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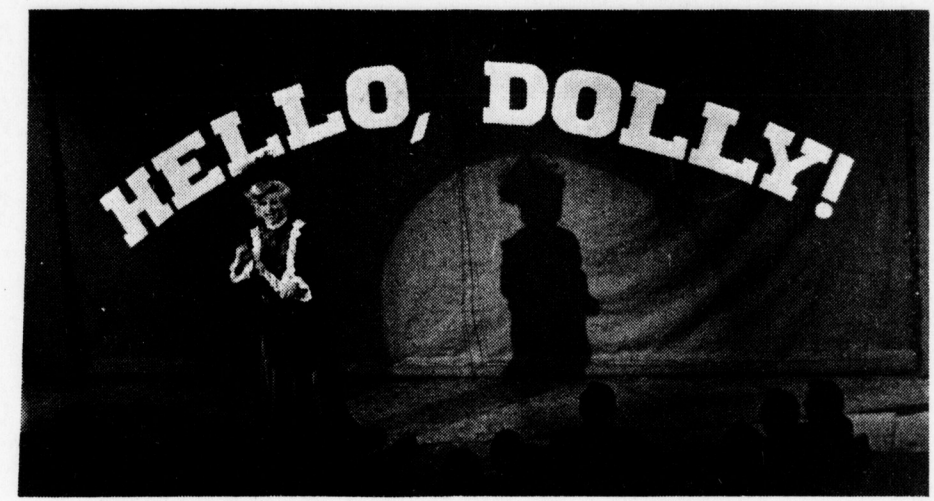
The California oral copulation laws were ruled unconstitutional Sept. 12. A decision issued by Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge George M. Dell declares in part: "The issue directly presented is whether or not a state can constitutionally make unlawful the consensual act of oral copulation between adults. The court concludes it cannot."

The jurisdiction of Judge Dell's court is the State of California, and the decision is binding on all law enforcement agencies in California.

And the ruling may be far more reaching than anyone realizes. Morris Kight consulted a constitutional attorney who said that all of the anti-homosexual laws may be unconstitutional. After all, it cannot be illegal to ask someone to do something that's not illegal, Kight said of the solicitation law (Sec. 647A, California Penal Code.) The same arguments can be applied to the sodomy and lewd and lascivious conduct statutes. They too, are almost surely unconstitutional.

The reason the constitutionality of California's sex laws has not been challenged before is because 97% of the victims of vice arrests plead guilty. It's enough to convince a rational person that homosexuals aren't very bright. Often as not, they plead guilty on bad legal advice given by "Gay" attorneys who have a vested interest in maintaining the sex laws. These unscrupulous lawyers advise defendants to plead guilty, often after making a "deal" with the D.A. to have the defendant plead guilty, to a lesser charge. — usually 647A (soliciting for immoral purposes).

Gay Movement lawyers say that any lawyer who advises a victim to plead



Dolly waves goodbye this weekend... See reviews inside this issue.

guilty to any charge is giving bad advice. Sucking cocks is not illegal. Asking someone to suck their cock cannot very well be illegal either. If you are advised to plead guilty, you would be well advised to find another lawyer.

A non-profit foundation has been set up as a law project to defend anyone charged with consensual sex offenses. If you get arrested on a sex charge, call the law project lawyers direct at 431-3980 or 548-8090.

Unfortunately, the decision is not final. It can be appealed.

What it does mean is the case can be used as precedent in any future consensual sex cases. Other Superior Court Judges are not legally bound by the precedent; however, it is very uncommon for judges to ignore a superior court constitutionality ruling. If a superior court judge should rule that the consensual sex laws are constitutional, the case would go to the appeals court. An appeal can also be filed by the prosecuting attorney.

Probably the constitutionality of the consensual sex laws will not finally be determined until a decision is made by the Supreme Court.

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**MS. WILCH.APOLOGIZES
TO GAYS**

In the last issue of G.P.U. NEWS in an article on the events at the Democratic convention we reported that Ms. Kathy Wilch, a McGovern delegate from Ohio delivered a strongly worded speech in opposition to the proposed gay rights plank, minority report No. 8. It seemed plain at the time that Ms. Wilch had not prepared her own speech, but was only delivering it at the request of people on the McGovern staff.

In the furor that followed the speech, at least three state delegations (New York, California, and New Jersey)

passed resolutions condemning Ms. Wilch for her speech and reaffirming support for the minority report. In addition, various gay organizations also demanded a public retraction and statement of authorship. Ms. Wilch gave public statements regretting her hasty speech and on July 13 gave the following written statement to the press. The media as usual, for the most part ignored the retraction. We now present the statement of Ms. Wilch in full:

Thursday, July 13, 1972

On Tuesday night, I presented a speech to the Democratic National Convention opposing Minority Report

No. 8, the Gay Liberation Plank. This speech was prepared for me by a lawyer on the staff of the Platform Committee, of which I am a member.

I opposed the plank for reasons of political expediency. The analogies I drew in the speech were aimed to show the possible ramifications of the plank as a political document. I was not aware that the speech would imply that homosexuals are child molesters. CHILD MOLESTRATION IS LARGELY A HETEROSEXUAL, NOT HOMOSEXUAL PROBLEM'

I heartily apologize to all members of the Gay Liberation Movement for any other implications which were derived from my speech, I wholeheartedly support the right of all individuals to privacy, and equality in all areas without regard to sexual orientation.

I will do all in my power to urge Senator McGovern to publicly repudiate the statement as prepared by the Platform Committee Staff and to publicly reaffirm his support for Gay civil rights.

Kathleen A. Wilch

**REVEREND RAY
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IN COURTS**

Even though GAA has shut down as an organization, Reverend Ray Broshears will continue to act as the "Gay Peoples Advocate" in the Courts of San Francisco, City and County and as well do O.R. work. A twenty-four hour telephone service is maintained for those seeking assistance, or the telephone number of a good attorney. All of this work will be done under the sponsorship of the Christ Orthodox Episcopal Church, which has resumed the TL Suppers for TL Gays and Senior Citizens, now that Reverend Ray is no longer tied up with GAA actions. Remember that 24 hour telephone number for legal assistance - advice... 771-3366, Reverend Ray Broshears, Christ Church.

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**GAY RIGHTS AT STAKE
IN CENTRAL COAST
SENATE RACE**
by Don Jackson

The freedom of every homosexual in California is at stake in the state senate race in the 17th Senate District. The incumbent Senator, who represents Monterey, Santa Cruz and San Benito Counties, has introduced legislation which will make committing, soliciting, conspiring or even attempting to perform a homosexual act a felony punished by a mandatory prison sentence of at least six months but not more than five years for each offense,

and a fine of \$5,000.00.

The legislation, Senate Bill 1506, was introduced by Senator Grunsky. It was voted out of the committee and went to the Senate floor July 25, 1972. The bill completely rewrites the penal code. Heterosexual sodomy and oral copulation are legalized. Even heterosexual child molesting is reduced to a misdemeanor.

But a new crime called "homosexual conduct" is declared to be a felony. Homosexual conduct is defined as "contact between the penis and the anus; or between the mouth or tongue and the penis, the scrotum, the anus,

the vulva or the clitoris" — between persons of the same sex. "Sexual touching" is defined as "touching the private parts of a person or the breast of a female person or any such touching through the clothing for the purpose of arousing or gratifying the sexual desire of any person."

All types of heterosexual sex with the exception of rape and child molesting will be completely legalized under the new code. Heterosexual rape will be punished by the same penalty — five years — as homosexual soliciting, attempts or acts. Het child molesting will be punishable by probation or imprisonment for a maximum of six months or a fine of \$250.

Sec. 6001 of the new code provides that a person is guilty of attempt to commit a crime when he engages in conduct that constitutes a substantial step toward the commission of a crime.

Such acts as going into a Gay bar or bath with the intent of finding someone to commit the crime of homosexual conduct, would in itself be a felony.

Sec. 6002 reads "A person is guilty of solicitation when he commands, requests or incites another person to commit a crime." This means that asking, suggesting or implying by words or actions that someone have sex with you is a felony. You can be sent to prison for five years and fined \$5,000.00 just for asking!

Another section (9310) provides that soliciting sexual conduct from a person of the same sex is a misdemeanor. The arresting officer will have the power to decide whether he wishes to charge offenders with Sec. 6002 or 9310.

Sec. 6005 provides "person is guilty



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of conspiracy when he agrees with one or more other persons to commit a crime, and one or more of the parties to the agreement commits an overt act in furtherance of the agreement."

Presumably, if you ask someone to go somewhere with you, and your intent is to engage in homosexual acts, the mere act of walking out with them is a felony. Presumably every Gay bar and bath owner in California can be arrested on the grounds that his business is conspiratorial in nature, since it provides a place where persons solicit for, conspire to, attempt to or perform the felony of homosexual acts.

Sec. 3308 legalizes most types of entrapment that are currently unlawful. The section provides that to use entrapment as a defense, the defendant must prove that a policeman "persuaded him to commit an offense which he is reluctant to commit."

"When the idea to commit the offense originated with the defendant, it shall be presumed that he was not entrapped to commit the offense. Conduct merely affording a person an opportunity to commit an offense does not constitute entrapment."

The burden of proof of entrapment lies on the defendant, according to the new code.

Presumably, this section will legalize such activities, as policeman jacking off at urinals, posing as tricks and the like to make arrests.

The legislation is being billed as the Republican answer to the Democrat consensual sex bill introduced by Willie Brown. The Brown bill legalizes all consensual adult sex — both Gay and hetero. The Grunsky bill legalizes only heterosexual sex. Grunsky's bill puts legislators on the spot — a vote for the Brown bill is now viewed, not as a vote

for the legalization of consensual adult sex, but as a vote for the legalization of homosexuality.

And this last point is very important. Brown's strongest argument is that the sodomy and oral copulation laws make felons of most lawfully wedded couples. Without this argument, few legislators would vote for a bill to legalize homosexuality.

