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GAYS PICKET CITY HALL

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CITY HALL GAY PROTEST Ken Andrios, GA/SF

Wednesday, November 22nd, a bright sunshine bathed the Civic Center, this Indian Summer afternoon, as 24 pickets of the GAY ALLIANCE and eighty supporting Gays stood by, in protest of the increased police intimidation and arrests of Gays in San Francisco. The area of front of City Hall had been blocked off to allow room for the protesters, and as time passed by, the space was needed. There were nearly 200 onlookers spending their lunch hour in the Center watching the Rally. Featured speaker attorney Terry Hallinan failed to appear, but as things turned out, he was not needed. GAY ALLIANCE chairman, Reverend Ray Broshears was almost a one-man show, and a colorful one at that, until he was joined in speaking by the former president of the Chicago GAY ALLIANCE, John Abney, who had a few choice words for the police. Later, Peter Sorgen, VVAW draft counsellor spoke to those assembled on the need to stand up for their rights.

Then as Reverend Bob Humphries of the U.S. Missions spoke, three Jesus-people invaded the rally, and with a speaker less audible than that of the GAY ALLIANCES, tried to tell the people that homosexuals were all going to hell. It appeared to this reporter that they could spew nothing but hate and anger towards the Gays present. Bob Humphries ignored them, and launched into a tirade on the Vice Squad and victimless-crime arrests. VECTOR editor Ralph Petersen joined the Gay Liberationists in a show of solidarity on the steps of City Hall. And as the Jesus-people became more abusive, famed Gay attorney, B.J. Beckwith demanded that Officer Blackstone and a couple of the dozens of policemen present stop them from disrupting the

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George Mendenhall of the Advocate interviewing the new Vector editor, Ralph Petersen.



Rev. Ray being interviewed by Channel 2.

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Rev. Ray Broshears addressing the marchers at the Rally.

Rally as they did not have a permit and the GAY ALLIANCE did. Blackstone refused, as did the others, and Beckwith climbed the steps to where the Jesus-people stood, told them to shut-off their amplifier, and when they called him some hate name and told him that all queers were of the devil, he politely reached over and pulled the plug on their sound system. It was at

this time, the SFPD moved in, but stopped as Broshears laid them low, with some hot words on selective law enforcement. Broshears had a cow-bell and rang it often to shake some of the straights up a bit. During Reverend Broshear's speech concerning victimless crime arrests in San Francisco, he denounced several of the Gay bar owners for trying to stop the Rally, as being no better than a police informer, for that's what they were doing, he stated, helping the police keep us in line.

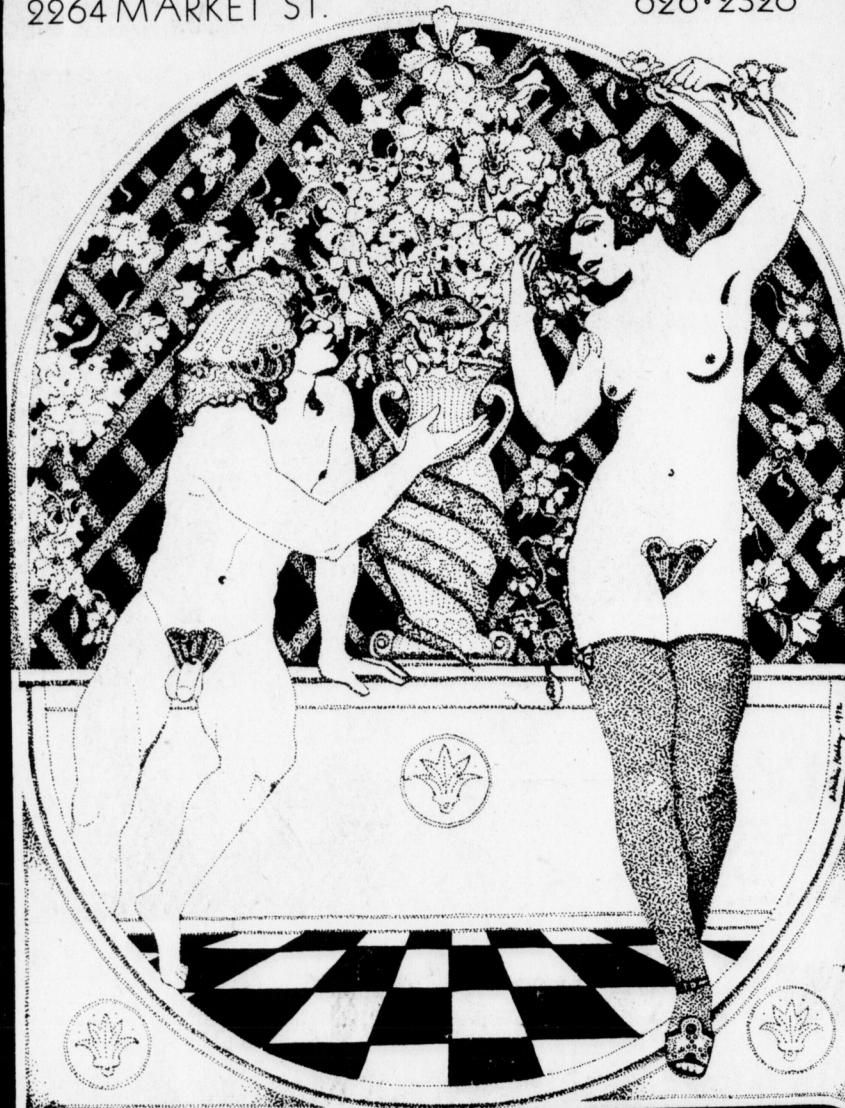
Broshears then attacked S.I.R. for refusing to participate or endorse the Rally, as he did the plastic Gay Liberationists at GAY SUNSHINE and EMMAUS HOUSE, which also refused to participate. He stated that those present were the real representative peoples of the Gay Community, for they were not afraid to lay their life on the line. But the crowd was dotted with many name persons, ranging from doctors, attorneys, to clergy and Gay business owners. Several Municipal Court judges and assistant District Attorneys watched the Rally and some even applauded the speakers.

The banners of the GAY ALLIANCE were colorful to say the least, with green and white as well as the traditional, red, white and blue American flags, and the large lavender banners, along with the picket signs with huge red Lambda (GAY LIBERATION) emblems on them. News media was in evidence all over, with five radio stations doing broadcasts from the spot and KTVU Channel 2 doing a large spot on the Rally.

The Mayor was out of town, and his Office had no comment, the Chief of Police stated that he would look into the situation. Numerous members of the Vice Squad-Morals Squad were present to hear Broshears tell of the Vice Squad plans to place a huge neon sign on 850 Bryant Street, changing the name to HALL OF MORALITY. Broshears told the crowd that Gays will make Alioto's dream of becoming Governor, turn into a nightmare. It was announced afterwards, that the GAY ALLIANCE is planning a sit-in at either the Mayor's Office or the District Attorney's Office. All of this, on the 9th anniversary of the murder of President John Kennedy. Just too, too much.

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The Old Folks Defense League, now in its third year of action, has put together once more its annual Christmas party and supper, to be held at the Christ Orthodox Episcopal Church of God, on December 22nd, at 7 PM, in the 26 Seventh Street location of the church. This year, as before, to an extent, the Police Community Relations Unit of the SFPD, through Officer Elliot Blackstone, will assist with some of the food. But, the remainder must come from the League and from the church. But, the League this year, is undertaking a tremendously needed project, in that we are going to distribute Christmas Baskets to the shut-in and disabled. And as well, we plan to give out gifts the night of the Party and Supper. But, as the League has little funds, we must appeal to you for assistance. Won't you help us to help some elderly person to have a Merry Christmas? God bless you!

ELECTION RESULTS STARTLING... IN SOME AREAS!

from the Gay News Service

Bible-banging Assemblyman E. Richard Barnes of San Diego, who delivered impassioned speeches against AB 437 (sexual law reform bill) successfully, was defeated by a coalition of moderates and liberals in San Diego. Gay voters in San Diego contributed heavily to that defeat. Then in Los Angeles, Assemblyman Bill Brophy, a hard-on Gays type, was defeated by the gay-backed, Richard Alatorre. Alatorre had the backing of several of the Gay peoples organizations in Los Angeles. But, the Alatorre victory is somewhat dampened, as Vincent Bugliosi went down to defeat to anti-Gay people, District Attorney Busch. Elsewhere

throughout the state, longtime foes of the Gay peoples were returned to office as usual, with few exceptions.

But in San Francisco, there were pro-Gay vs pro-Gay races all over the place. Sexual Law Reform author, Willie Brown was returned to the Assembly by an overwhelming victory, as was his sidekick, John Burton, and both of their opponents were pro-Gay. Then pro-Gay (recently turned), Assemblyman John Foran won re-election 6-1 over his very anti-Gay opponent. Senator Milton Marks, who had overwhelming support from the Gay peoples of San Francisco, easily defeated the Alioto-endorsed candidate who opposed him. In the sharpest difference of opinion race, the Congressional race between incumbent William Mailliard and challenger Roger Boas was explosive. Mailliard, a Republican, was backed by two Gay groups, the GAY ALLIANCE (GAA), and the GAY VOTERS LEAGUE, while his opponent Boas was backed by S.I.R. and ALICE B. TOKLAS CLUB, and back to Congress went Bill Mailliard. Congressman Mailliard won re-election by a mere 11,000 votes, and gives great credit to the workds of the GAY ALLIANCE on his behalf. Boas lost support when he stated at a public meeting that "there is no Gay vote!"

San Francisco voters turned out in lesser numbers than in 1968, but a quick check of the records show, that the Gay precincts did it again, in that they scored heavily.

Willie Brown's aides are now saying that Willie is going to make a run for the Mayor's post in 1975. Superior Court judge, John Ertola's close friends are saying that John will step down from the bench to run for Mayor in '75.



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COMMUNITY NEWS COITS

The COITS of San Francisco is formulating and finalizing plans for a big Mardi Gras Parade and Ball which will take place on Sunday, March 11, 1973. General Chairman for the extensive undertaking is Vice President Tommy Turner.

Preliminary plans call for a parade the length of Polk Street terminating at California Hall where a costume ball will be held. The ball will feature a live orchestra and a stage presentation.

The parade will have a well-known Grand Marshall and businesses, organizations, and individuals are invited to participate with competitive entries in various categories including floats, marching units, etc., with a Mardi Gras theme.

Announcement of the prizes to be awarded and numerous other details will be issued in the near future.

At their last meeting the COITS also selected the *P.S. (back room) for their Christmas banquet which will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 19th, and is annually attended by more than fifty members and guests.

THANKSGIVING

GIVING THANKS AT S.I.R.
by Frank Fitch

Once more, there was a free Thanksgiving dinner served at the SOCIETY FOR INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS. This year was more successful

than any previous one. The new center, with its fresh paint, new floors and lights, and large windows, served as a better setting. More people - about 400 - and even better, more of a cross section of people... north of Market, south of Market, young, old and in between, members and nonmembers, men and women... all sharing a traditional meal as brothers and sisters. The food was fantastic, in variety, quantity and quality. Naturally, there were turkeys with dressing, cranberries and all. Also, making an appearance were hams, roast beefs, duck (prepared Peking-Suburb), and a beautiful suckling pig. Baked potatoes, sweet potatoes, mashed potatoes and yams were offered. As a long time fan, I can attest to the quality of the banana nut bread which was competing with home made stone ground and three or four more types I didn't have room to taste. The dessert table was a dieter's dilemma with superb pecan pie, pumpkin, apple, cherry, mince meat... plus pudding and fresh fruit. If that didn't do it, there was a large layer cake.

More important than the food, perhaps, are the things we have to be thankful for. Certainly Hector Caceres is one. The hours he spent organizing, planning, arranging, preparing, cooking, serving and then cleaning up are a testament of one who cares. Naomi is another - how he found 29 ovens for roasting I'll never know. These two men and the many others who helped in the preparations, donated food, served 400 dinners and cleaned up afterward are a

precious resource of the gay community. It is people like those that make up for the disappointments, the few who complain louder than they work.

I think we can also be thankful for the existence of S.I.R. Not only for providing a place for gays to come together in Thanksgiving (and many might have had no other place to go) but for the many people who daily give of their time and money through the Society. These are the people that are responsible for the many services we can so easily take for granted. Without them there would be no Thanksgiving Dinner, no senior citizens lunches, no VECTOR magazine, no office, which sells tickets, distributes publications, maintains the bulletin board of places to share or rent, prints the literature and flyers, no gay political power, no Saturday night dances, which for many were the first place they saw other Gays, no pocket lawyer, no referral list of Gay businesses, or effective attorneys and bailbondsmen, no DOLLY, no addition of sexual orientation to the City Charter, no 24 hour message number (433-5433), no fight for good publicity from the media, none of the many, many other services that S.I.R. provides.

