equivalents have postponed implementation.

The recommendation for the adoption of the new grading system was unanimously passed by the Undergraduate Council last spring, and subsequently approved by the administration.

Colson said the new system, when implemented, will allow greater precision in grading. Instead of the standard five letter grades, twelve grades will be possible.

He said that some individuals in the various colleges have voiced strong objections to the new system, but he added teachers won't be required to use the new system once put into effect.

It is also undecided at this point whether the plus and minus system will include two or three digit numerical grade equivalents.

The UH Bulletin listed the following equivalents: A- or 3.33, B- or 2.67, C- or 1.67 and so forth. He said these equivalents will probably be rounded to two digits.

Colson said "My belief is that we will probably have to go with a single digit after the decimal."

He said, "It (plus-minus system) can be applied to all regular letter grades except incompletes, unsatisfactory and satisfactory."

The Bates College of Law uses numerical grades and, therefore, won't use the new system, he said.

UC offers Holiday Buffet

The Holiday Buffet in the Houston Room at the UC may be the booster for the end-of-semester, pre-finals dread.

The UC and Mannings, Inc. will be serving lunch Dec. 5-6 from 11:30 to 1:30 p.m.

The menu includes sparkling fruit punch and other libations, salad, fruit ambrosia, beef au jus, smoked ham, roast turkey and dressing, mashed potatoes and candied sweet potatoes, green beans almondine, black-eyed peas and two kinds of pie.

Reservations should be made by 5 p.m. today, at the UC administrative office, Ext. 1246. Some tickets will be available at the door.

Earthquake damage assessed

MEXICO CITY (AP)—Many of Mexico City's building, were closed Thursday as municipal officials assessed the damage done by a series of earthquakes that stunned central and southern Mexico. There were no confirmed reports of deaths due to the quakes.

The police public relations office said, "It is believed there are probably six dead, but I must emphasize this is not a confirmed report." About 100 persons were injured and 500 treated for shock.

The six shocks began Wednesday about 2 p.m. and continued through 6 p.m., shaking loose building cornices, breaking windows, cracking large buildings and briefly shutting down the subway system in this metropolitan area of 13 million residents.

"It was terrible," said Rosario Hidalgo Martinez, 31, a secretary who was momentarily caught in an 11th-floor office building. "People were white in the face, they were so scared. But we all made an effort

and stayed calm."

Municipal inspectors were checking the eight-story federal treasury building, the navy department building, and dozens of other structures in Mexico City and other towns that were damaged and closed after the quake. A not-yet-occupied 20-story hotel was left with four cracks between four and six inches wide on one of its walls.

The quake's most severe shock registered from 6.5 to 7.9 on the Richter Scale, making it capable of widespread heavy damage. The National Geophysical Institute said the epicenter was beneath the Pacific, about 10 miles off Puerto Angel on the Oaxaca coast.

Dr. Jaime Yamamoto, chief of the national university of Mexico seismological service, said the quakes "were possibly the worst in Mexican history."

"It would have been much worse if the epicenter had been located on land," said Prof. Cesar Luna Bauza, a leading meteorologist. "The fact that it was out in the Pacific helped."

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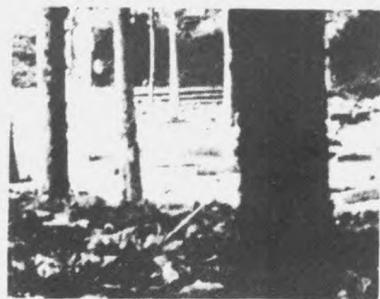
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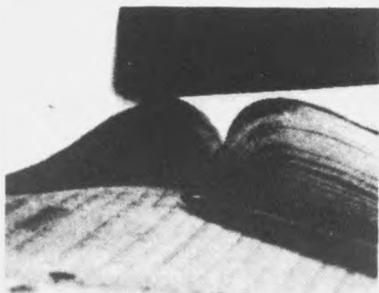
Tom Waits and Leon Redbone, 7:30 & 10:30 p.m. Cullen Auditorium. Admission: \$6, \$7. X1435.

