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ARC Plans Forum in February

As one step in the community education campaign, a February forum is planned, to be held in a prominent local church. The panel of speakers will consist of 6 to 8 persons, each an authority in his field. Present plans include a sociology professor, a psychology professor, an attorney, a minister, a female homosexual, a male homosexual, and a prominent author. The selection of these people poses the problem: Do we bring in outside authorities who are readily available, or do we attempt to cultivate local authorities who, after the forum, will be available resource people in this com-

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ARC Community Center Postponed; Police Chief Rooney Threatens Arrest

Progress towards a community center for ARC has come to an abrupt halt. The decision to temporarily postpone the project came as the result of a meeting with Sacramento's Chief of Police, Rooney, whose hostile attitude has put ARC in a cautious mood over the center. It is felt that at this time further attempts should wait at least six months. Meanwhile, ARC will continue to investigate the feasibility of such a project during the interim. The only reason

Rooney: "We'll Take All of You to Jail"

On Thursday, September 7, ARC's Chairman and news editor met with the Chief of Police of Sacramento to discuss the attitude of the Police in regard to ARC's community center. Here is a summary of his remarks:

The Sacramento Police Department can utilize their entire force at any time to be at any specified area where needed. They would keep constant surveillance on the ARC community center at all times. Any violation of the law would result in the arrest of all persons present within the center. A license to operate as a public establishment would have to be purchased, which, in effect, would permit police entrance at any time, despite the fact that the organization would operate privately.

for the delay is concern for the security of members and guests should a police raid occur during a dance or a party.

We are not afraid to stand up for our rights, or even go to the extreme of having several willing members subject themselves to an arrest for the sake of suing the Sacramento Police Department. However, such an incident would hamper public relations with our members and jeopardize the organization.

Earlier last month, 37 ballots were mailed to members and subscribers in the form of a 'yes' or 'no' vote on the center. Of those returned, almost all favored it. ARC will not be forced to open a center outside of Sacramento; the center will be located in our own city, and within a year!

Office space is being considered as a means of handling the increasing amount of paper work and business matters of ARC. Even without a community center, the need for a central point of operations has become apparent. The office would serve as a meeting room for ARC's various committees, and the Board of Directors.

ARC Proposes Community Education Campaign

The need for a goal of continuing community education was sharply highlighted by a recent hostile reception of ARC representatives by Police Chief Rooney. ARC wishes to open a community center as soon as possible, but the expressed views of the police point out that the greatest good for the gay community at this time is an intensive program of community education about homosexuality.

The first steps have already been taken in the area of reli-

gion. Two clergy sympathetic to our cause, who are authorities in the field of theology and the homosexual, have agreed to come to Sacramento to speak to an interfaith group of clergymen. Prior to the meeting, ARC workers will have mailed to each participating clergyman copies of pertinent materials to provide him with some frame of reference. In addition to this mailing, all Sacramento clergy will receive a copy of the publication distributed in front of the Fair. Every person con-

tacted is a potential vote for a change in current sex law, as a major obstacle to such change is lack of information on the subject. Undoubtedly, each clergyman knows some liberal church members who may be contacted by ARC to ascertain if they may be of help to us.

Because of the religious element in most arguments against accepting the homosexual, the clergy has been selected as the focal point of the first phase of

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Homosexual Pamphlets Are in Local Taverns

The popular pamphlets which were handed out by the thousands at the California State Fair are available now at Sacramento's bars. Several hundred were left after the successful demonstrations in front of the Fair. The pamphlets, titled, "Every Tenth Person is a Homosexual", explain some of the myths and superstitions regarding homosexuality, and attempt to disqualify them by quoting statements and statistics from various legal and religious sources. The pamphlet ends with the statement, "It is time that the American public re-examine its attitudes and its laws concerning the homosexual".

Late in August ARC lost a booth in the education division of the fair through a Sacramento County Superior Court decision. The issue made headlines in the local press when organizations sponsoring the booth learned that their booth was rejected by the State Fair Board. After an appeal to Governor Brown was turned down, and a court decision ruling against a booth came about, ARC in co-operation with Strait and Associates, Council on Religion and the Homosexual, Daughters of Bilitis, Society for Individual Rights, and Tavern Guild of San Francisco, staged a mass demonstration in front of the main entrance to the Fair. Public response was very satisfactory and found most people reading the material with interest.

