

IN DEFENSE OF THE SWISH

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Our famous columnist in the San Francisco Chronicle, Herb Caen, is really out of touch. He accuses the Embarcadero Hotel (The Y) of harboring male prostitutes. To get closer to the truth he is going to have to get closer to his beloved Union Square. But then he would be forced to mention the name of the St. Francis.

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Legislator Outlines Plans

TALLAHASSEE - In an open letter to homosexuals in Florida, the Legislative Investigations Committee promised to work toward new understanding of their problems while warning them of tougher penalties for seducing youth.

The open letter was written by Rep. Dick Mitchell of Leon County, committee chairman, and distributed by the Associated Press.

The letter was addressed merely "Dear Sir" because it was in response to an unsigned letter from a self-styled homosexual who expressed apparently genuine concern over the problem.

Genuine concern is manifest over the rest of Florida because of this self-styled homosexual. It is felt that either this one is on the payroll of the committee or is a product of a fertile imagination.)

The anonymous writer described himself as a homosexual who was holding himself in-check. He said he was married and had a family. He said because of his homosexual tendencies he had given up his desire to be a teacher.

He said his letter was prompted by the committee's recent controversial booklet describing homosexuality in Florida and describing plans to arouse the public to new understanding of the problem.

"The question I have," he wrote, "is: Once you have aroused the public to action against the problem of homosexuality, what do you propose to do with (the estimated 60,000) homosexuals?"

Additionally, he said, what about the homosexuals like himself or those who were not openly practicing homosexuality?

(This is the part of the letter that would seem to be the most conclusive evidence that this letter was a plant by the committee itself, for a non-practicing homosexual would seem to be similar to a bank robber who never robbed a bank.)

Mitchell said he was answering because the "questions you raise deserve discussion by thoughtful citizens throughout the state."

He said the committee was seeking controls rather than cures because no medical or psychiatric cure exists.

(This would appear to be a departure from the thesis presented in the original report where Dr. Bergler is reported to believe that homosexuality is a curable disease.)

Mitchell said the committee recognized many of Florida's laws concerning homosexuality "are as outmoded as our understanding of this

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33 Cited In Baths Vice Raid

Thirty-three men, including a Cook County (Chicago) Hospital physician, two school teachers, and two attorneys, were arrested in a vice raid on the Lincoln Baths.

A police lieutenant in the vice control division said a detective obtained entrance to the baths and saw four men performing indecent acts in a steamroom. He said the bathhouse has been a national meeting place for perverts.

(A long time customer of this particular bath said he did not understand how anyone could see anyone in that steam room for he did not believe that it even had a connection to put a light in it. The method of entry was to "feel" your way into it.)

The thirty-three were to be charged with being inmates in a disorderly house. The operator was charged with being a keeper of a house of ill fame.

Police said those arrested live in the Chicago area, Michigan, Southern Illinois, New York, Idaho, and Kansas and that they were attracted to the city by the article in LIFE magazine.

The police said they had kept the bathhouse under investigation for the past few weeks and that they had been unsuccessful until recently in getting a detective into

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Salt Lake City Feud Over Lewdness

The Police Commissioner has apologized to the Judge; The Judge told the Police Commissioner that he was dismissing the charges against him.

Thus ended the Salt Lake City case of entrapment that had landed both the Police Commissioner and the City Judge in court and resulted in the Mayor and the Police Chief taking sides.

It started when City Judge Horace Beck said he found evidence of police entrapment in cases involving prostitution and lewdness charges.

Police Commissioner Herbert Smart requested the County Attorney in an open letter to take all future vice cases to a court other than Beck's.

Beck was ordered into district court to show cause why he should not be restrained from presiding over a lewdness trial in progress.

Beck then cited Smart with a contempt of court for releasing the letter to reporters which he said was an attempt to influence this court.

Beck won his case in district court and was allowed to continue with the lewdness trial. And then Beck dismissed contempt charges against Smart after Smart said he was in error in releasing the letter.

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JONATHAN TO GIDE

The Homosexual
In History

by

Noel I. Garde



An editor of a paper like the CITIZENS NEWS rarely receives for review a book that he can be truly enthusiastic about. But now it has happened! And it is a reference book, a biographical dictionary. The title is Jonathan to Gide: The Homosexual in History. The Author has arranged the 300 biographical sketches in historical order from Jonathan in Biblical times to Andre Gide who died in 1951. The annotated bibliography is unusually well done and the appendices classifying the subject, first by nationality, and then by profession or occupation are informative. The chronological list of subject constitutes the table of contents and an alphabetical list is the index.

The casual or indifferent reader will become very disturbed when he sees some of the subject written up. But the careful reader who looks at the introduction will understand the author's purpose. The people written up in this volume includes those alleged to have been actively homosexual, occasionally homosexual, bisexual or completely sublimated. The source for the homosexual allegation, explicit or implicit, is given in each case, generally, with specific page reference. The group runs the gamut from the noblest type of sublimated individual to the most villainous characters. Specifically, the casual readers will be disturbed at seeing the names of Jesus of Nasreth and of George Washington.

JESUS OF NASRETH

"The homosexuality of Jesus is a matter usually hinted at only with the most delicate hints about the "uranian elements in his feeling for John," "uranian" being a favored nineteenth century word for homosexual.

"As Jesus began collecting his disciples, the group showed great variance in age and social background, and finally it came to include a teenage youth named John. The reaction of Jesus to John is quite typical of a naively innocent and repressed homosexual who suddenly discovers, in his thirties, that a negative sexual reaction to women does not necessarily mean a completely negative sexual reaction to all-for instance, to an attractive and affectionate youth. John became the object of Jesus' unceasing special attentions, and even in the innocent words of the Gospels the extent to which John was noted as the "below-

ed disciple" became inescapably meaningful in more sophisticated times. King James I of England, referring to his beloved Buckingham, was to say bluntly, "Christ had his John and I have my George."

GEORGE WASHINGTON

"Even Washington's closest admirers and most devoted biographers have always found themselves perplexed by a seemingly inexplicable coldness and aloofness. In fact, this is the completely "normal" characteristic of the repressed homosexual in public life, and by a curious coincidence, was even shared by the contemporary leaders of France and England, i.e., Robespierre and Pitt. There may possibly have been a breath of innuendo in the course of the Conway Cabal against Washington. It may also be that the contemptuous hostility of Charles Lee to Washington derived from something he "found out" during that Braddock expedition of 1755, in which they both served. The subject has of course been an absolutely taboo one with Washington's better-known biographers, or at least it has as their books finally emerged in print.

Of all the object of Washington's homoerotic passions, Hamilton undoubtedly provided the nearest occasion of an almost open manifestation....He (Hamilton) made such an impression on Washington during the fighting around New York that at '19 he became Washington's aide-de-camp and private secretary, and remained his constant companion for most of the war. After they had what one biographer (Nash) refers to as "a sort of lovers quarrel" in 1781, probably resulting from Hamilton's recent marriage to Elizabeth Schuyler, of a leading New York family, Hamilton insisted on being given a field command at Yorktown, where he distinguished himself in leading the final American assault on British defenses..."

JONATHAN TO GIDE by Noel I. Garde, Vantage Press, New York Washington, and Hollywood-\$10. Worth every penny of it!!



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the place. Before being allowed into the place, patrons are viewed through a peephole in a locked door and checked with the files before they are admitted, police said.

(A correspondent of the CITIZENS NEWS said that this procedure described by the police was completely in error. He said that you walk up to the desk, pay your money and go right in, providing they have a cubicle available at that time. Very often it is completely filled.)

Police said a boy and an Army lieutenant who entered the place during the past week were solicited for lewd acts and gave information on various inmates. The lieutenant has volunteered to be a prosecution witness.

Among those arrested were an operations department employee at O'Hare International Airport, salesmen, drugists, an accountant, an advertising copywriter, two hospital laboratory technicians, a draftsman, a public school teacher in Gary, Ind., a crane operator, a junior college instructor, a designer, two laborers, a clerk, a plumber and a hotel manager.

FRENCH LAW AND THE UNIFORM French law formally insists that a policeman cannot make an arrest or write out a ticket unless he is fully dressed in his uniform with his kepi on his head and his all the other parts of his uniform in place.

Therefore the gendarme is forced to disengage himself from the nudist without arousing suspicion, retreat into the sand dunes to make a quick-change and return to the scene of this crime before the culprits can slip into clothes.

One of the brave gendarmes confides, "It isn't easy, but one improves with practice."

The targets of the gendarmes are not the mere eccentrics but the perverts who prey on the minors or vice versa.

"We don't want the amoureux embracing in public view on the streets of St. Tropez,

Cops Shed Bikinis

at least not the amoureux of the same sex," said the chief of the morals brigade.

As far as the topless suit for women is concerned the beach at Juan-les-Pins is known to have been the birthplace of the bikini and the Mayor of that progressive city suggests that if nudity is to go any further that it go all the way.

A Swedish mannequin, Inge Danielson, has been doing her part for this for some time by appearing at the local and not so local beaches with a two piece bathing suit painted on for some time.

Helicopters roam the sky above the beaches in search of offenders. When the airborne crew spots a group of nudists, it alerts the police.