It has been said, that if a certain fifty people were to die, that would mean the end of Gay Liberation in San Francisco. I think a large percentage of those people are members and workers of S.I.R. For those that have a need to help others, for those who care... The SOCIETY FOR INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS is the place to be.



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ALL ARE INVITED
by Frank Fitch

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Marks and one Supervisor have already confirmed that they will be there on December 10th), have some beer and hot dogs — have a good time.

ALICE is a great place for those who don't even know a politician from a used car salesman. Anyone who would be interested in getting to know their neighbors, learning and teaching about the services that are available to residents of our fair city and organizing such things as block parties (if you haven't had a party in the middle of a street, you haven't lived) should come by. Do you know the benefits from

organizing (or joining) a food collective? Do you know how to get the City to help plant trees down the length of your street? Do you know how to dispose of your paper, bottles and cans without polluting the environment? Do you know about the free services offered by dozens of Federal State and City departments? Do you care about the quality of muni service, the cost of cab fares, high-rises in front of your picture window. If the answer to the last question was yes, or any of the others no, then ALICE is the place for you. However, if the answer to the first questions was yes, then you should come to ALICE to teach others.

ALICE stands foursquare on the proposition the POLITICS IS FUN!

STORY BY DARRYL HALL

Chauvinist 1) anyone absurdly jealous of his country's honor or puffed up with an exaggerated sense of national glory; an extravagant florifier of his country. 2) One who is belligerently attached to his own race, group, etc.: white chauvinist, male chauvinist (after Nicolas Chauvin, an extremely devoted soldier and overzealous supporter of Napoleon Bonaparte) Funk & Wagnalls Standard Dictionary, International Edition, 1958, 1959 and 1960.

When the United States was founded nearly two hundred years ago, the principle of individual freedoms crept into its founding papers. Whether through long range sight of our forefathers or (more likely) inadvertently, the foundation was laid to establish a country of free peoples. At the time, in the late 1700's, certainly that was not the practical intent of this founding country: women were not classified as "people" and slaves were abundant. But the underlying principle was there, to be interpreted in later years to include Blacks, Chinese, etc. as people. Homosexuals still haven't gotten that classification.

There are those who, flying in the face of this basic principle of American government, believe that being "American" transcends even the principle of being individuals. It is that line of thought that has led us so far astray from the concept of America as the land of the free. It is that concept that some are fighting so hard to

overcome to establish America as a truly free society with liberty and rights for ALL. And justice, and happiness, and freedom.

There are only two ways to be an "American."

You can be born in the United States by happenstance. Happenstance that your parents were not English, or French, or Russian, or anything else. You own ethnic strain is not yours to determine and you could just as easily have been born elsewhere.

Or, you could become American by emigration. If you could get out of the country you HAPPENED to be born in, you can emigrate to the United States and after a period of five years, upon passing a ridiculously simple test in American history and governmental procedure, you can become an American. Those who follow this route do not do so because they prefer being "American" over being any other nationality, but because American offers them a better chance for personal freedoms than any other country in the world. And American has the potential of offering even more.

Pride in being American has been

pride in what American stands for — liberty, equality, justice, freedom. By the millions, immigrants have fled oppression in their own homeland to look for those civil rights in the United States. Even so, America has not reached its potential, and has in many areas fallen from its ideological pinnacle as more and more of our freedoms are eroded through government control of our lives.

But in neither situation — American by birth or American by immigration — is chauvinism warranted. In the first you are American by pure chance; in the second, you are American by choice but the reasons for that choice should never be lost sight of — personal liberties and rights and freedoms.

Undoubtedly, patriotism and pride of nationality is important to any peoples. Through it, we acquire a sense of belonging, but chauvinism has no place in such pride.

Being part Cherokee, I can lay claim to being more "American" than most, yet I could never rise so high on the term "American" as to let it override what American has meant for most Indians. What pride can there be in

being "American" when "America" means being coerced and contained on barren lands, unproductive reservations, and being subject to the mercy of the American government to keep from starving.

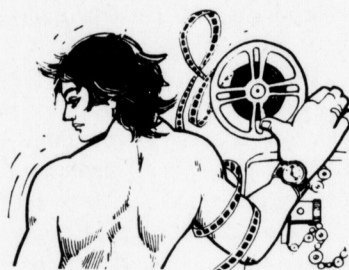
American and America are no where near their potentials and that is what the current struggle is about... that potential. There are many Blacks, Chinese, Puerto Ricans, Indians and homosexuals who, because others display that chauvinistic pride, who display the belief that the state should be predominant over the citizen, who are proud above all else in being "American," have been repressed and subjugated to the will of "Americans." You will find little such pride of nationality among them. Setting oneself up as "American" above all else only helps to perpetuate the coming time of troubles. In refusing to recognize that we are first Individuals, then Americans, then Republican or Democrat, then conservative or liberal, then homo or hetero, the repression that we feel, EVEN IN AMERICA, is only prolonged. Any time that the state has taken

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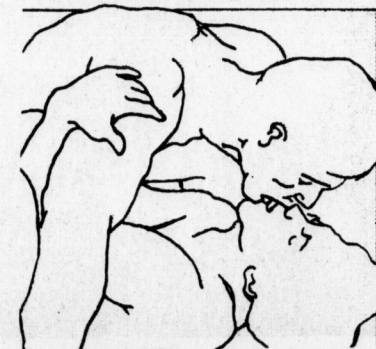
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DARRYL HALL (continued)

precedence over the people, repression, war, and suffering follow, for any state, in its vast bureaucracy, is insensitive of the peoples. Power to the powerful and damn the people.

To escape the heavy burden of state over citizen; to find a freer way of life where they might live better than they could ever hope to in their own country was the beacon to those who settled in this country nearly 300 years ago. To escape the heavy burden of state over citizen; to find a freer way of life where they might live better than they could ever hope to in their own country was the basis for establishing a separate country and to fight a war to win its independence. To escape the heavy burden of state over citizen; to find a freer way of life where they might live better than they could ever hope to in their own country has been the beckoning light of the basis of the American population — immigrants. To escape the heavy burden of state over citizen; to find a freer way of life where they might live better than they could ever hope to before has been the basis for revolution. America pioneered the revolutions; American must continue to pioneer freedoms.

The United States, 1776. France, 1789. Russia, 1917. China, 1949. All revolutions caused by a government insensitive to the needs of its people, a government that felt that being English, French, Russian, Chinese, or Indian was good enough for its citizens. America pioneered the revolutions; America must continue to pioneer the freedoms. Or will there be another? United States, 1984?

Only in America do we have a chance to reverse the growing ascendancy of state over citizen without bloodshed. For some years now, those outside the power groups and those dissatisfied with the growing governmental encroachment on their lives have been trying to find a way to get a handle on politics; to reverse that trend through our political system. While Senator McGovern, the man, may be unattractive there can be no denying that he has rallied around him the support of these people who are working for a more responsive government; who are working to release

the tangle of governmental tentacles over our lives. This particular operation within the Democratic party is the closest we have come in many years toward seeing a grass roots campaign, independent of the big money and big power and big political bosses, succeed. For the first time, "revolutionary" forces found a way to make themselves heard and felt and to wrest control of the party from the political bosses; Tammany Hall fell before the onslaught and the big political bosses were frustrated in their attempts to maintain control of the party as a more or less exclusive club.

As an "out of my tree" McGovern supporter — not so much because of the Senator as the people around him — I am sure to be disappointed on November 7. But at least they and I made the effort to get the government of this country out of the hands of those who feel that the state takes precedence over all else and back to its founding ideal. Out of the hands of those who feel that being "American" is more than all else, and back to those who feel that being an individual transcends national feeling. "No taxation with out representation" still holds true for a sizable and growing majority or minorities in this country. This is the attempt to fight the Revolutionary War without bloodshed. It will likely fail this time around, and, in its failure, will have to be prepared to work even harder if it is ever to rise again for surely the bit political bosses will again step in to take over the party and dictate to you and me who will run and who will not run, regardless of how we feel about it.

And, it will be harder to deal with because in the coming four years, the Nixon administration will have even more time to entrench the power of the powerful; to establish state over citizen and subject us all to the will of a few rather than the desires of the majority. The Nixon administration has clearly demonstrated its intent to establish the state as the "be all and end all." His appointments to the judicial branch; his policies both here and abroad; his vice-president who loves to talk but hates to listen; his vice-president - spokesman who claims for himself and the administration the right to be heard

without granting that right to any one else, all point toward further consolidation of the state as ultimate power.

Far from Senator McGovern establishing a form of "government worse than Naziism," it should be pointed out that Naziism owed its rise to power; was able to perpetrate its horrors on the world precisely through that chauvinistic pride of nationality. Jews were exterminated by Germans who felt that being Aryan was all that mattered and if some poor soul, by dint of his unfortunate birth, was exterminated, that was OK. Being Aryan was all that counted. And to be Aryna, you had to be born to Aryan parents. That inordinate pride in Germany led many millions to follow Hitler throughout Europe; that inordinate pride in being German cost the lives of more than a few million men who did not live to enjoy or regret the downfall of the "Master Race." That inordinate pride of country, placed above the individual, wreaked havoc and chaos throughout the world. Havoc and Chaos that we are still paying for, even

in this generation. That inordinate pride in being American has cost the lives of a few hundred thousand men in Viet-Nam. And we will be paying for that for a long time to come.

America the Beautiful — or Amerika uber Alles, Mr. Edwards?

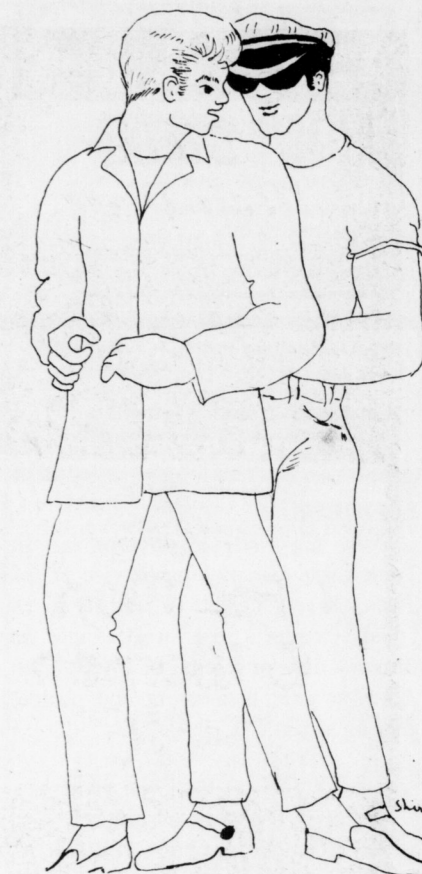
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Jan Maxwell, ex-director of the Transsexual Counselling Service at 243 Turk Street, called to say that the "bust" made a few weeks ago was thrown out of court on Wed., Nov. 22nd, as pure harassment and business goes on as usual.

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Letters to the Editor

Dear B.A.R.

It is rare nowadays that I take pen in hand (it is usually busy elsewhere) to write regarding our favorite subject. After several million words I have found that it does very little good for we cherish our prejudices far too much to give them up easily. But two writers recently have gotten under my foreskin enough to take time out from sex to write.

These two are really only peas in a pod: Tom Edwards and Rev. Ray Broshears.

I think I remember Tom from the days of the LCE and I have seen the Rev. Ray on several street corners.

Give the devil (angel?) his due when the good reverend takes up his hassock there is usually something going to happen. Now that he has professed to having been a member of the American Independent Party I can understand. For a homosexual (I think that Ray has so professed) to be a member of that organization is very similar to Sammy Davis Jr. being a member of the KKK. But then only the editors of B.A.R. and myself are perfect so we must allow for those lesser individuals to make their mistakes and we hope to profit by them. I think my views on the Tenderloin are quite well known to most of the antiques there but for those newcomers: Most of the people in the Big T are there of their own choice and enjoy the feeling of independence they attain there and the hop-sotch game they must play with the (can you say "pigs" in the B.A.R.) police. Life is rather easy in the T with money to be made by pushing, pimping, rolling and a dozen other ways. It sure as hell beats working for a living.

But you must give Ray a great many stars in his crown for the work he has done in the jails, the prisons, etc. I take off my hat to him for this. And I admire and respect his tenacity if not his good judgment in choosing political stands.