TO EDUCATE PUBLIC

ARC Pushes Campaign

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the program. Sermons in the various churches on the subject of homosexuality is a future probability.

The program will, among other facets, include saturation mailings, public forum presentations, presentations to civic groups, and articles via mass communication media. Workers are needed to do research and to help prepare the material to be mailed, to do clerical jobs such as addressing thousands of envelopes, typing letters, etc., and to help raise money necessary to finance this type of project.

If you don't like the stereotyped image of the homosexual held by the general public, then give generously of your money or your time. It is up to us as homosexuals to provide information and to help these sympathetic people to know the homosexual.

Why You Should Vote 'NO' on 'Obscenity' Proposition

This proposition is also known as the 'Clean' Amendment and the Barnes Amendment and is an outgrowth of the Dorn Amendment defeated.

If you are in favor of the brand of censorship which is trying to rid our libraries of books such as *The Last Temptation of Christ*, *Catcher in the Rye*, and *Lord of the Flies*; if you are in favor of a California law which is completely out of step with recent U.S. Supreme Court rulings (excepting *Ginzburg*); if you favor a ruling which forbids a judge from dismissing a pornography case; if you feel a jury (which might be swayed by public opinion) rather than a judge (skilled in jurisprudence) should set fines and/or punishment in a pornography case; if you are in favor of granting the authority to local groups as to what can be read or printed; if you favor turning over to the Birchers the right to censor (the names of the founders and state-wide advisory committee members of 'Clean' read like a "Who's Who" of California's Extreme Right)... then you should vote yes on this proposition. But if you value your freedom to read what you will without local interference, vote NO

on the 'Clean' Amendment, NO. 16.

Whether you are in favor of pornography, or unalterably opposed to it, you must vote no on proposition 16. If in the former case you like pornography, you would hardly wish to give the legal right to local busybodies to force the DA to bring you to trial on suspicion of possessing pornography and leave the issue entirely in the local community's hands. Particularly if certain sections are found to be unconstitutional so leaving great gaps in obscenity laws over which there would be no regulation. Vote NO!

As a thinking

homosexual, there can be no question in your mind of the treatment in store for you and your interests by legislation which is the product of a committee made up of ultra conservative reactionary Birchers.

Organizations and individuals against this amendment include such opposites as Los Angeles Deputy District Attorney (a man personally concerned about the menace of pornography), and the American Civil Liberties Union which says that the amendment "tries to get around the Supreme Court doctrine that to be obscene, something has to be without redeeming social or literary value."

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Letter to a G.I.

Dear Dave:

This is in memory of an anniversary... the anniversary of October 27, 1943, when I first heard you singing in North Africa. That song brings memories of the happiest times I've ever known. Memories of a GI show troop-- curtains made from barrage balloons-- spotlights made from cocoa cans-- rehearsals that ran late into the evenings-- and a handsome boy with a wonderful tenor voice. Opening night at a theater in Canastota-- perhaps a bit too much muscatel, and someone who understood. Exciting days playing in the beautiful and stately Municipal Opera House in Oran-- a misunderstanding-- an understanding in the wings just before opening chorus.

Drinks at "Coq d'or"-- dinner at the "Auberge"-- a ring and promise given. The show for 1st Armoured-- muscatel, scotch, wine-- someone who had to be carried from the truck and put to bed in his tent. A night of pouring rain and two very soaked GIs beneath a solitary tree on an African plain. A borrowed French convertible -- a warm sulphur spring, the cool Mediterranean, and a picnic of "rations" and hot cokes. Two lieutenants who were smart enough to know the score, but not smart enough to realize that we wanted to be alone. A screwball piano player-- competition-- miserable days and lonely nights. The cold, windy night we crawled through the window of a GI theater and fell asleep on a cot backstage, locked in each other's arms-- the shock when we awoke and realized that miraculously we hadn't been discovered. A fast drive to a cliff above the sea-- pictures taken, and a stop amid the purple grapes and cool leaves of a vineyard.

The happiness when told we were going home-- and the misery when we learned that we would not be going together. Fond goodbyes on a secluded beach beneath the star-studded velvet of an African night, and the tears that would not be stopped as I stood atop the sea-wall and watched your convoy disappear over the horizon.

