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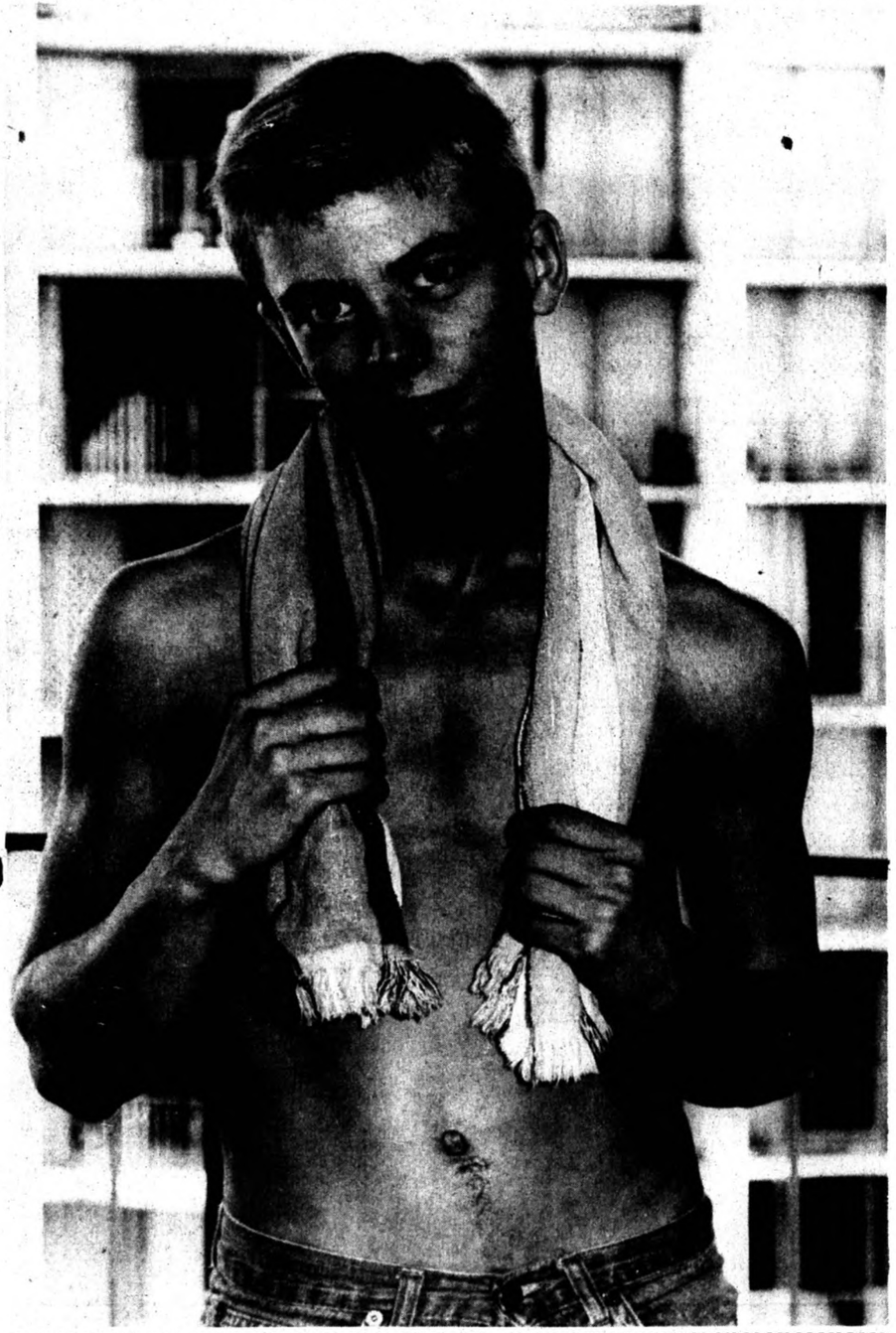

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EXTRA

VOTE GAYS Endorse DIANNE

DIANNE FEINSTEIN SWEEPS ENDORSEMENTS OF GAY GROUPS AND ACTIVISTS.....

Supervisor Dianne Feinstein, in a surprise to most all gay political activists, has shown that the people of the gay community want her for MAYOR of San Francisco, with her upsets in candidates nights. Others who had been expected to win, could not muster enough votes to finish close to Ms. Feinstein.

FEMINIST ISSUE QUITE IMPORTANT.....

The issue of a woman for Mayor seems to be quite important in the various candidates nights, for many many of the gaypersons present expressed the feeling that a woman should be the Mayor of San Francisco. It is most apparent that the macho-gay males of the leather and levi crowd are in favor of Milton Marks, but Marks has failed to show at any of the Gay candidates nights to date.

Gay women are flocking to Dianne in droves to work for her election as Mayor of San Francisco.

KNOWN GAY ACTIVISTS JOIN RANKS.....

Several well known gay activists are working actively for the election of Dianne for Mayor, such as former Tavern Guild Board Member, and the former owner of the Mint, a popular resturant, Charlotte Coleman. She is joined by Ms. Del Martin, Ms. Jo Daly, Ms. Phyllis Lyon, to name but a few of the thousands of activist gay women for Dianne Feinstein.

The gay men are right in there also, with persons such as George Mendenhall, George Croft, Mark Knox, Don Black, Rev. Bill Johnson, Damon DeWinters, and Archie Perrault, and controversial gay militant, minister, Ray Broshears.

DIANNE DELIVERS, ALL AGREE.....

Dianne Feinstein delivers when they need her was the claim of the many endorsers of Dianne. They stated she is always available to members of the gay community when they want to speak with her, something the others are not.

GAY GROUPS ENDORSE.....

The largest gay voter group in the City endorsed Dianne Feinstein for Mayor at their fourth annual candidates night September 8th.

The GAY VOTERS LEAGUE, overwhelmingly endorsed Dianne Feinstein over all the other candidates. It was the largest vote for a single person for Mayor since the League began.

Then later, the strongest gay club in the California Democratic Council the HARRY S. TRUMAN DEMOCRATIC CLUB endorsed Dianne Feinstein with very little opposition.

Then, on Thursday, October 2nd, the militant gay activist group, the GLA (Gay Liberation Alliance) endorsed Dianne Feinstein for Mayor.

GAY CRUSADER..GETS OFF THE FENCE....

As a result of these endorsements, and the resulting groundswell for Dianne Feinstein for Mayor movement in the gay community, this newspaper has no choice but the best choice, which is quite obvious, and that is, Dianne Feinstein.

The GAY CRUSADER urges you to vote for Dianne Feinstein for Mayor of OUR City, on Vovember 4th.

GAYS SHOCKED ABOUT HONGISTO ENDORSING FERDON FOR D.A.

ARCH-ENEMY OF GAYPEOPLE, THE INCUMBENT DISTRICT ATTORNEY, JOHN J. FERDON WAS ENDORSED BY SHERIFF RICHARD D. HONGISTO FOR RE-ELECTION.....

San Francisco EXAMINER political editor, Cyd Klossen, wrote in the Sunday EXAMINER, September 28th, quoting Hongisto at a candidates night at West Portal Library, "John J. Ferdon and I deserve re-election!"

Klossen, respected political analyist in the Bay Area, said it was a direct quote of the Sheriff.

Ferdon, the man who is often called the "shadow" for his lack of appearance in courts in San Francisco and particularly during this election at public meetings, is the man who is responsible for the prosecution of gay cases and prostitution cases in the Courts.

Ferdon has been unrelenting in in per(pro)secution of gays.

Ferdon is being opposed by a strong supporter of gay rights, Joe Freitas. Hongisto is being opposed by a strong advocate of equal rights for gays, Gene PRAt.

Since the article appeared in the Sunday EXAMINER, Hongisto is busy making tracks to try and cover both sides of the fence, but it appears that the support statement of Ferdon is in line with Hongisto's acceptance of the endorsement of two Ferdon cronies, former Mayor's Elmer Robinson and George Christopher.

As a result, this newspaper asks that you vote for PRAT for Sheriff of San Francisco.

ATTORNEY JOHN ESHELMAN WAHL SUES TO KEEP MAN IN THE "CLOSET"!

A $15,000,000 SUIT FILED BY M.C.C. ATTORNEY JOHN ESHELMAN WAHL AGAINST NEWSPAPERS AND FIFTEEN PERSONS, ON THE BEHALF OF O. SIPPLE.

Oliver Bill Sipple, the man who allegedly saved the life of President Gerald Ford on September 22, in one of the many threats on Ford"s life, when he supposedly had grabbed the arm of Sara Jane Moore as she allegedly raised a pistol to possibly shoot Ford, is suing because his privacy has been invaded by newspersons, and caused him shame and humiliation because the publicity, he claims has caused his relatives to not speak to him.

Sipple, who has worked as a bartender in numerous gay bars, held a press conference to complain of the publicity he had received, and specifically to decline to state his sexual preference, but it did draw a great deal more attention to Sipple and gave him even less privacy.

None of the newspaper reports stated that Sipple was a homosexual, but merely that he worked in homosexual bars and knew various gay people.

He said he was not a friend of Rev. Ray Broshears, who concurred saying that he did not like Sipple because of his excessive drinking and his loudmouth behavior in the bars, at least when Broshears observed him. Walh's suit is counter-gay liberation!

About TOM, our COVER BOY

TOM, our coverperson, is a young (23) San Francisco man about town who glides around town in in his own solid gold (but painted walnut, so as not to attract undue attention) Cadillac. A digger, he is a strong supporter of the HELPING HANDS community work. His exceptional personality expresses itself in a bubbling glee. EVERYON SHOULD ENJOY HIS KARMA, says Tom, HAPPINESS IS WHERE IT IS AT! Happyism!!!

