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"In the gay world, there is an unhappy phenomenon where anyone who does anything or accomplishes anything at all is immediately pilloried and condemned. This phenomenon exists among any repressed people; we are taught to hate each other. And the ruling white males never have to worry about attacking our ideas: among us there is always someone to do their work."

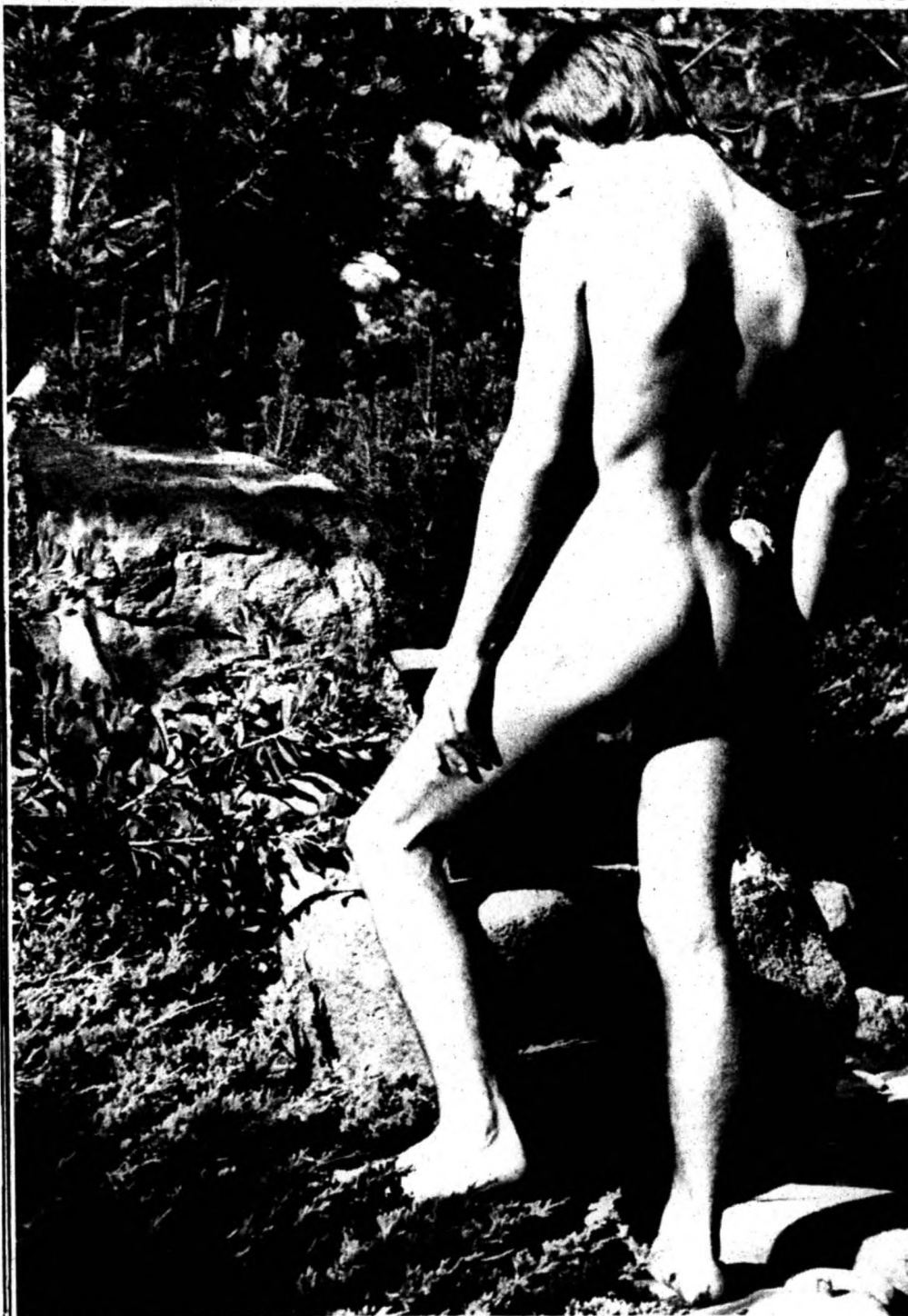
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CITY STRIKE

CITY STRIKE SETTLES SOME ISSUES AND CLEARS OTHERS; THE BATTLEGROUND IS SET
By Reverend Raymond Broshears

The recent city strike was a most revolutionary act in many ways. It certainly has shown the elected officials of this city that no longer do Joe Belardi, president of the Labor Council, and John Crowley, secretary of the Labor Council, have the great influence they would like them to believe they have over the rank-and-file workers. John Squires, the super-minority (18 per cent of the vote) elected president of the Muni Railway workers, will never be re-elected after the Alioto-like tactics he used during the strike. Mr. Squires and Ms. Supervisor Feinstein have good rapport, so Squires as you can see is a fast man, covering all the bases of the bosses, but Squires, like Crowley and Belardi, has forgotten to keep in touch with the rank-and-file workers, and thus has little influence with them. This strike was settled without them; it was settled by a 20-person rank-and-file labor committee, and for the first time in years the rank and file came out with some fairly substantial gains. But alas, the janitors, the hospital workers, etc., are still at the bottom of the ladder. They are the real workers, they do the hardest work, yet they are still at the bottom. If the rank and file had not seized this strike away from the likes of Crowley, Belardi and Squires, the hospital workers would have received very small gains.

Now that the strike is over, the time has just begun for the rank and file to organize into worker caucuses and to overthrow the likes of Belardi, Crowley and Squires and let the big businesses as well as the big politicians know that it is the rank-and-file labor caucuses that they will have to deal with in the future, and not John Crowley and Company.

The rank-and-file worker is being heard from all over America for the first time; union bosses are being tossed into the ash-can where they belong, for it is the workers to whom the world belongs, and they are beginning to awaken, yes, the great slumbering giant, the rank-and-file worker, has awoke and is beginning to move, the earth trembles. The time for one big union, a rank-and-file controlled union, is at hand.

LUXOR

RACISM AND SEXISM CHARGED AT LUXOR CAB
By Gaylen O'Brien

Luxor Cab, a company of independent cab owners, has been charged with racism and sexism by various minorities and a complaint has been filed with the Human Rights commission.

The Gay Activists Alliance has filed a complaint with the HRC concerning the lack of black and women drivers at Luxor Cab.

Luxor Cab president Bill Lazar has stated that the company is merely a coordinating body, that they own no cabs, that each cab is owned by an individual and that they cannot make any of the individual owners hire a black driver nor a woman driver. Luxor, he stated, would go out of business if they tried to make the independent owners hire blacks or women. Yet the facts remains to many that this is merely another way of avoiding integration. A GAA (Gay Activists Alliance) spokesperson stated that "What Bill Lazar and Luxor are doing is merely another way of avoiding integration, much like the various school systems which dissolved and sold the individual schools to individuals and operated them as private schools in order to avoid integration."

The GAA called upon all Gaybusinesses in San Francisco to withdraw their accounts from Luxor Cab in solidarity with those who have been discriminated against in employment by the independent cab owners at Luxor.

One GAA spokesperson said that "Due to the high amount of racism within the Gay business scene in San Francisco, it is doubtful that the Tavern Guild will request any members to withdraw from Luxor Cab."

The GAA is now investigating De Soto and Veterans Cab for failure to abide by the Equal Opportunity Employment code. Meanwhile, the GAA asks all human-beings to not use Luxor Cab, to use other cabs, if they believe truly in justice, freedom and equality.

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Easter Sunrise Service Invitation

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICES SET FOR LAND'S END

Sunday, April 14th, at 6:30 a.m., Easter Sunrise Services will be held at Land's End once again, by the Christ Chapel Parish of the Orthodox Episcopal Church of God, and the Reverend Raymond Broshears will be the guest speaker. If you desire to attend the services, they will begin promptly at 6:30 a.m., at the U.S.S. San Francisco War Memorial, which is the bridge of the old U.S.S. San Francisco, where the flagpole is, at the parking lot area. This scene last year was most exciting and spiritual, as nearly one hundred persons, mostly Gaypeoples, gathered to celebrate the resurrection of Christ Jesus of Nazareth.

If you desire to participate, please contact the Reverend Ray Broshears at the Helping Hands Community Center. Folk singers with guitars will be needed, as will a choir. A car ride pool from the Helping Hands Community Center is being prepared, so if you have an automobile and wish to participate in the Easter Sunrise Service carpool, please contact the Helping Hands Community Center.

Rides will be available also from the Shed, 2275 Market Street, at 6 a.m. that Sunday morning, 6:30 a.m., Easter Sunday, Land's End, Sunrise Services. Call (415) 771-3366 for more info.

RAPE

RAPE... DOESN'T ANYONE CARE?

By REVEREND RAYMOND BROSHEARS

Rape... a word that sends chills of horror into the hearts of most women.

Rape... a word that sends laughter through police station locker rooms.

Rape... a word that most do not truly understand the meaning of.

If a woman is raped, calls the police, the police treat the woman—the victim—far worse than the savage rapist. Most police have little understanding of the situation, nor do they want to understand. All they can do in their best sexist-sadistic way is question the victim, in ways that no human should be questioned. Rape is a most traumatic tragedy. When you mention that a person has been raped, the usual words you hear are, "well, she was asking for it," or "hell, just look at those buns, she really enjoyed it," or "the guy sure had good tastes," or "wish I could get a piece of that action," or "hell, you can't rape the willing, and all women want it," or "there's no such thing as rape." All of these are typical male macho statements, true sexist-pig attitudes that are shared by the overwhelming majority of men—insecure men, who for the most part can't cope with their own frustrations and take a sick delight in hearing or reading stories of rape.

The medical profession is only a couple of steps above the police in their heartless treatment of the rape victim. Very little good can be said for the medical profession. What can be done about rape, you ask? Well, education is a very important step. Getting men to deal with their sexist role-playing, and educating them to cope with the doubts and fears that haunt most men concerning their masculinity. The macho-male image that has been created by the Bible, the church, and by Hollywood fast-buck artists who continue to promote sexism via the films.

San Francisco has a higher percentage of rape cases reported each year than any other major city in Amerika, and God only knows how many women did not report their tragic plight to the blue-sexists. Why is this so, many ask me, and the only answer that I can come up with is that due to the extremely high Gaypeoples population here, the heterosexual males are insecure, the majority of them; so, even with all the seemingly easy-to-come-by sex here, they in their doubt, their fear, their frustration, seek out the woman, to beat her, to rape her in order to reassert their masculinity. The haunted heterosexual must do it violently, in order to prove that "he has what it takes." This is like the opposite of "queer bashing," which is the haunted heterosexual who will attack for no seeming reason, a homosexual, and beat him senseless, as this, to the mind of the haunted hetero, reasserts his mythical masculinity.

But, thus far, I have spoken only of rape in relation to women. But did you know that rape of men by men, in our own city of San Francisco, and not inside the jails, but right in the alleys, baths, beaches, parks, bedrooms, is becoming too commonplace? Yes, it is for a fact. And what of the male who is raped by another male, what can he do, who can he turn to, who can he ask for help? The police? ... hell no, for the cop will say, as they say with the women, written above, and also will add, "Well, this is another typical hustler situation, and the guy simply beat the shit out of him, rape hell!" Oh yes, the plight of the male rape victim is just as tragic as the plight of the female rape victim, but in many ways it is more horrible, as you will find few homosexuals who will admit that there is such a thing as male raping male. The only Gay group to deal with this in detail thus far has been the GAA, through the Helping Hands Community Center. And we find the so-called friendly police community relations cop just as evil as the others, for he too snickers and disbelieves. Even when we have them come into the Center bloody and beaten, the police write it off as a "mugging" and do not examine for rectal lesions and other internal damage. And too, we have another type of rape that is not done with the penis, that being "fist-fucking." Yes, you heard right, this is some kind of new faddish-fetish that has killed. I cannot comprehend someone sticking their hand—fist and arm—up someone's ass! That is a sickie for sure! And then what of the psyche of the person on the receiving end? Who knows! But, this fetish of "fist-fucking" has led to several cases of "raped-fist-fucking," and it has ended in death in some cases. It is much too much to cope with in this article now, but we shall go into it in depth at another time.

But what is the problem right now, why can't rape victims be treated with compassion and understanding? Well, we have explained that already, so now we need a solution. There is none in sight, except that a committee of concerned persons involved in Human Care Services may get it together and work to create a city-wide rape-control/education and assistance to the victim program. At least we can hope this will come about and soon.

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FESTIVAL OF GAY LIBERATION, June 28th and 29th. Participate in the Festival of life! Festival of Gay Liberation Committee, 225 Turk Street, San Francisco, California 94102, (415) 771-3366. To be held at the University of California Extension Center, Haight and Buchanan, one block off of Market Street by the U.S. Mint, indoors!

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ZAP Set April 12

PACIFIC TELEPHONE GOOD FRIDAY ZAP SET; GAYS TO PICKET MA BELL FOR SECOND YEAR RUNNING.



Pacific Telephone Company, after one year of zaps, picketing, protests, legal maneuvers and what have you, will not hire openly Gaypeople as employees yet. But the dam is about to break, Ma Bell is giving every indication that they will capitulate to the demands of the Gaypeoples who have worked so many years on this, spending thousands of hours and much money to end this discrimination against Gaypeoples.

It was one year ago on Good Friday that the Gay Activists Alliance (GAA) began their 52-week offensive against Pacific Telephone without the support of any other Gay groups in San Francisco, so now, a year later, the same sad situation of discrimination exists, so the GAA shall launch the second 52-Week Offensive against Pacific Telephone, and again, without the support of any of the other Gay groups in town. We have filed employment discrimination complaints against PT&T, yet not one word of it in the Gaypress, but when the Pride Foundation (we're in the money!) group does one single paper trip, the Bar and Advocate both go wild. Yet GAA zaps have received little or no coverage, and that is why the GAA calls once more upon those independent Gaypeoples who will not be mesmerized by Pride, Tavern Guild and MCC, to join with us on Friday, April 12th, at 12 noon, at 666 Folsom Street, the PT&T employment offices, to hold a mock crucifixion of a Gayperson upon a telephone-pole cross. There will be speakers, music, and much to show Pacific Telephone what we think of their employment discrimination policies.

If you wish to join the trip, contact the GAA at the Helping Hands Center. Those who wish to march in the processional, —in which a Gayperson will carry this huge telephone-pole cross from the Helping Hands Center half-way across town to the PT&T employment office, being scourged with whips and with other items, and then being crucified on the telephone-pole cross—are urged to contact us and gather at the Center at 10:30 a.m. on Good Friday morning.