To summarize — the Grunsky bill changes the present homosexual laws, by setting a minimum sentence, by making solicitation (which is currently a misdemeanor) into a felony, and by

making attempt and conspiracy to commit homosexual acts a felony (these acts are not crimes at all under current law). Lastly, it legalizes entrapment.

The Grunsky bill is supported by the Republican party and the Reagan administration. It seems assured of passage if the Republicans can elect a majority in the new legislature, and providing, of course, that Senator Grunsky gets re-elected.

Central coast Gays will decide not only their own fates, but those of all Gays in California. Unfortunately, there

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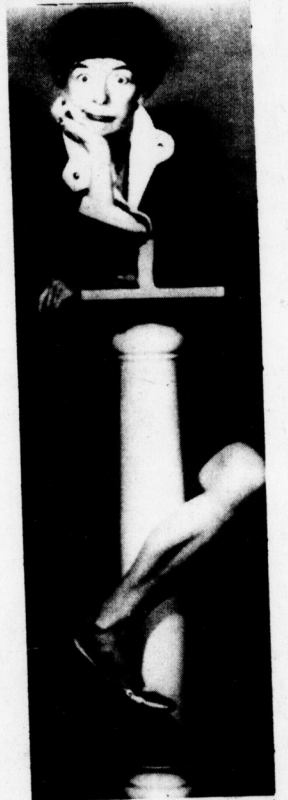
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is no Gay movement in the district to organize politically.

I called Suzanne Paizis, the Democratic candidate for Grunsky's seat. Mrs. Paizis said that she supports the Brown bill and that she supports the right of consenting adults to engage in any type of sex.

Mrs. Paizis said she is willing to campaign for the Gay vote. Gay bar owners and groups could militate for their right to continue to exist by inviting Mrs. Paizis to come to their business to discuss the Gay issues with customers. Her home phone number is Aptos Beach 688-1226, but please don't make any unnecessary calls to her home. We publish it here so that persons

who are interested in campaigning or setting up appearances can contact her.

Although Grunsky's district has been considered very conservative, there has been a sharp increase in Democratic registration since the last election six years ago.

The Gay Citizens for McGovern Committee reports that the Democratic party is declaring the 17th Senate to be a "priority district" — meaning that special efforts will be made in a campaign to dump Grunsky.

Under the circumstances, the vote will be quite close — the switch of a considerable number of traditionally Republican Gay votes can swing the election.

HAYWARD GAY ACTION NEWS RELEASE

HAYWARD GAY ACTION is in need of people in the Eastbay to help with its educational services and other activities. GAY ACTION sends speakers to high school and college classes, writes articles and letters in the local press, acts as advisor to people and groups interested in learning about Gay people, and is currently trying to increase Gay book selections in the local libraries and bookstores.

GAY ACTION is interested in finding people who have never been in the Gay Liberation Movement before, but the group will consider anybody who feels s/he can work carefully, but steadily, GAY ACTION is not interested in people wanting to seek publicity for themselves. People who respond would feel good about their sexuality, hold no grudges against anybody, and have a happy frame of mind — or want to become that way.

There is a possibility of forming a living and working collective house in the Hayward area for people who want to devote their free time to the movement. This can become an excellent way to meet many people and make friends. People who answer this call should have their interest in doing local community work first in their minds.

People who are interested can write to HAYWARD GAY ACTION, P.O. Box 3935, Hayward, Ca 94540, stating their age, hobby interests, abilities in writing, speaking, and meeting the public, and giving a phone number or other means of contact. Whatever the qualifications, if the person is interested, s/he will be considered — and all people who respond will receive an immediate reply

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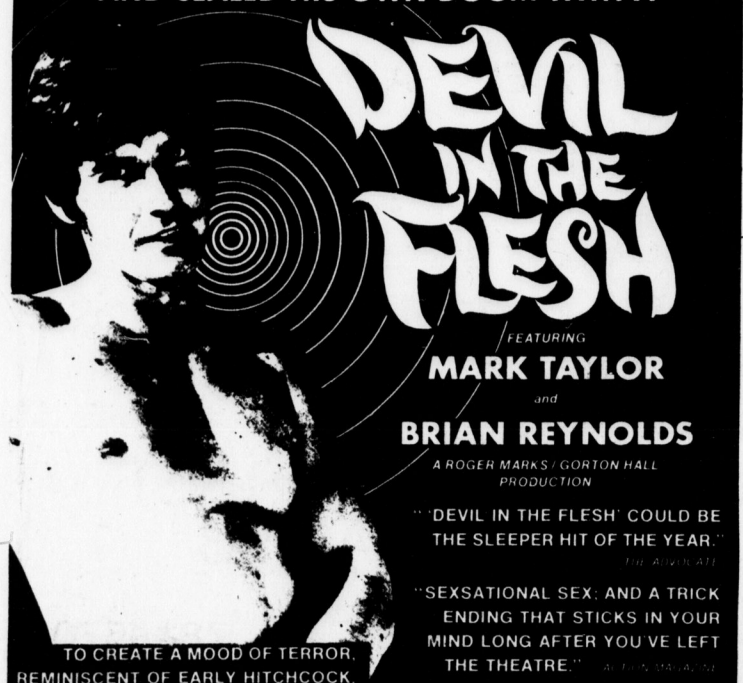
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On July 28, 1972, in Superior Court, Napa County, David Harris was sentenced to Five years to Life in California State Prison. But, a fateful visit to San Francisco early in July, turned this sentence into one of probation and freedom.

David Harris was born in Napa County on February 20, 1950, and lived there until the age of 13, in comparative happiness. But, at the age of 13, David was involved in a game of "cowboys and indians" in which an incident took place, that led to David's being arrested

and sentenced to Napa State Hospital, in his hometown. He was released in early in 1966. David, being but 13 when he underwent this traumatic experience, found life in the so-called hospital, hell-on-earth. And while in the hospital-prison, he came to the realization that he was a homosexual. So, at the age of 16, he engaged in an act of gay-love with another minor, who snitched afterwards, and David was arrested, and charged with violation of 288a of the Penal Code, and sentenced to Atascadero State Hospital for the Criminally Insane. There he remained until 1968, when Atascadero sent him back to court as "untreatable," and the

court sent him, at the age of 17½ to Vacaville State Prison. While at Vacaville, David, being so young, and so very scared, tried to please all, but, was not able, and his "lover", sliced David's throat with a knife, requiring 19 stitches. This took place on his 19th birthday. He was then transferred to California Men's Colony, (another prison), at San Luis Obispo, then to Atascadero, and then back to California Men's Colony and finally, in May of 1971, he was released on parole. Returning to the "cowtown" of Napa.

While in the various prisons, Harris, in addition to having his throat cut, was raped, and suffered many sexual indignities, things that any person who wants to live, must do in order to survive "behind the walls" in our centers of rehabilitation. While at Vacaville, David saw numerous youths "turned out" either by force or by fear-consent. One occasion he saw a person who was featured in some of the Gay publications recently by another "writer", raped by four men.

All of David Harris's story is documented by his prison records. The things he has related to this reporter are true, and they are frightening. David Harris is a small person, weighing but 125 pounds, standing about 5'7". So frail, looking almost like a frightened baby deer. His blue eyes, and boyish ways, capture many people's fancies. And his good looks has more often than not, saved his life in prison scrapes.

No, David Harris has two felony sexual arrests against him, and he is but 22, but shortly before his 22nd birthday, in January of this year, he was arrested for sodomy, 286.P.C. with another person of a kin age. He was discovered while in the process of the act. So, David was a three time sex-offender. He went to trial, and was found guilty. But, while out on bail, awaiting sentencing, he came down to San Francisco one bright day, and ventured into the offices of S.I.R., where he told his story to Chuck Schnieder, who sent him, post-haste, to see attorney B.J. Beckwith. Harris told attorney Beckwith his story, and Beckwith related that as an attorney there was nothing he could do, as he had been tried, and was awaiting sentence, and that he was being represented by an attorney, but that he would contact someone who might be

able to help him.

Beckwith contacted the probation officer in Napa in charge of David, who related the sad situation, which he related was absolutely hopeless. Attorney Beckwith stated that he knew of someone whom just might be able to do something.

He telephoned, Reverend Ray Broshears of the GAA, and pastor of Christ Orthodox Episcopal Church. Broshears also was serving as the chairperson of the "Lay-Legal" Committee of S.I.R., by appointment of Beckwith. He related the story, and stated that he did not feel that much could be done, but he felt that a try should be made to have Harris released into Broshears's custody.

Arising early the morning of July 19th, Reverend Broshears went to Napa, to attend the trial for sentencing, in an effort to change the course of events. When arriving there, he went to the courthouse, and met with the Judge in Chambers, and for 1½ hours, with the Judge and the District Attorney's entire staff present, he stated to them his case for the release of David Harris into probation. Armed with his Bible and ever visible black briefcase, filled with literature, to sway the Judge, he left the courthouse, to return to San Francisco, with a stay in the sentencing of Harris, and determination to make arrangements so that Harris could be released, that would meet the requirements of the Court. The court had placed some very tight requirements for the release of Harris, for he was a three time sex-offender, and it was unheard of for a three-time loser to be placed on parole, his sentence-first being suspended. Reverend Broshears worked out a program for Harris, and presented it to the judge, and with the assistance of local jurists and the special adult probation unit, the judge was given a strong plea for the release of David Harris into the custody of a person who had been arrested for contributing to the delinquency of a minor (17 year old) himself, Reverend Ray Broshears.

The 28th of July, the day for sentencing came, and Rev. Broshears caught a Greyhound bus to go the Napa Superior Court at 7 AM. Arriving in Napa, he met with Harris, and told him that "God will see this through successfully, and even if today you are

not given freedom, I will continue working for your release." Attorney Beckwith had stated that there was little chance for such an action, but, as the nearly empty courtroom stilled, the judge entered, he handed down the sentence of Five years to Life, at which, Reverend Broshears reported his heart dropped out, and he was brought to tears, but then the judge stated, "having heard the case for David presented to me by Reverend Broshears for his parole, I hereby suspend the sentence, and David Harris you are granted five years probation."