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RENT CONTROL IS THE ONLY SOLUTION TO A RENT RIOT

RENT--CONTROL....These words bring nightmares to the likes of John Barbagelata, Bob Gonzales, Ron Pelosi, Terry Francois, Quentin Kopp, and Dorothy vonBeroldingen of the Board of Supervisors, just to mention a few of the ruling class of San Francisco. Alioto and the Chinese "Mafia" slum lords of Nob Hill-west, (Polk-Larkin area), the Tenderloin, Hayes Valley and Valencia Valley own most all of the rental properties in these areas. Some of the rents have increased as much as $300 per month for a flat, as much as $150 a month for an apartment. Alioto and his Chinese "Mafia" are allowed to get away with it because the voters continually send people like the above mentioned STUPIDvisors back to the Board each election.
Talk is growing, daily, as more and more meetings are being held by tenants, to take direct action. Rent strikes are being prepared, and demonstrations are being planned.
The gay-ghettos of Polk and the Tenderloin are involved in these plans, for it is the low-income gay person who is really hurting in the gay community. The middle-class gay merely moves, when the rent is raised, as they can afford to move. But, the cost of moving, (security deposits, the rip-off cleaning deposits, key deposits) in addition to the physical cost of relocating your possessions, is more than a low-income person can possibly bear. So many people are planning to "man the baricades" and the GAY CRUSADER will be right in there with them.
If you are concerned about the rip-off rent increases which are forcing you to near-starvation, please contact the HELPING HANDS SERVICES at 771-3366, and leave your name, address and phone so that you can be notified of meeting dates.
The time is right now, to act!

THE SHAME OF SAN FRANCISCO...the CLOSET CASES!

This City, which calls itself, "the City that knows how", surely does know how..... is the largest geographical CLOSET in all of the world. Nearly 150,000 homosexuals live in FAG CITY USA, and yet of those 150,000 homosexuals, only about 10,000 of them are GAY.
This has long been the cry of the Gay Liberationists, to "tear-down" the closets, "destroy" the huge homosexual ghetto-lifestyle which calls itself "gay", but is NOT GAY, but just a huge crowd of people who are homosexuals.
Just because you go to a bar that is a homosexual bar, does not "make you gay"....you are still a homosexual, UNTIL.....
Just because you go out to Land's End and "do" five or six people a week, does not make you "gay for you are still a homosexual, UNTIL.....
Just becuase you work in a homosexual bar, or a homosexual business, does not make you "gay", you are still the plain ole garden-variety homosexual UNTIL.....
Just becuase you are deeply involved in the social life of the homosexual world in our City, does not "make you gay", you are still a homosexual, UNTIL.....
Just because you belong to S.I.R., M.C.C., or B.A.G.L., or even help on an "emperor's or an empresses kourt", does not make you "gay", you are still a simple practicing (sometimes) homosexual, UNTIL.....
UNITL WHAT? you say!
Until you are able to stand up anywhere, and not be ashamed to say, "yes I am a homosexual and I am proud of it!"....then you are GAY.....then you are truly liberated, and not until then! The closet-queens of S.I.R., Tavern Guild, M.C.C., Pride, and a host of "courts" and other such groups, would have you believe that because you are "openly homosexual" at a bar, a ball, a bath, that you are "gay"...bullshit! These very same "closet-queens" of which the COITS lead the way, are the very same people who fought for years to keep the word, "homphile" as a "label" for homosexuality, and "fought" , "tooth and nail" the likes of gay-patriots, Leo Laurence, Mikhail Itkin, Steve Ginsberg, Morris Kight, Jim Kepner, Bob Clement, Mark Seigal, Ray Broshears, and the other truly liberated persons who can call themselves "gay". These "closet-cases" came forth in "force" recently, and "defended" a person who had been active in social circles in the homosexual community of San Francisco, and led on by an attorney of dubious liberation, filed suit against newspapers and individuals who indicated that this "hero" who allegedly saved the life of the President of the United States, for the "invasion of his privacy"!
Now, we shall see who are those who are not ashamed to say that "yes, I am a homosexual". For, they are liberated people. But the closet-cases shall support this person and his attorney! It is written, "Ye shall know them by their stripes" ARE YOU "GAY" or a "homosexual"? Are you proud of what you are?, regardless the consequences?

LOOKING FOR SOMETHING? TRY YOUR LOCAL MAN!

MDA

MDA...Classification....hallucinogen....very veray dangerous.
The DRUG ABUSE CONTROL PROJECT of HELPING HANDS warns all people about MDA. This drug is the most dangerous hallucinogen on the streets today. It has a SPEED-base derivative, methylendioxyamphine which has been used by the CIA for tests as a military weapon, designed to tranquilize the enemy into submission. There is no such thing as SAFE MDA. It is all highly dangerous. Repeated uses cause acute paranoia, far worse than SPEED (meth), and is responsible for many bummers, fights, and even deaths. The trip, while occasionally very pleasant, lends itself to being scary and uncomfortable. The trip seems very pleasant at first, but later, all hell breaks out, and now, in most all cases, the people who commit acts of violence do not remember doing it. This while under the influence of MDA.

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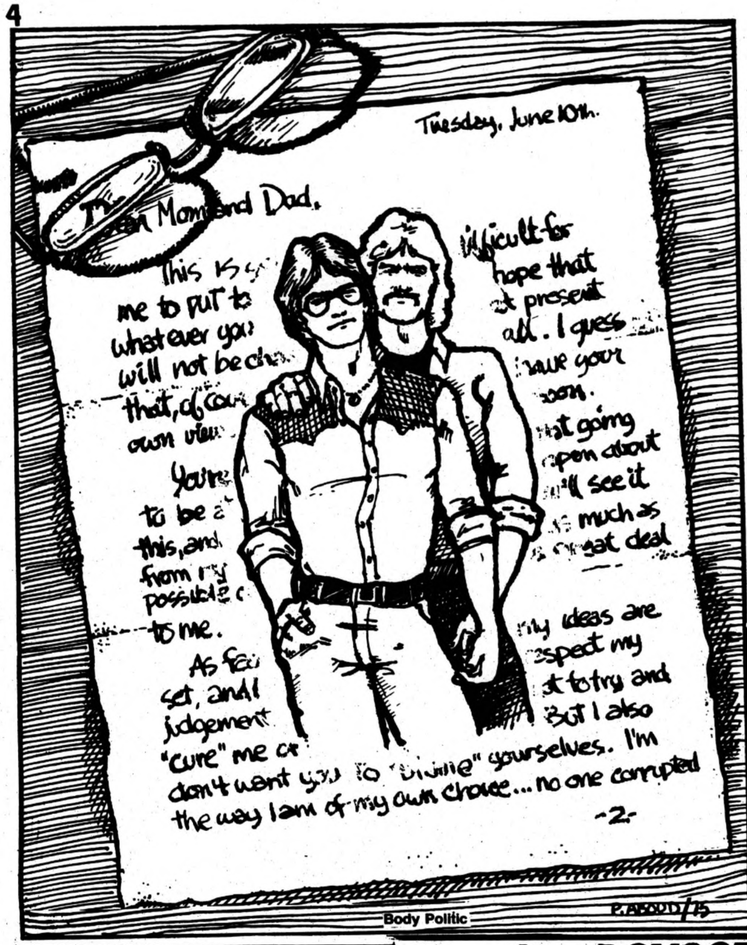

TELL YOUR FOLKS

TELL YOU FAMILY BEFORE YOU CAN'T! EXAMPLE? OLIVER "Bill" SIPPLE!!!!

The man who allegedly saved Gerald Ford's life, is a perf ect example of a person who is "open" about their homosexuality in isolated spots, and then is suddenly projected into the spotlite and the kin learn of their homosexuality. Despite what the bearded preacher at the Metropolitan Closet Church has said in NEWSWEST, being GAY means being completely open anytime anywhere! The beared preacher to the south of us, has virtually made his living off of closet-type homosexuals, who like to call themselves "gay" when all reality, the poor lost souls do not realize, that going to the Metropolitan Closet Church does not "make you gay"....that going to a homosexual bar, does not make you gay, not one of these things "make you gay"

GAY, is a state of consciousness, a state of mind, a time when your mind, your heart, your feelings, your private life, your public life, have all arrived at the "top of the peak of harmony" and you are at one with your total self....you are no longer afraid that you will be exposed, and if and when it comes, you will be ready for it, standing tall, and so proud.

GAY means that you are ready to stand up and be counted...not being wishy washy and evasive as was the poor soul whose tortured mind could not stand up in the glare of real public light and be known as what he lived....a homosexual.

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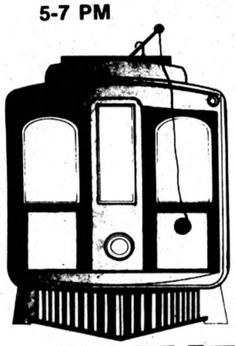

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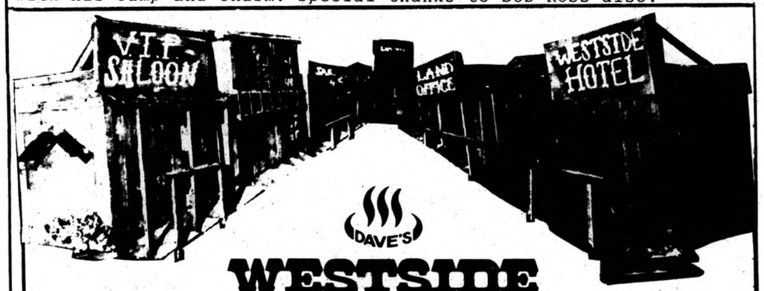
Despite BOYCOTT.....We did it!

DESPITE THE BOYCOTTS, HELPING HANDS SERVICES RAISES $355.47..... Despite the unofficial boycott of the Office of the Emperor and the Council of Emperors (Marcus-Russ-Cramer-Caringi), and trouble from a couple of members of BAGL (Bay Area Gay Liberation), the first fund-raiser for HELPING HANDS community services was quite successful.

Held at JIM & BRUCE'S, POLK GULCH SALOON, with master auctioneers DIXON (Polk Street Sally) and CURT BRYAN of CHURCH STREET STATION assisted by MARK OWENS, the even went off quite well.

Dowager EMPRESS SHIRLEY was the hilite of the evening with her wit, charm and humor. Without SHIRLEY, and special guest auction neer, Empress candidate DOLLI, the event could never have been the success it was. Lovely GINGER, another Empress candidate was on hand and was quite generous. MICHAEL F. (MISSY) was a delite with his camp and charm. Special thanks to BOB ROSS also!



