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We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness. That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed. That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety and Happiness. Prudence, indeed, will dictate that Governments long established should not be changed for light and trifling causes.

Accordingly all to whom these Sentiments are presented, we have the honor to declare that a long train of abuses and usurpations, pursuing invariably the same object, evinces a design to reduce them under absolute Despotism, it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such Government, and to provide new Guards for their future security. Such has been the patient sufferance of these Colonies; and such is now the necessity which constrains them to alter their former Systems of Government.

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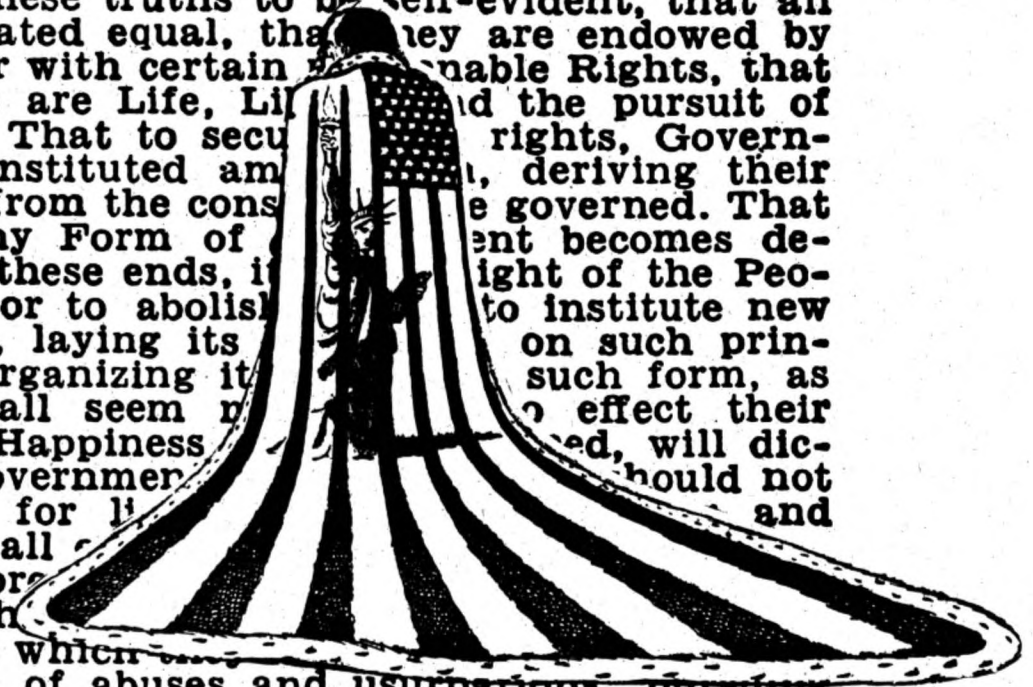
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GAYS BEATEN & SHOT!



JIMMY LORTON "SALLY" BEATEN

Another in a series of gangland muggings of Gays continues with the July 10 beating of Jimmy Lorton by thugs, south of Market on Howard Street. Jimmy was walking on Howard when attacked. Officers arrested the assailants, but the District Attorney and the S.F.P.D. General Works Inspectors released the culprits, even though they were caught red-handed. The D.A. and Inspector Willits stated that it was the word of three against the word of one, Jimmy, whom they kept saying was mentally disabled (Jimmy draws ATD). Police Community Relations Officer Elliot Blackstone deplored the beating and the fact that Jimmy's attackers were not prosecuted.

VICE COPS SHOOT DOWN TWO GAYS

Donald Lambert and David Von Scotty have been the victims of the Special Services Unit of the S.F. Police Department (Vice Squad). Both Lambert and Von Scotty have been accused of soliciting for purposes of prostitution. Both of the arresting cops have long histories of being anti-Gay. They are Patrick Henry, who gained fame in the raids on model agencies last fall, and Juan Morales, an officer ousted from the Community Relations Division.



Rev. Ray beaten.

On Wednesday, July 4, at 7 pm, the Reverend Ray Broshears of the Gay Alliance (GAA) of San Francisco was savagely beaten and kicked by a gang of 14 youths, ranging in age from 12 to 19. The attack took place after the Reverend had left the Helping Hands Community Center and was on his way home. As he approached Turk and Jones, he was surrounded by the punks, who had been roused earlier by the cops for throwing firecrackers and cherry bombs at buses and cars on Turk Street, causing one auto to swerve up onto the sidewalk. The cops had been called by the driver and this was verified by staffers at the Helping Hands Center. Rev. Broshears was asked by the punks if they had called the "pigs", and he said "Yes."

whereupon the punks, not caring about the safety of the drivers as Rev. Broshears told them they should be, proceeded to abuse him and kick him. One youth hit him from behind and another kicked him in the groin. He tried to charge out of the group, but found himself enmeshed in a sea of arms, fists, and metal objects, beating him and kicking, dragging him down to the sidewalk and onto the street. Cars and buses stopped and occupants pulled the youths off and held them for the police. The badly-beaten Broshears, bleeding, was helped up from the street by a bus driver. Several of the youths had their ears boxed by the rescuers. The police came and arrested four and booked two. As a result of the beating, abuse ensued from the alleged "leaders" of other gay groups who, almost to a man, said that they wished Broshears had been "killed or maimed". The LAVENDER PANTHERS were formed, and the rest is history.

WHY Lavender Panthers



The various beatings in the Gay Ghetto areas of San Francisco by punks out to "get a queer" have led to horrible maimings. Mysterious fires set in Gay bars here is frightening. Now is the time for the fright to turn to sincere concern and action at hand. That is why the Lavender Panther Patrols were formed. Self-defense is the action which the Panthers will take, and they will retaliate in physical force when attacked. Classes

are being taught by the Panthers in an effort to help our brethren to learn how to defend themselves and with what. We urge that every Gay person in our City purchase a rifle or shotgun for their home and/or business. It is perfectly legal. The Constitution guarantees you the right to bear arms. We deplore violence. But the violence that has been dealt out to Gaypeoples in our City is also deplorable. We can sit around and deplore this and that till hell freezes over, but until we can get it together and stand up and say "No more!", and give a swift kick in the ass to the next person who attacks you, we are still going to have the reputation of being "sissies", "pansies" and "cowards". This is the straight world's type-casting of Gays, and it's time that we dispel that wrong image. Then and only

then will the beatings, the murders and the burnings cease. The Lavender Panthers have a list with the Gay Alliance (GAA) of the Gay businesses which are doing their part to make their area safe for you, their customer. These "right-on" people know that you cannot make a cancer go away by hiding your head in the sand. They have now learned that you must "cut it out", and then the cancer is gone and the wound heals quickly. Support them. For they too say "No more!" to the beatings, to apathy, to police unconcern. Support those who support you. Action speaks louder than words.

A DREAM?

by Doug Oram

Great is the day when
All men will willingly accept
You as their brother,

Instead of the isolation
So many of us have known.

Great is he who
Only wants brotherhood
Only wants to work for the
Day when all brothers and sisters shall be free!
--Doug Oram

BROSHEARS SUFFERS PARTIAL PARALYSIS AS RESULT OF FOURTH OF JULY BEATING

Rev. Ray Broshears, president of the Gay Activists Alliance and editor of The Gay Crusader, is being treated for partial temporary paralysis of the right arm and forearm resulting from his beating on the Fourth of July by a dozen or more teenagers in the Tenderloin.

Preliminary spinal examination indicates that the paralysis, which is of a transient nature and occurs sporadically leaving Rev. Broshears without the use of his arm for varying intervals, will not be permanent and it is expected that it should respond favorably to long-term cortisone treatment. No, Virginia, don't get your hopes up: the paralyzed area is just his arm, not his tongue.

Prison Organizing

GAY PRISON CONFERENCE AUGUST 4th

The GAA (Gay Alliance) is sponsoring a prison conference at the Helping Hands Gay Community Service Center, 225 Turk Street, S.F., on August 4th, from 1pm to 4pm, with special guest speaker Popeye Jackson of the UNITED PRISONERS UNION. Other speakers from other groups involved with prisons have been scheduled. Roland Schembari of the GAA is coordinating the conference.

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C.O.D.A.P. is Uncle Sam's dossier on every participant in a federally-financed drug program.

Rev. JIM JONES

PEOPLES TEMPLE BLESSES GAYS

The People's Temple, headquarter in Redwood Valley, California, with the Rev. Jim Jones as pastor, has given a donation to the Helping Hands Gay Community Service Center. Pastor Jim Jones, a most amazing man, and Rev. Ray Broshears, director of the Helping Hands Center, met in a way that can only be described as a miracle, which resulted in a tremendous bridge of understanding being built between these two controversial people and between the communities they champion. "Rev. Jim Jones," says Rev. Broshears, "is a man obsessed with the most magnificent of all obsessions, that of doing good all of the time for God's people, regardless of the cost, his health, and even his life. He is a man among men. There is no single individual on earth today whom I respect more than the Rev. Jim Jones and his ministry of helping people to help themselves. He is a walking saint."

There are several hundred Gaypeoples in the congregations of the three People's Temples in Redwood Valley, San Francisco and Los Angeles. It is a most enlightened church and it's pastor is a true crusader for equality and justice. The Gaypeoples of the Tenderloin and San Francisco thank Rev. Jim Jones and the People's Temple.

ZAP INSIDE CityHall

GAYS ZAP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

A group of nine Gays went into a special hearing concerning many issues, one of which was the rising cost of Pacific Telephone's services to the City of San Francisco. As Secretary of State Jerry Brown was about to speak, nine Gays rose from the back of the chambers and began shouting at the chairman of the committee, arch-conservative Republican John Barbagelata, and then proceeded to the front of the chambers carrying a huge banner denouncing employment bias against gays by Pacific Telephone and charging Barbagelata with hindering Gay rights. Barbagelata kept shouting for the police to arrest the Zappers from the GAA. As police came charging in the front doors, the Zappers scurried out side doors and down the steps to the basement of City Hall and out to the street, completely eluding the police. Barbagelata, according to those who saw it on television, nearly had another of his heart attacks as he shouted with rage, "Get them! Arrest them!"

MA BELL CRUMBLING?



PT&T ZAP with Rev. Ray Broshears, Larry Littlejohn



Gayphone (Woody)
PT&T monster (Jim Tarplee)

any meeting must be public and must include the Pride Foundations people. As a result, the PUC's attorney, William C. Bricca, and the Information Officer for the PUC, waited until Larry Littlejohn, attorney B.J. Beckwith and attorney Larry Long of the Pride Foundation arrived. Littlejohn expressed tremendous surprise, as did Broshears, as well as pleasure that the PUC officials wanted such a meeting. The conference was held in front of the building, with the GAA gayphone and PT&T silver monster as backdrops. The dialogue was more than meaningful, according to Littlejohn, and it was agreed by Dick Gayer of the Gay Students Union-Hastings (who had arrived to participate as well) that this was a major victory for the Gay community. Attorney B.J. Beckwith, who sometimes represents the GAA, asked Bricca and Eugene Raleigh of the PUC if they, after stating how sympathetic they were to the plight of Gays in hiring, would go to Sacramento with them to testify as to this discrimination and make an appeal for the laws to be changed. To the surprise of all, both the PUC officials agreed to Beckwith's request, and Bricca offered to ask permission to speak on behalf of Gays in his official capacity as PUC attorney. The Pacific Telephone Company expressed shock at the results of this Zap, for this places them now in an extremely embarrassing position.