Recital: Jeffrey Lerner (Clarinet) & Erie Mills (Soprano) 7 p.m., Dudley Recital Hall, FA. Admission: Free. X3796.

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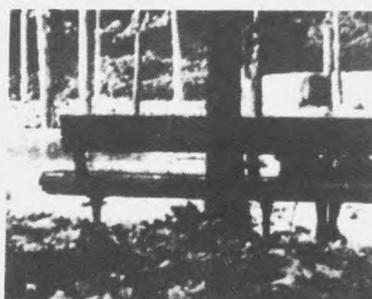
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Seminar: "Advances in Electron Beam Memory" by Dr. J.C. Wolfe 1-2 p.m. Room 102D, X4674.

Exhibition: Clay/Metal works by LeBeth Lambers, Jim Allen & Patricia Price (through 1-12-79). Opening, call for information Galerie Sur La Terre, UC X1262.

New Music Ensemble 8 p.m. Dudley Recital Hall, FA. Admission: Free. X3796.

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Workshop: TV Equipment 9 a.m.-noon, AV Services, M.D. Anderson Library. Admission: Free. X2361.

"Cinderella X" 1 p.m. Pacific Room, UC; 7 & 10 p.m. Houston Room, UC. Admission: \$1. X1435 or X3456.

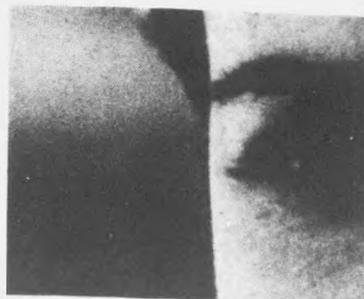
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"Love and Anarchy" (film), 1 p.m. Pacific Room, UC; 7 & 10 p.m. Houston Room, UC. Admission: \$1. X1435 or X3456.

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UC Christmas Buffet Lunch, Open to All. Cost: \$4. X1246 for reservations.

Wind Ensemble: Jeffrey Lerner, Conductor. Cullen Auditorium. Admission: Free. X1116.

Communication Symposia with Nelson Goodman, Distinguished Philosopher, Atlantic Room, UC. X1400.

Graduate Seminar: "Stereothresia: Rhesus Monkeys Using Small Display Dot Stereograms (New Data)" Seminar Room, OPT. 3319. X3361. Myrta Kennon.

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Communication Symposia with Nelson Goodman, Distinguished Philosopher, 2-5 p.m. Room 201, COM. X7400.
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Communication Symposia with Dr. Hollornen, Director of Mass Communication Research Institute at Lycheater University. 12:00 p.m., 210 AH X2869.

UH Concert Chorale & University Chorus, 8 p.m. Houston Room, UC. Admission: Free. X3796

"Casablanca" (film) 1 p.m. Pacific Room, UC 7:30 p.m., AH Auditorium 1. Admission: \$1. X1435 or X3456.

Seminar: "Accumulation of Guanethidine by the Isolated Perfused Rat Heart" 12-1 p.m. Room 501, SR2, X1165.

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Last day of Class

UH Musicum Collegium Concert, 3-4:30 p.m., 8th Floor, Library. Admission: Free. X1466, ask for Charlotte Randolph.

Communication Symposia with Tom Engleman, Executive Director, Newspaper Fund. 12:00 p.m., 210 AH. X7400.

"Klute" (film), 1 p.m., Pacific Room, UC. 7:30 p.m. AH Auditorium 1. Admission: \$1. X1435 or X3456.

Surf Film, 7-9 p.m., AH Auditorium 1. Admission: \$2. X1435 or X3456.

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HRM Christmas Party, 5-8:30 p.m. CEC. X2482.

College of Business Administration, Christmas Party for Faculty & Staff, Houston Club. X3968.

