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WEATHER REPORT

Mostly fair in San Francisco with scattered local heavy gales. Stong gale warns often in the Tenderloin area. Storm warnings in New Orleans increasing into March with high pressure area remaining static. Cooler in Chicago and mid-western United States.

ACCORDING TO THE LAVENDER CALENDAR

Mar 2-Mardi Gras-New Orleans Orgy week

Mar 6-Protect fruits from insects

Mar 15-The Ides of March

Watch out for your friends with switch blades, O, Caesar!

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CALL FOR HELP

Mississippi is not the only place with civil rights problems because San Francisco has them also.

The Council on Religion and the Homosexual, a non-profit organization formed to disseminate factual information regarding homosexuality and to promote a continuing dialogue between the homosexual and the church is in need of funds to continue the preliminary work toward their goal.

The CRH sponsored a New Year's Mardi Gras Ball on the 1st of January. With tactics that would have made Bull Connor or Orville Faubus green with envy the San Francisco Police Department practically blockaded the entrance to the affair. At a point later in the evening the PD arrested three attorneys, a housewife, and two young men. The first four were arrested for interfering with the activity of a policeman; the latter two were arrested for committing a lewd act.

The San Francisco Chapter of the ACLU has stepped in to defend the rights of the people to congregate and a satisfactory verdict from a jury (being selected as this is written) is expected to vindicate the attorneys and the housewife. If this happens then the case against the other two collapses because the officers entered the place illegally.

All of this is building a case of individual rights. But

in the meantime the CRH is deprived of funds and is daily called upon by other ministers to furnish packets of information, brochures, information, etc., to other ministers and lay leaders in the various churches. The postage bill alone for mailing information to interested persons comes to a respectable sum.

Many who would ordinarily contribute to such a fund are reluctant to do so because it might expose their feelings to the postman, the accountant, or a multitude of other people. This need not be the case for small contributions may be sent in the form of a postal money order or American Express money order and made payable to the Council on Religion. You need not complete the rest of the name. Or you can merely send cash. Naturally the money order is the most satisfactory way.

Persons out of San Francisco might well ask what the Council can do for them that they should contribute. Bob Walker, treasurer of the CRH has stated that "To carry out a program as great a magnitude as is clearly needed it is necessary to raise a substantial amount of money for operating funds." Altho this program is scheduled for the Bay Area of San Francisco it is anticipated that the CRH will have immense effect among ministers in other sections of the country.

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PROSTITUTION

Charles Conrad, Republican of Thousand Oaks, Los Angeles County, introduced legislation to bring male homosexuals under the laws of the state regarding male prostitution.

Conrad said present laws covered only female prostitutes.

Conrad's bill (AB 918) would define prostitution as "sexual intercourse for money or other consideration, or any lewd act between persons of the same sex or different sexes for money or other consideration."

Contrary to the stand of Conrad, other attorneys have stated that the Penal Code of California already covered male prostitution. Some judges in Los Angeles County have assessed penalties under the present law which is quoted here: "Every person who commits any of the following acts shall be guilty of disorderly conduct, a misdemeanor: (b) Who solicits or engages in any act of prostitution."

Since the law makes no mention of the sex of persons engaged in the act it has already been decided. Since it is already a felony for persons to engage in a sex act with the same sex it is hardly understandable how Mr. Conrad's bill will make any difference.

In the last session of the Assembly Mr. Conrad introduced the same legisla-

tion. At that time the lobbyist for the Mattachine Society of Los Angeles made a big furor about this proposal, but since Mr. Conrad is the darling of the ultra-ultra right wing of the GOP in California, and since the Assembly is dominated by the Democratic Party, such legislation is given absolutely no chance of passing in the Criminal Procedures Committee, much less the entire Assembly.

Mr. Conrad was one of the moving forces of the Hollywood Citizen-News drive for greater control of homosexuals last year.

I AM A BOY

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Honolulu, Hawaii

Men who habitually dress in women's clothing are avoiding a Honolulu law that forbids dressing for the purpose of deception by wearing an ornamental brooch inscribed "I am a Boy."

Vice squad men rarely arrest transvestites when they point to the sign, because the offenders are virtually certain of acquittal.

The brooches were suggested about a year ago by a judge when two of the offenders were arrested on Honolulu's notorious Hotel Street. The transvestite

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PINK TEA MARDI GRAS

By special report.
"The police are driving the customers out of the city as fast as the airlines can bring them in." is the wail of a restaurant operator in New Orleans.

Traditionally the approach of Mardi Gras signals a upswing in business for the entertainment business in New Orleans, but this year the District Attorney and Chief of Police have made clear a new day has dawned.

In a city where tourists have long been a primary income source for many persons, this year it looks as if the city will be wiped out as a tourist attraction.

"Last week a group came in my place from St. Louis. They were just ordinary types. It seems they had come down for a month or more to enjoy the preparation for Shrove Tuesday as well as the big parade. An officer walked in and demanded they identify themselves and tell him what they were doing in New Orleans.

At this, one of the men was a little disturbed at being quizzed. He said rather to the point, "Kiss my ass." At this he was hauled off to jail. Next day they paid the fine for drunk and disorderly and left town. This is just an example of what we can expect this year. It is time to close up the French Quarter and move somewhere else for this town has had it."

Another report tells of harassment of homosexual bars in the city where even the old timers are not stepping outside their doors for fear of a frivolous arrest.

It'll be a pink tea affair in New Orleans this year. And this could well be the last time such an affair is given.

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must admit his true sex to his escort the police say.

When the two pleaded not guilty to charges against them, Honolulu District Judge Francis DeMello said: "You're always dressed like girls...but you say you never want to deceive anyone."

He suggested that they should wear signs stating their sex.

The suggestion caught on. But vice officers say that the signs themselves don't give transvestites complete protection from the law. Many offenders wear the signs tucked under the neckline of their dresses. They said they flip the signs out only when they hear vice officers are around.

DeMello's typical sentence for those convicted of deception: Prison work in dungarees for six months."

(The CN would never take credit away from any Municipal Judge but we are forced to quote from LCE News-predecessor of the CN-of 15 Oct 1961 regarding Halloween costumes "...It is always illegal to dress yourself with the avowed intent to deceive...the only law referring to "wearing the clothing of the opposite sex" is when it is done with the intent to deceive. This has nothing to do with Halloween, it is illegal to deceive at any time.

The League has made available at the better establishments around the city small cards reading "I am a Boy." They are not a guarantee against frivolous arrest but certainly remove doubts as to your intent."

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This year the Baedeker is to include all the gay, interesting, historical and hysterical places in the United States and in selected cities of Canada.

Another new feature of the Baedeker will be a section warning travellers of any parks, etc., where the innocent traveller may be exposed to sex deviates.

Persons having knowledge of any places (bars, taverns, restaurants, hotels, etc.,) and who forward the names of such places along with the address to Strait and Associates are sent a copy of the new Baedeker without charge.

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GET THE HELL OUT OF CHURCH

Citing the Bible, a fundamentalist Protestant (hard-shell Baptists, Holy Rollers, etc) denounced the Council on Religion and the Homosexual for attempting to bring homosexuals under religious influence.

The Group-The Bay Area International Christian Youth-signed a resolution that homosexuality is "an abomination to God."

Group spokesman Whit Woodard said the attitude of receiving homosexuals into the church is "alien to the historic position of the church."

He said about 50 persons had signed the resolution. A publicity campaign to "acquaint Christians with our position on this issue" is being prepared.

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Contributions may be sent to The Council on Religion and the Homosexual, % Glide Methodist Church, 330 Ellis Street, San Francisco, California, in any amount.

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CAUSTIC COMMENTS

Now that the Air Force has successfully weeded out all the homosexuals they are busy devising tests to weed out the potential cheaters from the Air Force Academy.

Oklahoma is having trouble with their Alcoholic Beverage Control Board. The badge for over-understatement of the year goes to the director of the ABC then when he explained the secrecy of the meetings of that august body, "We're going to talk about some things which may or may not be true."

Think of all the prospective candidates who no longer have that great drive to take on the task of a Cardinal of the Church since the Pope has cut out the elaborate trains, etc.

The Air Force has accepted the resignation of Walter Jenkins of YMCA fame. Jenkins was a colonel in the 9999th Air Force Reserve.

His resignation was helped along by a ruling of the Department of Defense calling for the inactivation of the unit plus Secretary of Defense ruling that key government officials could not serve in the ready reserve.

According to the Department of Defense Jenkins may have been able to retain a stand-by status however.

Jenkins said however that he would not be able to participate in reserve activity. Stanford University, just 35 miles south of San Francisco discovered sex last week with some startling revelations.

The Dean of Women "attributed some of the problems which occur among freshmen women (and this has nothing to do with any lesbian attachments) to the salacious materials they study in freshman English and to the erotic approach adopted by many young professors."

In Stanford the standard approach to sex has been, "now you see the stork brought you to your parents..."

The nation went into a fit of ebullence when it was announced that Margaret Trumann had returned to the entertainment world in Philadelphia.

With the great talent for singing and acting that has been her chief claim to fame, Margaret expects to be on the

air for at least a month. The station may survive.

One, Inc., has created a furor among the other homophile organizations on two counts recently and the other organizations are questioning the motives of that organization. In one instance the ECHO (East Coast Homophile Organizations) have objected to a story appearing in ONE regarding the religious panel at the ECHO Conference.

In a letter to ONE, Inc., Warren D. Adkins, Chairman of the Mattachine Society of Washington said, "One's article on the 1964 ECHO Conference states that most of the clergymen on the religious panel regarded homosexual acts as sinful, and looked upon homosexuality as a sickness. This is untrue. A cursory reading of the Conference transcripts will show that most of the clergymen were extremely liberal, and that most of them, with the exception of the Roman Catholic priest, believed that a man can have a definite right to be a practising homosexual."

...If the author was present at the ECHO Conference, and if he attended the religious panel discussion, he did not listen carefully or his impressions were thoroughly distorted."

In another matter the Editor of the New York Mattachine Newsletter (available on the newsstands in New York or by mail from the NY Mattachine, 1133 Broadway, New York City at .25c), vents a complaint against ONE: "The remaining vestiges of jealousy at the accomplishments of others, of hauteur at the arrival of other "younger" organiza-

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tion's accomplishments come from ONE Magazine on the West Coast. This magazine and its editorial staff take great pleasure, not in attacking the existing prejudice against the homosexual in our society, at the discriminatory laws and regulations or anything as constructive as that but rather through opposing and denigrating the accomplishments of the rest of us, in particular the Mattachine Society of Washington and New York, and the ECHO Confederation.

We realize that this is their editorial policy and it is going to continue in this vein that they are determined to continue in their practice of detracting from every victory achieved in the movement unless they themselves are involved in that victory. Since their influence as the only homophile publication in America has waned, as there are now many such publications, we have been patient, tolerant, and a little condescending toward them.

Unfortunately, in their current issue, they have seen fit to violate one of the basic guarantees of the homophile movement--the sanctity of the pseudonym. In all the homophile organizations the pseudonym and its use is unquestioned: No one ever asks name given by a member is his true name. Should it not be and a member of the organization discovers the true name, the ethics of the movement require him to defend at all costs the secrecy of the true name. ONE Magazine has violated that trust by knowingly printing the true name of another organization and consequently, has placed the anony-

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FACT OR FICTION CHICAGO - BLOW BY BLOW

FACT Magazine is undoubtedly trying with shock value alone to keep in business. In the current issue the cover quoted Joan Baez as saying, "The Star Spangled Banner is just so much trash."