We vowed we'd be together again "back home," but fate knew better-- you never got there. And so, Dave, I hope that wherever you are, these memories are as precious to you as they are to me.

Goodnight, sleep well my love.
Andre Vern

BUSINESS REVIEW

By Eugene

For two months the idea of raising the price of this newspaper to 20¢ has been suggested to our news editor without any co-operation from him.

In order to meet costs, he switched printers... a step which is saving ARC \$20 to \$30 a month.

Cost for mailing the newspaper has risen as the weight of an individual envelope has increased. ARC News is now mailed third class.

Our advertising manager is no longer with us. Advertising revenue is not being paid on time, and in some cases, not at all.

The newspaper is basically one of our money making projects. We are fortunate if costs are met for each month's issue.

If the situation doesn't improve, ARC News may cost you 20¢ in the near future despite reduced printing costs.

San Francisco papers, such as *Vector*, *Citizen News*, and *Cruise News* all sell for 35¢. We print a paper equal to any of these, one which needn't cost more than 15 cents.

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No-Hu-Hu for Girls

That little South Pacific re-enclose which made headlines in ARC News way back in February when it became a gay spot is making news again. No, Electra isn't back. Jack is back! Good ole Jack from pre-Hide & Seek days. He tells us that all the girls are welcome, as long as they can fit in.

Last month's ARC News reported a change in policy for the Hut, a transition to go-go girls and topless entertainment. The plan has been scrapped so we understand.

The latest development indicates that the Hut is now a girl's bar. Here's hoping for the best at the No-Hu-Hu!

AT LOG CABIN

ARC Hosts Wine Gusto

Invitations have been mailed to over 100 people for an ARC "Wine Gusto" to be held in the Log Cabin patio on Wednesday, October 5th, 7:30pm until 9pm.

The Wine Gusto will feature California wines and cheese. An array of wine to suit every taste will be on hand. This will also provide many people with a chance to meet ARC's representatives in a casual atmosphere.

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AN ARC SHORT REPORT

THE HOMOSEXUAL IN PRISON

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This is the fifth of a series dealing with the homosexual in prison. This is a true report. All direct references to specific penal institutions have been omitted. Contents of this article do not necessarily represent all penal institutions.

PART FIVE

Of all the convicts I am personally acquainted with, and they number in the thousands, I know about a dozen who committed their crime out of need instead of greed. So the percentage is very small of people in prison for substantial, vital reasons.

I know personally of only one convict in prison, and completely innocent of the crime charged to him. But, to escape prosecution for the crime would only put him in a position to fight a more serious offense.

The point here is, if a person were really concerned with their future, they would not commit an offense which would affect them adversely for the rest of their lives.

No one except an ex-convict knows what it is to be an ex-convict.

When you are released from prison, the people close to you turn their back on you. Many times, your own family wants nothing to do with you. And... just try walking up to a prospective employer and telling him that you are an ex-convict and want a job. No dice, brother.

Being an ex-convict is something that haunts you for the rest of your life. You have to live a constant lie, fearing that your employer and your friends will find out that you once "did time." You lose certain of your civil rights. If you have been convicted of a sex crime, it is necessary to register with the police department in any city you may happen to visit or reside in. If you are a thief, you are picked up every time a theft is committed. If you are a homosexual, you are picked up when a parent cries that their 18 year old child has been molested.

Far be it from me to be a reformer, but if you are thinking about doing something, think twice.

With the advent of the "Halfway House" and several other organizations of this type, the lot of the newly released convict is getting a little easier. This means you have more of a chance to stay out. It is a well-known fact that the first three months are the hardest. Sixty percent of ex-convicts return within the first three months. Everyone knows this, but people do not know that they have to steal to exist until a break comes their way.

Once out, and having made a start, and having found out how you stand with society, and ex-convict is certain to give a great deal of thought to an act, which, if he were caught, would put him back in the "joint."

The next issue of ARC News will carry the conclusion to this series. If any reader has questions of comment, please write care of the ARC News, and we will do our best to cover everything in the next paper.