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Fall Garage Sale 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., Catholic Newman Center. X3924.

Communication Symposia with Elisabeth Kubler-Ross, author & authority on death & dying 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. X7400.

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Surf Film, 7-9 p.m., AH Auditorium 1. Admission \$2. X1435 or X3456.

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Bowl on line

Coogs face passing Owls

by t. edward bell

The UH Cougars don't necessarily have to win Saturday's game against the Rice Owls to make it to the Cotton Bowl, but it would certainly make a lot of people feel better.

The Cougars looked as if they would sail into the New Year's Day contest against the Fighting Irish of Notre Dame. Texas Tech took exception and surprised the Coogs with a 22-21 win last Saturday in Lubbock.

Now Tech could be in the bowl picture. All they have to do is defeat eighth-ranked Arkansas in Fayetteville Saturday, and the Cougars must lose to Rice. The ninth-ranked Cougars have no such intentions.

The team is going into the game with only one starter, Free Safety Elvis Bradley, out with a strained arch, injured. He will be replaced by junior Kenzie Foley. Unlike last year, which saw the Cougars hobbled all season, there have been few injuries.

Coach Bill Yeoman said his team will be up for Rice, a team known for its effective pass attack. "I've got a sneaking suspicion these kids (the Cougars) are really going to play hard this week," Yeoman said. "I think our practices have been as they should be. I think they are going to come back without turnovers and be ready to play mentally."

The Cougars had a painful seven turnovers in their loss to Tech. Quarterback Danny Davis threw four interceptions, more than he had thrown in the previous nine games combined.

One of the biggest surprises of the season, much to Rice's dismay, has been the Cougar's young defensive line, headed up by sophomore tackles Hosea Taylor and Leonard Mitchell.

Mitchell has had two pass interceptions this season, no small feat for a lineman, but made even more spec-



Danny Davis

tacular considering both snatches were returned over 30 yards for touchdowns.

Taylor, a 6-5, 250 pounder from Longview, led the team in tackles last week with eight, including one quarterback sack.

Saturday will be a big game for running backs Emmett King and Randy Love. King has a total of 948 yards rushing on the season and Love has 928. If both men have good games against the Owls they could become the first pair of backs from the same team to have 1,000-yard seasons in conference history.

Saturday's game will be in the Astrodome with a 7:30 kickoff. Students buying tickets can receive three free tickets for every one purchased at the Hofheinz box office.

UT tennis coach quits after report of theft

AUSTIN (AP)—Cathy Beene, second-year women's tennis coach at the University of Texas, has resigned following a published report that she stole a \$200 watch from a player she was recruiting.

"I made a mistake," said Beene, a former star tennis player at Lamar University in Beaumont.

The player, Ann McNabb of Harlingen, was quoted in *The Daily Texan* as saying she had filed a complaint with the police department Sept. 13 claiming that Beene had stolen her watch Feb. 18.

McNabb is a former Texas Tech student who is now a University of Texas sophomore but not a member of the tennis team. She said the watch was taken after she and Beene had spent the night at a player's residence. Later, she said, she saw Beene wearing it.

McNabb said Beene returned the watch Sept. 15, plus \$200 to buy another one, in exchange for a verbal agreement that McNabb would not press charges.

McNabb reported the incident to Donna Lopiano, women's athletic director, who put Beene on probation in September.

McNabb, however, also reportedly contacted the *Texan*, the student newspaper, three weeks ago and her story appeared Wednesday on page one.

Beene said in a statement that since the incident had become public knowledge, "I feel I can no longer function in my capacity as head tennis coach."

Lopiano said, "I thought it was unfortunate that the *Texan* thought that was news. People make mistakes, but I'm not sure cutting peoples' heads off is the answer. Cathy is a fine young person."