As regard Tom Edwards, I think he has a DD for the old school. That is not a Doctor of Divinity but a Doctorate of Demagogery. When he writes that Tricky Dick commands the leadership of the free world he should talk to a few people outside the GOP for their opinion of this slime. When he says that Nixon has protected our "great American Heritage" (with captials no less, he is surely on the weed. Every principle of free enterprise has been abridged or denounced by this creep; He has played with the emotions of the people like Heifetz plays the fiddle; He has consistently refused to recognize the freedom of the press, freedom of speech and the freedom to differ and still escape the awful arm of the oppressive federal government.

As regards the "polish" joke dear Tom takes exception to... goddamit since when have we become so touchy on this thing. I do not take exception to Spiro T. and his "Fat Jap" thing (and I am sure since it was Spiro, a

good Republican, neither did Tom Edwards).

Dear Tom takes exception to the Empress thing... again man did he every try to laugh? If anyone takes the Empress thing seriously then he surely needs to drop by the shrink bank.

And if we cannot laugh at ourselves then who in the hell can we laugh at or with for that matter.

We must understand that the political extremists have no sense of humor. Perhaps that is a yardstick to measure people by... if they have a sense of humor then surely they are not political extremists.

This has been far too long but I must close by wishing both Tom and Ray a long, long life filled with windmills to tilt with, at and for.

Guy Strait

Dear Gentlemen:

Please, if it suits your tastes, would you publish this sonnet of mine in BAY AREA REPORTER. You don't have to pay me anything unless you want to.

For Michael P. of Oklahoma
By Robert G. Boylan

Disconsolate again, a loser still,
by mischance absent when the seeker passed,
I go out seeking where I found him last
or climb, on Sunday, to the favored hill
of high-heeled hustlers, insolent at will,
Pans of the one-way paths, themselves miscast
under the eucalyptuses and vast
blue sky as hunters out to score a kill.

The little trace of Cherokee in him
(the shiny blackness of his straight, thin hair)
and all his manly goodness and that trim
body that was my hands' and mouth's to share
won't be forgotten, though they must grow dim,
but urge me many times to Union Square.

Thank you, if you should print this,
and keep up the work on our behalf.

Sincerely yours,
Robert G. Boylan

Gentlemen:

We of the Gay Community, have a chance to show the world how to survive.

First, we must seek our own survival. Every time we drink in excess, or smoke too much or O.D. on drugs we are showing our own non-survival trip to the world.

In San Francisco we have the highest rate of Seroses of the liver in addition to suicide, I believe this is because of the large Gay population. Most Gays have accepted the sickness theory that has been drilled into them since early childhood and still believe themselves to be sick, every night they have to drink themselves into oblivion or now with the younger Gays it's hard core drugs.

We, each one of us must give this a lot of thought, why we are always drunk or on

dope? Is it because we cannot accept ourselves being Gay, we see no future in life, or what is it? Find the answer and start correcting it. Start surviving, Once we have accepted ourselves then we will be able to accept others.

What has happened in the past is there, In the past. Don't let this fear and hate hold you back now or in the future. Instead of hating yourself as you are now doing, start loving yourself, remember the saying, "Love your neighbor as yourself." Hell, most of us don't even like ourselves much less stand ourself. Start with yourself. A lot of us will never be accepted back home with our immediate families. So forget that, It's in the past, start making a family here in San Francisco or which ever city you're living in now. Do not hate your parents, remember their only being the way they were told to by society and the church. It's YOUR life now, live it fully.

After we have accepted ourselves and become beautiful in mind, body and spirit pass it on to your neighbor, don't say hard words about other Gays whether they be drags, leather or transsexuals, we all have our own lives to live. Accept everyone else's way in the Gay world as we want to be accepted by all peoples of the world, when all of us can be UNITED we will survive. Otherwise as we fight among ourselves we will remain divided and fall.

If the world sees that we the so called sickest form of life on earth can survive and bring beauty about us then they listen to us. And then one day we will have a United States, then A United World, a World of ONE. Will you do your part starting today for this dream that is within all our reach and lifetime.

Robie Robillard
Society for Individual Rights

Gentlemen:

In a recent B.A.R. issue was an article regarding harassment of brothers and sisters by collection agencies and credit reporting companies. Instances of apartment building managers, employers and established creditors were contract and notified that the person(s) was a "pervert," "child molester," et al were noted. The article asked for reports of such activities in order to support possible legislation against such practices. This indicates a lack of knowledge of existing legislation relating to licensing of such companies and the federal Truth in Lending Act. The lack of knowledge in the gay community and indeed, the community at large is widespread. Few people outside the collection and credit profession are aware of the avenues of redress open to them. I would offer some suggestions to those who are faced with such situations or any type of harassment in this field. The information provided comes from a professional, ethical collector, however, and not from an attorney. Any problems involving a lawsuit, wage or other levy should be referred to competent counsel.

The Truth in Lending Act, I believe,

prohibits contacting an employer regarding delinquent accounts prior to Judgement. It is a common practice, unfortunately, for some, not all, agencies to send a "complaining letter" to an employer. If no response is elicited a second, and sometimes a third, letter is sent. Only if the employer furnishes a positive reply is a subsequent notice allowable. Employees can be contacted on their job by phone calls. Subsequent calls constitute harassment. An employer should not be contacted by phone at all.

Credit reporting agencies such as the Credit Bureau, etc, are required by law to furnish, upon written request, their files to any individual on whom a file is maintained. Any items relating to delinquent accounts which may be disputed or are paid and not subsequently reported may be countered with a statement by the individual. This statement may be up to 50 words, I think, and must become a part of the credit report given to creditors and prospective credit grantors.

Finance companies will most likely cause a large problem for many people. Because of the turnover of personnel in the lower positions usually charged with the task of collecting overdue accounts there seems to be a lack of professionalism. One finance company, well-known, is practically exempt from this group. The remaining majority, however, can and do cause many people embarrassment and difficulty in their home environment and at work.

At no time can any representative of any of the above mentioned firms represent themselves as an attorney, counsel or whatever, unless they are admitted to the State Bar and licensed to practice law. This seems to be a common practice of late. By merely advising them they are outside the law by so doing will usually cause them to back down and change attitude rapidly. As a rule of thumb no collection agency will sue an account for under \$150.00 principal due. There are those that will though. Agneies cannot sue in Samll Claims Court but a finance company can up to \$500.00 principal. They will sometimes waive a portion of the principal due in order to sue here. If you are served with a summons from Small Claims Court and do not appear on the designated date the plaintiff can obtain a default judgement. After judgement they can proceed to levy on any assets, and this means bank accounts and wages.

So to whom do you turn in time of hassle and trauma? If you feel you are being harassed or treated unfairly by a collection agency you are urged to file a complaint with the Bureau of Collection and Investigative Services, 1020 N St., Sacramento. A letter detailing the circumstances and naming names where possible is all that is necessary. Keep a copy and if you do not receive a reply within three to four weeks send a copy as a follow-up indicating you have received no response. Complaints against other firms should be directed to the Department of Consumer Affairs, 1020 N St., Sacramento. In

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all cases, a copy should be forwarded to the Better Business Bureau in your community.

One last word: NEVER IGNORE A DUN! If your back is against the wall with no job, no money... no nothing, contact the "dunner" and explain the circumstances. I would guess that more often than not you will be civilly received. If you are employed but over your head in debt and want out, consult the Consumer Credit Counselors listed in the white pages of your local directory. They are a non-profit agency supported by local merchants geared to help you out of your debt problems professionally and to protect your credit or to reestablish "tarnished" credit. The cost, maximum, per month is about ten dollars.

In any case, whenever you find yourself in the situations described above, you have a source of help. In some cases the Neighborhood Legal Assistance Foundation and/or A.C.L.U. may be of help. You needn't take it lying down - at least not your credit problems.

I hope the foregoing is of some help. Edit it as you see fit. Discard it entirely or whatever. I hope, however, that it will be of help to someone, somewhere.

Best regards on the "bar rag."
Sincerely yours,
J.L. Westerlund

Commentary

William E. Beardemphl
Comments



Christmas is coming, again... a time of illusions, the Nutcracker ballet, trees, and gifts. It is time to work and puzzle out, buy and put together, presents for others; just what they always wanted even though it is more than we can afford. More often than not, the presents seem strangely received and wierdly misused and always turn out much more shoddy than they looked in the store when purchased.

Has a parallel between an American Christmas and an American political campaign ever struck you?

What about the puzzle of reading local pundits who rationalize a great satisfaction at living in one of the few "civilized" places of these United States because San Franciscans voted a little more heavily for McGovern than Nixon. Also, only San Franciscans in our state, voted to legalize pot smoking, and stop the death penalty. How is that for a super civilized Christmas with a flocked tree, sterling silver gifts and a nutcracking fairy tale.

I would like to suggest again that a "none" vote for President in 1972 was still the best possibility albeit not San Francisco civilized. Just what is San Francisco civilized?

"I can not live another four years under Nixon," screeches the Gay preacher.

"I shall leave the country if Nixon is relected," promises the Gay political soothsayer.

The audience strikes up a rousing chorus of, "Put a dollar on the drum. Save another fairy queen."

It is a strange sight to see persons still roaming the streets of San Francisco who swore by their Christian God to leave this country if Nixon were relected. Can it be concluded that San

Franciscan Civilized Criteria Number One is: "Loudly lie a lot and conveniently forget ever so much."

"Hey man, don't forget to vote to legalize pot," reminds the head.

"Then what happens to the price of my merchandise," complains the pusher.

The chick brightens everyone's life with a program for reconciliating positions, "Hey baby, you can always go back on welfare. The state won't forget the very small business man."

"Cool. Right on. That's heavy." sings the chorus.

With the common sense always demonstrated by a voting poulace, Californians overrode San Franciscans by voting to keep pot illegal and therefore to keep pushers in the business of corrupting our peace officers and off welfare roles. Can it be concluded that the San Franciscan Civilized Criteria Number Two is: "Inhale deeply the wierd blue smoke and you will find beauty in the Villan court Fountain and grace in the Transamerica Pyramid; yes you will; yes you will, yes you will..."

"And, now we bring you a paid political announcement," chortles the announcer.

"Remember, friendly San Franciscans, our super Supreme Court of California reaffirmed that the death penalty was UNCONSTITUTIONAL because it was excessively cruel and unusual punishment." The young A.C.L.U. lawyer continues his pleading with a patronizing nassel twange, "Do

YOU want to be excessively cruel? WELL, do you? If you don't, then vote no on State Proposition six thousand, nine hundred twenty three A. Don't forget now, if you are civilized, vote NO on proposition six thousand nine hundred twenty three A."

What a puzzle of cruelty even being a San Francisco type vegetarian has become. If plants have such a measurable severe emotional crisis by the mere approach of an adverse person, how cruel it must be to traumatize spinach and radishes by killing them for human consumption. Shouldn't sensitive, idealistic Friscites add immediately to their anti-war, anti-killing, anti-meat-eating, standards, the killing and eating of plants. Can it be concluded that the San Franciscan Civilized Criteria Number Three is: "Don't kill animals, including man; and don't kill plants, including cabbages."

"Really, Bill, sometimes you are so silly that we can't understand a thing you say," admonishes the Empress AND the Emperor in perfect harmony.

WELL, TRY A LITTLE HARDER, DARLINGS. AFTER ALL... WHAT GOD HAS WROUGHT AND ALL THAT ROT YOU KNOW...

Christmas is coming, again... tra la, tra la.

THE ROBIN

*Well, Spring is here
so many things to do
I almost hate to get up
How about you?*

*With the sun shining in
on my holy face
I am completely at peace
with the whole human race.*

*But now to complete the scene
with all of Native's ring
here on my window sill
a Robin comes to sing.*

*Its voice so sweet and comforting
I rose from my bed,
and quickly shut the window
and squashed his little head.*

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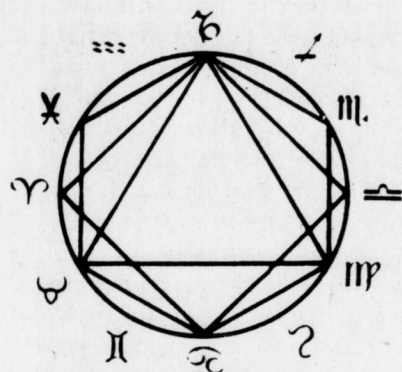
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SAGITTARIUS OR JUPITER

Here we are headed into Christmas under that benefic planet Jupiter. For Jupiter rules Sagittarius. In everyone's personal chart, wherever Jupiter is located, that is where you have the most. If Jupiter is in your first house, your personality and health are good, but you tend to overweight. Jupiter in the second house brings money, in the fifth house many love affairs (or many dealings with young people, or even many children), in the seventh house many partners.