RECIPE'S WITH RALPH

CHICKEN
TROPICALE

2 disjointed fryers; salt, pepper paprika and flour; 4 sliced grn. onions and tops; 1/2 cup Sherry or dry white wine; 1/2 cup diced blanched almonds; 1/2 cup melted butter; 1 can (no. 2 1/2) pineapple slices; 1/2 cup green pepper strips; 1 tbs. brn. sugar.

Sprinkle chicken with salt & pepper. Add generous amt. of paprika to flour in a paper bag. Shake chicken in flour. Shake off excess. Melt butter in lg. shallow glass baking dish big enough to lay chicken flat in a single layer. Turn chicken until coated in butter and oil. Place in single layer, skin side down. Bake in hot oven (400°) 30 min.

Turn chicken. Cut half of pineapple into bite-size bits; other half into half circles. Combine pineapple with its syrup, onion, green pepper, wine, and sugar. Add dash of salt and pour over and around chicken. Sprinkle with almonds. Reduce heat and bake at 350° until chicken is tender and brown (about 45 min.) Baste occasionally, serve on hot white rice. (serves 6 to 8).

Notes from Theology Conference

We find ourselves in a culture totally oriented toward the individual and yet attempting to use a religion and code of ethics derived from a culture totally oriented towards the group, family, or clan. Particularly is this true in the story of Sodom and Gomorrah.

We need to see Paul as a zealot working against time expecting a momentary world end. Only in this light can his attitudes toward sexual relations and other interpersonal relationships be explicable.

There is an intense present need for the homosexual to be in the church to help the theologians reevaluate their positions.

We need to examine past theologians in the light of who they are and when they lived.

Paul disapproved of homosexual acts; he also condemned acts which today are viewed quite differently.

We must reject rejection and ostracism as ways of relating to people. Don't waste time and energy building defenses. Acceptance doesn't equal approval or disapproval.

With Christ the Church got out of the kitchen, and now it maybe should get out of the bedroom.

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Board of Directors Meeting

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Oak Park Methodist Church

Essay: 'What is Homosexuality?'

Voltaire is reported to have said to an opponent, "I will discuss anything with you, Sir; but first define your terms."

The following article was submitted to ARC News anonymously. It is our policy to print material from contributors, as long as it will draw reader interest.

cause (and then in a constructive effort), homosexuality has become identified in the public mind with virtual mental derangement. The sloppiness of average thinking has simply complicated and confirmed the problem.

This would appear to be one of the problems of the Homosexual Community -- the general society seems to want to discuss homosexuality, but has no very clear idea of what is a homosexual. On the other hand, a great many homosexuals give the impression of suffering from this same difficulty. Before a dialogue can be undertaken constructively, both parties to it must understand at least the terms of what is to be discussed.

In the broad sense, then, a homosexual is simply a person who prefers to have sexual relations with another person of his own gender. This means that there are men who would rather have sex with men, and women who would rather have sex with women. That's all there is to it.

The bi-sexual, on the other hand, is a person who likes to have sex with either male or female--and, generally, enjoys such relationships in equal degree. Thus, the bisexual is part homo-, part hetero-sexual (hence, "bi"--being of two).

The matter of basic identity, in-and-of-itself, therefore, is quite simple. But definition has become complicated in many minds by the unfortunate logic of "post hoc, ergo propter hoc." And even this convenient (but often highly inaccurate) reasoning is, in the case of the homosexual, most frequently inconsistently applied.

For example, let us take the case of the person who makes an ass of himself by dressing in effeminate clothing, using ladylike gestures, and encouraging others to use a feminine nickname in talking to him. The usual reaction is that he does this "because he's a homosexual."

Now, let's take the fellow who makes an ass of himself by growing a beard, wearing dirty clothing, building up lots of muscle, and making it a point to sleep with every girl he can get his hands on. Would it be intelligent to assume that he does this "because he's a heterosexual"? Obviously not.

All too many examples of both types are all too visible on almost any street, at almost any time. In each case, there is a common denominator. This shared quality is not one of sexual preference--but of assinity. Each of these men is an ass, and he'd be just as much of one were he asexual (having no sexual desires). Indeed, were anyone ill-advised enough to use the same logic with regard to the second as is often used with regard to the first example, any number of people would be quick to point out the fallacy. They would unhesitatingly use as their major argument the perfectly valid point that they were heterosexuals, and they not only acted far differently, but disapproved the behavior confere.

For the homosexual, however, things are not so easy. It is a fact of modern life that the myth of the "queer" homosexual runs on largely because homosexuals of responsible and exemplary character do not dare (for fear of loss of economic and/or social position) admit to being what they are. Since only the mentally unbalanced will draw ruin on themselves in other than a noble

Let us now, then, attempt to interject into the general discussion of this often-thorny topic a note of unaccustomed common sense. And let us, in effect, use another facet of our subject. Let us ask--and answer--What is the homosexual. And let us also ask (for we must know the meaning of both terms in order to have a dialogue), what is the heterosexual.

Is the homosexual that "nelly" character on the corner that creates a public nuisance by raising effeminate cain with half-a-dozen of the most revolting types you've ever seen? Yup! He sure is!

Is the homosexual that rising new Senator whose pronouncements on Foreign Affairs have attracted so much favorable comment recently? Oh sure! He's the one.

Is the homosexual that kid that knocked over a gas-station and killed the owner the other night, so that he could blow the "take" on "pot"? Right you are! That's the boy!

The homosexual, in short, is just about anybody, doing anything. Sometimes he's a crook, sometimes he's a nobody, sometimes he's a distinguished General or Statesman.

Well... but what about the heterosexual? Is he that bully who's always barging around like a sherman tank, taking advantage of people he finds to be weaker than he is? That's the guy!

Is the heterosexual that Minister who almost lost his life trying to save a child that, without him, would have drowned in that old flooded quarry? Indeed, yes!

Is the heterosexual that fellow who shot up the bank the other day and killed the teller and three of the customers? Certainly!

The heterosexual, in short, is just about anybody, doing anything. Sometimes he's a crook, sometimes he's a nobody, sometimes he's distinguished General or Statesman.

The point is that homosexuals, heterosexuals, bisexuals, and asexuals are people. The only point at which they differ (in this context) is in their sexual preferences. Beyond that, they have the same virtues, the same vices. They have the same strengths, and the same weaknesses. They produce the same types that accomplish the same things in the same way. They are Sadists, masochists, altruists, Monarchists, Republicans, Socialists, rich, poor, aristocrats, and peasants. And they are all these things not because they have sexual preferences of a given type, but because (simply) they are all these things.

Homosexuality, then, is merely a sexual preference--it is not the root-cause of any particular virtue or vice. It is not the characteristic of an "odd-ball" anymore than drug-addiction is that of a heterosexual. Thus, it no more deserves restrictive and oppressive legislation than does any other sexual preference--or even a liking for gumdrops.

"Tolerance" does not imply internalization of the other fellow's point of view; it implies merely an acceptance of it--for him.

ARC Forum Is Planned

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community. Probably, the panel will be a combination of these two alternatives, as a local female homosexual who can speak with knowledge on the subject is at this time unknown to us. Any suggestions or information as to possible panelists would be most helpful.

The panel serves many ends: 1- public face-to-face confrontation with an authority speaking favorably about homosexuality as an acceptable sexual orientation, 2- development of local resource people for future assistance, 3- public viewing of the homosexual in some other context than the usual one of 'arrested for...', 4- favorable publicity in the capital city news media (media most frequently seen by legislators: those who have the power to change outmoded sex laws), 5- dialogue situation between heterosexual and homosexual communities which must exist if we are to know and respect one another.

ARC PROTESTS STATUS OF THE HOMOSEXUAL

As its role in the national protest to be staged October 1, as planned at the August Convention, ARC is planning a mass mailing to cover Sacramento ministers, educators and others.

BOOK REVIEW 'TOTEMPOLE'

Were it not for the total and compelling artistry with which this novel is executed, one could almost mistake it for a case history drafted from a sexologist's notebook, for this remarkable novel traces the development of an individual from pre-adolescence to manhood purely in the terms of erotic experience. This is not to imply that the novel is in any way sensational or shocking. Far from it. It is exhilarating, often hilariously funny, and at times beautifully poignant.

We follow Stephen Wolfe's story that begins in infancy as it reveals his relationship with his loving but tyrannical father and his long-suffering mother, and Author Friedman draws a memorable portrait of a marriage when he places the child's spontaneous and blooming sexual curiosity in disturbing contrast to his embattled parents.