Bikini-clad gendarmes are sent to the area to investigate. Their job is to come into the area without giving away their identities. They mix with the nudists, gain their confidence, and store up evidence.

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This makes the second raid on known homosexual hangouts in Cook County in recent days and follows the raid on the Fun Lounge. Speculation is rampant as to why these were singled out for raiding and it would appear it is because they have not kept up their payments to the Chicago Police Department.

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Dade County District Attorney urged county police agencies to join him in a 'concerted and coordinated drive' against homosexuals.

In letters to law enforcement heads, Gerstein said, "Increasing incidence of sexual deviation is of great concern because of the involvement of juveniles to an alarming degree in homosexual encounters and crimes."

He said a national magazine (LIFE) listed Miami as one of six urban centers which have "established homosexual societies."

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One of the most lively of all the beach cities of California is the southern, next-door neighbor of Los Angeles, Long Beach.

Visitors to LA are prone to forget that places such as Long Beach are neither in the province of Parker or Pritchess, Chief of Police of LA and Sheriff of Los Angeles County.

With nearby beaches contributing to the informal atmosphere of the place, The Mermaid in Long Beach is one of the places that should be visited by everyone making the scene there.

The Mermaid is operated by an ex-prizefighter turned organist. Not only does he play the organ but he is entertainment in himself. The powers that be have, from time to time, attempted to put a damper on the place, but to quote the owner, "We run a good place where everyone has fun. If having a good time is against the law, then we are violating it."

Active in civic affairs, and political life in Long Beach, the owner has managed to get a goodly number of supporters in fields outside his bar. He has from time to time entertained some of the prominent citizens of that community.

The Mermaid is not the only place of interest in Long Beach but it is certainly one to be visited.

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GARDEN GROVE

Out there in the flat land behind the coastal range that hides Laguna Beach is a small community named Garden Grove.

The atmosphere there is strictly suburban and the community is almost exclusive in its stability. The residents are gainfully employed in various industries of the area.

There are two bars in that city that are well worth the attention of anyone. In fact any bar hopper is bound to find a refreshing change of pace in Garden Grove.

While the Editor of the CITIZENS NEWS was in that city on a recent trip to LA he said of Garden Grove, "I only wish I had time to stay here for a week. Not since I was 18 have I seen a more congenial group. They were planning to have an after-hours party at someone's home and it was like cutting off an arm not to stay for it."

The two interesting places in Garden Grove are The Tiki Hut and the Mug.

The Tiki Hut is operated by Carl and Eva, a very young minded couple in their 40's. The decor is what is best.

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HUSTLERS AND GIGOLOS

During the height of the feud, Beck said, "I know of no other city in the West which makes hustlers and gigolos out of its policemen."

Of the lewdness case, he said: "With \$100, booze and beer, five policemen made a date with this woman to pose for a picture, then they arrested her. That is entrapment.

The County Attorney has not conceded there is entrapment, and says he wants the State Supreme Court to rule on the matter.

Police Chief Ralph Knudsen has backed Smart, observing: "You can't catch fish without bait."

Mayor H. Bracken Lee has sided with Beck, who he appointed to office four years ago, "I resent the police using public funds to pay a woman to spend time in a room so they can photograph her."

described as Los Angeles Polynesian. The bar has a thatched like cover, and the booths so designed as to make intimate conversation possible. The organ, Hammond, is manned by a member of the famous musical family, Listz.

The customers of the Tiki are one big happy group with some newcomers every night but the regulars make it a nightly affair.

Down the road a piece from the Tiki is the Mug operated by a couple of real nice guys who know how a place should be run. One of the partners was not there when we made our visit but Sonny Olds was there with his great big friendly smile.

The Hut is a beer bar with such incongruous things as crystal chandliers and velvet flocked wallpaper in red. The bar is situated in a shopping area. It would seem that the motto of the place is: "Make the stranger feel at home." Every customer as well as the bartenders go to great lengths to let everyone know that they are welcome.

Speaking of bartenders, you might remember Jim, one of the original party boys from the Edgewater Hotel in S.F. is now there.



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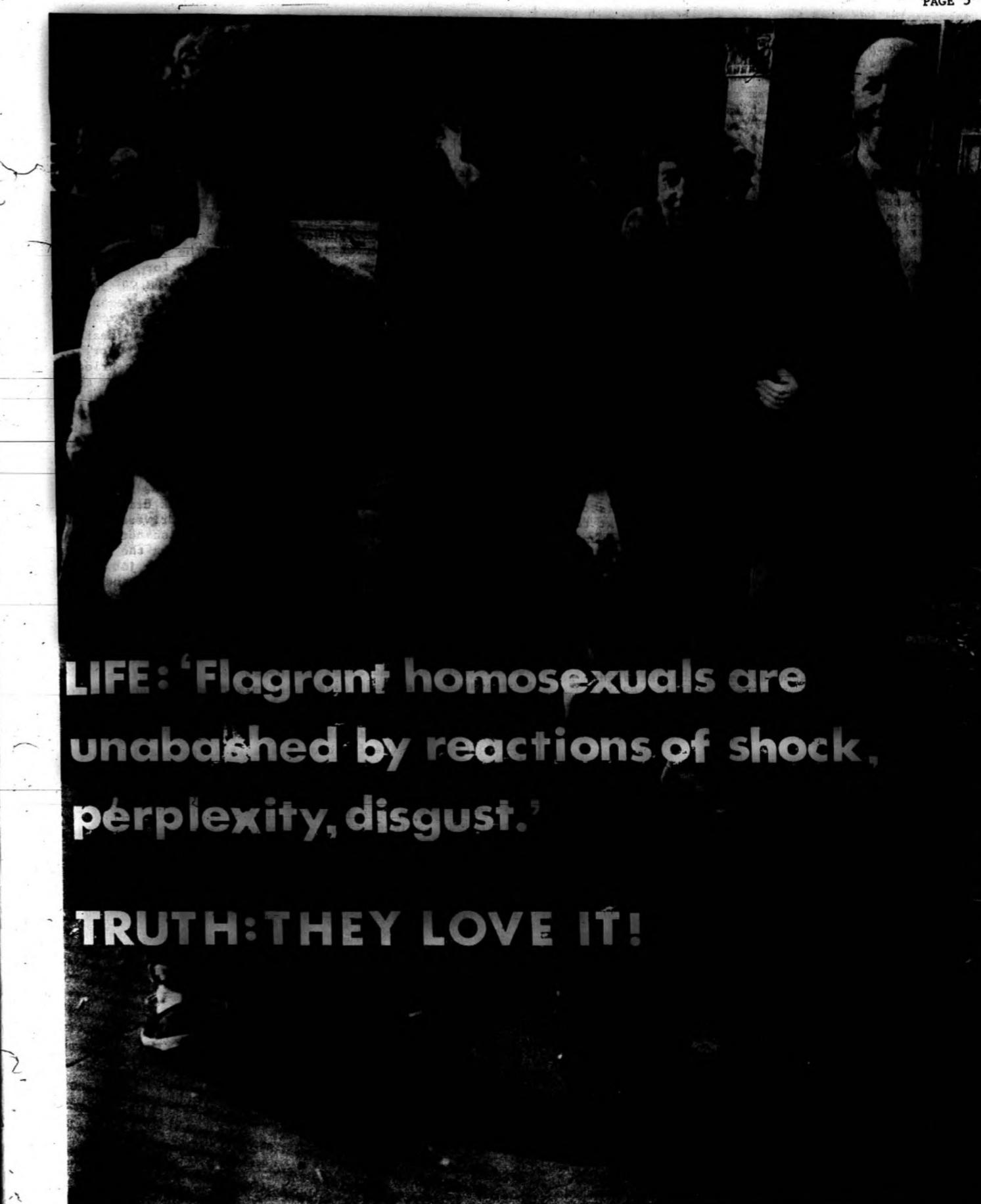
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THE RIGHT TO BE WRONG

The legal defense of the swish fairy can be easily and completely stated by a quotation from the 14th Amendment to the Constitution, "No state shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States; nor shall any State deprive any person of life, liberty or property, without due process of law; nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws."

Since most of the law enforcement agencies of the United States choose to ignore this provision of the Constitution, and instead substitute their own version of what is and is not fitting conduct for citizens; and since the legislators of recent years have exhibited the greatest spinelessness in the history of mankind, these provisions are not enough to protect even the conformist much less the non-conformist segment of our society.

Even among homosexuals the swish fairy is the butt of more discrimination than any other segment:

"They should not be allowed in a decent place."
 "Those are the ones who bring the heat to a place."
 "Why don't the police arrest those and leave the rest of us respectable ones alone?"
 "No wonder there is so much trouble with things such as those on the streets."

All of these quotations point out some of the misconceptions that the ordinary homosexual enjoys putting at the door of the swish. But the truth of the matter is that there is no truth in the statements, but pure blind prejudice.

As a matter of good common sense no one would take on the mannerisms nor attire of the swish if they wanted to remain in the background.

As a matter of consideration for the future no person would willingly put themselves forward as a target for all the latent hostility that abounds among the 'straight' and fearful elements if they knew the meaning of fear.

