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By Jim Barrett

not to worry. That is, when you live there you are in a constant state of terror. But most of us have grown accustomed to the far flung combat across the sea and, sad but true, hardly read the news when such is reported.

Actually, the trials and tribulations of poor Paula Jones and her romp with the "then" Governor of Arkansas catch our eye or ear and is the first reported over the 6 o'clock news.

For all practical purposes, the world is at peace. Oh yes, we have the ongoing skirmishes in Israel, Ireland, Bosnia and numerous other places on this planet, but these continuing disagreements have been going on for centuries. Never to be solved,

I swear a comet could be on a collision course with the Earth at any moment and if Paula Jones came up with a photo of her and Bill in an indiscreet pose, the Comet would take second billing at newstime.

It just goes to show that sex takes precedence over all other events that may occur throughout the universe. Wars, riots, shootings, rapes, hunger and all other events that cause man's inhumanity to man run second. Albeit a close second, but still second.

And when all is said and done it matters little what act Paula and Bill performed and who is to blame. Who cares?

Returning to Bill, I question his choice of women. I hope he has better wisdom in his current employment than he does in his romantic ventures. His past record leaves a little bit to be desired.

To change the subject—which is best, Summer is upon us. The heat is already here and hold on to your air-conditioners. This Summer is going to be a hot one. In my travels I have found that the only place to be in summertime is California. While playing the great game of baseball, however, I have spent many a Summer in such great states as Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana, Arizona and New

Mexico. If you are a sinner and want to atone for your sins, just spend three months in the purgatory of America—Texas. I lost 40 lbs. one humid Summer playing ball in Texas, Louisiana and the Southwest.

We may have our problems here in California, like earthquakes, etc., but we won't die of the humidity as we sit here on our rubble. Southern California has the best weather.

I know of people who have left California for various reasons, but they return. Life is too short for a too hot or cold climate. I can live with earthquakes. Tornadoes or hurricanes scare me to death.

Sweet Pete Needs Another Chance

Scrounging around in a city parking lot the night of May 19, the large white German Shepherd mix was dodging traffic, trotting along like he had a purpose. As he encountered people, he stopped long enough to look hopefully into their eyes, as if to say, "are you the person who will take me home?"

At 60 pounds, the 1 1/2-year-old Shepherd mix was grossly underweight for his size and his sunken stomach and protruding ribcage showed evidence that he had been on the street for some time. Slowly starving to death, Pete was also playing host to fifty or more ticks. Fortunately for Pete, a passerby no-

ticed his emaciated state and offered him some water (after he lunged for her popcorn and soda, drinking it down in fast, desperate gulps). After he fin-

After two weeks of regular meals, Pete is coming along fine although he's still on the thin side. While recovering from his ordeal, he's received all his shots



Sweet Pete

ished the water, Pete hopped into the back seat of the woman's car where he settled in, refusing to leave. Seeing how gentle he was given his painful circumstances, the new friend decided to let the large dog come along for the ride home, naming him "Sweet Pete" for his loving disposition.

and been neutered. All blond and white, Pete appears to be a Shepherd mix. Kind, playful and very curious, he shows excellent potential as a loyal pet and a good watchdog.

If you are interested in meeting "Sweet Pete" and giving him a loving home please call (818) 252-5162.

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