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HELPING HANDS COMMUNITY CENTER NEWS

The February show at the Center, GINA LA ROUGH MAKES A COMEBACK, was overwhelming to say the least. Gina was evil and funny! His talent is par-excellence! Gina was assisted by Mario, who is a talented dancer who needs greater exposure. The music, jokes, songs, and dancing were a delight.

FUND RAISER FLOP... The march auction and dance at the Havoc House was an artistic success but a financial flop. The dance music was provided by the LAZY ACE band, and had vocals by Victor, formerly called Shanghai Lil, that had the place shouting for more and more. Robin of the Wild Goose did some auctioning, and was much fun. He supplemented Mother Phil of that place on Bryant Street. Phil has to be one of the warmest and kindest people in San Francisco. It's a shame that all San Francisco Gaypeoles don't come anywhere near having such kindness as was exhibited by those who attended this function. Elmer Wilhelm, Dorothy, Roy, Robin, Dennis, Bobby, Daniel, Jerry Salazar, Peter Crowley, Jimmy and Tommy of Lazy Ace, and so many others. A special thanks to Charlotte Coleman of the Mint for the nice donations. While the only Human Services agency in the San Francisco Gayscene was making the grand total of \$71.00, the Pride "Paper" Foundation was making several thousand more with the help of the rich gays. Tis sad, so sad!

HELPING HANDS received some nice help to keep on helping from a surprise drop-in guest, Mister Bill McWilliams, and from Kevin McAree. Tis so nice that they are so nice!

NEEDS... of course money, much money, but also physical things such as folding chairs, coffee, tea, styrofoam cups, cookies, new mop bucket, folding tables, and on and on! If you can help please do. The burden grows daily as unemployment grows and money grows even shorter, for people need help and they come to Helping Hands Community Center for that help. Help us to help others.

-Jim Boyd-Robertson

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HELPING HANDS NEEDS PEOPLE TO HOUSE PEOPLE—CRASHERS!

Crash hosts are needed to assist us in housing people temporarily. If you desire to be listed, you must come to the Center, fill out a crash-host card, and be approved by the Director. This is a strict non-sex trip, for many of the people we house from time to time are heterosexual. Drop in! 225 Turk Street, 771-3366.

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Politix

PEACE AND FREEDOM PARTY OVERFLOWS

On March 7th, members of the Peace and Freedom Party gathered at a 5th Congressional district function, supper and speeches, to cheer Congressional candidate Reverend Ray Broshers on his way.

This was the largest Peace and Freedom function in San Francisco in recent years, and the turnout was due to renewed interest stirred in the Party by the radical minister, who is the first Gaysperson to run for Congress in our state.

At the function, a new coalition was announced, the Rainbow Coalition, which is composed of all types of political philosophies, as well as a complete racial and ethnic mixing. The Rainbow coalition was formed to endorse candidates and promote them in the June primary in opposition to the dogmatic Socialist coalition. The Rainbow coalition of the Peace and Freedom Party has endorsed the following candidates:

- Governor—
- Lt. Governor—William Darling of Agoura
- State Controller—Corey Cassanova of Venice
- State Treasurer—James Stansbury of San Pedro
- Secretary of State—Kay McGlaehlin of Los Angeles
- United States Senate—David Noble of Los Angeles
- Congress, 5th District—Rev. Raymond Broshers of San Francisco

The Rainbow coalition hopes that the candidates they have endorsed will win, as they represent free speech within the Peace and Freedom Party. The Socialist coalition is attempting to bind all candidates to a rigid and destructive socialist doctrine which is contrary to the principles of the Peace and Freedom Party's history.

So, in the June primary, you are urged to vote for those candidates nominated by the Rainbow coalition of the Peace and Freedom Party.

For further information concerning the Rainbow coalition—Peace and Freedom Party, please contact Rev. Raymond Broshers at 775-0119.

Gayola?

COPS SHUT DOWN AFTERHOUR LEGAL OPERATION ON POLK ST GAYOLA PAYOLA SHAKEDOWN TRY?

Officers from the Northern Station of the San Francisco Police Department came into the Havoc House, which has been remaining open after 2 a.m. until 6 a.m. on Fridays and Saturdays, and shut them down, even though they have all the required permits.

Captain Joseph Flynn, aspiring Chief of Police, had ordered shut down earlier, in violation of state law, the Sack Dance Academy. Flynn and Lockwood and Dumas, the three "bustkateers" who seem bent on outdoing the high priest of morality, Captain Shaughnessy, have ignored state laws at the very bad advice of David Roache, legal eagle of the SFPD, and shut down the Sack Dance Academy of Ray Rule.

Now, the Havoc House, which has every permit necessary, dance, entertainment, afterhours, cabaret, and what-have-you, has been shut down by the "three bustkateers of morality." The Shud out on Market Street also has every legal permit going and were busted also, some time back, yet finally won the right to remain open.

The mayor of San Francisco and the chief of police defied the courts in the recent strike, showing no respect for the law, and now the "corruptors" have gone even further.

It is obvious that the Federal Grand Jury should dig a little deeper, and look into some of the holdings of various police officers.

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SB 39

LAW PROFESSOR TESTIFIES TO ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE; CLASHES WITH GAY MILITANT OVER BESTIALITY

Professor Walter Barnett of Hastings Law School in San Francisco was one of fifteen San Franciscans who journeyed to Sacramento to testify concerning Senate Bill 39, a penal code revision bill that has passed the Senate and is now before the Assembly Criminal Justice committee.

While the main issue was opposition to the bill in general, and in particular the section 9310, which deals with homosexuality and keeps it a felony, but using the word "homosexual" and dropping the former words which were used, "oral copulation" and "sodomy." While most all who testified were against this change which would legalize "deviant sex acts" between members of the opposite sex, but not of the same sex, the fireworks began after the Hastings Law School professor testified that "there are no victims in bestiality, it is a non-victim crime, and thus should be removed from the books."

A Gay activist militant from San Francisco spoke next on SB 39, and against all aspects, and then attacked Professor Barnett for his statement, stating, "Members of the Assembly, I have never heard of any animals consenting to sexual acts. And instead of dropping the laws against bestiality, they should be increased to a felony. I mean, have any of you ever heard of a dog or sheep saying 'yes' to sodomy? Gentlemen, if we cannot have respect for animals, how can we ever have respect for humans?" There was no comment from the professor after this, but angry glances were exchanged.

There will be another hearing about the first of April on SB 39.

HENRY Leleu

HENRY LELEU ATTACKS HELPING HANDS COMMUNITY CENTER

The secretary of the SF Tavern Guild, and financial blizzard of businesses, Mister Henry Leleu, has blocked any financial assistance to the Helping Hands Gay Community once more. The last request, made to TG president Ross, was presented to the Board, and Henry Leleu filibustered against it, stating that "That Broshers has picketed Tavern Guild functions, why should we help him?"

The last time Broshers and the Gay Activists Alliance picketed a Tavern Guild function, was almost a year before the Helping Hands Community Center was even opened. And it was pointed out to Henry Leleu that the Center serves hundreds of people weekly, and free, and that Helping Hands is not political, issues no political statements, holds no pickets, etc., etc., etc., but Rev. Broshers, who is the director, is also the chairperson of the Gay Activists Alliance, which does do such things, but that is not Helping Hands.

"Henry Leleu is a charming person, when he wants to be," said Rev. Broshers, "but that isn't very often where I am concerned."

"But what I want to do, is confront Henry and ask him some questions concerning his obsession about sex in other people's bars," said Broshers. (Leleu reportedly gave financial assistance to the old Rainbow Grocery on O'Farrell Street, as well as to Mr. B's, which used to be on Second Street, and to the other after hours place called the Covered Wagon). Broshers stated something about Henry Leleu attacking Broshers' past, to which he added that, "I would like to ask Henry why he left that 14th Street address in San Diego back in 1956 so quickly and went to Europe, and also why the Red Chinese government is interested in some art objects which reportedly are in a museum in Texas some where," and went on, "These are just questions about rumors that I want to ask Henry, and maybe I could understand his vicious attitude towards poor people and particularly those involved in civil rights struggles."

Mister Leleu refused to make any comments to the *Gay Crusader* concerning these questions that were asked, but the *Gay Crusader* will give a trip on China America Airlines if someone can. We need cooperation and understanding, not fighting such as this.

FESTIVAL OF GAY LIBERATION

Friday-Saturday
June 28 & 29



FESTIVAL OF GAY LIBERATION PROGRAMS BEING PREPARED SECOND YEAR IN A ROW FOR SUCCESSFUL ALTERNATIVE TO GAY NON-LIBERATION EVENT

The last week of June will be the gayest week in San Francisco this year, as the Festival of Gay Liberation has set forth with a two-day celebration of the true purposes of Gay Liberation. Friday, June 28th, and Saturday, June 29th, are the dates set by the Festival of Gay Liberation Committee, co-chaired by Peter Crowley and Rev. Ray Broshers. Crowley will be the coordinator of the Festival as well. The two-day Festival will include live dramatic productions, Gay guerrilla theatre acts, songs, dances, and much much Gay artcraft. The event is set for Friday evening the 28th at the U.C. Extension Center, Haight and Buchanan, to begin with a dramatic production and music. Saturday, all day long, art exhibits, craft exhibits, Gay history exhibits by various individuals and group, and variety song and dance acts all during the day, will be climaxed that evening by a giant free dance, complete with live bands. Last year, the Festival Committee was ripped off by another group of their bands, but things are different this year with the bands under signed agreements. Anyone wishing to join the Festival of Gay Liberation Committee to help build the Festival, please contact Peter Crowley at the Helping Hands Community Center, or leave a message there for him or the Committee. If you have ideas, desire to participate in a play or produce a play, or what have you, or you are an artist who desires to exhibit his works, please contact the Festival of Gay Liberation Committee at the Helping Hands Community Center, 225 Turk Street, San Francisco, or phone (415) 771-3366.

The Festival of Gay Liberation, just like last year's success at the Civic Center, is open to all. You can help to make the Festival of Gay Liberation the brightest light in San Francisco. Festival of Gay Liberation Committee meetings are open to all.

ANOTHER LAND ANOTHER LOVE

There came a knock upon my door
One so soft and sweet
It shook me in my nightly chore
Of everyone that's born

Let's journey to that dying city
Where lonely hearts stand torn
Let's go and see the pity
Of everyone that's born

I saw the warm forgotten streets
Traced with lonely tears
I saw the hearts' fading beats
Now broken with the years

The stars were that of the tender kissed
The ones I know no more
Engraved with the love I missed
So I turned back to my door

I heard once more a silent plea
One so soft and sweet
Come closer so I can see
Who tread upon my street

What could I do but go forward
And try to explain
That I am the only one
The has to walk in shame

—Dennis R. Carter

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Zebra Pig

MURDER IN SAN FRANCISCO—WHAT HAPPENED TO "OPERATION ZEBRA?"

San Francisco is averaging one murder every 2½ days now, and what are the police doing about it? Nothing! Nothing except to look the other way and give de facto encouragement to them. Back in January, a dark-colored car, Cadillac or Lincoln, roamed the streets of the city with occupants who leaped out and shot down seven persons for no apparent reason. Since that date, the slaughter has increased. The SFPD has expressed relief over the kidnapping of Patricia Hearst, for as one cop put it, "it sure as hell took the heat off of us by the media." That is typical of the Chief Donald Scott administration. Yet, all during the Patty Hearst kidnapping, the public has been kept in the dark concerning the slaughter on our streets, for the total of people murdered thus far this year, via shootings and stabbings, is well over 40, which brings it to an average of one murder every 2½ days.

The SFPD has used the slaughter as an excuse to harass poor peoples; they have not gotten down to the nitty gritty of the slaughtering going on, but instead are concentrating on the poor and low-income peoples, the street people who are *not* the killers, and letting the killers go on killing.

The infamous white-wash code, "Operation Zebra," which stated that all cops are working overtime and cops are out in every part of the city and on Muni buses in an attempt to halt the killings, is pure bullshit.

The slaughter goes on, and the police go on playing politics down at City Hall, getting free booze and meals at local inns. What the hell, a fat cop is a contented cop, right fatso Scott and Blackstone.

REALLY

JOHN BURTON "COPS"

In a fund-raiser a couple of Saturday nights ago, Assemblyman John Burton, who is seeking the 5th Congressional seat in the House of Representatives, told a startled audience of the "plight of pensioners living in their little hotel rooms in Sausalito!" This shocked Marin voters, as they were not aware of any slums or such hotels in Sausalito. The mayor of Sausalito declined comment except to say that "Mr. Burton is a San Franciscan who does not seem to know this area well, obviously!"

Burton's old Assembly district in San Francisco included the horrible slums of the Tenderloin where elderly people suffer in dreadful conditions due to Burton's inability to gain legislation for rent control and tenants' rights.

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U.P.U.

POPEYE JACKSON FRAME-UP SHIFTS INTO HIGH GEAR; PAROLE BOARD SEEKS REVOCATION OF PAROLE

Popeye Jackson, who was framed in an arrest situation several months ago by the members of the San Francisco Police Department's Intelligence Unit and the Narcotics Squad, was freed by a jury after one of the women who cooperated with the police in the frameup changed her testimony.

But the leader of the United Prisoners Union is still under the gun, and unless things are reversed rather dramatically, Popeye Jackson will be back in San Quentin for no other crime than having been acquitted of wrong doing. This is the way the corrupt Reagan-appointed Parole Board works in California.

The United Prisoners Union has established a new Defense Committee to try and keep Popeye Jackson out of "Q".

You are urged to do your part. Funds for the upcoming legal defense are badly needed. Please send whatever you can to United Prisoners Union, 3077 24th St., San Francisco, CA 94110. They need money, and they need volunteer workers to help keep Popeye Jackson free. FREE THE PEOPLE, FREE POPEYE JACKSON!

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Bitch Bowie

DAVID BOWIE: THE QUEEN BITCH

Most of us came to know of Bowie's work through the phenomenal success of "Ziggy Stardust." But he's been around for quite a bit longer than that. Raised in a tough slum in London's South Side, David Jones had a rough childhood before dropping out of school for a job as a commercial artist. Finding the work boring, he left his job to form a rock and roll band called "Davy Jones and the Lower Third" and released his first record. It was not a success and when David Jones of the Monkees became famous, our David Jones changed his name to Bowie (after the knife), the band broke up, and Bowie left to study with the Lindsay Kempe Mime Troupe. A year later, having picked up new skills from Marcel Marceau in Paris, Bowie formed his own mime troupe called "Feathers," whose performances with T. Rex in England are legendary. During all this, David had found time to learn guitar and in 1966, he struck out on a solo singing career. Examples of this "folk" period may be found on the London double album entitled *Images 1966-1967*.

It was during this period that Bowie, openly and proudly gay, decided to marry Angie and have a family. He also returned to rock and roll, forming the "Spiders from Mars" with Tony Visconti, Mick Ronson, Mick Woodmansey, and Ralph Mace. His first rock album, *The Man Who Sold the World*, was released on Mercury and Ziggy Stardust was born! No sales though, so a few months later Bowie and his manager, Tony DeFries, formed Main Man Ltd. and in conjunction with RCA began plans for stardom. Main Man offices were opened in London, New York, and Tokyo (with a fourth planned for Los Angeles) solely to promote David Bowie, though the London offices handled Lou Reed for a while and Iggy Pop (The Stooges) was soon signed to Main Man. With the release of "Hunky Dory" Bowie's career began to move. "Hunky Dory" shot to the top of the English charts and plans were laid for the American invasion. It took a while, but finally the album began to climb the U.S. charts and as a result of brilliant publicity techniques, the fabulous show, and Bowie's new album, *Ziggy Stardust and the Spiders from Mars*, our hero became a STAR. Trevor Bolder replaced Tony Visconti on bass and Mace left the band, but the Spiders sound is, if anything, even tighter. Live, some of the songs are even stronger than on record! After the incredibly successful American tour came the release of *Aladdin Sane*, a very controversial new album of songs written while on tour; except for "Let's Spend the Night Together" by Jagger and Richard, a preview of things to come as it turned out a few weeks later when RCA released *Pink Floyd's* pleasant rock album full of fluff and fun. Not Bowie's best, but it grows on ya! Three cheers for David Bowie, the first 100% up front Gay Superstar!

—Antonio Roxoff

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Feminist and Gays

WHO ARE THE PEOPLE'S REAL FRIENDS—SOME COMMON SENSE

By Sasha Gregory-Lewis

We in the gay and feminist movements are acquiring a pantheon of leaders of our own—as have other movements before ours. Each leader gathers a following of supporters and finally collections of ideas and tactics which are argued as philosophies of the movement.

These leaders and their groups of supporters are rapidly becoming an "establishment" in the full sense of the word. The movement establishment could become as oppressive as, and nearly identical to, the straight establishment which oppresses us today if we are not vigilant.

It is important for us—the people, the non-leaders, those whom the leaders claim to represent—to be able to tell who our real friends are. We must begin to distinguish among so-called leaders to find those who are deserving of our help, support, energies and time.

We must also be able to determine who our enemies are so that we don't devote our time and support to those who will end up oppressing us.

How shall we evaluate these groups and individuals who claim to be our spokespeople and leaders? What criteria should we use?

These are difficult and important questions.

There are many degrees of "friendship," and those who are our friends today may become our enemies tomorrow. The qualities which make a person a true friend of oppressed people are rare and elusive.

ENEMIES—FRIENDS—POTENTIAL ALLIES

People who act as our enemies are those who oppose the movement to end the oppression of all peoples. The more power our enemies have, the more dangerous they are. Enemies need to be removed from places of power so they can't continue to hurt us.

Our true friends are those who act in such a way as to support the struggle to end the oppression of all human beings. Our true leaders should be those whom we can trust to act consistently in the best interests of oppressed people. These are our true friends, these should be our leaders.

A third group of people may be called our potential allies—those who in some ways contribute to the movement toward freedom and oppression. Potential allies differ from friends in that allies are not dependable and act primarily in their own selfish interests or even in the interests of our oppressors.

We can sometimes make temporary alliances with these people to achieve specific goals. Some of their actions may be destructive, however, and this is why these people and groups cannot be called our true friends.

Groups and so-called movement leaders who at first glance seem like our friends may not really be our true friends at all. They may, in fact, act as our enemies at times.

DOING AS REAGAN DOES

Ronald Reagan often acts as an enemy of poor and oppressed people. His pleas to starving and hungry Californians asking them to refuse free food from People In Need (PIN) are clearly acts which hurt the people—they contribute to the oppression of hundreds of thousands of Californians who do not have enough to eat each day.

But what about the gay and feminist leaders who refused to have anything to do with the distribution of PIN food? Aren't these people advocating that hungry people be prevented from getting free food just as Reagan advocates?

Aren't these groups acting just as oppressively as Reagan?

Perhaps we can't call these groups our absolute enemies since some of their actions may after all benefit us, but certainly they are not our real friends, as they have shown.

At best they are only potential allies. We should beware of our potential allies. When they attain positions of power they can do our movements great harm. This harm is even more insidious when it comes from those who claim to be our friends. We must be constantly vigilant when potential allies who are not our true friends enter positions of power.

EXAMINE AND COMPARE ACTIONS

Many of our so-called leaders have dreams and plans for our liberation. They call themselves activists and they are continually active, running from place to place and talking about liberation. Are they our friends?

Not necessarily. We must not evaluate dreams and plans alone. We must evaluate concrete actions if we are to learn who our true friends are.

We must ask what a group or person has done, what they have accomplished and what these accomplishments mean in tangible terms to oppressed people.

Some actions are more important to oppressed people than others.

A law which is never passed does not help us at all.

Feeding hungry people, providing medical care and other assistance, is a big help to us. Malnourished people, sick people, drug-addicted people are weak people. They are drained of the strength and will to fight for their own rights. By helping them regain their strength and fighting spirit we are helping to end our own oppression.

There are ways of measuring the state of our oppression and our lack of freedom. We can measure our suicide rate, the life expectancy of minorities, the per capita income of minorities and women, the average educational attainment, the incidence of certain diseases, the quality of housing conditions, the incidence of alcoholism and other drug dependencies, the per cent employment of minorities and women in the labor and management forces, the per cent of minorities, poor people and revolutionaries in prisons, the amount, of nutrients lacking in the diets of oppressed peoples.

We can measure what those groups who call themselves our friends have done to improve these conditions of our oppression.

We should ask of any group or individual which claims to lead us—what have they done? What have they actually accomplished in terms of these very real, tangible and measurable things?

Those groups which completely ignore the fundamental needs of oppressed people cannot truly be called our friends.

EXAMINE AND COMPARE STATEMENTS AND GOALS

Although actions of a group or individual claiming leadership should weigh heavily in our consideration of them as friends or potential allies, we must also consider their goals.

Several groups today feed hungry people. Skid-row missions offer meals in many cities and towns at the price of a gospel hymn or prayer. But these groups are not necessarily our true friends.

The lives of poor people under Hitler were, for a time, improved, but we would not consider him our true friend.

We should ask several questions of those we are considering as our friends. Do their programs support the freedoms of an guarantee the basic needs and rights of all peoples? Women, men, gays, blacks, third world peoples, whites, indians, drag-queens, ex-cons, junkies, jews, arabs, gypsies, prostitutes, young people and all other peoples?

If a group says it supports rights for one group of people, but not all groups, then it is not really our friend.

Feminist groups eager to do away with gay men are not our real friends. Gay groups trying to get rid of street queens are not our real friends either. Nor are racists. Separatism may be of value during certain periods of our movement, but separatists are not really our friends—they can, at best, be only potential allies in specific circumstances.

Statements proclaiming rights and freedoms should be checked out against actions. Is the feminist group which claims to support an end to the oppression of all peoples prepared to sign a statement in support of the rights of blacks? street queens?

Is the black group prepared to support gay rights in a signed statement? Or demonstrate its support by placing black gay speakers on its programs if asked? Is the male homosexual group inviting lesbians to participate in its programs? Is it willing to demonstrate on behalf of equal rights for women?

Our true friends are those who support the struggles of all oppressed peoples.

REFORM OR REVOLUTION

What are the goals of the group or individual which claims leadership of our movements? Do they propose to reform the system so that their own group can get a bigger share of the goodies offered by our capitalist system? These reformists are not our true friends.

As long as there is capitalism there will be exploitation. The reformist just wants his or her own group to be one of the exploiters rather than the exploited.

Our true friends will recognize that if all oppressed peoples are to be liberated then the system as we know it today will have to be completely changed and another, different, system instituted. The true friend of the people is a revolutionary, although she may, at times, use the system as it now stands for one reason or another.

Reformists, however, may be potential allies in some situations, but we should not rely on them as friends—because in the end their goal is to join the exploiting class, not to end exploitation.

EXAMINE ALLEGIANCES

If a potential leader or movement group seems to pass our tests of revolutionary action and philosophy then we must make one further test before admitting them as our true friends worthy of our support.

We must ask—to whom do they owe their allegiance?

One indication of this is the source of funds for the group of individual. Another indication of this may be the person's standard of living.

A government employee, for example, may perform many acts which benefit the people—yet, because the government pays his wages which buy his food, he is not necessarily truly reliable. He may be a potential ally of our movement but it would be risky to claim him as a friend unless he had passed very stringent tests. When a conflict arises which threatens his position in the government, will he sell us out in order to keep his job and standard of living, or will he be willing to risk his job and position in order to stand by us?

People who are closely tied to the system in any way are in positions similar to the government employee. Organizations dependent on government funding are also potential traitors to the people.

This is not to say that these groups and people do not have a plee in our movement toward liberation. The gay liberationist who owns two luxurious homes and spends her hours giving talks on gay rights is not necessarily our enemy. But neither is she necessarily a reliable friend.

We should treat such people and groups as potential allies and always remain wary and cautious lest they profit from our oppression.

Our true friends will be open about their finances and sources of support and be willing to publish the facts of their survival and all of their interests and associations. In this way we can protect ourselves against those who would profit from our oppression in secret.

OTHER CRITERIA

There are probably many other criteria for determining who our real friends are. We should discuss all criteria among ourselves so that we can give our support to only the most deserving of leaders—those who are truly working for our interests.

Our true friends will try to teach people how to lead others and how to work together to create social change.

They will advocate self-defense and teach survival techniques.

Our true friends will have to be dedicated and courageous. They will have to be strong enough so that they will not cop out at the last minute when the going gets tough.

Our true friends will not hide the truth from us. They will not use or manipulate us.

Our true friends will devote most of their energies to helping the movement and struggling against those people and systems which oppress us. They will not waste all of their energies fighting and slandering their potential allies. Only when our potential allies act in ways which are harmful to us should we struggle against them—and then only with the time and energy which is proportional to the size of their offense.

'DICTATORSHIP' VS. 'DEMOCRACY' IN THE MOVEMENT

Successful revolutions in the last two centuries were led by a handful of people who gave orders. We should not spurn potential leaders if they appear to be order givers for as long as they meet the other criteria for our friendship and support. It is they who will be getting the job done while we are still sitting back talking and arguing.

It is important, however, for our leaders to be responsive to our needs. It is our responsibility to ensure this.

It is the responsibility of our leaders to establish methods of training more and more revolutionary leaders. There is need today for many, many activist leaders. Many, many revolutionaries and many, many friends of oppressed people.

Very few individuals today can truly be called our friends.

The question of democracy in the leadership of the movement isn't a meaningful one today—a democracy today would be a democracy controlled by enemies of the real needs of the movement.

Meanwhile, the need for revolutionary action is so urgent, that a temporary "dictatorship" of our true friends should be acceptable because it will accomplish more to end our oppression than so-called democracy.

But we must never lose our vigilance and should strive to educate new and more leaders who can truly be called our friends so that the leadership of the movement may eventually draw from a broad base—so that eventually all people will be making the decisions of leadership. If those who are leading and dictating the movement are judged to be false leaders and people who are *not* really our true friends then we should denounce them and replace them.

We have no time to waste in delaying our revolution until we achieve "democracy" in our movement. There is room for all true friends of the people today as we learn how to take power and leadership into our own collective hands.

This is our responsibility—to see to it that a handful of our leaders who dictate by necessity today don't become the totalitarians of the future.



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DONNA MAE!

DONNA MAE WRITES ABOUT THE TENDERLOIN "FAMILY"
After being part of the Tenderloin family for almost ten years all I can say is, "All good things must come to an end."
Can you remember:

The Trapp... favorite of every Gay in town;
Blue and Gold... a must for the Halloween buses;
Frolic Room... & Gilded Cage, best show bars;
Dalt Club... and landmark, were "in" drinking places;

Bartenders going to other bars, visiting each other on their days off.
Reba, Empress IV, the only one elected that carried the whole Tenderloin.
The people of old, like Uncle Billy and Sammy, may they rest in peace. Both men would give the shirt off their back to help anyone in need.

At Xmas time, you could eat for a week at the bars.
Everyone in the Tenderloin were family... we always took care of our own.
So many people put the Tenderloin down nowadays... ask many of them where they got their start!!!!

There are still a number of nice people down here trying to keep things going... but the elements are against us. We ourselves let it happen. We've let things go beyond the turning back stage. We will continue to try, and maybe someday we will see a return of the "old Tenderloin." Enough of the past.

Bubbles (Donna Mae's cafe), have a nice vacation.
Big Jimmy... "break a leg" at the El Cid.
Mike... "ex-Empress candidate," much luck at the Male Box.
Adolph... thanks for the help moving.
Robin... a quick recovery.
Richard... a belated happy birthday.
Terry and Don... Happy Anniversary!
So keep on being kind and loving.
Aloha!

—Donna Mae

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Politix

CONGRESSIONAL RACE
SHIFTS INTO MOTION

With the opening round of the candidates' night on March 13th at the Towne House Hotel, sponsored by the San Francisco Labor Council, AFL-CIO, COPE, the 1974 Congressional race began in earnest in San Francisco-Marlin-Sonoma.

Mayor Joseph Alioto did not appear but sent a telegram signed "Governor" Alioto, which caused considerable dismay from the others running for governor, for it showed the obvious favoritism of Joe Belardi and John Crowley of the Labor Council for Joe Joe. The favoritism did not end there, for the biased Belardi, who is president of the Labor Council, continued on raving about the various old-time establishment candidates of the Labor Council, with one possible exception—that being incumbent Assemblyman John Foran, whom the Labor Council seems bent on dumping, at least de facto, and switching support to Reverend Eugene Boyle, a new lackey of the Brown-Burton machine, who is opposing Foran, whose labor record rating is an astounding 100 per cent. This strange that the labor bosses would "dump" a man who has served them so well, as well as all of the people, as has Foran, for the likes of Eugene Boyle.

The Labor Council bosses then went on to praise John Burton, who is seeking the 5th Congressional district seat and is opposed by Alan French and Alan Reeves, for the Democratic nomination. French is certainly the best-qualified to have the Democratic nomination in the 5th district, as he almost upset the highly favored used car dealer Roger Boas last time around. "Alan French would be the real candidate to beat in the 5th if he were nominated," was the statement of the Peace and Freedom Party flag-bearer for that Congressional post, the Reverend Raymond Broshears, French is much much younger and much more in touch than either Burton or Reeves, according to the general consensus of opinion, even though it is obvious that Burton has the blessing of big Joe Belardi and John Crowley.

So, with the speechmaking and fund-raising under way now, it appears that for the first time in history, a Gayperson has a very good chance of winning a Congressional seat, as the most recent poll showed the Democrats with 36 per cent of the vote, Peace and Freedom candidate Broshears with 28 per cent, the Republicans with 11 per cent, and the remainder undecided. Marinites view Burton as a "machine man" and "carpetbagger," and he does not have the strength in that bedroom-county area to carry through to victory. The 5th Congressional district race is being viewed by politico experts as the testing site of "new politics."

—Jennie Hopkins

THE Beck

BOOK REVIEW

By Peter Crowley

Julian Beck: *The Life of the Theatre*

This is simply the most beautiful and true book I have ever read. Subtitled "The Relation of the Artist to the Struggle of the People," this collection of insights, stories, and wisdoms by the co-founder (with Judith Malina) of the Living Theatre takes you through the mind of one of the world's most brilliant people. There is nothing difficult or complicated about this book, yet I don't feel competent to translate Julian's thoughts to you, so I will take the liberty of quoting a few lines:

From Chapter 105, "Meditation on Anarchy":

"Anarchy is order. Government is civil war." Anselme Bellagarrigue. 1848.

"Anarchism is organization, more organization, and still more organization." Alexander Berkman. 1928.

"I know my mind's unruly or anarchist by its nature so I suppose society should be." Allen Ginsberg. 1970.

anarchism is order unruly to rule is to coerce

Allen's mind is "unruly" because it is free

coercion is force does not free is violence

anarchism is not violence

free organization is harmony the harmony of anarchy is the harmony to which we are unaccustomed

the state is always coercive

cooperation is free and knows not coercion

cooperation is organization is harmony is anarchy

harmony is not chaos is cooperation and is free

anarchy is harmony is not chaos is free

anarchy is not coercion is not violence is organized and free

Julian (and also Judith) explains that "there will be violence in the revolution. How could it be otherwise? We cannot postpone the revolution till violence is purged from the earth." I could go on to quote the entire book!

The *Life of the Theatre* is published by City Lights, 261 Columbus Ave., San Francisco, CA 94133. Read it before 1984!

Direct Vote

PROPOSAL FOR A NATIONAL INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM

It is apparent that lasting peace and true freedom have a doubtful future under our governmental establishment. The Peace and Freedom Party has sponsored candidates, and through them has brought the party platform to national attention. This in itself will not change national policy, even if more candidates get elected. If the Peace and Freedom Party is to accomplish its objectives, it must find a way to make the government more responsive to the desires of the people.

Initiative and referendum provide a means familiar to Californians whereby the electorate participates directly in the legislative process by voting on propositions placed on the ballot. In the 1972 election the people of California passed a coastline initiative by a strong majority. This legislation was in the interest of the people, but could not be enacted by the state legislature because it was under the influence of special interest groups in opposition. A great deal of America's frustration with the Viet Nam War could have been resolved one way or the other by permitting the people to vote on a proposition to end the war.

A national initiative and referendum is in effect a partial adaptation of direct democracy. The concept is made possible by modern communication using television and the press to keep the public informed on important issues. An informed people can determine where their own best interests lie on important issues, provided the issues are fairly stated on the ballot. Furthermore, they can do this for themselves better than their elected representatives, who are under constant pressure from lobbyists and special interest groups with funds to influence legislation.

A national initiative and referendum process would require an amendment to the United States Constitution. The campaign to gain public support for an amendment should begin in California where the initiative and referendum are already in the state constitution. The first step would be to place the following resolution on the California ballot:

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VATICAN FAG

BISHOPS THROW EGG ONTO
FACES OF GAY CATHOLICS

In a recent National Conference of Catholic Bishops held in Chicago, the bishops have issued a new set of guidelines for priests hearing the confessions of homosexuals. The guidelines urge the confessors to be more pastoral and less judgmental in ministering. But the trouble comes in here. "Since homosexual acts can be neither procreative nor expressions of mutual love between a husband and wife (male and female), they are a grave transgression of the goals of human sexuality and of human personality, and are consequently contrary to the will of God."

Did they really change anything? It appears that they have become stricter, if anything.

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BLACK IN THE PAST

There are some things that should be told
About blackness and the slaving soul
Here are some things that should be known
About the negro's sacred throne

Born into darkness raised in pain
Sold still young still bound in chain
Beaten hard and beaten rough
Stood up tall black and tough

Heard the wrong followed the wise
Knowing always their despair
Worked in the fields both night and day
Came for food yet drove away

Always hoping to see the light
Always striving for their right
Stand up tall stand up straight
Never now always wait

—Dennis R. Carter

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647 P.C.

By B. J. Beckwith

We have received many complaints from members of the gay community who voiced their resentment because police officers have stopped and questioned them and have demanded to see their identification. The question arises as to when an individual may be legally detained and what identification he must furnish the officer. To answer these questions for residents of California we start by looking at the California Penal Code.

Section 647 of the Penal Code provides: Every person who commits any of the following acts shall be guilty of disorderly conduct, a misdemeanor:

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Also, let your state assembly representatives know that you are for Senate Bill 187, to stop the importation of exotic animals coming in dead and dying and for humane bills. Contact Gladys Sargent at the above address or phone her at (415) 658-2211.

a matter of identification

(e) Who loiters or wanders upon the streets or from place to place without apparent reason or business and who refuses to identify himself and to account for his presence when requested by a peace officer so to do, if the surrounding circumstances are such as to indicate to a reasonable man the public safety demands such identification.

The penalty affixed for violation of the statute is a maximum of six months in the county jail, a \$500 fine, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Several years ago when 647(e) first became law, many attorneys, including myself, felt that the statute would be declared unconstitutional by the courts on the grounds that it is vague, indefinite and permits the arrest of a person without the existence of probable cause to believe that a crime has been committed. Unfortunately such was not the case and the law has been upheld by the courts of this state.

The courts have, however, undertaken to render judicial construction of some of the key phrases contained in the statute. In one case, the Court of Appeal ruled, "This section does not make mere loitering and wandering upon streets or from place to place without apparent reason or business a punishable offense and as used there the words do not connote unlawful activity but do no more than describe a person who may be asked by police officers to identify himself and account for his presence in prescribed circumstances" [People v. Weger (1967) 251 C.A.2d 584].

The same court and other courts subsequently held that the surrounding circumstances must be such as to indicate to a reasonable man that public safety considerations indicate the necessity for such identification.

Many readers may be concerned with when "public safety considerations" indicate to a reasonable man the necessity that a person identify himself to a police officer who has made a request for such

identification. The decided cases provide few guidelines in this matter; however, the main distinction made seems to relate to the time of day (or night) the request is made. During normal daytime hours most courts would require the police officer to possess information amounting almost to "probable cause" to believe that the person detained and questioned has committed a crime. If, on the other hand, a person is stopped late at night, the courts require very little to justify detention and a request for identification. The fact that a person is stopped in a "high crime rate" area may in itself, at night time, constitute sufficient justification.

IDENTIFICATION

What constitutes identification? There is no court decision which defines what constitutes sufficient identification. At one end of the spectrum, there is no doubt that exhibition of a valid driver's license would be sufficient to comply with the law. At the other end, many attorneys believe that a simple verbal statement of one's name and address constitutes sufficient identification to comply with the statute. A good rule to follow would be to show some printed identification if you are requested to do so and providing that you have such identification on your person. Should you not have any formal identification on your person, then simply state your name and your present address to the officer, together with a brief statement accounting for your presence in the area.

Most prosecutions for violation of 647(e) are dismissed when the arrested person is represented by an attorney and demands a jury trial. The wise person, however, will avoid the embarrassment of arrest, the expense of posting bail and the inconvenience of trial, by complying with the statutory requirements, if only by making a verbal identification of himself and by making a token statement accounting for his presence in the area.

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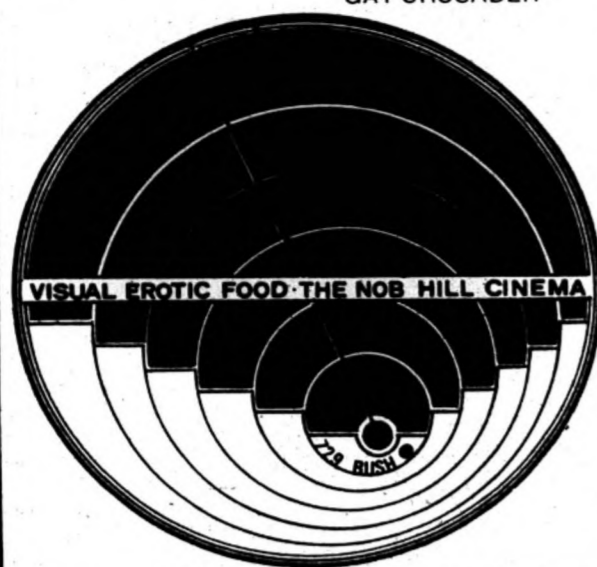
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MAD MAD MUSIC is the theme of the Peace and Freedom Party 5th Congressional District fundraising dance to be held on Sunday, April 21st, at the Shed, 2275 Market Street, beginning at 9 p.m. and going on till 2 a.m. This five-hour rock dance will have live bands, singers and other entertainers, as well as refreshments, with an advance sale price of \$2.50 per ticket, and if you missed buying a ticket, you can get one at the door of the Shed that night for \$4.00. This is a dance and show that you can't afford to miss, and will boost the candidate of the Peace and Freedom Party in the 5th Congressional District, which includes the Haight-Ashbury, Polk Street, Fillmore, Western Addition, Marina, Pacific Heights, Seacliff, Richmond, Hayes Valley, Civic Center, and all of Marin County and the southwestern tip of Sonoma County. Name bands such as the Lazy Ace will be performing, and as well the Mad Mad Music Lite Show. Support the people's party, support the Peace and Freedom Party, support the 5th Congressional District candidate. Five hours of mad mad music and entertainment, Sunday, April 21st, at the Shed, 9 p.m., 2275 Market Street.



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To see if they are red, white, black, rich or poor
To see if they are weak or strong
To see if their hair is short . . . or long.
Then, she dictates the bail
She winks at some judges and they wink back
And the young and poor go to jail.
She sits her blindfold back on when court is adjourned
And lives another day, to perpetuate injustice on those who cannot pay
It's not so much that poor folks are breaking the laws
But this society's failure to deal with the cause
Of the true criminal, who commits the crime.
The government spends money on war and space exploration
And on the causes of crime . . . hardly a dime
So, since "Miss Justice" has been peeping so long
She's surely seen or been told,
That a poor criminal who is disgusted . . . with continued injustice
Might strangle her with that very blindfold.
And she had better quit leaning so much . . . toward the upper class
Or she might just lose her balance . . . and fall and break her ass
And all the law and order and all the dollars that they spend,
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The cry that I hear most commonly from our people is, "We don't have a voice in the government!" This is true on the whole, for the current electoral process serves to repress and discourage opposition, as well as to prevent basic changes. The apparent choice between the "two" major political parties give the electorate only the illusion of political power. Rockefeller and Getty often call them the Republicrats. That is because candidates of both major political parties are dedicated to upholding the status quo . . . which, of course, is unemployment, higher taxes, poorer people, pollution, racism, imperialism, and on and on it goes with few changes for the better, but many for the worse.

The Republicrat Party has conspired consistently to deprive individuals of personal freedoms. We see through the Republicrat system a tightening of controls in every area. Our Party stands for the individuals, realizing that a representative government cannot exist unless personal freedoms are guaranteed. They cannot be guaranteed by nine senile corrupt men sitting in judgment of people they have no understanding of or concern for, as they serve the Rockefeller and Gettys! We hold that the individual is prior to institutions and property. Government should not establish morality, but merely prevent infringement of others' rights (not their sensibilities). When elected, I shall fight to guarantee the rights to privacy, to personal, religious and political beliefs and practices, to sexual freedom between consenting persons, to abortion without legal restrictions, to free speech. These are the things which the Peace and Freedom Party stands for, and the things which I will work unceasingly to bring into reality.

The basic cause of crime in our society is the unequal distribution of property and power. I oppose laws that protect only the propertied and are based upon intimidation, discrimination, brutality, wiretapping, and murder. There is no need for coercive force for social control. The law must protect human rights, and not economic interests.

I support the demands of workers, organized or unorganized, including students, and those who have not had the opportunity to work, for an adequate standard of living and a greater share of the wealth they produce. I support democratic unions only, which are worker controlled. I support the efforts of the rank-and-file unionists to end undemocratic, racist procedures and bureaucratic control in their unions. The Party and myself support the right of all workers to strike for their demands.

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The Republicrat Party has had more than enough time to rectify the wrongs of our system, yet they seek more time. Time has run out. It is time for a change, a big change, and that is time for Peace and for Freedom, which our party brings.

If you desire to know more about the Peace and Freedom Party, and/or wish to support the candidacy of Rev. Raymond Broshears, write to: Committee to Elect Rev. Ray Broshears, P.O. Box 1528, San Francisco, CA 94101. (415) 775-0119. Donations gratefully accepted! Make all checks out to: Committee to Elect Rev. Ray Broshears.

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EDITORIAL

TAVERN GUILD...the San Francisco Tavern Guild is planning on purchasing a building soon. the location shown to a GAAer is a good one. The GAA and myself commend the SFTG for taking steps to create a true Gay Community Center. We hope that the women's groups will occupy the location also. The GAA will not, as we cannot abandon the invaluable work of the Helping Hands Community Center, and the Tenderloin is where we are needed most.

NARCOTICS' BUSTS...Paranoia sweeps San Francisco's Gay scenes with the many arrests of persons for the sales of marijuana, cocaine, amyl, and pills. The number is nearer fifty persons seized now, with certain "name" persons being caught in the dragnet of sales-warrants. One thing we know for sure, and that is the bars have had plenty of warning. But, this comes at election time, which is no coincidence. The Mayor, according City Hall inside people, ordered it at this time so as to "demoralize the political and the economic forces" of the homophile communities. Sounds like Alioto.

