There is little story—just a succession of unrelated episodes which are a singular mixture of sex and sadism, quite repellent, with characters who are mere puppets of the author's fantasies. It has no redeeming literary merit and its purpose is plainly pornographic.

The Tribunal classifies this book as indecent.

R. S. V. SIMPSON, Chairman.

20 August 1971.

No. 342

Decision of the Indecent Publications Tribunal

In the matter of the Indecent Publications Act 1963, and in the matter of an application by the Secretary for Justice for a decision in respect of the book A Programmed Guide to Seduction, anonymous, published by Sphere Books Ltd., London.

There was no appearance of the applicant nor of the publisher's representative in New Zealand. Accordingly no submissions were made.

DECISION OF THE TRIBUNAL

PROGRAMMED learning texts are very much in vogue nowadays, and this is a rather light hearted anonymous spoof on them, with a sexual theme. It is all rather amusing and we doubt if it will be of any practical use to anyone misguided enough to take it seriously.

The Tribunal classifies this book as not indecent.

R. S. V. SIMPSON, Chairman.

20 August 1971.

No. 343

Decision of the Indecent Publications Tribunal

In the matter of the Indecent Publications Act 1963, and in the matter of an application by Transworld Publishers Ltd. for a decision in respect of the book *Portnoy's Complaint* by Philip Roth, published by Transworld Publishers Ltd., London.

Mr R. A. Heron, solicitor of Messrs Swan, Davies, McKay, and Co., appeared on behalf of the applicant and made submissions.

DECISION OF THE TRIBUNAL

This paperback edition of Philip Roth's much-publicised novel is essentially the same work as that declared not indecent by the Tribunal in its decision No. 201. That hardcover edition has been widely on sale since early in 1970. Mr Heron submitted that the same decision was called for in respect of this later edition and the Tribunal concurs.

The Tribunal classifies this book as not indecent.

R. S. V. SIMPSON, Chairman.

20 August 1971.

No. 344

Decision of the Indecent Publications Tribunal

In the matter of the Indecent Publications Act 1963, and in the matter of an application by the Comptroller of Customs for a decision in respect of the book *Hokey* by Donald Stahl, published by Ace Publishing Corporation, New York.

There was no appearance of the applicant nor of the publisher's representative in New Zealand. Accordingly no submissions were made.

DECISION OF THE TRIBUNAL

Hokey tells of the extraordinary experiences of Clarence Hokey Horner when he finds the secret of how to take time trips out of his defeated early middle age into fantasies of bizarre sexual adventure. The description of his sexual entanglements is, in places, genuinely comfc, but there is in the book as a whole such a crudeness in the assault made on the mind and the senses by its lewdness that the book must be considered indecent.

The Tribunal classifies this book as indecent.

R. S. V. SIMPSON, Chairman.

20 August 1971.

No. 345

Decision of the Indecent Publications Tribunal

In the matter of the Indecent Publications Act 1963, and in the matter of an application by the Comptroller of Customs for a decision in respect of the book As the Naked Wind from the Sea by Gustav Sandgren, published by Universal Tandem Publishing Co., London.

There was no appearance of the applicant; Mr M. R. Camp, solicitor of Messrs Phillips, Shayle-George, and Co., appeared on behalf of the distributors and made submissions.

DECISION OF THE TRIBLINAL

This Swedish novel tells of a young man's sexual initiation by a group of girls on a summer holiday island, with his family acting as earnest sponsors of the process.

Many will find offensive the claustrophobic atmosphere of the novel's treatment of sex as social hygiene, but adults are not likely to be injuriously affected by it. Younger readers, however, could be so affected. Mr Camp submitted that an age restriction would be appropriate and we agree.

The Tribunal classifies this book as indecent in the hands of persons under 18 years of age.

R. S. V. SIMPSON, Chairman.

20 August 1971.

Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act 1954—Proposed Cancellation of Registration of Industrial Union

PURSUANT to section 85 of the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act 1954, it is hereby notified that the registration of the Wellington, Taranaki, Nelson, and Marlborough Gas Works and Related Trades Employees Industrial Union of Workers, Registered No. 1957, situated at 20 Cecil Road, Wellington, will, unless cause to the contrary is shown, be cancelled on the expiration of 6 weeks from the date of the publication of this notice in the Gazette.

Dated at Wellington this 19th day of August 1971.

A. C. RUFFELL, Registrar of Industrial Unions.

Department of Labour.

Department of Agriculture—Agricultural Chemicals Notice, Amendment No. 39 (No. 91 Ag. 3599)

PURSUANT to the Agricultural Chemicals Act 1959, and to a delegation from the Minister of Agriculture under sections 9 and 10 of the Department of Agriculture Act 1953, for the purposes of the said Act, it is hereby notified that the Schedule to the Agricultural Chemicals Notice (No. Ag. 10487)* is hereby amended by adding the products specified in the First Schedule hereto and deleting the products specified in the Second Schedule hereto.

FIRST SCHEDULE

| Product Name | Proprietor No. | Registered No. |
|--------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Anthio 40 | 7 | 764 |
| DeDeVap 1000 | 47 | 1889 |
| MacDonald's Lime Sulphur | 125 | 318 |
| Nuvan 50 E.C | 10 | 1132 |

SECOND SCHEDULE

| Product Name | | Proprietor No. | Registered No. |
|----------------------|--|----------------|----------------|
| Anthio 40 | | 22 | 764 |
| DeDeVap 1100 | | 47 | 1889 |
| Lawry's Lime Sulphur | | 23 | 318 |
| Nuvan 50 E.C. | | 44 | 1132 |

Dated at Wellington this 20th day of August 1971.

S. C. GAINEY, for Director-General of Agriculture. *Gazette, No. 55, 11 September 1969, p. 1721

Maori Land Development Notice

Whereas by virtue of the notice referred to in the First Schedule hereto the land described in that notice was declared to be subject to the provisions of Part XXIV of the Maori Affairs Act 1953; and whereas it is desired to release that land from the provisions of the said Part XXIV:

Now, therefore, pursuant to section 332 of the Maori Affairs Act 1953, the Board of Maori Affairs hereby gives notice as follows: