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the cover man

This month's Cover Man is Jim Cassidy.

Jim is Los Angeles' most popular male model. His face has appeared on the cover of many gay publications and many thousands of people have observed Jim in a number of commercial erotic films.

Although the model has spent much of his life in New York State, he currently has a home in the Laurel Canyon section of Hollywood. Previously, he served in the Navy in Europe. Weight-lifting has become more than a hobby with strong, muscular body. On Sundays, Jim can usually be observed on the bars at Santa Monica's Muscle Beach.

Now that Jim Cassidy has made a name for himself as a model and as film actor he has turned to film production. He says that this is natural, as many of his friends make amateur and commercial films. Jim has just produced his first film. He is now editing the final cut. The film is an erotic study of eight males ejaculating at the same time(!). Jim has cast a number of his close friends who are also into body-building.

Jim works out in his home which has wooden beams across the ceilings. He can climb onto the ceiling beams and use them as bars as he lifts his hanging body up to them. Jim also runs a great deal, including in the house where he runs up and down the stairs. "I am not continuing to expand my muscles. I am just maintaining them now."

Jim Cassidy has a great deal of pride in his body - and with justification. Others seem to appreciate the beauty of it also as he has won a number of physique contests, including a recent Mr. Nude Cosmopolitan competition in Los Angeles. He also was the M.C. at the Mr. David contest, recently held in Atlanta, Georgia.

"Panama Red" is a soon-to-be-released film (non-erotic) in which Jim plays a "good cop." It is about narcotics and is his first exploration as an actor in the "straight" movie market.

The popular model was filmed in his Laurel Canyon home by Vector photographer John David Hough. Hough has a San Francisco studio. Those who would like to be considered for 1973 covers might call Hough at his phone numbers listed in the display advertisement in this issue.
The Male Prostitute
The world's oldest profession

The Image of the tousle-haired young man, wide-eyed, lip wet and seductively-parted, hands dog deep into his faded, disdainful tight denim, standing against a lamppost, waiting to score, has become almost an anachronism. Granted, male hustlers do exist that still work this way, but the greater majority today employ vastly different and more sophisticated methods of selling a "product," to the client. We asked a Vector writer, Noel Hernandez, to give his views on the male prostitute.

By Noel Hernandez

The methods of classifying the male prostitute are many and varied. Every classification system depends upon the individual characteristics of the prostitute being stressed. One system will categorize him according to individual sexual preferences, responses, adaptability, and so on. As to whether he is a strictly feminine, a strictly masculine, or a combination of both. A strictly homosexual prostitute might thus be characterized as "fem," "butch," or "S&M." Another system will sociologically describe him according to his location in the frame of mind that sex is like any occupation. He may be thought of as the customer as prostitute.) This type is businesslike and efficient; versatility and pleasant good looks are the order of the day. Youth is an obsession since it is the prostitute's most viable commodity. The peak age range is 18 through 26, though there are exceptions to this. Prostitutes have frequently built up solid, steady clientele which have seen them through their thirties and forties. Occasionally prostitutes will have facelifts and visit rejuvenation health farms. The result? By forty or over, they can pass for twenty or under. Such exacting, vigorous physical changes may be undertaken because of the ego's extreme dependence upon the attention given them by the customers. sacral the money per se, it is what the client's money symbolizes that is important, i.e., that the prostitute is still beautiful, desirable, and in prime, to the tune X number of dollars.

Those physically past their prime at 26 want to score the aid of an agent, prostitute in the streets or the bars, is the type he gets older and looks his age, who is able to continue working successfully through an agent, unless he has his dependable stable of satisfied followers.

Now most of the fast-living youthfulness, find themselves as economi cally distressed in what to do when they began. Their style-life itself generally does not initiate practical incentives and ultimate goals for them to work towards. Motivated at the start by the prospects of possibly becoming famous to make love them (the "sugar daddy"), or a career in movies, whether legit or porno, or a career in waiters, busboys, nothing particularly specialized or professional, certainly nothing paying anywhere near what they earned in their best hustling days. It's like everything else though, it's what you make of it. It's not really much better nor much worse than what most people have to do for a living. It's only different.

It has occurred in recent years to rectify the public image of the prostitute, whether male or female. As late as the Sixties, prostitutes were treated as sexual deviates in need of expiating their sins, in both books and films and naturally television (which is ten years behind every other media of communication in its depiction of public morals). The first film in the '60's to openly change the pattern was Jules Dassin's Never on Sunday, which gaily celebrated the amour-for-pay which befalls so many prostitutes; They died, some broke or near-broke. Many prostitutes, in their fast-living past, have come out smelling like a rose. I've known people who reached the summum, then go into business with the money they've saved. Others have gotten to the top, gone product sell, then become waiters, busboys, nothing particularly specialized or professional, certainly nothing paying anywhere near what they earned in their best hustling days. It's like everything else though, it's what you make of it. It's not really much better nor much worse than what most people have to do for a living. It's only different.