Jupiter brings much, but Jupiter can also bring too much. This creates quite a situation. It is often easier to handle the lack of something than it is to handle

the overabundance. Under certain circumstances, Jupiter can make you a gambler or a spendthrift, or, as already pointed out, simply fat.

The sign Sagittarius is aptly represented by Jupiter, for Sagittarians enjoy abundance. Unfortunately, by the large, they are not better equipped to handle it than members of any other sign. What the Sagittarian best responds to is an effusive personality that is socially outgoing when all is well (otherwise he takes many naps), or an ego which constantly needs response from the public. For Sagittarians really blossom when they have the floor or are the center of attention. This blossoming is different from that of other signs in that it brings them out of themselves.

Sagittarius is a fire sign possessed of a certain amount of aggressiveness. But

the Sagittarian is also highly adaptable. He sees situations and responds to them. Under normal conditions, he is a happy, open-minded, and somewhat philosophical person. He loves his freedom but can be rather irresponsible. He hates to be tied down and depended upon by someone who is possessive. But no matter what he says or does, he really is basically dependable.

Generally the Sagittarian has good judgement. Especially if he withholds it for a third or fourth impression, for his first judgement is always extreme. He says what he thinks even if it is somewhat tactless, and he is in his more colorful moments prone to exaggerate. All in the interests of showing everyone a good time, keeping things going. For Sagittarius loves to make a good impression. Not the blast of the moment. The impression he makes must be one that clearly underlines the fact that he is on top of many things at once, that he has many irons in the fire, that much depends on him to go and keep going.

A Sagittarian is not as easy-going as his shuffling walk seems to indicate. He simply has not made up his mind to step all the way forward. He advances somewhat reluctantly to meet new people. His eyes show a wary reserve. He may bend forward to shake your hand, but his feet will take a half-step back. For those aware of this wary indecision and its physical and obvious manifestations, the road to correction through awareness is difficult. Often their reluctant nature will still assert itself. In order to keep their feet still, they will find something else throws them off balance so that they are compelled to move. Sometimes a behavior pattern is best left uncorrected, but if anyone can correct it, a Sagittarian has a very good chance.

Sagittarius has Gemini as its opposite. Both like the outdoors. Both like outdoor exercises and sports. Both like to come and go as they please. Only by not tying each other down will they be tied truly. Both enjoy travel. Both are positive people. Gemini respects the thoughtful and philosophical side of the Sagittarian, while the Sagittarian admires Gemini's instant mentality and outgoing communicativeness.

For Sagittarius, Leo is really too self-centered, and Aries is too noisy.

Aries is not impossible for Sagittarius to get along with, but the Aries lack of depth is a constant criticism. The Sagittarian usually has to know more about the things he gets involved with. Aquarius and Libra are two nice opportunities for friends to Sagittarius, and most of Sagittarius' friends are likely to be Libra. Scorpio can be Sagittarius' enemy. Two signs often difficult for the Sagittarian are Virgo and Pisces, especially the overly fussy Virgo who gets to logical, or the cloudy wandering type of Piscean.

If the Virgo will not be so fussy and will chose to argue with logic only some of the time, that is, choosing goals and not wanting to rule every facet of Sagittarius' existence, it is possible for a Virgo to do well for the Sagittarian. But it is the Sagittarian who is going to be of greater help to Pisces. But then, Pisceans usually need all the help they can get. There is no telling how long a Sagittarian will put up with the demands of a Piscean for help and still more help.

We are now going into a weekend which is devoid of either a New Moon

or a Full Moon. Although the Moon is in Scorpio, it really should not be a bad weekend. The general line-up of planetary aspects is rather better than usual. There are no really difficult energizers or oppositions. That does not mean that some of us will not have to make adjustments as we go, but even those will not be difficult to make. Plan to be asleep between four and nine Sunday morning: it will be a difficult and somewhat nothing time, and nice that it comes at that or those hours.

Friday evening at 7:43 PM, the moon goes into Scorpio. The Sun will be at nine degrees of Sagittarius Saturday morning. Pluto will be at four degrees Libra, and the planet Uranus at 21 degrees of that same sign. Venus will be at nine degrees of Scorpio, and Mars at ten degrees, so it should be just a little strange in the love department. Mercury will still be retrograde at 27 Scorpio. Neptune will be at five degrees of Sagittarius, and Jupiter at 11 Capricorn. Saturn is still retrograde and at 17 degrees Gemini.

ARIES: Do not be surprised if Friday is rather hectic. If you are unable

to get it all back to rights on Friday, Saturday will see a turn for the better. All it involves is keeping your mind moving agreeably and pleasantly. Sunday do not try to lead and boss everything. Defer to your partner or to those around you. Sometime about now there may be an interesting relationship just waiting to happen to you.

TAURUS: Everything is money and partnership relations for your right now. If there is any extra money around you must have a pretty good chart, so use that money wisely. Friday, work will be accented, but starting Saturday there is a good chance of close friendship or even partnership. You may well be able to pick and choose, but the final decision is on the other side or in the hands of the other person. Play it accordingly. If you have to decide on Sunday, be true to your desire for the better things in life.

GEMINI: During this period watch your health so that you may more ably respond to the areas where your attention will be needed. You may be quite close to marriage or the formation

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of a partnership during the month. Be nice to everyone around you Friday evening, even if it is rather quiet. Saturday should go pretty much your way, and in Gemini fashion you will probably handle things easily. Sunday will be a better day for you if you let others have more of the limelight. Sit back, watch the action, be ready to step forward at the right moment.

CANCER: You are in a period of helpfulness; others need your help and you will be able to give it. You are going to do the work, so do not expect others to do it. Plans may be upset on Friday. Take care of things around home to improve your situation. Saturday you will feel twinges of wanting to get out and have fun, but hold off until Sunday. Use Saturday for your constructive well-being, then pull out all the stops for a boisterous Sunday.

LEO: You are ready for fun and games, but you must not neglect things around your home base. Do not let other people jangle your nerves on Friday. You may have sudden and surprising news from a woman. Saturday is a good day to entertain at home, but if you do so, do it early because the evening hours are not so good for you. Spend a quiet evening at home on Sunday. It is not a good day for getting out.

VIRGO: The basic interest this month is in the home, but business concerns are also important. Hold yourself in check and plan carefully. You may get a brilliant idea to improve the money situation on Friday. The emphasis Saturday is on neighborliness and routine. Be sure to be where others can reach you, but do not arouse resentments in the evening. Sunday things will be easier, you will see, and

you may want to go ahead to plan some travel (and you may be one of the few well able to do so over the coming holidays.)

LIBRA: The combination right now involves both money and family relationships. Routine is the main thing. Friday should be a rather good day for you with a surprise in store. Saturday you get shopping fever and be better able to express it than members of other signs. Sunday you can relax in the knowing that your Christmas shopping is practically done, so you want to sit back and rest. Plan last minute holiday activities.

SCORPIO: Alas poor Scorpio, there is nothing worse than being at odds with yourself, and things will not be quite right for you until Sunday. You really want to force issues on Friday, but think things over carefully before you go out on a limb. On Saturday things are better enough for you to see possibilities. Play your little games on Saturday evening. Sunday follows in satisfactory fashion, you have more control then.

SAGITTARIUS: Was there ever a time when you were not interested in new projects? If so, this month is not it, for suddenly you want to really get yourself organized along new lines. Watch the activities of friends on Friday, so be social and outgoing. Saturday is date time, but make it an early evening and have fun while the vibes are right. Sunday everything may fall right in place. You may suddenly find yourself with a new partnership or an improved partnership. Use this day well.

CAPRICORN: Except for Saturday evening, another nice weekend is predicted for Capricorn, believe it or

not. Gather with friends, enjoy yourself. Friday is a day of much coming and going so be prepared for the unexpected. Saturday may bring someone special into view, but beware Saturday night. Sunday everything is just fine and dandy again. Get out and be social. Be in the best company possible and let things happen.

AQUARIUS: Your best and truest self is now in operation if you function as a humanitarian. Your relationships with friends and with community projects are foremost right now. Watch for sudden changes on Friday which will be a fine day. Saturday you may have to be in there doing business chores, but things are going well for you now. Be conservative on Sunday and do not be surprised if the mind constantly winds back to business thoughts. Business is most important right now, and your best thoughts are career thoughts.

PISCES: Things are not quite right this weekend because your mind is beset by activities happening to you. This is a time for making future plans. Friday is a routine business day with all its usual problems. Saturday is a day for self-improvement and has a disquieting element. Adapt yourself to it. Sunday favors quiet pensiveness or quiet entertaining, but promises little in the way of high adventure. Just take things easy, and the weekend benefits you as a rest period.

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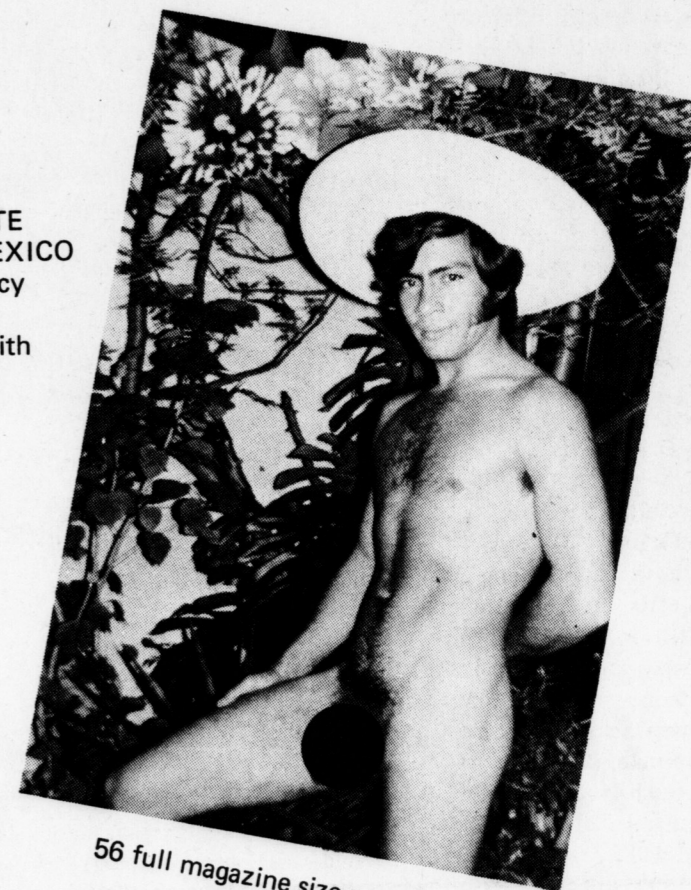
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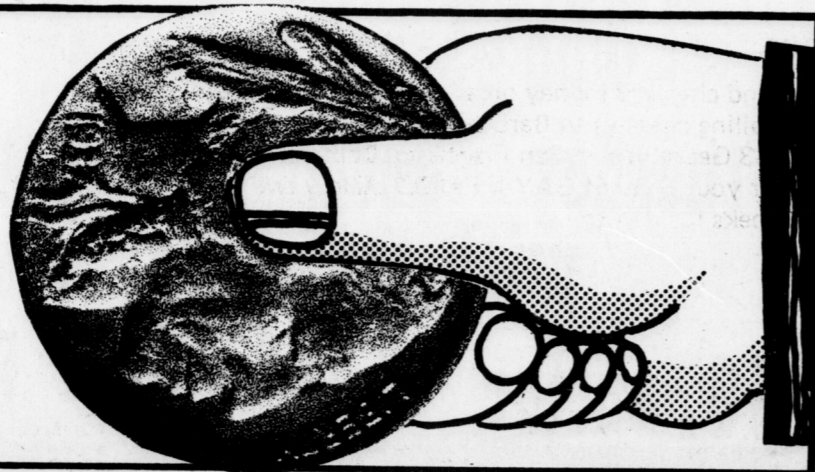
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**a
film view**
BY MONTEZUMA

YOUNG WINSTON, now playing at the Ghiradelli Cinema, is a beautifully photographed, nicely staged, and well-acted boring film. It may have been a case of too much at once, but I found the film, especially when centering on the young Winston Churchill, to cause many a yawn.