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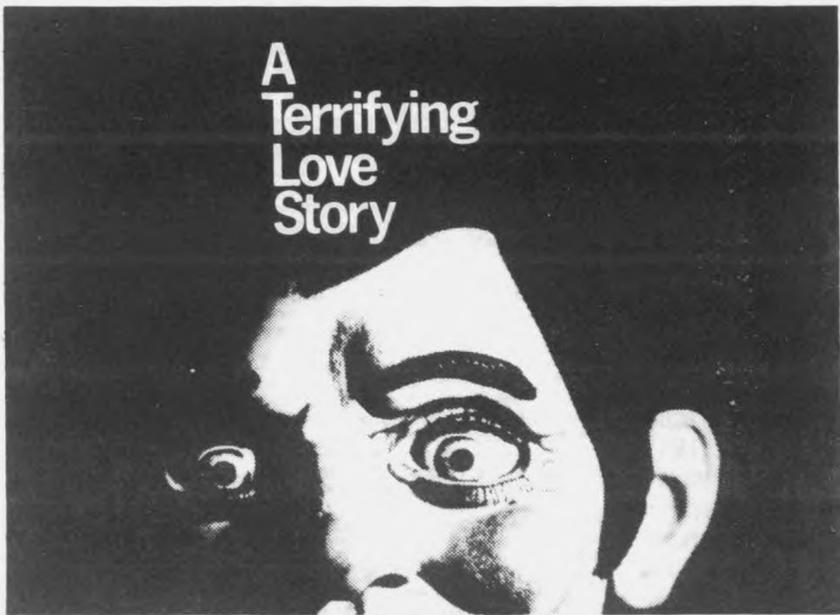
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Neil Young protege provides vocal 'breath of fresh air'

by lea galanter

With the surge of mediocre vocalists lately, Nicolette Larson is a breath of fresh air. Her new album contains a varied selection of songs, ranging from blues to gospel and reggae.

The album starts out with Neil Young's "Lotta Love," which is done with more of an upbeat than Young's countrified version. Getting a lot of FM air play lately, Larson's version has its own unique appeal. Switching next into a reggae beat, she then swings into a throaty rendition of Jesse Winchester's "Rumba



Girl" in which she sounds like a cross between a mellowed out Janis Joplin and Bonnie Raitt.

While this critic has an aversion to mediocre remakes of old hits (Linda Ronstadt's "Living in the U.S.A." is a prime example), Larson's version of Sam Cooke's "You Send Me" really does send me. Beginning with a 50's beat, it leads into smooth vocals. Backup vocals by Valerie Carter were unnecessary, as Larson can carry this tune beautifully solo. The addition of Andrew Love and his lovely sax succeeded in

making this a real crooner of a song.

The first side then proceeds to do a nosedive with the last two songs. "Can't Get Away From You" is your usual rock song. Burt Bacharach and Bob Hilliard's "Mexican Divorce" could not be saved, even by the backup vocals of Ronstadt.

Going on to the next side and back to old remakes, Larson's rendition of "Baby Don't You Do It" is not one of the better ones around. "Give a Little," written by this album's keyboard player Billy Payne (in conjunction with his wife Fran), proved to be slightly better than mediocre.

Larson then slipped into something a little more comfortable by doing a duet with Herb Pederson. The gospel "Angels Rejoiced" was sung in fine form and contained the beautiful mandolin accompaniment of Albert Lee, but this version is still not as good as the one done by Gram Parsons and Emmy Lou Harris.

"French Waltz" proved to be both pretty and different. A really nice song, it came complete with the accordion sounds of Paris in the background. It reminds one of a song Judy Collins might do.

Though Ronstadt sings background vocals in "Come Early Mornin'," it would have been better if she had sung the lead, for this song is perfect for Ronstadt's voice. Larson's voice is very sweet but lacks the necessary volume to really belt this song out. The dobro by James Burton was a welcome addition.

Last on the album, "Last in Love" is a beautifully sad song written by J.D. Souther and Glen Frey (who used to play for Ronstadt not so long ago). It is a song one becomes enveloped by. Anyone who isn't moved by it's verses either has no heart or hasn't had it broken yet.

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