David jumped for joy, as did his parents, and of course Reverend Broshears. Under the terms, David has to reside in San Francisco, under the direct custody of the probation department with the guidance and assistance of Reverend Ray Broshears, when needed.

Upon arriving here, David Harris was placed in a home to live, and was given employment help by the President of the TAVERN GUILD, Bob Ross. Harris, later found friends at the San Francisco Gay Counselling Service, and moved in with them. He now holds a job, and lives with people he is quite happy with. A youth, sentenced to what would have been "sure death," his own words, is now free, and is doing well, and the program that Reverend Broshears gave the Court is working well. David Harris, is free, forever we all hope, and, as Reverend Ray has stated, "The release of David was a tremendous victory for Gays everywhere, for it proves that the impossible can be done with the help of God. And David has already stayed out longer than the Napa County officials expected him to. Let us all pray that David will remain free, and that we may be able to assist other David Harris wherever they are."

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Commentary

(Don Cavallo and William E. Beardemphl share this space in alternate issues. Mr. Beardemphl will appear in the next issue.)

by Don Cavallo

Hello, out there in fairyland! You know, getting this column together at times is a problem, and is always late. Bless those people at B.A.R. They are so patient with me.

Getting it together, so to speak, at times is particularly difficult because you wonder about what or whom you can write without offending some "Queen Bee." So, let's see how many situations we can mention in one column and count how many people we offend (not meaning to; it's just that when you are in the limelight, your name is bound to be mentioned).

In one of the new "Gay Rags", which professes that everything they print is to the letter true and correct, I say bullshit! Unless you edit your editorial staff, how can this be so!? You are not William Randolph Hearst. And even if you were, you should leave room

for human error. I, for one, thought that when the BERKELEY BARB and VECTOR started the surge toward printing newspapers and magazines that it would cut down on a lot of the vicious gossip that at times is harmless but every so often some person or place of business gets hurt, but no, we find that a queen's tongue moves faster than any printing press.

In this same Gay rag, there is an article comparing Castro Street to the Tenderloin. I can understand what the author of the sticle is trying to say, but why does he have to damage the already tarnished Tenderloin? The people that go to the bars in this part of town hopefully are over 21 years of age and go there by choice. I, at one time, loved the Tenderloin. I do not go as often as I once did, but what has happened to the Tenderloin can only be laid partially on the people that have taken over this part

of town. The rest of the responsibility must lie with the slum lords, the dope pushers and straight and Gay bar exploiters. This could happen anywhere in this city, as it did in the Haight Ashbury. The lesson we should have learned by Haight Street. I think that a little bit of "sin" will always be allowed. It is when certain elements are allowed to take over that it is ruined for everyone. One would hope that is why we have a TAVERN GUILD, to guide the Gay-oriented businesses in a common cause to seek out and serve the Gay Community and to corner the market on the Gay dollar, because when the showdowns come, it is the economic power that a minority group can wield that gets them what they want.

Presently in San Francisco there is a bar with, I assume, a liquor license allowing conduct that is even shocking to me. Now, those of you that know me know that I am far from a prude, but this joint could blow the lid right off of the freedoms that we are now enjoying and could put an unnecessary delay on those that are yet to come.

I can remember once not too long ago, when Al Nelder was Deputy Chief of Police and Lynch was D.A., I was

asked with a couple of other bar owners to take a tour of the city of the then Gay bars with some people from the then Grand Jury. It was a very worthwhile experience. Through the evening we saw no conduct that anyone of us had to apologize for.

Now, I know times have changed, but the laws have not. I understand that Chief Scott was out on a tour of some of our Gay establishments last week to see for himself. I guarantee you this — if he had walked into the aforementioned bar, it would have been a black eye for every Gay business in this city. I believe there is a partial answer to this. If this type of conduct is desirable, as it most certainly seems to be, it should be done only in private clubs. Yes, my dears, I am that Victorian, but aside from that, I am also a little selfish. Consider that there are 100 Gay bars and restaurants in and around the Bay Area. If we average out 10 employees at about \$10,000 a year, you are talking about one million bucks in Gay economic power. Now, in addition to that, we have many new businesses — barber shops, clothing stores, antiques, flower shops that are now proud for the first time to be associated with the Gay community. Why should we that believe this way allow a pot smoke-filled room (it's still illegal), reeking of poppers (which I dearly love), clandestine sex activity jeopardize all this??

I shall close by saying this bar is not in the Tenderloin, but it is doing a brisk business. I hope each and everyone of you do your own thing your own way and with love. I mention the above facts because I would like to protect San Francisco and the many people that have worked so hard to get her where she is today. It may not seem like much to many of the very young and I am sure that the young Gay person will bring about many new freedoms.

By choice or design, the people in power or uniform, the authorities, seem to be our enemies. If this be so, let's not give them any ammunition to use against us.

San Francisco does not have to be chopped up in sections. The Gay person who goes to SUTTER'S MILL for lunch may very well spend his nights South of Market. That's his choice. Good, clean competition is one thing; careless journalism is something else!

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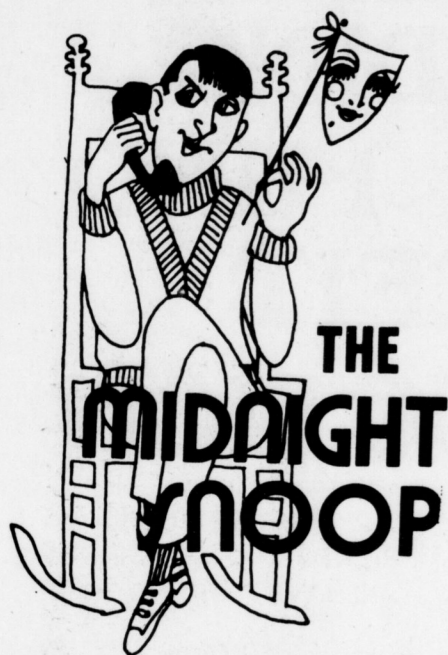
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Show News



by Donald McLean

SAN FRANCISCO DOLDRUMS

Well, it looks as though it's that time of the year again! Every year we go through a cabaret slump, where shows close and stages darken, but this year

it's striking a couple of months earlier than usual. On Sept. 23rd, Saturday, the *P.S. will close out TOGETHER AGAIN, starring Allan Lloyd, Jae Stevens and Steve Miller. THEN, the following night, Sept. 24th, THE HIGHLIGHTERS at the COUNTRY CLUB will play their final two performances. Both clubs will remain without shows, at least for a while. And, in all fairness, both clubs gave their casts sufficient notice, so there can be no hard feelings on either side. TOGETHER AGAIN has been playing for almost four months and THE HIGHLIGHTERS have been running for seven months, but the summer tourist business has been unusually bad this year and there is a very limited Gay audience for any showbar and they tend to tire quickly. And neither show is exactly inexpensive to maintain, demanding consistently large audiences to meet expenses. Whatever the reasons, the fact remains that we are about to lose two of our better shows. Maybe this is the year for go-go boys!

ACTORS BENEFIT OCT. 8TH

"No, No, Nanette" will play a

special Actors Fund Benefit on Sunday night, Oct. 8th. If you are interested in attending this extra performance, which will have a celebrity-studded audience that evening, contact Gene Arceri at 362-5182 for tickets. Virginia Mayo will have replaced June Allyson in the show by then, so even if you've seen it, go see Miss Mayo tap her little heart out and contribute to the Actors Fund as well.

LOCAL STARS ON TV

Michael Greer just completed filming here a show for the series, "Streets of San Francisco," starring Karl Malden, which debuted last week. Michael's episode will be coming up very shortly. And Charles Pierce, in L.A., just finished shooting a segment in Don Adam's "The Partners," playing a bank robber in drag.

RETURN OF LA MANCHA

"Man of La Mancha," one of Broadway's longest-running musicals, will open here on Oct. 27th starring Allan Jones as the quixotic Don Quixote at the ORPHEUM THEATER.

QUICKIE RUMORS

The FROLIC ROOM will be re-opening soon with a show featuring

two drag acts and three go-go boys. Tentatively scheduled thus far are Val du Val and Terry Taylor for the drags.

The cast of FINOCCHIO'S received a standing ovation from the cast of "Nanette" for their Nanette production number. To reciprocate, "Nanette" cast invited FIN's cast to be their guests the following Monday night. Then, a few nights later, Bob Hope came in. He did NOT ask them to tour Vietnam with him.

MAME, starring that voluptuous blonde sextop, Faye, will preview a number from the show at the Oct. 2nd SIR Benefit at California Hall.

The RENDEZVOUS will soon open a new back room with live entertainment cabaret-style.

Over at the 181 CLUB, Big Jimmy has a new male dancer named Kimbell who's a lot more than just a go-go dancer. Aaron has left the show to go to Amsterdam to dance with the Netherlands Ballet Company. Natasha was the guest star last weekend and on Wed., the 20th, threw a ball at the club as well. Wild woman! They continue to feature rotating guest stars every weekend and are now performing Monday nights as well.

AND DON'T FORGET...

John Rothermel currently appearing Sunday nights at GOLD STREET.

Cass Daley (my favorite kook!) is belting it out Mon., Tues. and Wed. nights at GOLD STREET with two shows a night.

S.I.R. Benefit coming up Oct. 2nd at California Hall with a glamorous array of ladies, real and otherwise, headlining the bill.

This is your last weekend to catch HELLO, DOLLY!

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by margret ann

SO LONG DEARIE

This weekend one of San Francisco's grandest ladies will see her final curtain. She was born through the talents of many, lived a fruitful life and then was believed dead. However, she did not die. She recovered, regained her strength and returned once again into the lime light. Who is this grand lady? None other than the most popular all-male cast production, to date, ever to grace the San Francisco stage... HELLO! DOLLY.

She lived a curious life of controversy with the real facts often times twisted and distorted as only uninformed bodies can do. In any event,

the theatrical community may learn a hard lesson from Dolly.... can you climb on a band wagon that is not yours and make a clean get-a-way?... only time will answer that question.

The new production company formed as the outgrowth of Dolly's success is still an infant. How it will grow into maturity can only be realized in time. What will follow should be interesting, considering the talents of many of San Francisco's best known theatrical personalities could be on the line. That, too, will be answered in time.

The revitalized company of HELLO,

DOLLY! is basically not better or worse than the original. Substitutions have been made and they neither help nor hinder the production as a whole. The technical problems that besieged the production first time around could have been corrected and were not. (You would think that at the prices the musician's union charges for its services it would supply musicians) The lighting seemed worse, however, the sets appeared to have more detail.

The cast changes included Gil Lopez as Minnie-Fay in a disappointingly weak performance. Frank Martin as the whining Ermengarde was unconvincing and Lee Nye as Ambrose a delightful change. The chorus had new faces, often times without any sparkle, but nonetheless perfection in their performance.

The remainder of the principals were as in the original and their performances are to be praised with one exception. Brent Wayne (Barnaby) has managed to lose his little boy charm and has instead created an ego oriented character that should be destroyed.

Good performances, bad performances cannot hurt Dolly, it's an exceptional vehicle! If you haven't seen it you'll be pleasantly surprised and in for a rare theatrical treat. To my knowledge HELLO, DOLLY! will be bidding "So Long Dearie" Sunday evening at the VILLAGE... may she rest in peace!

M.A.

TWO ON THE AISLE

by Jay Noonan

HELLO, DOLLY! REVISITED

DOLLY has returned to the VILLAGE THEATER and once again is spreading mirth and entertainment. If, by some chance, you have missed this show, do yourself a favor and catch it. You will be amazed at what the YONKERS PRODUCTION COMPANY has done.

The show on its return visit is more vibrant than ever. The change in musical director has increased the tempo and has brought new pleasure in the choral work. There have been three major cast changes. The role of Ambrose Kemper, Lee Nye, sings well and seems to know his way around the stage. Gil Lopez, as Minnie Fay, is a quieter performer and looks stunning and is a good match with Mr. Wayne (Barnaby). As the ever-crying niece, Ermengarde, Mr. Frank Martin gives an even performance, but why is he pale in the face?

As Dolly, Michelle is outstanding and gives the kind of performance most critics enjoy writing about, and yours truly is no exception. One can always tell when a performer works hard and has thoroughly rehearsed. Such a performer is Michelle. The eating scene alone is worth the price of admission. An actor must be convincing in everything he does. He must make the world of make-believe believable, and in Michelle, Dolly was a damn exasperating woman and onstage gave a damn exciting performance.

My hat is off to all the people in the YONKERS PRODUCTION COMPANY. May their efforts blossom into future productions with all the same style and grace that made HELLO, DOLLY! a smash.

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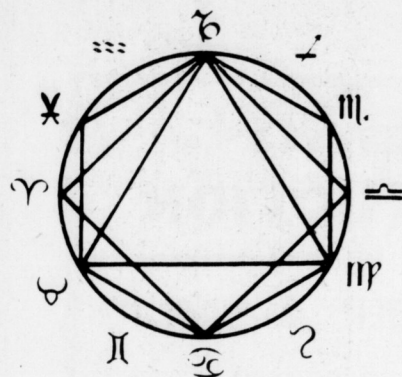
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ASTROLOGY

by El Scorp

THE BALANCE OF LIBRA

Everyone knows all about Libra, all the negative things which can be said and, so, will not now be said. In fact, the major problem is that everyone knows all the bad traits of everybody else's signs, and everyone expects others to turn the negative traits of their own signs into something fair and fine. Is that good or good? It's fine: one should always approach one's self with the most positive attitude.

Libra is charming, often beautiful of face, and quite often has dimples. He is easy-going. There is nothing Libra wants more than peace and harmony and smooth and pleasant living conditions. He is refined, idealistic, romantic and

diplomatic. Carry any of those nice things just one shade too far, and you will have the negative side of Libra.

If there is one thing the Libran really needs, it is a partner. No Libran can operate fully, completely by himself. There must always be someone else there to whom the Libran can give and who will give back. So the Libran tends to find himself in love with everyone he meets. He does this quickly and easily, ready with haste, and later repenting at leisure. But he is so eager to share his life and to have someone share with him, that it is no surprise that he is so often hurt.

It is difficult to say that what Librans need is Aires types. Everyone knows what they are like. How can the romantic and soft, the charming and diplomatic Libran, make a go of it with

the surface hit-or-miss Aries, with the bombastic Aries, with the Aries who must always be excited by something new? Ah, yes, but Libra can make it with the Aries who is very decisive, the Aries who provides direction, the Aries who realizes that he must be the leader, and the Aries who knows that he lacks all the nice Libran attributes and needs his pushy Aries existence softened just a little now and then.

Opposites give to one another what each needs and lacks. Aries is opposite to Libra. It is not at all true that Librans are masochists (only some Librans), but most Librans will not permit themselves to be stepped on. Lead perhaps, and vitalized, but not downtrodden. So this is why Librans are a good foil for Aires. They love the Aries dominance, but Aries better know just how far he can go and go no further.

To Librans, Geminis and Aquarians are just too detached. Both these other signs essentially want to go their own way, Geminis being so social, and Aquarians so busy with other more meaningful things. A Libran can be vitalized by a Cancerian or a Capricorn, but at the crucial time Cancerians can prove indecisive (one of Libra's worst faults), and Capricorns are just too bossy in a dirty sort of subtle way. However, the signs which Librans find it most difficult to adjust are Pisces and Taurus, and these two signs can sadly afflict a Libran's nervous system and health.

We are now coming into a Full Moon weekend, the Sun in Libra and the Moon in Aries. Anyone with Taurus rising is going to find this a good time to watch his health. There will be quite a few planets in Libra. The Sun will have gone into Libra Friday afternoon. This is not a good placement for the Sun because every impulse of the Sun in power surge and ego build-up tends toward taking an apologetic tone. Appreciation may be high, but creativity is low, but only if there are no other planetary placements to improve this situation.

Pluto is at one degree of Libra, Venus is helping out at three degrees of Libra, and the planet Uranus can also help out at 17 degrees of Libra. Neptune is at two, and Jupiter is at 29 degrees of Sagittarius. The Moon goes

into Aries at 8:44 PM PDT Friday evening, but does not come to Full Moon position until 9:07 PM PDT. So the rest of the weekend is spent in the spin-off of this Full Moon. The Moon does not go into Taurus until just after Midnight Monday morning (or Sunday night, if you figure that way).

Saturn is still in 20 degrees Gemini and is going to be going slower and slower for Saturn will soon be going retrograde for the Fall season. Those of you not born with Saturn retrograde, will find this your busiest time of the year. It will last through Christmas. Venus is at 16 degrees of Leo, and Mars is at 25 degrees of Virgo.

The course of the weekend ahead looks rather good. The Full Moon is activated at zero degrees of Libra, so those with zero degree positions of Aries, Libra, Cancer or Capricorn are forewarned regarding rattled emotions and a sense of unreality toward the situations which come up. It is thankful to realize that not many people have zero degrees of these signs active in their charts.

On the whole Friday night looks good. But nowhere late in the evening is anyone to try to change others, especially if he himself is so vulnerable to change. After midnight Friday (going into Saturday) things look well, but one should not try to stay up all night (things do not stay well). Saturday is practically neutral, and none of the transiting planets touch each other until after midnight (going into Sunday).

Generally speaking, Sunday is a very good day to take things easy, given the excitement of the weekend's best hours. Sunday afternoon may bring some important changes into the lives of some people.

ARIES: Sunday, after the spin-off of the Full Moon is nearly done, will be your best day. You are to lay low this weekend. Walk very softly if you do not want to be brought up short with lessons to be learned. Play it entirely in low key. Then, on Sunday, you can pretty much write your own ticket, do what you want to do, and have a really good day.

TAURUS: Your health is going to be much on your mind during this Full Moon period. Be prepared for upsets and do not let yourself be surprised if what you try to do does not come out quite right and you do not feel at your best into the bargain. Better keep to yourself on Saturday. Take things easy

on Sunday and let others help you if you need help. Once this weekend is out of the way, things become easier for you.

GEMINI: Once you get into the evening hours, the cares of the day are gone and you can now socialize, be with people, and enjoy yourself. This follows into Saturday, and you will fall well into the plans of others around you and be able to have them agree with what you propose. This really is a good weekend for you, and the pleasant aspects of it will last through Sunday. But how difficult it will be to buckle down on Monday, so enjoy it now.

CANCER: You go into this weekend fully preoccupied with your career. Look at things realistically and explore new byways which will improve matters in business. Question carefully so that you are sure of the reality behind any problems which come up. Things improve on Saturday, and it is then you

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ASTROLOGY (continued)

should entertain at home. Sunday is a good day for being nice to others, but in a quiet manner.

LEO: Stick to the strictly routine. Attend to little duties which crop up, and avoid too much speculation. In short, do not be so dramatic unless you clearly see reality. Approach Saturday with a quiet, wait-and-see attitude. The more serene your approach, the better the day will be. Sunday is a contemplative day, a planning day, but also a day for a short trip. Remain optimistic, and meet what comes your way in the most positive manner.

VIRGO: Do not expect too much of others on Friday, but concentrate on yourself and your ability to ride out whatever happens. Material things are foremost in your mind right now, and yet everything may not be going as well as others think. Do not overspend. Sunday things will clear up nicely, and this should be your best day. But, of course, your own approach to it is what will really make the day for you.

LIBRA: While you may be feeling pretty big right now, the Full Moon is going to catch you up short in some

way. Now is a time when you could have problems with your partner especially if you undertake some outside adventure which you cannot resist. Spend Saturday in a group of friends on whom you can depend and who have stood by you in the past. Carry this over into Sunday, be as good as you really can be, and you will have had a good weekend.

SCORPIO: Somewhere around the corner you are going to find the romantic situation you always want, and you are going to be looking for it. You are ready for it, and you will put a gloss on it to make it measure up to your expectations. But take it easy on Saturday, mind your health, do not expect a whole lot from other people. Sunday is a good day to do something for others if you are too restless to stay home and do for yourself. In fact, things might turn out best if you are helpful to someone else.