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LOOKING AT NEWS

PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE, Henry Jackson, Senator from Washington, and a Democrat, stated in a news interview in Colorado Springs, told newspeople that, I AM NOT ABOUT TO GIVE INTO GAY LIBERATION AND CODIFY INTO LAW THE BUSINESS OF GAY LIBERATION.....IT IS THE BEGINING OF A BREAKDOWN OF SOCIETY. IT STRIKES AT THE HEART OF FAMILY LIFE AND I AM NOT ABOUT TO ENCOURAGE THIS SORT OF THING...THIS IS THE WAY CIVILIZATIONS CRUMBLE. THE LOGICAL END OF HOMOSEXUALITY IS THE END OF THE HUMAN RACE...! This story was taken by the BERKELEY BARB and the DENVER POST.

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B.A.G.L. ACCORD WITH MINDSHAFT REJECTED. The owners of the Mindshaft, a San Francisco bar that the members of BAGL (Bay Area Gay Liberation) have been picketing, rejected the peace accord that represenatives from BAGL and the one owner of the Mindshaft had reached in a meeting recently. The minority owner of the mid-Market street bar was over-ruled by the majority partner. BAGL had charged them with racism and sexism, and wanted the clothing bar dropped. The MINDSHAFT will not allow dragqueen or genderfuck clothing in place. They also do not have any racial minority employees.

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AGEISM CHARGED AGAINST BATH HOUSE. A group of gay activists have informed the GAY CRUSADER that they will take action in the form of protest picketing of the 21st Street Baths in that business does not end its practice of seperating older people and people they consider TOADS, from the other customers. They have set November 1st as a deadline.

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ELIZABETH LANE PASSES AWAY. Betty Lane, known as Pukalani to her many many friends, passed away at the age of 44, due to a form of cancer. Her Memorial Services were held at Caporgno & Co. Chapel in Oakland on October 4th.

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FLU IMMUNIZATION FOR GAYS HELD. Free flu shots were given out at the Helping Hands Services at 474 Eddy Street on October 2nd, with many taking advantage of this needed service. Dr. Dennis Stone donated his time free to Helping Hands.

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PHIL BLACK, NOTED ENTERTAINER PASSES AWAY. New York Citys famous female impersonator, Phil Black, who was 72 years old passed away this this summer. Phil began his career in Pittsburg PA, and came to New York in 1927. He used to state the internationally famous, FUNMAKER BALLS each year. In 1965, Phil Black, an old man, hit the really big time, with a role in the movie, THE PAWNBROKER with Rod Steiger. Phil Black was an inspiration for thousands of negro gaypeople to come out!

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TWO MORE MURDERS IN SAN FRANCISCO GAY WORLD. In one week, two persons, one from the Tenderloin area and the other a South of Market bar frequenter, were slain by unknown assailants. The one was killed by a person he had picked up at the Tenderloin bar, the TRAPP. The other was brutally stabbed to death about the groin, at his fashionable Grosvernor Plaza apartment at Ninth and Market streets. No leads, only rumors according to the hapless Homocide Unit of the loco San Francisco Police Department.

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MOTION PICTURE STAR, KAREN BLACK PLAYS ROLE AS MALE HOMOSEXUAL. The film, called OWEN, produced by 22 year old Sherwin Tilton, stars Karen Black as gay male. She said she wanted to do such a film ever s-nce Tony Curtis and Jack Lemmon did the film, SOME LIKE IT HOT.

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GAY AUTO MECHANIC ROBBED. The only upfront gay auto mechanic, Winston Lindsley, of 447 Ivy St., reported that his garage had been burgarized to the tune of about $5000 worth of equipment.

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CONTACT NEWSPAPER FOLDS? Henry Parker, owner? of CONTACT has been in the Bay Area meeting with David B. Goodstein, and rumor has it that the newspaper will be connected or discontinued as a part of their deal. The deal is that Henry will become the ADVOCATEs ad salesperson in Texas!

GAY VOTERS LEAGUE Hits Front Page of L.A. TIMES~~~~

CANDIDATES NITES ATTRACT 250 ON TWO MONDAY NIGHTS AT BOJANGLES. SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA NEWSPAPER, THE LOS ANGELES TIMES, PLAYS IT BIG, ON PAGE ONE...GAY POWER!

September 8th and 15th, found the fourth annual GAY VOTERS LEAGUE Candidates Night being held at the BOJANGLES, a hot-disco dance spot in the downtown Polk-Tenderloin area. The event this year was also sponsored by the HARRY S. TRUMAN DEMOCRATIC CLUB.

Emcee, Perry George, introduced candidates on both nights, and stated that he was quite pleased with the turnout on both nights. George said that it was by far a better turnout than last year at the Dovre Hall.

On the first Monday night, candidates for Mayor and District Attorney showed up, or should the word be, a few showed up.

Only Judge Jack Ertola showed up to speak, with Dianne Feinstein, delayed by a late Board of Supervisors meeting, arriving just after the event had ended, but to find that she had been overwhelmingly endorsed by those in attendance who voted for her. Senator George Moscone sent Larry Eppinette to speak for his candidacy, and Milton Marks merely ignored the event.

Ertola received an enthusiastic reception, as he is quite an articulate speaker and a crowd pleaser, but it was the long strong support of Dianne Feinstein, for the gay rights movement, that won the endorsement of the GAY VOTERS LEAGUE.

District Attorney candidates were all present with the exception of one, Wm. Mallen. The present District Attorney sent Joseph Rusenello to speak as his represenative. He was received politely. Then Carol Ruth Silver spoke. Ms. Silver, formerly associated with extremist leftist causes, such as the BLACK PANTHER Party, etc., and ran for office four years ago in Berkeley and lost, spoke well enough to receive the endorsement of the GAY VOTERS LEAGUE.

She was followed by strong challenger, and longtime ACLU civil-rights attorney, Joe Freitas, who was warmly received. Joe later won the endorsement of the co-sponsoring HARRY S. TRUMAN DEMOCRATIC CLUB for District Attorney.

SUPERVISOR AND SHERIFF TURNOUT LARGER AND LOUDER!

With incumbent Sheriff Richard Hongisto on hand to defend his record against Michael Nevin the chauffer-body guard of Mayor Alioto, and dynamic Gene Prat, the crowd was whipped up to the point of frenzy. Nevin was escorted by his new supporter from the gay community (and possibly the only one) George Farber. But, Nevin did not receive one vote. And Hongisto barely eeked out an endorsement by eight votes over Prat. PRAt was then endorsed later in the week by the powerful gay Democratic HARRY S. TRUMAN DEMOCRATIC CLUB.

NO INCUMBENTS for the Board of Supervisors were present, only challengers. And clearly the most popular was Harvey Milk. Milk won the overwhelming majority of the vote cast. He later was endorsed by the Harry S. Truman Democratic Club. But, with Ray Broshears speaking for incumbent Bob Mendelsohn, he won an endorsement as did another incumbent who was not present, John Molinari. Three other challengers were selected, Espanola Jackson, Enola Maxwell, and the very popular and hard-worker, Arnold Townsend. All four of the callengers were lated nominated by the powerful gay HARRY S. TRUMAN DEMOCRATIC CLUB.

The event received front page coverage by the all powerful Los Angeles TIMES, while local papers virtually ignored the affair.

The reason that the Candidates Nites were held in BOJANGLES, a multi-racial gay disco-dance club, was that the president of the HARRY S. TRUMAN DEMOCRATIC CLUB and as well, of the Gay Voters League, the Reverend Raymond Broshears, was to prove that there is a multi-racial gay community, and that Third World gays were interested in politics. Few white gays attended the event!

HELP..... GAY NEWSPAPERS THREATENED!

The Gay Newspaper industry, still in its embryo stages, are being threatened with death if some things are not turned about quickly.

In the national scene, the once newsy Advocate, has become a sort of a Gays Home Companion, with little and no news. Its only competition at the moment is CONTACT, which is faced with finacial troubles based upon a myriad of reasons.

On the West Coast, the NEWSWEST has begun with a bang, and offers all the news one could want. Well written and edited, it could be the gay newspaper of America within two years.

On the East Coast, there are two papers, both with strong bases. One, the GAY COMMUNITY NEWS of Boston, has a broad base in the New England area, and is growing and could offer serious competition to the staid ole GAY SCENE. SCENE is put together by people with little imagination and has not changed in years.

But, all of these papers suffer from lack of advertising. Advertising, the lifeline of the newspaper.....insuring freedom of the press!

San Francisco.....this is a City in deep trouble. At the moment it has but three papers to serve the Bay Area, two are bi-monthly and one monthly. The SENTINEL and the BAR (Bay Area Reporter) are everyother week publications, with a broadsection of news coverage. BAR is older than the SENTINEL but the newer SENTINEL has reporters and a full time editor. BAR has a list of stringers, and is going more newsy and is using a simpler format which is appealing to more.

The other paper, a monthly, is ours, the GAY CRUSADER. The only one of the three to expose the wrongs and praise the rights, with such extremes, that the GAY CRUSADER is threatened with advertising boycotts. The GAY CRUSADER is currently undergoing one now due to its fanttastic exposes of the police.

But the SENTINEL and BAR face advertising loss due to straight-owned publications, moving into the gay advertising market in a big way. The BAY GUARDIAN, highly heterosexual and limited in its scope and appeal, has gone weekly, and is now in a drive to procure advertisers from the gayworld. But, they cost 25 cents an issue and BAR and the SENTINEL are free. BAR has the largest circulation of all with 20,000 printed, the SENTINEL has 7,000 printed, and the GAY CRUSADER has 5000 up 20,000 depending upon money and advertising.

Perhaps it is time for BAR, SENTINEL and the GAY CRUSADER to go PAY...charge for their papers. Then only the three gossip papers, poorly done, will be free, and with their trivia, the gay public would then see just how good they had it with BAR, SENTINEL and the GAY CRUSADER.

A very fine Los Angeles paper, with high news content, well done, and cleverly edited, is now a pay newspaper, ENTERTAINMENT WEST (no relation or connection to NEWSWEST) is just the example. ENTERTAINMENT WEST offers the readers much of what they find in BAR and SENTINEL.

BOYCOTTS, effected by anger over news coverage would then have little or no effect if SENTINEL, BAR and the GAY CRUSADER went out on a pay basis

BOYCOTTS, DUE TO NEWS COVERAGE AMOUNT TO CENSORSHIP..it is fascist, plain pure and simple.

If the three gossip papers were Gay, they would stand with the 3 NEWSPAPERS, but, they like $$$!

VOTE ★★★★★★ VOTE
FREITAS
District Attorney
Joe Freitas, young enough to work full-time on your behalf and experienced enough to get the job done.
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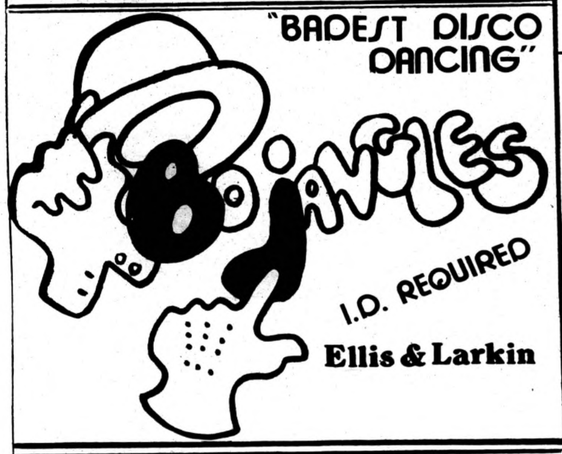
VOTE ★★★★★★ VOTE



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ALICE IN REVOLT OVER DIANNE

AN OPEN LETTER TO THE GAY COMMUNITY.....

SERIOUS QUESTIONS HAVE ARISEN REGARDING THE VALIDITY OF THE ALICE B. TOKLAS DEMOCRATIC CLUB ENDORSEMENT FOR MAYOR.

ALICE at the May 1975 meeting was called to meet Assemblymember John F. Foran. No mention was made that the mayorality endorsement was to be on the agenda. In fact, some members specifically asked that our club president if such an endorsement was to be considered. They were informed, NO! On the same evening, DIANNE FEINSTEIN was meeting with fifty members of the gay community, many of them member of ALICE B. Under those circumstances...with less than TEN MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE....George Moscone was HANDED our endorsement.

In marked contrast to these obviously political maneuverings, the CLUBS next endorsement meeting (for members of the Board of Supervisors) was well publicized in advance as an endorsement meeting.

Because of the HIGHLY IRREGULAR procedure of that May meeting, the Club officers agreed to place on the agenda of the September 24th meeting, a motion to RESCIND their original endorsement of Moscone. Ballots were mailed to all members; twenty ballots were returned and over sixty members attended the meeting. In the middle of heated debate, the Club preisdent, GARY MILLER, resigned, immediately UNRESIGNED, and then stalked out of the meeting with out ballots

We, the undersigned members of ALICE B. TOKLAS Democratic Club, strongly protest this parody of the democractic process. We call for an open forum and a return to the ethical ideals upon which our Club was founded. We insist that our ballots be returned in their original unopened envelopes. Further, we demand at another publicized meeting a count of these ballots.

A PARTIAL LIST OF NAMES SUBMITTED TO THE GAY CRUSADER, there were 25 names in all; George Croft..Jo Daly..Phyllis Lyon..Poe Asher..Dennis Collins..Marcia Smolens..... Irene Britton..Doug Shook..Frank Torres.... Del Martin..Kevin Fernie..Sonny Olds..... Bret Lewis..Fred Munnigerode..Marshall Beaty.., etc.

MEMBERS OF THE ALICE B. TOKLAS MEMBERIAL DEMOCRATIC CLUB.

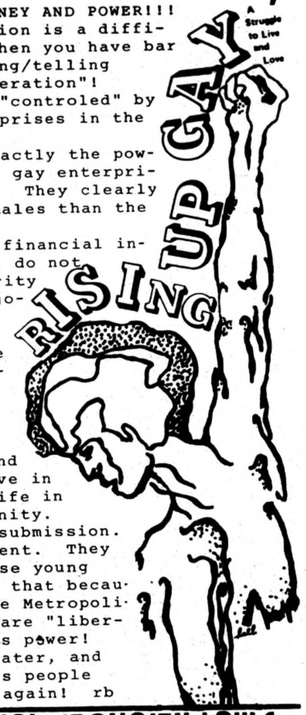
THE "TRANSFORMING POWER" OF MONEY AND POWER!!!

The struggle for gay liberation is a difficult one at best, especially when you have bar publications going about writing/telling people that they "have gay liberation"! Of course, the bar papers are "controled" by bar owners and other gay enterprises in the gay communities.

It is difficult to assess exactly the power of the bar owners and other gay enterprises have in the gay community. They clearly have more influence over gay males than the gay women.

Fortunately for us, the gay financial institutions we have mentioned, do not have much clout with the majority of gaypeople, for the vast majority of gaypeople do not come into contact with them.

The younger gayperson is the only real hope we have for total liberation. They younger gay person hopefully will not be caught up in the swirl of booze and drugs which are all to prevelant in the gay bar and business community. Drugs have in fact become almost a way of life in many sectors of the gay community. They drug our gay youth into submission. They destroy the will to dissent. They destroy the liberation of these young people early, convincing them that because they go to a bar, bath, or the Metropolitan Closet Church, that they are "liberated"! Money talks! Money is power! But, there is a power far greater, and that is PEOPLE POWER, and this people power is begining to awaken, again! rb



GAYPEOPLE & SOCIAL SECURITY LAWS

The Department of Health, Education and Welfare (HEW), has taken note of the existence of the gay people of San Francisco in a very positive way.

On the 19th of September, Kevin Murphy of HEWs Office of Social Security, met at HELPING HANDS SERVICES with Elmer Wilhelm and Ray Broshears, to explain the new Social Security laws, and to answer questions on the subject.

All were agreed that it was time long past due, for gay counsellors such as Wilhelm and Broshears, to be kept abreast of the new laws concerning ones Social Security benefits. For now, a person can walk into a place like Helping Hands at 474 Eddy Street, and gain the necessary information without being sent to the mammoth offices of Social Security.

At the same time Kevin Murphy was meeting with Wilhelm and Broshears, another worker was meeting at the gay SURVIVAL HOUSE to explain to cousellors there, the law. Another giant step forward for Gay Liberation & Rights.

LOOKING AT.... SOUTH OF MARKET-VIOLENCE, S&M

Anyway you look at the South of Market scene, you see trouble. South of Market is also called Folsom Street, which includes Harrison, Bryant and Howard, and stretches from 3rd Street, westward to 15th Street.

This area has the highest amount of hard drug traffic in the gay community today, surpassing Castro and Polk areas. And the hard drugs they are using and exchanging down there, are more likely than not, responsible for the gruesome slayings in the South of Market area.

The masochist takes the drugs to forget the pain that the sadist is inflicting upon him, and the sadist takes drugs so that he can become more savage. The same for those into FF, as the recipient will take drugs to "forget" the pain of the fist, but, the damage is still done.

And the drugs, particularly, MDA, PCP, and "ANGEL DUST" all could quite possibly be the root causes of the slayings in the South of Market area. S&M is not something to fool around with. And of course at least 90% of the crowd that frequents the South of Market bar and bath scenes, are NOT LIBERATED persons, but are CLOSET CASES. And it is for sure, that a certain percentage of those running about in leather and levi, need some liberating desperately. Freedom of the press is something frowned upon by South of Market businesses, as freedom of the press could cause loss of business. Typical capitalists!!!

VOTE

HELPING HANDS - G.L.A.

HELPING HANDS COMMUNITY SERVICES is very much alive and "kicking" at 474 EDDY STREET, near Hyde Street. HELPING HANDS SERVICES office is open Monday thru Saturday 1 PM til 8 PM, and still has a 24 hour switchboard. There is all the usual that found at the old place, free maps, survival information, medical referrals, and of course, UNDER ARREST? Call us!

the FLYING ONE!.....

POLITICS.....POLITICS....POLITICS...

GAY POLITICS FIRST.....Bill Plath, the vice-president of S.I.R. has resigned. The office of Treasurer has been open in that organization for some time.

Rumor has it that a former office manager is going to seek the post of vice-president. This same office manager is extremely unhappy with the method of operation by the new office manager, a minister of M.C.C

ROYAL GAY POLITICS....Five persons have been found acceptable for the post of Empress of Tavern Guild. DOLLI, Flame, GINGER, Jane Doe and VOO DOO. It should be most interesting, with nearly all of the persons who worked for the losing candidate in the emperor race backing Flame.

ROYAL GAY POLITICS STILL MORE....Mike Caringi, who was a hair-burner in New York City before he came to the City of the Golden Gate with his beloved Emma, is stepping on toes, lots of the royal ones. Guess you can never tell how big an ego will grow. Caringi was the choice of many, but if the election were reheld today, he would lose a 100 or more votes that voted for him. He has a nasty group advising him.... some real super-snobs, and greedy businesspeople. But if anyone wanted to destroy the office of emperor, it appears the election is doing it for them. Who was it that picketed the first emperor race because he felt it was continuing the myth of male domination, and was anti-feminist, and must be halted???????????

THE REAL POLITICS....Candidate Harvey Milk has lost alot of support by his romance with big labor..as he now has the endorsement of the TEAMSTERS too. And he is opposed to the law which would end strikes by the police and fire departments.....Harvey Milk does not even use the word gay once...on any of his campaign literature. When you deny your own, you deny yourself Harvey!!!

DIANNE FEINSTEIN AND JOHN ERTOLA now appear to be the run-off choices. Polls show that the big labor boys candidate, Moscone is falling behind...and Marks is just not in the race at all. Barbagelata who????

JOE FREITAS is knocking the hell out of J. Ferdon, and will most likely be the new District Attorney, as only Carol Silver close to him...she used to work as a attorney for Chavez and also the Black Panthers.

That is it for this issue. See you on November 4th.

EDITORIAL

.....AUNTIE MARYS.....