On July 17 at high noon, a showdown was held at the California State Building, 350 McAllister Street, as the Gay Activists Alliance continued its lonely struggle in the streets to end employment discrimination by the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Company. The new and added twist this time was that the GAA attacked the Pacific Gas & Electric Co. as well. Fourteen members of the Gay Alliance and five members of the Pride Foundation, the only other group active in the battle, joined forces for the fifth time this year, to protest the blatant violation of humanitarian laws by Ma Bell. GAA's walking-talking six foot high pay phone, built by Al Woods-Woody, along with the silver PT&T monster, a huge cardboard contraption designed by Woody and Jim Tarplee (who was the "monster"), brought all the television and newspapers out for this one. Rev. Ray Broshears, chairperson of the GAA, was leading the forces in the picket and Zap when the "mountain began to shake" and officials of the Public Utilities Commission asked to meet with GAA representatives inside the building. Rev. Broshears refused, stating that

BUSTY O'SHEA
OF THE
QUEEN'S PALACE



Photo by Eddie Van

C.O.D.A.P.
Client Oriented Data Acquisition
Process:
C.O.D.A.P. is Uncle Sam's dossier
on every participant in a federally-
financed drug program.

BOYCOTT NOT WORKING

The unofficial boycott of unnamed
powers within the Tavern Guild to shut
down the GAY CRUSADER has been
unsuccessful, to say the least.

**WANT GAY BAR INFORMATION? WANT
TO KNOW THE BEST ONES?** Contact the
Helping Hands Center for a listing of the best
Gay bars in San Francisco, the ones which will
treat you right. This list is compiled by the
GAA/SF for the Helping Hands. Phone any
time between 11 am and 11 pm (771-3366).
Support those Gay businesses that support
your Gay social service organizations.

GAY ALLIANCE PASSES OVER

Gay Alliance member Bobbie Lee
Steed, formerly of Taliaquak, Oklahoma,
passed away on Sunday, June 17, 1973,
here in San Francisco. Bobbie is survived
by his mate of many years, Bob Impson.
Bobbie and Bob were familiar figures to
those who frequented the Helping Hands
Gay Community Center. Bobbie's health
in the last three months had declined to
the point of hospitalization. He is sadly
missed by those who knew him.

THE HELPING HANDS STAFF

The staff of the Helping Hands Gay
Community Service Center at 225
Turk Street send their best wishes and
thanks to those wonderful Gay human-
ists who have supported the Center
and the staff by their words and deeds.
WOODY (Alan Woods), GAA
JIMMY Tarplee, GAA
JIM Robinson, GAA
MICHELLE, GAA
MARQUE Lesley, volunteer
REV. RAY Broshers, GAA
BRUCE Trummel, volunteer
DOUG Oram, GAA
CAM Ferry, volunteer
ROLAND Schembari, GAA
TERRY Taylor, volunteer
Bill Lindley, GAA **J.Q.** Adams, GAA
Al Barnes, GAA

CRASH HOUSING SERVICE NEEDS

The "crash housing" unit of the Helping
Hands Gay Community Service Center needs
people who are willing to "crash" (house)
people on a short-term basis. We screen all
people requesting temporary housing. If
you can help put someone up for a night,
please contact Roland Schembari, Housing
Coordinator, at 771-3366. Your assistance is
needed. No sex trips please!

THANK YOU, BILL ROCK...

The Gay
Crusader thanks Bill Rock for his invaluable
assistance in helping us get out the Gay
Crusader. And a big hug to our heroic
typesetter, Dennis Krusynski, Czarina of
Claytonia.

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**OUT OF THE CLOSETS AND INTO
THE STREETS**

by A. Woods

This has been said many times, but now
it has to be said again: "Out of the closets
and into the streets!" Now is the time
to come out and fight for acceptance and
equality. Don't sit on your ass saying
"We are accepted, we have our rights and
equality." BULL! You're just fooling
yourself. Sure, if you happen to be one
of the money-gays you can sit back and
watch the world outside pass by. If you
happen to be one of these people, I'm
telling you now: YOU ARE IN A CLOSET!
The only thing is that the closet you're
in is glass, so you're able to see what's
going on but you're still not in the middle
of it all. You're not helping anyone but
maybe yourself.

You might say "Well, I help out at
gay functions and projects, and I donate
money to the centers." Money alone
isn't going to do it! You can't buy
freedom, you can't buy equality!

I refuse to sit back and watch my
brothers and sisters being persecuted.
You say "But we're in San Francisco,
the liberal city, where you can do almost
what you please!" Again, BULL! May be
you're not hassled and maybe your
friends aren't either. But for someone
like myself (a gender-fuck) to walk down
the street is a hassle: hassles from cops,
kids, straights, and from you, the glass-
closeted gayperson! Being GAY, you
should be able to accept a person in
spite of their differences as your brother
or sister. Being gay, you yourself are
considered an outcast, different from the
so-called "normal" person. You, being
gay, should unite with your brothers
and sisters in the fight for equality.
Being a member of G.A.A., I tend to be
more radical than most. Either way,
the shit has hit the fan, with all the
incidents that have been happening to
gay people, with little or nothing being
done about it. Let me relay some of
these incidents to you, in case you do
not know of them.

1968... Carl Stoltz was beaten to death
in the Eureka area by a gang of youths
ages 13 to 19 with chains and tire irons.
The police detained the youths, but
since Carl was gay, they refused to make
any arrests.

1969... At the I DO KNOW bar, a youth
armed with an auto antenna went into the
bar and began beating the patrons until
he was driven out. He returned with a
friend and began the assault anew. When
the police arrived the youths claimed
they were "pulled into the bar." The
officers informed the gays present that
"You fairies have no rights." Gays indig-
nant about the incident met with Deputy
Chief Alfred J. Nelder, during which time
they were told that they were considered
"mentally ill" by the San Francisco
Police Department.

1970... Peter Whitwer was shot in the
head while returning home from the
opera. This occurred and Haight and
Baker, in his neighborhood, where he
was a known gayperson. Another in a
series of unsolved gay murders.

1972... (bad year)... A gay youth was
attacked by a gang in the Castro area
at Douglass and 18th Sts., where they had
beaten him and poured lye down his
throat as he was held down by the gang.
He was treated for it at the hospital, but
the police, of course, were at a loss for
leads. During 1972 other beatings by
gangs of youths upon gaypersons ex-
tended into the Tenderloin and Polk
areas. Three slayings of persons suspected
to be gaypersons, all in identical situa-
tions, occurred, with their bodies found
nude with their clothes folded neatly
beside the body and a bullet behind the
ear. Also, a youth was found behind the
3200 block of California Street, dead,
who was determined to be a gay soldier
that was visiting that weekend. Again,
there were no suspects. All these inci-
dents remain unsolved.

1973... Roving gangs of youths con-
tinue to terrorize the "queers", as they
have been taught to call gaypeople, in
the Castro and Tenderloin areas.

You can find out more about this
year's incidents by contacting G.A.A.
You will find that this year is by far
the worst. The hatred, indifference and
ignorance shown by straights and youths
is sickening. In any case, UNITY is the
key. THE LAVENDER PANTHERS
can't do it alone; we need your support,
physically and economically. If we go
on fighting with each other (S.I.R. vs.
G.A.A. and the like), WE'RE NOT GO-
ING TO GET PAST THE DOORWAY
OF OUR GLASS CLOSETS. We have to
get together and fight for our rights,
equality and freedom. It isn't going to
happen with you sitting on a barstool
cruising all the cute numbers that walk
in. I want to see some support. I want
to see you out there fighting along side
me. I WANT TO SEE EQUALITY. But
we have to do it together.

-Woody

HAVOC HOUSE AUCTION A RIOT
HAVOC HOUSE Photo by Eddie Van



With **BOBBY ALLISON** of the Trapp doing his
thing as Master of Ceremonies, the auction at
the HAVOC HOUSE for the **HELPING HANDS**
G.C.S.C. was a big success. Bobby was ably
assisted by **CAROL LYNN** of the Frolic Room,
along with **ELZA OSTROM**, now of Arizona,
BUSTY O'SHEA of the Queen's Palace,
JILL STEVENS of the Frolic Room, **TONI**
of the Frolic Room, **VICKI MARLANE** of
the Frolic Room, **DOROTHY KILGALLAN**
of the Havoc House, **ROY** and **BILL** of the
Havoc House, **DON BLACK** of Foxhole fame,
and so many, many other fine people that
if they have been left out, please forgive.



TERRY TAYLOR

Use the community bulletin board at the
HELPING HANDS CENTER. Find a
roommate, apartments, rentals to share,
etc. Come in and list yourself on the
Helping Hands Community Bulletin
Board, 225 Turk Street, downtown,
between Jones and Leavenworth.

PEOPLES FESTIVAL



Scene from the Festival of Gay Liberation
Photo by George Mendenhall

More than 350 persons attended the
Festival of Gay Liberation held on
Sunday, June 24, as an alternative to
the sexist and racist Gay Freedom (?)
Day Parade put on by the "rulers" of
the homophile group. Music and
speeches were the order of the day.
Leading off was **SHANGHAI LIL**
and **BAND**, which were tremendous.
The crowd got up and danced.

After that,
everything was beautiful, and so
lovely in all ways.

LAVENDER COUNTRY, a radical
Gay country band from Seattle,
performed, much to the enjoyment
of all present. Also **BETH ELLIOT**,
radical lesbian folk singer, and **SUE**
ISAACS sang. **SUE** is also from Seattle.

and her renditions of folk-style radical
socialist Gay songs were extremely
well received. Speakers for the day
were **LARRY LITTLEJOHN** and
attorney **B.J. BECKWITH** of the
PRIDE FOUNDATION. They were
both well received. Various performers
gave mini-speeches calling for drastic
change in the system of government
and in governmental practices.
The intermissions were filled
with group singing led by the **RED**
LAMBDA SINGERS.

The entire event was most positive,
and there were none of the drugs and
the naked acts that took place at the
other event. Gay support for socialism
is growing, and can't be stopped!



SCENE FROM THE FESTIVAL OF GAY LIBERATION

Photo by George Mendenhall

APPALLED AT WATERGATE?

Perhaps you've been appalled by the Senate Watergate Committee's
snooping at the highest levels of government.
While liberal apologists are sighing and moaning over the Watergate
revelations, socialist groups like the Gay Activists Alliance are not
in the least surprised. This kind of invasion of personal privacy is
not only without precedent, it is thoroughly legal under the laws
of our corporation-dominated legislatures. Anyone with the money
can purchase the services of a Liddy or a Hunt, and do it legally.
We reprint, as demonstration, a portion of Page 320 of the San
Francisco telephone directory for 1973, where only legal acts can
be advertised. Draw your own conclusions. We've drawn ours.

INVESTIGATIONS
Domestic, Civil, Corporation,
Personal, Polygraph,
Lie Detection, Laboratory
Industrial Under Cover Work

SHADOWING
secretly obtaining evidence
for domestic personal use or
court proceedings. Missing
Persons Located

The President's administration is now openly vi-
olating the law—a constitutional crisis.
The four major violations of the constitution are:
Waging war without the consent of Congress.
Hindering free elections by espionage and sabotage.
Violating the right of a fair trial by illegal means.
Aiding in the concealment of a high crime.

Every person in a federally-aided drug
treatment program will have their
personal history on file in the
C.O.D.A.P. computer in Maryland.

LOUD & Proud

GAYS SHALL OVERCOME

by B.J. Beckwith

The first step in the struggle for
equality has always been the hardest.
The first step for gay persons has been
to open the doors of their own closets
which we have been behind too long.
The greatest impetus to the gay move-
ment has been the fact that responsible
people from all stations of life have
openly revealed their sexual orienta-
tion and have entered the mainstream
of the gay movement. There can be
no doubt that gay protests, gay demon-
strations, gay parades and festivals
of gay consciousness have educated the
general public and have made this
public more receptive to our pleas for
full and complete equality now.

The phrase "We shall overcome"
has caught the imagination of many

minorities in their struggle to overcome
injustices and oppressive laws which are
perpetuated by a biased, uninformed
and prejudicial electorate. It is fitting
and proper that the gay community has
played a major role in the history and
development of the phrase "We shall
overcome." Many gay leaders have
struggled for years to overcome the
injustices and bring about a new spirit
of tolerance for us and our lifestyle.
One of the first things the gay leaders
have struggled to overcome are the bar-
baric, senseless, cruel and inhuman felony
sex laws. It is impossible to even begin
to calculate the grave psychological
damage which the mere existence of
these laws inflict upon men and women.
The State Legislature and the Courts
have labeled law-abiding, tax-paying
citizens as sex perverts and sick people.
The gay community is getting close to
achieving victory over these ancient laws.
Some states have repealed such laws and
in other states the courts are limiting
their effect or striking them down as
unconstitutional invasions of the

citizen's right to privacy. Several attor-
neys, including myself, presently have
cases on appeal seeking a judicial de-
claration that the laws in this state against
homosexual activity are unconstitutional.
Another basic and fundamental area
which needs to overcome the hatred
and bias of past generations is in the
field of employment. Some progress has
been made in this field. Non-discrimina-
tory employment codes which specify
sexual orientation have been passed in
San Francisco and a few other cities.
The real strides in the employment field
are yet to be made. We shall not overcome
employment discrimination until ap-
propriate legislation is passed forbidding job
discrimination at all levels. We shall not
overcome discrimination until the local,
state and federal government openly
hire gay people. We shall not overcome
until the United States openly per-
mits gay persons to serve in all branches of the
military. We shall not overcome until
gay people are permitted to serve as
firemen, policemen and teachers. We
shall not overcome until gay persons are
granted licenses to practice any profession.

We shall not overcome until the federal
government abandons its senseless im-
migration restrictions against gay people.
We shall not overcome until gay persons
are openly considered suitable candi-
dates for political office at every level
of our government.

We, as gay people, cannot begin to
expect the straight world to show a
spirit of tolerance for our life style if we
within our own community cannot exhibit
a spirit of tolerance to our own gay
brothers and sisters. According to Hindu
philosophy there are many paths to
achieve nirvana and likewise there are
many ways for gays to overcome the
injustices and prejudices which confront
our community. Gay leaders must ex-
hibit a greater tolerance for organizations
within the United States open to them
they may be active. By developing
greater gay awareness, by developing
greater community responsibility and
by expanding the spirit of tolerance
within our own gay community, we
shall overcome and get a similar spirit
of tolerance from the whole community.

rape another woman in the manner that
was alleged, the DOB's could have
more reasonably dealt with the issue
by ruling that women who are alleged
to have raped other women should be
excluded from membership.

Another possibility could have struck
the DOB's—that perhaps this DOB
officer who describes herself as a male
transsexual really isn't a male transsexual
at all and is just a heterosexual male
transvestite (a man who gets kicks out
of dressing in women's clothes), out
for some action with gay women.

In this case DOB would have ruled
to exclude male transvestites from its
organization and then would have alleged
that the DOB officer they excluded was
really a male transvestite.

DOB had used this reasoning they
would have made perfect asses out of
themselves since the officer they ex-
cluded had worked with them and passed
as a woman for two years. We could then
joke: "What's the matter with those
DOB's, can't they tell the difference
between a man and a woman?"

(A sneaking thought tells me that per-
haps DOB was trying to save face from
just this kind of joke by ruling that male
transsexuals rather than male transves-
tites be excluded from their illustrious
membership.)

All psychiatric tests and evidence
show that true male transsexuals are
as woman in their gender as any other
woman. (Although it is true that there
are a large number of males who may at
one time or another think they are trans-
sexuals but really aren't.)

Women who are born with penises
between their legs suffer legal, social and
all other kinds of oppressions which are
almost unbelievably harsh to gay people
who consider themselves oppressed.

And now the San Francisco branch
of the Daughters of Bilitis has decided
to add to this oppression.

Not only that, DOB has made a ruling
that will add oppression to some of our
gay sisters.

(Or perhaps it's merely a case of
simple paranoia as the shrinks have
always said about us—maybe those who
voted to exclude women who happen to
have male genitals are just plain scared.)

What kind of lesbians will be excluded
from DOB next? Gay women who wear
pants? Gay women with black skins?
Gay women with green eyes?

-Sasha Yasinin (Seattle)

SASHA

D.O.B. RETURNS TO DARK AGES

by Sasha Yasinin (Seattle)

The Daughters of Bilitis of San Fran-
cisco, one of the oldest gay women's
organizations in the country, ruled some
time ago that some women are no longer
eligible to be members of their group.
This same group, DOB, also ruled that
some gay women may not be eligible
for membership in their group.

How did DOB, originally a protector of
some of America's most oppressed
women, manage to become such a bigoted
oppressor of women?

The rationale DOB is using is based on
an old concept of gender identity, one
that has been used to oppress thousands
of people in our country for years. This
old concept of gender identity is simply
that the sexual organs between a human's
lets determine the person's gender.

Using this archaic rationale, San Fran-
cisco DOB has decided to exclude women
who happen to have penises from their
membership—male transsexuals. These
women who happen to have penises
(until they are removed surgically) are
sometimes gay.

DOB's reasoning is painfully similar
to another brand of sexist reasoning
which determines gender by the clothes
a person wears. This reasoning goes
like this: "Oh, that woman is wearing
men's pants, she isn't very feminine,
she is masculine—she isn't really a
woman." This reasoning has been used
for years as a way of oppressing
lesbians as well as repressing the true
natures and capabilities of all women
(as well as men).

Doubtlessly the issues in this partic-
ular DOB decision were a little more
complex than a simple decision that
women (even if they were gay) who hap-
pen to have penises between their legs
at birth cannot become members of this
lesbian organization.

There were claims that the male-
transsexual DOB officer who was at the
center of this controversy allegedly
attempted to rape another woman a
couple of years ago. Even if this charge
were true (although it sounds extremely
odd that one woman would attempt to

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BUILD A UNITED GAY FRONT?

SOME THOUGHTS

by Roland G. Schembri

Four months ago I arrived in San Francisco—starry-eyed and convinced that the city was, as it's made to seem, the gay capital of the world. It also followed, if San Francisco were the capital, the city would also be the center of the Gay Liberation Movement, a hub of unified activity directed toward our brothers and sisters still in the closet and at society in general, to eventually create a coalition with other oppressed peoples, a truly humanistic revolutionary new world. This may have been a bit idealistic after so many disappointing years in both the gay and straight movements. But San Francisco and Berkeley—these were magic names we used to inspire ourselves in the dark days of Iowa City, Iowa.

What's the reality like? A diversity of groups representing a handful of the gay community, all purporting to speak for it, and all without exception constantly bickering and stabbing each other in the back.

The changes in alliances between the differing groups represents a situation similar to that in Europe prior to the First World War (or in 1984)—all they do is change the names of the enemy or friend as economic or political needs demand.

Then there are the personalities, or what used to be called the "heavies" in movement circles, also fighting among themselves for the dubious honor of representing the "gay community". The end result of the above is a fragmented movement, regardless of what articles in the B.A.R., Kalendar, Vector and The Advocate would have us believe. There are exceptions to the above in a few individuals who honestly work for the community—some belong to all these groups and they usually aren't the "heavies."

There is also one group that sort of sits on the fence between them, ignoring the strife and quietly going about its stated business—and it's not even radical. That group is the Pride Foundation, a group that represents what S.I.R. used to be in its heyday.

On the outside of this gay establishment far out in "left" field, even "crying in the wilderness", is the Gay Activists Alliance, Reverend Raymond Broshers and his few "personal friends", a "handful of miscreants" that continually embarrass the "gay community" by telling the truth, making mistakes and learning from them, by screaming at the tops of their lungs at just about everybody who in one way or another oppresses gay people and people in general. The impression given in the "gay press" is that G.A.A. is a one-man operation and that there is no one else in the Alliance but the Rev. Ray. This is not true: I'm a member and there are others, and we don't always agree with the Rev. Mr. Broshers. One thing people should be aware of is the fact that all decisions affecting the Alliance are made collectively by the membership and not by an individual. It is true that the active membership of the Alliance is small. But if we're playing the numbers game, think about how many people are active or do the shit work in any organization, and how many do you come up with?

What every group has to realize is that the real enemy, aside from capitalism, sexism and all the other isms, is apathy in the very people that one is trying to reach. The question to answer is how to effectively reach those people, raise their consciousness and make activists out of them. The only group that is continuously experimenting with ways to do this, albeit not always successfully, is G.A.A. If more people would come to G.A.A. meetings, look beyond the one-person mythology of leadership and join, we might be far more successful than we have been. It takes people to make things happen to other people.

I'm not advocating that everyone join G.A.A.; diversity is good and needed. What I'm asking is that people get involved one way or another in the struggle for human dignity. Do something! Join the Pride Foundation and be liberally active; join S.I.R. and help save them from themselves; make Metropolitan Community Church a truly Christian church and not a gay extension of straight organized religion. If you're into electoral politics, organize around the best candidate as a voting bloc, not around the party. Just do something with love for all your sisters and brothers. Be cynically idealistic like me.

Use the community bulletin board at the HELPING HANDS CENTER. Find a roommate, apartments, rentals to share, etc. Come in and list yourself on the Helping Hands Community Bulletin Board, 225 Turk Street, downtown, between Jones and Leavenworth.

BIG TOWN GREAT FOR ALL

A tour of BIG TOWN, 115 Harriet Street at 6th and Folsom, on Friday night July 20 brought many pleasant surprises to Gay Activists Alliance members visiting BIG TOWN. A group of GAAers had paid a visit to BIG TOWN shortly after its opening some time back and liked it, but felt that much work had to be done to bring it up to its potential.

This last visit, headed by the "Flying Nun" and "Our Lady of the Drag Queens", Rev. Ray Broshers, began with various members of the GAA drifting in for dinner and doing the shops. The younger members went dancing later in the Saloon (which is better than Cabaret, and a hell of a lot safer fire-wise). Rev. Ray was buzzing through the shops and spent a great deal of time in three of them which he would especially like to recommend.

LIVE OAK HERBS is a shop for every natural food faddist or just people who truly care about their health. The owner is, like the other shop owners, a charming man who treats every one like one wants to be treated, as a friend.

This was also true upstairs at the BELL BOOK & CANDLE, a shop which has all types of Gay Liberation movement books in paperback and hardback. They also have candles and other books as well. The books on mysticism will be the most interesting to students of the occult. The owner of this shop is the hunky man of all time, Daryl Gleide, a former prexy of the Tavern Guild and more recently owner of the now defunct Bachelor's Club. The shop and owner both generate lovely warm vibrations. (Although the Rev. Ray did seem to get upset at seeing all those copies of a book entitled "The Lord is My Shepherd and He Knows I Am Gay", by some obscure clergyman from Southern California.)

And lastly was the shop of shops, the BEYOND FUNK. It is beyond the pure old country preacher Rev. Ray to understand shops like this one, but owner Bill Norato, who models the "used levis" shop, did him so unimpressed that he almost staggered out of the shop and fell over the rail.

Sincerely, Bill Norato is a nice guy who has a most unusual gift shop, with lots of nice things in it. It should also be mentioned that if you are looking for that frame for that special picture of that special person, there is a lovely shop on the ground floor next to LIVE OAK HERBS that has it all. Shop with those who support the Gay service organizations. SHOP AT BIG TOWN.

THE PRIDE FOUNDATION

PRIDE FOUNDATION NEWS NOTES

The Pride Foundation recently opened its doors at 22 Russ Street, San Francisco. Its purpose is to advance the welfare of the homosexual community through educational activities and legal action. Those viewing the recent Gay Parade in San Francisco saw Pride Foundation activists marching behind a giant PRIDE banner. We have been protesting the treatment of homosexuals in the news media, filing a legal action that may just overthrow California's unjust sex laws, issued a complaint with the Human Rights Commission over the telephone company's hiring policy, nominated a homosexual to be a member of the city's Cablevision Task Force, and have begun to involve ourselves in numerous legal and educational projects.

Pride Foundation has held a series of dinners which were a success. Guest speakers

included Rev. Bill Johnson of the Council on Religion and the Homosexual; Dr. Walter Barnett, professor at Hastings Law College and author of the book "Sexual Freedom and the Constitution"; and Wayne Redus, Employment Coordinator of the Human Rights Commission. We have scheduled a new series of dinners with special guests throughout August and into September, beginning with supervisor Peter Finnegan on August 10; Rev. Ray Broshers of GAA/SF on August 24; and Margo St. James of "Coyote" on September 7. If you wish to attend these dinners, please contact the PRIDE FOUNDATION by writing Pride, P.O. Box 1983, San Francisco, Ca. 94101. All dinners are by reservation only. You may also phone 864-9476. Cost of the dinners is \$3.00, so if you wish to join us, ring or write.

HELPING HANDS

HELPING HANDS GAY COMMUNITY SERVICE CENTER REPORT

The first six months of operation of the Helping Hands has found the Center with a deficit of \$522.33, which has been taken care of by friends of the Center. In the first six months, operating costs were \$2,937.73, with an income of \$2,415.40 (which is not bad at all, in the view of the Center's director, Rev. Ray Broshers).

The big fund raisers were the auctions at the GASLIGHT, old JACKIE D'S and the HAVOC HOUSE. Two auctions were disasters, the Ray Rule one at the Corner Bar, and the Alley Cat auction. Both of those events were, of course, bad-mouthed by Tavern Guild prexy Bob Ross.

Donations came from such lovely as attorney B.J. Beckwith; Dr. Frank; Mr. David of Oakland; Carl Jordan; and the People's Temple, and all went to making a highly successful first six months of operation. Then the harrassing of Walt Fountain along with his gifts has made the day for us. There are so many wonderful people who have helped that we cannot begin to mention them all, but they are all appreciated.

The Orthodox Episcopal Church of God has made several large donations as well. Your support is needed, both physical and financial. Clothing for our free clothing rack is needed, as well as supplies for the office. A mimeograph machine is needed quite badly, as is a new typewriter. Folding chairs are also needed. So, if you can help, please do so, for you help yourself when you help others.

PORTRAIT OF THE TENDERLOIN

Coloured days painted up with smiles and the touching of lives and the canvas is the carpet treaded on by a thousand feet where many drinks have slept and many tears have tried to keep it clean and many have danced and laughed and played on it like you see in the movies when the sailor man meets the girl and he swings around the lampposts and tap dances around the fountain's steps and it leads into so many places for the gay ones the mystical baths where you think you're in one of Fellini's dreams and the bars with all their segregations one for the lesbians one for the drags one for the freaks and one for the gas and so on, leather and lace and so on and the hot houses and the fuck films and the porno shops and then back on the streets the fantasies in the flesh young boys selling their bodies some for a survival trip some for the easy money there is so much to offer you here in our mecca the last of the social gatherings will soon be packing it in nobody wants to get together except to go out on the streets or into the bedrooms and there's a picture that is being painted of a sea with many men and many women and they're drowning in it before they even learned to swim

—Doug Oram

In balance, I wouldn't either.

f. What would have to happen for NU-WRO to become effective is that they build good local organization independent of a NCLC cadre (which would be very difficult, since NCLC can't let that happen). As ever, H.J.E.

Get C.O.D.A.P. before it gets you!

THE GREAT ATLANTIC RADIO CONSPIRACY ANSWERS AN INQUIRY ON THE NATIONAL CAUCUS OF LABOR COMMITTEES

In answer to your question about NCLC, NU-WRO and GAA:

- NCLC is an essentially left-oriented cadre organization with standard vanguardist notions about revolutionary work.
- I am amazed that they should approach GAA. It must be an accident of specific persons/events in San Francisco.
- They have, in Lynn Marcus and others, some of the best left economic
- They have, in Lynn Marcus and others, some of the best left economic thinkers around.

- Their views regarding the American left, the CPUSA, and political organizing are more than absurd—they are dangerous. If the left begins physically attacking the left—as they have—then we all have to divert our energy to defense and counterattack against the wrong enemies. Their actions reflect their concerns with discipline and power and their lack of concern with building a humanist revolution.
- I have followed the WRO/NU-WRO closely. I am sure that on a national level WRO has been decimated and co-opted, although there are probably still some good strong locals. The idea of NU-WRO is consistent with NCLC's economic analysis—and in principle, I agree with it. Tactically, NCLC can't pull it off because of their organizational absurdity. Most of the left will not support them.

SHRINKS ALIVE

SPLITS AND WHOLENESS IN GAY LIFE

by Mark Freedman, Ph.D.

Looking at the gay scene, it is obvious that there are many deficiencies. I would like to talk about these flaws from a Gestalt psychological perspective. (Gestalt means an "integrated whole"; it implies harmony and completeness.) Paul Goodman and other Gestalt psychotherapists have pointed up how modern society has caused splits in people's lives which prevent optimal functioning—because a harmonious wholeness can never emerge. The gay world perpetuates many of these splits (for example, masculinity/femininity, sex/love, and sexuality/spirituality) and promotes other splits unique to the gay scene.

The most pronounced split in the lives of most gays is between the heterosexual facade and the inner homosexual self. Leading two lives (straight by day, gay by night) is energy-consuming; you must constantly be vigilant that your secret not be revealed. Many gays go to great extremes to avoid detection. Although there are realistic considerations for many gays in not being open about their sexual orientation, in most cases openness would not result in the catastrophe the gay person imagines. And, psychologically, it is better to live your life as a unity. Personally, I have felt happier and more energetic since I started being completely open about my homosexual orientation.



Dr. Mark Freedman of Northeast Mental Health Clinic

rocks off" at the baths. I do not mean to say that sex should only exist in the context of a long-term love relationship: even a one-time sexual experience can be friendly, affectionate and life-enhancing. I do condemn a sexual enlivening. A pronounced split in American society is between sensuality and spirituality. We focus on the life of the senses to the exclusion of the life of the spirit. Some people live to eat rather than eat to live. Others become immersed in alternate sensual and sexual experiences. Again, I am not condemning the enjoyment of sensual experiences. But people must have more to live for than the next meal, the next movie or the next fuck. There is a whole world most people neglect: nature, higher states of consciousness, and the God-force. Many gay people have been alienated by institutional religion and they have consequently excluded any type of religious feeling or quest for divinity from their lives. We have to re-integrate the possibility of spirituality and divinity into our lives; otherwise, we will be living in a dead, meaningless and absurd universe.

The last split I want to discuss is within the gay community: butch gays, Lesbians and vice-versa; liberationists put down closet cases; liberal gay organizations disassociate themselves from radical-socialist gay groups. While there are genuine differences of value or life styles in the gay community, we must never forget that we are bound together by society's pressure against homosexuality. This oppression should help us find our commonalities and fight for our basic human rights. This struggle should unite us as a community—we should eliminate the in-fighting which saps our energy. There may not be a genuine gay community yet, but some day that Gestalt may emerge. I hope so.

counter which involves using the other person as just a body to rub up against, as an exciting source of friction. Rather than use a person in this way, masturbate yourself!

really?

There is a tremendous need for responsible programs for those who are addicted to alcohol. While money is raised for such things as "mental health", the people who are doing such fund raising are in large part responsible for the growing addiction to alcohol—and yet want to do nothing to help those who are addicted to alcohol. There is NO NEED for a center or clinic for Gaypeople, run by Gays for Gays in the field of mental health, for the majority of shrinks have come into an awareness that they cannot any longer treat Gays as mentally ill.

But there is a need for a center or clinic run by Gays for Gays in the field of alcoholism. The group called PROJECT CONCERN, which is composed of bar owners and bartenders who serve and sell the drinks to alcoholics, have turned a deaf ear to this most serious problem. Of course, if a person is cured of alcoholism they won't spend money until they have drunk themselves into an incoherent stupor to where they are buying drinks for the whole bar. A person cured of alcoholism is a cutback in revenue and tips. The need is great, and if those who are heading up PROJECT CONCERN cannot see it, or refuse to see it, and fail to take action in this field, they are guilty of contributing to the continuing growth of alcoholism. I would urge those whose minds are stuck in the cash register to remember one thing. Should your customer become an alcoholic, it is but a matter of time before they have drunk themselves out of employment and out of money to spend in your bar. A skid-row alcoholic does not make much business, except for the police. Such a program and center, if established, could NOT BE RUN by a liberal bleeding-heart type. It would have to be run by a non-drinker and a non-son-of-a-bitch person, and a person who is able to keep their judgment values above the groin. Sexism would be the most difficult part to deal with in running such a center and program. Think that one over, all ye co-godders!

—Rev. Ray Broshers

SF Medical trust fund BENEFIT

BENEFIT FOR VICTIMS OF NEW ORELANS FIRE

A BENEFIT for the victims who were badly burned in the New Orleans fire at the Upstairs bar on June 24 is to be held at the FROLIC ROOM on Monday, August 27, at 9:00 pm. It will be a show and an auction, with a host of volunteer musical stars from San Francisco's various show clubs. The event is being coordinated by the GAA/SF and is being sponsored by the Orthodox Episcopal Church of God. If you have items to donate for the auction, please leave them, so marked, with any of the desk clerks at the HELPING HANDS CENTER.

Dennis Andrews of the FROLIC ROOM contacted the GAA chairperson, Rev. Ray Broshers, and asked him to coordinate the event. Already several stars have been signed up for the evening with TERRY TAYLOR being a co-host.

The event hopes to bring in at least \$500 for the victims of the fire who are going to need extensive plastic surgery to try to cover the burn scars.

The funds raised will be turned directly over to the people responsible for seeing to it that the funds are given directly to the hospital in which several of the victims are still hospitalized and will be for many weeks to come.

You are all urged to attend this one, because it could just as easily have been you setting in a bar and some sickie tosses a firebomb in the doorway. Please, please, whatever you do, try to help those who are less fortunate than you. Remember, there but for the grace of our Father-Mother God goes you!

—Rev. Ray Broshers

Ripoff

ALICE COOPER

[This is the first in a series of articles on gays in rock-and-roll, although this article is about a straight band. I chose to write about Alice in order to get unpleasantness out of the way. Next issue: Lou Reed]

Because of their stage act and appearance, many people think of Alice Cooper as freaks—hip—urbane. The tendency early in their career to perform in semi-drag inspired many words on their contributions to gender-fuck in the rock-and-roll press.

I hope you don't think we're really like this. I mean, we're really normal—it's just an act, you know, Alice has a girlfriend. Three times I heard variations on this theme as I met "Alice" and the boys in the band at Max's Kansas City. Alice has since made statements praising Barry Goldwater, and he talks about tax shelters and business deals, making it clear that he is not one who has any understanding of what changes must become reality in order to end the injustices inherent in a system that values some people's work in the millions and others work to starve.

Alice Cooper's appeal is to those who would have gone to the Coliseum in Rome to watch the lions and the Christians. He is proud that his show doesn't teach his audience a damned thing—his whole trip is to entertain and rip off the most jaded collection of spoiled brats in history. They revel in the idea of being rich enough to buy a thousand times their rightful share of this planet. Outdoing their parents in conspicuous consumption, they waste the world, living on the backs of oppressed peoples everywhere.

The Coopers play their instruments competently but with the soulless lack of feeling inherent in their philosophy of life. The lack of feeling in their playing is less apparent here because one's attentions are on the antics of Alice, but on records the one-dimensional quality of their music is perfectly obvious. Like their music, their stage act is also "highly derivative." One sees bits of Lord Sutch, Arthur Brown, Iggy Stogee, Screamin' Jay Hawkins, etc., in all of Alice's theatrics.

If you want to find out what's happening, don't turn to Alice—they'll only make fun of your caring. The establishment has nothing to worry about in Alice Cooper.

—Antonio Roxoff



We as homosexuals, the "third sex", realize that our oppression comes from straight people and, in part, from those of the homophile ("respectable") people. We are engaged in a struggle for sexual self-determination, in a struggle for the right to be real, in a struggle to throw off the chains of stereotype, to move in all circles of society without ostracism due to our sexual lifestyle, or our mode of dress. We are struggling to end the class and caste system of the capitalist governments in the world, as well as those that are socialist dictatorships. We are struggling to free all peoples, Gay or straight, from the chains of oppression. We as Gaypeoples know that no liberation can be real unless all oppressed peoples are liberated as well. So as we struggle onward and upward in our battle for complete victory, we must link ourselves to the struggles of the various race, ethnic and women's movements for true liberation from the class-caste system. Unless we do so, we cannot be truly free. End employment discrimination. This is a major roadblock in the majority of America and the world, as the majority of Gays are forced to wear the stereotype clothes and act in the straight people's stereotype if they are to hold employment or gain employment. We want Gaypeople to be able to be teachers, doctors, and whatever, openly, as Gaypeoples, and to do this we must end the current state system of operation.

CAROL



CAROL LYNN DOING A NUMBER AT HELPING HANDS AWARD SHOW

Photo by Eddie Van

Stars Twinkle

HELPING HAND AWARD WINNERS
by Mavis Mockingbird

The Frolic Room on Mason Street was packed to the rafters with Gaypeoples from all walks of Gaylife for the First Annual Helping Hands Awards Show on Monday night, June 4th.

The evening opened with an introduction of the event by the director of the HELPING HANDS GAY COMMUNITY SERVICE CENTER, the Reverend Ray Broshers, and then the festivities began. Performers so grand went to the stage, one after another, giving the best performances of their careers, as all present agreed.

The DONNA MAE (Egg & I) REVUE stunned the audience, with MAE surprising all with his talents and RANDY JOHNSON doing it wild and randy, and DONNA MAE herself war chanting it all over the place. VICKI MARLANE was so fine, so really fine, and stopped the show with "Bridge Over Troubled Waters." And a dancing version of "Bridge Over Troubled Waters" was done by TERRY HOLLAND of Hollywood, and that number, with the magic lighting of ELZA and superb costume, just did everything.

TERRY TAYLOR, late as usual, did a tremendous job, as did the TERRY TAYLOR DANCERS who did "Gay Liberation" to a stunned audience. CAROL LYNN of course was on top with dress and form. Carol has to be seen to be believed. And then BUSTY O'SHEA, the one and only, did a favorite of so many, "Harper Valley PTA". San Francisco's loss is Hayward's gain, for that is where Busty is playing now.

And then Busty's old man, JOHN CARLYLE, sang live and received the longest ovation yet. JILL STEVENS pleased all as usual with her performance.

LINCOLN KAHUA OF THE TRAPP did a surprise number and was most pleasing. The entertainment was tremendous, and the person who was the Master of Ceremonies was KIMO COCHRAN, who rushed back to town from an out-of-town appearance to serve that evening. He was dashing in his white suit, which was a front piece and back piece held together on the sides by leather thongs (oh, to have had a pair of scissors and all would have been revealed!). Kimo kept the show moving with dash and humor.

The first person to receive a beautiful statuette of the HELPING HANDS WINGED VICTORY was LENN MOULLET of the S.F. CLUB. Others to receive the little golden awards were: GEORGE MENDENHALL of the Pride Foundation, DONNA MAE of the Egg & I, CHARLIE DAVIS of the Yonkers Production Company, DENNIS KRUSZYNSKI formerly of Emmaus House, ELZA OSTROM formerly of Vanguard, the Frolic Room and GAA/SF, TERRY TAYLOR of Helping Hands, REV. PAUL PEACHY of M.C.C., and DON BLACK, better known as FOXHOLE TILLIE. Those were the grand awards for 1973.

Then Certificates of Appreciation were given out for service long gone unrecognized. Certificates went to EDDIE VAN of David Magazine, PAUL BENTLY of the Ramrod, GARY SCHNEIDER of the Havoc House, attorney B.J. BECKWITH of the Pride Foundation, LINCOLN KAHUA of the Trapp, Officer ELLIOT BLACKSTON of the S.F.P.D., DORAN CRAWLEY of Emmaus House, and the Master of Ceremonies, KIMO COCHRAN.

It was a grand evening all agreed, and it will certainly be remembered by all for a long time. Hats off to all award winners for they really deserved them. They all have given to much help to so many, and they are the real "leaders", if there is such a thing, in the various Gay communities.

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A LOVE POEM

by Kenneth Jerrett
(Inmate, San Quentin Prison)

There is no difficulty that enough
love will not conquer;
No disease that enough love will not heal,
No door that enough love will not open;
No Gulf that enough love will not throw down,
No sin that enough love will not redeem—
It makes no difference how deeply seated
the trouble may be;
How hopeless the outlook, how muddled
the tangle,
How great the mistake: a sufficient
realization of love
Will dissolve it all—
If only one could love enough,
You would be the happiest and most
powerful being in the world.....
—Kenneth Jerrett

The ALLIANCE supporting membership on paper is 834; supporting on paper and paid, 192; active participation membership, 43; and voting membership (which includes only workers), 31. The GAY ALLIANCE is a voting member of the San Francisco Coordinating Council on Drug Abuse; participating member of the San Francisco Drug Research Project; supporting member of the Chino Defense Committee; member of the Grand Jury Defense Committee; a member of Welfare Rights Organization; a member of the Tenderloin Citizens Council; a member of the Committee Against Psychiatric Atrocities; a member of the United Prisoners Union; and many other community projects.

JOIN THE GAY ALLIANCE!



The first president of the GAY ALLIANCE was the Rev. Mikhail Itkin. He was ousted in a split and coup by a group headed up by the Rev. Ray Broshers, just three months after the founding of the GAY ALLIANCE on April 9, 1971. Itkin then went on to found a group called BAY GAY which formed a newspaper called PEOPLES GAY SUN-SHINE; both the group and the paper lasted but a month or two. The GAY ALLIANCE under the presidency of Rev. Broshers then staged ZAPS at least once a month until the November coup by members of the S.W.P., which took control of the GAY ALLIANCE by electoral means but which was ousted through legal and physical means by Broshers and others.

The GAY ALLIANCE has had two presidents during the past year and a half, both of whom resigned, the most notable being Randy King, who served for two months, and Galen O'Brien, who served one month. Both were elected after resignations by the Rev. Broshers and his militant socialist-like faction. Rev. Broshers was re-elected to a two year term in January of 1973 without opposition.

During his tenure, the ALLIANCE has zapped the San Francisco Police Department on 14 occasions, has zapped the Mayor twice, the daily Examiner newspaper twice, the Federal Government once, and coordinated the largest Gay contingent ever on April 22, 1972, when 4,000 Gays marched to Kezar Stadium for a rally against war and racism. Broshers has been attacked consistently by friend and foe alike for his off-times near-violent tactics.

The GAY ALLIANCE conducted the first-ever San Francisco ZAP against Pacific Telephone in November, 1971, and has been the organizer of ALL the ZAPS conducted to date, June 22, 1973, in the struggle to end discrimination by Pacific Telephone in employment. The ALLIANCE has conducted ZAPS against the military for abuse of Gays in the service; against City Hall for abuse of the elderly and disabled; and against the HILTON HOTELS for the continued use of their facilities by the Vice Squad. In addition, the GAY ALLIANCE now staffs the majority of the shifts and services at the HELPING HANDS GAY COMMUNITY SERVICES CENTER, which is the most dynamic thing going in San Francisco.

The GAY ALLIANCE began entry into the publications field with the newsletter GAYVOICE and, later, the newsletter LAVENDER LETTER. They took over the former Gay parade publication, GAY PRIDE, changed the name to GAY PRIDE QUARTERLY and subsequently changed it completely to the San Francisco GAY CRUSADER. The CRUSADER is published every other month.



Medical Murder

by Dennis Kruszyński

"NEW WAYS BEING FOUND TO CURE SEXUALLY ABNORMAL PEOPLE", headlines a recent London Daily Express article reviewing recent sexual "research" on prisoners at Wormwood Scrubs Prison (1).

Dr. Leopold Fields, Staff Psychiatrist at London Metropolitan Hospital, and Dr. Mark Williams, Head Psychologist at Wormwood Scrubs Prison, have been experimenting upon male prisoners since 1965 to find a way to treat "sexual abnormality" through chemical castration.

In recent years the gay community has become aware of all manner of delightful psychiatric techniques designed to cure homosexuals, including electric shock, paralysis-inducing drugs and even brain surgery. The Drs. Fields and Williams, however, have taken a more simple and direct approach: to simply eliminate the sex drive altogether. Dr. Fields states that his treatment "...may be described as a comparatively blunt instrument in this respect."

Three years ago the doctors published the results of long-term experiments on 30 prisoners utilizing the implantation of the female hormone Oestradiol B.P.C. to eliminate the sexual drive in its entirety (SCIENCE, MEDICINE AND THE LAW [10:1] January, 1970). Last month the London Daily Express carried a feature article on their newest experimentation involving a "more effective" drug, Benperidol (known as Haloperidol in the U.S.).

The main advantage of Benperidol, according to Dr. Fields, is that its castration effects are permanent, whereas the older form of treatment by female hormone implant required continuous dosage.

The Attempt to Legitimize Forcible Chemical Castration

Fields-Williams are undoubtedly aware of the cloud under which their kind of sexual "research" on human guinea pigs has fallen, and attempt to legitimize their research by stating emphatically (1) that their treatment is administered only to convicted sex offenders guilty of sex with children, (2) that their treatment is administered not only to homosexual offenders but to all sexual offenders, (3) that administration of the treatment is entirely voluntary, and (4) that acceptance of the treatment by the "volunteers" in no way affects their release date from prison.

Examination of the facts reveals, however, that all is not as rosy as the doctors would have us believe. To their way of telling it, who could object to chemical castration of a beast guilty of sexual assault on little children? But let us look at the offenses for which some of their prisoner subjects are in prison, as reported by Fields himself: "Buggery of a boy over the age of sixteen who consented has a maximum imprisonment of five years whilst if the boy did not consent there is a maximum sentence of ten years. Life imprisonment is the maximum sentence if it involves a boy under the age of sixteen and it is to be noted that under that age a boy cannot legally consent to this act." As though it were not cruel and unusual enough to imprison someone for having sex with a teenager, Dr. Fields would sit on high and decree chemical castration!