Newcomer Simon Ward looks remarkably like the photographs displayed in the sepia-toned opening credits and does an admirable job, particularly in the long closing speech at the end of the film. Unfortunately, the material does not live up to the acting. The screenplay by Carl Foreman (who also produced the film) is a compilation of facts which are not very illuminating

in showing the lives of the central characters. The film's brightest moments are devoted to Lord Randolph Churchill (Robert Shaw) and his American wife, Jennie (Anne Bancroft).

The story jumps around from a very young Winston in his difficult schooldays to his service as a young correspondent in Sudan and the Boer war. I found the use of "voice-over" narration by an older Winston, a young Winston and a newspaper interviewer, to be at best a mediocre idea and at worst, most annoying.



Anne Bancroft... nice to see her back onscreen.

This is the second directorial effort of Richard Attenborough and doesn't live up to the promise of his stunning "Oh, What A Lovely War." He uses many of England's top actors in cameo spots (as he did in "War") including John Mills, Jack Hawkins, Anthony Hopkins and Patrick Magee.



Simon Ward as YOUNG WINSTON.

Anne Bancroft comes back to the screen after some years absence and is most welcome, even though her role of "Jennie" is not a long one. She makes the audience want to know more about her and her life with Lord Randolph. Robert Shaw is most imposing and authoritative in the role of Winston's father and his gradual mental decline is extremely well done.

Visually the film is interesting. There are the grand vistas of the Sudan and the battles of the Boers as well as an occasional lapse into the sepia to bring a look of "oldness" to the proceedings.

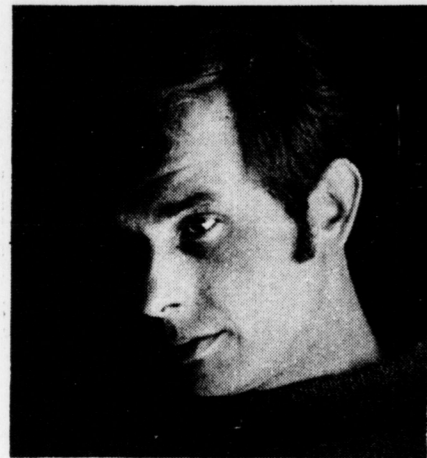
Since everyone knows the heights that Churchill attained, even the prison break episode lacks the impact that it might have had otherwise.

It might be that I'm just not that hot for British history as although there are many fine minutes in the film, as a while I found it a bore. A yawning ** only.



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THE ROUNDABOUTS

By Dick Edwards

THE ROUNDABOUTS, the current feature at the Laurel Theatre, differs from most run-of-the-mill gay films in that it has a fairly substantial plot and beautiful bodies to boot.

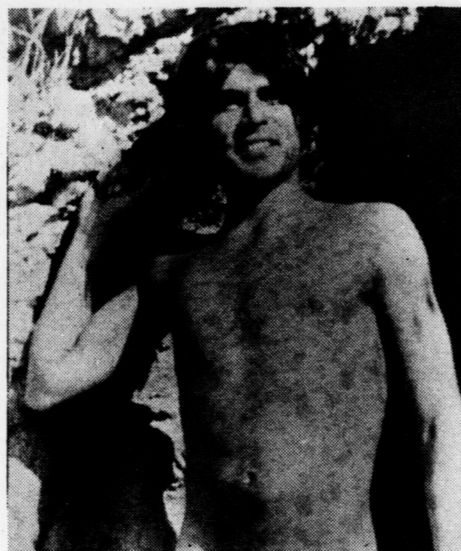
With the exception of the dialogue of Mark Richards, the acting is reasonably well handled, and there are many entirely believable situations. Mr.

Richards could have used some coaching in his speech and his timing, but then when you have a completely versatile and well defined body I guess you really don't have to be able to act.

The star of the movie, in all ways, is Darryl Hughes. He not only is a gorgeous boy, and a good actor, but when he gets involved in a sex scene he really gets into it. And, he does have his chance to show his stuff in many such

scenes. Considering that the whole story is supposed to take place in one afternoon, and Darryl gets his jollies off at least a half-dozen times, in torrents no less, he also exhibits an amazing stamina.

Glenn Brock and Roy Clark complete the foursome. They are both talented and desirable young men. This is Glenn's acting debut. I hope we see much more of him in equally as meaty roles. Roy has barely more than an extended cameo role, but he carries it off with aplomb.



Darryl Hughes... "The Roundabouts"

The plot, briefly, revolves around the love affair between Mark and Glenn. Glenn, a successful physician (I found this a little hard to believe), and Mark, a service station attendant, are living in utter bliss. Bliss that is, until Glenn receives a letter from an old high school buddy, Darryl. In his letter Darryl reminds Glenn of a pact that they had made upon graduation. That they would meet again in ten years and relive old times. The narration of the letter is carried out against the background of Glenn and Darryl, in their younger years, screwing like mad. It is a little boring at this point, as the flashback is much too long, and the two actors that play the young Glenn and Darryl are not entirely convincing in their roles. Perhaps with a little more experience Ed Conway and Dave Lewis may someday be stars in their own right.

Darryl returns to Glenn all too soon. In a shiny black Lincoln Continental. Stopping at the service station where



Roy Clark (left), Darryl Hughes (right). "The Roundabouts."

Mark works, he inquires as to the whereabouts of Dr. Glenn Brock. Mark, of course, rebuffs him out of suspicion. From this point on the story becomes almost as complicated as an episode from "As The World Turns," and from here on the movie might better be titled "Love Is A Many Splintered Thing."

While Darryl heads off to the local beachfront bar, Glenn and Mark reach new heights in their sexual relationship. This, as it turns out, is due to a feeling of guilt on Glenn's side - guilt from concealing Darryl's letter - and Mark's feeling that Glenn is being unfaithful. The sex scene is just a promise of things to come.

Meanwhile, back at the bar, Darryl is planning for the event that he and Glenn may not make it. He successfully cruises Roy Clark, and stores his number for future reference, while continuing his quest for Glenn. Glenn leaves Mark, who pleads exhaustion, and heads for the bar. Darryl and Glenn meet as passing strangers in the bar. Or is it really that? Before the viewer realizes what's happening they are headed for a stroll on the beach. Here is where the real beauty of THE ROUNDABOUTS begins. From this point on we witness some of the wildest, uncontrollable sex, yet seen in a film of this type. We never do find out how Darryl and Glenn do recognize each other, but this does occur after their torrid sex act. At this point Glenn reveals to Darryl that he has a lover.

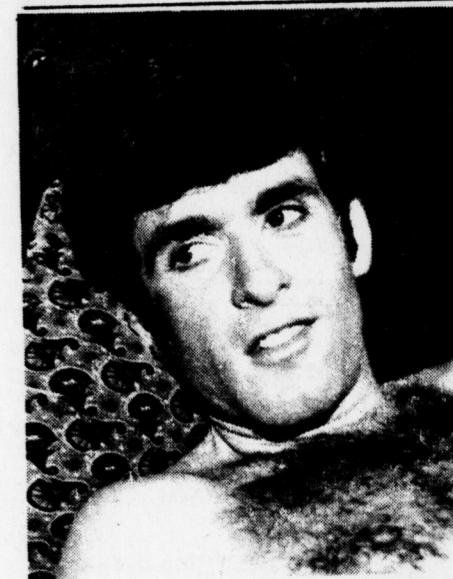
Out of pure lust, and he's full of that, Darryl next calls Roy. Roy is all too happy to receive Darryl into his bed.

Darryl, still unfulfilled, next seeks out Mark. Another beautiful love scene on the beach, perhaps more beautiful than the first. Set against the magnificent coastline, these torrid love scenes leave the viewer with a case of squirm-in-the-seat. Fortunately these scenes climaxed before your reviewer did, but thinking about it afterward still gives me that warm feeling in the groin.

The emotional roundabout

involvements are eventually resolved to everyone's satisfaction, and the viewer leaves with a sense of satisfaction at seeing old love regained and new love created.

This film is highly recommended. It is a do not miss.



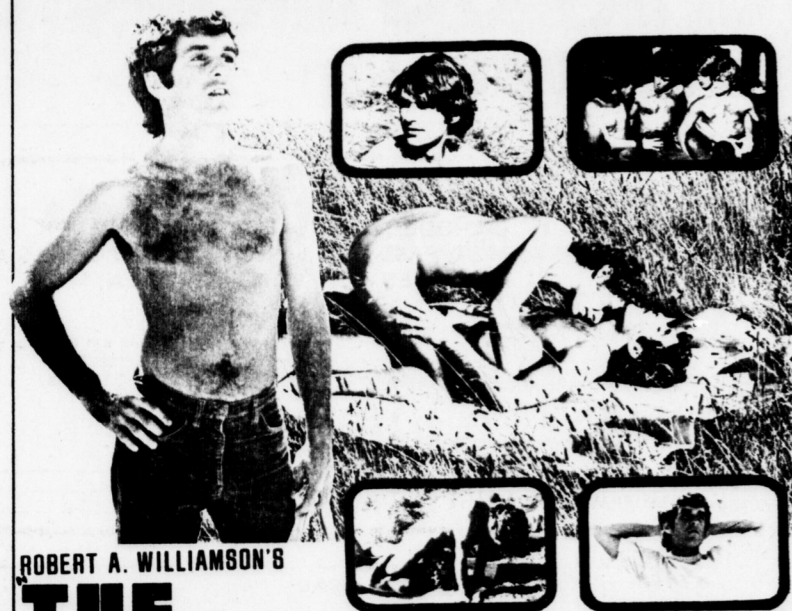
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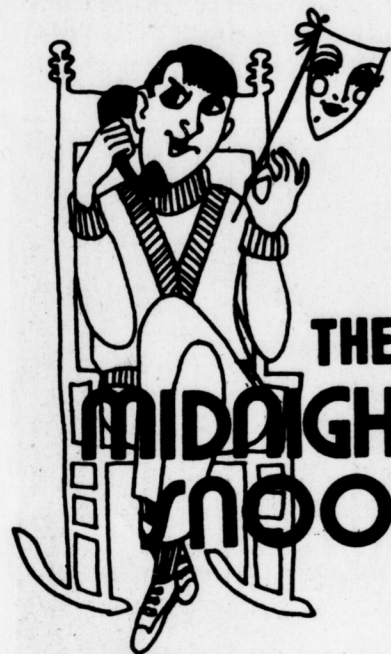
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Show News



THE MIDNIGHT SNOOP

by Donald McLean
AND AS WE BID
A FOND FAREWELL...

The 181 CLUB has closed its doors, and show, once again and that leaves the grand total of one showbar left in the

city, the FROLIC ROOM. The sad news there is that Terry Taylor has quit the show and may now be seen next door at JACKIE D'S as their hostess. What remains of the FROLIC show I leave to your personal taste to determine its value.

One definite improvement would be to keep John Carlyle off the stage.



Terry Taylor no longer frolics.

With one Gay showbar left, perhaps it's time to re-examine the entertainment scene. It should be

obvious by now that the Gay kids alone will not support a show, be it stage or club, and to survive, any Gay entertainment must have appeal for the straight / tourist audience. Did you see MAME, HELLO DOLLY and the forthcoming Charles Pierce Show are all advertising in the Sunday Chronicle? The tremendous success of MAME and DOLLY was due to the enormous straight appeal these shows had and that they were advertised in both straight AND Gay publications. If a show is bad, straight and Gay will race each other to the door, but if a show is good, too often the straight audience that would probably enjoy it doesn't even know about it, unless a Gay friend tells them. I'm afraid the days of the devout clique following, such as THE FANTASY and THE GILDED CAGE, are long gone. Gay audiences in this city have become increasingly demanding; if Jim Bailey played here for one month, at the end of four weeks, the queens would be saying, "Is he STILL doing Judy and Barbra?!!" And God help the next legit show that doesn't have the polished professionalism of MAME!!

And speaking of that triumphant lady, MAME has closed down after a

two month record-breaking run. The show was better on closing night than on opening, with Faye still bringing the entire house to its feet despite a fever of 102. There is a good chance that MAME will tour to Los Angeles in January, after resting for the holidays. The producers would like to thank the following performers for guest appearing as showgirls in the final weeks of its run: Melanie, Luscious Lorelei, Perry, Carol Lynn, Lori Shannon, Maxine, Laura, Rose I, and Kissy Diki. Seen in the closing night audience, cheering and standing with everybody else, were Annette Cardona and Fran Stevens, of MAN OF LA MANCHA, which has been held over at the Orpheum Theater until Dec. 10th. Nice ladies.

