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Filmmakers succumb to one last temptation

THOSE WHO were exercised by "The Last Temptation of Christ" soon will have something new to worry about — a film coming from Canada, titled "Jesus of Montreal," made by **Denys Arcand**, who also did "The Decline of the American Empire."

NEXT WEEK, "Ghostbusters II" begins filming in New York, starring **Bill Murray**, **Dan Aykroyd**, **Harold Ramis** and **Sigourney Weaver**. But there are some problems with the screenplay and now they've brought in — are you ready — **Elaine May**. Yes — Elaine of Nichols & May fame; Elaine of "The Heartbreak Kid" and "A New Leaf," Elaine, director of "Ishtar." Well, even a genius can't win them all.

TWO JFK researchers have now filed suit against **Henry Zapruder** of Dallas, son of the late **Abraham**, arguing that the scion should not have the copyright to the famous 8mm movie his father made 25 fateful years ago in Dealy Plaza.

Zapruder sold the film to Life magazine shortly after the assassination for only \$150,000. The Zapruder family bought it back from Life in 1975 for \$1 million. (They charge about \$30,000 for each commercial use of same.)

I suppose researchers believe the film now belongs in the public domain. But the Zapruder family suffered quite a bit over this all-but-accidental footage that became so important to the Kennedy murder story. First, they were rousted about by the FBI when the feds seized the footage; then, some believe Abraham Zapruder died early, partly from the stress of it all.

WOW! When the **Jerry Lee Lewis** story comes to the screen, titled "Great Balls of Fire," **Dennis Quaid** will star. Playing the role of the TV evangelist **Jimmy Swaggart**, will be the sexy **Alec Baldwin**, the gorgeous gangster husband from last summer's comedy "Married to the Mob" and from "Beetlejuice."