PATTY HEARST...the S.L.A. have played out their cards, sympathy is swinging to the Hearsts. This will lead to the greatest "red-hunt" in the history of our City, and the "red-baiting", Hearst-owned Examiner with Cook and Ed Montgomery will sling red-ink and shit at everyone remotely connected with anyone in the group "ordered" by the SLA and Examiner to oversee the free food program. These tactics used by the Examiner in the past, are just what the SLA complained about in their first letter to KPFA, and they have helped these tactics to become a reality once more.

GOLDEN AWARDS...a fine program was presented and many deserving people won, but none more so, than the Tenderloin's own Terry Taylor. Terry when he was here, did more than any individual in San Francisco to keep the Helping Hands Community Center "afloat" financially. Sad that none of the rest of the Golden Award winners have not even raised their finger to help keep Terry's place going.

NOTE...I hope that you all enjoy the Gay Crusader, and if some of the articles make you angry at us, then maybe you should examine yourself!

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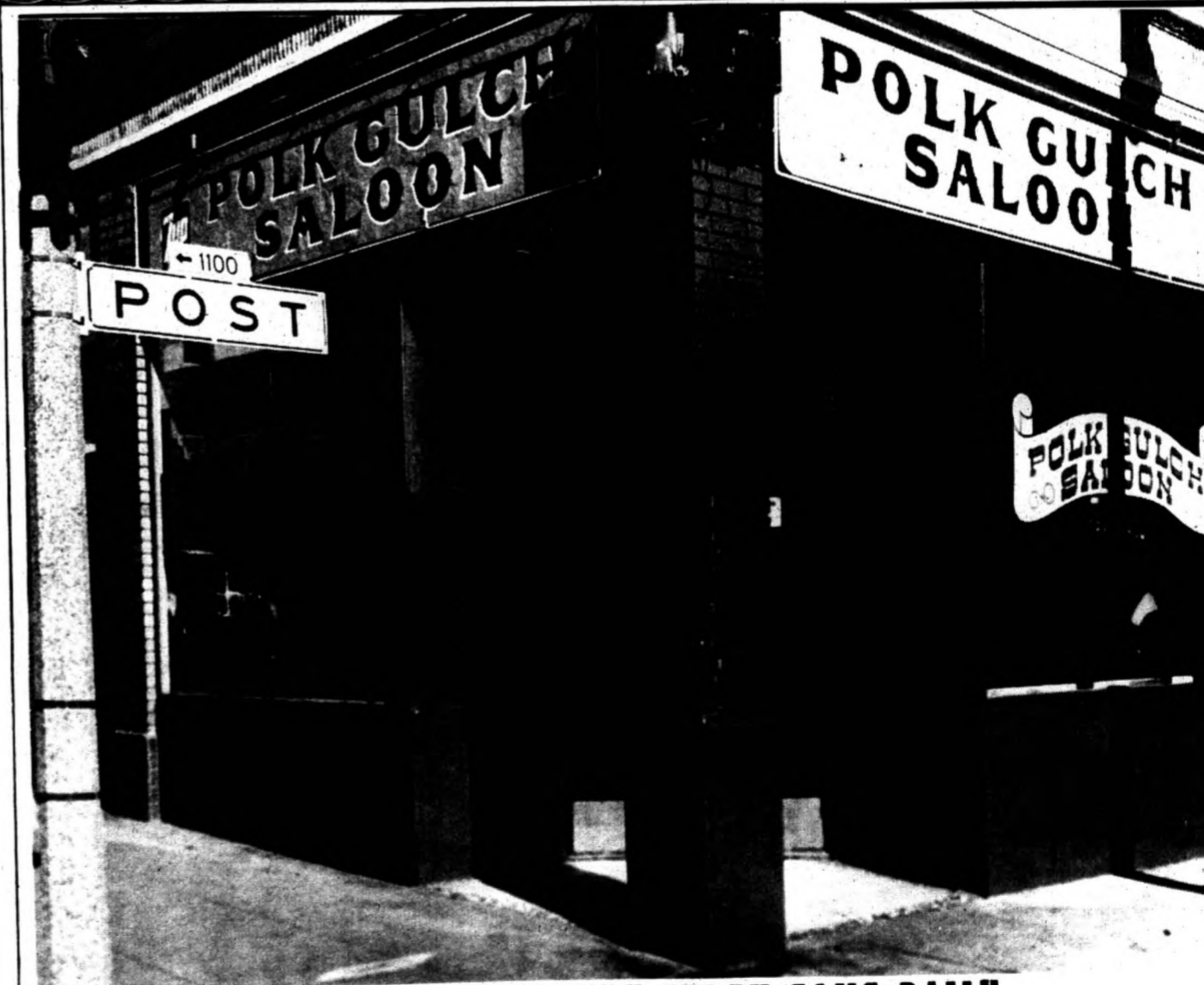
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Nazi Menace

In a shocking turn of events, San Francisco, a city which most Americans consider liberal (but those of us who live here know otherwise), awoke one fine morning only to find uniformed storm-troopers stalking the schoolyards of our city handing out anti-black peoples literature, Nazis in public meetings of the school board, Nazis walking the streets handing out literature, Nazis on radio programs, Nazis on television programs. This is not because our city is liberal, it is because it is fascist, using a facade of moderate politics of toleration. Now, we have people like Yvonne Golden, however well-meaning, doing her media-attention-getting trip at the school board meeting, fighting and denouncing the Nazis, not realizing, or maybe realizing that her attack upon them is just what the butcher bastards wanted, just so that they could get on the television, just so all the Bay Area could see them, just so that they could gain new recruits. Then a few weeks later a young man from the Jewish Defense League did the same thing; while his cause was just, he gave the Nazis just what they demand, what they so desperately need, media coverage, however bad. Now, the Nazis have gained at minimum 200 recruits, and now the membership of the Nazi Party (National Socialist League) in our city has risen to nearly 400 people.

You ask about the police, what are they doing about it? Well, they are there, protecting the Nazis at a public meeting. If Ms. Golden and the others wish to attack the Nazis, please do so, but hit them when the TV cameras are not around, attack them at their homes, at their jobs, but damn it, not at public meetings, where the media will be, for you just help them.

Jack Radar and his Nazis now threaten America, and don't laugh, Jack Radar and his Nazis are growing in number, so large that I fear what the morrow will bring. Radar and his Nazis now number somewhere between 20,000 and 30,000 in America, and are gaining sympathizers. Just take a look at some of the Nazi literature being handed out around the school grounds which show blacks raping white women. Damn it, these hate-filled clever bastards are growing and it is the reactionary left that is helping them, well almost all the left except the Gay Activists Alliance, and we shall deal with the butchers as they should be dealt with.

This is a warning to Jack Radar and his gang of butchers: "Jack, we know about the place you have up near Roseville, and we are going to get you! And we shall destroy all of your places until you have nothing left. And to your sidekicks here in

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San Francisco, we have our own rap sheets on them, we know where most of them live, we know where most of them work, and we shall get them too. Butchers such as yourselves must be dealt with as you have dealt with our people in the past and the present. Your Nazis made lampshades out of our brothers and sisters in Germany. Your Nazis made our Gay brothers and sisters wear the pink triangle denoting that they were homosexual, and your ilk performed all sorts of perversions upon them, sticking huge steel poles up their rectums until they ran up through the throat, ripping them apart, this after you had used them sexually. So much has been done to our people, that the Gay Activists Alliance of California shall not coddle you as do the police, we shall deal with you as you have done with our people. An eye for an eye, Jack Radar and Al Vincent! You shall not use the Corporate Amerika code to protect you, for we shall deal with you. This is your first and last warning!"

The Gay Activists Alliance and the Lavender Panthers, which will carry out the Alliance's warning to the Nazis, have taken strong positions towards Gay-people who are openly sporting the Nazi emblem on their clothing, and upon Gay businesses which court these play-Nazis.



LAZY ACE

A couple of years ago in New York, three young men began getting together to play the blues in a loft just around the corner from Max's Kansas City. Taking their inspiration from master bluesmen like Muddy Waters, John Lee Hooker, Little Walter, Chuck Berry and others, these kids set out to form a serious blues band in the Chicago blues tradition. "We are not interested in being a famous 'Rock Band' if it means fucking up our music," says Rockin Robbie, the lead guitarist and harp player. "This band plays the blues and real rock and roll—anybody who doesn't like the blues has a hole in their soul," explains Thomas D. the bass-man. Mr. Jimmy, taking another hit of comfort, adds, "We just love music and turning on the people—if the audience is having a good time, so are we and the music sounds better." The band is called "Lazy Ace" and the boys have added piano and drums to round out the sound.

CHAIN-GANG MENTALITY KEEPS GAY

LARRY SLOPAK REMAINS IN PRISON, WITH A LITTLE HELP FROM HIS "FRIENDS"

The case of Larry Slopak, imprisoned in Oregon State Prison in Salem, Oregon, remains there this very day, through no fault of Sasha Gregory-Lewis, famed women's liberationist writer, and her assistants.

Ms. Gregory-Lewis wrote several articles for publications which published the plight of Larry Slopak, much of which was in the February-March issue of the *Gay Crusader*. At that time, Slopak had written to the GAA in San Francisco for immediate assistance, giving written authorization for demonstrations, and what have you. Slopak has been in Oregon Prison for several years on a charge akin to child-molesting, but which was not, due to the "frame-up" and the consensual matters involved.

Just as the Gregory-Lewis and GAA-San Francisco "Free Slopak" machine was rolling toward victory, certain Gayleaders in San Francisco contacted establishment Gayleaders in Oregon and warned them to stay clear of any association with GAA-San Francisco or Ms. Gregory-Lewis, who is a person who cannot be "controlled."

The evil words fell upon fertile minds, which had done nothing except token paper actions towards freeing Larry Slopak, and this is in Slopak's own handwriting in numerous communications at the GAA offices and with Ms. Gregory-Lewis. The Oregon Gayleaders with the exception of one person, Roger Troen of the Gay Liberation Front of Portland, capitulated to the "let-us-be-respectable" people, Ron Powell, Professor Titus-OSU, George Nicola, and Glenn LaPine. Well, these proper-type Gays still have their respectability and Larry Slopak is still in prison. Titus, a professor of law at Oregon State University, is receiving his salary from the same person as the warden who keeps Slopak under lock and key, and takes his orders from the same people that the Oregon Parole Board take their orders from, Governor Tom McCall. Titus is allegedly the attorney for Slopak, but with an attorney like Titus, who does not want publicity called to such a case of injustice as this, you don't need a prosecutor.

The issue is much larger than Larry Slopak, for there are thousands of Slopaks, and we must work with those who will work with us, and not "cop-out" under pressure as did Larry Slopak. All work on behalf of Slopak (with the exception of Titus's) has ceased as requested by Larry. We all can only hope that Larry Slopak, despite the ill-advice he has received, will be freed.

FREE Bail

The "Own Recognizance" Bail Project, instituted by the Bar Association of San Francisco in 1964, has successfully demonstrated that persons arrested on criminal charges may be released pending trial without posting bail. The court will consider "Own Recognizance" (O.R.) release on the defendants to make all court appearances — if the defendant has ties to the community that indicate he will not flee the jurisdiction of the court. These ties consist of employment, residency, and family in the Bay Area. An additional consideration is the prior record of the defendant. While O.R. release is based on a point scale (the more ties a defendant has in the categories of residency, employment, and family, the more points he will score), a person arrested need not "score" points in all categories.

The actual processing of an O.R. consists of an interview with the defendant and verification of what the defendant says by three references in felony cases and two references in misdemeanor cases. Defendants and references are asked only about the defendant's family, residency and employment. An employer will be contacted *only* at the defendant's request. Employment can be verified by friends or co-workers. References are contacted by phone and should be able to state the address and place of employment of the defendant, length of time at job and residence, and relatives which the defendant sees with some degree of frequency. References are also asked whether they feel the defendant is reliable and whether they will relay a message regarding a court appearance should the O.R. office be unable to reach the defendant directly. A copy of the police report and the defendant's "rap sheet" (a listing of prior convictions) is attached to the report and presented to a judge. The decision to O.R. a defendant is solely a judicial one. O.R. personnel only compile the required information.

Interviews are conducted by O.R. staff twice a day (7:30 AM and 6:00 PM) in City Prison. References are then contacted and a copy of the police report and "rap sheet" are secured. The O.R.

Project is open from 6:30 A.M. until 10:00 P.M. seven days a week. Judges are available basically between 8 A.M. and 6 P.M. Monday through Friday. Each weekend a judge is available to consider O.R. matters.

A case can be processed quicker if a few points are remembered: A person arrested need not wait to be interviewed by O.R. staff. He should phone the O.R. Project from the precinct station or City Prison, at which time an interview can be conducted over the phone. The phone number (552-2202) should be posted at these locations. If not, ask the officer on duty or check the white pages of the phone book. The more names and phone numbers of references a person gives, the easier it is to contact two or three immediately. References given should know the defendant's address, employment and family ties.

The problem area in pre-trial release is the defendant who is visiting the area or has only resided here a short period of time. O.R. is unlikely in most of these cases, and if bail money is unavailable, the defendant must remain in jail pending trial, which period may run from a few days to several months. A person in this situation is more likely to "cop" a plea just to secure release.

One important thing to remember is that if a person secures an O.R. release and willfully fails to make his court appearances, he may be charged with another crime, in the case of a felony charge, another felony, and in the case of a misdemeanor, charge another misdemeanor.

Courts may grant releases in these cases into the custody of a person or organization, or by placing restrictions on the defendant, i.e. travel, association, or place of abode. An organization willing to assume custody of a defendant should be prepared to assure a judge that it is able to exercise some degree of supervision over the defendant. The organization should be able to keep track of where the defendant resides, notify him of all court appearances and offer assistance in helping him meet these commitments (carfare, transportation, etc.). If a person does not have a local address, the organization should be able to provide housing until the defendant is able to secure his own. Ideally, organization members could provide housing during this intermittent period. It would be helpful if the organization could further assist the defendant in securing legal counsel. The defendant's consent is of course necessary in this type of release.