Dr. Fields does not tell us how many of his subjects (30 in the hormone experiment and 28 in the Benperidol experiment) were guilty of homosexual offenses and how many were guilty of heterosexual offenses, but he displays a curious penchant for dwelling on the homosexual ones. In noting that his castration experiments are conducted solely upon men convicted of sex with those not legally adults, he notes that "The Sexual Offences Act of 1967...removed homosexual acts in private between consenting adults from the ambit of the criminal law." In other words, the poor doctors are stuck only with subjects convicted of having sex with non-adults; one almost senses a tone

opinion

PERSONAL OPINION

RUMORS WILD.....

This is notice to all thinking people to beware of the "idiot people." The "idiot people" are running wild with a heavy case of diarrhea of the mouth. This condition has been induced by a well-known laxative known as "Hate-Jealousy", which is given away free by the elitist would-be leaders, who have made claims that various people have "extorted" money from various businesses. They have been asked to put up or shut up for two months now, by going to the District Attorney with their charges. But they have refused. The reason why they have refused is because they are nothing but jealous old queens whose thinking is still very much closed, while they proclaim Gay Liberation.

These people's idea of Gay Liberation is actually gay imprisonment to their forms of thinking and servitude to their forms of operation. If you don't agree with them, then in "idiot queen" thinking you are their enemy. In their lives there is no room for dissent. In their lives, if you are unusual or resort to the bizarre to bring about positive results, then you must be squelched.

While on LAVENDER PANTHER PATROL in the Castro recently, I happened to meet a rather nice fellow who was at a bar, and suddenly he said without warning "I hate you, Broshers!" I replied, "That's nice, join the ranks of the pious M.C.C.'ers, SIRDOMITES, Tokasites, and the rest of the hypocrites." He said that he hated me because he had heard this, and he had heard that, and he kept repeating that we in the GAY ACTIVISTS ALLIANCE had threatened to picket various bars and baths if they refused to advertise with the GAY CRUSADER. I suggested to him that he have the owner of any of these places come forward and prove any such thing by being willing to take a \$120 professional Lie Detector test.

Of course none of this is true, but this gentleman, who called himself "Irene", maintained that it was. He went on to say, in front of other members of the Patrol and patrons of the lovely bar, that I would get him up for criticizing me. I responded that nothing could be further from the truth, that I want critics for by listening to my critics I am able to judge what is what. Of course I pointed out that persons who are would-be "kingmakers" I do not consider legitimate critics but rather as jealous people who want a "proper image" for Gays.

I went on to tell him that if the Gay Freedom Day was any kind of a "proper image", that they could take that proper image and shove it up their ass; that it was degrading, just as those who run the suck-fuck bars and those who do the tea-room and bush-queen trips are degrading to the Gay image. Nevertheless, even though I think these people are the true degraders of the Gay image, that is their way, and I am not about to embark upon some great crusade to end it, for I figure that all who indulge in such practices will surely get in trouble with the laws at some time or other. I did say that I felt it an extremely sorry state of affairs that a bar could only exist because they offer sex as an added attraction.

The only people, with few exceptions, that I consider THE PEOPLE are the rank and file Gaypersons, the Gay person who IS NOT involved in Gay politics, for what they have to say is far more important than what a Duke Smith (or whatever his real name is) has to say. For it is the Gayperson who works nine-to-five, who just goes about his daily activity, who cares for what they are the attacks made upon those of the G.A.A. by the elitists and their running dog lackeys who are so money hungry that they have allowed truth to be painted the color green, the color of money, envy, hate, jealousy, greed and lust for power. Ms. and Mr. AVERAGE GAY are the real people, and they are the people who dictate what we do in the G.A.A., not the elitists and their running dog lackeys.

—Rev. Raymond Broshers

The Gay Activists Alliance is seeking better street lighting in the Tenderloin area and in the Castro area. A request is now before the Board of Supervisors and should be answered by October. Supervisor John Molinari informed the GAY CRUSADER that better lighting in the Tenderloin will be approved. The GAA also requested a stop sign at 18th and Hartford Streets (in the Castro area), after having observed accidents in the area, as well as a street light at the intersection. These requests were made by the GAA at the request of members and businessmen in the area.

in the future and it was explained to him that if this was so it was likely that the treatment was not suitable since such treatment might seriously interfere with his sexual adjustment in marriage...Each subject was warned that one of the side effects might be swelling of the breasts but that if this occurred and caused social embarrassment, surgical treatment would be offered."

How did Drs. Fields-Williams select their voluntary subjects for this remarkable treatment? Dr. Fields states that his treatment was called for where convicted sexual offenders were not amenable to the more usual methods of therapy such as verbal psychotherapy. "Many had neither the requisite level of intelligence nor the mental facility to make psychotherapy meaningful. Too often the prisoner found the discussion embarrassing or felt the need to constantly justify and rationalize his past behavior," he states. Now, if I were gay and in prison, and felt no guilt about my gayness nor about the sex act that got me in prison, would I not be guilty of "feeling the need to constantly justify and rationalize my past behavior"? In other words, if you're gay and proud, better try to stay out of Wormwood Scrubs Prison or Dr. Fields will castrate you. You might call it the "Fields-Williams Treatment for Gay Liberation."

The First Step in Extending Control by the Criminal Justice System over an Ex-Prisoner's Life

In the female hormone program, it bothered the doctors that for some strange reason, prisoners would fail to keep taking the treatments after being released from prison. He found it rather incomprehensible that ex-prisoners were concerned about having no sex drive or capacity. "Oral stilboestrol was unreliable since this left the continuation of the treatment after release in the hands of the offender." Even though upon release appointments were set up at clinics for the ex-prisoners to continue to receive regular doses of the hormone, "...at subsequent interviews (after release) it was admitted that the prospect of reduction in the sexual life carrying with it, as it did, the elimination—or so it was thought—of the main interest in life, led to a cessation of taking the tablets."

To deal with this "problem", Fields agrees emphatically with the recommendations of a fellow researcher in Victoria, Australia, that have been put into force there. It is essential, he says, "...for public protection from repetition of these offenders that there should be continuous supervision by a penal department...I responded that clauses be included in the probation order that the individual should abstain from alcohol and attend for and accept treatment as directed and visit the probation officer at specific intervals for a specific number of years: if the offender accepted these conditions the prison sentence would be suspended. The prisoner was always informed by the court that if he broke any of the conditions of his probation he might be brought before the court and be committed to prison."

Fields is recommending, in effect, parole blackmail: either the "voluntary" subject, once released, continues to take the treatment rendering him impotent, or he faces the threat of being re-committed to prison. Fields hasn't yet gotten his way in England in this regard; however, with the development of his new drug Benperidol, which permanently renders the subject impotent and does not rely on continued treatment, perhaps he is satisfied not to pursue the parole method of insuring continued impotence.

Dr. Fields general conclusion, his contribution to the theory of criminal law, is that "...in view of the non-mutilating nature of this treatment and the ease with which it can be administered to a consenting [sic] patient it should be adopted whenever possible in male cases of abnormal and uncontrollable sexual urges." As to the permanency of the castration, he states "Theoretically, at least, it should be possible to maintain this situation indefinitely. Other drugs have been tried with sexual offenders, but invariably they produced unpleasant side effects which gave the sexual offenders the excuse for giving up the treatment." Apparently Dr. Fields does not consider permanent castration as an unpleasant side effect.

Conclusions

First, if you ever visit England, try to stay out of Wormwood Scrubs Prison. In a footnote to his 1970 research article, Dr. Fields acknowledges his grateful thanks to "our colleagues in the Prison Medical Service who took such an interest in the work and referred offenders for assessment...Finally, we are indebted to the Nursing Sisters and Hospital Officers at H.M. Prison Wormwood Scrubs for their patience and cooperation." Between the mad psychiatrists and the Church, you'll be in tender hands at Wormwood Scrubs.

Second, if you might want to write the good doctors, or their employers, to let them know how you feel about their research program, their addresses are:
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Senior Psychologist

Smash the Drug Plague!

by REV. RAY BROSHEARS

STOP THE DRUG PLAUGE

The Gay Activists Alliance/San Francisco, conducting the only Gay drug abuse prevention program of counseling and research in Northern California, demands that all Gaypeoples end their apathy towards this most serious of all situations. Heroin addiction is growing by leaps and bounds within the Gay communities. More heroin is being pushed in the Castro area now than is being pushed in the Tenderloin, as the Castro continues its mad money dash, and unless changes are made soon, that area will go the way of the Haight Ashbury district. Speed kills, but smack enslaves whole neighborhoods. Do your part to stop the drug plague today. Support the WHITE LIGHTNING PLATFORM which the GAA has adopted:

1. WE WANT AN END TO THE USE OF NARCOTICS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROFIT-MAKING OPPRESSION AND GENOCIDE BY CAPITALISM. Throughout history, up to the present, oppressive capitalist governments have used drugs as a tool for pacification and extermination of those people that are most oppressed.
2. WE WANT AN END TO THE CONDITIONS THAT CAUSE OUR PEOPLE TO USE NARCOTICS. The reasons that our people relate to narcotics as a way of life is because there are a number of realities that are hard to deal with, such as sexism, racism, living conditions (classism), etc. We have been taught to think in such a way that we don't see a solution to our problems. In order for our people to stop relating to narcotics, these conditions have to be abolished.
3. WE WANT ALL NARCOTICS PROFITEERS OUT OF OUR COMMUNITIES. As confused as we may be, we would not relate to narcotics if they were not available to us. The pushers that profit from the narcotics traffic are backed by agents of the government.
4. WE WANT COMMUNITY EDUCATION OF THE TRUE NATURE OF NARCOTICS ADDICTION. One of the ways of relating our people from relating to narcotics as a way of life is for our people to understand the purpose of narcotics in our communities and how the system we live under directs us towards the use of narcotics.
5. WE WANT COMMUNITY-WORKER-PATIENT CONTROL OF ALL NARCOTICS REHABILITATION PROGRAMS. Programs that are set up to deal with narcotics addiction have always been run with the purpose of profit-making and in accordance with the personal ideas of whoever is running them. The patients, workers and the community have never had a real say in the running of programs administered by the government (city, county, state or federal), and subsequently these programs do not meet the needs of the people.
6. WE WANT ALL NARCOTICS PROGRAMS TO TEACH THE TRUE NATURE OF NARCOTICS ADDICTION. Programs have always related to therapy, usually based on Freud. Therapy does not deal with the problems of the Third World peoples and poor white peoples of this society. It does not deal with the realities of narcotics addiction. These things must be taught in order for addicts to be able to deal with their problem.
7. WE WANT THE ELIMINATION OF LEGAL ADDICTIVE DRUGS AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO NARCOTICS ADDICTION (SUCH AS METHADONE, HEROIN, ETC.). Making any drug legal to deal with the problem of narcotics addiction is only an open way of keeping our peoples enslaved by the government, who becomes the "pusherman". It is not dealing with the problems of individuals under the influence of such drugs.
8. WE WANT THE HUMAN RIGHTS OF ALL NARCOTICS ADDICTS AND EX-ADDICTS TO BE RESPECTED. Narcotics addicts are the victims of this capitalist system of dehumanization. In this society, narcotics addicts and ex-addicts are treated like beasts. Different kinds of "police" have been brutalizing them physically, and worst of all, mentally.
9. WE WANT THE POLICE TO STOP USING DRUGS AS AN EXCUSE TO INVADE OUR COMMUNITIES AND OPPRESS OUR PEOPLES WITH THE BACKING OF UNCONSTITUTIONAL LAWS SUCH AS THE "NO KNOCK" LAW. The governments have been using drugs as the reason why there are so many police in our communities that do not protect our people. Why do they abuse our people, and why have they passed unconstitutional no-knock laws that are not used to arrest narcotics pushers, but rather to invade the houses of those people who are moving against the conditions that are oppressing our people.
10. WE WANT SELF-DETERMINATION FOR ALL OPPRESSED PEOPLE. The problem of narcotics addiction cannot be solved until the people have control of their own lives in their own hands. This is possible only under a people's society, a society in which there is no class system, no huge corporations, and an elective people's government of socialism.

Join with the GAA/SF and work to create a united front to stop the drug plague. All Gaypeoples are responsible if one person does not have the proper facilities to receive proper treatment for drug abuse. The GAA needs all Gaypeoples to support our programs, particularly those of education and research. The drug plague is upon us. Work to stop it now, before it stops you. Contact the GAA/SF, P.O. Box 1528, San Francisco, Ca. 94101, or phone (415) 771-3366, or drop in at the HELPING HANDS GAY COMMUNITY SERVICE CENTER and talk with a GAA'er to see what you can do.

Board of Supervisors
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Jeff Mason

HELP!

T.A.S.C. (Treatment Alternatives to Street Crime), a Nixon-nazi program to enforce compulsory methadone administration, was recently defeated by the people through an intensive battle in which the GAA/SF played a large role. It now appears to have been resurrected from the dead by Bill Mallen of the Mayor's Council on Criminal Justice, only this time using a different name and a different approach. Mallen has proposed that the District Attorney's office hire six additional assistants to staff this program, which Mallen's sidekick would administer, along with several caseworkers who would evaluate the program's "volunteers". This would be a "criminal justice diversion program" for those arrested on drug charges. Ostensibly the program would provide an alternative to imprisonment, but the fly in the ointment is that when a person is arrested on a drug charge, in order to qualify for the program they would have to volunteer through the good offices of the District Attorney, J. Feron, to get into "approved drug programs" for rehabilitation. Now might we not suspect that these "approved drug programs" will all be ones involving administration of an addicting substitute chemical like Methadone? Bill Mallen is a very like Methadone? Bill Mallen is a very oppressive person and he must be exposed for the super-pig that he is. Mallen was unsuccessful in getting T.A.S.C. through, and now is coming through the back door with the same old program, this time under a different name. But though the name has changed, the game's the same, CONTROL OF THE POOR PEOPLES THROUGH THE GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION OF ADDICTIVE CHEMICALS. Join with the GAA/SF in stopping this new Mallen proposal.

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SIR?

KNOW THY ENEMY

No sir, yes sir?

by Don Jackson

The Gay Community is beset by a plague of enemies both from within and from without. The Gay press has spent damn little space on letting Gays know who their enemies are. One problem is that little investigation has been conducted. I propose that an "Un-Gay Activities Committee" be organized. A thorough investigation of the anti-Gay activities of the Nixon administration should be one of the first priorities. Younger Gays are too young to remember that Nixon climbed to power by appealing to anti-homosexual bigotry and fear. Fewer yet recall that Nixon, as a member of the House Un-American Activities Committee, devoted four years of his life to persecuting homosexuals. While McCarthy hunted Reds, Nixon hunted homos. Thousands of homosexuals lost their Civil Service jobs as a result of Nixon's paranoid homosexual conspiracy theory. Nixon instigated the government's Gay exclusion employment policy, which was copied by private employers. Scores of brothers were driven to suicide when Nixon pointed the finger of accusation. One brother cut his wrists and bled to death in his bathtub to escape persecution by Nixon. Scores more died in the same way. Nixon's entire career has been based on hate of homosexuals. It's high time it was given a complete airing. Maybe some of Nixon's Gay schoolmates can be located to testify about his anti-Gay activities before he went into politics.

Many say that Thomas M. Edwards is a collaborator or snitch. His accusers should have a place to come forth and make their accusations publicly, and Edwards should be given the opportunity to answer the charges, if he has anything to say for himself. There are rumors that certain Gay bar owners have conspired with the police to drive Gays out of the parks and tea-rooms and into the bars. These rumors should be thoroughly investigated and either squelched or confirmed. Many Gays have lost their jobs or have been refused employment because of the snooping and informing activities of the Retail Credit Corporation. This needs to be exposed.

A S.I.R. director told me that "S.I.R. cooperates with the police. They were just up here, and I gave them the address and information on a S.I.R. member." If S.I.R. is collaborating with the enemy, the community should be warned. We should find out why S.I.R.-domites are so vindictive against those unfortunates who must have sex in bushes and tea-rooms because they can't afford fancy hotel rooms and apartments. Is it because S.I.R.-domites feel that those who are so poor they must live in cheap hotels that don't allow visitors or in shared apartments where there is little privacy, shouldn't have sex? Or is it because S.I.R.-domites are trying to appease heterosexual moralists? And why, in an organization made up of unapprehended felons, are the bigwigs so vehement against the brothers who have been excluded from employment and so must lead to live? And why, in an organization where so many members are hooked on alcohol, is so much hate expressed against brotherhood who use drugs to escape from oppression? Quite a few of S.I.R.'s policies militate against Gays. Surely an investigation of S.I.R. is in order. S.I.R. is either overly concerned with appeasing the establishment, or hung-up on radical right wing dogmas, or in conspiracy with the police. Gay people must know which.

Many large manufacturers not only discriminate against Gays in employment but also subsidize the publication of anti-Gay hate literature. A list of the brand names manufactured by these firms should be published. Several retail firms, like Sears-Roebuck, not only discriminate in employment,

but in credit and insurance as well. And as if that isn't enough, Sears, Woolworth's and several other retail chains spend a lot of money for entrapment busts in their toilets.

Gay Liberationists feel that the Gay business community—much like the black middle class during the 1950's—has a vested interest in oppression. If oppression ends, Gays can cruise anywhere, and they won't have to go to Gay bars and get hooked on alcohol. Uncle Tom trucking firm operators and the like will loose the \$1.65-an-hour labor supply they now enjoy as a result of exploiting those who have been excluded from employment with heterosexual firms.

Gay job seekers complain that they are turned down for employment with city contractors, with the excuse that all job openings have to go to racial minorities under affirmative action contracts with the Human Rights Commission. Is the Human Rights Commission part of an anti-Gay conspiracy? Or has S.I.R. convinced the Human Rights Commission that Gays don't want affirmative action?

Several Gay lawyers habitually over-charge their clients, and make them plead guilty. These lawyers have a vested interest in oppression. Where would they get clients if the cruising arrests ceased? Do the lawyers encourage the police to make arrests by giving them kick-backs from the enormous fees they collect?

Other questions that need to be answered are these: Why do Gay theaters charge a \$5 admission while similar heterosexual theaters can make a profit charging as little as \$1? Why does the Seven-Up Bottling Company and its subsidiary, Carbonic Machines, charge Tavern Guild members more for beverages than similar heterosexual bars? What makes heterosexual adult book publishers think that Gays are only interested in reading books that are exclusively microscopic inspections of sex acts? Do Gay bar owners pay the police for driving Gays out of the parks and into the bars? Why does the Salvation Army drive poor Gays around from place to place? So the old queens that run the missions will get a continuous supply of fresh tricks? Why do Gay conservatives in S.I.R. and elsewhere oppose confrontation tactics? Don't they know that historically confrontation is the only tactic that ever works?

The list could go on for pages. I visualize a Gay Better Business Bureau springing up as an offshoot. But the primary purpose of the Un-Gay Activities Committee would be educational. Other actions could be considered when appropriate. Anyone interested in working on such a committee, please contact me.

—Don Jackson

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DRAG QUEENS ATTACKED, BEATEN.....

As a Gay who has recently come out of the closet and stood before members of my profession to say that "Gay is good", I am highly incensed at the trend that is being set in the Gay parades across the land.

I was in New York, looking forward to June 24th, expecting a really fine and proud event. What I found was a pile of hypocrites joining together to rip off the meaning of Gay Liberation.

John Paul Hudson (formerly known as John Francis Hunter) and Morris Kight were about the only two people that came out of the mess with grace. Hudson had the impossible task of heading up the parade, working with a parade committee run by Gay bigots who attacked those who were "different" within the Gay community. Prior to the parade, I had the opportunity of hearing "leaders" of the New York G.A.A. attack the drag queens present as being disgraceful and degrading to the Gay Liberation Movement, of which they are the self-proclaimed leaders. They seemed to have forgotten that this march was in celebration of the heroic struggle by drag queens against the corrupt New York Liquor Board investigators and the New York Police, on the Friday night prior to the last Sunday in June 1969, at STONE-WALL, when they threw their bodies into the path of squad cars to stop their sisters and brothers from being hauled off to jail. The drag queens have always been in the vanguard of the Gay Liberation struggle.

Lee Brewster of the Queens Liberation Front/New York and editor of DRAG magazine, told those present: "I can't sit and let my people be insulted", referring to the line of speakers who had denounced drag queens. He went on to say, "The day you are celebrating was the result of what drag queens did at the Stonewall. You go to bars because of what we did for you, and these bitches tell us to quit being ourselves", referring to some women speakers who apparently had no understanding of what "drag" is all about. Lee finished up by saying, "Screw you, Gay Liberation. Fuck off, you are just as oppressive as the police who beat us." It is obvious that Lee Brewster was speaking for a lot of Gays, for he received a healthy round of applause, and I was one applauding. I cannot work in a group such as the New York G.A.A., which is so image-conscious that they are as bad as the Birchers, and the opportunistic Mattachine of New York, who moved their offices to Christopher Street so they could leech off the blood of the fallen drag queens. No! For me, a person who as a psychologist is supposed to be mild and compromising, I shall join the more radical element here in the east. I think that the San Francisco G.A.A. has the right idea, and just maybe, I'll move out there.

GAY REVOLUTION NOW!

—Mark Shrader

CAPTAIN JAMES CURRAN MEETS GAYS

Captain Jim Curran, the new Commanding Officer of the Central Station, S.F. Police Department, met with various bar owners and managers as well as members of the Gay Alliance in a special meeting held at the Helping Hands Gay Community Center, six days before he assumed command of the Central Station.

In the open forum of the meeting, the questions and answers proved to be quite dramatic and frank. Captain Curran did not pull any punches and did not talk out of both sides of his mouth, as has been the case with many police commanders. Curran stated that he would enforce the law to the letter, and that he would work with the various Gay businesses if they wanted to work with him. He told the businessmen present that if they had a problem, it would not be solved by not calling him, and to feel free to call him at any time.

He agreed with those present that there is a greater need for more uniformed walking police today than ever before, and that he supported any drive to bring this about. Captain Curran stated that he wanted to meet with the Tenderloin Gays more often and that future meetings would be set up through Gay Alliance or Helping Hands.

GAA DENOUNCES GAY BARS FOR UNSAFE CONDITIONS...

The Gay Activists Alliance denounced, in a sweeping declaration, the fire safety conditions of several bars in San Francisco. Noted for special attention was the STUD for its lack of adequate escapes, signs indicating escapes, and visible fire extinguishers. It was noted that the fire door at the rear is usually locked with a chain, and that another is boarded up. Richard Conroy of the STUD refuses to speak with GAA representatives on the matter. His other business, DICK'S ON CASTRO, has a small entrance exit, and no fire extinguisher was visible upon examination.

The fire safety examinations were made over a three week period from July 1 to July 22.

It is important to note that while they meet the San Francisco Fire Department's inspections, they do not meet reasonable humanist safety precautions, and the owners of the establishments were extremely hostile to the GAA about inquiries. The GAA has requested the Board of Supervisors (Fire, Safety and Police Committee) to push for stronger laws and stricter enforcement of such laws.

The Gay Activists Alliance has launched Phase II of its voter registration drive. All Gays are urged to register to vote now, so that they will be eligible to vote in the Board of Supervisors race this fall.

IN THE OCTOBER-NOVEMBER ISSUE OF THE GAY CRUSADER... Voting recommendations for Gays in the Board of Supervisors race. If you have not registered to vote, please do so now. Attend the Candidates Nights, especially the GAY VOTERS candidates night, Friday, October 26, at 26 Seventh Street, in the Odd Fellows Building. For further information on this most popular and best attended Candidate's Night in the Gay community, call 771-3366 and ask for the GAA political chairperson.

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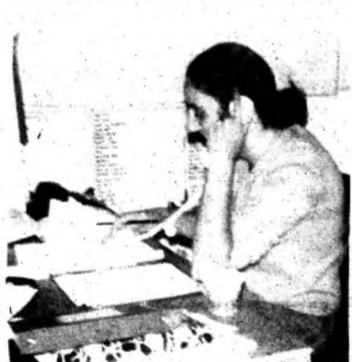
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NONVIOLENCE AND THE GAY



by Doug Oram, G.A.A./S.F.

Just from living as part of the gay community of San Francisco, you all must be aware of the amount of violence that does exist in it. The violence of actual street fights, rape and even murder, the violence of drugs and prostitution, and the overall violence of the big man always pushing down on the little man from outside of the gay community and also from inside. There is no easy solution to this; in fact, it takes a lot of thought to come up with even vaguely possible ways to fight it. One wonders where it's all leading to. It's easy to see that it's not going to get better unless things drastically change from the way that they are going.

I really believe that for that change to be a step forward towards real gay unity and brother- and sisterhood, it cannot come about violently. For every time that violence has been used or incorporated for the purpose of change, it has set us back further from these goals. If anyone thinks that the violence used has actually gained them something, I think they should take a real long, honest look at the value of what it's gained towards getting the goals they really want.

Nonviolence is not just a tool but a way of life. It means changing a lot of your values, probably. It means trying to gain back your sight and also your potency as a human being, which our social system has robbed from us and brainwashed out of us. Your using violence is just helping that same system to keep you in your place. You see, it is much easier to deal with guilt instead of innocence, hate instead of love, or anger instead of peacefulness. So it is much easier for the system to deal with violence instead of nonviolence. If someone is threatening you violently, it's easy to react by throwing him in jail or busting his head; but if he comes to you and talks with you gently and treats you like a brother with a lot of love and respect, it's much harder to deal with him if you refuse change, and chances are much better that you will listen and something positive will happen. It's the simple fact that violence breeds more violence and love breeds love.

There is also the violence of the gay community itself, which many won't accept as violence. I speak of the way sexism is ruling. An example is the whole

system of the baths, where the main flow of action is to get as many tricks as you can possibly get, and you have the dehumanizing effect of always searching but never finding, of being filled with sex but still being emotionally alone. Sex is a beautiful thing, but here in San Francisco it has become the strongest single force in thousands of people's lives, to the point where all their activities and social life revolves around it and it becomes as much of a habit as that of a guy on smack who needs his fix. These people get high on sex for a night and are lost to it the next morning (or even half an hour later), until that next trick.

We have to stop supporting places like the baths that are charging you outrageous prices for something that you shouldn't have to pay for and that are at the same time part of the gay system that is slowly gaining control of you and the community. We should stop supporting the porno shops and the fuck films, who rip you off by making you pay for something that is unreal, negative and dehumanizing. How much of a real relationship can you have in a magazine or with the superstud getting it off on the movie screen? We have to stop exploiting each other, we have to start giving our love to all people and not basing our relationships just on sexual criteria alone.

There is further violence in such attitudes because it is those attitudes that drive lonely guys to suicide and makes those guys that aren't so physically attractive feel like dogs and makes those that aren't superhung studs feel impotent. So take time to look at yourself and examine your effect on others. And, most important, give your true and honest love to all people, and right now especially to your gay brothers and sisters. We all need each other; and if there is to be a revolution, it has to be for everyone, or else it's just no good.

—Doug Oram

DO YOU REALLY CARE? That is the question put to you by those who work so selflessly at the Helping Hands Gay Community Service Center. When you see a Gayperson down and out, or having to sell their body for a meal, do you care, except to shun them, denounce them or exploit them? Help us to help those who have been shunned by both straight and Gay society. Give to the Helping Hands Center, so that we may do the work of helping people to help themselves. Make your check out to the Orthodox Episcopal Church of God. No sum is too small.

WANT GAY BAR INFORMATION? WANT TO KNOW THE BEST ONES? Contact the Helping Hands Center for a listing of the best Gay bars in San Francisco, the ones which will treat you right. This list is compiled by the GAA/SF for the Helping Hands. Phone any time between 11 am and 11 pm (771-3366). Support those Gay businesses that support your Gay social service organizations.



Dear Editor:

Thomas M. Edwards isn't telling the truth when he says "Most conservatives...have considered that private conduct is of no concern of the state." Edwards has confused libertarianism with conservatism. Most conservatives, including all of the ones named as examples in Edwards' article (Hiram Johnson, Goldwater, Robert Taft, Ronny Reagan, Tom Cahill, Al Nelder, Nixswine and Capt. Kiely) spent their lives militantly working for increased state intrusion into the private conduct of citizens.

Conservatism, as practiced by its elected representatives, is a politico-economic system based on censorship, law and order by police intimidation, police worship, flag worship, persecution of minorities, government-imposed sexual repression, militarism, robbing of the poor by the rich, special privileges and tax exemption for the rich, and a government crusade against pleasure and joy. The rich, it is important to note, are exempted from all of these oppressions.

I agree with Edwards that citizens who receive the benefits of government owe it certain duties. So let the rich, who Reagan tells us "pay no taxes", pay all of the taxes. Let the rich, who make the profits of war, go out and fight them. It's unjust that poor men should die so that rich men can make money they don't need.

In this sick country, the rich make all the laws, the police work for the rich, and the militarists serve the rich. It has a government of the rich, by the rich and for the rich.

Because I am excluded from all rights of citizenship, including the right to employment, I don't feel that I have any obligation to the government of the United States or the State of California. Tom is mistaken on two other points. Firstly, his statement that "the conservative right have been the ones who have

worked for and gained the advances within our society as regarding the acceptance of homosexuals." Nothing could be further from the truth. Not one single conservative rightist has ever gained a single advance for Gay rights.

Secondly, no Marxists, thinly disguised or otherwise, have "manipulated" the Gay movement.

Libertarian poet Adolf Wolff tells exactly how I feel about this country:

*I shit upon the laws
that thieves have made
to give the crooked strength
to rob the weak.*

*I shit upon a country full of wealth
where millions live in squalor
and in want.*

*I shit upon the flag that waves
above a nation made of masters
and of slaves.*

*I shit upon religions that defend
a hell on earth and preach a heaven
beyond.*

*I shit upon all morals that contend
that joy of life is not
Life's highest end.*

*I shit upon the education that
turns into Babbitts
what might have been men.*

*Upon this whole damned system
do I shit,
and while I shit, I weep.*

—Don Jackson

We have the books that will make up for staying around the house this summer.
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PRIDE FOUNDATION:

The Pride Foundation was formed as an educational and legal assistance organization by persons seeking dynamic alternatives to existing organizations. Membership is open to the public, and the group holds bi-weekly education suppers at its offices which feature various speakers. You may write to the Pride Foundation at P.O. Box 1983, San Francisco, Ca. 94101, or phone (415) 864-9476.

GAY STUDENTS UNION-HASTINGS COLLEGE:

Working to interest law students in serving the needs of the Gay communities, and to assist lawyers with research and writing of briefs. Write to GSU-Hastings, c/o Associated Students, Hastings College, 198 McAllister St., San Francisco, Ca. 94102, or phone (415) 861-3454.

NATIONAL TRANSEXUAL COUNSELING UNIT:

A center located in the Tenderloin for those who are in various transsexual programs and are seeking assistance and medical advice. Their office is located at 121 Leavenworth St., San Francisco, Ca. 94102, or phone (415) 928-1232.

DIGNITY:

Gay Catholic women and men who have banded together in fellowship. All desire to stay within the structured Roman Catholic Church and are working to make change so that Gays may stay within the Church. Write to Dignity, 2449 Harrison St., San Francisco, Ca. 94107, or phone (415) 282-3170.

S.I.R. (SOCIETY FOR INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS): This is the oldest gay group in San Francisco. Emphasis is on partisan political activities, as well as socials. Publishes the magazine VECTOR. Maintains offices at 83 Sixth St., San Francisco, Ca. 94103, or phone (415) 781-1570.

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Located in the heart of downtown San Francisco in the Tenderloin, at 225 Turk St., the Center serves as a drop-in center serving Gays daily. The Center provides all services free, and conducts education programs as well. Provides the only Gay "free-bail" project in the nation, and has immediate assistance for those under arrest. Center provides drug counselling and research services, and provides limited housing and employment service. Open daily Monday thru Saturday, 11 am to 11 pm, and on Sundays from 2pm to 8pm. Drag queens help staff the Center, as well as members of the Gay Activists Alliance/S.F. The Center is sponsored by the Orthodox Episcopal Church of God. If in trouble or seeking information of most any kind, drop in or call the HELPING HANDS GAY COMMUNITY SERVICE CENTER, 225 Turk Street (downtown, between Jones and Leavenworth Sts.), San Francisco, Ca. 94102, or phone (415) 771-3366.

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IMAGES

by Randy Johnson

An image that a person conveys is sometimes for real, for business, or for a particular reason. A person's moods sometimes relay his image. A person can be happy one day and a crab the next—two different people. That's not unusual, but sometimes unexpected by spectators.

Happy people can be sad, calm people nervous, nice people hateful, and grouchy people friendly.

Never take a person for what you see the first time you meet him.

Some people are in a position where they HAVE to portray an image to people. That means it's forced, put-on...we all could do that, but thank God, we don't. (The ones that do are getting away with nothing and are none the wiser. They're only fooling themselves.) (Boy, would I love to name names!) But so as not to slander, I won't. But you know who you are!

Please don't pity me, it's the other way around.

I think that looks are unimportant. If they were important, there would be a lot of us left outside the gate!

How one keeps himself up and acts is important. What he lives up to is important. How he acts is important. The things that are said, how they are said, and promises kept is important.

How people react can easily convey an image. Even when views of both parties differ from each other, the main thing for an image is sincerity, and with that, a lot of concern and love. These things are meaningful to ALL concerned.

An example of images is, of course, entertainers! The studios or agents mold them into what the public would like to see, or something to catch the public's eye! This of course isn't the true person they see, it is an image.

The point of this article is to be yourself, no matter what the mood, the company, or the place you're in.

If everyone acted accordingly, just IMAGINE!
I'm very ready to accept comments.

I remain,
Randy Johnson

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REV' BROSHEARS ANNOUNCES 74 CAMPAIGN PLANS

The GAY CRUSADER was told today that Reverend Ray Broshears intends to seek elective office in 1974 under the PEACE AND FREEDOM PARTY banner. Broshears and other leaders of the GAA told of plans to form a strong Gay caucus to take over the PEACE AND FREEDOM Party in San Francisco County. He made a similar bid in 1969-70.

SATURDAY NIGHT RAP

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