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some danger. Now, please meet Michelle Shocked, a hard-headed East Texas gypsy folk-rockster who puts the danger back into "radical." Shocked is a self-avowed dissident voice whose agitprop-folk/punk style is as much a product of the San Francisco underground hardcore scene as it is of the Texas roadhouse circuit.

Her induction into the world of big-league pop is the stuff of fables: In 1986, Shocked was working at a folk festival when British producer Pete Lawrence walked up to her at a campfire one night and recorded one of her jam sessions on a Sony Walkman. That raw tape, complete with crickets and pickup trucks in the background, became a huge No. 1 alternative hit in England as "The Texas Campfire Tapes." Now, two albums later, she's back in the Bay Area for a pair of concerts. Saturday, she'll perform with John Wesley Harding at the Warfield, 982 Market St., San Francisco. Tickets for the 8 p.m. show are \$18-\$19. Sunday, she's at the Catalyst, 1011 Pacific Ave., Santa Cruz. Tickets for her 9 p.m. show, also with John Wesley Harding, are \$14, advance only. (408) 423-1336.

Borge is back for Flint fans

FANS of musical comedy have good reason to celebrate this weekend — Victor Borge, the ageless Great Dane of the concert stage, is back for a show Saturday at Flint Center.

In 1953, the Danish conductor/pianist began a series of madcap daily recitals on Broadway that were billed as "Comedy in Music." The show ran for 2 1/2 seasons, which was unprecedented at the time for a one-man-show. The 81-year-old Borge has been doing essentially the same show ever since — 75 to 80 times a year. His irreverent romps through the world of classical music are punctuated by jokes and two-groan puns that are probably as time-honored as the master himself. And that's enough to qualify them as true classics in our book.

Tickets for Borge's 8 p.m. show Saturday are \$15-\$25. Flint Center is on the De Anza College campus, 21250 Stevens Creek Blvd., Cupertino. (408) 864-8816.

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