Then on page 25 FACT is publishing an article by one A.F. Niemoller, "A Glossary of Homosexual Slang." We have never heard of the author and after reading some of his definitions we are in a quandry, wondering if he has every heard a homosexual.

Out of 102 definitions he has succeeded in misdefining 36. Typical definitions: BAG: A fellow homosexual. BIF: A public restroom. COO: Derisive exclamation that one has recognized a fellow homosexual.

CROWN JEWELS: Large, ostentatious jewelry worn by homosexuals in drag.

DAISY CHAIN: A number of homosexuals simultaneously engaging in a sexual act. The man on the end is called "Daisy."

HAIRBURGER: A homosexual who works as a beautician or a hairdresser.

(NOTE: This term has sexual connotations but it is hardly homosexual in content - quite to the contrary.)

LADY, TO BE A: To try to conceal one's homosexuality. LES or LEZ. A woman. Derogatory, and usually with no implication of homosexuality.

If the article on homosexuality long promised by FACT is as inaccurate as this one we can expect to have one of the biggest laughs of the year, or any other known year for that matter.

By Terry Turner
It has been a simple twenty below zero in ole Chicago Town, which of course keeps most of the people at home around the fireside. However even twenty below can't keep some of us in. Activity, altho not normal, certainly has not ceased. The Chesterfield Club has people on their feet, standing, every night to see Roby Landers, with his excellent review. It's a fine tribute to his talents when so many brave the ice and snow to come out for a show. So we give our "Feather of the Week" to Roby and Criss Cross, both formerly of San Francisco. Now Criss is packing them at the Orange Cockatoo, the only bar in the city to have a real man stripper.

The Chesterfield opened a bar right up the street to take care of its overflow. The new place is called The Annex. It is extremely nice in decor and features Manuel at the keyboard of a lively piano.

Finnochios of Chicago opens with a new show soon with Terry Paige as the foremost attraction. Terry has been a favorite with Chicago for some time.

Marshall Fields, the biggest department store in the world has made some personnel changes. They have replaced the T Room Observer Corps (formerly in uniform) with The Peep Freak Corps now in plain-clothes. It was a sad disappointment to the management that none of the officers ever got propositioned. MF thinks that the change of clothes may do the job but they are such a slimy group there is really

no hope for them. Rumor has it that Weibolts Downtown Store has a system of two-way mirrors to watch the customers while they take care of their needs there. Judging from appearances it would be safe to say the staff will get their gay jollies from watching.

Evidently our city fathers are tired of buying drinks for other men without any returns for their money. Anyhow the City Council is considering legislation to prohibit "B-Boys". It seems there is no present law to prohibit such a thing.

One of the local judges tells us of the embarrassing situation in which two of Chicago's policemen were in a rather embarrassing situation in the back seat of the squad car while they were in the park looking for queers.

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mity of anyone on their mailing lists in jeopardy. We find this reprehensible, and far more indicative of the character of that magazine than their literary standards have indicated. We feel that this aid and solace given to the opposition have violated the meaning and purpose of the whole homophile movement to such a degree that the magazine has proven itself outside the pale of the homophile movement, and we discourage any support of ONE in the future."

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ST. THOMAS, VIRGIN ISLANDS
It looks like St. Thomas (and Katie's, of course) is going to have an unprecedented season. A butch number was in the place the other night, took one look around, and said, "They ought to ship all of them to an island." A guy sitting at the bar looked around at him, "Didn't you know? They already have, and the name of the island is St. Thomas."

It does not take a wise man to look around here and see that most people respect the rights of others. There has been no purges, harassment or editorials. Just a spirit of live and let live. And St. Thomas, Virgin Islands is certainly the place to do it. miles

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THE OPPOSITION IS ORGANIZED!

Their Strategy? Mount a campaign against the Sex Reform Movement! Point of Attack? Activate the prejudice against Homosexuals!

In recent months the nation's press has printed a spate of articles in which psychiatrists deny that homosexuality is incurable. Too often there runs through these articles a strong undercurrent against the attitude described as "ultra-liberal", the "permissive" attitude. Anyone interested in today's Sex Reform Movement (and who is not!) has to take cognizance of these articles--and especially of the note of rancor in them. A short glance at recent history will start us toward evaluating this new attack.

The recent history we refer to here can perhaps be dated from the Kinsey Reports which revealed with searchlight clarity the gaping chasm that separates our sex practices from our sex laws and moral precepts. The Sex Reform Movement itself however can be said to have been launched with the publication in England of the Wolfenden Report. Most of the recommendations of the Wolfenden Committee are in effect embodied in the Model Penal Code proposed by the American Law Institute. Of course, the ALI is not involved in sex reform as such; the Institute is concerned with only such questions as our Constitutionally guaranteed rights of privacy, and in practical problems of police methods and court procedure. Our present laws are so conceived and drawn up as to raise serious problems of law enforcement methods.

There were hardy pioneers of sex reform before Kinsey and Wolfenden, of course, but their rewards were small. After Kinsey and Wolfenden, a cohesive Movement emerged with explicit goals. Let's note that the Reform Movement is not specifically a homosexual movement. The homophile organizations are vitally interested in the Movement, but it must be stated that they constitute only a small

part of the whole Movement. The newest organization in the Reform Movement, SIECUS, is not a homophile group. (SIECUS, recently formed in New York, is the Sex Information and Education Council of the United States.)

The Reform Movement was making rapid progress with little organized opposition until recently. Now the Opposition has emerged! As long as the Movement confined itself to persuading the small professional classes--Law and Medicine, as long as the movement was limited to a few "quality" magazines of limited circulation, the conservatives could ignore the Movement. But when the Movement reached the whole people through mass-circulation magazines like LIFE, then the opposition rallied. And we have the recent spate of acrimonious articles, psychiatrists making dubious claims of cures for homosexuality through new miracle methods, etc.

The very title of LIFE's article, "Homosexuality in America" has an alarming sound. "America" is a loaded word; conservatives re-act to it as if America were uniquely their concern. "Homosexuality in the United States" has a less alarming sound; people can reason about it, arrive at practical conclusions. The Wolfenden Report without LIFE's sensationalism remains the best report on homosexuality. The LIFE report employed an old tactic--almost always successful because it is subtle. LIFE rarely commits crude blunders, but can suggest its goals simply by the sins of omission. Thus LIFE seems objectively (!) to present the whole (?) story on homosexuality--both the good and the bad, the pro and the con. Without "taking sides",

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We use the word "queer" strictly in the sense of being unable to understand the motives of the Chiefs of Police who think so little of their men as to detail them to any work tending to make them an object of scorn, of ridicule. We use the word "queer" in the sense that these officers are detailed to be "queer."

Homosexuals are apprehended and brought to the bar of justice by two methods. Both of these methods violate the Constitution of the United States as well as the dignity of the individual, not to mention the degradation of the officers.

All too often apologists for homosexual will reflect on the sexual proclivities of the 'queer cops.' This is unfair to many, many of them. The apologists will say that anyone who spies on men while at public toilet facilities or who poses as a homosexual in order to get another to make advances is either a voyeur or a latent homosexual. We not only dispute that but defend those officers who engage in this activity.

The voyeur (one who obtains sexual gratification by being a witness to sexual activity; a peep freak), may be a nuisance but does not pose any great threat to society.

The latent homosexual should not be any object of scorn from practicing homosexuals. They have their own word for this: "Today's trade is tomorrow's competition." Interpolating: "Today's watcher is tomorrow's participant."

Whether these officers are latent homosexuals or voyeurs is really immaterial. The culprit is not the officer, but his superior who has no respect for his subordinates nor the law of the land.

Now what is the law of the land that the Chief is violating when he details men to dress in tight pants and show to the world their sexual prowess; what is the chief doing that marks him as a law unto himself:

1) The Constitution of the United States clearly states that no person shall be subject to unreasonable search and seizure. Clearly if every person who uses a public toilet facility is observed by officers thru grill-work then they are being subject to unreasonable search and seizure

2) In many cases persons are arrested because they were too slow in taking care of their private needs. We will be the first to admit that public toilet facilities are not the best places to congregate but unless some law is being broken we cannot see any reason not to consider the congregation a place of lawful assembly.

3) In the case of the officer who poses as a homosexual in order to get others to violate the law-it is clearly a case of the officer himself violating the law and then arresting his co-participant. Naturally the officer will take the stand and state-without blinking an eye- that the culprit made all the advances and that he was merely in the place where law violations were taking place. Anyone in their right mind who believes such drivvel is hardly intelligent enough to sit as judge of their fellow man, but it is done thruout the country each and every day. We recall one testimony having to do with a bar in San Francisco where an agent of the Alcoholic Beverage Control testified he had been propositioned four times in one night. This was clearly a case of ego, because the officer was of such a personage that about the only homosexual he could attract would be one who was in the business of selling sex. Each time he made advances he was rebuffed, yet he testified that others practically carried him off in rape.

4) Then there is a new type officer emerging from the police academies across the country. This is the officer who does not even make an attempt to entice another into committing himself to a sex act. This one is content to make an entirely false arrest by merely walking out of a

bar with a suspect and arresting him for making improper advances. San Francisco has one of these by the name of Buckman. His record stinks so badly that he no longer is listed as an arresting officer. Not only does he make the phoniest arrests ever but his suspects have a bad habit of falling down and breaking ribs, arms, etc., enroute to the police station. Yet the crime is not his-it properly belongs to the Chief of Police who-if not aware of this brutality-condones it by his ignorance.

We cannot then even condemn this officer for his brutality. Only his Chief is guilty. The guilt of some officers and well as their chief comes from a great desire to enforce their own moral code onto the general public. A good example of this exists in San Francisco where any dice game, blackjack game, or gambling of any sort is subject to fast and sure police action-except-The Catholic churches of San Francisco with amazing regularity hold carnivals and festivals where dice tables, roulette tables, blackjack tables and every other know gambling device is present. And with the knowledge of the Chief, but since this is the Church then nothing is done; A prime example of enforcing the moral code of one onto the general public.

When the "queer cop" makes an arrest it would be well to remember that his sex proclivity has nothing to do with his occupation. He is merely carrying out his job in the manner that is approved by his chief and in most cases by the Mayor and the Governor. In San Francisco this is most assuredly the case.

As far as our highly-touted and actually mediocre governor his golfing buddy is the head of the agency most guilty of these outrages. Governor Brown is well aware of the wrong-doings of his officers as well as the gambling in the Church; and approves of both.

So long as one person is subject to illegal procedures this is not the Land of Liberty!

Below are listed the sex arrests in San Francisco for the months of January 1965 and December 1964. It will be noted that 34 arrests were made in December and 24 in January. 12 took place on Monday; 6 on Tuesday; 6 on Wednesday; 14 on Thursday; 17 on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. These three days are together because no court docket is made up on weekends.

13 of the arrests involved officers actually observing persons in sex acts. These took place in parks and public facilities. There is no excuse for this behavior and any participating in this deserve to feel the weight of the law. However if they were apprehended by unconstitutional means then the officer is guilty of a far greater offense against society: The clear violation of the Constitution.

44 of the arrests were for soliciting or engaging in lewd conduct. About half of these took place in places serving alcoholic beverages and in those cases the object of the arrests was not the punishment of the individual, but the building of a case against the gay bars.

Officer Lusher was responsible for 17 of the arrests and his partner Whitman was responsible for another 7. Both of these officers seem highly proficient in their work because between the two they accounted for 34 of the arrests out of a total of 58-almost 60%. Yet we would not under any circumstances question either the sexual proclivities nor the sincerity of the officers. We do question any Chief of Police who could look at this record and fail to wonder what was going on.

