

# Tax-paying madam battles police

SAULT STE. MARIE, Mich. — Ethel Brand runs a profitable little business in northern Michigan and subscribes to the American ethic: Work hard and pay your taxes. But it's the kind of work she does that keeps getting her into trouble. She is a tax-paying madam, claiming to have paid \$3,600 in federal income taxes last year on estimated gains from her bordello. The way she figures it, legalized prostitution could be a good deal for both the government and many unemployed women. "All those women on welfare could get a job then," said the husky-voiced grandmother of five. "And I'm not talking about a job where they get paid \$1.80 an hour — a person can't get by on that. This way they could get it and they could pay taxes, too.

People don't mind paying taxes as long as they're working," Brand, who looks 15 years younger than her 48 years, had an amiable relationship with Sault Ste. Marie police until recently. But the publicity she received by agreeing to pay taxes on income from her 4-year-old brothel has resulted in her arrest — twice — for operating a house of ill repute. The thrice-married, now-divorced Brand said her recent arrests are the result of bad publicity the Police Department got when her tax story hit the newspapers. Before that, she said, they were amused by the operation. The bordello is a few blocks from the Soo Locks, two of the world's three longest locks, which separate Lake Superior and Lake Huron, on the St. Mary's River, the dividing line between the United States and Canada. Thousands of tourists visit the town of 15,000 every year to

examine the locks and crowd the dozens of souvenir shops, restaurants and motels in the downtown business district. Even though Brand pays income tax, prostitution is illegal in Michigan. "Maybe I'm what you call a publicity seeker," she said, gesturing with a hand bearing rings on every finger. "But I had no intention of embarrassing the police chief. "I always got along OK with the police until just now." "All (the police) wanted was overtime pay. My taxes pay their salaries. I resent them wasting my tax money that way." Brand claims local residents are amused — not offended — by her business and said many of her patrons live in town. And she is convinced she's good for the local economy because tourists who come to her bordello also bring money to spend elsewhere.

# Hearst protests, gets new hearing

SAN FRANCISCO — Newspaper heiress Patricia Hearst Shaw, a former fugitive with the terrorist Symbionese Liberation Army, is entitled to a hearing to determine if she was improperly defended at her bank robbery trial, an appeals court has ruled. The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals has ruled Hearst's trial attorneys, F. Lee Bailey and Albert Johnson, may have violated legal

ethics because Bailey was planning to write a book about the case. Bailey agreed to testify but said, "Her lawyers are misleading her. She got a whopping good deal." Hearst's current attorney, George Martinez, sought a new trial while his client was in prison, but U.S. District Judge William Orrick rejected motions of an improper defense. The appeals court upheld Orrick's decision, but directed the judge to conduct the new hearing and investigate a possible conflict of interest charge.

Hearst, convicted in a 1976 trial, served 22 months in prison before her sentence was commuted by President Carter.

Martinez has argued among other things, the Boston attorneys failed to investigate whether the terrorist group kept Hearst under "involuntary" hallucinogens after kidnapping her from her Berkeley apartment in 1974.

Bailey was hired by newspaper publisher Randolph A. Hearst to defend his daughter when she was arrested in 1975 after spending more than a year as a fugitive with the SLA.

Hearst said Bailey had talked to her about writing a book before her trial started. The attorney conceded he signed a contract with G.P. Putnam, a book publisher, shortly after the trial ended.

The appeals court said the book contract "created a potential conflict of interest." Whether this "ripened into an actual conflict of interest" should be determined in a district court hearing, the ruling said.

The court also said Bailey's intention of writing a book on his client's trial appeared to violate the American Bar Association's code of ethics.

Martinez said Bailey's book prospect influenced his decision to put Hearst on the stand in her own defense. Hearst refused to answer questions about her underground life, which weakened her case with the jurors, said Martinez.

The lawyer said also the book contract influenced Bailey not to seek a delay in the trial or to move the case out of San Francisco because he wanted it to be a highly covered sensational trial.

# Woman denied custody

CHICAGO — A woman, whose three children were taken away from her because of her live-in boyfriend, says her fight to regain custody isn't over despite a setback in the U.S. Supreme Court.

"I know in my heart that I'll get my children back," Jacqueline Jarrett said after learning of the court's 6-3 decision to refuse to hear her appeal.

Jarrett said it is difficult to explain the court's action to her daughters, who are 16, 14 and 11 and live with her ex-husband.

She said, "They don't see us as a live-in couple. They see us as just a couple."

The Mount Prospect, Ill., woman has been trying to regain custody of the children for more than three years. Her attorney, Michael Minton, said he planned to file a civil rights suit in U.S. District Court in Chicago in an effort to bring constitutional issues in the case before the U.S. Supreme Court.

"This is a mother fighting for her children. It is not marriage on trial, it is not morality on trial," Minton said. "A mother has had her children taken away and she hasn't been told why."

Jarrett had asked the high court to consider her appeal of a decision by the Illinois Supreme Court, which said her living situation was a "disregard for existing standards of conduct" and might be morally dangerous for her daughters.

Minton said he was encouraged by the vigorous dissents of three justices, including Justice William Brennan, who said there was nothing to support a conclusion that "divorced parents who fornicate, for that reason alone, are unfit or adversely affect the well-being and development of their children."

# Hustler held not libelous

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Franklin County Common Pleas Court Judge Frederick T. Williams has ruled in favor of Larry Flynt and Hustler magazine in a \$10 million libel suit filed by William Loeb, publisher of the Manchester (N.H.) Union Leader.

The suit stemmed from an article in the magazine entitled: "William Loeb — The Pursuit of Power."

Williams says the issues raised in the case have already been litigated in earlier trials in U.S. District Courts in New York and in Massachusetts.

Loeb lost in each of the earlier trials. Attorney Thomas Tyack says he will confer with Loeb before deciding whether to appeal the ruling by Williams.

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