Two shows currently playing that I highly recommend for your viewing are Charles Pierce, Rio Dante and George Buchanan at GOLD STREET and Bette Midler this weekend at the BOARDING HOUSE THEATER. Miss Midler is a wild lady with a totally unique singing style. Mr. Pierce is also a wild lady!

And finally, with apologies to Perry, here is my own scoreboard for where local entertainers are currently playing:

Allan Lloyd, Big Jimmy & Chuck McAllister - Forbidden City, Hawaii.

Jae Stevens, Steve Miller & Al St. Claire - C'est La Vie, Los Angeles.

Vicki Marlane - CHANCES R, Hayward.

Timothy & Jamie of the 181 show - FROLIC ROOM.

FLASH! Gary Schneider has left GOLD STREET and may now be seen Wed. thru Sunday nights at THE HOT HOUSE on Polk Street. He just couldn't bear to be parted any longer from David, right down the block at the HOUSE OF HARMONY. Ain't love grand? And ain't it nice to have two of our top musicians livening up the Polk St. Scene!

With the current entertainment status, I shall return next issue with my new column - How to Build A Rocket Launching Station in the Privacy of Your Own Home!

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AROUND TOWN

A fond farewell to the ORPHEUM CIRCUS. Bill and Beau tell me they will have a new location soon. Speaking of Bill Plath, thank you and kissy kissy for the help at the WATERHOLE auction. A special thanks to Dick Dawson for being such a good sport. He's the one in the "Try It You'll Like It" poster. Dick will be glad to sell you an autographed copy, so give him a call at 332-2091.

A new culinary star is born in the shape of the NEON CHICKEN on 18th and Castro.

If you missed the TAVERN GUILD meeting at the MIDNIGHT SUN, you missed a real treat. The food was heaven. Dino tells me the Lesbian Mothers and the bike clubs are having their Xmas party Dec. 10th at S.I.R.,

and with Dino around, it's sure to be a blast.

Don't forget the bus leaving from the WATER HOLE (thank you, Jess) for the Mr. East Bay Contest at THE EXIT in Oakland. Mike (Mr. Peninsula) is bringing his gang over, also. It promises to be a very interesting evening. We all love Gertrude Stein but times change and I'm happy to say there is some there in Oakland.

Stop in at the POLK GULCH SALOON. They have made some interesting posters of photos, including one of yours truly.

You can add to your list of places to eat lunch - GOLD STREET. Their new chef is John Hyer, moonlighting from JACKSON'S. His food is not only heaven, but he is also. Speaking of

GOLD STREET, I'm happy to see my good friend Charles Pierce is coming back. If you haven't seen this mad person, you're in for a treat.

Sweetlips, I think you're in for a surprise for your birthday. Cecil B. came up with one of his wild ideas.

Cecil B., yours truly, Bouncing Betty, Vince (P.S.) and Tom (BACHELORS CLUB) all said our goodbyes to the CIRCUS and ended up at the HOUSE OF HARMONY. Vince, was that a new dance you were doing? Hat, hat, you ended up with the hat.

Congratulations to my hairdresser, Norman, on becoming Mr. C.M.C. He's the one responsible for the Perry curls.

If you like being first, be sure to get your reservation in for the SPIRIT OF LONDON. Maiden voyage next April. Call 362-5182. Another first will be the Northern premiere of the 1776 movie. This will be held Dec. 20th at the Northpoint theater. The tickets are \$17.76 each (I wonder how they got that figure) or \$25.00 a pair. This is tax deductible!! The proceeds go to Mother Goose. This is a group that does so many wonderful things I could not list them all, but they work with young people - a much needed service in our community. Tickets can be had by calling 621-6665. Let's all turn out for a good cause and have a fun evening also. By the way, for us boozers there will be a champagne reception after the film, and for you stars, one of the door prizes is an evening's use of the KKHI Rolls Royce limousine.

And another year has passed, THE BACHELORS CLUB is having their anniversary Dec. 4th thru the 7th. They are having a free buffet each night at 7 PM and the grand prize will be a trip for two to Reno. If that doesn't turn you on, I'm sure Tom, their new bartender, will, and believe me, every brick is in place.

I find Joe Roland (GANGWAY) is not the only fixture at the GASLIGHT, right, Mr. Ross?

Would you believe Mr. Cowboy blushing upon receiving a big bouquet of Birds of Paradise. Do you know anything about it, Carl?

The ORPHEUM CIRCUS Alumni Assn. will be doing private catering over the holidays. Call Bill at WA 2-0294.

I have to find out what I am so I can go to the BOOT CAMP S&M Party

Dec. 5th.

You dildo fans won't want to miss the WILD GOOSE on Dec. 3rd. They're having a dildo party. I don't know if you are supposed to win one or come as one.

You have to try Peter King's now world famous Chinese Turkey at BRADLEYS. It's about as close to home cooking as you can come.

What manager on Bay St. go the night off all of a sudden?

CHINESE CHECKERS

Mother (TURF CLUB) is now at the GASLIGHT.

Vera Cruze has also left the TURF CLUB.

Jack A. (BAJ) is now with JACKSON'S. See, Jack, I was right.

Fred and Wayne, also of JACKSON'S, are now with GOLD STREET.

Tom (formerly of BRADLEY'S and more recently of Maxine's in Vegas) is now at the BACHELOR'S CLUB.

The WILD GOOSE also has a new goodie. His name is Pat. And David has left the GOOSE.

Randy has left JACKIE D'S and is back with the GRUBSTAKE. Is it true you are being sued by the City to replace the sidewalk?

David Likens (Q.T.) is now with the CAMP GROUND.

Mr. S.F. has left the PURPLE PICKLE. This time for sure.

Pat (FROLIC) moonlights at the WILD GOOSE.

NEW YORK, NEW YORK

Did you know there is a RAMROD in N.Y.? It's a leather bar and run by Dino. This Dino is a man. They have no boys or girls rooms but have five separate restrooms in the center of the bar.

In the same trend, the GOLD EAGLE is quite a lively place and they have dancing; while there be sure to ask about the trucks.

The 9 Plus CLUB is the in thing to belong to. They have a bar in the club that really swings.

The BEAU GESTE on 3rd Ave. is quite the in place to eat and the dining room, downstairs, is like a cave. The place is run by two nice people, Stan and Chuck, and their bartender Peter is out of this world. He's worth the trip just for a look.

A real fun place, also on 3rd Avenue,

is UNCLE CHARLIES SOUTH. The manager is named Dizzy and he's a real gas. It's a very large bar and their motto is "A beautiful place for beautiful people." Believe me, the customers live up to the motto. Dizzy has something going every night and while there, check out the action on Mike, the bartender. My dear, he has a beautiful everything.

PORTLAND ROSE RIDES AGAIN

What adjective is left? They have all been used to say what wonderful people the Portland group are. Mame, Vanessa and Tracey, thank you for a wonderful weekend. Walter and Darcelle (the new Empress), your gang was great! Dave and Ron Dupret, I can't thank you enough for the time you devoted to me in Portland. For you old (sorry) Oregonians, did you know THE EMBERS used to be the ZOMBIE ZOOLA? What Grand Duchess fainted before the ball and almost did not make it? And which Grand Duchess (there's a lot of them) fell asleep waiting to be introduced? Well, I was tired. We are looking forward to seeing you in Jan. All you San Francisco kids, get your tickets to the Coronation Ball at the FAIRMONT. You'll not only have a wonderful evening, but you can meet a great bunch of people.

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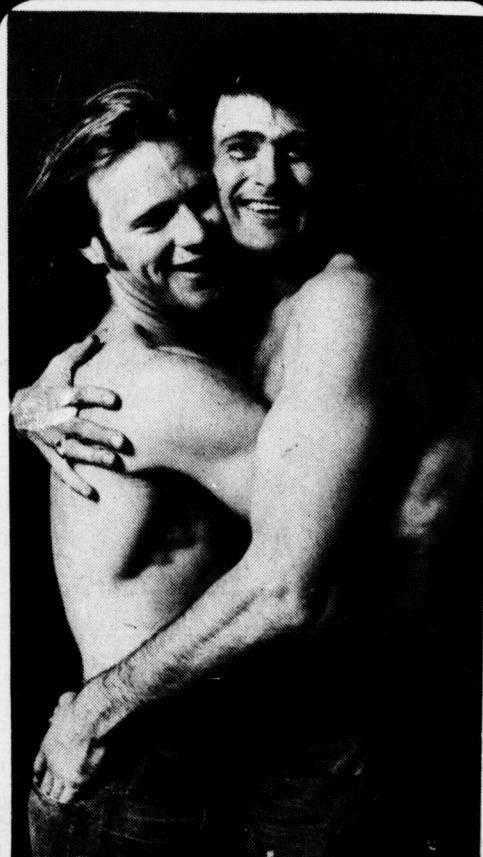
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LEATHER GALORE AT SIR'S BIG OPENING

Virtually every bike club in the Bay Area was represented at the big Leather Night at SIR. When I see how the bike clubs are starting to come out and participate in EVERYTHING, it does my heart good, because the community IS united and now the slogan is PROGRESS. LEATHER 'N' THINGS has leather goods on display as well as

EMPEROR MARGUS

Southern Scandals



some other people with their wares some educational movies were shown, free beer and hot dogs were served and afterward, Dixie (Mike) del Rey and Bob Conroy were kind enough to invite EVERYONE over to the beautiful TURF CLUB for a couple of freebies. It was a good night and another example of the community "getting it on."

CAMELOT REVISITED

The city of Portland, Oregon is divided in half by the Columbia River, but the Gay Community of this northern city is so TOGETHER, it makes me wonder why there is a North and South of Market Street. A hearty group of us took advantage of travel entrepreneur Gene Arceri's fabulous Camelot Flight to party and witness the spectacular coronation of the Fifteenth Empress of the Inland Empire, a glittering coronation set in the lobby of an elegant old theatre complete with ceiling-high windows, mirrors, gilt railings, elaborate chandeliers and carpeted staircases. The Royal Courts of Seattle, Mexico City, Vancouver, Oakland, The Peninsula and San Francisco were presented to the reigning

Empress Tracy St. James after a lively, witty show. San Francisco Empress Candidate Kissy Diki was the eighth empress of Portland and as such was accorded the honor of his rank as a Dowager and sat at the right of Empress Tracy. Lady Billy and Lady Roxanne were presented as well as our Dowager Empresses Shirley III and Cristal VI; Luscious Lorelei (Czarina of the Miracle Mile) blew everyone's mind when he slid down the bannister of the staircase in a beautiful purple and white gown, and of course, our beloved Jonni was the final person to be presnted.

The fifteenth Empress of the Inland Empire is Darcelle, and judging from the reaction of the audience in attendance, a popular choice. Darcelle is the owner of one of Portland's swingiest bars, DEMAS TAVERN, a beer and wine bistro with a fabulous drag show where the Empress herself stars in a setting of sheer delight including a barber's chair at the bar, several different types of chandeliers suspended from the ceiling in helter skelter fashion and the most appreciative audiences. The dancing set has no problem finding a place for their happy feet for both the SIDE DOOR and the RIP TIDE offer spacious quarters for the light-footed set. John Deere, the doorman of FE-BE'S presided over a ceremony at that city's only leather bar, THE OTHER INN, for the FIRST HANGING OF MAMA BERNICE, the lovable lady who has visited Our Town many times and made many of us her little blue birds. J.J. Van

Dyke tore the house down at DEMAS with his monologue on the trip via car with Roxanne, Shirley and John Deere, with sunflower seeds his only food and Shirley screaming for tea until they met some hunky lumberjacks! One of the highlights of the weekend was a special presentation at PENN & DAHL'S, a downtown bar, when Chocolate Mess & Vanilla did a nostalgic musical dialogue "LIVE" with taped music in the background that had sophisticated San Franciscans held in rapt attention. The beloved MAME and his crew of eager beavers, including the members of the Portland FORUM and the SECOND FOUNDATION are to be congratulated for their efforts in amassing split-second timing, catering to all our whims and seeing to it that Kim (the beautiful one) got us everything we wanted! I salute you, beautiful city of Portland and congratulate Darcelle, the newest Empress and wish you a hearty reign. We can't wait to see you all in January when you come to visit us for our Coronation.

TINSEL & TRIVIA...

The Miracle Mile welcomes its newest toilet, THE PHOENIX, formerly the COW PALACE SALOON, formerly the NO NAME BAR - complete with new decor (stripped to the bone), a clean, well-lighted place with new faces behind the bar, new bar policies and entrance on the side instead of the front... Sorry I goofed last time and forgot to mention Norman Hughes, MR.