MORE THAN ONE IS TOO MANY IS THERE A CURE FOR THOSE 'DISEASES' WHICH ARE NOT IN EXISTENCE?

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647a	Toomey
Jan 5 (Mon)	
647a	Irish
647a	Lusher
288a	Whitman
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DID YOU VOTE FOR THE MEN RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS?

*These are the two arrests made at the Council on Religion and the Homosexual held January 1st. Note: The dates do not correspond with the days of the week because this record was taken from court dockets which reflect the first time the victim was brought into court. Note: 647a is "Who solicits anyone to engage in or who engages in lewd or dissolute conduct in any public place or in any place open to the public or exposed to the public view." 288a is "...participating in an act of copulating the mouth of one person with the sexual organ of another (and) is punishable in the state prison for not exceeding 15 years."

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Dr. Samuel B. Hadden, associate professor of the University of Pennsylvania Medical School stated at a meeting of the American Group Psychotherapy Association that homosexuals can be cured of their 'disease.'

Doctor Hadden also accused the various homosexual groups of fostering the idea that homosexuals "can't be changed." One of the primary objections this writer has to many of these organizations is exactly this idea, but going to even greater detail - I feel that any emphasis on psychology, psychiatry, or other socio-medical over emphasis may tend to perpetrate the fallacy that homosexuality is one of the 'diseases' of our time.

It is the considered opinion of this writer that a big majority of homosexuals should not be considered sick or in any way mentally or emotionally unbalanced. True, we see a number of homosexuals every day who badly need some medical attention. Almost in the same proportion as any other group.

Dr. Hadden makes the error common to behavioral scientists everywhere: He judges the total homosexual population on that very small percentage who seek out medical attention or who are confined to jails. This represents such a small percentage as to make any statistics gathered even less accurate. The good doctor states he treated one man who is now a foreman of a construction crew, and getting "tougher all the time." Again lending credence to some of the myths about homosexuality and feminine traits. He even says the treated one who has turned out to be a teacher in a boys reform school.

It is the opinion of this writer, based on limited observation, that most homosexuals could change their sexual direction at any given time. Just by the same token any other sexual orientation may be changed. The simple way to cease being a homosexual is to merely stop participating in homosexual acts. It is impossible to even speculate the results of such a change. We are merely saying a person with will-power could change his sexual activity.

This writer has seen some persons whose sex drive was changed by the various experimentations of the head-shrinkers. Again it is impossible to know what their condition would have been had they not undergone the treatment, but it is safe to say the end result of the treatment was not one to wave flags about. Persons who have received the much-vaunted 'shock therapy' appear to be zombies without any drive whatsoever. Others who have undergone intensive group therapy seem to be walking elementary textbooks of psychiatry; those who have had the funds necessary to lie on a couch and tell their troubles to an analyst have a complete run-down on their various symptoms and relative cures.

Thank you, Doctor, But "No, Thanks." The 'cure' for the non-existent disease is about as effective as cutting off a head to cure dandruff.

For in essence homosexuality-as primarily manifest in most cases compares with dandruff-it is socially unacceptable but not fatal nor an absolute bar to happiness.

It would be wise, just for once, to take a look into the relative 'good' and 'bad' of homosexuality, and this without flag-waving or Bible-pounding. Just what can a homosexual expect? Here is a run-down:

- 1) Society (That is the people who approve of the status quo) will ostracize him because he is different from the majority;
- 2) He will not have the advantages of legalized marriage, divorce and alimony;
- 3) He will not be able to hold down certain positions because he is not considered stable or trustworthy;
- 4) He will be forced to pay higher taxes;

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LIFE'S "CONTRIBUTION"

LIFE seemed to summarize all the legal, moral, and psychological aspects of homosexuality. But by isolating homosexuals out of the whole Sex Reform Movement and by using anti-homosexual prejudice, LIFE did great damage to the whole Movement.

The subtlety of LIFE's attack lies in this spurious "objectivity". By refraining from taking sides on sensitive issues that any responsible publication is obliged to judge LIFE left its readers dangling, left them in a most discomfiting quandary.

For example, LIFE discusses the psychological aspects of homosexuality, fully reporting the conflicting opinions of experts of the various schools of psychiatry, but LIFE refrained from making conclusions, and with the purpose of leaving its readers with the hopeless feeling that "not even the experts can agree."

LIFE "objectively" presented the constitutional problem of the individual's right to privacy and also the problem of the police "containing" homosexuality. But LIFE's editors carefully avoided committing themselves on the opposition between constitutional government and a police-state.

By reporting "objectively", LIFE's article obscured the issue instead of clarifying it; LIFE confused its readers by presenting them with an apparent dilemma. And LIFE alarmed its readers by suggesting there was nothing that could be done--no known cure, no law that is constitutionally acceptable.

When readers are presented with such a dilemma, such a sticky problem, they react by withdrawing; they ignore the problem or they may get angry because of their frustration, their inability to cope with a problem that LIFE tells them is very serious. This seems to be precisely the re-action that LIFE wants--alarm, frustration, anger. The implication of the LIFE article is this: Today's laws may be imperfect, but there's no way to deal with the problem: let's not remove the guarantees we now have in our laws. Let's get tough and enforce those laws. Never, never, never weaken them!

(Editor's Note: The frustration and anger of the police and the public of Miami, Los Angeles and San Francisco was more than clearly apparent. The owner of one establishment in San Francisco especially felt the brunt of this anger.)

Many uncritical readers, completely fooled by this bogus "objectivity", praised the article for its contribution in destroying the popular stereotype of the sissified "fairy". True, LIFE did show that homosexuals sometimes are manly. Surely this "contribution" of LIFE was no boon to the cause of public understanding for while LIFE published a huge picture of a bar caterring to "manly" homosexuals they talked about ridiculous, super-masculine, leather-clad sadists. Is this a significant contribution? Did LIFE tell the whole story? How much space was devoted to the millions and millions of homosexuals who are indistinguishable from their heterosexual confreres? The "unidentifiable" homosexuals constitute the enormous majority, but they don't make good "copy"; they don't serve LIFE's purposes. In summary, LIFE's article 1.) was alarmist, 2.) was spuriously "objective," 3.) was invidiously incomplete, 4.) wrongly associated homosexuality with sado-maschism, 5.) left its readers with the impression that nothing useful could be accomplished by changing our laws, indeed something harmful might result.

Shortly after the publication of LIFE's article, the recent rash of querulous articles about how "sick" homosexuals are began to appear. Incidentally, the cities chiefly featured in that infamous article have suffered most from the gestapoliçe. New York, of course, some time ago experienced a "shut down". L.A.'s chronic "clean-up" was accelerated. San Francisco, which LIFE dubbed the "queen" city, is suffering daily entrapment arrests and other harassment actions--notably the New Year's Day Ball sponsored by the Council on Religion and the Homosexual. It all began with the campaign initiated by LIFE.

PART TWO AND COMPLETION OF THIS ARTICLE WILL APPEAR IN THE NEXT ISSUE OF THE CN: "THE CURE FOR HOMOSEXUALITY"

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- 5) He will not have the comfort of children in his old age;
- 6) Because his sexual activity is considered criminal, he will be forced to tolerate others of criminal interests.
- 7) He will be denied many rights because both his own kind and others are afraid of being branded "Homosexual."
- 8) He will have some trouble buying a home because his society demands that a home be for a family;
- 9) He will be mentally associated with child molesters, transvestites, whores, prostitutes, etc., because those who choose to remain ignorant will not attempt to clarify their thoughts;
- 10) Finally his sexual activity will not lead to that evidently holy admonition, "Multiply and replenish the Earth."

Is there a sunny side to the picture of a homosexuals life? Most homosexuals know there is a very definitely better life than we have painted:

- 1) Constant companionship with a person or persons of similar interests and similar capabilities.
- 2) A life free from the responsibility of bringing into the world unwanted and unloved children;
- 3) Love, real and unfettered by economic dependence of others;
- 4) The knowledge that he can make of himself what he or his companion want-without limitation of home-bodies who stifle creativity;
- 5) He can choose as his companions-sexually and conversationally-those who are interesting and worthwhile without consideration of propriety.

Neither the Citizens News, the Editor nor any of the staff would suggest to any person that homosexuality is the desirable way of life. We merely state quite bluntly: No good reason exists for many homosexuals to change their sexual direction; No good reason exists for some who engage in homosexual practices not to change. It is an individual consideration alone.

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FRESNO NIGHTS

Two new places of enjoyment are now operating in Fresno, The Cottage Cafe on Tulare Street is a very little place with a goodly crew. Most of the other places do not admit those under 18 because of our curfew law, but the Cottage Cafe does a lively business with them.

The other new place is The Bit, formerly known as The Stardust, and is located just about 3 miles out of town on the road to Lemoore.

Naturally there is some competition here for customers but they remain quite fluid between the places. The Orange Ogre is the focal point for community activity and is very conscious of our social obligations and responsibilities. Just to prove that Fresno does have snow a few of the locals in the city went up into the mountains and brought back a trunk-full of snow, we constructed a snowman there on the sidewalk in front of the Ogre.

Did you know there was a Route 69 in California. I have driven by it many, many times and just recently noticed it. It is easy to find by taking the cut-off to Visalia toward Sequoia National Park. I was so enthralled with the place we took down one of the road signs. The owner of the Ogre, Carol, would have no part of it in her establishment because it was state property.

Just a little note on the State of the Union in Los Angeles--We went into Pershing Square while on a recent trip there. It is absolutely necessary to take sunglasses and sun-tan lotion with you even in the night time--there are so many lights you are apt to suffer sun-blindness even when the sun is gone. 30-Jerry



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P.O. SNOOPING

Senator Edward V. Long of Missouri has introduced a bill that would prohibit the use of "mail covers" a controversial mail surveillance technique carried on by US postal employees. Long said his inquiries had convinced him that the technique was widely used and absolutely uncontrolled.

A mail cover consists of the systematic recording of name and address of sender, date of mailing, and any other information obtainable without opening the envelope off all mail going to an address.

"Under postal regulations any postmaster in the country is authorized to place a mail watch on a person or firm at the request of any law enforcement official," Long said.

"The regulations authorize such mail covers only for the purpose of locating fugitives from justice. But apparently the postmaster is required to take without question the law enforcement officer's assertion as to purpose. The thought that every police man, constable, and deputy sheriff in the country has the authority to know what mail any person is receiving causes me grave concern."

My privacy.

GUEST EDITORIAL

FROM THE NEW YORK HERALD TRIBUNE

"Our elaborate system of restraints on police and trial procedures is largely designed to protect the rights of the accused-who very often, despite loose references to "accused criminals," are innocent. These protections have lately been under heavy fire, especially from police officials and others irritated at recent Supreme Court decisions, who claim that the police need more freedom, not less, in countering mounting crime waves.

The Whitmore case provides a dramatic example of why such protections are needed - though it may still not convince those who care more about catching the guilty than about protecting the innocent. One thing such doubters might well bear in mind, however, is also pointed up by the Whitmore case: when an innocent man goes to jail, a guilty one goes free, even free to kill again. These protections for the accused, in short, work both ways--they can also protect the public.

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Ever since the Jenkins Affair the YMCA's have been on the lookout for those activities. Chicago's Lawson YMCA is no different, in fact they have gone to extremes. The house detectives (and you thought I was going to say something else), wander up and down the halls with a device they can place on the door to listen to the noise made in the rooms. If they hear something suspicious, then they summon another of their kind and make a forced entry. Who said we have any privacy in the Illinois Hotel act? I'm going to make a point of checking into the "Y" and sit up all night by myself, and make noises to myself. This should stir up some excitement, especially if they walk in and disturb

Last week I spent a few days in Columbus, Ohio. It happened to be a big week there so I stayed at the Y because no rooms were to be had elsewhere. You would have thought it Ft. Knox with the elaborate sign-in and sign-out precautions.

This is all from Chicago, not quite the gayest city in the country, but we're working on it. Terry Turner-

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Sparks Over a Spoof

Twentieth Century Fox didn't mind when a British film company parodied its "Cleopatra" with a movie called "Carry On, Cleo." Not a bit. But when the Cleo poster (above) appeared, Miss Taylor's company called it "copyright infringement." A judge ruled that the Cleo posters must be covered until the infringement issue is settled by trial.

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Mr. Lewis sings "You've Gotta Have a Gimmick" at the Les Boys



Bryan Marshall, regular feature at the Hula Shack entertains at the Les Boys Show.



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MORAL DENTON

A refugee from Hollywood Hills by the name of Charles Denton has followed the advice of his editor and come up with a column denouncing homosexuals.
In a style typical of the sin-shouting Baptist evangelist, Denton quotes an undisclosed elderly acquaintance who had flipped his lid over the various columnists defending homosexuals, "If nature had n't designed us to be heterosexuals, she sure as hell wasted a lot of time making two sets of equipment. I don't believe in persecuting these people, but I'll be damned if I'll go along with encouraging them."
In a style typical of the Hearst newspapers everywhere Denton goes down the line with that great moralist William Randolph Hearst: "But like the carrier of any other communicable sickness, the homosexual belongs in behavioral quarantine until

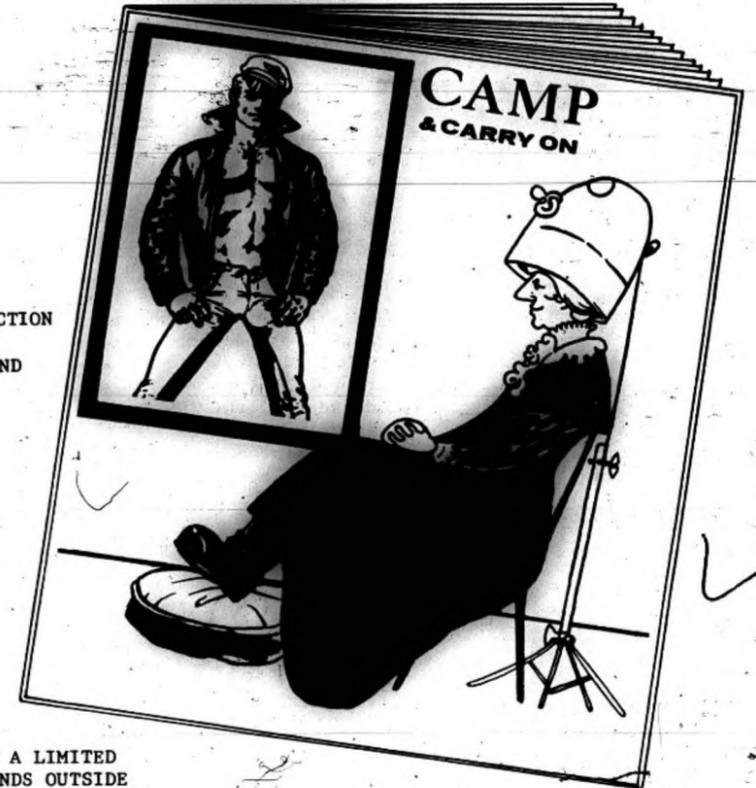
he is cured, not out spreading his mental microbes among your kids and mine."
A great number of other great truths are in his column, and the hell of it is, when they are that ignorant just what can be done? The Examiner is off on a morality and so until the shoe of low sales starts to pinch we of the great and liberal city of San Francisco will have to bear up to another burden of sin. Ah, Sin!

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On the return trip they will be stopping at the Exile in Houston and the Cork Room in San Antonio.

!!!About that place out on Ellis-We kinda like it and have enjoyed ourselves with renewal of old friendships.
oooThe Big R has a commendation coming from New York where a three car delegation wound up an evening last Sunday with what started out to be a cross-country trip of 12 people now expanded to a return trip of 18.

+++They tell me that the 118 has been closed. Frankly we are hardly interested enough to go by and find out. It is just too far from the office, almost three blocks.

—But nearby there Carlos tells me that business is as usual despite rumors about a closing. Not a word of any big trouble there.

+++Sometimes papers make a mistake. In San Francisco it is rather common. They made a big one last week when they announced that the Golden Cask had received a revocation of license. Not a word of truth in it. No action is pending in such a case. Maybe the deputy assistant associate acting editor was removed from the place and got a little revenge.

!!!At the Tool Box the bearded wonder McKinney won the big prize for the rally held during the weekend visit of the clubs from Los Angeles. All this when he wasn't even invited to attend. The bikes are back at the Box in goodly numbers and have apparently deserted the place down on the waterfront.

+++We made some of the lesser known places last week on a tour to reacquaint ourselves with the scene. There was a

goodly group at Jacksons and the piano is lively; At On The Levee the group was on the scarce side but the dinner crowd had the tables all full. Rumors that Gordon's was deserted proved false. A packed bar crowd made the Jewish harpsicord by National Cash Register sing all night long and with Jessie at the piano there was still another kind of music. At the Polk Street corner Cloud 7 did a nice but quiet business. And by this time it was past bedtime.

!!!The Plush Doggie on Market had an unusual week last week without a single robbery. It has gotten to be almost commonplace to hear that either a customer or the place itself has been robbed. The Plush Doggie version of J. Edgar Hoover seems to have little or no effect on those who have a hankering for the cash belonging to someone else.

oooWe talked to one of the independent merchants of the meat market who tells us of such a heat wave in San Diego as to make even the most forward stay at home. Seems as if too much navy has been showing up with positive Wassermans.

!!!Over on Sixth Street Buzz is plugging along with getting his Coffee Shop open. A series of private parties in the place have proven the potential of the place. It could be one of the best things since canned beer. And the hotel is almost always at a near capacity residence. Some of the tourists have had to be turned away because of no reservations.

oooAfter the series of parties at Blighs Bounty things

have settled down to a lively business. A new face on the scene there is Glen with Eddie Paulsen still at the bar. In case many of you are wondering about the new side bar-this was brought in by Tim the owner of the joint, and is older even than Henri Laylow and for that matter it even was made before the editor of the CN.

Celebrating the Chinese New Year the Hula Shack was packed from 6am til 2am each day during the past week. On the weekend there was a continuous show from 6 til 2 on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. It was, in fact, sort of a rehearsal of the Les Boys Show at the Fillmore Auditorium on the 13th.

At the Shack there was one newcomer to San Francisco who brought down the house at each performance. Billed at the Shack as Mr. Watusi from the Sutter Club in Oakland, this one was as lively as a peep freak at the baths. He twisted, jerked, swam, and did the fuge with energy unlike any ever seen.

NEW ORLEANS BOUND

There will be a number of delegations from California visiting Bourbon Street during Mardi Gras. Two of the large ones from San Francisco are to include Michelle, who is scheduled to be the feature attraction at a big show in Los Angeles and then on down to the Mardi Gras.

Another delegation is to come from the Hula Shack, where Norman Fitzgerald (who has a leave of absence from the hospital) is taking some of the regulars from his beer place to see the sights. En route they expect to stop at The Capitans Table in Phoenix and Dare U Inn; from there to the Office in Albuquerque; The Pigalle in El Paso, Villa Fontana in Dallas, The Korner in Shreveport.

oo CAMP and Carry On, the new magazine to be launched come March has already received a number of subscriptions. A look at some of the stories to be in the first issue has a clue to the format of this magazine; such as: THE CRIME AGAINST NATURE, WHY DID I EVER LEAVE SPOKANE, and the comic strip characters Felatio Hornblower and Sodoma Gamora are a satire on the sex scene of the day.

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WEATHER REPORT

Generally fair thruout most of the United States and Canada. Squall area in the Vicinity diminishing after Mardi Gras. Generally fair with sudden heavy turbulence in certain areas of most major cities

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ACCORDING TO THE LAVENDER CALENDAR:

Mar 17-Rudolph Nureyev's Birthday-Beautiful Bun Week
Mar 19-Swallows return to Capistrano
Beach Queens return to Laguna Beach
Mar 21-Good Fairy Day-Help a fairy to fly.
Mar 22-Oscar Wilde's Birthday

SHAKE DOWN

That Los Angeles Chief of Police William Parker has defended the men who regularly shake down and blackmail any person suspected of homosexual activity is common knowledge in that city.

However in November last year four men attempted to blackmail a man with an affidavit that he had committed a homosexual act. They made a mistake in underestimating the courage of California's Senator Thomas Kuchel.

The affidavit had been in the publication ultra-right-wing publication Herald of Freedom and alleged that the Senator had committed an act in 1949. The paper had been inserted also in the files of the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee, headed by Senator James Eastland of Mississippi without the knowledge of Senator Kuchel.

A Los Angeles County Grand Jury has indicted four men in action to commit criminal libel; they were: Norman Krause a ex-L.A. policeman with 10 years service; Jack D. Clemmons, who resigned last week as a LA police sergeant after refusing to testify before the Grand Jury; John F. Fergus a public relations assistant for the Schick Razor Blade Company; and Francis A. Capell, of the Herald of Freedom.

The District Attorney of Los Angeles, Evelle J. Younger commented, "Senator Kuchel has done a great service to every man and woman who now holds public office."

PEEP HOLES

The Postmaster General of the United States John A. Gronouski has ordered postal inspectors "observation stations" ripped out or blocked up in the men's washrooms of some 5000 United States post offices.

In San Francisco the Postmaster, John F. Fixa said the practice of peephole surveillance was carried out in the three mail postal installations and at 20 carrier stations in the city. According to Mr. Fixa the holes have been sealed and the practice has ceased.

"We'll build no more lookout stations in the washrooms and cover up the ones that exist. I don't consider that the lookout stations in the rest of the postoffice (such as those overseeing the sorting of mail) violate anyone's rights-but I think the wash-room lookouts are an unfortunate invasion of privacy," said Mr. Gronowski.

Because of the low percentage of female employees as well as other reasons there has never been peepholes in the women's washrooms.

OBSCENITY

Assemblyman E. Richard Barnes (Rep-San Diego) has introduced a bill in the assembly to give California a stiffer anti-obscenity law.

Joining Barnes were 30 Assemblymen from both the parties.

The major provision of the bill is a revision of the definition of the word "obscene". Barnes wants to delete from the law these words, "is a matter which is utterly without redeeming social importance."

When these words define obscenity, Barnes has explained, attorneys take a non-obscene passage from an obscene publication and then claim the matter is not utterly without redeeming social importance.

Fortunately for California it makes very little or no difference what the definition might be since this verbage is identical with the definition of the United States Supreme Court decision on obscenity.

This bill is strictly for the assembly's image back home.

C N MOVES

Due to the increased circulation of the Citizens News and other projected publications of Strait and Associates it has become necessary to secure larger quarters for the Citizens News.

A new office has been located at #6 Brady Street in the Market Street area.

Brady is a small street running only between Market and Mission and just beyond Van Ness Street. It is easy to reach coming from the Twin Peaks area, but those coming to the office from downtown should come out Mission. Brady is the first street beyond Van Ness on Mission Street. The mailing address of the Citizens News remains Box 792, San Francisco. For the present time the telephone number remains the same. Office hours at the new location will be nominally between 9 am and 5 pm, but it is suggested that a call be made before visiting to assure someone will be there.

The new facilities assure a more comfortable and efficient operation.

TOWARD A NEW MORALITY

A Lent with Sex is the subtitle of a series of discussions to be given at St. Aidan's Church, 101 Goldmine Drive, San Francisco. This program will be held each Wednesday night during the Lenten season in the church located on Diamond Heights,

at 8 pm. The actual title of the course is Toward a New Morality. The text book used will be Toward a Quaker View of Sex, a controversial pamphlet prepared by some English Friends and published in 1963.

"It is hoped that this

series will serve as a follow up to the sermons given by The Rev. John Moore of the Glide Methodist Church in San Francisco, on the general subject of human sex-

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Judge Orders Acquittal

(The headline was 'lifted' from the San Francisco Examiner and it always does our heart a lot of good to find that even the highly efficient Examiner can and does make more than one mistake)

San Francisco Municipal Judge Leo Friedman advised the jury hearing testimony in the case involving the attorneys of the CRH (Council on Religion and the Homosexual) that it would be proper if they should return a verdict of 'not guilty'. In fact the judge advised the jury that if they did not follow his advice that he would set aside their verdict.

This advice climaxed a two day trial wherein the district attorney attempted to prove that the police had a right and a duty to the city to bring into play the force that was on hand and to show that the police needed to enter the hall.

The attorneys were arrested some eight to ten feet inside the hall and were cited for failure to allow the police to enter the hall. Marshall Krause, Attorney for the American Civil Liberties Union allowed the police to testify where the arrests had been made and then asked the judge to excuse the jury so he might make a series of motions. After preliminary motions regarding certain testimony Mr. Krause asked Judge Friedman to instruct the jury to find a verdict of not guilty on the grounds that his clients had not interfered with the police entering the hall, since each one of them had testified on the witness stand that they had made the arrests inside the hall.

The case was a disappointment to many who had hoped that a precedent would be established showing that no cause existed for police to enter a premise where no illegal actions were known to be in progress. This case did not prove anything other than the fact that the officers made a mistake in their reporting of the incident to the district attorney.

Persons who had hoped for an opportunity to sue for invasion of privacy for the harassment by photography were also disappointed due to a legal quirk that is designed to protect the city since each suit would have to be filed individually and the money to be gained would be negligible. However, at least one person is known to be unconcerned about the mon-

ey and has stated that he intends to go thru with the suit.

The attorneys involved have indicated they are considering the possibility of a civil suit and might well go ahead with it. The police department has clamped a lid on the case and not one word can be had from them regarding the matter.

The action regarding the two men who were arrested as a proof of illegal action is at a standstill until the attorneys have a ruling from Judge Friedman on the constitutionality of the arrest.

Judge Friedman is one of the very few municipal judges in California elected to the bench since most of the rest were appointed by the Governor and his reputation for honesty and fairness has endeared him to persons who believe in justice.

DOWDY RIDES AGAIN

In Washington another of the foes of smut, obscenity and reading in general is John Dowdy of Tyler, Texas. Mr. Dowdy is a democrat and feels a compulsion to make everyone a Baptist and to remake the complexion of the social structure. He was given (in absentia) an award by the ECHO (East Coast Homophile Organizations) when he carried on a vendetta against them to prohibit their solicitation of funds in the District of Columbia, thereby gaining for that organization a mass of favorable publicity.

Mr. Dowdy has proposed a bill for the District which would give any officer the right to seize and destroy any matter which he considers obscene. Naturally it did not pass.

THOU SHALT NOT BEAR

(The following is quoted from The Councilor an ultra right-wing publication from Shreveport, Louisiana. We have taken the liberty of noting the untruths or inaccuracies in the article without bothering to refute them, with one exception.)

(Headline) CIVIL RIGHTS LEADERS SPONSORED A SODOMY (1) BALL San Francisco

The "boys" (2) wore lipstick and danced with each other (3) at a homosexual (4) party sponsored here by a group of Civil Rights clergymen (5).

Police arrested six persons at the fund-raising homosexual (6) Ball, which was attended by nearly 600 sodomists (7) and their friends. A sponsoring clergyman said that the money was to be used to bring homosexuals into their church (8) structure without prejudice. Tickets for the event were arranged through sponsoring organizations.

Those arrested included three attorneys retained by the so-called (9) COUNCIL FOR (10) RELIGION AND HOMOSEXUALITY (11), a claims adjustor for the Teamsters security fund, and office manager, and a department store display man.

Sponsoring clergymen contended the police had no business throwing a crimp into the "fun". They held a press conference after the

FALSE WITNESS

arrests with spokesman identified as Rev. Ted McIlvenna, young-adult director of the Methodist Glide Foundation, Canon Robert Cromey of the Episcopal Church, Rev. Charles Lewis of the Lutheran North Beach Mission, and the Rev. Clarence Colwell of the United Church of Christ.

Said McIlvenna: "It was a well-run ball. After the police forced their way in, it took more than an hour to find anything wrong."

The self-styled (12) ministers (most of whom wore pious-looking turn-around collars) criticized police for taking pictures of the participants.

San Francisco homosexuals charged "Police brutality" (13) - a customary accusation after police enforce laws against left-wingers no matter how gentle. (14)

One guest said he was "simply terrified."

The photograph accompanying this little bit of pure, unadulterated crap was stolen from the pages of the Citizens News. No persons charged "police brutality" for the police could hardly have been more polite. The caption under the photo is a classic in bigotry:

"Shown here are seven of the Civil Rights clergymen who sponsored a Homosexual Ball in San Francisco which produced six arrests."

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CAUSTIC COMMENTS

+++I'll bet you never thought you'd see the time you might consider voting for George Christopher for Governor of California, but with "patsy" Brown at the helm of the ship of state the whole citizenship is about to take to the lifeboats. California has had some good governors and some bad governors, but Brown is the first nothing governor to come along.

+++Then there is San Francisco-we have had some bad mayors and some good mayors but this is the first time we have not had a mayor. The man (?) that was elected to that office is so ineffectual as to make the office one of being the official greeter for the city and then, lo and behold, if he didn't appoint someone else to that job. He is now in the Orient where he does not speak the languages. If he is careful he will be even more ineffectual there.

+++We hear a rumble concerning one of our respected commercial associations wanting to rid SF of homosexuals. We get this from about three sources and each of them are of high integrity. Take a guess which one: The democratic party, The manufacturer of Levi's, or The San Francisco Chamber of Commerce.

+++Then we hear from Big d, (Dallas) of troubles in the PD. Seems as if one of the big boys was making so much money as head of the vice, he ran up certain bills. Now he is head of another department where there is very little opportunity to pick up extra cash and his handling of the OSWALD affair has ruined his chances to become Chief and his credit rating has suffered and the wolves are closing in.

+++Then there is the talk about the recall of Governor Brown getting under way. It may well be that California would have to search mighty high to find one as bad as Pat but the people behind a movement such as this cannot be trusted to come up with anything more liberal than Dean Burch.

+++Judge Maurice Hardeman who is on trial in San Jose for arson-conspiracy is well known as a 'hanging judge' for any accused of social crimes. He was a little shaken when testimony revealed that he is being mixed up with a little bigamy and drunkenness. Let me tell you-Ole Governor Brown sure knows how to pick his judges. He just recently appointed his brother.

Overstatement of the week: "As long as I am Governor, we're going to have good government, quality government. The nations largest state is going to have the best government. We're not going to have second class government." Governor Brown on Feb. 24th, 1965.

+++If there are so many homosexuals in San Francisco then how come the Catholic Social Service revealed the "alarming increase" in unwed mothers? The word has it now in San Francisco there are more and more of the non-producing men. Must be the producing men are producing more and more. Hanky-panky on all sides!

+++Did you wonder about the differences in the numbers of persons reported arrested at the Chuckkers. Well if you subtract the sons and brothers of the judges, mayors and other officials you can see why.

THE CIRCUMCISION OF ARIEL

On the imposing BBC Building in the heart of London is a magnificent statue of Shakespeare's Prospero freeing Ariel to space. The sculptor was Eric Gill and the building was dedicated in the late 1920's. But there is a story about that statue. The head of the BBC at the time was a Lord Reith, a very strict and ultra-puritanical Presbyterian. Lord Reith, when he saw the sculpture, did not like it and indicated he would not permit it to be mounted on the building. The reason for Lord Reith's objection was that he thought it obscene, that there was too much emphasis on Ariel's reproductive organ; it was completely out of proportion. Mr. Gill, like most artists, point-blank refused to make any changes. There the matter rested until an agreement was reached. Both Lord Reith and Eric Gill agreed to abide by the decision of a committee of scholars and they mutually selected Sir Israel Gollancz, England's leading Shakespearian, Israel Zangwill, novelist and also a Shakespearian scholar, and a third man who, although not a Jew, was also a Shakespearian authority.

The committee went into Shakespeare's, The Tempest with particular emphasis on the actual theatrical productions as they were staged. They found that Ariel was usually played by a young boy and they struck an average age. The young actor who played Ariel was usually 13. The committee of three Shakespearians made the next step and called in a medical authority. The medical authorities decided that the sculptor did indeed over-emphasize the genitals of Ariel, too large for a 13-year-old boy.

But Mr. Gill was as good as his word and performed a very substantial circumcision. After a bit of patching to make it look natural, the stern Lord Reith permitted the sculpture to be mounted and that's where it stands today. From: The Carolina Israelite, 1312 Elizabeth Ave, Charlotte, North Carolina.

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THE ROVING REPORTER IN CALIFORNIA

It was a long, long weekend with George Washington and his cherry tree. Have you ever thought of how many bad jokes would have been saved if it had been a kumquat tree instead of a cherry tree?

Part of the time your reporter spent up in the Log Cabin at Sacramento and the rest of the time attempting to make the weekend a time to remember.

THE LOG CABIN
The crowd at the LC was so heavily San Francisco as to make you wonder why you came at all. That is, until the juke started rolling and the joint started rocking. The dancers worked up a head of steam and the sweat started ed rolling down their faces and clothing started showing the effects of exertion. In the patio room there were the dancers resting and moping their brows while still another group took over the dance floor. One of the better known San Franciscans in the place was Franklin who sat on the sidelines most of the night with an unbelieving look. Naturally our editor sat on the sidelines.

GENES
At Gene's the Girls were far more restrained than at the LC and there we ran into Kelly, a long time customer of The Front and other well-known places in the City.

THE SAUNA
Just across the street, in Bryte, from the LC is a new facility for that area, a finnish bath. After the long drive (90 miles) the editor felt the need for a nap and some steam and retired early to this place. He reported it as clean and attractive.

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BACK TO SAN FRANCISCO
The Hula Shack has been in the process of celebrating something every weekend for the past six weeks and this past weekend was no exception with a big private party in honor of the birthday of Nasty Nancy and George. For the better part of two weeks we tried to figure out which George was having a birthday and it was only until I asked that it dawned on me-Washington.

Anyhow Nasty Nancy got a hell of a lot more presents than George. The show was a big one lasting from 11pm until 2 am. The food was better than even their high standard.

Now Nasty Nancy is not really nasty. In fact, she is one of the favorite bartenders of San Francisco and has worked at most of the places in our fair city. We remember her particularly from the Our Club and The Front. She well deserved the compliments paid her on her birthday and we do know (confidentially) she is slightly beyond 21.

Remo's (advertised somewhere in this issue) is situated down at the Wharf just across the Embarcadero from the Sailing Ship Balclutha, not only is the view nice to contemplate but Remo gives a little needed flair to hair that in many cases might turn a lamb into a lion.

But one place that has it made is the South Side Hotel. Here Buzz has allowed his guests to take over the big room in back every night and give parties for friends and others. It commences at about midnight every night and goes on til the wee and daylight hours. Strictly a private affair, there is a large crowd there. And this

does not set too well with the after-hours places, particularly the one over on Pearl Street.

And down at B's things busily rock along. The afternoon coffee hour is going great with the back table right being the un-square table in the house. On the weekends there is a heavy sprinkling of the finest bikes in the entire country plus a pair of non-white sneakers or two, but mostly this is the rather mechanically minded group who prefer their company to be a little on the heavy side.

NOTES FROM OUR TOURING REPORTER:
Baton Rouge-Here the "Boulevard" is the place to go altho it has its quiet moments. We were sitting at the bar when one unknowing character tried to make a pickup (The CN Reporter in this case is female). We almost had a fight on hand but chilled it. Later on a trio of girls walked in and we knew we were in the right place.

Memphis-The Showbar, What a place! Naturally it would have to be for the fellows, altho there is a female on the floor waiting tables; but I must repeat; what a place. For the crowd there, either as a party or alone this is the place to go.


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THEY ALWAYS TELL THE TRUTH JUDGE

Judge Leo Friedman asked a few questions of Inspector Rudolph Nieto during the big trial of the four persons arrested at the California Hall January 1st:
Q: Do you men to tell me that you went there with 13 police men and two cameramen and did not intend to make an arrest?
A: No, Sir, we went there for investigation and observation.
Q: Why the cameras?
A: The pictures were for intelligence and other investigative agencies. A great number of these kinds of people are involved in crime.
Q: Who caused the cameramen to be present?
A: I requested them in order to make an accurate record.
Q: Were these people asked for permission to take their picture?
A: I don't know.
Q: Did you hear anyone asked?
A: No.

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its publication. But when the seminar that was to result in the formation of the Council on Religion and the Homosexual was held, it was decided that such a booklet was necessary before a dialogue could take place. This was the primary reason for its publication.
Many of us do not want to go thru what the Negro has suffered to gain rights of association, assembly, etc., but it is apparently necessary. Some will participate and most will not in the coming fight. For make no mistake about it, there is going to be a fight for the very basic rights of everyone.
Evidently if you have gained nothing but the fact of the existence of the CRH, then the paper has proven to be of worth to you. In this alone then we have accomplished our purpose.
Thank you very much for your letter. The Editor

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"Cromey is a special Assistant to Bishop James Pike of the Episcopal Church, outspoken defender of interracial marriage and atheism.
"No fundamentalist ministers were involved." (15)
"Participating ministers resented a lecture by San Francisco vice-squad officers which pointed out that the Bible condemns sodomy as well as the laws of the land. Williams, who appears to be colored, said the police were following "outdated" theological beliefs."
"Police said they were simply following the law."
(Most of these things are too far to the right of truth to warrant an answer but one is begging for an answer, this is "No fundamentalist ministers were involved." To the certain knowledge of the CN there were two fundamentalist ministers involved. They have been lovers for some time and have given counsel to several fundamentalist homosexuals over the years as well as to the CN.)

CAUSTIC COMMENT

+++The Department of the Navy just can't make up their mind as to what stand to take-On one hand they will press for the discharge of a person on the slightest hint of sex deviation but recently a man told his chaplain and asked him to give advice regarding his deviation with no luck. He then told the navy head-shrinker with no success. He told his commanding officer-same deal. Finally his lover called the Navy and gave them an earful or two. The swabbie may be discharged now. (Speaking of names, there is always a comment regarding the name of the editor of the CN, but try to guess the name of the Commander of the Queer Barracks of Treasure Island! It is none other than Lieutenant Bunn. Putting that name into three-letter physical description seems more appropriate according to those in the know.)

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'Don't tell a soul'

Selma, Alabama is not the only place with civil rights problems...
San Francisco has furnished more Freedom Riders than any other place, but...
There is trouble in San Francisco for although everyone is allowed to register to vote not everyone is allowed to assemble peacefully.
An organization has been formed in San Francisco to promote a continuing dialogue between homosexuals and the clergy....
This expression of Americanism has fallen under the evil eye of those who feel the church should have no connection with such disreputable characters as homosexuals, and...
When the Council on Religion and the Homosexual gave a ball to raise funds to get the program under way, the San Francisco Police Department harassed and arrested some of the participants, plus some of the attorneys. Although there was not a considerable loss of money on the sale of tickets because no tickets were sold at the door, the ensuing costs of court action have depleted the funds of the Council...
Therefore the great freedom-loving city of San Francisco; the land of liberal thought and action must call on people from New York City, Chicago, Oakland and even Los Angeles to send a little CARE package of cash to the Council...
In fact, San Francisco even solicits funds from Selma, St. Augustine, Florida, Atlanta, Georgia and all other places with civil rights problems. The Council on Religion and the Homosexual can have an effect on your life regardless where you live.
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LET THEM BE CRUCIFIED * AND YOU WILL BE NEXT

'THESE ARE DANGEROUS CRIMINALS' Chief Cahill

First I want to make it abundently clear that neither the writer nor any of the staff of the Citizens News has any desire to defend the practice of wild hair arrangements nor overt displays of homosexuality.

However we must defend the rights of those people who engage in these noxious practices to do so!

The writer has several acquaintances who think that such displays and practices enhances their appearance. They are so wrong.

But it has only been recently that it was criminal to be wrong.

In the case of "The Chuckkers" there is considerably more to be considered than the citizens who are not on television, but wear their hair as if they are. Carlos Lara has been know to the writer for several years at such places as The Taybush and The Headhunters, both now closed.

Carlos has catered to people that no other place would allow in the front door. He has had more than his share of unsavory characters, some of them even as unsavory as homosexuals. Then there were customers who were more respected by society such as pill pushers, hustlers, hoods and tramps of all kinds.

Recently the San Francisco Police Department strangely without movie cameras or their usual blare of trumpets made a raid in his establishment. The better class of customers in his establishment (the pill-pushers, hustlers, hoods and tramps of all kinds), were told how bad the place was for their reputation and future and were released.

But Sgt. DeAmicus made history for the department when he took into the station some of the greatest law-breakers of all times. Almost single-handedly (with only 20 assistants and 4 police dogs) he took in 31 dangerous criminals. Their crime: They needed a haircut; They needed a haircut badly.

These were stereotyped fairies. The Chief of Police of our great and liberal city said: "These men are not merely sick, they are dangerous criminals."

These men were charged with heinous crimes and were in court on the following monday. The dangerous criminals were charged with two violations:

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE #440
"WEARING OF APPAREL OF OPPOSITE SEX WITH INTENT TO DECEIVE PROHIBITED"-It shall be unlawful for any person to appear in public, with intent to deceive, in the dress, clothing, or apparel not belonging to or usually worn by persons of his or her sex."

(This section has been declared unconstitutional on more ground than Goldwater lost the presidency.)

CALIFORNIA PENAL CODE 650 1/2:
"A person who willfully and wrongfully commits any act which...openly outrages public decency...is guilty of a misdemeanor."

The apparent outrage against the public decency took the form of the lack of a haircut. Altho the other charge was unconstitutional and will no doubt be so ruled, it gives a aura of respectability to the second charge. Not only is the PD reaching away out in left field to make these stick it is also making false charges. No dresses were worn by any of the victims.

Then there is always the possibility that the officers involved are accustomed to someone else wearing the pants in their family and associate slacks with women's apparel.

FOOLISH? Yes! NOTHING ELSE!

In talking to various members of the Community there is nothing but apathy regarding any legal defense of these unfortunate individuals who are apparently homosexual and obviously in need of a haircut. To one of these members a parallel was drawn regarding the practice of his wearing shorts in downtown San Francisco. The writer personally disapproves of such a practice, particularly on the part of one of the 'responsible' members of the Community. How-

ever, his wearing of shorts is his business and the approval or disapproval of the writer is of no consequence whatsoever.

Then too, there is the group that deplores the hair fairy on the grounds that they provide a poor public image of the homosexual and mislead the general public into thinking that 'there goes another homosexual.' I question the validity of this argument because those who think the 1965 homosexual is to be recognized by physical appearance is too far removed from reality to be of any great consequence.

Then if this does, to these ignorant people, present the image of the homosexual then those not conforming to the stereotype have found protective coloration and owe the hair fairy a debt for taking the abuse of society for him.

THE REAL QUESTION

So far as this writer is concerned there are only two questions involved:

- 1) Does the Police Department of San Francisco have a moral right to arrest people who do not conform to their accepted idea of clothing, dress, and personal grooming?
- 2) Do homosexuals - obvious or not - have a legal right to publically assemble?

The legal answer to the first - even to the most biased bigot on the force - must be NO! But no one is going to question their ability to do so unless among those who were victimized there is one who is fed up with the stupidity of Shelley, Cahill, et al.

In California the Supreme Court has held that homosexuals do have a right to peacefully assemble. The police departments of the state evidently have no respect for the Supreme Court and constantly act in total contempt of that body. This can be stopped only with constant court action and bloc voting.

The vote can cure many ills of a power mad police department.

Make no mistake about this raid - it was aimed at those members of society who dare to be different, whether it be in hair styles or intimate personal relations. If the victims of the San Francisco Police Department are allowed to be crucified because they are a little further out than the ordinary homosexual the next target will be those not quite so far out and will progress until the next door battered down may be yours.



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ARE YOU REALLY SERIOUS?

TO THE CN
Dear Sir,

Your "sheet" has come to my attention a number of times, and the only thing I can usually think of when confronted with it is, "Are you serious?"

By this, I don't mean to appear unsympathetic, or biased, or ANYTHING--just, Are you Serious? I gather you are trying to convince an unbelieving world that homosexuality is attractive, even desirous. I certainly agree with some of this; I don't agree with your method. Now, I'm no authority on how to make a sale, but it does seem that your manner of presentation is rather swishy--and, I don't condemn this for I'm about as swishy as anyone could get.

However, I shouldn't want to be the one to get up and try to convince the world my particular brand of homosexuality is the desired one. Again, please believe I'm not condemning; not even overly criticizing. I just don't think such phrases as, "The raving, Roving Reporter is on vacation and will be in the next issue." And "Metrecal Flavored WHAT?" will go far to help your or anyone's cause to get accepted. In fact, I think they are detrimental.

I am a professional impersonator. I am very SERIOUS about my work, because it is JUST THAT--my living. I've been about the maddest street queen that anyone could ever be, and all the other business that goes along with known homosexuals. However I now realize that I might have been wrong in such advertisement and carrying on.

I think good taste in presenting your cause will go much farther than a lot of gay terms. Who in the world wants to get a magazine listing all of the latest "gay" terms? You have, at times, compared the homosexual minority with the Negro minority, as far as persecution. I certainly DO NOT want to go through all the nasty business Negroes have and are going through--and I have gone through quite a lot of that business myself, and I most definitely don't want a repeat of such.

I need much enlightenment on the Council on Religion and the Homosexual. I was very religious in my early life, and although I do not

attend church services, still am. I was a musician in my church, which was a very modern, sophisticated church. My right to be in that church was questioned many times, because it was quite obvious of my sexual desires. However, being a very important (in fact, the only available) part of the music department, it was sort of over-looked. However, I wouldn't try to deceive myself that it was condoned--not in any church. I am with a group of people in the world who cannot feel it is either right or wrong to be homosexual, just because it has been in the world since the beginning--hasn't prostitution? And, I have been that, too--but, don't for a minute think it was right, just because I sold the body.

