Gays Can’t Organize At State Facility

Inmates of the California State Medical Facility at Vacaville, which houses a large portion of the state’s gay male prisoners, have been denied the right to form a discussion-and-education organization for gays and transsexuals. CMF houses several advancement associations and rap groups including the Jaycees, EMPLEO for Unidad for Chicanos, and a Black Culture Association. The proposed new group, Third Generation Organization, states that its goals include helping gays to find employment and housing on their release form prison, and promoting better understanding between gays and straights in prison and outside. Joe Silva, president pro tem, says public support is needed before officialization can occur; interested people should write to J.J. Enomoto, Director of Corrections, State Building No. 8, 714 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814.

Fewer Convictions Feared

Governor Brown has signed a bill, SB13, sponsored by Sen. H.L. Richardson, that will double the sentences for rapists.

The bill threatened a political crisis early in September in the Assembly, where the members forced the Criminal Justice Committee to send it to the floor for a vote. It also divided feminist organizations.

The National Organization for Women joined prosecutors in supporting the measure. Five other women’s groups urged Brown to veto it on the grounds that the severity of the penalties would deter juries from convicting rapists.

The penalties will mean that some persons convicted of rape will serve longer prison terms than some convicted of first-degree murder.

The bill changed the method by which terms are calculated for violent and repeat offenses.

Mom, Guess what

Sacramento Rights March

January 12

A march on Sacramento, California for Gay rights is planned for the weekend starting Jan. 12. Launched by the California Human Rights Advocates to fill a need for a state-level event like the march on Washington, D.C., the Sacramento gathering will coincide with a CHRA lobbying week. Local ad hoc committees are needed to design a program of activities; committees already exist in Los Angeles, San Diego, San Francisco and Chico. In December, representative members will meet in Sacramento to discuss overall strategies. Contact Alan Robertson or Jan Rudolf at California Human Rights Advocates, 1107 Ninth St., Suite 1019, Sacramento, CA 95814; 916/448-6666.

Pink Bricks Attack

Anti-Gay British Pubs

Manchester, England — Police are investigating an outbreak of ‘poofter terrorism’ aimed at pubs that discriminate against Gays.

Pink-painted bricks wrapped in protest leaflets and carrying ‘Gay anger’ messages have been hurled through the windows of two pubs.

Although the Gay Activist Alliance picketed the pubs when they instituted a Sunday lunchtime ban on Gays, the GAA disassociated itself both from the ‘irresponsible action’ of the pink-brick attacks, and the threatening calls made to pub owners.

An anonymous caller told Britain’s Gay News that he was following the example of the suffragettes who also smashed shop windows. “Pickets aren’t enough,” said the caller. “The time has come for Gay people to make stronger moves. This is poofter terrorism. It is not pure vandalism. It is a political act.”

—The Body Politic

ERAS Rescinding Under Question

The ERA, which would outlaw discrimination based on sex, must be ratified by 38 states by June 30, 1982, to become part of the U.S. Constitution. The original deadline was March 22, 1979, but was extended by act of Congress. The ERA has been approved by 35 states, but five have since rescinded approval. The validity of that move still is in question, and the Justice Department has said it is up to Congress to decide. S.F. Examiner

Iranians Must Denounce Khomeini At Brothel

RENO, Nev. — Iranian students are no longer welcome at brothel-owner Joe Conforte’s Mustang Ranch. Conforte says he is fed up with the hypocrisy of Iranian students who support the Ayatollah Khomeini’s policies yet patronize the brothel.

From now on, he says, any Iranian student who wants service after the hostages are released at Mustang will not only have to denounce Khomeini, but also the Iranian government’s policy of shooting prostitutes.

—UPI
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and two women to provide a sense of community for Lesbians and Gay
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Quarantine Homosexuals:
worrying about phoney 'rights' for
claims that the elected representa-
and government intelligence work,
his belief that homosexuals should
not spread their sickness among the
Sonoma County, Northern California and the world. We have struggled to
ourselves and others (Proposition '6') about the real
struggle for the civil rights of all people.