What is an Auntie Mary? That is a person who uses the word Gay and parlays it into somekind of "power", and when it is not too "convienant," will not identify themselves as gay. They will go in to the "straight" circles and never mention the word "gay", they will try and be like a black legislator named Terry Francois, who is called an Uncle Tom....well, blackpeople have their Uncle Toms, and we gaypeople have our Auntie Marys.

The most notable one right now is, HARVEY MILK, candidate for Supervisor. The man who has tried and sell gaypeople into slavery to the big rip-off union bosses with his hard campaign against Proposition B, which the big union boys are against also. We, as gay people cannot allow Proposition B to be killed by Milk and the big union bosses. We... have to vote YES ON B if we are to end the outrageous "crafts pay equity law" which allows the streetsweepers to get $16,000 a year, etc. For you to vote no on B would be to cause further police strikes. Labor and Milk's sponsors, have erected signs saying, "vote no on B, end police strikes"..bullshit, a no vote will insure further police blackmail of the City with their wildcat walkouts and holdups of the taxpayer. Despite our resident AUNTIE MARY, HARVEY MILK, vote YES ON B.

Does harvey Milk deserve the mythical gay vote? The answer is NO! Harvey is like Terry Francois in more ways than one. He talks out of both sides of his face. He would not be a good candidate for any public office. Just ask the residents of the Castro!

Until the day that qualified persons like a Paul Hardman, Bob Ross, Bill Beardemphl, or someone of that caliber is willing to seek public office, I guess we will have to content ourselves with a Harvey Milk, the first AUNTIE MARY politician in San Francisco.

Gay people should vote for people like ENOLA MAXWELL and ARNOLD TOWNSEND for Supervisor, as they know and understand more of the gay problems and issues than an AUNTIE MARY like Milk ever could. When you go to the polls on November 4th, vote YES ON B, no on Milk!

A BALL AT THE PALACE

At what was one of the most boring affairs on record, the people below tried to enjoy themselves and some did, at the long drawn out Coronation held by Bob Cramer and the Cable Carettes at the PALACE.

Seen below are Grand Duchess II Lee Raymond, Empresses Shirley and Cristal. Queen Mother I of SF Mama Peck, Mark Knox, Dolli, Bunny I and Empress III Reba. Also, Sweetlips and Archie (Ms. Olsen), Bob Ross, & Rev. Ray!!!!

MOCKINGBIRD

CHIRP ING AROUND TOWN.....

What was the fuss and fuor about at the Don CAVALLO party for THE SHERIFF?! It was sweet kind Lendra Mollet who cussing HONGISTO up one side and down the other, and then hands him $200 for his re-election campaign. Never will understand that one!!!!!!!!!

.....LEE RAYMOND, the reigning Grand Duchess, had a dream...HECTOR and RAY BROSHEARS together, on Lees couch, laying there, entwined, and very naked! Good grief Lee!!!! That must have been a nightmare!!!!!!!!

.....JEFF STEFFEN, one of the finest talents in town, fine person and excellent organist. Catch him at the RED LANTERN sometime soon. A very fine person indeed!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

.....THE RABBIT RAN OUT....Mr. Gay San Francisco RAN to New York City to avoid paying the money he owed to SURVIVAL HOUSE and to HELPING HANDS. Yes, it is true, Peter Decker announced that a check for $75 would be given to each of the five gay charities from the RED & WHITE BALL, then TAMMY LYNN and Peter had words, it is said, and then the amount was lowered to $50.....as printed in a certain L.A.rag but even that was never forthcoming. Yet, Peter and Tammy gave SIR $326 from the Ball, and the others, ZERO REALLY...in the finest tradition of PLASTIC ROSE herself!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

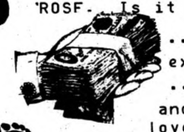
.....CLIF NEWMAN of the NOB HILL CINEMA is a MARSHMELLOWIST....that is so right! Clif is prejudiced when it comes to MARSHMELLOWS (people who are not exactly kinky-butch). He has been watching too many of those sexy films that flitter across the NOB HILL screens. Guess we will have to start a MARSHMELLOW ANTI-DEFLAMATION LEAGUE (MADL)!!!!!!!!!!!!

.....CTC has a new editor...MARCUS MANULIS has been appointed by Clif Elmon to that post. The CTC QUARTERLY nneds some editing and some firm leadership...that is why they need a new editor.

.....NEW ORGY PALACE IN THE CASTRO???...is the GYM? called JEFFs a gym or a palace of pleasure? Stop in and see for yourself, at least on Thursdays!!!!

.....Who is RANDELLA SUE JOHNSON??? Ask FOXHOLE TILLIE...he knows. Could it be a mouth that will not stop running, hot and cold (today your friend, tomorrow your enemy)????? Who is RANDELLA SUE JOHNSON??????????

.....Beware...the badcheck writer! That person who cant be too HARDY who wrote $109 in bad checks on the ROSE BUCKLEY Auction should try and make them up to 'ROSE. Is it not a felony Mister District Attorney???



.....Who said that the PRIVY COUNCIL was extinct????? Was it MINNIE?!!!!!!!

.....GARY McDONALD slept in his waterbed and his ---- got very stiff-----!! And his lover, MICHAEL of Frog Hall, has a sore ---, from the springs in his seat?????!!!!!!!!

.....CURT BRYAN hunts for BUSH QUEENS in Golden Gate Park on Sundays, while MARK KNOX hunts in the bushes at Lafayette Park and Lands End, for CURT! Strange!!!!

.....SCANDAL....SCANDAL....attorney KENNETH SWEARIN, who was at one time THE GAY ATTORNEY, has endorsed the arch-enemy of all gay people...JOHN JAY FERDON, the incumbent District Attorney.

ALSO.....another person who said that Ferdon should be RE-ELECTED was the alleged friend of the gay, RICHARD HONGISTO....as printed by EXAMINER political Editor Cyd Klossen in the September 30th issue. HONGISTO & FERDON....was a losing twosome!!!!!!!!!!

.....OUR LADDIE OF THE IMACULATE INFECTION..... Yes, a new miracle has happened in our City..... The day manager of the CHURCH STREET STATION was seen at THE CLINIC...but, sez that neither of his TWO lovers gave it to him. A miracle infection!!!! NOTE...it is not catching if you get THE shot & HE did!

.....JOE FREITAS....he is not afraid to fight.. rember that on November 4th when you vote for a NEW District Attorney. FREITAS is a San Francisco resident of many years, and will be good for gays, unlike the silver carpetbagger who ran for Office in Berkeley but four years ago....and LOST big. FREITAS a WINNER!!

.....CRISTAL drive Mrs. Olsen to ----------???? Never! Only to the CHURCH STREET STATION-HIDEAWAY BAR

.....+ALL MY CHILDREN+, a soap opera is the favorite of so many many gay people around the City...I saw a QUEEN CRYING because JEFF had left!!!

.....At the BEAUX ARTS BALL at the HYATT REGENCY...watch DOLLI, for he'll really be something to see!!!!!!!!!!!

.....The T-ROOM OF LAFAYETTE PARK is a top spot for a hawker of Mountain Grown....but he is not the richest kind!!!!!!!!

.....BOB TROLLOPE of the P.S./CASA DE CRISTAL, has to be the worlds nicest guy! A super sweetheart of all time...even when he is mad, he is a sweetie-pie!!!!!!!!

....MALVINA, DUCHESS/EMPRESS of Colma, is a late night dinner at BRUNOs on old MISSION STREET. Hail ole keeper of the Tombstones! You and Jim Hagan... ought to get together, as he vists your realm just about everyday with a new Subject!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

.....He is my room-mate, not my wombmate, sex MARK KNOX, Stationmaster!!!

....RAY TAYLOR, the best and nicest waiter at the CHURCH STREET STATION, along with JEAN CLAUDE....told me that he is one of DOLLIs Boys!!!!! Really! With what you have, you should be the MAN!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

.....What is this news item in the June issue of the PACIFIC COAST TIMES, a San Diego gay-rag, about an OLIVER Bill Sipple and $500 and a rip-off? Naughty naughty, you big ole Marine hero...former bartender at the Kokpit, 527, Hob Nob, Royal Palace, 6th Streets Turf Club. I thought %100 disabled meant that you could not work or something!!!! Those out of town gay papers can be really interesting!!!!!!

.....The QUEENS & BOB GEARY, SFPD..are something else! The candidate for the Sheriff likes to go around in a tee/// shirt, showing off his muscles. He, Geary, was booed at a candidates night because he said JAILS ARE FOR PUNISHMENT, NOT REHABILITATION!!!! Anyone for some discipline!!!??? in jail?? Whips, chains!! BRUCE CRUCET of the P.S. is the hunkiest guy in town. So kind, sweet and super duper sexy. Let me wait on you Brucie!!!!

.....A committee to DOUSE FLAMES is to formed as a part of flame prevention week, by a couple of golden shower queens!!!!!!!

.....SUNDAY NIGHT AT THE FIGHTS.....Two members of the Kourt of Karingi.... the FOX.....were seen engaged in fisticuffs at the BACKSTREET, or was that in the BACKSTREET?!!!!!!!! A re-match between Skip and Jay is!!!

.....THURSDAY NIGHT AT THE FIGHTS ON FOLSOM....Marcus, editor of CTC, is the winner in this no-round match held at the NO NAME!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

.....Miss MINNIE upset in more ways than one. In what amounted to a vote of NO NO NO CONFIDENCE, the TAVERN GUILD Board, reinstituted the PRIVY COUNCIL. Poor Miss Minnie. Tremendous victory for SHIRLEY, Lucious Loreili, and Joe Roland!!!!!

ROSE I,II, & III just moved...Rose is a real sweetheart. Drop in some evening at the RED LANTERN and see her.!!

.....JIM BROOKLYN is a flame!! Sweet boy/man/guy/girl??? who knows/cares!!!

.....LARRY EPPINETTE is known as the ROSE OF THE RIVER back in Natchez Mississippi....his roomie, MISS LEE is known as a real S&M queen in New Orleans...but back there, S&M means, Sequins & Mascara!!!!

.....Rumor has it, the WINDJAMMER has been sold to *******! Ask Jim or Ron, tho! I cant, their phone has been disconnected.