CMC CARNIVAL, was sponsored by the AMBASSADOR LOUNGE AND THE PENDULUM - the last time that will happen. Spokesman for the CMC says that henceforth, only one business can sponsor a candidate (it gets more complicated every year)... Nostalgia grips you when you pass 888 McAllister, site of a bygone era when the DETOUR was the big leather bar in town. Nothing is left on that block making way for the growing pains of urban development in the Western Addition... What big restaurant on Polk Strasse is about to have a general walkout because they're having their help sign contracts stating, among other things, that after terminating employment they will NOT work for a competitor???... Just what the unions in this town want... Why doesn't the TAVERN GUILD investigate this? Probably no one has asked them to because very few waiters are members... Last column reported

the re-opening of the TOOL BOX but those plans are now in the round file and the main protagonists are now dickering to buy a Straight Bar in the Marina, yet!... Up at the CLOUD 7, Wayne and Reba Rattlesnake are getting it on quite a bit (and other places too) and that bistro is fast becoming one of the IN places for the groovy dancing set... If you're into movies, FE-BE'S has added itself to the list of cinema bars with full length flicks on certain nights, and speaking of movies, my spies tell me that the Strand Theatre is the "IN" place to go on rainy afternoons. I checked personally on my coffee break last week and am happy to report the following tally: At least SEVEN bar owners, 22 bartenders, 2 dowager empresses, 3 empress candidates and many loud guffaws as each person appeared looking for a seat!... and they said TV would ruin the movie

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SOUTHERN SCANDALS (continued)

industry... So far, the first candidate for Czarina of the Peninsula is Billy Diamond, and what a lovely person he is! The smart talk and the smart money are on Billy and after his sensational a appearance in Portland, it's no wonder he's way ahead of the other candidates... Congratulations to Darryl Glied and Ken (MR. COWBOY) Rector, celebrating the first anniversary of the BACHELOR CLUB on Dec. 4 through 7, with a free buffet by Fat Fairy every night and a grand prize of a round trip to Reno for two... Likewise congratulations to Cliff of the GASLIGHT who just had his first anniversary there too with large and happy crowds on hand... Congratulations to Lenny Mollet and Ginny Lee, celebrating their birthdays at a big blast on Dec. 5, Tuesday, at the 527 CLUB beginning at 8:00 PM... And whoever said the INTER CLUB FUND was a friend of a friend in need was so right. Ask Sam Harms how fast it took him to get a quick loan from them... exactly 1½ hours and aren't you glad you helped build their emergency fun?... HAMBURGER MARY'S is still

the swinging thing. It started out to be many moons ago, and Big Jerry is the most gracious host ever. They now have wine and beer and a groovey crowd practically all of their 24 hours... Be sure to be at the BOOT CAMP on December 5, for the big bon voyage party for Robin Price, scheduled to leave for Australia very soon and S&M Party No. 5... And on December 4, the ROUND UP goes into WESTERN STUD NITE NO. 2. Big Carl (Amazon Lil) promises the second in a series of five, will present you with a Cock Crazy button. You only need five of them to qualify for the grand prize and it could be a Volkswagen or a ton of steel wool and a pair of knitting needles for the do-it yourselfers... And was that Jeff of the BOOT CAMP and Luscious Lorelei walking on the beach the other ayem?

AND NOW PRESENTING THE EVER LOVIN' MAE

If you were on Polk Street last Sunday night, you may have been startled to see several Mae Wests parading around with scantily-clad musclemen, all headed for the WILD GOOSE to see a party that had the

place packed, literally, to the rafters. Wouldn't you know Perry won it hands down? Perry's entourage and his whole act was Together, complete with a black Queen named Beulah, who literally peeled the grape. Kissy Diki was no slouch either, and that dark horse is getting brighter and brighter. The devine JACKIE D, Don Berry and Norman Hughes (Messrs. Gayzette and Carnival, respectively) were the judges and they had a ball! Congratulations to cute manager, Bobby Kerns for a very successful night and one of the best parties I've hosted to date. Mae herself couldn't make it, but when she was telephoned in Hollywood, it was learned that she retires no later than 9 PM, and sent her best wishes for a successful blast - and it was! I wouldn't say for sure, but Herb Caen was there in disguise, hmmm kiddies?

Gotta go, gotta run, editor's waiting for this copy. Good night Sweet Lips, wherever you are in that gorgeous leather jacket; the whole town's talking about it and I'm dying to see it. Good-adios until next time, keep it together, we are progressing, love your brothers AND sisters, for I love you all. Mister Marcus

P.S. Congratulations to Hector and his staff of volunteers at the S.I.R. Thanksgiving Dinner. One LOL wanted to pay for her meal with forty cents and three long hairs scraped \$2.77 together between them to donate to SIR. Human interest, but thanks to EVERYONE who contributed and special thanks to Hector, who worked so hard to make it a successful event!



VIVE LA DIFFERENCE!

Shades of Greene

by Louella P.

on DINING OUT

CAMP GROUND

Dining at the CAMP GROUND, 2329 San Pablo Ave., Berkeley, is a pleasant experience. Formerly the VOLUME I, they have completely revamped the bar as well as the dining room. I had one of my favorite dishes, Chicken Livers Sauteed in a special Chinese sauce, and Bob, my companion, had the Sweetbreads. The bean soup was moderately hot and exceptionally tasty, the salad was chilled just right, and the livers were served in a casserole dish loaded with all sorts of herbs and spices yet not overly seasoned. I can tell you one thing, this is one of the few times I had to wait for my food to cool off. The zuchini was delicately fried to perfection, and the stuffed baked potato was given as careful attention as the entree itself. I must say the livers were a gastronomical treat and highly rate the CAMP GROUND for dining. Their nightly specials are only \$1.95, and on Sundays they serve a Prime Rib special, ten to twelve ounces of tenderness for only \$1.95. In addition to their specials, they offer an excellent variety on their regular menu.

LANDMARK

And for those of you seeking a new place to dine I would like to suggest Harry Ho's LANDMARK at Turk St. Harry Ho is doing his own cooking and I might say he is an excellent chef. We started off with a piping hot bowl of Clam Chowder soup seasoned just right. The chilled salad, topped with sliced egg and tomatoes, was served with a roquefort dressing that would put many restaurants to shame. A bud vase with a lovely carnation adorned the table. I had the Fried Prawns on the Special for

only \$1.95. Let me tell you that I have paid \$2.95 and \$3.95 for Fried Prawns where there was no comparison to the quality of these prawns. They were cooked just right so that they were not greasy and were exceptionally tender and tasty. Even the vegetables that came with the entree were kept piping hot. I

was so impressed with the entire meal that when I spotted Hans of the EARLY BIRD at the bar, I highly recommended that he share in my experience, which he did to great satisfaction. I hope Harry continues to keep up the excellent quality of his cooking. I might also add that during the course of eating, Lou Vito, who has been at the LANDMARK for the last three years, made our dining even more pleasurable with his very talented dinner music.

Follow me in the next issue for another dining room experience

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LOCO WEATHER REPORT

by Cecil Knockherworst Weatherbee



A great and historical event has befallen our beloved city of San Francisco when the world and its national leaders and figure heads (six to eight inches) will pay its due respect to a most outstanding and gracious person in our Gay Emprie — "The Celebration of a half a centennial of Sweetlips." — The bells will ring out from the Grace Cathedral when Grace, himself, will lead his cohorts in the celebration of this Mass of the Red Goo. Mayor Alioto will sign a charter declaring December 1st a legal holiday unless the Emperor Marcus the I, assitant to the Mayor's office, hides it or throws it away, who knows? — Sweetlips whose historical

background, in America, dates back to the Mayflower when his great, great, great grandfather Sweet Williams, one of the original flower children, arrived in bondage from Scotland and ended up marrying a native Canadian Indian, Miss Bennie Bean Bonko (translated in English meaning "far out") B.B. Bonko had a fetish for feathers — she didn't care what kind as long as they tickled her fancy — well, to make this historical background short I will skip a few chapters and will continue with one of their off springs "Little Lenny" (the thorn-less Rose of heavens knows) measuring only 5 x 2 x 7. He traveled off to California during the early gold

rush days — There he struck pay dirt — by hitting some poor dirty innocent victim over the head with his red high heel boots and scampering off with his gold fillings to Vegas where he made a million by cornering the market on white elephant tusks (actually on the sly he knew the hunter, Ray Rulette, known infamously for white elephants). — Little Lennie soon after he reached his third million married into another wealthy family "The Rolling Stone Bentleys" — about one month later they had their first child — one look at their offspring, a puff of red plums, they became terrified and immediately carried it to Lands End where they tied various weighted objects, that they found lying about to their brand new tot (ed. not. objects such as worn dildoes, a Honda scooter, a motorcycle cap, a badge, etc., etc.) — Actually the perplexed parents were going to eighty-six their their little bundle of feathers when suddenly, like a plunk note as played by McGinnis the noted pianist concertortionist, — They heard a voice singing "The Good Things in Life Are Never Free." While reaidng "This Is Your Life" in a recent Advocate publication — The voice came from a figure dressed in black and standing on a protruding ledge — his eyes gazing towards the sky and his hands pointing down, (in fact it was very dramatic — as they would say in Latin Hamish) It was Reverend Raymond, known for his strange activities — He threatened to Zap them if they did not repent — they repented and with eyes shut they took their offspring, whose glowing lines began to quiver — to their breasts. — It was a sight to behold. — So began Sweetlip's first year of life — Later on, two or three years, he was baptized by this groovy Reverend with the Christian

name of Sweet-Lips (pronounced Sweat-Lips) — As years further progressed our dear Sweet-Lips, under private tutoring, at last mumbled his first words, "I want a drink!" — So the path was set for his vocation. — His parents desiring him to better his vocabulary sent him off on long cruises throughout the world. — At one instance in the wilds of Africa he was confronted by the doctor of Voo-Doo who constantly cast spells on him by sending him female dogs. — But the cruise that changed his life was the trip in Australia (Aussies can be fun) here he fell passionately in love with an ostrich. — Poor Sweetlips, knew no better for no one ever explained to him the facts of life. — Besides, he felt what he did in the privacy of his pad was his own concern. — But, rumor reached home of this feverish love affair. — It became an international royal scandal and a special hearing was set up in the United Nations. — Where the argument is still going on. — In order to ease world tension and to pacify anarchists, our dear kind, fatherly Sweetlips gave up his romance. —

Besides the ostrich began to lay an egg and Sweetlips did not want to become obligated. — He disavowed all and so ended his first feather fetish. — He returned back to Amerika — a lost soul — his heart busted — broke and disowned by his family — But, the light of dawn began to break and with the kind assistance of Billy (Graham Cracker), Plath founder of opera and a grand mare Jose' de founder of opera, he was guided to see the light (ed. note, light scotch, light bourbon, light wine, etc., etc.) Then one warm balmy day, a bright day in October, while Shirley and Cristal (notorious empresses incognito) were painting, in drag, the outside of a defunked bar "The 123), Sweetlips stumbled by assisted by a young, long hair, grubby boy wearing short pants by the name of "Bobby the Rose of Betsy Ross." Looking up, Sweetlips asked, "What are you girls painting up there", the reply returned was "We're not girls, stupid, we're Gays in drag having a little fun." "Oh!" says Sweetlips, "Gee, what fun, can I play too." — Immediately the world stopped turning and "Bobby the Rose of BetsyRoss" pe-ed — As

Shirley and Cristal eyed him for size, shape and form. — A shipload of ostrich feathers were purchased which were immediately dyed red from a secret formula handed down to mother Voo-Doo and yards and yards of chiffon enough to cover the globe four times were weaved painstakingly by silent night Willis, a poor refuge from the Northern provinces of Tibet. High-heels were impossible to find but a pair of size triple-double E's, boots with ballerina ties were found lying in Michelle's closet from her roller derby days that he tore off Bella in a crowning ceremony of some campy sorts. — Well, Mary, the boots with the ballerina ties fitted perfectly as if they were made for a Cinderfella Emperor. — It was a day of merry making and rejoicing as Sweetlips (believe it or not) sat on a Police motorcycle and was escorted up and down Grant Avenue by some of San Francisco's finest. — The whole world in fact the whole universe vibrated to the coming out of this Sagittarius — Sweetlips — Red was the color of the year and Mao Tse Tsung smiled in accord and wrote down in a little red

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LOCO WEATHER (continued)

book "Patience is a virtue, but Sweetlips I not know." — The knowledge of Sweetlips' coming out caused other happenings such as:

Charlotte of THE MINT closed the GOLDEN CASK with the comment "Begging hippies were bad but, enough is enough."