For months, too, we have been published by the No-
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Dorothy Armer
Pioneer Hollywood Director Dies
Armer, 82, Hollywood's only women director
October 1 in La Quinta (Rivers
where she lived in
After nine years in Hollywood
as a script girl, film
scriptwriter, Armer made her de-
her as a director in 1957, with
Fashions for Women, star-
ing Esther Hailean, and went on
to show that she was as skilful as she had been in silent films.

She gave Rosalind Russell one of
her outstanding roles, in the 1936
terminally ill George Kelly's Pulitzer Prize-winning play
Craig's Wife. Earlier, she directed Clara Bow, an outstanding
personality of the silent era, in
in 1927, and did what she
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talkies as she had been in silent films.

The director, who was born in
California, had not started out
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Anti-Woman Violence Dropped
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How Can We Save Them From Cinderella And Prince Charming?

In the long parade of legendary animals and the earth. For Kids. Stories, lightful. the most unusual form I've ever stopped listing the names of birds Kit and B.B. had encountered been...
Faithful To The Spirit

Ever happened to it, then read on.

You heard that "TT^ " were making about this film and the book, the producers, half the people in the film industry changed their strategy and have to compromise. It would be a woman.

The producers hope to continue would-be investors to change the type of investors who make by turning in the ITT stock portfolio for a piece of the film. Myers, president of the film production company, said that the final product would "be more personal. She said that the directors were quite able to reach to the making of it. She was "faithful to the spirit" of the book, the producers said.

While the commitment of a "big author of the book, says Myers. Casting and was "faithful to the spirit" of the film. The movie would become an "American classic," she said.

Molly and so are hoping not to seek co-producers with cash, have to compromise. In order for the film to stay at Hollywood they will have Iris Production Company. According to spokespersons, "It is a woman's chance of developing breast cancer death."

Lung Cancer

Women's Death Statistics Grow

NEW YORK — Lung cancer, catching up with female smokers, has come to be the No. 2 killer of American women, the American Cancer Society reported November 6. The society predicted that next year 26,500 women will die from lung cancer and 23,200 will be too old to have started smoking it.

The female age-adjusted lung cancer death rate remained about that of the 1971-75 period. The No. 2 position for women—the society said in its annual publication, "Cancer Facts and Figures.

The lung cancer rate in 1977, the year on which the report is based, was 21.9 per 100,000 females; the colorectal, 14.3. Comparing ages adjusted to rates for males, age-adjusted per 100,000, 1971-75, is 34.7 per 100,000 in 1977.

As recently as 1963, when women were smoking less, lung cancer ranked eighth as cause of female cancer death. The society also reported that a woman's chance of developing breast cancer—the No. 1 killer of female cancer in women—has increased. A northerly birth girl in the United States now faces one in 11 of developing breast cancer. According to the American Cancer Society there are 11,000 new breast cancer cases each year.

Next year, 105,000 women will lose their breast cancer and 35,500 will die of the malignancy. The society estimated, 700,000 Americans will learn that they have cancer and there will be 450,000 new cancer cases of lung and 101,100 lung cancer deaths.

Bryant Pie Throumer Disarmed

CHArlotte, N.C. — During a recent protest by some 60 Gay and human rights demonstrators outside the home of Bryant, one man said to rush the stage and was quickly hustled outside by the police. 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For many Gay men, drag is the only way we can get to touch with our Sisters. Sisters and Sisters alone. Sisters are the crucial role model to the Woman-hated-programmed into the Man. The image projected—exaggerated eyepieces and hips, elo­cution, "mirror, mirror, on the wall . . . with the reducible "Citizen Kane." Keaton, with all color (Max Bole "Bugs") Flies’ cartoons of the ’30s (those give evidence to how Popeye—Fletcher and the other early cartoon music—were making a lot of money). Women today are open to living their independent minds and support. These Women, as all others, are able to make a choice, of a rape, of a male forcibly "taking" something away.