...Till NOVEMBER, this is all THREE of us MOCKINGBIRDS with a word to the wise..WATCH IT WHEN YOU WALK UNDER THE TREES..WE MIGHT DROP ON YOU!!!!!!

FIGHT RENT HIKES

DONT STAND FOR OUTRAGEOUS RENT HIKES!!! TAKE A STAND AGAINST RENT GOUGHING!! TODAY!! JOIN US!!

Asses that they are, the Board of Stupidvisors many of them whom are known to have lined their pockets with landlord dollars, have voted a tax assesment that now allows buildling owners to hike rents.

Since San Francisco does not YET have any rent control laws, landlords are able to charge anything they want. Is it more than coincidence that the SFPD picket just the exact moment to pull their phoney STRIKE, just the right time to help grease the skids for the tax hike..... supposedly on the grounds that the guardians of the landlords property interests nneded even higher salaries. We are amazed that City employees find it so difficult to squeek by on their $17,750 a year and up salaries. Especially when we know people, thousands of them, in fact, who have to survive by panhandling on the streets.

Caught in the middle, as usual, is the middle class apartment tenant who finds himself threatened by bandit buidling owners and managers. Since he or she finds it financially difficult in a time of rampant inflation and does not have access to a gun to demand a raise, like the cops did, the tenant faces having to hold onto their job harder, take more shit more the slave driver bosses, and turn over a bigger part of the paycheck to the landed gentry and their represenatives. The big squeeze and right here in the Orange-Juice State.

Our prelimianry information is that the apartments that have rented for $150, have hotten boosts as high as $200 a month. Some tenants have not gotten their extortion notes from their dear landlords yet, but they are going to, soon!!!

There is nothing right now to stop the money-drubbers from squeezing just about everyone beneath their rent-grindstones!!!!!

NOW IS THE TIME to take a firm stand and really do something about all this! DONT PAY.....DONT PAY....STRIKE NOW!!!!!!!!!

Do not pay these unconsciounable hikes! Sue the landlord for damages!

Refuse to pay your rent! And REFUSE TO MOVE!!!!

You can gain three to six months without paying any rent since the Sheriffs department is understaffed. You must legally be given five days final notice before they can put your things on the street.

For more information/action, call 771-3366.....

GAY TENANTS UNION SF.

TOM SAXON

HARRY S. TRUMAN DEMOCRAT

The Harry S. Truman Democratic Club, endorsements have been out since the 18th of last month. And, we have one bad trip laid on us by a person the TRUMAN CLUB, did NOT endorse for anything, that be-Carol Silver. She was NOT endorsed by the Club for the office of District Attorney. JOE FRIETAS was the endorsee of the Truman Club. As the candidacy of Ms. Silver for DA has caused much controversy, for her association with certain groups, and the issue of her residency has come up also. She is not our choice for D.A.

Gene PRAt was the choice for for SHERIFF of S.F., and Ms. DIANNE FEINSTEIN was the choice for MAYOR. Board of Supervisors candidates we found qualified, were....ENOLA MAXWELL...Harvey Milk..... Espanola Jackson...and ARNOLD TOWNSEND.

The TRUMAN DEMOCRATIC CLUB urges you to vote on November 4th for our/your candidates.

DYING! Thought about it?

THE LOSS OF A LOVER BY DEATH, A LESSON FOR THE GAY COMMUNITY.....

Since the Stonewall Days of old New York, so much has been done by the members of the gay community to protect and assert the rights of the gay community. Much to the credit of the leaders of the Gay Rights Movement s nationwide, laws that were discriminatory to gays are being repealed. No longer is being homosexual considered an illness, no longer do we need to bow our heads and hide in shame. Being gay is now considered by the liberal minded as a choice of lifestyles and not a social disgrace. While it is true the more metropolitan communities seem to be the forerunners in the area of acceptance (with one notable exception, Los Angeles, and the LAPD), the rivers of acceptance now flow even to the smaller more urban communities of the nation.

As a practicing Funeral Director, I am the first to admit that I am a member of a profession that by any standards is a bit conservative, a profession that resists change in many respects. I am also quite cognizant of the fact that many of my fellow morticians are practicing gays, and many many more are "closet-cases". I suppose that fear of loss of employment or loss of business prompts many of my fellow practicioners to hide behind the professional respectability which acts as a protective mantle. I can see the validity in this approach. Unlike the other fields of endeavor, the funeral director is called upon to serve all men, regardless of color, creed, ethnic origin or sexual preference

For example, a family of Roman Catholic origen expect to be served in the manners prescribed by their religion. The fact that I am an Episcopalian and not in accord with many of the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church, gives me no right to interject my feelings regarding such practices as the Rosary, the Mass of Christian Burial, or a Christian Burial Permit which is necessary for burial in a Catholic Cemetary. I must respect the religious convictions of that family and do everything that I can to see that all arrangements are made in accord to the tenents of their religion, not mine.

The same rule applies to sexual preference. I realize that if one in every six is a homosexual according to certain studies in sociology that have been made, then in death the same must hold true that one in six whom I am privileged to serve, must also be a homosexual.

I can not be certain that any individual is a homosexual in life no more that I could be certain at their death. There are times however, when I am told this was the case. Sometimes this fact is related to me by a lover, sometimes by the members of the deceased's family. This brings me to the purpose of this article.

WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO YOU IF YOU DIE, ALONE, NO LEGAL KIN, ONLY A LOVER.....?

There is a little known field of Law which the layman has very little knowledge of. This field is referred to as Mortuary Law. The average attorney is not even aware of it's existence except in very vague terms. All attorneys are familiar with Probate Law which concerns itself with the final disposition of the estate of a decedant. State Legislatures have set down laws regarding what happens if a person dies with no will (called intestate). But, it seems to me that one most important area of human rights has been grossly overlooked, the right of final disposition of the deceased.

In large metropolitan areas, indigent burials are usually handled by a college of mortuary science. In much the same manner as teaching hospitals offers their services gratis or at reduced rates in order to acquire patients for student doctors and nurses to work with, college or sochools of Mortuary Science under contract to a county, offer embalming and burial to those less fortunate members of the community that die without sufficients funds to be buried by the private sector, the professional funeral director. This in itself is good. But, what about those that die with funds? Who has the right to burial?

Let us assume that you are living with a lover. Let us further assume that your lover is a young person, say between 20 and 25. Neither one of you have given much thought (if any) to what would happen if a death occurred. And then it happens, one the way home from a bar, your 20 year old lover is savagely attacked and killed. No so far fetched as we have read lately! You are contacted by the police and coroner's office as his identification lists your home address. What now? Following the shock which will most certainly afflict you at the moment you hear the news, you will be asked to come to the coroner's office to make a visual identification. This is no easy task. But what might come as an even greater shock to you is that your association with your lover will come to an abrupt end at this point. All of the intimacies hared by your association with your lover, whose close bonds which made you think that you were inseperable, have now....ceased, to be!

Even tho you might wish to insure that your lover receive a proper burial and funeral, your wishes will NOT be heeded....! You do not have the right of burial. According to present law, the coroner must now notify the next of kin. Being gay and in love is not even a legal consideration. Assuming that the father or mother of the deceased lover is still alive,they will be given the choice to bury the deceased. If in fact, they are dead, the choice is now given to any brothers, sisters, aunts, uncles, grandparents, cousins, and finally friends, that will assume the expenses of burial. As you can imagine, even to you loved dearly the victim of this assault, your rights are never considered. This is something to think about NOW before death takes this decision from you!

Are there ways around this? Yes, there are some remedies that can be used now, before we activate some basic changes in the laws. I'll about about these in the November issue of the GAY CRUSADER.

(EDITORS NOTE:This article is being written by a practicing Funeral Director in the San Francisco Bay Area who must remain anonymous at this time)

LET HELPING HANDS HELP YOU.....

If you are in need of assistance in the area that has just been described, please call upon us at anytime for advice in this area, at 771-3366, as we have names and addresses on call for your assistance. Thank you! Reverend Broshears

BAGL....Think!!

AN OPEN LETTER TO THE MEMBERSHIP OF BAGL (BAY AREA GAY LIBERATION ORG.)

Greetings!

The ideals and goals of your group are highly commendable and I applaud the goals on which we are in accord, which are many. But, the acts towards the ownership of the MINDSHAFT are not in the best interests of forward movement of the nine points upon which gay liberation began as a peoples militant grassroots movement in 1969

You say you have no structure, yet it is clear that somepersons are manipulating you for their own personal movtives, which are counter to the goals of true liberation. The charges you have made against the Mindshaft are true to a large degree. But, the Mindshaft is only the tip of the iceberg of the cancer of discrimination which exists today.

It is curious that you say and do nothing about the highly racist stronghold of the gay-nazis, in the South of Market leatherscene. Why not? Is it true, the charge that you are interested in your own personal trips first, and the movement second? Is it true that some psuedo-liberationists, angered by the gay-establishment have come into your ranks to manipulate you against the persons they do not like? Think about it!

The barowners are not your enemy...fascism is! Sure, many of the barowners act like real pigs, but, still. The cause, the root of the condition must be hit, not the symptoms! RAY BROSHEARS!!!!!

MYSTYOPICAL POME FOR POLK STREET STUDS.....Tom Saxon

And, once again Night descends as an asbestos curtin hiding the eyes of the day skies, that's for certain Night crucible for the transmutation of creamed dreams, synthesis of today's failures, where the drug down slaves of the Molloch come in search of the furtive-blow jobs, trading the sham of short time sex taxi-danced and metered for the wail of Love. Night-town USA, coast to coast, dark doorways suplicants kneeling to sidewalk male Magdalens and transsexual Madonnas funked down and out thru Mary-wanna. Cry babies..with stifled creamed-filled dream-puffs, dying in search of the elusive Prince of Cups. Sperm offerings to sidewalk acolytes of the Church of the Flesh of walking Stained Sainted yet-to-be martyred Monks of the Maria Mynd.

Oh, G*ddess of your siren songs impell the minds of us mere mortals.

O David, our pilgrimage to the pay homage at your Holy Temple takes us thru such unfamiliar turns and twists. Gyrocopic scopic anti-compasses no wonder all the lost and lonely cherubs.

