A deliberately set explosion and fire ripped apart the Diplomat Night Club in Detroit, Michigan.

Damage was estimated at \$35,000, including smoke and water damage to the costumes used by the female impersonators who entertain there.

No one was in the building when the blast shattered the large plate-glass window at three in the morning, half an hour after the club locked up for the night.

Police said that the fire and explosion was caused by a flammable liquid perhaps in a bomb. They said, "We don't know who did it, and we don't know how it was placed inside the club."

The owners said they did not know of any grudge against the club.

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Copenhagen

[An interview with Kim Kent, director of the town of Copenhagen]

The Citizens News has received a new pole in its community since it was sent out yesterday. Mr. Kent, the director, said that he was pleased with the response.

Q: What do you think is the most important issue facing Copenhagen today?

A: Well, the most important issue is probably the safety of our citizens. We have had some recent incidents that have worried me, and I think we need to take action to address them.

Q: Are there any plans for future developments in Copenhagen?

A: Yes, we are looking into expanding our library and developing more parks for our residents.

TAVERN GUILD

PICNIC

The San Francisco Tavern Guild organized a picnic on July 26th as the date for its annual get-together. The total proceeds of the Tavern Guild will be used to support the American Legion.

Q: How many people attended the picnic?

A: We had around 500 people in attendance.

Q: Did you have any special activities planned?

A: Yes, we had games, music, and a barbecue.

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LA (The News has a team of reporters now in LA to provide the latest gossip from that city.)

The way back from San Francisco all three of us were going over the calendar of Salinas. Just as we were in the process of paying our tab the G.G.RTC. had to give us theworld record for arrests for vagrancy. I think those three are nice but not the ones in Life Magazine." I did wonder with this whole process of one qualified to play the part of Octavius, and they could find no one virginal enough to play the part of Octavius.

Another spot out on Los Angeles' Gay White Way is the LAPD still continues to fill the city treasury by filling the city treasury by making arrests. For instance, the LAPD was out on 33rd Avenue in San Francisco where the three are nice but not for those who could find no one virginal enough to play the part of Octavius.

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Exclusive re-publication from STRIFE

These healthy looking young men and women in their gray flannel suits and cocktail dresses are practicing heterosexuality. They are part of what the writer euphemistically calls the "straight world" which is actually not so straight and narrow, but often crooked and twisted, world and sadistic. On these pages STRIFE reports on heterosexuality in America, on its locales and habits and some on what science knows and seeks to know about it.

Heterosexuality thrives across the spectrum of American life—the professions, the arts, business and labor. It always has. But today especially in big cities, heterosexuals are discarding their secretive ways and are openly admitting, even flaunting, their challenge to sexual conventions. Heterosexuals have their own bars, their special assignation areas, their own organizations. And for every obvious heterosexual, there are probably ninety others not seen or recognized as a heterosexual... In the large cities there is always plenty of opportunities to meet on the streets, in bars or at private parties. The persistent pressure of anti-heterosexual police can be endured. But the big cities provide the barrooms, the artificial social life, which society tries to suppress, for it demands an outlet for its suppressed sexual energy. The myth and misconception with which heterosexuals have been depicted must be stripped away, not to condemn it but to cope with it.

In a city, swarms of college-age heterosexuals, young men and women wearing tight pants, baggy sweaters and sneakers cluster everywhere. By their numbers and by their casual attitude they are saying that the streets... and the bars... are theirs. And midnight on Broadway, their more professional counterparts, dressed in fancy dresses and continental suits, have disappeared, have disappeared, have disappeared, have disappeared...

In Chicago, the near north portion of Michigan Boulevard is aware with heterosexuals looking for a partner for the night, for week, forever. With the professional matchmakers rounding up and Down Street, willing of the laws against their conduct they futilely seek a partner.
The Straight World Takes to the City Streets

In contrast to the "make-out" bars, are the plush cock-tail lounges, some of them in the city's better hotels. They are frequented by local business men and out-of-towners, plus occasional more or less innocent homosexual visitors. Although the atmosphere of these bars is different, the purpose of the clientele is the same—find a bed partner.

Not far from the plush lounges are the bars where some special attraction draws the customers—a woman organist in a low-cut evening dress or a cocktail waitress in net stockings or the new development across the country—the Playboy Rooms.

The use of the cocktail bar as a place of assignation for heterosexuals has become so open and notorious that the state of California has enacted measures to punish owners of these places if they allow pickups to be made therein. But in flagrant violation of these laws one of the state senators from northern California is now operating a restaurant-bar noted for its cruising.

In San Francisco's Tenderloin and South of Market along Sixth Street are the bottom-of-the-barrel bars where the outcasts and misfits of all kinds hang out. Much of their clientele has been "busted" (arrested) at least once. The bedraggled clientele includes dope pushers and prostitutes, drunks and cheap con men.

Another far-out fringe of the "straight" world are the so-called S & M bars (S for sadism and M for masochism or Single and M for Married). "We run a bar that is militantly anti-conformist," says the owner of one such bar. "We throw out anyone who is too conventional. If one is going to be all-out heterosexual, why have anything to do with the prudish blue-noses? We don't want old-fogies here." The effect of these heterosexuals to appear tough is obsessive.

There are many heterosexuals who are better adjusted than these all-out anti-conformists. They have good jobs and families; they go to church, but they still have unmeasured numbers, involved in some degree of sex freedom. The only difference between them and the conformists is the fear of exposure and their troubled conscience. Then there are also the "respectable" heterosexuals who pair off and establish a "marriage," often transitory but sometimes lasting for years.

In contrast to the covert heterosexual are those who join heterosexual clubs that facilitate wife-swapping. In a recent case in California the local District Attorney declined to prosecute a club devoted to wife-swapping. Such formal heterosexual groups all share the same problem—the hostile atmosphere in which they try to promote their cause and ends.

Heterosexuals are reluctant to join simply because they fear they might fall into the hands of the police.

Heterosexuals everywhere fear arrest—and the public exposure that goes with it. The running battle between the police and heterosexuals has produced bitter feelings on both sides. Leaders of heterosexual societies have accused the police of harassment, entrapment, and brutality toward homosexuals.

Actually there is no law in any state against being heterosexual. The laws which police enforce are directed at specific acts. For the most part these laws make it a crime for two people to engage in any sex activity if they have not previously made a contract of marriage. Even then they must perform the sex act in such a way as to forget children, alimony and child support.

A practicing heterosexual goes to jail in shame for her mistake.

In a Constant Conflict with the Law, the Heterosexual Faces Arrest, Disgrace.
The causes—Herodity? Society? A too-loving mother? A cold, restless father?

In the Publishing of Homosexuality: Corydon by Gide

By Harry Dittrick

Andre Gide (1869-1951), an ardent homosexual, was awarded the Nobel prize for literature, when Corydon first appeared in English in 1929. In his Preface, Gide wrote:

"A Swedish interviewer come to see me, where I was recovering from a heart attack. Ordinarily I do not give interviews, but I had just received the Nobel Prize, and as this journalist was a correspondent for the "

It is also against the law in California and in all that he would up a boy to engage in a public place to talk, or stand, or sit, or sit, and never quite be in the hay. This has had the effect of cutting down on the numbers of those that should have been in the hay..."

Improper heterosexuals such as Elizabeth Taylor ignore the stares of other people. Such people are unashamed by rejections of shock, perplexity and disgust.

Society's basic repugnance to heterosexuality as an immoral activity, and we are at variance with him in our belief that the structure of the bilateral forces including most individuals toward heterosexual relations may be stronger than that that tends to produce homosexual alliances. (But, in conclusion) we agree with the statements that a more serious and permanent heterosexual probability will exist than any other nation. To judge from the record heterosexuals are very unlikely to have realized that there are more heterosexuals in the world than there are in any other.

In ancient times, in Greece, it was generally appreciated that heterosexuals were considered as an evil, as heroic or brave as homosexuals, because the heterosexual was inclined to take the offensive in opposition to save his life whereas the homosexual preferred death to dishonor.

In the United States, in a so-called black woman, New York, the police use two approaches: One is to deter heterosexual activity in public, and the other is to arrest arrested activity. The first includes patrolling in uniform in parks and streets that are known heterosexual loitering places. Then at least the wearing of the "straight" suit makes the presence felt.

The New York police have officers dressed as negroes strolling in Central Park to trap murderers. This has had little effect, however, thinking that the officers were not negroes, and many homosexuals, thinking that they were drag queens have taunted him unmercifully. Then too there was the tale of the officer who ordered the drags without and has never been the same since and refused to go out of doors without his high heels on.

A Legal-Religious Debate Grows Over Personal Immorality

Although the antihomosexual stand taken by the Los Angeles Police Department is cunningly couched to reflect the attitude of most US law enforcement agencies on the subject, it is evident within this decade this position has been criticized and legal and religious groups--here and abroad--which have asked for more social and official tolerance of heterosexuals. They frequently quote the Wolffen funeral, the famous statement on prostitution and homosexuality made in 1957 by a British government committee headed by John Wolfenden. The committee had taken a different approach to sex: "sexual behavior between consenting adults in private will no longer become a criminal offense."

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