SAGITTARIUS: Social contacts are fine, and you are sure to be pleasure-bent. But feel your way rather than jumping boldly into the situations around you. Saturday follows this good pattern of enjoyment and activity; but

do something a little different. Add creativity to your pleasure. The weekend progresses nicely into and through Sunday, and a good feeling should prevail in all you do.

CAPRICORN: As usual, the Full Moon is going to shake things up. You are uncomfortable and tend to be negative, not knowing which way to jump. Try to find a middle road rather than sitting on the middle of the fence. Home problems and work problems are at a high this weekend. Do not decide now. Sunday is the best day of the weekend, and you will feel a little freer and lighter then.

AQUARIUS: The Full Moon is going to rattle your usual routine. You should be thinking on a higher plane, but keep getting set back to the more mundane. Saturday is a good day to not accomplish anything, or simply to do nothing at all. Sunday improves, and you can socialize, either go out or have people home. Be gracious as usual when neighbors drop in.

PISCES: A partner is on your mind, the finances are so-so, but you feel good. Do not get to the point where you can sit back and just not give a damn. Be where you should be when you are needed or expected. Financial considerations ride over into Saturday. But it may just be a merry-go-round of confusion without decision. Let it slide until Sunday when you will see things in a better perspective.

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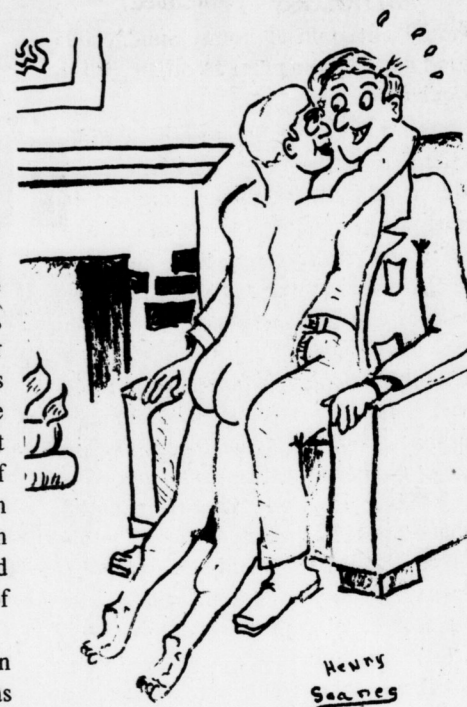
A new Ordinance, Article 25, to amend the Police Code of San Francisco, was passed by the Fire, Safety and Police Committee (Tamaras - Francois - Feinstein) on Thursday, concerning the registration of private protection and security guard agencies. The ordinance was one long sought by various concerned groups of citizens, due to the fact, that before the ordinance, the San Francisco Police Department did not know who did or did not work for these "rent-a-cop" agencies, due to the fact that the general license is given to one individual and he/she may hire whom they please, and the local police had no say. Los Angeles recently enacted a similar ordinance, and so San Francisco has followed suit. This ordinance will give the SFPD licensing power over the individuals hired by these agencies. A proposed gun-control amendment by the Tenderloin Citizens Council was soundly rejected by the Committee, even tho the SFPD supported it, but Sgt. David Roche of the Legal Unit, stated that the City was pre-empted by State law in this field.

An amendment, the first of it's kind, concerning such an important field, was submitted by Reverend Ray Broshears. That being, the new ordinance did not guarantee that Gays would not be discriminated against by the Chief of Police when it came time for a license, if they were seeking to be hired as a "rent-a-cop", and they had been arrested in the past for any offense

which required them to register as a 290 (sex-offender) of the California Penal Code.

The amendment was passed without dissent, and with the approval of the SFPD Legal officer. It states; "The Chief of Police may disregard any conviction requiring a 290 PC registration if he finds the applicant has fully completed any sentence imposed because of such conviction and the completion of said sentence, probation, parole or any conditions whatsoever resulting in such conviction, has occurred at least three years prior to the date of application and the applicant has not subsequently been convicted of any of the crimes calling for registration as a sex offender called for by section 290 of the Penal Code, nor has suffered any subsequent felony convictions of any nature whatsoever."

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THIS-A & THAT-A

by Lou Greene

It's midnite and I am just getting my second wind back after a most hectic week, both at work and on the field gathering news. Gotta feed the dog and cat first, get into position and start pounding away. — Don't forget the CROWN PRINCESS PRESENTATION BALL in Oakland at the Leamington Hotel Saturday, September 30, at 8 p.m. This promises to be a big evening. So get your bods to the East Bay and mingle with the guys and gals on the East side of the Bay. Call 626-2727 or 536-1540 for further details. — Anniversaires, Lou & Ray, in Oakland, celebrated their 7th on Sept. 16th; Betty and Val celebrate their 10th at the Jubilee at 4712 E. 14th St. They really had a big bash on the 10th with scads and tons of old familiar faces. Many more happy returns; LOCKER ROOM in Palo'Alto will celebrate their

8th in October, date to be announced. — GRANDMA'S celebrate their 4th Anniversary Oct. 4th. Gary of GOLD STREET and David of HOUSE OF HARMONY will entertain at the organ along with other guest artists. And while at GRANDMA'S meet Dean, better known as Denise-direct from Alaska and cute as a Polar Bear's ear. He'll really wet your appetite. George, the Bartender here fell down in one of the other bars under strange circumstances and broke his hand. Hope it mends quickly. — Would you believe? Danny of the BAYOU LOUNGE in Redwood City started to stagger from home base to the CRUISER. A Police car pulled up and asked what he was doing out on the sidewalk staggering all over the place. Danny said "would you rather have me drive in this condition?" The cops said where are you coming from and going

to. Dan said, "from the BAYOU to the CRUISER." "Oh, those queer bars, get in the car." Dan stumbled in and before he knew it, the car stopped and the Redwood City police said, Okay, here's the CRUISER. Be careful when you leave. Bouquets to the kind considerate lawmen. There are a few around you know. A farewell party for Sister Mary Theresa (Terry) was held at the BAYOU. A gallon jug full of breenbacks were presented to him amidst much fun and merriment. A great buffet and all the trimmings made this a joyful occasion altho a sad one as we will all miss his wonderful being. — Dance Floors on the move — The HARBOR has discontinued dinners and made a larger dance floor plus Theater in the Round — The TINKER'S DAMN has lowered its dance floor to floor level; the CRUISER has raised their dance floor and done a nice job of it; the BAYOU has moved its dance floor to the pool room and made a most inviting and intimate place to dance. — What was the big secret Bashka? Your Birthday and no word about it? Ashamed or afraid? Anyway, many happy returns. — THE CAMP GROUND at 2329 San Pablo in Berkeley, formerly VOLUME I, is now being operated by Bob and John, two wonderful guys. Steve is their waiter and John does the Cooking. They have revamped the premises and now have a lovely dining room. Their complete dinners start at \$2.50 and they offer an excellent variety of food from Steaks to Seafood 6-11 p.m. Sunday thru Thurs. and 6 to midnite Fri and Sat. You'll not go wrong making the trip for good food, and an intimate and relaxing atmosphere. — Spent Labor Day Sunday up at JUANITAS MENAGERIE in Sonoma. Bumped into the four owners of the SAVOY in Cupertino who stopped in for dinner and a carload of friends from the MISSOURI MULE in San Francisco. From here I drove to the Russian River. Perry, where were you? I drove right by the BUNK HOUSE and wound up at EL MATADOR which is now owned by two lovely gals, Lee and her better half. This is located on Guerneville Rd. just outside Santa Rosa off Highway 101. I found out that the BUNK HOUSE has been changed to THE CLIPPER. Norman Beyer formerly of the

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THIS-a & THAT-a (continued)

CLIPPER in Oakland is the new owner and in just a few days really made this a pleasant place to drive up to. Be sure to watch for their new sign at 9117 River Road in Forrestville, half way between Santa Rosa and Guerneville. Good luck to Bob and Norman in their new venture. — Last Sunday nite I attended the Mr. San Jose Contest at the SAVOY in Supertino. Since Hedda H. Crooks did the narrating at this affair, I'm sure he will give you a more vivid description of this really outstanding affair. A Hawaiian Show by the Hawaiian court preceeded the contest and can only say this was one of the most colorful and exciting shows I have seen this court do. I'll let Hedda tell the rest of the story. — David de Alba invited me to his/her home in Redwood City to review her acts via sound movies. David will be doing his interpretations of Judy Garland, Liza Minelli and Lauren Bacall at the HARBOR in San Jose on Sept. 26th. All you Judy fans, don't miss this entertaining evening. — Due to business reasons, I was unable to make the FE-BE'S Flight to Vancouver Run over the Labor Day weekend. So, I asked some of the participants to give me a rundown on what happened. Following is a ghost writer's story of all the details:

This well publicized, well organized and well managed flight departed from FE-BE'S with a fun group that included Russ and Don Geist of FE-BE'S, John Deere, J.J. Van Dyke, Henry von Dieckoff and 25 other stalwart souls. Their arrival in Vancouver was greeted by much hoopla from the owners of the fabled (and now notorious) PLAYPEN. A round of bars were done to acquaint the travelers with the bars and habits of that city. If that wasn't bad enough,

after a very liquid evening, they were joined by Roxanne & Gene Arceri (Arceri Associates of S.F.) who had kidnapped Mame, Chocolate Mess and Kim Chidester from Portland on the way up. If things weren't bad enough without that bunch showing up. With all the great weather, no one really got a chance to enjoy it. Americans are particularly well liked and they'll kill you to prove it.

