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SENATOR Huzzah!

KERRY

WINS!!!

BBC Special Report
By Lord Angus Montagu

After Senator Kerry conceded the election on Wednesday, November 3rd, to President Bush, people around the world considered George Bush the winner of the U.S. Presidential election. However, one political commentator for Fox News declared Kerry to be the real winner. "Senator Kerry is the real winner in this election, by losing even more than that blowhard Al Gore four years ago, Kerry ensured a smooth transition after this election process, and helped the United States hide its status as an up and coming third world nation," said Fox News Political Commentator Joseph N. Otsosmart.

In a further attempt to add legitimacy to the presidential election, President Bush stated publicly that John Kerry was a worthy opponent. "Senator Kerry waged a spirited campaign, but unfortunately since he and his supporters are a bunch of Godless lefty Pinko Commie

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Peter Jones: A Satire

Congratulations to Peter Jones! He has recently been nominated for the "How to Win Friends and Influence People through Nonviolent Action" Award for 2004! In his efforts to persuade the LDS foes of gays to see the righteousness of his point of view, Mr. Jones has refused to give in to violent acts like firebombing their homes or churches. Instead, Mr. Jones has resorted to nonviolent action by using incendiary words. There's nothing like throwing around the word "bigot," trashing someone's beliefs, and accusing someone of being "less of a person" because of his religious affiliation to bring him around to seeing your point of view—just ask Muslims who made it through being persecuted in Bosnia and Kosovo only to covert to Christianity! Examples of similar conversions abound! I applaud the example of Mr. Jones—perhaps he himself made his remarks in jest, but who could treat so serious a statement lightly, a statement with such obvious merit? I hope that my fellow Menardiers

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A Notice of Intentions

After leafing through a few copies of inter alia from the years prior to my coming to Idaho, I have come to the conclusion that, as a publication, inter alia was once predominantly humor-oriented. Which surprised me. Because it had always struck me as a hateful rag, filled with vicious personal attacks and witless satire. What happened? My theory is that for the past year and a half, Venusian molemen have been beaming mind control rays directly into the brains of those seeking a juris doctorate in this fine state. To remedy this less-than-optimal situation, I made an alliance with the Kansas State Legislature and the French film company Canal+, who have generously donated the capital and engineering expertise, respectively, to construct an invisible aluminum shield above our beloved College of Law.

Ladies and gentlemen: we are free. We are free to get in touch with our feminine sides. We are free to eat cake. And we are, most importantly, free to bring the funny. To that end, it is my intention to purge this paper, to ensure that every corner is filled with pratfalls and jokes, and to generally lighten the mood around here. Because law school is hard enough without mind control rays from Venus.

- Christopher Taylor, Editor

Stanley v. Lennox Industries, Inc. et al.: Offers “Hot” Excitement!

Walking into the courtroom to hear *Stanley v. Lennox Industries, Inc.* (Hereinafter referred to as *Lennox*) kept me on the edge of the bench. Marjorie Stanley leads the cast as the plaintiff in this high-spirited good-time extravaganza. The plot line is a familiar one: family gets new furnace, goes on two week vacation, return to home to find the house overheated and their possessions damaged. BAM! Did the trial court err in granting summary judgment to *Lennox*? Watch and find out! From the first words of the defense-appellant counsel, I was hooked! The prima facie case in this case leads only to a reasonable expectation of fun! *Docket No. 29809.*

Dire v. Dire-Blodgett: No License Required to Enjoy This Gem!

From the first words of the opinion of Justice Eismann you'll be glued to your seat and forget about your overpriced popcorn and soda from the Supreme

Court Concessions Booth! In this romantic intrigue, Bruce Dire and Crystal Dire-Blodgett round out a cast of characters straight out of Shakespeare, and pro-