Gay men need to develop an awareness of the oppression and the oppression of those into the leather scene. But instead of dressing in drag, "Sissy" to protest and protest against sexism. Women thus respond to requests, but have as yet to make me seriously (I don’t want to see Alive Rock and Roll in America in “Washington in Handa” and “That Night in Rio.” Now, this is a strip Technicolor Back in the subject, they’re going to be showing Pullin’s new one, “Orchestra Rehearsal.” December 19 through January 10 and the French newcomer a comic story “Why Not?” January 11—30.

Ria and “Jims and Jim” with a happy ending as I understand it. And why not?... On the front from our latest advertisement, Sweet Peans warned me the other day (after I was going to put it up for a part in a play) that they might close early (like December) because business is so crooked down there that people have actually been coming to stand in line to get at the window and the shop assistant might say, "Oh, I dropped $70 there a few weeks ago. After the New Year’s rush, I realized that I had the money and went and bought it. A lot of that went to a multiphoto [sic] of Christmas cards which I am going to use up on Decem­ber 24.” They called it the "discovery of the Tourist and... and... and... and... I am ashamed! Other retail realities: Diane, My Daughter the Frame­store. With our political awareness of sexism also our political awareness of the need to speak up and to speak up against sexism. We have that right to come from S.F. for quite a while. We also regret the small space the show will be presented in, to get there early, but this time of year it is difficult to find good space. Everyone is welcome and the show will be back in the spring... Part of this wonder of this long strange trip is that we are always, all of us, able to connect with the past in real and important ways, as The Gay History Book now will, as well as our other books as well. And they are all part of a copy of a review of the book Lavender Culture, Gay Community Newsweek, John Kryer was not, but we have locked the space for six months! (It’s always money!) Which reminds me, Rising Woman Book is expanding their Gay men’s section and invites suggestions of books by and for Gay men. I’ll sign off now (aren’t you glad). Ah, the year’s end. Only four more years in 1986. And your thought it we never get here!

Gay Skate Changes In January

December 15th will be the last date for Gay Skate at the Cal Skate, Rubenock Park, location of 29th Street. Hours are 9 to 11 p.m. and admis­sion and skate rental is $1.50.

In January, Gay Skate will move to Star Skate, 2075 025th Rd. Skate nights are January 11 thru Jan 31.
Correspondence Reveals A Different Roosevelt

NEW YORK — Eleanor Roosevelt conducted a 20-year correspondence with a woman who was a member of the Communist Party of the United States, and it revealed a deep love between the two women, according to a new book by Doris Kearns Goodwin.

The book, "The Dearest of All: Eleanor Roosevelt's Love Letters," published last month by St. Martin's Press, is a result of five years of study by Goodwin. It takes issue with the traditional view of Eleanor Roosevelt and her husband, Franklin, as a woman who feared nothing, and it reveals the letters to be a deep and powerful love affair.

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Advocates Only

LEUVEN, BELGIUM — After a year of debate and study, Amnesty International has agreed to support people imprisoned for advocating Gay rights, but not those jailed simply as homosexuals.

The resolution falls short of the demands of the Dutch section of the organization which called for Amnesty to recognize as prisoners of conscience “persons imprisoned merely because of their sexual orientation or behaviour.”

The move came shortly after Danish members of Amnesty published a report on the plight of homosexual prisoners around the world. The study brought to light:

- In Sri Lanka, an “unnatural offense” is punishable with a fine, ten years’ imprisonment, and the whip.
- In Ireland, males who commit sodomy may be imprisoned for life; no antilebian laws exist.
- In Pakistan, Gays may be sentenced to 10-25 years in a labor camp.
- In Russia, the penalty is often internment in a Siberian labor camp, as in the case of poet Gennady Trifonov.

The authors state that “the right to ... a homosexual disposition and behavior is human right that therefore ought to be included as a natural part of the organization’s field of activity.”

“We thought that Amnesty was prepared to take up Gay prisoners. This is a bitter disappointment,” said Roy Burns of the British Gay group CHE. “We shall continue to work through the International Gay Association to convince Amnesty of the importance of this problem.”

The Right to...