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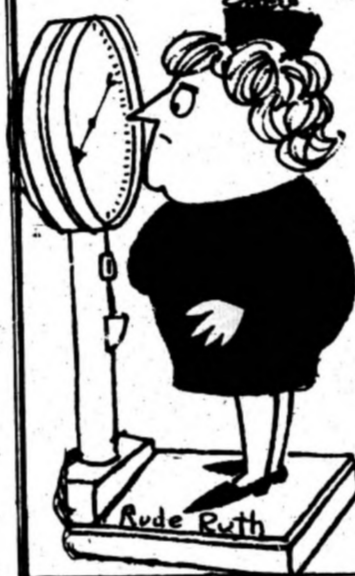
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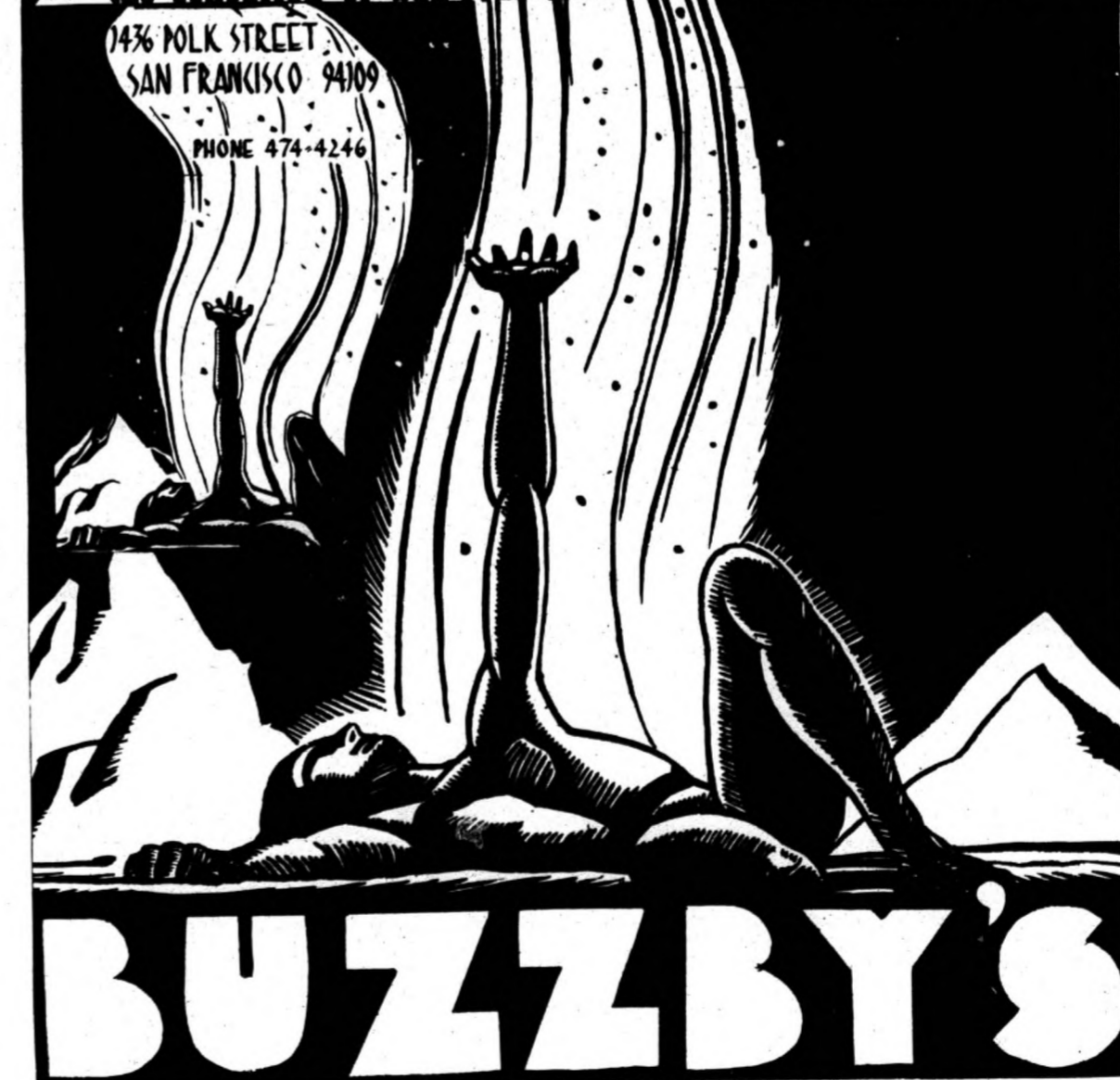
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Curtains & Canvas

Well, back again with your favorite friendly community arts news. Flash! . . . Auditions etc. . . for *Virgin Spring* to be directed by Mr. Sam Allen ("No pay but good company and juicy parts") call 824-7357 or 885-0460 . . . And more—for Toad Hall auditions contact Keith Grier at 681-4907 . . . For those of you with idle feet, we're gonna give you free dance classes any Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday from 4:40 to 6 p.m. (a little Isadora Duncan and a little East Indian-type) at the Neighborhood Arts Theatre, 220 Buchanan, 558-2335 . . . *Opera Riders to the Sea* and *Down in the Valley*, Community Music Center, 544 Capp st., 647-6015—these beauties coming up on March 30 at 8 p.m. and March 31 at 3 p.m. (believe it? Just 50 cents).

Meditations on the enemy crassness, the impending impeachment celebrations and those dreadful strikes—reveal the likelihood of a tremendous resurgence of emphasis on community entertainment. It seems certain that the immobilized American of today can and will logically turn to his local artforms. Already we see an upward swing in the purchase of crafts materials, hobby things and even Do-it-yourself stuff. No doubt that the wise little, low-budget or community theatre group can benefit from this devious depression by running energetic programs and moving more into direct publicity (door-to-door, telephone, streetcorner and such). To be certain there is a gloomy side of it all. Kids, you've got to give up new wood, cardboard, and materials. It can't be had for love and maybe not even for money. Plywood (our basic stage tree) has doubled in price and wide widths of basic fabrics are becoming scarce. There's just no telling where it will stop and why bother? We are forced to reconsider the principles of meager materials as seen in the works of Grotowski, Brecht, and Marcel Marceau. All factors measured it seems unlikely that the forthcoming economic upheaval is going to enrich the coffers of us little theatre people, but certainly we're going to make friends.

And the beat goes on . . . Auditions for *A Dance of the Forests* by Nigerian playwright Wole Soyinka are being held by the Black Performing Arts Troupe by arrangement. Call 531-5067 . . . Hold me closely—Do you remember *The Night of the Iguana*? Now live! The American Playwrights Theatre presents you-know-what at the Firehouse Theatre (right on Polk and California) three weekends in April, call first . . . meanwhile a quest goes on for 6-8 persons interested in committing themselves to the formation of an ensemble group in collaboration with the playwright. John Robinson is the name and the *Real Theater* is his tick. He quite a peach, a dynamo and go-thumper and very reachable at 52 Lyon St., 94117 . . . Best local theatre conference for the year will be held at the Jack Tarr Hotel (Cube), but anyway it is the California Educational Theatre Association (CETA) on April 5, 6 & 7. Go. Register as a non-member student (\$4.00) and dig on Asian Theatre/The Oakland Ensemble Theatre/Sessions with Senator Gregoria/Wig Making/Cloven & Mine Workshop/Animal Makeup and much more. Call the hotel at 776-8200 . . . As you will probably miss the current exhibition at the Galeria de la Raza. Features among many a multi-colored print of Carmen Miranda. It's trippy as the colors play one against the other and the viewer can feel and see the vibrations. Had me slipping on the bananas. Ms. Graciela Carrillo is the artist. Her collection is called *Sonar-Despierto*. She may continue the show after the scheduled March 31st closing. She can be reached through the Galeria, 2851 24th St., Wednesday-Sunday, 12-5 p.m. at 826-8009 . . . Lastly, someone named David Ostwald is directing the world premiere of Oscar Wilde's *The Picture of Dorian Gray* in dance! Xoregos Performing Company do the honors at the Palace of Fine Arts Theatre, 3301 Lyon St., but by the time you read this (bless you) the company will be in New York. However next issue we'll give you a full run down . . . and that is that.

By K. O. St. Clare

For a strong voice to represent you, you are urged to vote for Reverend Raymond Broshears, Congressional candidate, 5th District, San Francisco-Marin-Sonoma.

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TELEPHONE CONSPIRACY TIPS

In a recent journalistic coup, the Technological American Party (TAP) has again scooped the establishment press by announcing the 1974 Telephone Credit Card Code. Pointing out that calls are best made in a rushed, business-like voice, and should be limited to 15 minutes, so that the caller cannot be traced and caught, TAP also mentions that users of the code should call *only* from pay phone booths.

According to TAP officials, the letter code is: 1-N, 2-X, 3-Z, 4-A, 5-G, 6-S, 7-Q, 8-F, 9-U, and 0-J.

To use the code, add the city code (for instance, Los Angeles is 184) to the phone number of a corporation. The letter is determined by the fifth digit of the phone number. Example: Litton Industries in Los Angeles' phone number is 273-7860. The code for L.A. is 184 (not the area code), and the fifth digit is 8. So, the credit card number is 273-7860-184-F.

Other city codes provided by TAP are: Spokane, Washington, 128; New York City, 012; Chicago, 097; and Washington, D.C., 032.

Hypothetically speaking, to use this code to make a long-distance call, you would dial direct 0 (zero), then the number you are calling. When the operator comes on, you would say (using an actual number): "Credit card number xxx-xxxx-yyy-x." Try and know the company name, area code, and city.

If the operator asks anything besides the number of the phone booth you are calling from, she or he is suspicious, probably. You should hand up, and try again from another booth. Be careful about what you say during a credit card call. The operators sometimes listen in, especially for the first few seconds. If the phone company asks about credit card calls made by your phone, say you don't know anything about it, that it must have been for someone else, but don't talk further. "Be friendly, but stupid," says TAP.

When making a TAP call, remember, give the phone number of a huge multimillion-dollar business in your area.

—Liberation News Service

EXTERMINATE?

REAL OR NOT

DEATH THREATS MADE TO GAY "LEADERS!"

A letter, with the name of "Steve Ginsberg" signed at the bottom, was received by several Gaypersonalities in San Francisco, most of whom are Gayrights workers. The letters arrived in the Friday, March 15th, mail at the Society for Individual Rights, Gay Activists Alliance, Metropolitan Community Church, Council on Religion and the Homosexual, Daughters of Bilitis, Sentinel, Bay Area Reporter, Helping Hands Community Center, and San Francisco Tavern Guild. All the letters were identical and contained death threats for Bob Ross, president of the Tavern Guild; James M. Foster of the Whitman-Radcliffe Foundation; Paul Bentley of the Bay Area Reporter; Rev. Bill Johnson of the Council on Religion and the Homosexual; Reverend James Sandmire of the Metropolitan Community Church; Sharon Crase of the Daughters of Bilitis; the Reverend Ray Broshears of the Gay Activists Alliance; Bill Plath of SIR; and Henry Leleu. The "Ginsberg" letter stated that they were slated for "extermination by the GLF," a nebulous group which "Ginsberg-writer-of-the-letter" evidently heads.

This letter is in regard to the Nazi advertisement that the Bay Area Reporter carried; Bob Ross, an editor, gave the order to run it. But the reason for the death threats to the others is quite unclear, except that numerous obscenities ran all through it. Steve Ginsberg of ACH-VAH and the Gay Jewish Union wrote the letter, according to the editor of the Sentinel, Bill Beardemphl.

As a result of the letter, the San Francisco Police Department's Intelligence Unit has been called in to apprehend the writer of the letter and his or her associates.

The "Ginsberg" writer of the letter accused all of being "nazis" and "pigs" and accused Jim Foster of "indecentities" with Supervisor Dianne Feinstein, who is Jewish, and is called a "pig" also by the writer "Ginsberg."

Comments from Bill Plath of SIR were, "I am at a loss to explain his attack on me, I hardly know the man. But he is obviously hung up on rimming!" Bill Beardemphl said, "We accept the resignation offered by Ginsberg in the letter, from the Gay Freedom Day Parade Committee. I am shocked by his strange actions of late." Bob Ross would make no comment, and others stated that the letter was from a "kook" and refused to respond. Robbie Robillard, board member of SIR, thought it all very funny.

Rev. Ray Broshears gave one of the longest statements though, telling of the violence committed upon the Helping Hands Community Center, which he blames upon Ginsberg, and said, "Steve is an irrational person. . . I would not join him and his group in destroying copies of the Bay Area Reporter for carrying the Nazi ad. I tried to show him that these are the same tactics used by the Nazi Brown Shirts prior to World War II, and for him to engage in such tactics would be a suppression of freedom of the press, but he said he didn't feel that they had a right to freedom of the press. Now, I sympathize with Steve in the matter, but I will not use Nazi tactics to destroy the Nazis. I believe there are ways to do things, and much more effectively. Steve surely has flipped off this subject, for the GAA has worked with Steve in the past and tried to assist him, but we shall never join him in such tactics. He is just as big an ass as are the Bay Area Reporter people for running the advertisement."



TENDERLOIN TIMES TUFF

Tough times have hit the Tenderloin as we all know. Money is scarce, the police are hot, the thugs are making hits, the youth are restless, merchants are short on cash, stock and temper. Things have not been so bad since the earthquake of 1906. Drugs are on the increase in use, as the methadone maintenance centers at Eddy and Hyde have increased the flow of pushers of heroin into the Tenderloin by about 3000 per cent. Pimping is down, and most of the "loose women" (Coyote-types) are independents, which is good.

Male hustling is at an all-time low thanks to Lloyd Plugher of the Downtown Association. Market Street beautification plans include greater police sweeps on that street, which have increased. These are being done by the cops of Captain Shine of the Southern Station, which was given control of both sides of Market Street instead of just the south side. Police community relations cops have been assisting in the "cleaning up" of Market Street, which is another name for police harassment.

Captain Curran of the Central Station, which takes in the eastern part of the Tenderloin, blames the troubles some poor people have been having on the plainclothes units, which is pure bullshit. And on the western portion of the Tenderloin, we have Captain Flynn who seeks to become Chief of Police so bad he can taste it and will do anything to please Captain Shaughnessy and the big business leaders, and as a result, poor and low-income people suffer the brunt of the "keep the streets clean of poor white and black trash," the unofficial campaign being conducted by Captains Shine, Curran, and Flynn, all three of whom plan to be the next chief of police. The stakes are high and the poor and low-income people as usual as the pawns who pay the god-awful price. Oldtimers remember the days when crime was much lower due to the police not creating crime as they do now!

The next rip of the police is to hit the porno-book stores and film places. The only hope of the people is either revolution or community control of the police, both of which are highly unlikely.