I, for one, think homosexual ministers shouldn't be in that service. I know a priest of the Catholic church in San Francisco who is homosexual, and spends all of his nights and most of his days in a gay bar while in New Orleans.

Although I like him as a person, I certainly can't see eye-to-eye with his conviction that it is right. You seem to be putting up street faries (and I would not condemn them, for I love them) as a model for the world to love as homosexual. Certainly the constitution of our country says we are given the right to live, no matter how odd it seems to someone else. But you know as well as I--and I'm in a great position to know--that we swishes will NEVER be accepted, because it is impossible for a normal male to understand or make public his acceptance of it--what of the term "Sissy?"

I love a drag ball as well as anyone, and I've attended more than most. Although I don't like it, I get the impression that your ministers are steadfast in their belief they are doing good--I can't help but think there are some pretty angry churchmembers, though.

Gee, I do need some enlightening, don't I. Do try to find a more dignified way of presentation for your cause. Don't you realize that by printing columns that give names of gay bars only make it more difficult for them to continue to operate? This sort of information should be

available for STRICTLY private periodicals--not printed in a sheet that is for the world to see. This will make the world think that drag and transvestizm is a part of homosexuality, and they are not--true homosexuals desire "MEN", in manly form; those males who seek "nelly" queens are only substituting male for female, because they can't get females to do what they want done. As in my own life, queens who want to be "women" usually do so because they are misguided into thinking that people think, "Aren't they cute--but they aren't quite right." The older we get, the more masculine, in line of thought, we get. I've discussed this with many impersonators, and find a few--after they've gotten over being the only "woman"--who do not feel this way.

And, you make to publicize some things that are very private. Things that are enjoyed between husband and wife are not discussed in intelligent circles--they ARE enjoyed because they ARE husband and wife, or husband and husband, etc. I realize this rule is not laid down in any ruling--it comes with the realization of life. Please don't put our entire life into a magazine, so that ANYONE can read it and say only the louder, "Aren't they deranged? Kill them all!"

I really must admit I enjoy reading your newspaper--being competely truthful. But, I must also admit I privately shudder at some of the things in it--and I rush to the incinerator. No matter how open-minded my friends or business associates may be, I don't think they would welcome "Hope for Homos" screaming up from a table. Although I might admire an impersonator for having his name printed in your paper--that is, I might admire his guts--I certainly couldn't afford to have MY name in it, because I work in many places where few impersonators get to work, and many cities that homosexuality is looked upon as a curse, and is dealt with likewise. Although I'm about as obvious as one could get if I conduct myself honorably on-stage, and off-stage, my appearance is only of the necessities of my trade.

As for you stating in your list of "25", you and I both know that many homosexuals are alcoholic, and it IS a contributing factor for alcoholism, simply because we are not really "gay" but very lonely, and bars provide companionship. As for my research for this statement, I can only say I was a member of the "gay" crowd in New Orleans during and after the second war. No place has ever, or will ever, be as gay as it was. Keep San Francisco--because I can't ever remember anyone saying anything terrible about it, so far as gay life goes--gay, but nicely so. Lets give the police department less reason for raids and pressure, and the more FREEDOM we can have. B.E.--Kansas City.

FROM THE EDITOR:

Thank you for your letter. We are always happy to have letters of disagreement with our policy for it is only by discussion that we can progress, and yes, WE ARE SERIOUS. But I am far more interested in convincing homosexuals that their way of life is not a disaster than I am of convincing the rest of the world of anything. I feel that 'swishy' is not a trait common only to the gay world; 'camping it up' has been going on everywhere for a hell of a long time; and that a touch of humor is far more effective and convincing than lifeless facts and figures.

Regarding the Lavender Lexicon--this was compiled and then set aside because we felt there was not sufficient market to warrant

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EDITORIAL POLICY

The Citizens News will be happy to publish any letter of general interest or one in disagreement with the editorial policy of the paper.

We do not feel anything is accomplished when we publish letters in agreement with our own thoughts. First consideration is given to those letters of disagreement.

A ROMAN CATHOLIC PADRE WRITES: 'DON'T DESPAIR'

A Catholic Rectory
In The West

Re: Letter of Ned N. Flow in CN
Gentlemen:

Everyone knows that the Catholic Archdiocese of Los Angeles is in schism with the rest of the Roman Catholic church over civil rights. It should be no surprise, therefore, that other backward Bishops and over-zealous Catholic civic officials are ignorant of the re-examination in progress in the Catholic Church regarding enforcing moral law with civil law.

Many have never even heard of the important and basic distinction between "sin" which is a matter of private morals, and "crime" which is an offence against the state having anti-social consequences.

Others of the Catholic clergy are more progressive. Cardinal Meyer in Chicago could have stopped the adoption of the uniform legal code in Illinois with hardly more than a shake of his head. He let it be adopted quietly, and we are studying the results.

In discussion with the Catholic clergy, you should be able to quote them the following passages from the "Report of the Roman Catholic Advisory Committee on Prostitution and Homosexual Offenses and the Existing Law" published in the "Dublin Review" of Summer, 1956, pp. 57-65. Here are a few key sentences:

"The existing law does not effectively distinguish between sin, which is a matter of private morals, and crime, which is an offense against the state, having anti-social consequences. Under the existing law criminal proceedings against adult male persons in respect of consensual homosexual acts in private (whether of the full offense of sodomy or of gross indecency) inevitably fall upon a small minority of offenders and often upon those least deserving of punishment. It is accordingly recommended that the criminal law should be amended in order to restrict penal sanctions for homosexual offenses as follows, namely to prevent: (a) the corruption of youth, (b) Offenses against public decency, (c) the exploitation of vice for the purpose of gain. It should clearly be stated that penal sanctions are not justified for the purpose of attempting to restrain sins against sexual morality committed in private by responsible adults. They should be discontinued because (a) they are ineffectual, (b) they are inequitable in their incidence, (c) they involve severities disproportionate to the offense committed, (d) they undoubtedly give scope for blackmail and other forms of corruption."

(I might add: (d) they make the homosexual to fear to seek what guidance and counselling are available, and (f) they exaggerate the homosexual's feeling of being estranged from society and add to his need of seeking active sexual encounters to drown this sense of rejection.)

In their book "Counselling the Catholic" (Sheed and Ward New York City, 1959 pages 103-104 Fathers George Hagmaier, C.S.P., and Robert Gleason, S.J., quote the above passage from the Dublin Review and make these comments:

"Chief Magistrate John M. Murtagh of New York City concurs with the substance of this report and has incorporated it into his book on prostitution, "Cast the First Stone." He points very strongly at many present juridical and penal procedures which are most unfair, inadequate, and detrimental to the public as well as the private good..."

"It is a tragic fact that in many states---probably most---legal procedure and penal custom is both harsh and unfair to the homosexual. Only a small proportion of offenders---usually the most pathetic and compulsive of the lot---are apprehended and imprisoned. Prison is not only ineffective, but more often than not it contributes positively to the delinquency of the young deviate. Imprisonment is contaminating rather than rehabilitative. A revision of the laws in this regard should be of concern to the priest as the representative of all his people and a

public figure, who, more than many, is capable of bringing about a realistic civic opinion and legal changes for the common good."

So do not despair of receiving support from the Roman Catholic church. Most of the priests are fair-minded men, although they have big adjustments to make in catching up with the thinking of their own theologians on this problem.

If you can quote to the padres the above passages... particularly the one from their own Catholic "Report", you will undermine their naturally conservative opposition, and you may even win their active support. The current legal mess in 49 of our states certainly is accomplishing no good either socially or spiritually.

Sincerely
A Padre.

STOP GATHERING IN PUBLIC?

Dear Sirs:

If you want to improve your public image, which I doubt, you will stand on the premise that there is nothing wrong with one man liking another man, and let it go at that. It happens every day and in every walk of life. It even happens in newspaper offices.

This being the case, you will quit feuding with the local press. You are over-matched and their sperm counts may be as suspect as your own. This is always the case when one of them states that you will contaminate his kids. Anybody can propagate, including men with moustaches.

I would also suggest that you eliminate such terms as gay and lavender from your vocabularies, and that you give up the practice of congregating in bars and other public places. Nothing is more obnoxious to the general public and what does it get you?

I would further suggest that you act like other men, unless you have a better reason than most of you have. As it is, even other minorities despise you, and when the votes are counted if they ever are, you won't get one out of six? Why? Because the so-called average "Sixth Man" despises you more than anyone else does.

And if you figure these are unrealistic observations, just keep in mind that you are as guilty as the man with the moustache. Both of you are "over-compensating" for

something you didn't think you had to begin with. THE MAN IN THE GREY FLANNEL SUIT-San Francisco FROM THE EDITOR:

When the Chief of Police allows private clubs for any other than the social register you will see such a big congregation of them as to frighten the regular bars.

Re: Lavendar and Gay-We will now refer to them as Purple and Happy; for we know, "A rose by any other name is just as sweet..."

We take it that the reference to 'moustache' is to be construed as one of our esteemed colleagues with the daily press; whoever they may be.

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HOW TO SPOT A COP

HOT TO SPOT A COP

It has been becoming increasingly evident in recent months of the step-up in activity on the part of the law enforcement officials, to make arrests of individuals in bars so that the license of these places may be forfeited.

The law enforcement officers appear to follow a set pattern in their entrapment activity in California. Therefore the CN considers it a public service to alert the general public regarding these law-breaking law-enforcement officials.

The following cannot be a set rule, but victims of these people tell of several general characteristics:

1) The officer almost always professes to be from out of town and a stranger to the area. This can be checked out by the intended victim if he will make up the name of a bar in that city and ask if his stalker knows of the place. Sometimes the officer might say he had heard of it but never went there.

2) It is important to remember that cops rarely look like cops. When they are on the trail of such dangerous criminals as homosexuals, we often think they have a grand course in the police academy on "How to Look Like a Homosexual." Clothes do not make the man nor the homosexual.

3) The stalker is rarely of the feminine type. Altho San Francisco has at least two on the payroll who could be considered slightly swish, it is rare that they be used on undercover projects. (It is possible there is another, still better reason.)

4) The stalker is often in a big hurry to make his score for the day. This will take the form of "Let's go somewhere else." or "What do you do?" He will continue in this line of questioning until he finally elicits what particular kind of sexual entertainment his victim has in mind. "What do you do?"-The correct answer to that one is, "I don't do anything at all, what do you do?" It should be common knowledge to most homo and bisexuals that if you have to ask then there is no sense in going into the matter any further. If the man making the advances is not perceptive enough to see what the others proclivities

are then - what the hell!

5) Sometimes the stalker is in a big, big hurry because the shift is about over for the cop and he wants to make at least one score of his standing will fall in the department (this is particularly true in Los Angeles), and so he will suggest going to another place and then, without any provocation will make an arrest. This is to be expected if the victim has inadvertently told the representative of law and order what he does for a living; and more particularly if this is a sensitive field of employment.

6) Oftimes the officers use word such as "diddling" for masturbating; "Blow" for fellatio; and other such innocent phrases. Sometimes they will either feel up their victim or will permit a certain amount of lewd caressing of their genitals. Anything for an arrest.

HOW TO SAFEGUARD AGAINST THE ILLEGAL ARREST

1) Do not accompany anyone to another place until you have known them for more than a few moments.

2) In California ask to see their Public Health Card from the VD Clinic. No officer likes to go to this place.

3) Refrain from getting tight and making otherwise foolish moves.

4) Keep your hands to yourself.

5) If you are asked what you do, then assume it is your job he is talking about and tell him that is personal. Ask what he does.