As a matter of economic awareness no person would take to the streets in the guise of a swish fairy if they cared for economic gains.

THEN WHY?

The swish fairy longs for attention. He is not afraid of being criticized for his dress nor his mannerism. Instead he is afraid of not being noticed. This should be evident much of the time.

SWISH BRINGS HEAT?

The popular conception that the swish fairy brings to the establishment that caters to him the attention of the law is, at best, merely a convenient target for the ones

The preceding page was lifted from LIFE. The writers of that now-famous article were ill-informed when they tried to explain the reactions and reasons for the dress. Then too, we are not sure that the look on the man's face was one of disgust.

Our swish was a paid model. The looks that he received as he paraded down Market Street were those of interest, and fear. Fear that this swish might just possibly say "Hello" in public. This is the now well known Cleo of the Haight Theater. As we progressed on to Civic Center, a doctor's convention was in progress, and frankly the out-of-towners did not even give our swish a passing glance. We tried many things attempting to get one of them to show some interest without any success. Those black eyes were not makeup.

who would rather transfer his burden of guilt to someone else. It is true that where the swish fairy hangs his limp wrist is often the attention spot of the police departments but it is not the swish fairy that brings them. Since most of the places that will allow the swish fairy to congregate are the lower class dives, then at these places there is always the other elements of society that are on the wrong side of the established order.

Such people as pill-pushers, whores, ex-cons, and any other borderline element is tolerated in the same places as the swish. This is a matter of economics for the operators of the establishments and has no bearing on the swish as such.

SWISH AND EMPLOYMENT

It cannot be said that the swish will starve to death or will end up in the mission soup kitchens of our country. It just does not add up that way. There is a certain pride of independence in most homosexuals that keeps them from these straits. (No pun intended).

It can however, be truthfully said that the swish will not be able to hold a job of any consequence or one having any future. Such menial jobs as dishwasher, etc., is the lot of the confirmed swish unless he has enough inner drive to get into one of the semi-professional fields where such deportment is permissible. These fields include such jobs as interior decorator, hairdressers, and truck drivers. It undoubtedly seems strange to classify truck drivers into this category of jobs that is open to the swish but many of the swish can restrain themselves enough during the working day to face out such employment. Then too, this job offers the opportunity to associate with that sort of person which greatly appeals to the swish as a sex partner.

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE SWISH

There was a day in the not too distant past that the swish would have been called a 'faggott' or a 'fairy' or a 'queer' but the homosexual world has long since given up those terms to general usage that might mean anyone, up to and including the President of the United States.

The swish should not be confused with the drag queen, for altho some of the swish might fit into that category from time to time, in the field of dress it is generally accepted that swish had much rather make a caricature of the masculine dress than to don the wardrobe of the opposite sex. It is undoubtedly true that the swish can make masculine wear appear to be more feminine than a sanitary napkin. It goes without saying that the wearing of such garb is going to attract attention-this is the reason, and the sole reason that it is worn.



In the field of makeup there is no doubt that some of the swish would lead the bystander to believe that they are preparing for halloween - even in the springtime. Whenever the cosmetic companies announce that they have a new product you can bet that the first people to try it will be the Turk Street Swish.

When Du Pont developed the Cloud 9 and other fibers they could not have known the impact that this would have on the swish with the bulk knit sweaters. In the days of the youth of the writer, some of the younger ladies of the night would sport angora sweaters that had the bad habit of shedding. Now with the synthetic fibers this is eliminated. It is enough that the sweaters (even though made for men (?)) are in delicate pastels, it also happens that they easily slide off the shoulder to relieve the pressure upon the delicate bodies underneath.

THE SCREAMING SWISH

Not too many years ago the screaming faggot was death to business. The young swish has taken his place. Where the ordinary homosexual can be depended upon to moderate certain phases of his life, the wanton swish can also be depended upon to let the world know in high register tones.

THE SWISH AND THE LAW

In some cities of the United States it is true that the swish will spend a goodly amount of time before the bars of justice. In the major cities of the United States this is not the case. The blue skirts have long since found that is of no moment to the swish when he stands before the bar of justice (?) because the municipal judges are prone to be more lenient to these people. In a case in San Francisco a very nelly swish was standing before one of the roughest of the hack justices; he had been charged with 'lewd conduct'. The maximum penalty for this is six months in the county jail and \$500 fine. The judge looked at the defendant over his glasses and said: "If you think I am going to send you to our jail, you are sadly mistaken. I am going to fine you \$100." With this the defendant said, "Your Honor, I am broke and unemployed, and I don't know where in the world I would get \$100." The judge harrumphed several times and then said, "Sentance suspended."

In California, as well as in most other states in the Union, the municipal judges are appointees of the Governor and retain their jobs because it is difficult to unseat an incumbent. Most of them are former card-buddies, golf-buddies or drinking-buddies of the governor. As a result most of them are far more proficient at card playing, golfing, and drinking than they are in the dispensing of justice.

As far as the law is concerned from the enforcement end the only officers who arrest the swish are those who have had a hard day and have not gotten their quota of arrests. The officer who perpetually brings in swish to add to his quota is looked down on by his fellow officers who know it is fairly easy to get far more legitimate arrests.

WHICH ARE THE RESPECTABLE HOMOSEXUALS?

The majority of homosexuals deplore the existence of the swish. In many cases this can be traced to their own days of sowing wild oats and the realization of what this sort of activity has done to their future. In most cases however it is a sincere desire to see the homosexual display a better image to the general public.

Many homosexuals have the idea that the various enforcement agencies are not aware of their existence. In one recent case a homosexual was arrested in the T Room at Wilke Cafeteria, he remonstrated that someone must have finked because the place "just the other day turned gay." How sad this one must be to find that this particular T Room has been the scene of more arrests than any one place in the entire city. It has been in operation since the place opened its doors. Was this one of the respectable homosexuals who deplore the swish because they present a bad image to the public.

In another case a person who has figured in more action on the part of the Alcoholic Beverage Control than any other in San Francisco remarked, "If it wasn't for all those young queers it wouldn't be so bad here in the city."

THE SWISH AND SEX

In many cases the swish adopts his mannerisms and dress because he feels that this will attract to him desirable sex partners. This is anything but the truth, but he is unaware of it. He feels that if he can go down the street, announcing to the world that he is a homosexual that some of the more closeted-types will be drawn to him because he is more noticeable than the others. This is far from the truth because the closeted-types do not want to be associated with known homosexuals. And then too, a closet-type is ordinarily looking for something more masculine.

When the swish finds out that a little makeup and a little affectation will not attract anything then he goes still farther. Pretty soon he is likely to become a prospect for the circus. Fortunately at this time, most of them realize what is happening and cease their objectionable activities.



THE SWISH AND THE REST OF THE HOMOSEXUALS

It is undoubtedly true that in many instances there is no knowledge of homosexuality except the swish as seen on the streets. Recently in San Francisco, I happened to be at Turk and Market at a crosswalk, on the other side of the street were two obvious swishes and about 10 others of less obvious dress. Two men were standing around to one side. Said one, "Look over there! There is always so much in the papers here about homosexuals and, there are the first two that I have seen since I came here." At this at least 10 people waiting along side us gave a look of surprise to the speaker.

So it is true that to the general public the swish is the homosexual population and provides a protective coloration for the less obvious types. Surely the homosexual who wants to be unknown cannot object if someone does not recognize him as such. However it is such as this that object most vocally to the swish.

THE DEFENSE OF THE SWISH

I cannot condemn the swish for his antics any more than I can condemn the fat lady who insists on wearing chartreuse slacks on Main Street, USA; nor any more than I can condemn the obese who insist on wearing bikini bathing wear on the beaches; nor any more than I can condemn the woman who wears a hat in a theater; nor any more than I can condemn those who sport leather and chains; nor any more than I can condemn any other sensation-seeker.

For the swish is as guilty of sensation-seeking as any of these; is as guilty of poor taste as any of these; and as guilty of courting public scorn as any of these; and is as guilty of expressing his desires thru dress as any of these.

The existence of the swish would appear to be far more desirable than the T Room Queen and the Park Queen. He would appear to be far better adjusted than the married man down the peninsula who is straight except occasionally. He would appear to be happier than the person who cannot face his proclivities and reacts to them with violence and brutality towards his fellow man.

BUT THE SWISH IS GUILTY

The swish is guilty of several things:

1. Of being a homosexual. Altho this is not a crime in any state in the Union, neither is being a negro. But are suffering for the acts of a few of their kind and can be expected to suffer in the future.
2. Of letting the world know that they are homosexuals. We must face the fact that in America it is acceptable to be almost anything but to flaunt this difference is still another thing. It would appear that it is perfectly acceptable to be a crooked politician-for we elect them time after time-but it is still another thing for the politician to get his fingers caught in the till! It is OK by us for people to do almost anything, but be careful lest they get caught.
3. Of destroying part of their earning capacity. Since the swish will, for kicks, associate with anybody who will tolerate his flamboyancy he is arrest-prone. These arrests will often include narcotics and pill pushing, altho he may be perfectly innocent, the mere fact of an arrest is sufficient to ruin his employment possibilities.

In short the swish is guilty of destroying himself. If this is a welfare state then the government should step in and stop it with arrests, harassment, and browbeating. If it is not, then he should be allowed to follow the dictates of his conscience.

As far as his relations with his fellow homosexuals is concerned he must realize that most of them do not care to be known as homosexuals and will reject his company and will react with scorn. The looks that he receives are not looks of admiration but of scorn.

But it is his life, let him lead it. Reject him if you wish but do not blame him for your shortcomings in the eyes of society.

A TRIBUTE TO A SWISH

It is not the purpose of the editor nor anyone else associated with the CITIZENS NEWS to be a moralist. We have an overabundance of these everywhere. It is our philosophy to "Live and Let Live." Or to quote a well known and highly respected writer, "Let him who is without sin cast the first stone."

Regardless how we may feel regarding various facets of our particular society, individuals must be treated as individuals.

To this end we want to salute one of the members of the swish of San Francisco:

TO JIM: Thru all your difficulties brought about by your determination to live as you see fit you have remained exactly as your are and want to be;

You have the respect of everyone with whom you have come in contact for your honesty, forthrightness and integrity;

You have stood against everyone for what you feel is the right of a person to be what he is and express it as such;

You have attempted to moderate your appearance without sacrificing your principles of what you feel is your inherent right as an American citizen;

You have made no attempt to deceive anyone as to what you feel is right and honest.

Therefore the Editor and the Associate Editor salutes Jim Flynnagan as a friend and as a person of integrity and honesty. The Editors

NEW PUBLICATIONS

now and then" by Pan-Graphic Press (Owners are officers of the Mattachine Society of SF). It is a giveaway sheet of 4 pages 8½x11.

In it we read that altho the Mattachine Review is not dead that it has not been published for four months. This publication predominately carries news of the Mattachine Society of SF.

From Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada there is the ASK (Association for Social Knowledge) Newsletter. It is a mimeographed sheet at the present time and carries the news from the Dominion and the United States. Some of the writers for this paper are excellent. It would appear that ASK has something going that could be watched with interest.

The subscription to "ASK" is \$2.00 per year, published monthly from Box 4277, Vancouver, B.C.

From Toronto, Ontario, Canada there is "GAY", a 16 page 8½x11 multilithed sheet published twice monthly from 122 Wellington St., West, Toronto.

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Without exception all of the organizations in the United States who are fighting for the rights of individuals to engage in such practices as they feel consistent with their conscience are in dire need of funds to continue the fight.

As many readers know, this editor spent considerable of his own funds to promote this cause. Finally there came the time when no more funds were available and everything had to be put on a commercial basis. Whether this change was for the good or not remains to be seen.

In the United States there are a number of worthy organizations fighting for the rights of the individuals. In many instances they have weaknesses, but these weaknesses are because of lack of participation of those who could afford to help, both financially and physically.

The only way to speed up the surge toward sexual liberation is to convert words into deeds. Neither this editor nor anyone else could agree 100% on a method of approach to this problem. We can all agree that something needs to be done. Stop bitching and do it.

Write to the organization of your choice. Either join the organization or just send a donation. We have heard the old deal that you don't want to become involved. This is merely a way of keeping your greenstuff in your pocket. If this is a question with you then go buy a postal money order and put either "Lyndon Johnson" or "Barry Goldwater" on it. It's legal.

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And now that you have decided which one of these you are going to send a little cash to-we know that you will here is still another one that cuts across all lines. It is an organization that is yet in the forming and every organization in San Francisco is active in its deliberations (This includes the CITIZENS NEWS). This is an organization of ministers and leaders of the various groups. Money is not a sore need here but before the organization can grow it is going to have to have funds. We would not want it said that we are less generous than some of the church people of our acquaintance. Drop a little green on this organization and feel better for it:

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One of our San Francisco bars is in for some more publicity. This is the kind of publicity that sometimes is kinda cutting. It is quite a long article and is labeled, "Pussies in Boots." Which bar is this? Guess!

And then another one of the local bars was quite disturbed last Friday when they refused service to one of the people who made the joint famous-this because he was not carrying his ID. At 40 who needs it.

Then we have a letter from Jim McGinnis, formerly of the Black Cat. Jim is down in a little boondock valley town and is teaching music to the unsuspecting!. Invited me to a FROGHUNT and since I know that one from long time back I am reluctant to get in the dark with him. Anyhow Jim is happy and healthy and if you own any National Distillers Stock you will know why it took a nosedive recently-Jim has just about given up the stuff.

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NO BIRTHDAY

Chuck Terrace, popular entertainer of San Francisco was crying in his beer. He had reached the ripe age of 29 and had never had a party in honor of the event. He is going to be surprised when he reads this because Norman of the Hula Shack has said that one day alone will not be enough to celebrate a virgin birthday party. So he has set aside three days to devote to the honoring of Chuck on his 29th Birthday, the 9th of August.

Festivities are outlined as follows:
Aug. 7th-Show at the Shack. Most of the entertainers who participated in the benefit for Carol Berg that was such a smashing success will also be on hand to help with the Show at the Shack.
August 8th-The Hula Shack Salutes-In the manner made famous by Colonel Fitzgerald in the Crescent City, New Orleans the Shack will show Chuck how much they appreciate him.
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Contrary to the rumor that is making the rounds in New York, the Frog is still going strong.

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keep the armament.

Then in still a more reserved tone, the Society for Individual Rights (S.I.R.) was host to invited guests at a potluck dinner at the Falstaff Brewery. The food was superb and of such a variety that everyone found his favorite dish. Unfortunately we were unable to stay for the rest of the program. Just what the de-

vil did they eat around that period of history (One more smart crack from you, sister, and out you go.). Anyhow to keep it kosher we might suggest that it be broiled and saute'd slingshot.

Then on the 31st there is to be the return of San Francisco's favorite to the stage of the Yumping Frog.

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tion are opposed to it. They are opposed to everything except motherhood and the American Legion. And the proclivities of some of the ramrods of that organization could probably not stand too close an inspection.

Down at Don's there is no great threat to anything except virginity, since most of the ex-unemployed are now at gainful employment at the new place on Haight.

Michael Angelo, the artist who did the murals at the Haight Theater is now busy with murals at Don's. True, the place is no Cistine Chapel, and the cherubs are less cherubic and on the lean and hungry side but it is a definite improvement.

Michael Angelo is able to accept some commissions for art work and rejects the words of the reporter from the Chronicle who said that his murals at the Haight Theater "left nothing to the imagination."

Said Angelo, "That guy must have had a hell of an active imagination.

You should see something that I do realistically." Anyhow the ones at Don's are more on the order of comics than anything else, with a few of the characters recognizable.

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OUR PRESIDENT SPEAKS

From the Mattachine Society of Washington GAZETTE
 (Editors note: The views expressed in the following column, a regular feature of the Gazette, are the personal views and opinions of the President of the Society; they do not, necessarily, reflect the views of the Mattachine Society of Washington.)

There is a strange reluctance on the part of the homophile movement to take a stand on the question of whether or not homosexuality is a sickness.

It is currently the fad, in our all-too-conformist society, to term as sick any significant departure from the statistical norm. The homosexual community has, apparently, been so "brainwashed" by such thinking that it actually takes it with sufficient seriousness so that the argument is made that we should assume a neutral or agnostic position on the question until we have clear proof that homosexuality is NOT a sickness.

If nothing else was made plain at our recent ECHO convention, the abysmally poor quality and lack of validity of virtually the entire body of psychiatric and psychological research on this question became clearly evident. Books have been written by psychiatrists, posing as authorities, whose entire acquaintance with the homosexual community came through the patients coming to them for help--an obviously atypical and unrepresentative sampling.

In his recent, much-publicized book, "Homosexuality", Bieger sets out, clearly, the weak position of the psychiatric profession, when he says (emphasis supplied): "All psychoanalytic theories ASSUME that adult homosexuality is---pathological." Obviously, if one assumes that homosexuality is pathological, then one will discover that homosexuals are sick, just as, if one assumes that two plus two equal five, one is likely to discover that three plus one equal five. In both instances, the assumption requires proof before it can be seriously entertained. In neither instance is such proof available, or apparently, likely to become so. There seems to be no valid evidence to show that homosexuality, per se, is a sickness. The simple fact that the suggestion has been made is, in the absence of evidence, no reason for abandoning the view that homosexuality is not a sickness.

Our movement, whether we like it to be so or not, is primarily one of a political, public-relations, and social-action nature, and only to a limited degree, a scientific one. In such a context it is necessary

that we take firm, strong positions whenever the facts reasonably permit us to do so without violating intellectual honesty and integrity. If our movement is to succeed, we must be prepared to take bold, positive positions on relevant controversial matters, not negative, or wishy-washy neutral ones.

We would be derelict in our responsibilities to community, to society, and to science, were we not to reject the image and concept of inferiority of which this idea of sickness is a part, and which society has done its immoral best to inculcate into us. Dr. Pomeroy, co-author of the Kinsey Report, put this aspect of the matter very well when he stated in a recent address, that the Mattachine Society "will not accomplish (its) role as long as its members believe the nonsense that society has been saying about homosexuality for the past 150 years, or as long as they are weighed down by feelings of low self-esteem induced by society's attitude toward them. When you are called nuts and neurotics and goofers by therapists, immoral by the clergy, criminals by lawyers and judges, and perverts and child seducers by the public, you need a special kind of faith in yourself and faith in your fellow men before the collective ego of the Mattachine Society can be healthy and effective."