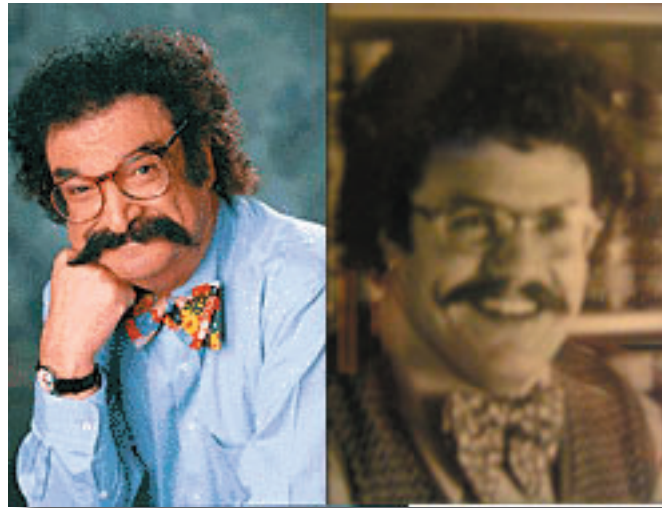
all! *Docket No. 30060.*

Amco Insurance Co. v. Tri-Spur Investments: A Harassing Snooze!

I expected this case to be a sure-fire blockbuster. It has all the right elements: sexual harassment, indemnification and a tangled web of intrigue running right through America's investment security and insurance industries. But the cast and script make this bomb fizzle out. To begin with, the plot is ridiculous: The insurer of a company accused of sexual harassment requests a declaratory judgment that it isn't required to defend or indemnify a sexual harassment suit. By the end of the film, I just didn't care anymore!

Revealing that the judgment of the lower court was affirmed won't spoil this story for you—the cast and writer already have! *Docket No. 29551.*

Well, gang, that's it for this week's reviews. Enjoy the show, and remember, “save the aisle bench for me!”



Slack Corner Presents:

Idaho Supreme Court Case Reviews By Gene Shalit/Roger Burdick

vides the answer to the age-old issue: is a marriage license required in order to have a valid marriage in the state of Idaho after January 1, 1996? In this thrilling escapade, a couple starts cohabitating after they are married in a ceremony—or are they? Allegations of phony ministers and a forgotten marriage license filing ensure fun and laughs for

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will use Mr. Jones's inflammatory technique more often in their efforts to confront injustice. Civility be damned!

Mr. Jones has clearly taken his example for effecting social change from the efforts of American civil rights pioneers. There is the oft-ignored speech of Dr. King, in which he denounced the racism of white "devils" – particularly, white Wiccans with their wicked, mayonnaise-eating ways and spell-casting. Inspiring words, indeed! And let us not forget the inventor of the famed "Double Bird" hand gesture, Rosa Parks, who duly motioned in said manner while

shooing away those who challenged her right to a seat on the bus. Since rising to fame for this, Ms. Parks has gone on to wage a one-woman campaign condemning Scientology and Zoroastrianism, whose adherents she dismisses for being "sub-human wack jobs." In the future, when confronted by people whose views are fundamentally opposed to my own, I will endeavor not only to find pithy ways to label them while in engaged in dialogue, but also to find something about them to condemn...something that casts doubt on their humanity (albeit sans Mountain Dew). These days I identify as some sort

of heathen, so perhaps it's time to start railing against Christian "people." (I could probably take Mr. Jones's mini-diatribes against Mormons, do a quick "search and replace" of "Mormon" for "Christian" and avoid having to re-invent the wheel.) Whatever the case, it's all for a good cause: forcing people who don't agree with me to see just how right I am.

With more than two years of this law school civil discourse crap under my belt I've sort of had it with politely debating my peers when we don't agree – so I'm just saying "no" to reducing myself to treating intellectual *Untermensch* with respect and dignity, pretending as if they are somehow on my level. To hell with all that! From this day forward, I vow to you that I will instead adhere to the Jones Principle of Words as WMD.

-- mme kitty

Lemony Snicket's *A Series of Unfortunate Consolation Prizes*.

1972: John Ashcroft lost his bid for a seat to the US House.
Consolation Prize: Missouri State Auditor.

1976: Ashcroft had his Auditor position voted out from under him.
Consolation Prize: Missouri Attorney General.

2000: As the incumbent, Ashcroft lost his US Senate seat to Mel Carnahan, a dead man.
Consolation Prize: US Attorney General.

2004: Ashcroft voiced his desire to step down because of exhaustion and stress.
Consolation Prize: Chief Justice of the US Supreme Court.

2023: Ashcroft tries to cover Satan's bare breast, damned to center circle for eternity.
Consolation Prize: God takes a special interest, giving Ashcroft a plush Pikachu to keep him company during those hot, hot nights.