For those of you who have not been fortunate enough to make one of the trips to B.C., they have many things going. The taverns (beer only) the best is the AMBASSADOR. Showbars — B.J.'s (tremendous) B.Y.O.B. dance bars, the UPSTAIRS, attractive (but), and the wildest of them all the B.Y.O.B. after hours clubs, dancing, a backroom that would put the COVERED WAGON to shame, and some of the greatest people and types in the world. The number one of B.C., the PLAYPEN, the hosts for the weekend brawl. The slave auction that was held in honor of FE-BE's trip will rank as one of the wildest productions in history, with J.J. Van Dyke emceeing. If you can visualize a place with room for about 350 holding somewhere in the area of 600 bodies (all physical). The body heat was so great that the mirrors behind the bar were steamed over completely. If you can visualize the baroness throwing away 2 million dollars, the liquor flowing like water and John Deere, Mame, Roxanne and assorted luminaries(?) whooping it up, all the while J.J. with a microphone, you have the ingredients for an unforgettable night (which lasted for two days.)

On Sunday there was a brunch at the Thunderbird, a pleasantly appointed liquor lounge, with nice people, dancing (live). A nice turnout: with the entire group from the City and Portland in

attendance. Don Geist bought a round of drinks for the house, and was upset to find that at least 30 people never got a drink (with a tab of \$110?). A nice club, but unless there is a serious change in policy, I don't think the club will get much play from the visitors. They gave passes to their other club (THE UPSTARES) which weren't honored, and all in all a damper of sorts was placed on the scene.

The group caught the show at B.J.'s which would be a stopper anywhere with the Empress Charity really doing a good thing. Dinners, brunches, cocktail parties, too much liquor, not enough sleep, countless opportunities for everything, slave auctions, and fabulous catches really boggled the mind.

On Monday morning, the group, now numbering around 50, had a farewell lunch at a restaurant called the TREEHOUSE which is a must for anyone visiting. Don & Russ probably did one of the best good neighbor deeds of the trip when they met a couple (straight) celebrating their 29th anniversary going up to the restaurant. They sent champagne, bought their lunch, and several rounds of drinks. This lovely couple were heard to say "We didn't know there were any people like you left in the world. That theme, should echo from all of us to Vancouver. We may be the city that knows how, they're the city who does it."

Thanks to Russ, Don & John of FE-BE'S for a trip that will go down(?) in the annals of our group as something else.

The stragglers are still coming back after two weeks, so the final evaluation will never be made. Remember that the next flight will be the S.F. to Camelot flight (Portland) on November 18. This one will work to outdo the last. — Until the next issue I'll bid you happy days and happier nites. As for myself, I'll have my hands full getting involved with plans and preparations for the SAN FRANCISCAN'S BUTCH BRUNCH NO. 5 in October and the RECONS TOY THING. You'll be hearing a lot more in the forthcoming issues of B.A.R.

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AN EMPEROR OF SAN FRANCISCO FOR YOU

Before this month is over, the Gay community of San Francisco will have elected its first Emperor. For the past few weeks and until the Coronation on Friday, September 29, at California Hall, the Bay Area has been bombarded with posters, banners, buttons, speeches, parties and rallies in an effort to stimulate interest and educate us all in the whys and wherefores of this most important event. The candidates are in rare form and large crowds materialize wherever they appear to hear their enthusiastic words in support of their own candidacy. As usual, the ROUND UP was first to jump on the Emperor bandwagon and two weekends ago they screened the movie version of EMPEROR NORTON and then pledged free drinks for a whole year to the Emperor to be crowned. From the Peninsula to Marin, from the City to the East Bay the crowds are eager with questions about the Office of the Emperor. The fabulous show biz personalities Alfie and the delightful Bashka haven't missed a presentation, so

intense is their interest and support of the concept of male leadership. The listening and voting public, it should be noted, have displayed intense interest, evidenced by the many complex and difficult questions they put to the candidates. A young lesbian at the Harbor was heard to remark: "You guys don't even look queer, how are you going to represent us?" Interest has been aroused but there are still detractors. There are still skeptics. The wise and experienced give lukewarm acceptance to a concept that has been in the planning stages for almost two years - to give the Gay Community of the San Francisco Bay Area a man to represent us all.

We have had seven Empresses. Each has done the job well and created the camp, the mythical, the fun and social trip. That's fine. We need that element in our life styles. You've seen the bars all jammed on Halloween when the drags put on the most opulent display of finery and we're all there to applaud their efforts. You cannot convince me that the drawing power of drag queens will be negated by the election of an

Emperor. Serious contenders for the crown know this. This is your chance for cohesion; your chance to voice YOUR vote; your chance to finally make Our City a true mecca for all homosexuals and to round out our almost perfect image with a MAN in leadership. You can call him a Mayor, or a Governor, or a Prime Minister. I even like the name Ambassador. But whatever you call it, at least join it. The choice is yours. Please, tolerate, cooperate and lastly, participate.

INTER CLUB FUND "CASUALTY CAPERS" SET FOR SEPT. 30

The INTER CLUB FUND, composed of members of ALL bike clubs and other interested parties, have been rehearsing for the past six weeks under the able direction of Mr. John of the CMC to put on a spectacular production of excerpts from ALL the shows on runs this year. The "Capers" will be held at the Hall on Fremont Street and will be in a cabaret setting with the WARLOCKS M/C and NO NAME BIKE CLUBS No. 1 & No. 2 acting as waiters, ushers and ticket takers and the remaining clubs putting on a show that's bound to be fantastic in view of the hard work, rehearsing and planning for this event designed to raise funds for club members injured or otherwise incapacitated. See you there on the 30th.

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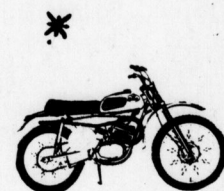
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SOUTHERN SCANDALS (continued)

CYCLE RUNNERS M/C STAGE THEIR FLEDGLING RUN.

It was of an early Sunday morning at the **BOOT CAMP** when the City's newest bike club marked a milestone in their new career with their fledgling run to the East Bay and Marin and ending up at the gracious **VI'S CLUB DRAKE** where the handsome Al St. Clair had the day under control with the awards presentations for poker hands and **VI's 73rd Birthday Bash**. A grand time was had by all and the place was packed to pay tribute to one of the nicest bike clubs around and of course to Vi, one of this community's neatest people.

FELIX JONES OF LONDON ARRIVES IN SF OCTOBER 7

He's been billed as the Perle Mesta of London, known the world over as the Queen Mum of the Leather Set and knows so many leather people in Europe and the U.S. as well as other world capitols that he should be billed as Mr. Leather. The world's foremost leatherman will be arriving in San Francisco for a one-week visit and already the social set of leatherdom are jockeying for the envied privilege of

hosting dinners and parties for him. Felix will be accompanied by his close friend, Bob Watson and will also be visiting other cities. While here, Felix Jones will be staying with Bill Bliss and if you want to meet him, chances are he'll be in full ragalia at the **BOOT CAMP** on Tuesday, October 10 for their **FELIX JONES OF LONDON PARTY** at 9:00 p.m. with a host of surprises. If you've ever met him, you'll want to renew the acquaintance. If you haven't met him, this will be your opportunity to do so.

JOSE RETURNS FROM SOUTH AMERICA

Amazon Lil (Big Carl) of the **ROUND UP** tells me that Jose, our beloved Dowager Empress will be returning to the **ROUND UP** on the 24th of September to resume his tres campy Dating Game along with a Big Welcome Bash to which you're all invited. Jose has been in Colombia relaxing and renewing acquaintances in that beautiful South American country. Hope to see you all there for a giant celebration for one of the real super stars in Our Town.

DOTTA DATTA...

Nearly freaked out when I head the Board of Supervisors were going to change the name of Polk Street to Avenida Benito Juarez in honor of that famed Mexican patriot. Found out it was just for one day in honor of the Mexico Week celebration at Civic Center. Could just hear the whole world talking about BJ Street in San Francisco... Heaven bartender at **JACKSON'S** on weekends - his name is Dallas and local wags say his talents extend far beyond the mixology trip... Back from Mexico and looking rrrreeeeeally refreshed folks - Mike Frawley of the **PENDULUM...** **2ND ANNUAL HOT PANTS CONTEST** was held at the **ROUND UP** last night but couldn't hold up this column without getting the Editor uptight. Last year's winner was Dallas Hubbard that perennial go-go dancer... Wes of the **WARLOCKS** was back in town too to get a few personal obligations straightened out but I didn't know it included busting his hand in the process.... That infant terrible Cal Harris of the **NAKED GRAPE** is on a soda water diet and everyone keeps asking why, why?... Speaking of the **NAKED**

SCANDALS

GRAPE, that was quite a bash they threw for the Bartenders last week - Jack Antonucci, the Bartender of the Year, was honored before his peers and a fabulous champagne buffet was served along with free drinks bought for everyone by Mike Farrell, the **BOOT CAMP** and other personalities supporting their favorite Emperor Candidate... The **HARRISON HOUSE HOTEL** on 6th & Harrison, I am happy to report, is now open and if you're looking for a new style of living in a community fun house with Mother Elmer at your beck and call, this has GOT to be the place... Congratulations to Duke Smith, recently elected to the powerful Ways and Means Committee of S.I.R. I say powerful because they control the coins expended by S.I.R.... Some of the fun-loving bartenders of Polk Street who stray to the bars South of Marcus, I mean South of Market, for fun and games: Tony Lasagna of the **NEW BELL**, Rose of the **LANDMARK**, Bob Ball of the **EARLY BIRD**, and **MANY** others. Nice to see the community getting integrated... New western bar opened just two days ago, and it's the **WATERHOLE** No. 3 at 18th & Valencia and under the amiable leadership of Mr. Cecil, formerly of the **BACHELOR CLUB...** **THE WILD GOOSE** opens on October 5 at Polk & Pine and promises to be the life-saving element for Polk Street... Watch for the S.I.R. 1973 Calendars for \$3.50 and featuring those heaven **VECTOR** Cover Men... One of South of Market's most talented artists, Jerry Prewitt, has his array of traditional to abstracts in oils, water color and collage on display in the Panel Gallery of the Artists Co-op at 2224 Union Street until Sept. 23... The

scene at Robin Price's Birthday Bash for Petey, that cute Australian sailor, was one to be remembered. Guess Bill Martin finally found his pants... Good looking Jim Divore now manning the guns at the **ROUND UP** and looking real good... Duane No. 2, formerly of the **LA BLACK PIPE** is now meetin' and greetin' at the door of the ever-popular **RAMROD**. Hear Richard, head bartender, had a real blast on his birthday and the ebullient Jim Corbett is still making friends by the trainload with John Chase and the newest bartender Bob, to make things exciting. Especially love the film sequence of Isaac Hayes doing "Shaft" from the Academy Award presentation completely in chains and leather... Sorry to report that due to illness and other irritants, Sarah Jane Johnson, III will not be able to furnish his Originals for awhile... **FE-BE's** run to Vancouver, as was expected, was the blast of the month and they made many, many friends for us all as a climax to their month-long sixth anniversary celebration - congratulations to Don, John and Al for a month to remember...