On most questions such as this one, a too-carefully weighed, overly-cautious, scientific neutrality, or no-position stand will be taken as a position of weakness and will be used to our disadvantage.

For these reasons of fact, of logic, and of strategy and tactics, I, personally, take the position that until and unless clearly valid, positive evidence shows otherwise, homosexuality, per se, is neither a sickness, a defect, a disturbance, nor a malfunction of any sort.

If evidence should show, conclusively, that this position is in error, I shall give serious thought to leaving the movement. I do not anticipate that I shall ever need to do so.

I strongly commend this position to the homophile movement and to the homosexual community.

Editors Note: Not only is the foregoing a statement to be considered seriously but it is a statement that must be a part of any move that is calculated to bring into the big homophile world a majority of those affected. We do have some sick homosexuals, in exactly the same proportion as the everyday world. No more, no less. Any emphasis on mental illness on the part of the homophile community is a reflection on our questioning our own mental stability. The CITIZENS NEWS commends the President of the Mattachine Society on this stand.

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Campaign On Homosexualism

Officials of Dade County (Miami) Florida have conferred on what they call "the growing problem of homosexuality."

State Attorney Richard Gerstein called a meeting of the law enforcement officials from which the news media of that area were excluded. The state attorney said the exclusion of reporters was so the officials could discuss the matter freely.

"Those who doubt the growing seriousness of homosexuality and crimes connected with it need only to look around them. I do not want to get into an argument with those who see no increase in the problem. It is a growing menace and we can't sweep it under the rug. Life would not have devoted so much space as it did to the problem without justification or without an increase in seriousness.", said States Attorney Gerstein.

"The problem is becoming acute," said Gerstein, "Because so many juveniles are becoming involved. Their lives are being ruined," he said in a burst of incomprehensible words, "because when they are converted they use their knowledge to blackmail other homosexuals, they use it for an easy buck." Observers found it hard to understand how the youngsters were ruining their lives if they were blackmailing the other ones.

In an attempt to get under-

standing into the scene in Florida an organization has emerged to fight to bigotry of the State Attorney and an editor of the local newspaper, "The Guide." This organization, The Atheneum Society of America, Inc., has announced a program of education for the state which is to be devoid of the impeded pleas for eradication of the problem (or homosexuals?) of that area. In a letter to the Citizens News the Society has announced a plan to publish "The Atheneum Review" each month with factual news and views of the organization. Some of the aims of the organization are: Legalization of sex acts between consenting adults; Legalized prostitution; Change of laws regarding narcotics; Some forms of legalized gambling and others.

The address of the Atheneum Society is PO Box 2278, Miami, Fla.

DEAR MR.
ANTHONY:

We have a problem. We publish a newspaper dedicated to fun and a little seriousness. It is of interest to most of the sexual non-conformists of our country.

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EDITORIAL

The Citizens News is a commercial venture dedicated to the principle of the freedom of the press. This paper is the only one of its kind in the United States wherein the proponents of sex freedom can expound their ideas without running into the bugaboo of 'good taste'. As a newspaper we are not at all concerned with 'good taste'. We have welcomed the advertisements of many people. A great number of them could have been considered in 'poor taste'.

Our only consideration in accepting advertisement is whether or not the advertiser is staying within the law in his advertising. As a practical guide we have set the San Francisco Chronicle as a model.

We have attempted to advertise the Citizens News in such papers as The Dallas Morning News, The New Orleans Times Picayune, and the Chicago Tribune-and have been turned down because the ads were in 'poor taste.'

The Citizens News and its predecessor the LCE News has championed the right of a man to operate his business as he sees fit without interference from those self-appointed and governmental appointed arbitors of good taste and public morality. Over the years we have found that govermental arbitors of morals are usually corrupt, both in mind and in the day to day conduct of their business. We have found that individuals and representatives of organizations who would set themselves up as arbitors of good taste leave more than a little to be desired.

The Citizens News will defend the right of a man to live as he sees fit so long as he does not interfere with the right of another to do likewise; The Citizens News will defend the right of a business to operate-within the law-as they see fit so long as they do not interfere with the right of others to do likewise. This is the credo of this paper.

The Citizens News will accept advertisements from individuals and from businesses without any consideration of that elusive factor of "Good Taste."

deny the freedom of the press to anyone. We feel abashed to know that some of our numbers who have in the past been so vocal in demanding the freedom of the press and radio for themselves would deny it to others.

Whether a matter is in "Good Taste" or in "Poor Taste" is no concern of ours; If the Haight Theater goes broke in the next few days is the business of the owners only; That the owners of the Haight Theater are from New York is not our concern, for New York is still the United States.

We relegate arbitors of taste to the same wastebasket as the arbitors of morality as unnecessary and completely without merit.

MORE ABOUT:

JONATHAN TO GIDE

The Homosexual
In History

by

Noel I. Garde

The last issue of the Citizens News published a brief review of a new book -- a biographical dictionary, called from Jonathan to Gide. The review quoted extracts from the biographies of Jesus and George Washington. Jonathan to Gide has biographies of 300 outstanding people from Jonathan in Biblical times to Gide in the 20th Century.

The Homosexual in History lists approximately 50 of the most important men in classical Greece including Solon, Aeschylus, Sophocles, Euripides, Xenophon, etc., writers, philosophers, statesmen, soldiers...men who've influenced the world.

SOLON

"It is interesting to note that the humane ethical and social reforms of this practical Athenian homosexual politician preceded by half a century the earliest of the preachings of the religious and semireligious Great Teachers."

In Roman times Hannibal, Julius Caesar, Virgil, Saint Augustine....

"Augustine's inclusion among homosexuals is based on some extensive passages in the Confessions about his youthful passionate attachment to another youth, whose sudden death left him endlessly weeping and broken-hearted."

In the Middle Ages, Popes, princes, poets, painters, playwrights, scientists---all men who contributed to our rich colorful past...

Pope Paul II

"The vanity of Paul II about his good looks was so colossal that he had originally intended to take the name of Formosus, a latin word for beautiful. Dressed in robes lined with gold and sparkling with diamonds, and noted for an effeminate tendency to cry in public at the slightest provocation, he was nicknamed "Our Lady of Pity."

In early Modern Times, all those mentioned above, and more--men of every nationality: French, German, English, American, Turkish...

PETER THE GREAT

"The most notable quotation about Peter as a homosexual came from none other than Bismarck. In a book of court memoirs, Bismarck is quoted as saying, "There have been clever warriors amongst the homosexuals--Alcibiades, Caesar, Peter the Great and many Turkish sultans, whose names I forget--but never a diplomat of distinction."

In the 19th Century, everything from musician to industrial tycoon...

HENRY WARD BEECHER

"Beecher's best known homosexual attachment was in his youth, while in preparatory school at Amherst and later at college, and involved Constantine Fandolaik, a Greek orphan brought to the United States for his education by American philanthropists."

And so forth up till the 20th Century...

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"The formal accusations against Rohm and those arrested with him centered on their homosexual activities, which Hitler had of course known about for fifteen years and shrugged it off, it being alleged that these activities disgraced the party..."

Let us simply restate what we said in the last issue of the Citizens News: This is a book no well-informed person can afford to be without.

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DEAR MR. ANTHONY

We distribute our paper thru the mails as well as a newstand or two. Then we have a unique method of distribution--we put the paper in the bars that are sometimes frequented by some of these people. It is on the honor system and strangely enough about 75% pay twenty five cents for the paper. There may be 5% who put a nickel or a penny in the slot after watching to see that no one is looking. Then there is a group who, with suits and ties usually, who are worldly. They know there is very little chance of being called down for not paying and therefore they do not bother with such mundane considerations as coin of the realm.

Mr. Anthony, one of the big reasons that the paper gets mailed around is that some of our readers are supersensitive to being on a mailing list and are afraid of being spotted. Of course this does not worry them when the go to the tubs, to the bars, or to a wild, wild beach. It does not worry them when they send off for some pictures in hopes of getting some 'intimate' shots. When it comes to hard-core pornography it is entirely different.

But there is something we find is far more serious.... As a part of a recent survey it was found that we have about 7 readers for each and every copy we print. From a standpoint of advertising it is a hell of a good thing; but from a standpoint of cash income it is rough.

The way it works is this: One of the Russian Hill types steals a paper from the rack, he reads it and mails it to a friend in Chicago, Chicago mails it to Detroit, Detroit mails it to New York, New York mails it to Atlanta, Atlanta mails it to Dallas, Dallas mails it to Phoenix, then to Los Angeles and finally it ends up in Oakland. Everyone has enjoyed the paper and the editor gets many congratulations for putting together a fine paper and a few will say "God Bless You." But there is no cash.

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We also send a large number of copies to various bars throughout the country. Some of them send us the money they collect and others seem to take it as a gift, thinking of course that we have an inexhaustable source of income. We know that we are going to be forced to stop sending the paper to those places that do not remit, so that is no big problem.