—Gaylen O'Brien

SEXUAL OR RELIGIOUS PROBLEMS? CONTACT THE HELPING HANDS COMMUNITY CENTER

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PRISON CONFERENCE SET FOR APRIL 28TH

A prison reform conference has been set for northern California on April 28th, to be an all-day event with refreshments, buffet, speakers, and workshops. If you desire to participate or attend, please contact the Prison Conference Committee at the Helping Hands Community Center, (415) 771-3366, or write 225 Turk Street, San Francisco, CA 94102. April 28th is a Sunday, so plan to make a day of it. All are invited to hold workshops.

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SADVOCATE

SADVOCATE BIAS BECOMES MORE BLATANT!

"The situation seems to have become rather tenuous at the *Advocate*. Almost no one of the entire staff who were with the paper a year ago remains. It seems that some were 'fired,' some 'quit,' or so I am told."

"I do not understand the present 'situation.'"

This writer from southern California and numerous others find themselves in a most unhappy situation, as the editor of the *Advocate*, a carpetbagger from the corn-filled plains of Illinois, Larry Reh, has been just what the doctor ordered for Dick Michaels. Someone who would follow orders even though he knows they are wrong!

Data Boy's Saul Sufron has become the target of attack from M&R (Michaels & Reh), as his Los Angeles-headquartered publication has "dared" to print news stories about items which M&R consider their "turf." Larry Reh in a phone conversation accused the *Gay Crusader* of advocating the "dynamiting of the *Herald-Examiner*" and of "interfering in Los Angeles Gaypolitics." As to the Heart-owned scab-paper the *Herald-Examiner*, the editor of the *Crusader* did say that it "would have been better had someone blown up the presses of the Hearst publications (when no one was in) rather than kidnap Patty Hearst!" But of course, Larry Reh, as many back in Illinois can tell you, was never one to get things right very often. And as to the interfering charge by Reh and Michaels, right-on! The *Advocate* has been interfering in San Francisco politics too long, and when a situation gets as bad as it has gotten in Los Angeles with little or no dissenting voices, it is time someone spoke up. Since the *Gay Crusader* began the "sock-it-to-em" campaign, the *Advocate* now has competition here in San Francisco in the person of the *Sentinel*, the aim of which, as Michaels knows, is to become a paid paper with a west coast circulation 100 per cent compared to Michaels' paper; and then the *Data Boy*, a bar publication, began covering news stories outside of the bars, much to their credit, and this is something that Michaels fears, for he knows that Saul Sufron has the money connections to open competition to the *Advocate* (but more accurate) to Michaels; then, the best news of all, to an extent, is the new Los Angeles publication the *Forum*, which started, for one issue only, with former *Advocate* editor Rob Cole as the editor, but he resigned and another ex-*Advocate* employee, Doug Sharf, a very capable person, took the helm of this *Sentinel*-like publication, which can only be good for Los Angeles residents and bad for the pocketbook of Michaels and company. The only thing that makes the success of the publication doubtful is the fact that Paul Mace, the publisher, has Michaels-like tendencies to meddle with the editor, which could destroy the paper. But it is there, and we sincerely wish it well.

Michaels and Reh interfere in San Francisco politics through their very biased reporter, the ousted editor of *Vector*, George Mendenhall. George went to Sacramento to testify on SB 39, and wrote a story which read like a tribute to a San Francisco attorney who heads the Alice B. Toklas Memorial Democratic Club. Very little was factual in George's writing, and some of the characters he had in Sacramento that day never even left the city of San Francisco (Duke Smith). Mendenhall and the *Advocate* did not know a thing about SB 39 until this paper, the *Gay Crusader*, dug the story up. George Mendenhall has been doing all that he can to make the director-attorney of Toklas look good in recent weeks—witness the SB 39 story and the police permit hearing story. Mendenhall and the *Advocate* learned that the *Gay Crusader* was going to print some things which the *Gay Crusader* feels are pertinent to "controlism," that the *Advocate* tries to perpetuate with their biased coverage of the San Francisco scene; they met with officers of the San Francisco Police Department and had them contact the attorney who sometimes writes for the *Gay Crusader*, giving out with a veiled threat towards the editor if he dares to print anything about the past arrests of George Mendenhall. The attorney has advised against saying anything about the arrests of Mendenhall, so they will not be mentioned except to say that

the editor feels they are important in understanding the nature of the *Advocate* writer, so that his blatant bias can be shown in covering stories concerning legislation on public sex acts, legislation which the *Gay Crusader* has an editorial policy against.

If it were not for George Mendenhall and the *Advocate*, the "paper-tigers" of San Francisco would never have gained the power that they have today. Alice B. Toklas Memorial Democratic Club has never been anything but a paper-tiger, like the Whitman-Radcliffe Foundation, which the same people are involved in! Whitman-Radcliffe seeks federal money, taxpayers' money, to bring about their "programs" which are designed to destroy certain existing Gay service organizations. The story of the treachery of the *Advocate* in the "Laughing Policeman" motion picture story is a perfect example, as the *Advocate* writer Mendenhall, working as part of a committee in Gays Against Media Bigotry, GAMB, along with Peter Crowley, drafted a paper against the film, of which Mendenhall wanted 20,000 copies printed up at the expense of the GAA, which was done. There are about 17,000 copies left! For Mendenhall "dropped out" after the first picket along with Larry Littlejohn of the paper-Pride Foundation, which no longer found it "amusing." Larry Littlejohn and Mendenhall both have long records of dropping out of things they are involved in starting when it appears they can no longer control them. Like the Pacific Telephone Company zaps by the GAA (Gay Activists Alliance), here is another example of *Advocate* bias. Larry Littlejohn and Pride Foundation recently re-wrote the 1973 complaint of the GAA to the Human Rights Commission concerning the discrimination in hiring at PT&T. The *Advocate* treated it as a startling "new" development, yet this had been done over a year ago by the GAA. Pride has been raising money for their "legal and educational" works, yet nothing has been done by them except to "leech" onto activities already in motion by the GAA. The GAA in February of 1973, in a story the *Advocate* refused to cover (Mendenhall), began the 52-Week Offensive Against Employment Discrimination by Pacific Telephone. GAA produced a host of colorful zaps which all gained San Francisco straight media coverage, but little in the *Sadvocate*, due to the biased reporting of Mendenhall. Then in February of this year when the GAA announced that they were entering into the second 52-Week Employment Discrimination Offensive Against PT&T, the *Sadvocate* did not cover it. Then when the GAA announced the Good Friday zap at the employment offices of PT&T, where "PT&T" employees will crucify a Gayperson on a telephone-pole cross, this too was ignored by the *Sadvocate*.

This writer could go on and on about the *Sadvocate's* biased news coverage, the biased writing of George Mendenhall, Larry Reh and others, but what is the use, for we have been heard by the public—witness the birth of competition publications to the *Sadvocate*. This is it, spend your money for publications like the Los Angeles *Forum* and the San Francisco *Sentinel*, for they are looking out for your best interests, and they do not take advertisements from the Nazis (National Socialist League) as has the *Advocate* for many many months, for they are far too responsible.

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SCABIES epidemic!

Compiled by Ms. Lloyd Miller, R.N., of the Tenderloin's Free Medical Clinic, located in the basement of the Hospitality House, 148 Leavenworth.

SCABIES

A PARASITIC INFESTATION OF THE SKIN

Medical Definition—A contagious skin disease due to the itch mite (*Sarcoptes scabiei*) which bores beneath the skin, forming burrows. The disease is accompanied by intense itching, together with the skin irritation caused by scratching.

Basic Symptoms—(1) Itching, especially at night. (2) Itching small blister-like eruptions that may contain clear fluid or pus. These appear typically in "runs" or "galeries"—in other words, the itching area appears as a short line (1/4" approximately) instead of looking like a pimple. These most usually appear first on the sides of the fingers and the heels of the palms, but may appear anywhere on the body (rarely in the hair). (3) Microscopically visible mites, eggs, and black clots of feces—these are not visible to the naked eye.

GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS:

Scabies is a common skin irritation caused by infestations with *Sarcoptes scabiei*. An entire family or communal group may be affected. The infestation is generalized but usually is not on the head or neck (although in infants even these areas may be involved). The mite is not visible to the naked eye. Scabies is usually acquired by sleeping or other close contact with an infected person.

CLINICAL FINDINGS

Symptoms and Signs—Itching occurs almost exclusively at night. The lesions consist of more or less generalized irritations from scratching with small itching vesicles—pustules in "runs" or "galleries." The run or gallery appears as a short irregular mark (perhaps 2-3 mm long) as if made by a sharp pencil. Characteristic lesions may occur on the nipple and as itching "pimples" on the scrotum in males. Itching raised areas may also be seen over the buttocks. Areas infected by intense scratching may often be the first sign.

Laboratory Findings—For the doctor, laboratory findings may include the adult female mite demonstrated by probing with the fresh end of a scalpel. The mite tends to cling to the tip of the blade. The physician may shave off the entire run or gallery (or, in the scrotum, a papule) and demonstrate the female mite, her ova, and small black dots of feces. The diagnosis can be confirmed by the doctor by the microscopic demonstration of the organism, ova, or feces. Most doctors will bypass the procedures and can easily diagnose scabies by visual examination.

Differential Diagnosis—Scabies must be differentiated from the various forms of lice and other causes of skin itching and irritation to insure proper treatment.

TREATMENT AND PROGNOSIS

Usually unless the lesions are complicated by severe secondary pyoderms (infected, inflamed, denuded areas of skin—receptive environments for pyogenic—pus-producing—infective organisms) treatment consists primarily of disinfection.

Kwell 0.5% Lotion is the easiest and most common mode of treatment. Kwell is available only by a doctor's prescription or through a free clinic.

There is some current research and thought that scabies is a self-limiting invasion—that the mites will die off without treatment within three months—if you can stand the itching.

Many individuals believe that even after adequate treatment they remain infected, because of continued itching. Often this is not the case—the dead mite often continues to remain under the skin and although dead and inactive, the organism continues to irritate the skin and cause itching. It is obvious thus that a person may have to endure mild itching for a time after treatment.

It is vital that all infected persons in the commune or family group be treated to avoid reinfestations. There is no immunity to scabies.

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Your attitude must be that of victory. You must be prepared to inflict serious injury, or even death, upon your attacker. For your attacker has these things in mind for you. Only a person with a vast amount of superiority over the attacker should consider "going light" on them.

You must remain calm, don't freak out, don't forget everything. Getting excited wastes energy and shows your weaknesses to the attacker. If you must work off nervous energy, make loud aggressive noises, yell, shout, gesture, try and psych the attacker out.

You must make every move count. Don't waste energy by flailing or throwing blows that do not damage. For example, slaps, blows to the shoulders or chest do little good at all. One blow with focused energy is better than 20 ineffective blows. Learn one punch, strike, or kick, and practice it. Make it hard and if you can land it, it's all you need. Better, learn it well and then learn something else. Learning means practice many times until it becomes instinctual.

One of the most effective techniques to learn first is the eye-poke. If done correctly it will immediately disable the attacker and enable you to get away, which is the ultimate defense. Keep the fist tight, and have a solid stance before throwing the punch. Practice in front of a mirror, it will be helpful. Coordination, focus, and strength, the big 3.

Remember: You have a right to defend yourself! Remain calm, and make every movement count. Get yourself in condition and practice at least one technique so that you can defend yourself. No matter what your size, your build, if you can learn the basics, you can knock the hell out of your attacker, no matter how big or strong.

A special note from the coordinator of the Lavender Panthers:
I wish to clarify some points about the Panthers.

1. They are not a part of the Helping Hands Center.
2. They are a separate and distinct *political* body from that of the GAA/SF.
3. They are an organization devoted to teaching self-defense, not just physically, but politically as well.
4. They are dedicated to a completion of the American Revolution, and the membership is secret so as to protect the members and make even more effective the actions taken.
5. We advocate the use of weapons in self-defense, and urge that each home have a rifle or shotgun for that purpose.
6. The group is not a group of "vigilantes" as portrayed by the media. They are for self-defense only. Lavender Power!

Reverend Ray sez: "When all else fails, kick them in the vital regions, all's fair in love and war!"

A.P.A. REVERSAL? yes!

HOMOSEXUALITY GAINS NEW ACCEPTANCE?

In December of 1973, the American Psychiatric Association's board of trustees passed a ruling that homosexuality was not a sickness. But there could be a setback to that, as a strong right-wing lobbying effort is under way for the national convention of the American Psychiatric Association to be held this spring in Detroit, which would undo the actions of the board of trustees.

In Los Angeles, researchers say that they can correctly identify homosexuality via the measuring of the male hormone testosterone in urine samples, stating also that feminine behavior is more evident in the sons of diabetic mothers given estrogen during pregnancy than in the sons of diabetic mothers not given estrogen. Big deal!

Come June, an American Medical Association committee, the Council on Mental Health, is presenting to the membership a resolution which endorses the American Law Institute's Model Penal Code, which calls for removing legal restrictions on sexual behavior between consenting adults. It would also put the AMA on record as being opposed to employment and housing discrimination against Gaypeople. But what I ask is, why does the law have to be "between consenting adults," which is ageist! Why not just between consenting persons of consensual age, which could mean from the age of twelve on up. Let us be realistic—does it not happen that the 13, 14- and 15-year-olds make sexual overtures toward an older person, and if they desire it, why should it not be? Let us make the laws proper, let's not give the police one ounce more power than they already have.

The gains that some of the homophile leaders feel that we have made are not really improvements at all, but merely putting homosexuals into more highly categorized slots of society. I support the growing movement for sexual law abolition; how about you?

—Ms. Candy Brown

YONKERS PRODUCTION COMPANY

A special thank-you from the Helping Hands Community Center to the Yonkers Production Company and to John Kozak for the many donations to the Center. It is greatly appreciated.

Elect Jack Morgan Judge

Dear Friends and Colleagues:

As you know, I have declared my candidacy for Office No. 2 of the Municipal Court. The die is cast; the campaign is in earnest.

If I had the resources available, I would have mailed each of you an individualized letter.

As you well know, the San Francisco bench is in such a condition that judges, though acting in the name of "court reform," have gutted due process out of the courtroom, and have substituted something known as "courtroom efficiency"—"how many lines must I get through today?"

Unfortunately the result of "calendar efficiency" is that the needs of attorneys and their clients are ignored.

I am sure that you have encountered these and other problems yourself. It appears that once a judge is appointed to the bench in San Francisco, the judge assumes the attitude that his is a lifetime job and that he does not need to respond to the needs of the private attorney.