The 1st Anniversary of the **BOOT CAMP** will be celebrated starting on September 25 and continuing through the end of the week. Bill McWilliams promises to give you a week-long party to equal the grand opening of just one year ago with a free buffet every night at 9:00 p.m. and other surprises. Almost 2,000 invitations have been mailed out and it should be a fun week for everyone... And let me be the first to advise you that the **CMC Carnival** this year will be on November 12th. Same place. Same trip.

In closing, I just want to remind you to remember to patronize the B.A.R.'s advertisers, visit Marin, the East Bay and the Peninsula - they're all lovely places with exciting people too. Remember, it's the San Francisco Bay Area that comprises what I refer to as Our Town, Our Community, Our City. Good bye and until next time, remember, I love you all.

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Freddie, how come you let Shirley loan Don Berry the Peacock as his bird...?

Such a lovely weekend in L.A.... Bette Bonko flew in from Atlanta, Cristal from Honolulu and Broadway Jay, Chester, Craig Daley and Sweet Lips from S.F. just to have brunch at the VALLI HAUS with Michael Greer. Of course Paul Bentley was already there and took us to the HAYLOFT. No, the TAVERN GUILD is not paying for the trip even tho' we did distribute Ball posters.

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Seems as if Reba makes all periodicals... now Herb Caen caught her at Reba's home away from home... the AMBASSADOR LOUNGE. That girl gets everywhere.

Thank you Rose Buckley of the GANGWAY for doing the Senior Citizen's luncheon last week. Understand you gave one of the old gals your front tooth for her bridge... now what to do for Halloween, Rose? You never looked lovelier.

Fern, who is the attractive young gentleman you are running around with? Stop at the HOUSE OF HARMONY and see Keith sometime.

No Reba, I didn't set up P.S.A.'s flight as you thought I would.

Seems as if Rome from the HOUSE OF HARMONY got the Canadian Club Bartender's award... don't they know that he drinks nothing but Cutty Sark.

Stopped to see Kenny at the PENDULUM the other day and he sure had a swinging bar going with lots of lovelies.

Hey Res, how come Reba calls you fat? Is it because she only has a few words in her vocabulary? Reba never looked lovelier or thinner.

It doesn't look as if Sweet Lips will have a new gown for this fall as she has her dressmaker John Sylvia working seven nites a week. But how was I to know that I wouldn't need a new dress John?

Dusty, you have to stop taking your dog Michael to the baths... people get upset at seeing a real dog after having some of the dogs that go there.

As usual, Dickie Dare Darlin' of the HOUSE OF HARMONY stuck me for the luncheon check at SUTTER'S MILL the other day and also left me stranded as he left the bar with a gentleman of quality...

Remember the holiday's are coming so do your Christmas shopping early so that you have money left to drink with.

There are five contestants for Empress this year and the Privy Council must have been really desperate... calling them all ladies. Good luck to the winner as it is a rough road running... and Maxine never looked lovelier.

So nice to see "Pineapple" from the LANDMARK getting around again. He is always a welcome addition to any bar with his winsome smile.

Hope to see you all at Empress Jonni' Ball on the 23rd of this month. You get the privilege of meeting all of the candidates for Empress... this is a privilege?

Bye Mr. Sweet Lips... it was a real pleasure.



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UPPER MARKET

The bartenders' party at the NAKED GRAPE was a huge success and highlighted with a plaque presented to Jack A. from the BAJ for Bartender of the Year and an autographed photo of Mayor Alioto.

The grand opening of the PURPLE PICKLE will run two days. Thurs., Sept. 28th, will feature the Emperor Candidates with yours truly as hostess. Friday, the 29th, will feature the Empress Candidates with Maxine as hostess. I'm happy to report that Boo is up and around. Poor dear has to take walking lessons. Roy (NEW BELL) is also back among us. Welcome back, we missed you both!!

My spies tell me the owners of the MIDNIGHT SUN are opening a New Orleans type restaurant on 18th Street soon.

The MISTAKE is showing original wire paintings, created by Gene of the CYCLE RUNNERS. This is a very clever man.

Don't be too surprised if you see a RENDEZVOUS WEST sign in front of the LOG CABIN soon.

The NAKED GRAPE will have an

auction for S.I.R., Tues., Oct. 3rd, with a show headed by Lennie Lyn following.

POLK STRASSA

The WILD GOOSE will open Oct. 5th. They plan to have the cruisiest bar since the JUMPING FROG. In spite of rumors, it is NOT going to be a leather bar!

Arnie's Delicatessen on Cedar Alley, off Polk St., is a very interesting place and deserves our patronage.

Bruce (Q.T.) was busy warming up her dinner (I missed his name) while she was eating the wonderful buffet at JACKSON'S Tuesday. Bob Ross and John really outdid themselves.

MOVING MISSION

Cecil is branching out on his own and will open THE WATER HOLE on 18th and Valencia. His Grand Opening will be Oct. 12th. The way this man cooks is heaven.

Kisses on your opening.

The BACHELOR'S CLUB will have their monthly Western Party on Mon. the 25th with their great food and that wonderful chuck wagon.

CHINESE CHECKERS

Thom (GASLIGHT) can now be

seen at JACKSON'S.

Dino (LUCKY CLUB) is now at the ORPHEUM CIRCUS.

Danny (kitchen at JACKSON'S) is now at the FABULOUS GREEK, as is Gene Patten.

John (Vera Cruze) formerly of TOTIES is now part timing it at POLK GULCH

DOWNTOWN

The ALLEY CAT had a Hot Pants Contest with contestants from the BOOT CAMP, NAKED GRAPE, GOLD STREET, GASLIGHT, RENDEZVOUS, *P.S. and TOAD HALL and I loved judging what they weren't wearing.

The TURF CLUB will hold a kickoff campaign party for the Dog Lady on Sun., Sept. 24th, on beautiful downtown 6th Street with Mother as hostess. Champagne and a buffet will be served and with Mother around, it should be heaven.

Yours truly will host a party for Maxine at the PEKE PALACE Sunday, Oct. 1st, 7 till 9 p.m.

The PAGE ONE has been sold to Carl Lide, the Head cooker who used to be with Lenny at the 527.

The UNION SQUARE LOUNGE will close and reopen two blocks up Geary. The new name will be THE MILKY WAY.

AROUND TOWN

See you all at the Empress Ball at California Hall Sat., Sept. 23rd. The Empress Candidates will be presented that night. They are Dog Lady, Diki,

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TIDBITS (continued)

Laura, Maxine and Roxann.

Balls are in this month. The Emperor Coronation is Friday, Sept., 29, at California Hall, Royal Princess Ball is Oakland Sat., the 30th, at the Leamington Hotel. Oct. 7th proves to be an interesting day if you have a jet. Vancouver is having their Empress Coronation, Monterey is having their first ball and MAME is opening at California Hall here in San Francisco. By the time I get through these two weeks, my new dress will have a lot of mileage on it!!

Was very happy to see Black Beauty walking without his cane at TOTIES. By the way, Peter King is still doing the buffet on weekends. Speaking of Peter King, he will be doing the buffet for BRADLEY'S Anniversary (first and fifth together) on Sat., the 30th of Sept. It starts at 6 p.m. and they have a lot of great things planned for the evening.

If you like reminiscing, be sure to read the walls at GOLD STREET. Cass Daley was surprised when I hit her with an original movie still I brought back from Hollywood. If you missed her, don't the second time around, she's a mad, mad woman.

The Hot Pants Contest and the go-go

boys at THE ROUND UP were unreal and to think I don't have to pay to judge these things. Don't miss Jose's coming-home party there, Sun., the 24th. THE ROUND UP will give the Emperor free drinks for a year. That ought to goose up the campaign.

Rita Ramp is running a rest home for young men. It's called HARRISON HOUSE and would you believe Amazon Lil will be opening an after-hours place in the basement soon? That's what I call a swinging joint!

All you Western dudes swing over to the LANCERS Sept. 21st and pick up on their action. Calamity Jane, here I come.

It seems like last week I was hostess at the opening of the BOOT CAMP. Now they are having their first anniversary Sept. 25th thru the whole week. If it's anything like the opening, get there early!!

Have you ever noticed that bartenders with the smiling faces are the most popular? And it doesn't cost a dime!!

If you believe the clergy and if you can't trust your minister, who can you trust? Father Bob Richards is as much a priest as I am a nun. He has been denounced by both churches he claims

to be connected with as a self-styled "priest" (reference-The Examiner). His F.B.I. record includes child molesting, among other things. A person that uses the collar for that sort of thing in my book is of the lowest form and I believe Bob Richards will not be the last to be exposed, and if no one beats me to it, you will read it here.

The latest mail box service is called the MESSAGE CENTER. It is also an answering service (771-0600) run by David Daneson. Whatever your needs, give him a call. I'm sure he can handle it.

Ran into the CYCLE RUNNERS at VI'S CLUB DRAKE. Love that roadrunner! Her birthday was a lot of fun and she was almost lost under all those leis. The Dog Lady and Marcus were there, each doing his own thing. Vi, you're a great guy and I hope you have 73 more!!

Another new title. Park Bowl is electing Miss Caterer. The contestants are Peter King, Fat Fairy and Jose'.

Was that Wess and Art doing "Bosom Buddies" in Casual Capers at KELLYS?