This is really not so bad except the Editor is going on a forced diet.

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As a part of a recent survey it was found that we have about 7 readers for each and every copy we print. From a standpoint of advertising it is a hell of a good thing; but from a standpoint of cash income it is rough.

There you see our problem, we have the readership but we cannot reap the benefits. We have thought of everything but nothing seems to be the solution. Can you be of any assistance?

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"I am satisfied that any imputation of an improper nature against Lord Boothby is completely unjustified," said Cecil King, chairman of the International Publishing Co., proprietor of the Daily and Sunday Mirror.

Boothby, a life peer, popular television commentator and author, thus won a quick victory by openly challenging rumors about him.

They began with the publication in the July 12 Sunday Mirror of a front-page story about an unidentified peer whose "name is a household word." It said the peer had contacts with an underworld character mixed up in London protection rackets, and that they had attended parties together.

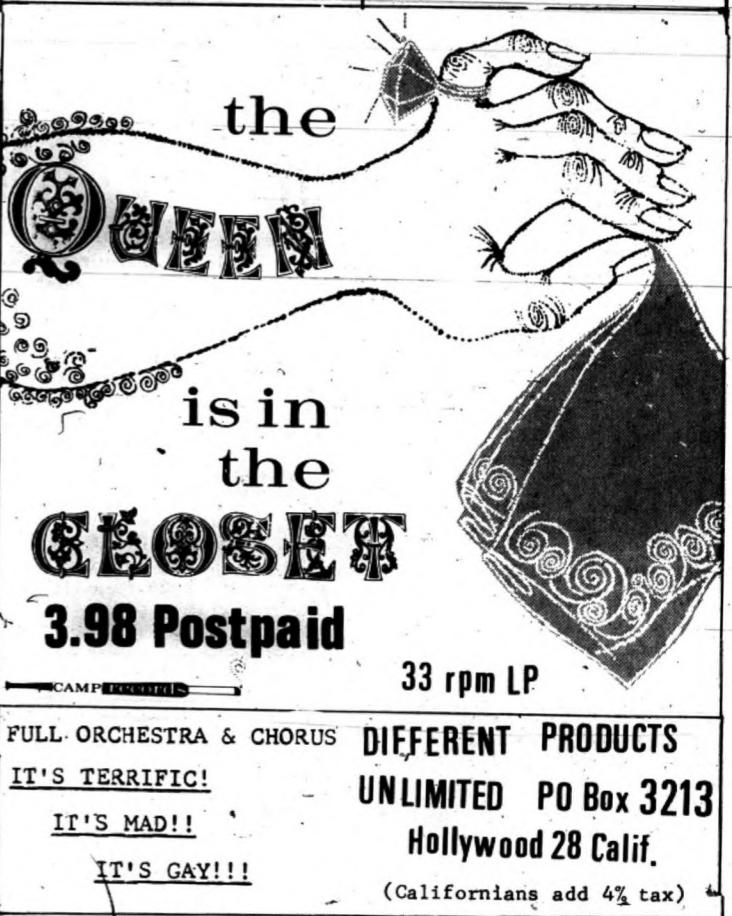
Fleet Street, London's newspaper row, was alive with rumors that the peer was Boothby. He returned from

vacation late in July, heard the rumors and in a letter to the London Times identified himself as the peer and denied all the Mirror's charges.

Boothby went to his lawyer and the settlement was reached without Boothby filing a court action for libel, altho he had threatened to do so.

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S.I.R.

An ex-minister was found innocent of possessing obscene literature here because the state did not show he had it for purposes of exhibition dissemination or sale.

In freeing Lloyd Ronald Bream, 64, the judge said: "The opinion of this court is that under the law the possession (of obscene literature) for personal gratification alone is not enough to be in violation of this statute."

"The basis of Ohio Supreme Court decisions is that the state must prove that a person possesses the obscene material for a guilty purpose such as exhibition, dissemination or selling, or having the intent to do that."

Judge Weber added that he felt the state had failed to prove anything more than personal gratification in the case in question.

A 17-year-old boy picked up by police last March was carrying an obscene photograph in his wallet. At one point he said he had been given the photograph by Mr. Bream; at another he claimed he had stolen it.

In his final argument, Allen Brown, defense attorney, said, "A man can have in his library the dirtiest book ever written, and as long as he doesn't try to disseminate it, he is not breaking the law."

MONTEREY

Down along the glamorous and sunny Monterey Peninsula everything is buzzing right along.

***The Four Seasons Lodge is putting in a heated swimming pool.

***At Ace's business is so good that Doris, who was in a mood to sell the place is about to change her mind, but will still consider an offer for it.

***At the Gilded Cage there is that old disability compensation in the wind. Bert is again in the hospital and Maria is in such an "interesting condition" that her hospitalization is becoming more and more and more imminent.

HAIGHT-ASHBURY

To announce its incorporation as a non-profit organization dedicated to service for the Community, SIR, (Society for Individual Rights) held a buffet-beer party on July 24th, at the Falstaff Brewery, 500 Hampshire Street San Francisco, California. The party featured dancing and prizes, and it was with regret that such a good time had to end so early.

Representatives of the Mattachine Society, Daughters of Bilitis, The Citizens News, The California Motor Club, The Tavern Guild The Glide Foundation, and the Continentals, and other groups were present, making the first successful social function at which persons from all homophile groups in the area found social harmony.

***Asked what T Rooms are infamous, The Senator disclosed that the booklet, "Infamous T Rooms of San Francisco" will include such places as The Ensign, The Fox, The Big E, The Blue Puppy, Willes Cafeteria, Air Lines Terminal, Macys, Weinsteins, etc., etc.

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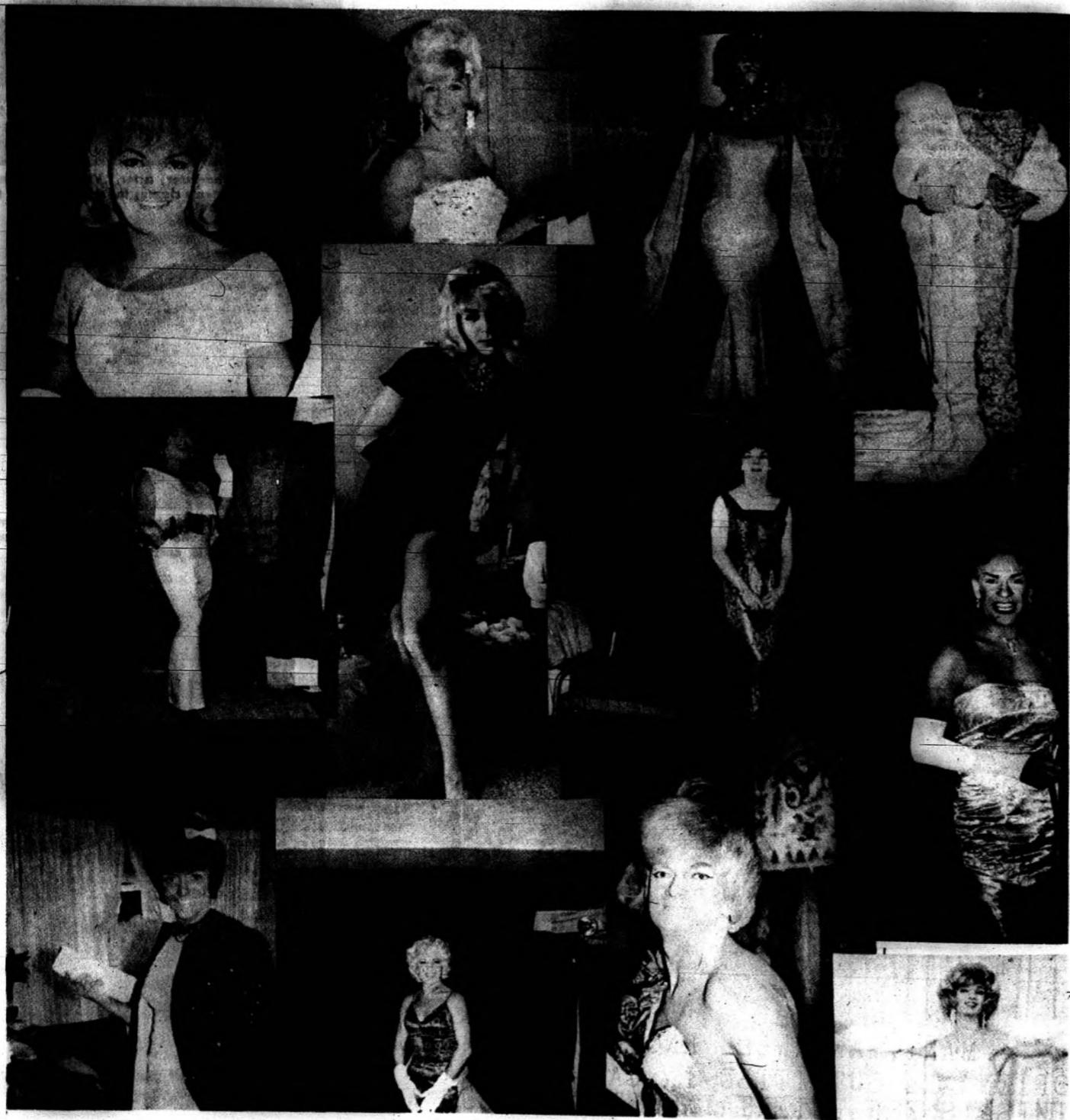
"Uncle Miltie," during his long reign as the comedy king of TV often became "Auntie Miltie" as he dolled himself up in woman's clothes and wowed his fans.