Moving to pre-adolescence in some memorable sequences at a boy's camp in Maine, we encounter Stephen's first memorable erotic awakenings in his boyhood crush on one of his camp counselors, a phallic symbol whom the counselor, a young and muscular man who returns Stephen's innocent passion, is always straddling as he works on the carving.

During college, Stephen's homosexual nature is aroused and brought to full bloom by a roommate, an incident that suddenly cuts Stephen utterly off from himself, the world, and reality. It is not until the climax of this novel, when he is an MP in a Korean prison camp, not until he falls in love with a prisoner, a North Korean doctor, that Stephen comes to terms with his life, and accepts it with an exhilarating sense of joy and freedom.

This is a truly rare novel. Although it explores the sexual growth of a homosexual, it does not explore the so-called homosexual society. Author Friedman treats homosexuality as a form of erotic release, rather than an entire way of life with defensive rules. And because of this treatment, the novel becomes positive rather than negative. We have for the first time in homosexual literature - at least the first time that I can remember - a protagonist who comes almost jubilantly to a new freedom through a homosexual affair. Would that other authors writing about the same theme could crawl out of their restrooms and darkness and write about this subject in the bright light that obviously must surround author Friedman.

CHATTERBOX

Newest nite-spot in San Francisco is the Searchlite, featuring SF's favorite female impersonators. Look for the big searchlight in front. You'll find it on Jackson Street.

If you like gut-bucket blues.... the Topper's the place to really wail. Roy's got the stuff on the box.

Bubbles- showing a big purple heart for a bed accident. Kory, of the Log Cabin made the award. No... he didn't cause the accident.

Elsa's ad in the last issue got wide attention on the mirrors of local tavern restrooms. Who's responsible? Slimy S'. Pat was thrilled with the ad. Hilda's only remark: "Barry's out to earn a dollar."

Are you one of those fortunate 50 to receive an engraved invitation to the only first-class 1st. wedding anniversary donnybrook ever held here? Those two RC primadonna's in their ivory tower may never make it down to earth in time to rent a tuxedo unless mama see's to it.

Beware of girls who propose while intoxicated... they may forget it all by morn. As did Miss D when she called her insurance company to place a claim on her diamond ring which, the evening before, she gracefully slipped on her future husband's hand. The ring is back in rightful ownership again.

Happy birthday to Jackson at the LC. By the way, have you tried their latest wine mix. It's called "Tropicana" and has caught on like mad.

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- Lost

Dear Lost,

It sounds that there might be outside influence such as home life interference or may be guilt for being happy with you. As for letting him know that he is welcome in your heart anytime, why not send him a copy of this, circled. Tell him not to be a stranger.

-Barrel Advice

BOBBY IN HOSPITAL

Little Bobby is seriously ill at Kaiser Hospital in Sacramento.

He was admitted late in September and is undergoing extensive cobalt treatments.

Second-class Citizenship Your Business

The fight for homosexual rights is a hard one. At present, there are about two dozen homophile organizations in America, each in their own way trying to rid homosexuals of their "second-class" citizenship.

Yet, for reasons not all-too obvious, many homosexuals prefer to remain second-class citizens. Some, in fact, rather enjoy it. A willingness to live two roles, or to live and let live, appears to be the choice for the average homosexual.

For many years homosexuals have been forced to hide their homosexuality merely because of social pressure and tradition. Only in the past several years has the subject become one of widespread interest among the general public. And only recently has a movement for homosexual rights become a reality.

A recent front page news article in the Sacramento Union claimed 50,000 of Sacramento's citizens to be homosexual. Despite the fact that this figure may be exaggerated, the thousands of homosexual residents of this county are inactive homophile workers --that is, they are part of the live and let live group; they stand merely as a "one-in-ten" statistic. Their voice will never be heard; ARC cannot speak for them.

Sacramento is not a gay center. It doesn't attract homosexuals, for it has nothing to offer them. Those who live here are probably forced to for employment purposes, or for family or personal reasons. Many are employed

by the government. Because of these reasons, it is more difficult for resident homosexuals to engage in a full social life here. Many are forced to satisfy their homosexual desires outside of Sacramento, or probably seek them in local cruising spots regarded as dangerous and off-limits. This unhealthy "double-role" has become a way of life for many.