TOM SAXON

SAINTS ARE SACRED SO PEOPLE WE PREFER

by, Doug Oram

he walked city streets
and marched in the heat
protesting and calling for an end
of the people being locked up
and of those being fucked up
for a society we could barely even bend

so he took on an old store
and opened up its door
to help to get it together
and then fought for the survival
in spite of the rival
of the finance and friction it could weather

and you probably never knew
cause you never saw through
all those thoughts that came
onto you
but those who could see
and some of those who were free
saw something much more
than did you

a center for those into drag
and for the ill fated fag
and any that related to being gay
who only wanted to try
to get themselves high
on life in their own being's way

and those who traveled the miles
through their youth and their trials
for the city all of us have sought
could find a place they could cop
with the heavy head and the hope
that we all sometimes seemed to have caught

and you probably never knew
cause you never saw through
all those thoughts that came
onto you
but those who could see
and some of those who were free
saw something much more
than did you

and he fought 'gainst the laws
discrimination and the cause
that at times would weigh us all down
and the anger of his fight somehow
to put something right
did more than some could allow
but for the old, the evicted
the lost, the convicted
the ones who knew how they stood
he did to understand
with the problem at hand
and do with whatever he could

yet days ago someone said to me
that's not how I knew it to be
when I thought with what I'd heard and read
so I said what did you know
that seems to contradict me so
surely just not what I have said

for the man I knew
when I was passing through
showed more than just at face value
for I heard his thoughts and truths
and saw his fears and their roots
and so it was he being all that I knew

and you probably never knew
cause you never really saw through
all those thoughts that kept coming
onto you
but some of those who could see
and some of them who were free
saw something much more
than did you

The above poem was written by Canadian Doug Oram about Reverend Raymond Broshears of the Helping Hands community services projects!

AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL.....by Randy J. Anderson '74

Oh beautiful, for Jumbo Jets
Where once were spacious skies
The amber waves of grain we had
belong to Russian spys
The oil slicks upon the bay, beneath the
Golden Gate
America, America....with cities filled with
hate.
Polluted mountains majesties someday will
share our fate.
And fruited plains are highway lanes
In California State
Los Angeles, Los Angeles, your size amazes me
You have your smog....we have fog
Plus Oakland's factories
So beautiful X-presidents who say they say are
not crooks

Cannot appear in court today
Send him some history books
There's no escape, there's no escape
From Watergate and lies
So let us hear those tapes again
To us it's no surprise
(The American public isn't stupid!)

OUTRAGE
(written by Randy Anderson concerning the Marcus Welby TV Show on homosexuality)

Marcus Welby closet queen
Made a show that was obscene
I've always cared for Robert Young
But now I think he should be hung
Some ABC station said, "NO"
(So would have Edgar Allan Poe)
Four big sponsors would not pay
To see the gays portrayed that way
We don't dig kids for bedroom fun
With all my friends, it just ain't done
Hope it wins an Emmy Award
My TV blew up
My floor was floored
I like a guy who's 43
But films like that just should not be
The other networks did not show it
It was dirty as garbage and stinking as shit
Some don't understand that we're human too
So fuck your ratings dear ABC
We're changing the channel to ole NBC
WHO wrote the script? They should be gassed
With a big fat dildo shoved up their ass
Lavender Panther piss on that damn show
Marcus Welby should be called Doctor No
Child molesting is not very funny
But Welby don't care cause he made some money
We don't play with children, Marcus my dear
For taking that role, you must be a queer
See a psychiatrist....you could be sick
We'd love love to know just what makes you tick
By the way, do you like little girls?
Short dresses and Shirley Temple curls
On second thought though, she's much too young
For old buzzards like you, you son of a gun!

RANDY J. ANDERSON

PRISON RAP

WARNING...STRAIGHTS ARE RUNNING CON GAME ON GAYS THROUGH ADS IN GAY PAPERS

by Father Ron

These prisoner ads are not always what they seem to be. Too many times it is a heterosexual male trying for an OUTSIDE gay to be his SUGAR DADDY. It is increasing now, with the ads in all publications. Some of the worst offenders come from the Florida St. Pen at Starke; and quite a few from CMC-East in San Luis Obispo.

Some have even received letters from one particular inmate at Vacaville CMF, hinting of a threat if they did not come through with a job and a place to live for the guy, so he could get out.

One thing in writing gay prisoners, always ask about what offense they are in for, and then you check it out. For you could be letting youself in for some real rough times if you dont.

We have a list of approved/cleared inmates for you to write to if you so desire.

Many of the men you can help directly, in so many ways. So, please consider inquiring with our prison letter writing program soon!

NEWS NEWS NEWS....The office of the Better Business Bureau informs me that ATLANTIS HOUSE is operated by Dick Price, and Bob Humphries who currently under criminal prosecution for consumer fraud. The case is under submission by the Superior Court. USM on their letterhead means U.S. Missions, and COA, Church of Androgeny.

Were Those FRISCO FAGGOTS Ever Young?

"FRANKLY, we dont understand the California faggot scene. We admit it; we cant figure out how so many California fornicators can get themselves involved in all kinds of perversions.... from capital punishment politics to S&M, but almost all of them get uptight whenever the CHICKEN issue comes up in conversations.

We think it is these older types who are *chicken*. And we wonder, were they ever young even once??????

There are thousands of kids like us, oppressed by the State, by home, by parents, by *society*, who need alot of the attention that we see going to such frivilous stuff as GAY PRIDE PARADES....fancy clothes....big cars. It looks to us like there is no sicker, greedier scene than the current GAY SCENE!

To us, it is not very GAY at all. It is a sad sick scene of narcissism, made up of spoiled Mamas-boys, whove grown up to be spoiled brats. They are all caught up in solving the problems of the gay communities or something.

Which way to these gay communities? All we teens see, are rip-off bars, resturants with jacked up prices, and cheap hotels for us to live in, where we are supposed to fight off the lice and roaches while our leaders live like BOURGEOISE QUEENS AND BARONS AND CZARINAS! That would not be so bad, but it looks like unless you happen to be incredibily BEAUTIFUL in face and body, you dont even get the CRUMBS from the tables of the GAY RICHIES!

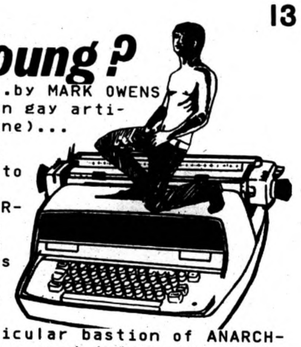
Can you wonder that the whole thing gets so depressing and draggy and down?

Can you wonder why our friends are oeverdosing on the latest shitty downers? Why QUAALUDES are one the gay-kids biggest mind-foggers? Is it their fault that their OLDER brothers and sisters are so damn selfish and non-sharing??? Shit, dream tonight good folks...what it could be life! Then realize that we are didicated to making your dreams 1001% REAL.....sooner than you think....Aint that groovey???

WE PLEDGE to do our best to prepare the way for our FREE....LIBERATED....GAY BROTHERS and SISTERS, who will be heading to San Francisco soon. We are the GAY DIGGERS, because diggery is true brotherhood. Be our Aquarian Water brothers. For DIGGERY IS MAKING PIGGERY obsolete!"

written by the Emmett-Michael Valentine Smith Collective of young (teen) gay people.

GAY ANARCHISM.....by MARK OWENS (a commentary on the teen gay article, and on the gay scene)...



A couple of months ago, I received an article sent to me by Tom McNamara. The article concerned GAY ANARCHISM, a not too uncommon subject in this day of on rushing apathy in what was once the Gay Liberation Movement. What is interesting about the article though, is that this particular bastion of ANARCHISM was a YOUTH MOVEMENT-----and judging from the wretched spelling and other mechanics of the English language used in the article, its authors appear to be a bit younger than this nineteen year old iconoclast (me). What AMAZED me about the article was the RIGHT-ON-NESS (is there such a word?) of the thoughts written there. Oh, it misses the mark in a couple of places, but, you have just read it, so.....!

Of course, you know and I know that his is not entirely the case. For instance, Ray Gustafson, (H.I.M. DORIS X) and his work for Operation Concern is certainly worthy of merit. But, let us face it, these gay teens know what they are talking about! Our Gay Freedom Day parade is a waste of time and energy, because this gay community just does not have its collective head together. The Folsom Prison float was a prime example (disgusting, sexist)!

Other examples? I think that it is far-out that Tom Edwards, Lloyd Taylor and Harvey Milk are running for the Board of Supervisors; what bothers me is that, instead of working together to gain some gay representation on the Board, they are calling each other names, so to speak!

I think it is great that we have a contingent of Gay Rona Barretts, (Butch, Jailbird, Motormouth, Joker Mockingbird, La Kish, Mouse, etc.). What bothers me is that have launched an all-out war on each other! Same with gay publications; the rivalry between the GAY CRUSADER and Beardemphis Brand S paper is near legend.

Titles are ok, but they have the potential for accomplishing much good for the community, but are not. Simply because they fall into the hands of megiomaniacs who use the title for a combination kicks and ego-boo. Those gay teens from Minnesota have our (Frisco Faggots) number down pretty good dont they?

Lost in the Frost, I am
Mark Owens ON-MY-OWN!