MANY, MANY WELL KNOWN PERSONALITIES OFTEN ARE OUTFITTED IN LACE. PROBABLY THIS IS FOR ENTERTAINMENT ONLY, BUT WHO CAN SAY FOR SURE.....



AS WELL AS MANY, MANY LESSER KNOWN
STARS - OFF AND ON STAGE.....



THE AMERICAN WAY

America is becoming increasingly aware of homosexuality and is at loss as to how to approach the situation. It is debatable as to whether homosexuality itself is increasing or not. Some of the modern-day symbols of homosexuality are being misinterpreted. The chief misunderstanding appears to be in the matter of costuming.

Let us not be so ignorant of fact that we cannot realize that a number of people assume a dress or a stance to compensate for the loss of self expression that is brought upon us by the atomic age.

But costuming is not new with this age. When America was largely rural there was the Saturday night bath and a liberal dose of hair oil for the farm-boy to go into town and become a romeo; There was the milk white Stetson for a cowboy who went bare-headed most of the time. Now the TV addict will believe that this 'costume' was the day-to-day wear of the cowpoke.

Before we became so highly mechanized it was not uncommon for a manly species to take to the dirty dishes and be a help meet for his wife. Now this is effeminate. But by some strange twist of the American mind it is not masculine for the wife to don the husbands pants and shirt and take to the chore of lawn-mowing. There would appear to be some misunderstanding of the roles of the man and woman in the minds of all America, it is not limited to the homosexuals of our country alone.

The need for projecting an image that is not a reality is really quite common:

THE LACE:-There is a segment of our population who would be comfortable in the dress of the opposite sex-in drag. Drag is hardly new to our country. In the southern states the protestant churches have only recently given up the "womanless wedding." This was used as a fund-raising gimmick. It had bridesmaids, brides, matrons of honor, and maids of honor-all men.

Drag has been used as a gimmick for many years. The notable examples of this of course are Jack Benny, Fred Allen, Jack Lemmon, and now with his next picture, Elvis Presley. There cannot be a connotation of homosexuality with this costume. It is illegal in many of our states. In California there is no specific law covering this but it is sometimes prosecuted under section 650½ of the California Penal Code:

INJURIES TO PERSONS, PROPERTY, PUBLIC PEACE, HEALTH AND DECENCY; FALSE IMPERSONATION FOR LEWD PURPOSES.-A person who...with intent of accomplishing any lewd or licentious purpose, whether such purpose is accomplished or not, personifies any person other than himself...for which no other punishment is expressly prescribed by this code, is guilty of a misdemeanor.

It goes without saying that this statute is unconstitutional in that it is so vague that it could cover almost any type of human activity. Nevertheless many people are annually charged and convicted under this law.

That a person will don the dress of the opposite sex appears to have very little connection with his sex proclivities. It certainly has nothing to do with the sex act of homosexuals, for by a recent survey almost 85% of the drag queens are either disinterested in the sex act or will serve only as insertor in a sex act.

THE LEATHER:-Another facet of costumery that has recently come to the attention of the public is the wearing of black leather. This is associated with motorbike riders and by indirection to the sadistic-masochistic segments of society. LIFE magazine recently attempted to give the total credit for this to homosexuals. Due to a lack of research on the matter they evidently overlooked a large

segment of the s/m that abhors homosexuality even more than the ordinary citizen.

So far as we can see there is no connection between the bike riders and the S&M. We can see a connection between the bike riders and the wearing of black leather. Altho a considerable element of the black leather wearers do own and ride motorbikes, there is an extremely large group who do not.

The wearing of leather is an expression of masculinity that is ordinarily missing in the day-to-day life of the wearers. As we have seen in the case of the wearing of drag, the expression of masculinity or femininity has little or no bearing on the sexual expressions of those involved.

THE COWBOY:-The image created by the boots and Stetson is evidently intended to be similar to that of leather but is without the connotation. However it would probably shock the wearers of this garb to know that the favorite hobby of the real cowpoke was that highly masculine pastime of knitting and tatting; "Tatting" being the making of laces. The expression of masculinity by wearing of leather or Stetsons can have no sinister connotation any more than can the wearing of laces and satins unless the observer is skeptical of his own masculinity.

OTHER COSTUMES

More than one man has joined the United States Marine Corps to assure himself of his masculinity and at the same time allow himself to express his desire for recognition in the blue and red uniform of the USMC.

Thousands of Americans each year take on the costume of the Shrine for the purpose of expressing themselves thereby in fez and bloomers.

There is no small percentage of the Knights of Columbus and the Knights of Pythias who long for the plumes and the saber rattling in order to assure themselves of their manhood thru the romance of the times long past.

The wearing of boots and Stetsons by the politicians of the south and west has no more sinister connotation than does the wearing of these traps by lesser people.

If the wearing of leather and lace has a sinister connotation then so does the stetsons of the two candidates for the Presidency.

If the wearing of drag has any connection with sex activity then we are at loss to explain why so many cartoonists insist on depicting national figures in women's costume.

If the wearing of the clothing of the opposite sex has any bearing on masculinity or femininity then we are completely at loss as to what has happened to the womanhood of our country.

Of course, on the other hand, if a person has the right to wear whatever he sees fit without regard to what our Big Brother in the National capitol, State Capitol and in City Hall might think then we shall again be happy to say that this is indeed the land of the free and the home of the brave.

But then even we are

Sometimes mistaken . . .



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

The above picture appeared in a recent issue of the CN. Our informants said the boy pictured above was a girl....

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ROVING REPORT

AROUND THE WORLD IN 68 WAYS

They tell me that Fanny Spellman in New York is doing some red-hat flipping about a newspaper that he picked up that had gory tales of murder and rape. Seems as if I may remember a book in that man's library that has such stories also. Fanny called on his listeners to band together to rid the newsstands of such literature. Poor fellow, he just can't get used to freedom of the press. He was a little disturbed because such books as Fanny Hill and The Tropic of Cancer can be sold in most parts of the free world (not including Los Angeles of course). With some sense of humor he could easily see that those four letter words lost their popularity with the publication of The Tropic and that Fanny Hill is one of the most comic of books to be published yet.

°°°Do you really suppose that what they say about Herb Caen is really true? There are some who insist that it is! °°°The auctions for the benefit of the Mattachine Society of San Francisco continue and two more are now scheduled: August 17-Golden Cask August 24-The Rendezvous.

The idea of these affairs is to have the Community buy treasures that someone has thrown out as junk. Serious purchasers have also come away with some bargains, for instance One of the Select bought a dress that will be seen on Halloween. So far these affairs have raised about \$1200.

°°°There is a lot of talk in the city of the lack of big butter and egg men from the east missing so far this '64 but the recent days lead us to believe that they were just waiting for the dust to settle after the GOP. Now we have the Beatles and the blue is so busy with them, as well as our friends on Fillmore that they rarely have time for anything but ticket writing and towing away.

°°°Then there is the case of the 6th Street Bar in San Francisco that attempted to make it and still may do so but not with the best wishes of the people who turned it on.

°°°We went to the picnic that was given as part of the big celebration for Chuck's birth at the Hula Shack (The celebration was there-Chuck was

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that exceedingly straight community of Sausalito is another matter.

To our readers who might remember San Francisco when she did not have religion and was called 'Frisco-Sausalito is no longer the Queersville, USA of Mortimer fame. Now they have become affluent and are merely eccentrics and 'of the artsy craftsy set.'

You remember Bonnie who was at the Tick Tock? Now she is in Los Angeles but the TT is still going strong with a good back bar operator.

Naturally Ruthie is still at the Cherry Creek Tavern, and she is on hand to greet one and all with that famous smile and welcome.....

