

dialogue form, of the sexual orgies and excesses of a society known as the Aphrodites. The style in which the book is written is not as gross as some books in this genre but its purpose is to appeal to prurience.

The Tribunal classifies this book as indecent.

R. S. V. SIMPSON, Chairman.

17 October 1972.

No. 578

Decision of the Indecent Publications Tribunal

IN the matter of the Indecent Publications Act 1963, and in the matter of an application by Seven Seas Publishing Pty. Ltd. for a decision in respect of the book, *The Sex Ads* by John Gordon, published by Tower Publications Incorporated, New York.

There was no appearance of the applicant. Mr Henderson, solicitor, appeared on behalf of the publisher's representative in New Zealand. No submissions were made.

DECISION OF THE TRIBUNAL

THIS book has no honesty of purpose. It uses the device of fictitious advertisements seeking sexual experience as a vehicle for recounting with prurient artificiality, a variety of sexual exploits and deviations.

The Tribunal classifies this book as indecent.

R. S. V. SIMPSON, Chairman.

17 October 1972.

No. 579

Decision of the Indecent Publications Tribunal

IN the matter of the Indecent Publications Act 1963, and in the matter of an application by Seven Seas Publishing Pty. Ltd. for a decision in respect of the book, *The Buyers* by Jack Martin Oppenheim, published by Award Books, New York.

Mr Henderson, solicitor, appeared on behalf of the applicant. No submissions were made.

DECISION OF THE TRIBUNAL

THIS novel, set in the American garment industry, ruthlessly unfolds a story of the harshening effects of blind dedication to commercialism. It is not written with the compelling insight of an Upton Sinclair, but the characters are given some reality. In places it is coarse but although low sexual mores and high sexual urges govern a good deal of the action of the story, they are not dwelt on in unnecessary detail. The over-all effect of this book is not corrupting.

The Tribunal classifies this book as not indecent.

R. S. V. SIMPSON, Chairman.

17 October 1972.

No. 580

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, *Sappho of Lesbos* by Jefferson Cooper, published by Gold Star Publications (Aust.) Pty. Ltd.

There was no appearance of the applicant. Mr Henderson, solicitor, appeared on behalf of the publisher's representative in New Zealand. No submissions were made.

DECISION OF THE TRIBUNAL

IN this turgid novel the varied relationships of Sappho are recounted in a manner that is not of itself objectionable. The book has, however, over 100 full-page photographs purporting to illustrate the love affair of Sappho and Pharon, a Greek warrior. They do not illustrate the text in any coherent way and their effect is to distort the book and make predominant an appeal to prurient lingering on sexual behaviour.

The Tribunal classifies this book as indecent.

R. S. V. SIMPSON, Chairman.

17 October 1972.

Order Prescribing Standard Terms and Conditions in Respect of Licences for Aerial Work Services

PURSUANT to section 26A of the Air Services Licensing Act 1951, the Air Services Licensing Authority hereby orders that the orders prescribing standard terms and conditions,

dated the 28th day of May 1969 and the 20th day of December 1971 and published in the *New Zealand Gazette* on the 29th day of May 1969 and the 22nd day of December 1971 respectively, are hereby revoked and that the terms and conditions set out hereunder be substituted therefor:

1. Unless otherwise ordered by the Licensing Authority in respect of a particular licence, the following standard terms and the meaning thereof shall be applicable in all licences for aerial work services in so far as they may apply to the type or types of such services as are authorised in the licences:

- (i) "Aerial topdressing service" means any service by aircraft (whether fixed-wing or rotary-wing) for hire or reward whereby any fertiliser or lime, insecticide pellet or dust is released from aircraft during flight in such a manner as to provide for the direct application of the material to the soil or to plant life thereon, or whereby any poisonous agricultural chemical whether alone or with any other substance is released from aircraft during flight for the purpose of destroying or repelling noxious animals.
- (ii) "Aerial liquid topdressing service" means any service by aircraft (whether fixed-wing or rotary-wing) for hire or reward whereby any liquid fertiliser is released from aircraft during flight in such a manner as to provide for the direct application of the liquid to the soil or to the plant life thereon.
- (iii) "Aerial spraying service" means any service by aircraft (whether fixed-wing or rotary-wing) for hire or reward whereby any agricultural chemical in the form of a liquid spray is released from aircraft during flight in such a manner as to provide for the direct application of the chemical to the soil or to plant life thereon.
- (iv) "Miscellaneous aerial work service" means any aerial work service by rotary-wing aircraft for hire or reward other than an aerial topdressing service, an aerial liquid topdressing service, or an aerial spraying service.

2. In these Standard Terms and Conditions—

- (i) "Fertiliser" means any non-liquid substance, other than an agricultural chemical, but including lime, which is in a state suitable for application to land or plants for the purpose of increasing the growth or productivity of beneficial plants.
- (ii) "Liquid fertiliser" means any substance (other than an agricultural chemical) in the form of a liquid suitable for application to land and plants for the purpose of increasing the growth or productivity of beneficial plants.
- (iii) "Agricultural chemical" means any substance (other than a fertiliser or a liquid fertiliser), whether mixed with any other substance or not, sold for the purpose of protecting any form of plant life from injury caused by any organism or virus, or for the purpose of curing any such injury or any disorder of plant life of a physiological nature, or for the purpose of influencing the growth of any form of plant life, and includes any animal poison.

3. Categorisation of licences and replacement of aircraft:

- (a) Licences for aerial topdressing services will be categorised in the following manner—
 - Category I Licence*—Granted to operators utilising aircraft with a payload exceeding 4,480 pounds.
 - Category II Licence*—Granted to operators utilising aircraft with a payload not exceeding 4,480 pounds.
- (b) Within the above categories the Authority will approve in respect of each licence granted a maximum fleet payload capacity in pounds.
- (c) An operator may use any number or type of aircraft appropriate to the category of licence to achieve the fleet capacity authorised by the licence, but the aggregate payloads of the aircraft used shall not exceed the prescribed maximum fleet capacity.
- (d) An operator may replace any aircraft in his fleet within the category for which the licence is granted, provided that the maximum fleet capacity is not exceeded. Written notice of any replacement shall be made to the Authority within 7 days of such replacement being effected.
- (e) For the purpose of this paragraph—

"Payload" means the maximum agricultural hopper load permissible as provided by the Ministry of Transport for the particular aircraft, with fuel sufficient for 1 hour's operation, plus pilot (170 lb) and oil.