6) Make the bartender or someone in the establishment aware of who you are departing with, and tell them you are happy they have such nice people there who have invited you to go to their apartment for a cup of coffee.

7) Keep your hands to yourself.

8) If he looks like a cop, it is a good bet he is not.

9) Keep your hands to yourself.

10) Always question the person you are leaving with to be sure he is really a visitor to your city and not just a cop out for his quota.

11) Keep your hands to yourself.

MAIL WATCHERS

A Senate sub-committee has ordered Postmaster General John Gronouski to turn over the names and addresses of all persons whose mail is being watched to determine if they are involved in any criminal actions.

The postmaster objected very strongly to this action on the grounds that it might endanger national security.

Chairman Edward V. Long (Dem. Mo.) of a Senate judiciary subcommittee told the Chief Postal Inspector, Henry Montague that he is concerned that the use of what is called "mail covers" is abused in trivial cases and privacy violated.

The inspector denied this is happening and backed up a letter written by the Postmaster General declining to furnish the list.

The Senate subcommittee is also looking into the use of peepholes in the post offices.

Senator Long said the committee had considered the objections of the postal officials in refusing to give them the list but they have insisted that the list of mail covers be made available, so the committee can determine for themselves if any abuses are being made. The Post Office Department has been ordered to produce the list by March 2d.

One subscriber to the CN has advised Senator Long of a mail cover placed on his mail last year for nothing more endangering to the national security than the receipt of a pen pal magazine.

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HOW TO KEEP FROM BEING PHOTOGRAPHED

It would appear from actions in recent weeks here in San Francisco that police tactics in the future will include harassment by floodlights. It has proven effective in at least two incidents recently.

However the case at the Chuckkers might not rightly be called effective, for it is a known fact (in knowing circles) that they had rather be on TV than anything else.

However, back to the point- How to keep from being photographed...

Now it is illegal to interfere with an officer in performance of his duty, so if you have certain knowledge that the man behind the camera is a police officer you must disregard this word of advice. The only certain knowledge you can have is if he shows you his badge. Therefore it is

oftimes difficult to have this "certain knowledge" and therefore, you are not interfering with him in performance of his duty.

In California it is illegal to wear a mask unless you are at a ball under the protection of the Democratic Party or involved in health or medical matter, so a mask is out of the question. (However masks seem to be quite effective if you are going to rob a bank and then it is highly unlikely you are taking any chance of being prosecuted for wearing a mask.)

The files of the police are open to all members of the press who do not make a habit of being critical. This of course rules out the CN from access to the files of the PD. However if the advice of the CN is followed the files of the

PD are of little or no use to the public media.

It is rather simple and if you will follow these directions we can promise you that your picture will never appear in the newspapers or on television:

Take the right hand (or the left, if left handed) and place it approximately six inches in front of your nose with the fingers curled into the palm of your hand. Then take the middle finger and raise it to its maximum degree of rigidity, keeping the rest of the fingers curled into the palm of the hand.

This is oftimes regarded as a slightly off-color gesture but in this case it is regarded only as an indication that you do not wish your picture to appear in the newspaper.

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if you have certain knowledge that the photographer is an officer of the law because it might be misconstrued.

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Whether due to the Illinois law that was passed a few years ago, or whether to something else, Chicago, over the past couple of years has enjoyed a period of relative peace with the Element. Once in a while the cops "pull a raid" which is mostly a form of harassment, and really nobody takes things very seriously. Their latest kick (I am told this is a part of their campaign against the goof-ball fad) is to come in bars in pairs and demand to see identification at random. This really doesn't pose too much of a problem. It always happens on Saturday nights and at bars that have a reputation for catering to the younger (and I might say swisher) set.

For the visitor to Chicago, here is a run-down of some of the bars. It is impossible to cover them all, but for someone who wants to get around and see what does go on, this is a tour that would take you to almost every type thing going on in Chicago.

Starting at the LOOP we first went to "The Town and Country" in the Palmer House. We made this before six o'clock, because after six the prices go up to a buck a drink (be it beer or otherwise) and when the stores close at 5:45 the place is packed with ribbon clerks each trying to convince the other that they are ladies of means from out-of-town. For the most part you have to part of a crowd to even start a conversation in this bar.

From there we went to the Dome in the Sherman Hotel for a drink at the piano bar, where Tommy, who has been a favorite of the crowd plays your favorite requests and tells an occasional dirty joke. If the joke has been out six hours, Tom has heard it. This bar caters to the professional elements in town and gets a fair amount of out-of-towners.

Leaving the loop we went north on Rush Street and Chi-

cago Avenue to "Kitty Sheons" which is a sham elegant bar that is sort of a combination of the two bars previously mentioned.

We then went across the street and into the Little Egypt Lounge of the Water Tower Inn to hear Jackie who is 'my girl friend' when the parents of any of six dozen guys are visiting Chicago. This bar is probably the gayest non-gay bar in the world. The management hates queers and will not knowingly serve them, but you would have to be in cerise skin-tight leotards, bleach your hair, and wear an emerald in your navel for the manager to know you were "one of the boys." This place is not recommended if you are the thirsty type because the service is the slowest in the world.

Upon leaving the Water Tower, we went up on Clark Street and had a drink at the Gold Coast, which is the local leather bar, and typical of any leather bar in town. The murals by Etienne are well worth seeing, and if leather is your interest...

From the Gold Coast we went a half block up the street to Jamies, one block to Sam's, and around the corner to the "Still of the Night". All three places are specializing in being mad, mad. They are serving cheap drinks and the hustlers are busily hustling each other. Still of the Night is one of the newest bars, has interesting decor, and the best-looking bartenders in town.

It was at the Checkmate we lost one of the members of our crowd and didn't see him till the next afternoon, but when he came in he was smiling, so we doubt if he lost anything he didn't want to lose.

Leaving the Checkmate we again wandered up to Clark and Diversey and stopped to check and look over the new books at the Century Book and Card Shop. They have an extensive collection of special interest reading material, including The Citizens News and the Lavender Baedeker.

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SACRAMENTO JUMPS

One of the most popular weekend retreats for the San Francisco regulars is Sacramento-the state capitol. It is only 86 miles and two toll bridges away and can be driven in some 70-80 minutes.

Sacramento has far more to offer than merely a view of the capitol building and rolling hills en route, for during the summer the river there is oftimes 300 feet wide and has some very fine beaches. One of these is favored by the sunbums of the Community and has enjoyed several years of popularity. It might seem strange for San Francisco people to go 90 miles to beaches until it is remembered that the water at the Golden Gate Bridge is usually 50 to 60 degrees cold. And the beaches are swept with winds cool enough to bring out goose-pimples, even in July.

Sacramento on the other hand has very warm, hot summers with lots of sunlight.

Then there are several attractions other than the natural ones.

Such as The Log Cabin. This is a tavern just across the river from Sacramento. Hilda is the beloved proprietor and Elsa is the loving bartender. This Elsa is something else, and really defies description here. To be kind, let us say that Elsa is 'heavy set' with a smile and a gift of gab no one can resist. Elsa has a collection of hats behind the bar for use by those customers who feel the need for unusual expression.

On a recent trip there, the editor of the CN denied his identity but after a while he was asked again, by Elsa, if he were not Guy Strait. This

time, honesty prevailed. With a memory such as this how can anyone go unnoticed there, for it had been almost three years since the editor stepped into the place.

Dancing is the chief amusement at the Log Cabin and with the Jerk, Swim, Fuge et al, an evening seems to be very short and lively.

Down the road a piece from the LC is a place more especially for girls, called 'Genes' and it does a land-office business. It is slightly bigger than the LC and was not as crowded but still had more than a comfortable crowd.

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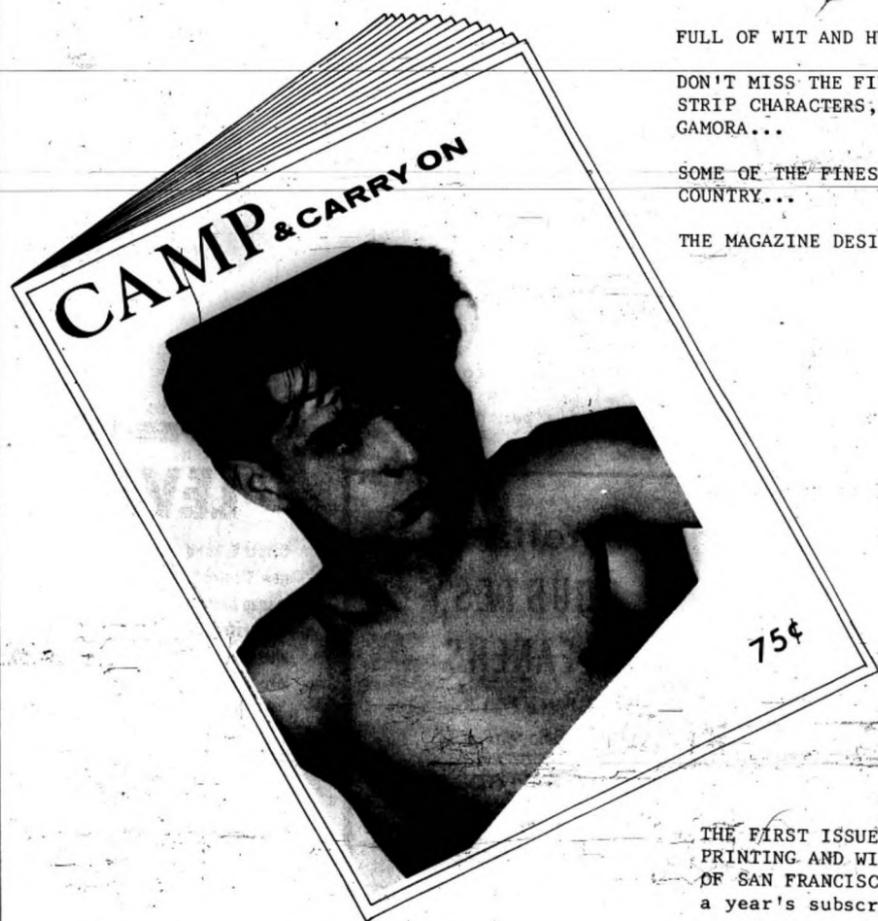
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uality and some new approaches and understandings."

This statement by the Rev. Canon Robert Crome, Vicar of St. Aidan's, sets forth one of the major purposes of this study program. Canon Crome is one of the directors of the Council on Religion and the Homosexual. The purpose of that organization is to try to bring about discussions of sexuality in general and homosexuality in particular.

The program at St. Aidan's is open to the public with a donation requested of one dollar. In addition the people taking the course must have read the booklet, "Toward a Quaker View of Sex."

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McCalls magazine has revealed the results of a recent survey wherein only one out of every three persons questioned would bother to clear the streets of prostitutes if they had the chance.

This survey was taken in New York City and Newark, N.J. in a serious attempt to determine public attitudes on crime.

One man, who works in advertising, said, "I'd rather my son had prostitutes to go to instead of getting into trouble with the neighbors daughters. After all, I have to live with my neighbors."

"I'm in favor of a red light district," said a waitress. "Then child molestors might leave youngsters alone."

The survey also revealed that 43% of the persons questioned thought that "most" elected and appointed public officials were honest, but an almost equal number, 39% thought they were dishonest.

And 77 percent expressed the belief that "a large majority" of the police in their cities were accepting graft.

The CN has a questionnaire in progress and is currently scheduled to survey Tucson, Arizona, Dallas, Texas, and San Francisco. Arrangements for surveys of other cities can be made by writing the CN.

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