I am sure you have never been consulted concerning pending changes in court policy. If I am elected those secret judges' meetings will vanish. The opinions of the bar will be considered. I will assure each of you a voice in the day-to-day operations of the Municipal Court.

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Rude Ruth Laid?

Madalyn Mockingbird reports

Bouncing about Polk Strasse watching all types lining up to get in Buzzbys is a mind-blower. Buzzbys has to be the most far out place to ever hit formerly staid Polk Strasse. One thing for sure, Buzzbys has been much good for all businesses in the area. But the manager, him, if you don't want to be insulted, avoid him! . . . LAZY ACE vs. HAVOC HOUSE, this is something, this wild far-out band of music-freaks has bounced the Havoc House far up the ladder on entertainment. They are wild sounding and looking as well. Some oldtimers come in expecting to see Gary Schneider's organ and find these studs wailing this far-out musik! . . . WILD GOOSE HAS A FLOWER, that is right, a real beauty of a flower is working at the Wild Goose, he being Michael "Gladola" Perry. Such a boy, and he is a reallilly, "big-big." But what is it with the feathers and lace on that "dummy" in his bedroom? Tsk, tsk! . . . HOUSE OF HARMONY has improved 99% with the addition of a real man as a cocktail waiter in the person of the hunk from Milwaukee, Paul. He replaced the child who missed so much work due to his many trips to 250 Fourth Street! . . . KIMO LUVS GARY, maybe, who knows, but that is the impression one gets when you see Kimo sitting watching Gary Schneider play his might organ. Kimo's production is bounding off to a fine start, and our super good fairy, Dixon, has a role in it. Lee Raymond's sewing genius will be seen via the costumes. But what bothers me is why does Lee Raymond like to torment the radical reverend so much, could it be love? . . . STREAKING THROUGH BETTY BONKO'S, that is just what Terry Black, Dez, and Bill Fetter did a few daze back, and on the way out, running like hell, one of them grabbed someone's meat, a steak, that is! . . . RIPPING SHEETS, that is what Bobby Drumm and Dorothy have been doing ever since Bobby returned to the city. No Dorothy, men don't get pregnant, don't worry, just see a good (or bad) proctologist! . . . PISSING ON THE COPS, that is what Ray Rule did when he was busted again for not having a dance permit. At the Hall of Injustice, they wouldn't let Ray use the pissor, so he pulled it out and pissed in the ashtay—the cops grabbed him, pulled him off, and there he stood with it all hanging out. The cops creamed with envy! . . . NIXON STREAKER, is what a dizzy Fag did on Sixth Street between the ROUNDUP and the ENDUP. A dude wearing only shoes and a Nixon-rubber mask ran between the two bars shouting, "I have one thing to make perfectly clear," yuk! No, it was not Al Hanken, nor was it Bill McWilliams. . . . BOOT CAMP FROLICS, yes they did for three daze and nights, with the winner of the Mr. Jockey Shorts being crowned by Jer. I wish Jer would let me crown him. And Bill McWilliams sez that he has been streaking for years. I don't know what this means, but you should ask him! . . . MARK OF THE TRUCK STOP sez that he has been streaking between the bathroom and bedroom for moons. Wonder if we can get a photographer there sometime, after all, the bedroom is in one part of the city and the bath/room is at the REAREND! . . . ETHER QUEENS UNITE, is the cry by Robin of the WILD GOOSE. Don't ask me what is means, but Roy of the HAVOC HOUSE can tell you much. By the by, Roy has the ball ticker back on, so you cannot call him Faye-Roy any longer! . . . DONNA MAE'S CAFE had a streaker in, and Donna Mae dealt with "it" in the proper manner, saying, "Honey, with what you are showing, I would be ashamed to show it, our pork sausage links are longer, so streak out." . . . SNOB HILL ADDITIONS are Bill and Donna Mae. They say they are ready for Snob Hill, but is Snob Hill ready for them? . . . HELPING HANDS HANDS, have new faces again, with Adolph, Dick, and now Jim Boyd-Robertson (making his second appearance there) on hand to greet you. Dennis has recovered from his "illness" we hope. Of course Bishop Peter is still there as is that radical reverend! . . . TOAD HALL IN MARIN, or something to that effect, is the new WOODS. Sally is slipping and sliding across the Golden Gate Bridge daily! . . . STILL FIRST CLASS, is the clientele and personnel of DAVE'S baths. Dew Drop Inn! . . . THE NOB HILL EROTICA THEATRE is much too much, and if you don't believe me, streak in and look at the lovely sights, and not all of them are on the screen if you know what I mean! . . . VELMER VILHELM, who took the Duchess of Dore's title as "hostess with the mostess" south of Market, has been hosting brunches which have been very educational, and enlightening. Is "Rita Ramp" uniting us? If not, he has done more than most! . . . NEVER AGAIN, that is what was on a sign on top of thousands of torn B.A.R.s in front of that publication's office. They ran an ad with the Nazi emblem on it, showing the usual bad taste of Bob Ross, which calls for actions, but to use the same tactics as Hitler's Brown Shirts (book-burning) that just doesn't get it, but extremists never use logic, only whips and chains! . . . SLA and the GAY, yes, you read right, what fairly well known Gaypersons have applauded the Nazi-like tactics of the SLA? Mavis Mockingbird knows, and isn't going to tell, after all, I have class even if they don't! . . . ERA, A BEGINNING OR AN END, that is the question I have to ask as another slickie type of publication comes into being. Do we really need it, even if it does have quality photo work by the irrepressible Eddie Van? . . . RUDE RUTH gets laid, that is the Truth, for Rude Ruth of *Data Boy* had it socked to her, knocked out like a light. Rude Ruth shouldn't have said anything about the radical reverend and his June Allyson-like hair! . . . FAT SHIRLEY STRIKES AGAIN, yes, Saul hit San Francisco like an earthquake once more, promoting his Miss Chubby California affair, which is a really good thing. To hell with the beauty contests, let's have Saul's fun contests! . . . MALE BOX cancelled out one bartender again, and the way sexy Carleton is going, he is to pass that funky at the 527 in employee turnover. His latest addition, which is his best, and let us hope he lasts, is Mike Johnson who ran for Empress and lost, but ran for Chuck and won. Mike is there Wednesday through Sunday night, that is, if Carleton doesn't fire him first. Gads Carleton, behave! . . . Well, that's about it for this issue of the radical reverend's *Gay Crusader*, do wish I could find a respectable publication to write for, but with the BAR and the Nazis, and the *Data Boy* with Rude Ruths, and the *Kalendar* with Dick and Dennis, this is the best of a bad lot, but maybe Bill Beardemph will let me write for the *Sentinel* now that Bob Ross made Lori Shannon quit. Oh yes, the *Sentinel* should rename some of the columns, for Harvey Milk is not from the left, but hunger! A final closing note: Theda Thug, I love you dearly, but do you have to keep on trying to ripoff the radical reverend's lovelies? . . . and to Rudy Brink, luv, you may have to tuck what you have got, but why bother when you are not in demand, except by the pineapple princess of Ellis Street? Ta ta!

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gay? drinking problem? . . .

Are you Gay: do you have a drinking problem?

If so, you are not alone. We, too, have gone through frightening battles with drinking and have now found a happy life without alcohol. By association with other homosexuals who are not drinking, we stay sober.

Perhaps you have some question of your own. Here are some that are often asked, and in the course of answering them we will tell you our own story. Maybe your story is similar.

You might ask yourself, "Am I an alcoholic?"

Each individual must make that decision for himself. Many of us have in the past been given such advice as: we were not alcoholics, that all we needed was a change of scenery, a lover, more will power, some new hobbies to cut down our drinking. Such things may work for some, but the person who searches unsuccessfully for methods to control his drinking, or his actions while drinking, probably has a serious or potentially serious drinking problem. It is generally felt in our groups that there is no such thing as being a little bit alcoholic. A person either is or is not. Only the individual can say whether or not alcohol, for him, has become an unmanageable problem.

Here are some questions which center on the danger signals of alcoholism. Although most normal drinkers could probably give a technical yes to one or two of the questions, if more than two of them are answered yes, you should give serious thought to the possibility that you are an alcoholic and should seek help.

1. Have you ever lost time from work due to drinking or hangovers?
2. Has alcohol ever affected your job performance?
3. Have you felt remorse after quarreling with an acquaintance or friend while drinking?
4. Do you feel the need for a drink at a particular time of the day?
5. Do you feel the need for a drink before, during, or after any particular situation?
6. Have you ever had a loss of memory associated with drinking?
7. Are you thirsty in the morning after drinking?
8. Would you feel comfortable inviting the majority of your friends to your home and not serving drinks?
9. Have you had any encounter with law enforcement officials for any reason after drinking?
10. Do these questions bother, irritate, or amuse you?

Is homosexuality likely to cause alcoholism?

No one seems to know what causes alcoholism. There are probably a number of different factors, combinations of which may be found in different alcoholics. Possibly an emphasis on heavy "social" drinking such as seems to exist in the homosexual "subculture" contributes to the emergence of alcoholism, but most likely alcoholism is not closely linked to sexual orientation.

Are these Gay groups part of Alcoholics Anonymous?

In most cities of the United States many AA groups have had a number of homosexual members. In cities like San Francisco and New York, a few groups have for many years had a majority of members who are gay. The first all-homosexual groups were formed in San Francisco, and now quite a few cities have Gay groups. These groups are definitely a part of AA even though they are not listed in the World Directory. (One reason for remaining unlisted is that curiosity seekers are discouraged from attending.) In some cities the AA central office will connect callers who say that they are Gay with homosexual groups of AA. In other cities Gay organizations and switchboards connect callers for information on alcoholism with Gay groups of AA.

What are some of the characteristics of a typical Gay group?

The following information was taken from a random sample of people who attend meetings for homosexual alcoholics.

AGE OF MEMBERS		
21-35	30%	
36-45	42%	
46-55	19%	
over 55	3%	
unknown	6%	

USUAL OCCUPATION		
Professional	10%	
Business and Sales	19%	
Arts and Skilled Labor	22%	
Service and Clerical	33%	
Unskilled Labor	6%	
Retired and Other	19%	

LENGTH OF SOBRIETY		
To three months	22%	
To one year	19%	
To two years	17%	
To five years	25%	
Over five years	17%	

One of the principles of Alcoholics Anonymous is that AA does not wish to engage in any controversy. Is homosexuality likely to be controversial?

We have found that Gay groups do not waste their energy and endanger their sobriety by digressing into areas of social, political, and economic problems. Sexual problems are discussed as they pertain to alcoholism. It is gratifying that many terrified, alienated/depressed individuals have received new hopes by discovering that they are not alone. There is nothing controversial about the joy of fellowship through emerging self-esteem that can be witnessed at any Gay group of AA.

Does a homosexual alcoholic have a special problem?

We agree that in respect to the disease of alcoholism, the homosexual is no different: he suffers the same frustration and despair as people of common sexual orientation because alcoholism in its developed stages becomes in itself the overwhelming problem for its victim. The destructive obsession and unsuccessful attempts at control are the symptoms of the disease that will be found in all alcoholics.

If the disease is the same, then why have closed meetings for homosexuals?

Although the disease is the same, the treatment offered by the program of AA has in its natural development tailored itself to the specific needs of its members. Groups of women and young people's groups have emerged. AA offers more than a means of abstinence: the program gently guides the recovering alcoholic into a new life-style in which he can be comfortable without alcohol. Association with others of similar interests and backgrounds has always improved the chances of success. Further, elements of a homosexual's life frequently cannot be freely discussed without embarrassment in straight groups. Homosexual groups of AA permit a freedom in communication that is needed in meeting the challenge of recovery from alcoholism. The disease is the same, but the life problems of those affected may differ greatly.

Do Gay AA groups have a religious orientation?

The only requirement for membership in Alcoholics Anonymous is a desire to stop drinking. Of course, anyone who comes to us will also be someone who admits that he is a homosexual. While there are no rules that require that AA members hold any beliefs, most of us have found the most valuable part of the program is its fellowship. It is not a religious program, but most members do come to believe that a power greater than themselves can restore them to sanity. Many of us are agnostics; we have members from many religious groups. What is most important is a belief that as alcoholics we are powerless over alcohol.

What can homosexual alcoholics use to replace liquor?

While this question might bring to mind hobbies and physical exercise, the answer is not quite so simple, but considerably more rewarding. With few exceptions, a period of sobriety brings with it a new life-style in which the recovering alcoholic finds that alcohol has no place. In the beginning, frequent attendance of meetings, straight or Gay, or both, is emphasized. Gradually, interest in new activities with lasting attraction replaces the old preoccupation with drinking. New friends, places to go, and a feeling of being at ease soon leave the recovered alcoholic without either the time or interest for drinking.

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"WORLD... THE BIRTH OF A NATION", an original three act play written by New Yorker, Wayne County, will be presented by the Festival Committee on Friday June 28th at 7 PM and Saturday June 29th at Neighborhood Arts Theater, 220 Buchanan Street. The play is being done in the style of the Cockettes, with some of the original Cockettes performing. Those casted thus far, are; Richard Tricoma as Florence Nightengale; Michael Skilling as Christopher Columbus; Larry Kester as Larry Waters and Blonde Surfer; Eddie Manynames as Yellow Dog MacDonald; Sam and Rosemary as Zombies; Adrian as the Carrie Nation; Charles as Sheena, Queen of the Jungle; Marshall as Concentration Kamp Erhardt; and many other freaky celebrities. The play is being co-directed by Marshall and Sam with advice by Peter Crowley and Tommy, an original New York cast member-star.

The setting is an alley, with four trash cans, the words, "Europe Unie" painted on them. Florence Nightengale (Richard Tricoma) enters dressed in a nurses uniform, going from one trash can to another as if in an elegant restaurant. Out of the first can she pulls a dismembered arm, places it on her food tray she speaks; "I wish I could comfort all who suffer from the heart", etc. etc. "The cold wind and darkness embrace me", "You bet your ass". Kate Smith has perhaps the wildest line, "And I shall sit on the throne of wind and fart till the shit hits the fan". The person playing Rev. Billy Graham then says, "I'm going to sit on your face", "and stay there till you suffocate".

"WORLD, BIRTH OF A NATION" is obviously not a child's play nor one for the weak of heart nor for those who revere "mom, apple pie, the bible, and the american flag", for they are all "hit" in this riotous three acts of sanity. The two day's performances will be free of admission. For further info: Contact Peter or Marshall at 771-3366.

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naturally and none the opposite from the real reason which might not be stated to anyone except those in control or at least want to be in such a predicament as so said. Smoke a hookah with coloured crayons while the infinite

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