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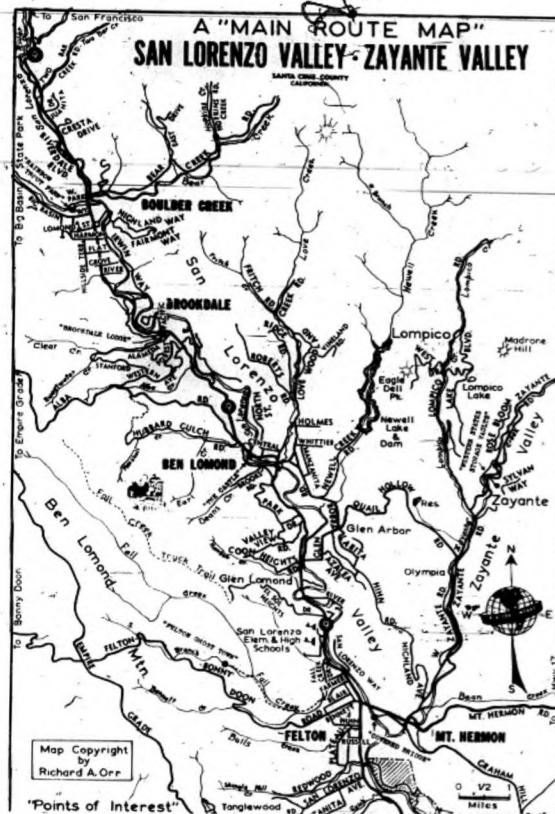
SOUTH OF SAN FRANCISCO DOWN SANTA CRUZ WAY

To the casual visitor to San Francisco it would appear that the North Pole is only a few miles away. The weather in The Queen City of the West is almost always in the chilly 60's. But only a few miles away it is not at all uncommon to find summer temperatures of 100 with the nights still very comfortable in the 70's.

Most of the coast cities such as Monterey and Carmel-by-the-Sea are well known to the visitors but some of our best vacation lands are held only for the long-time residents of California.

Such places as Boulder Creek, Brookdale, Ben Lomond, and Felton are often visited by the old-timers but escape the attention of newcomers and tourists because they are content merely to cater to their present clientele. The charm of these areas cannot be overstated. There is sunshine, swimming and all the other interesting indoor and outdoor sports.

At Brookdale Lodge there is a fine restaurant and some of the most charming people in northern California. Also off.



Roving Report

ROVING IN LOS ANGELES

Down in Los Angeles there is a fight for the afterhours coffee business in some circles. Not so with either the Hideaway or Anna's for they go on about their business as usual despite the rumors on Hollywood Boulevard that they are closed. Regardless what the rumor is on the Boulevard we have been assured that the place on Sunset-Anna's is not closed nor likely to be with the big cleanup-paintup that is in progress. The new management has assured the CN that the former patrons who were pillpoppers, pushers or hustlers are persona non grata in that establishment. The place is decorated in a sort of gay Paree atmosphere with the new addition of a "Can Can Room".

These places are located so as to provide a weekend or longer outing for residents of San Francisco as well as others visiting the area. Still going down the San Lorenzo Valley there is the world famous nudist park at Los Altos and the begonia gardens at Capitola. At the largest town in this area is the boardwalk at Santa Cruz. It is at Santa Cruz that Miss California is chosen each year. Persons who do not have sufficient time to cruise the Sequoia National Forest can see some of the big trees by going south on State Highway 9 thru the San Lorenzo Valley and make their trip very enjoyable.

San Franciscans can enjoy these areas by driving only fifty miles are so on a day trip. Persons who do not have sufficient time to cruise the Sequoia National Forest will be enough to close the place and other owners being notified that their customers could wear almost anything. Pershing Square is going to be as square as the City Fathers can make it. Altho a lone resident attempted to have a lie-down strike he was hauled off to the lockup with nary a photographer on the site. By now the cranes have lifted all the seats away from their moorings and this place is to become a victim to the attempt to make Los Angeles into a haven for the fortunate contractors to get rich quick.

The surfers are now in evidence at Santa Monica, Laguna, and Hermosa Beaches. At Redondo there is a little of the rougher element on the beaches.

The bar business continues to be erratic with packed and panting one night and dead and stinking the next. Dwight and David--

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DALLAS

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The Centaur at 2237 Cedar Springs is about the most popular spot in town.

Since those two Chicago boys came down here for some excitement and got national publicity at the expense of other residents there has been a lot of unnecessary DPD activity.

One of the weekend activities at Dallas is popping over to New Orleans for a day or so and one of the favorite spots there is the Regents Row operated by John Emerauld of the Canal Street Club.

"Out Where The West Begins", Fort Worth, things are mighty quiet. The Celebrity Room was about the only thing there of interest and since Wyatt Erp has been going by there a lot in recent months we hear that it is closed... Miller-Your Texas Ranger

OKLAHOMA CITY

Bob Keith and Sherman McCarty have purchased The Clipper from Juanita and Bobby Jean and have been rapidly making improvements. Business is good with a marked increase in customers.

The Black Cat has reopened under new management and is doing well.

Lee's Lounge is going full blast and everyone there is having a ball.

As usual, there is the annual migration to California from Oklahoma and they all say they are going to call on Roman's in San Francisco and Los Angeles for jobs,

apartments and dinner guests or to be a dinner guest if the job picture is not too good.

Juanita and B.J.-From OKC

seduction. If one means that heterosexuality is 'the natural' and homosexuality 'the unnatural,' then an experience of the natural should have every chance of making the homosexual heterosexual, while the heterosexual's experiences of the unnatural should have less chance of influencing his 'natural drives' and making him homosexual.

WHAT ABOUT LIFE?
Gentlemen: Please notify me without delay the part you played in the LIFE report.

JCJ-Miami

Dear JCJ: Please be advised that we had no part whatsoever in the LIFE report. We were asked for an interview and declined the inquisition with little grace. The Editor

STOCKHOLM

Despite the Swedes relatively open view of sex, Hening Pallesen, a Swedish newspaperman and radio producer, has felt the need of writing a book in which he demands greater tolerance towards homosexuals. He says that homosexuality is the most serious minority problem in Sweden: "The problem is not being homosexual but being allowed to be one."

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The young old crowd from the H' Hunters will be happy to know that Chuck is rejoining Carlos at the Chuckker. He has been gone for some time now.

IMPOSTER

Clear the air-That young man who is making the rounds in Kansas City, Omaha, and now Dallas is not the Editor of this paper. Do not cash his checks (This English is always confusing-Do not cash the checks of the young man who is posing as the Editor of the paper) Some would say that you should not even cash the checks of the man who is the Editor.

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Eight Held in 'Orgy' Raid

The San Francisco Police Department has stepped up their drive against narcotics and in a recent raid on some of the users and pushers came upon a party where some of the participants were wearing drag.

Eight were arrested in the raid by the sex detail who had information that an orgy was in progress at 395 Eddy Street. One of the accused is an 18-year-old who was in

the act of taking an injection when the officers walked in.

The SFPD has increased the activity against narcotics and has increased the number of officers in that department to such an extent that a great number of arrests are being made daily.

The three men who were in drag were unemployed female impersonators.

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Richard A. Inman, the corporation's president did so in response to a subpoena ordering him to appear and turn over the membership and mailing lists of the organization.

"We refused to comply because we consider it an invasion of privacy under Article I of the Constitution," said Inman, who did refuse to turn over the requested lists although he gladly turned over

The society advocates adoption of the Model Penal Code as drawn up by the American Law Association and has been adopted in a modified form by the state of Illinois. It permits homosexual relations between consenting adults in private.

the collection of pornography.

The subpoena was issued after State Attorney Gersten received a letter from Inman explaining the Atheneum Society's goals and stating the same letter would go to half the homosexuals in Dade County.

Inman explained that the homosexuals would receive the letter by distribution in a number of hangouts and not through any mailing list.

ROVING REPORT

At the Oak there was a little consternation among a group of visitors from the UAR (United Arab Republics), for lo, and behold, there in the ceiling was the star of David, a symbol not very popular in the UAR.

They retired outside to hold a conference. Since a guide was the only English speaking one of the crowd, and besides it was one of the most famous places on the West Coast they went back in the place. Where it was found that they spoke enough English to get along, after all.

Down on the Embarcadero a change has been announced by Don's Restaurant in the opening hours. Formerly it welcomed business at 5 PM but effective immediately they will be open from 10 PM till 5 am. The murals there progress rapidly and some sketches are on the ceiling. New personnel are all over the place.

Michelle won his house at the Jumpin' Frog within a few seconds after he went 'on stage'. We have seen a lot of his shows but this one had a new flavor. Without his dearly beloved whipping boy, Jose of the Cat, he gave out with entertainment and memories that brought a tear to the eye of more than one and titters and belly-laughs for almost two hours.

You all know how the editor of this rag likes to manufacture nick-names for some of the places hereabout. but Jack Garner the 'gitar' bartender came up with one the other day that was by far the tops - "The Toilet

in the Sky". You are going to have to guess which one of the places it is.

They tell me that things are not too good down on Sansome since their dear friend Herb Caen gave them the shaft.

Can you imagine the audacity of the Edgewater? They actually thought that M. Caen was writing about them recently when it is common knowledge that the Y is by far a more popular place with the commercial traveler.

Cal Keach formerly of Dallas and Houston is now in our city with a couple of the prize examples of Texas stock.

Want a good meal on the inexpensive side? We can recommend "The Cairo", a restaurant upstairs between Market and Mission on 4th Street. Not fraternity but good food.

Speaking of good food, we were out at the Mule the other night and had a damn good steak. There is always a little waiting but it was worth while.

That doggie place there at Market and Powell does have its troubles. First someone went off with a table top and now someone is planning to bring suit under the new Civil Rights Bill. It seems that they insist that they have the right to refuse service to people so they did the other day and efforts are being made to bring CORE and NAACP into the picture.

Late scoop: We get word of a new place that is to open with a big attempt to be made to capture the old Jack's Waterfront and BC Crowd.

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