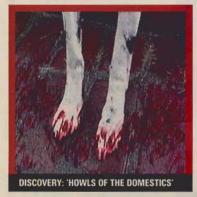
Channeling O.J.

IMAGINE A WORLD WHERE EVERY SHOW HAS TO DO WITH THE SIMPSONS by Jenny Jedeikin









HILE IT'S APPARENT THAT THE SIMPSON-GOLDMAN MURDERS, O.J.'S CAR CHASE AND HIS SUBSEQUENT TRIAL HAVE RECEIVED MORE HOURS OF AIRTIME THAN ANY OTHER MEDIA EVENT IN THE HISTORY OF THE SMALL SCREEN, SO FAR MOST OF THE COVERAGE HAS BEEN LIMITED TO NEWS PROGRAMMING AND SHOWS OF A (PURPORTEDLY) NONFICTION NATURE. BUT WHAT IF THE MANY TOPICAL THEMES AND CHARACTERS THAT WE HAVE ALL COME TO KNOW AND LOVE SO WELL BEGAN SPILLING OVER INTO PRIME-TIME ENTERTAINMENT PROGRAMMING? IN AN O.J.-DOMINATED UNIVERSE, HERE'S WHAT YOUR CHANNEL CHOICES FOR THE EVENING MIGHT LOOK LIKE.

8:00 ABC: 'My So-Called Legal Team.' Six overgrown adolescent attorneys live together under one roof and share their anxiety and stress while defending a larger-than-life client. In the pilot trouble abounds when little Johnnie is forced to learn the hard-fought lesson: Winning isn't everything.

Houseboys of the Rich and Famous, Hosted by Kato Kaelin' (Syndicated). In this weekly magazine show, host Kato takes viewers into stunning loafer-paradise suites. Meet an ensemble of celebrity-charity recipients as they recount their ascendancy into the guest house of their choosing. Learn first-hand tricks of the trade, such as how to feed the ego of a big star while you feed his dog "only when you feel like it"

Acres.' Prosecutor Marcia Clark leaves the rough-and-tumble world of downtown L.A. for the rolling lawns of Brentwood in this sitcom shot on location in Nicole Brown Simpson's former abode. Don't miss Marcia's new Eva Gaboresque blond 'do.

8:30 ESPN: 'Bronco Indy \$10,000.' Racers compete on a mock freeway track while crowds of T-shirt clad, gaping onlookers stand by. Losers

must forfeit high stakes

to post bail.

family housekeeper with a flair for wacky velour jumpsuits holds together a suburban family by devoting her "punctual" time to the neglected family dog and the neighbors.

9:00 HBO: 'Stand-up Ito.' When he's not clutching a gavel,
America's court jester is holding a mike. Listen to the best of Ito's finely honed material, which you might've heard previously improvised in court.
Includes his classic Akita bit first delivered to O.J.: "That's not a very good watch dog."

Television's longest-running series follows four no-nonsense LAPD detectives as they get slung through the mud week after week while their "status quo" police work is held up under a microscope in tough city courtrooms.

DISCOVERY: 'Howls of the Domestics.' From grand larceny to mere misdemeanor, the lowlevel barks and meows emitted from your pets can be indicative of a gruesome scene they may have just witnessed. Find out how to turn your domestic animals into pet detectives. Followed by a one-hour how-to arts-and-crafts special: Paw Painting with Your Puppy. 9:30 THE WB: 'Dad's Place.' What happens when three fun-loving twentysomethings are given free reign over palatial Brentwood digs? Meet O.J.'s maid, Gigi, and offspring Jason and Arnelle, who get the run of the house when their authority figure is temporarily detained in prison. In the pilot, Jason moves into Dad's bedroom but gets spooked when he finds bloody socks on the floor. All hell breaks lose when Arnelle slips on a drop of blood. The two have a heart-to-heart with Gigi: Just because Dad's away doesn't mean she should hang up her mop.

off-beat deputy coroner Irwin Golden uses layman's terms to take the audience through three easy-to-follow lessons to determine how long a corpse has been dead: (1) the melting cookie-dough ice cream stage; (2) quick-dry hoof paint; (3) the dripping candle.

10:00 MTV: 'The Real Jury.' With quick cuts and hand-held cameras, MTV takes you behind the scenes in the hotel rooms of the O.J. jury. MTV edits down 80 hours of footage every week to bring you the real lives of these 12 very real people. In the series pilot, watch juror number 7 arque with juror number 11 about what videotape to watch. Look for the special upcoming episode in which juror number 8 gets kicked off The Real Jury.