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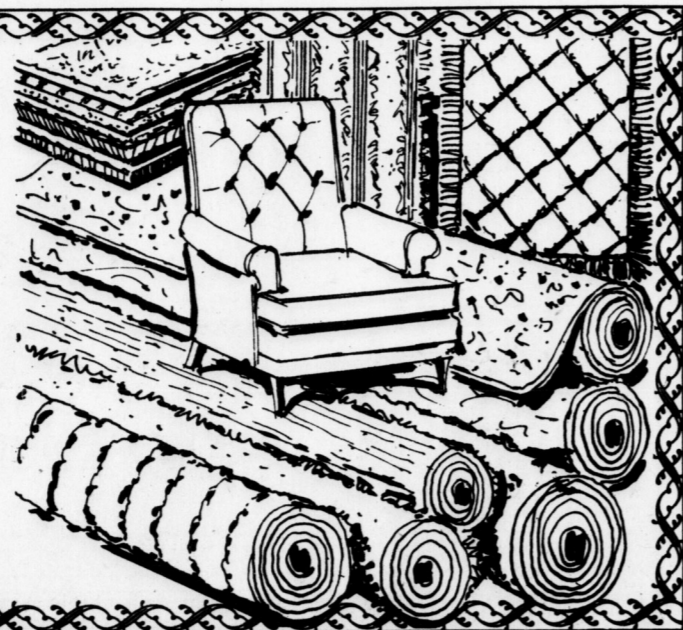
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LOCO WEATHER REPORT

by Cecil Knockherworst Weatherbee



Dear Gay Brothers and Sisters. Since I'm on vacation I do hope you will forgive me for the rush state of my column - the pen scratchings that I was able to complete during my spare siestas I hope will explain the windy happenings in our peaceful Gay Community. - Luv.

The Emperor candidates: Marcus Manulis, Ron Ernst, Don Berry, and Elizabeth Lane continue to play their game.

and Candidates Dizzy Dizzy Dicky, the Dog Lady, Princess Maxine, Butch Basket Roxanne, and Skinless Laura are preparing to jockey for the Empress race.



"Well Mary, there's one thing we have in common that is having Dowager Empress Shirley as our coutourier; But was it necessary to use up the yards and yards of fabric from the Cristal regime."

And The University of California made big time news with its sensational face lift on that big show biz personality Carl Kay better known as Lotta Crabtree.



Oh, How Jolly!



"Opp's"

And Quiet, shy, unobtrusive "Grand Mare" Jose' will return shortly after a successful opera tour from the far ends of Columbia.



"Your off key again."

And Rumor has it that the Polish Prince (formerly of a royal court) has been seen around town escorting some of San Francisco's finest Gay beauties.

A typical San Francisco Gay Beauty.



Going to the ball-The finishing touch.

And The chef's of San Francisco's finest Gay din din houses continue to dish up fabulous entrees in their competitive race for first place in the next Goldie awards.



"Guess who?"

And Are the modeling agencies playing sheep while tooting their own horn in their new publication "The Forum" - but again, their canidate Mr. Don Berry

acted more like a frog when he jumped out of the running at TOAD HALL.



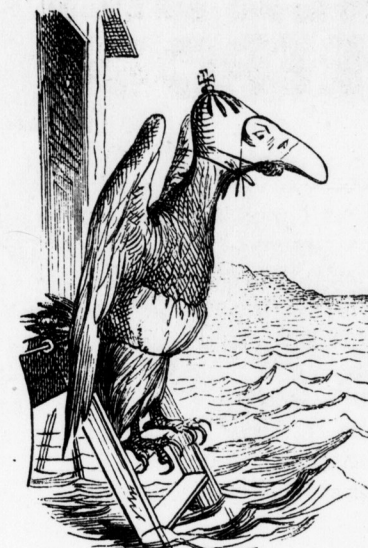
"A" as in effort?

And In local news it seems that Jim Foster is on the defensive or is William E. Beardemphl playing a different tune.



Fight for the Political Championship

And Ray Rule constantly contemplates to take a dip (?) in the COVERED WAGON pool.



"Let's see if I hold my breath and count up to ten maybe the fuzz will go away."

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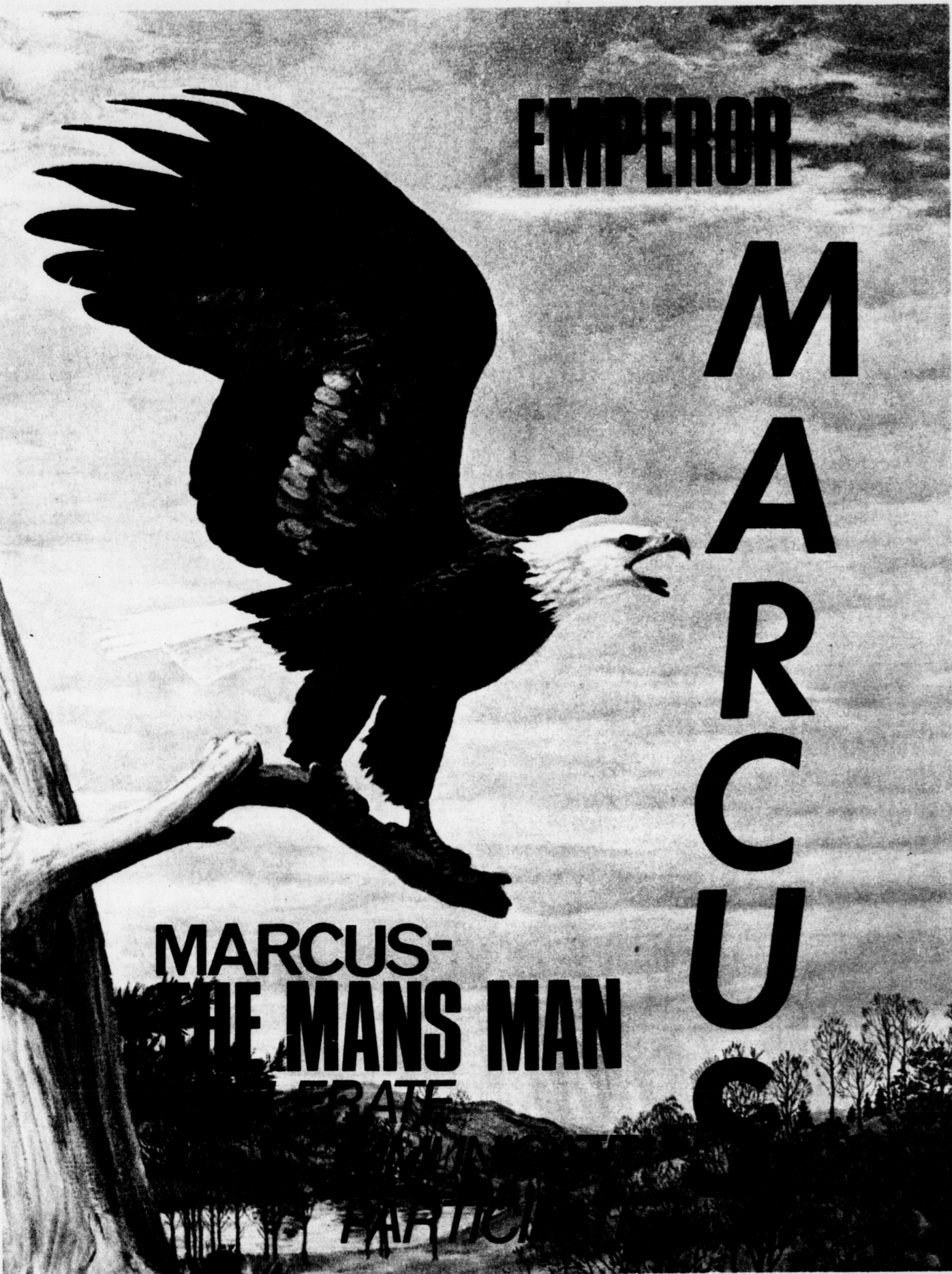
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Faye heralding the opening of the City Players newest production, MAME.

**MISTER MARCUS CROWNED
EMPEROR OF SAN FRANCISCO**
by Donald McLean

On Friday night, Sept. 29th, chartered cablecars, motorcycles and high heels beat a path to California Hall to cast their vote for the first Gay Emperor of San Francisco. The four candidates - Mister Marcus, Don Berry, Ron Ernst and Elizabeth Lane (Pookalani) - had all campaigned vigorously around the city. The Emperor Ball was surprisingly sparsely attended and was not really a ball at all, just a very large voting booth. Everyone came in and cast their ballot and then headed for the bar until it came time to announce the winner. However, the atmosphere was one of great congeniality and all sections of the Gay community were well represented. Drag and leather mixed amiably and it was nice to see all five Empress contenders for '72, five of the seven past Emperesses, plus Nicki Nations and Bashka from the Peninsula and the Emperor of Long Beach (now I know what I want for Xmas!) in attendance. And special mention should be made of Elizabeth Lane's stunning appearance. She truly looked gorgeous and



represented the Lesbian community proudly.

Around 11 o'clock, Chuck Waltz, the M.C., introduces John Chase, who in turn introduces Jose', who will eventually announce the winner. Jose' delivers a few thousand well-chosen words about the value of having an Emperor, then the back curtain is raised to reveal all four contenders and Jose' reads the name of the winner... "Marcus!" The room goes up for grabs and well-wishers suddenly jam the stage. By 11:30, it's all over, many people adjourning to a celebration party held for Marcus at THE CORNER. The battle for Emperor is now over, but for Marcus, it's just beginning. San Francisco now has an Emperor!

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**CATHOLIC PRIEST DENOUNCES
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Gayvoice News Service
Father Simon Scanlon, a priest in the Tenderloin at the St. Boniface Church on Golden Gate Avenue, has written a scathing attack on those within the Gay community who are trying to lessen the police drive on 'victimless crimes'. The article appeared in the publication put out by Scanlon, called "The Way," and Scanlon gave an interview to the most notorious of the "queer-baiters," Guy Wright of the Examiner, in which he continued on decrying the Tenderloin in general. In