Earthquake tremors were felt throughout California and an abnormal amount of rain fell in Arizona.

Gene Peck gave up drinking again and Jonni Began to pluck canary feathers.

THE STUD turned Gay.

Don and John of FE-BE'S were married again to each other again.

Ray Rule while taking a leak off a ladder heard the news and fell off causing a large hole in the COVERED WAGON tennis court — it was immediately filled with cement and converted into a swimming hole and now known for its swimming meats.

The Folsom leather set burned their leather.

George of THE RAMROD decided to go straight — so did George of JACKSON'S.

The Salvation Army served free meals and Jose' was the first in line.

Sixteen Queens all in their late

sixties jumped off the Golden Gate singing "God Save The Nellie Queens."

Land's End became off limits.

Rose Buckley fainted!

Rosemary Clooney sold her one millionth record "How Much is That Dog Lady in The Window."

Reba showed her fanny to the world for the millionth time.

And Cecil grew two more inches.

Henry Lay-Lu, the Hawaiian humming bird and silent partner to you-know-who, flew to Mexico for a new batch of youth pills.

Jimmy Quinn gasped.

The boys at JACKSON'S turned out to be just plain Jane's.

And the girls at MAUD'S STUDY decided to do a bit more studding.

Rome (a notorious bartender) kept his mouth shut all day but jumped around all day like a Mexican bean.

Gretta Grass wnet on a diet and Barbara Balls quit the CLOUD SEVEN to elope with HANS OFF, a Polish refugee.

Bill Tolan, the San Francisco gourmet cook, giggled all day while Roger who kept tickling him with red feathers said it was well worth it.

Pat Boone lost his white sneakers.

Gary Schneider fell madly in love with a drummer named David Kelsey.

Roberta of JUG'S LIQUOR slugged Lenny.

Nixon won his first election as President of the United States, it was another tear jerker.

Pat Montclair grew boobies — so did Carol Doda.

Judy Garland sang "San Francisco," again — and so did

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Big Jimmy nodded in disbelief as Lori Shannon sung the second verse of "San Francisco".

Hard Rocks Roxanne purchased a dictionary of four letter words.

Laura tried on drag and never took it off.

J.J. Van Dyck tried leather and never took it off.

Maxine arrived in San Francisco in a pineapple crate.

Ronald Reagan gave up Gay Hollywood for the straight role of politics and Mayor Alioto gave up the straight life for politics too and Sally Stanford joined the city council to teach them something about health, education and welfare, and Cristal ran for Empress so did the Polish Prince — He lost.

Schatzie quit cooking and started creating.

Karl Kay contemplated plastic surgery, so did Phillis Diller — He came out much nicer.

And Broadway hit tunes were written such as,

"Passion Lips"

"The Eyes of Cristal Are Upon You."

"The Wilted Rose of Union Square"

"Cross Legged" and

"Those Wide Open Spaces Remind Me of You."

And Bernstein of New York and Arthur Fiedler of Boston both held concerts and

Polk Street Sally passed gas.

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by Mike Wright

Hello good people. November was a busy month. Places to go and people to see. The holidays and social season are upon us bringing with them much activity in the community. Let us hope that the ending of this year and the start of the next will find the Gay Community more "Together" than before. Let's organize, communicate and develop to our fullest potential, proving to the straight world that we deserve their respect for our way of life.

Bitching for instance is a waste of energy. This energy may be employed in

many more useful and constructive ways. Put to use the talents you possess to build up, rather than tear down that which we are all working for, that is, personal freedom! Think positive, act positive, and then expect the positive to happen — it will!

Halloween in the Peninsula was fantastic. Would you believe lots of costumes, lots of contests and lots of cruising. Parties were held at the SAVOY in Cupertino and the HARBOR in San Jose. Costumes went from high drag to total camp. Mardi Gras in November? Ate brunch at the HARBOR on Sunday. Great food and it's only one buck.

STANFORD'S GAY PEOPLES UNION (GPU) held elections for new officers last Wednesday. Good luck and keep up the good work. After the meeting everyone went to the BEER HIVE in Redwood City which has one of the greatest bartenderesses (bartenderess?) of the Peninsula, Rusty, a really great girl. Bye the way, Rusty is running for Czar of the Peninsula.

FLASH, new bar in Palo Alto! The KONA KAI has just opened it's doors to the gay community. It sure to be one of

the going places in this area with liquor, dancing, and Sunday brunch. Dressed in Hawaiian decor this wall to wall carpeted lounge is truly a beautiful bar. This has all come about through the concerted efforts of George Zell, originally from the TINKER'S DAMN, who is one of the finest people in the Peninsula. He is using the slogan "Where the North meets the South" which means FUN! Good luck George.

John-John, in addition to surprising us with your candidacy for Czarina of the Peninsula, you also surprised us with not one but two days of festivities celebrating the 8th Anniversary of the CRUISER in Redwood City. Your buffet was superb, and the prizes delightful. Enhancing the parties were the cream of the Peninsula's royalty. To all the concerned personages, a humble thank you.

Last month at the QUEEN'S PALACE in Hayward new members of the Royal Gardinia court of San Jose were dubbed. Donna Mae, Reina De San Jose, crowned Stacy Lee Michaels as the Grand Duchess of Hayward, Natalie becoming the Grand Duchess of San Jose and Larica being elevated as the new Lord Chancellor of San Jose. Many other honors were given out including "Mr. Queen's Palace" to Danny, a very handsome guy.

On Dec. 6th at the EXIT Mr. East Bay will be elected. This should be one of the biggest gatherings of THE "Mr. Titles" ever. In attendance will be Mr. San Francisco Mr. Gayzette, Mr. Congeniality from the Mr. Peninsula contest, Mr. Santa Clara and his Mr. Congeniality, Mr. Groovy Guy '71, from Los Angeles, with Mr. Congeniality '72 from this year's Groovy Guy contest along with myself. Come and meet the

men who represent you.

M.C.C. San Jose has been a very busy organization. On Nov. 19th the Rev. Troy Perry dedicated the new M.C.C. church on 160 N. 3rd St. in San Jose, over 250 people attended the ceremony. On Thur. Nov. 22nd the Peninsula bars surprised M.C.C. by donating money towards the church Thanksgiving Dinner. Many thanks go out to the BAYOU, HIVE and CRUISER in Redwood City, the LOCKER ROOM, GARDENS, and KONA KAI in Palo Alto, the TINKER'S DAMN in Santa Clara, the SAVOY in Cupertino and the HARBOR in San Jose for showing their support to another Gay organization. Now that's "TOGETHER". On Fri., Dec. 15th M.C.C. will be holding its annual Christmas Party and on Dec. 20th the CRUISER in Redwood City will be holding a benefit auction, all monies going toward the building fund for the church.

On Sunday, Nov. 12, ALFIE (Mr. Entertainment) and I went to the CMC CARNIVAL at Seaman's Hall in San Francisco. WOW! Wall to wall men. Don Berry trapped us into helping him with the WILDE OSCAR booth. Little did we realize it was the pie throwing booth. Yep, Alfie and I became targets for frustrated queens. Head to toe in mashed potatoes. Other than that the carnival was a BLAST! Congratulations to Norman, Mr. Carnival.

On Monday, Nov. 13th the WATER HOLE NO. 3 bus took a tour of the Northern Peninsula bars. On board was Lady Kissy Diki, Lady Laura, Rose I of Portland, Fat Fairy, Naomi, Darryl from the BACHELORS CLUB, and that handsome bartender Brad, from the BACHELORS CLUB just to name a few. Their hosts for the evening were the Count and Countess Don and Stephanie of the Peninsula, Larissa Lord Chancellor of San Jose and myself. A very special thanks goes out to Jess and Rose of the WATER HOLE NO. 3 who made this fun trip possible. A fine example of two really "together" people. Thank you all for coming to see us. You're welcome to come down anytime you wish. Hope we can reciprocate soon!

Undoubtedly Portland will be the talk of the town for month's to come. There are no words that can express

how beautiful and fantastic this major function was. The drive up and back with two drag queens, crowns and gowns, was unreal. Once in Portland it was Go Go Go. What is it to drink from 7 PM Friday till 11 AM Monday when we left. Ugh! Cocktail parties, bar tours, midnight swims and downtown to a local jewelry store and bought out its entire supply of rhinestones. For the ball Sunday night, Camelot was revisited. That night there were representatives from all over the West including San Francisco, headed by Empress Jonni and Emperor Marcus, Seattle, Vancouver, Olympia, Oakland and even Mixco City. The Peninsula was there in full force with Grand Czarina Nickie Nations, Grand Duchess, Billie Diamond, Count and Countess Don and Stephene, Lord Chancellor of San Jose Larissa, Sir Rick and Lady Moreen, Hand Maiden Judy, Miss Peninsula Marquita and Myself. The entrance of Portland's Empress, Tracy St. James was not to be believed. Dressed in white and looking like something out of a fairy tale she took her place on the throne with everyone's eyes popping out of their heads. Beautiful! Laden with gifts

including a portrait of herself, a rhinestone collar made of gold and pink stones and innumerable silver goblets, Tracy regally stepped down as the 14th Rose Empress to make way for Darcelle the new 15th Rose Empress of Portland. Congratulations to Darcelle, an Empress to be proud of. A very special thank you goes out to Mame of Portland and Roxanne of San Francisco for organizing and working so hard to make this whole trip possible. As a last note on the trip, the peninsula was given a personal invitation by the Seattle court to attend their Grand Ball in February. Hope to see you all there, as we plan to attend.

Personal notes: Thank you Marcus for giving me the honor of being appointed to your Board of Governors. I will do my best to work with and for you.

Jim Hughes — Where are you? Please get in touch.

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LOCO WEATHER REPORT

by Cecil Knockherworst Weatherbee
Presents that I wanted to give but, sorry I came up short.

Sweetlips: A new pair of red over-sized pumps with rollers attached so when he is escorted he could be pushed.

Jose: An opera written in three acts. (Act I): Written in Peruvian. (Act II): Written in Ancient Greek. (Act III): Written in Etheopian. And a full orchestra to accompany him that plays discords from Hansel and Gretal.

Betty Bonko: A brand new car with one set of keys.

Reba: Woolen underpants with a hole in it.

Trollop: A motorized dildo.

The Fat Lady: A thin husband to keep him warm.

Bella: Something she never had — local credit.

Willis: A bag of rice.

Roxann: A live turkey symbolic of her royal bird since she gobbled so many votes at the COVERED WAGON.

Laura: One gross of surgical tape and a roller.

Cristal: One gallon of Tequila, a little black book, and glasses.

Rome: A dictionary of two letter words.

Barbara Balls: You guessed it?

Minnie: A pair of warm gloves so she can keep her cold hands off of someone elses' crotch.

Tony Lasagne: Five pounds of Italian salame and a bottle of olive oil.

Charlotte: A new name for her all girl review newspaper.

Hans: A dozen pair of see through G strings and a commuter ticket to Oakland.

Gene Peck: A recording of all the no's that he gave into.

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Meet Charles Pierce, the rugged construction worker / male actress takes a few minutes off from his work on BART to talk to the Midnight Snoop.

GAY AUTO-PEOPLE CARAVAN TO VACAVILLE PRISON... CHRISTMAS IN VACAVILLE, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27TH

Gay people are urged to support and endorse the Christmas in Vacaville Caravan on Wednesday, December 27th, which will carry gifts to the prison gates, and leave them at the gates, with a short religious service following at the gates.

Vacaville officials refused to allow a BAY AREA REPORTER sponsored show appear at the prison recently, and as a result, Gaypeoples are rising up angry, so to speak, over the matter. Superintendent, Pope has since resigned, Dr. T.L. Clanon has replaced him. At first, this brought tears of joy, which quickly turned to tears of sorrow as it was learned that Dr. Clanon, who advocated psycho-surgery and who has performed such at C.M.F. and U.C. Medical Center, is currently seeking more money to expand his psycho-surgery policies. He had instituted such lovely programs as "psycho-surgery", and "prolyxin-zombism", and other such horrors. His last act was to segregate Gaypeoples in the prison once and for all, moving overt Gaypeople from all sections to P-1 and P-2. In recent months, Vacaville has instituted a "rotating system" with the prison at San Luis Obispo, C.M.C. (California Men's Colony), a program in which prisoners were exchanged between the two facilities on a super irregular basis, with some of the inmates being flown back and forth. Some attorneys have charged that this is a harassing tactic, making it difficult for them to know the exact whereabouts of their client. Many attorneys having gone to see their clients at Vacaville, only to find that they have been transferred to C.M.C.

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