Despite the tendency for a more relaxed attitude towards homosexuality in general, persons living in a double-role existence are too well ingrained in their own seclusion to be of any help to their own local homophile organization. They are, for all practical purposes, afraid to support an organization which, in the long run, could be responsible for their own security and stability.

It stands to reason that a great deal of resource is going to waste in this pool of manpower. What are the answers to this problem? How should ARC approach this situation? One very good possibility would be for everyone reading this article to take a closer look at himself... call our telephone number (456-0651) and speak with one of our members. You can do plenty to improve the situation, and remain anonymous if you wish. Show this newspaper to a friend and talk it over.

We need the help of all Sacramentans... especially those who have lived here most of their lives. We want you to feel a part of this growing city and its growing homophile organization, ARC.

Be there a man who thinks he learns of life when he but learns of himself.

-Jess Anque

Next Business Meeting

The next general business meeting of ARC will be on Tuesday, October 11 at 8pm in the Oak Park Methodist Church. Everyone is invited to this regular monthly meeting, held the second Tuesday of each month.

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In case you have been thinking of joining ARC, now is the time to do so! Simply clip the membership form below and fill it out. Mail to ARC, PO Box 895, Sacramento, Calif., 95804. The form also serves as a subscription to this newspaper, which is mailed in a manila envelope. But Hurry, because subscription prices will go up soon.

Membership form with fields for Name, Address, City, State, Zip, Telephone, and payment options. Includes a 'CLIP' arrow and a certification statement: 'I CERTIFY THAT I AM TWENTY-ONE YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER'.

LOG CABIN, HIDE & SEEK STAGE EVENTS ALSO

ARC Plans Huge Halloween Ball

Halloween is just around the corner, and Sacramento is the place to be this year. Better get your dresses hemmed and your 'him' dressed, 'cause there's action galore.

On Saturday, October 29, ARC will sponsor a blast of a ball... close dancing, a lavish revue, contests, and live music. The ball will be held in a secluded hall with ample parking. We're not letting too many secrets out of the bag now, but here's a sneak preview of what's to come.

A complete revue titled, "Those Wonderful Gay Nineties", will bring to Sacramento an entertainment specialty never offered before. The two prior performances were both sellouts. In addition to top-flight entertainers, the ball will see the first live music at an ARC function (members of the community, of course). The name alone would be enough to insure the quality of the performance. For those who prefer, current records will also be heard.

The program will begin at 8pm with general dancing. At 9:30 the revue will begin and will last about 45 minutes. General dancing will continue until 2am to round out the evening. Prizes for the best costumes, too. If present efforts are successful, there is a prize in store for our female guests.

Consistent with past practices of letting the heavy drinker pay his fair share and of not penalizing the light drinker or non-drinker, the Ball will be a BYOB party. Ice and mix will be provided. No one under twenty-one will be admitted, and if there is any question as to age, ID will be requested. Absolutely no tickets will be sold at the door.

Attendance will be limited. As prior ARC events have seen last minute scrambles for tickets, it is suggested that you decide to go early and get your ticket early. ARC members will be given first chance at tickets, News subscribers next, and ARC participants will follow, with general public last in line.

The Ball proceeds will go to support the current Community Education Campaign, thus providing not only a first rate night of entertainment, but the knowledge that the cost of your night out will go to help promote changes in community attitudes toward YOU!

The Log Cabin and the Hide and Seek will complete the festive Halloween weekend with events of their own. At the Hide and Seek, a local show and parade with prizes will be featured on Monday night. No admission will be charged. A prize will be given to each of the three categories: best all-around, most original, and the campiest.

Down the street at the LC the same evening, a festive drag show is in the offing. Prizes for costumes range as follows: \$25 for the most beautiful, \$15 for the most original, \$10 for the funniest, and a booby prize of \$5. An admission of \$1 will be charged.

So, stick around this Halloween and live it up. You have three wonderful events to prepare for.

Public Display of Affection: Wrong?

There is no valid reason why homosexuals can not express gestures of tenderness to each other in public, as do heterosexuals.

It can demonstrate to the public, as in no other manner, the futility of its laws and perhaps its atti-

tudes. It can demonstrate that there is ~~no~~ more to homosexuality than sex. This is not recommending exhibitionism or intentionally issue-provoking situations.

The preceding are excerpts from a speech given by Foster Gunnison of MSF.