The main promotional folder for the forthcoming initial issue of "Mattachine Review" was mailed nationally this month. All material for the magazine, which has already been outlined in this newsletter, has been set at the printer's, and is in the hands of plate makers, so that actual printing of the issue will begin during the week following Christmas.

The issue should be complete and in the mail by January 15, says the publications director.

Second issue of the magazine, to be issued in March 1955, is now taking shape.

Articles will include an original one by Gerald Heard; a review of sex laws in North Carolina; a discussion of aspects of the treason trial of John Provo, U.S. Army sergeant, which was reversed because of introduction of irrelevant homosexual evidence, plus articles on research and religion which are applicable to the problem of the variant.

This second issue will be mailed only to those persons who have subscribed. At the present time, the publications department is looking into the matter of distribution to newsstands nationally, but thus far such distribution is not certain for some time. The only guarantee which can be depended upon for obtaining the second and subsequent issues is by advance subscription. Rates are $2.50 for one year; 2 years, $5, and 4 years, $10. Subscriptions should be mailed to Mattachine Review, P. O. Box 1925, Los Angeles 53, California.

FUTURE DISCUSSION TOPICS
CHOOSEN BY CHAPTER DELEGATES

Delegates of the five Bay area chapters in December chose the topics to be presented at discussion meetings during the first three months of the coming year.

On January 6, the subject will be conducted by a moderator and handled as a general forum.

On February 3, the program will be a demonstration of the printing processes used in producing the Mattachine Review. All steps, from the preparation of copy...
to the final completed issue will be seen along with copy pasteups, film negatives, zinc plates and flat printed sheets ready to be folded, bound and trimmed into the finished booklet.

The March 3 topic will be related to problems of the professional psychologist in meeting the challenge of the sex variant and his adjustment needs. The program will feature a talk by a Bay region psychologist.

AREA COUNCIL MEETING DECEMBER 29

Last 1954 meeting of the San Francisco Area Council will be December 29. It will begin at 8 p.m., and all chapter representatives are urged to be present at that exact time.

DUES PAYMENT LAXITY IS HANDICAP TO AREA COUNCIL

During the last half of 1954, payment of dues by members was extremely hit-and-miss, reports the Area Treasurer. Result of this failure to provide necessary funds has been a handicap to the Area Council in meeting its obligations to the Board of Directors at Los Angeles, as well as conducting projects, mailings and educational activities in the San Francisco area.

"Hope the resolution of every member during 1955 is to pay dues regularly and promptly," states the treasurer. "And remember, dues can be paid by mail— to P.O. Box 259, San Francisco 1, Calif., marked to the attention of the treasurer,"

TRANSEXUAL DISCUSSION TOPIC PRESENTED IN DECEMBER

The personal highlights in the life of one of the nation's 11 transsexuals was presented to the Society's discussion session in December at San Francisco, almost 30 persons attended.

Featured in the talk was the reading of a paper on the subject of transvestism and surgical sex change operations by Dr. Fred-Benjamin, New York, specialist in the field.

DR. KINSEY HERE; TO RETURN IN SPRING

Dr. Alfred C. Kinsey of the Institute of Sex Research, Bloomington, Ind., was in San Francisco early in December and stated that he and some of his staff would be in the city again in March to continue interviews for "Sex and the Law," his next work. He stated that he would appreciate any aid in obtaining interviews which the Society could offer at that time.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

December

29--Area Council Meeting, San Francisco.

January

6--Discussion Meeting, San Francisco, 8 p.m., 1830 Sutter street. General forum.

8 and 15--San Francisco Bay area chapter work sessions, beginning 10 a.m., sponsorship of Beta (publications) chapter.

20--Dinner business meeting, 7:30 p.m., at place to be announced. Advance reservations required—see Gamma chapter chairman. Cost, $2.

26--Area Council Meeting, Grand & Telegraph, Oakland.

February

3--Discussion meeting and demonstration of magazine production processes, 8 p.m., 1830 Sutter street, San Francisco.

17--Dinner business meeting, 7:30 p.m., place to be announced.

23--Area Council meeting, San Francisco.

March

3--Discussion meeting, 8 p.m., 1830 Sutter street, San Francisco. Speaker: Bay area psychologist.

17--Dinner business meeting, 7:30 p.m., place to be announced.

30--Area Council Meeting, Grand & Telegraph, Oakland.

Editor's Note: A new staff promises to resume the issue of newsletters of more pages during 1955. Features of previous issues will appear again then.