SACK REHEARSAL HALL

10AM POST

OPEN AT MIDNIGHT.....DAILY

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- Points of Unity
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- Organizational Structure
- A Note to Gay Revolutionaries

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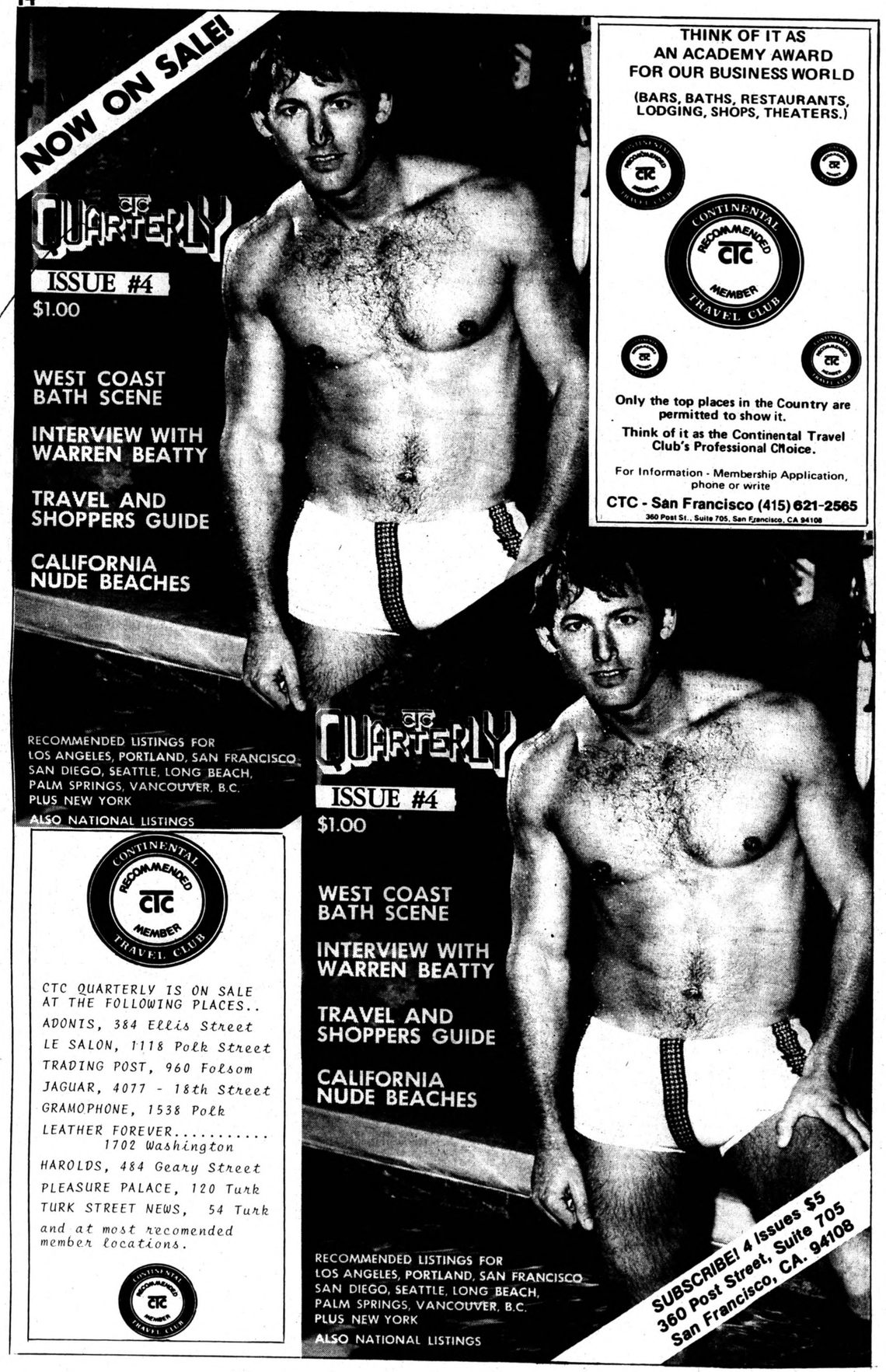
LAVENDER & RED UNION

Gay Liberation is impossible without Socialist Revolution!

Socialist Revolution is incomplete without Gay Liberation!

THE POLITICAL PERSPECTIVE OF THE LAVENDER & RED UNION



A Man of Action for Sheriff GENE PRAt

November 4, 1975, ELECTION TIME for the City and County of San Francisco, and it is with great pride, that the GAY CRUSADER now endorses GENE PRAT for SHERIFF of San Francisco.
The CRUSADER feels that after several months of seeing PRAT in action around the City, seeing how the voters of the Richmond, the Bayview-Hunters Point, the Fillmore and Taraval, have all taken to Gene that we now know that he is the only qualified candidate for Sheriff of San Francisco.
GENE PRAT is 36 years young, and is single. He was born and raised in the Mission District, went to the Mission High School, and worked his way thru college. He went to UC-Berkeley, and later taught at some of the schools in San Francisco.
He was one of the youngest teachers at San Francisco State University, and he worked with former president Donald Summerskill in trying to help the school become relative to the community around it and which attended theclasses. Then the riot broke out on campus, and the police were brought in, and the rest is history. Many weeks of bloody and fearful battling took place, and Dr. S.I. Hawakaya was brought in to replace Summerskill. It was then Gene PRAT met the battling Doc Hawakaya, and they became friends. GENE PRAT helped to resolve some of the differences which helped to bring about peace at SF State. And he became an administrator at SF State.
GENE PRAT has the administrative experience that the position of Sheriff calls for. It is not an law enforcement position. Thus, by having persons rooted in police-work, you have people who just are not up to the high task of administration of a system as complex as the County Jail system.
PART vows that no inmate will be able to procure drugs when he is Sheriff. Thus this would end the overdoses at County Jail #2, which took the life of 27 year old Frank King a few short months ago.
PRAT also vows to reinstate the productive farm system and the egg ranch, which the incumbent Sheriff foolishly did away with. It is productive in many ways, rasing fresh vegetbales, eggs, keeping the budget down, and giving inmates something more to do than just set around all day and night, and.....! Without cost to the taxpayer, using foundations and corporations, PRAT will build the County Jail system into a RE-DIRECTION CENTER. A place of learning, a place where the person will gain a new sense of dignity and direction. GENE PRAT is a educator, he is an administrator, he can bring about positive changes at the County Jails.
GENE PRAT believes that the violent person, who returns to jail, should not be put in the County Jail, but must be sent to a state institution, because County Jail is supposed to be for minor offenders, not the violent criminal. GENE PRAT will work to end the treadmill that most inmates seem to be on, in and out of jail, by giving them the skills, the redirection they so badly need. And only an administrator can do this, and that is why the GAY CRUSADER asks that on November 4th, that you VOTE FOR PRAT for Sheriff, and that you urge your friends to do so also.
GENE PRAT is the kind of a person who understands the problems of people, and will try and do something about them, and if he can't, he'll bring in the people who can. That is an administrator, that is a real Sheriff, PRAT.

Hongisto Says He Doesn't Need The Gay Vote!

HONGISTO TELLS BERKELEY BARB IN INTERVIEW THAT HE DOESN'T NEED THE GAY VOTE - HE CAN WIN WITHOUT IT!

In an exclusive interview with the San Francisco staff of the **Berkeley Barb**, Richard Hongisto, the Sheriff of San Francisco, said "I feel sure I will win, so I feel that I could win my next race without the Gay community and a number of other communities." This statement came in an interview printed in the April 4, Berkeley Barb, in response to a question on how important the minority communities will be in his re-election campaign. He went on to say that "The quality of my election would be greatly reduced without minorities."

Hongisto did not comment on the statements of mayoral candidates, Dianne Feinstein, George Moscone and Milton Marks, who all agreed that they had to have the gay vote in order to win.

One announced candidate for Sheriff, Michael Nevin, a bodyguard for the Mayor, and a driver of his auto as well, stated that he "didn't need or want the support of the gay community." Another SFPD Inspector, William Bigarani, said he wanted gay support, but "doubted that he would get it." He was a security officer when off-duty at MACY*S, when he advised MACY*S how to entrap the gay people in the restrooms. Back in 1970, hundreds of gay people marched outside of MACY*s in protest of the entrapment policies of that store, after several gay people had been arrested in the toilets there. Nearly a thousand gay people returned their credit cards to MACY*S, cut in half, protesting the actions of MACY*S security force.

But one candidate for Sheriff, Gene Prat, says that "I will have to have the support and work of the gay community in my campaign to win in November." I was shocked to read the Hongisto statement in the BARB, when it was shown to me, but when a person is the incumbent, they do have an edge." "I understand that the gay community put Hongisto in as Sheriff, and I think it is a shame that he disregards their support now that he is the incumbent." "I need and welcome the gay vote."

SHOCK OVER HONGISTO STATEMENT COMES FROM SEVERAL GAY ACTIVISTS..

Statements of shock, or "it must be a mistake" to "how ungrateful" to "I should have known he would turn on us," ran the gamut of various persons the **Crusader** spoke to concerning Hongisto's down-playing of the gay votes' importance.

But all agreed that Hongisto would not win without the full support of the gay community, and they all agreed that he would not have full support this time around because of that statement, and because he failed to live up to campaign promises.

BROKEN PROMISES BY HONGISTO...

Hongisto told several activists in his campaign for Shriff back in 1971 that he would "appoint up-front gays to administrative posts." A promise which he did not live up to. Hongisto, shortly after assuming the Office of Sheriff, let down the security at County Jail #2, at San Bruno, where upon, several gay people, no longer having tight security around their cells, found themselves the targets of brutal, savage rape by "straight" inmates.

The office of Sheriff Richard Hongisto would make no statement to the BARB article except to say that "It was true" and the "the Sheriff still has many gay supporters," that "they understood the real meaning of his statement."

Sheriff Hongisto's drift to the extreme left, has upset many gay voters, and voters in general, and in the BARB article the Sheriff praised socialism, and said that he was about as far left as any sheriff candidate could go.

Hongisto has been at rallies of well known leftists, who wish the violent overthrow of the government. His appearance at the Glide Church with leftist minister, Rev. Cecil Williams in past years has led many Hongisto supporters to withdraw support. The Angela Davis appearance was one such case reported.

The Berkeley Barb, page 6, April 4th, 1975, states, "I feel sure I will win, so I feel I could win my race without the gay community and a number of other communities [*minority*]."

WHAT THIS CITY NEEDS!!

GENE PRAT, Sheriff candidate with three of his supporters. Michael Caringi "The Fox", who is emperor IV; suspervisor candidate, Espanola Jackson, and Raymond Broshears.

PARTIAL LIST OF PRAT SUPPORTERS....

B.J. Beckwith, attorney
Michael Caringi, businessman
Bill McWilliams, bar owner
Rev. Ray Broshears, activist
Curt Bryan, activist
Mark Knox, activist
Thomas M. Edwards, candidate
James Hagen, funeral dirc.
Damon DeWinters, artist-poet
Elisa Rleigh