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Jim Foster's Election Advice

Jim Foster, SIR's activist Political Chairman, is now involved as Chairman of the Alice B. Toklas Memorial Democratic Club in promoting Senator George McGovern for President. This group, which began as a "small activity" at SIR Center, has now rented headquarters and is a separate organization at 284 Noe Street, San Francisco (861-2515). Volunteers are needed...SIR has not formally endorsed a candidate for President although there is considerable support for McGovern among its officials. McGovern has taken a stand most favorable to homosexuals. Foster addressed the Democratic National Convention on national television on the rights of homosexuals. He urges NO votes on the Pornography, Farm Workers and Death Penalty measures. A YES vote is urged on legalizing the use of marijuana but not its sale. SIR, in a membership vote some months ago, opposed the use of marijuana but not its sale. SIR, in a membership vote some months ago, endorsed legalizing the use of marijuana. In promoting Senator George McGovern (a SIR official) and Ulrich (Washington, D.C. Mattachine member) McGovern and Ulrich had the challenges to their security clearances voided in a landmark court decision in Washington, D.C., in 1971.

Since 1953, when the late President Eisenhower signed an executive order making homosexuality grounds for automatic disqualification, the Defense Department has never granted or retained the clearance of a single known homosexual. The local closed hearings will continue during October before the Defense Department's Industrial Security Clearance Review Office. Allan Rock has personally requested that the hearings be open to the press and public but newspaper and television media people are still barred.

The San Francisco Chronicle, with a 500,000 circulation, ran a major, second-page story on the engineer's case with a "Gay Engineer's Fight With U.S. "headline. The article by Maitland Zane was most sympathetic to Rock's case as it carried spot announcements and spot interviews about security matters. The exceptional news media coverage is attributed to SIR's Public Relations Director, Frank Fitch. It was Dick Gayer who became aware of the Allan Rock hearing and alerted SIR to the need for public attention to the government's injustice.

Oral Copulation Law Voided

"The issue directly presented is whether or not a state can constitutionally make unlawful the consensual act of oral copulation between adults. This court has concluded it can not."

Superior Judge George E. Dell of Los Angeles thus ruled that California's unamended law making oral copulation a criminal act (288-A) is unconstitutional. His conclusion came during a case involving the alleged showing of pornographic movies. Defendants Jack Schwarz and Joseph Justman, operators of Equity Pictures in Hollywood, were defended by Attorney John Weston, who had petitioned for a dismissal of the charges. The judge and Weston stressed that oral copulation is still a crime where minors are concerned or where force is involved. The act must be performed in private. The legislation proposed by assemblymen Willie Brown and John Burton in California would do the same thing - legalize oral copulation. In addition the Brown-Burton bill would legalize all sex practices (including sodomy) between consenting adults.

Weston stated that the judge, "has struck down a century-old statute that made it illegal for all adults, including a husband and wife or a boyfriend and girlfriend, to engage in such an act."

Judge Dell, in explaining his ruling, cited the two grounds as follows:

1) "The United States Supreme Court has recognized a right of marital privacy with which a state may not constitutionally interfere. Recently the Supreme Court has also recognized a right of two persons to engage in consensual acts of a sexual nature in a constitutionally intimate relationship. The right of two persons to engage in consensual acts of a sexual nature is protected by the same constitutional right of two persons to engage in consensual acts of a sexual nature as protected by the United States Constitution." The California Supreme Court has also recognized a right of marital privacy with which a state may not constitutionally interfere. Recently the Supreme Court has also recognized a right of two persons to engage in consensual acts of a sexual nature in a constitutionally intimate relationship. The right of two persons to engage in consensual acts of a sexual nature is protected by the same constitutional right of two persons to engage in consensual acts of a sexual nature as protected by the United States Constitution.

2) "In my opinion, oral copulation is still constitutionally protected by the right to privacy of the State Constitution. Oral copulation is a sexual act and therefore protected by the right to privacy of the State Constitution. Oral copulation is a sexual act and therefore protected by the right to privacy of the State Constitution.

The hearing of the Bay Area engineer on September 21 in San Francisco was a closed affair without the press or public admitted. The Society for Individual Rights (SIR) protested in the lobby outside of the hearing room that it would not gain entrance and report the hearing to the gay community. Guards barred the doors and would not let local press or SIR representatives in. The closest that SIR press coverage on the front page of the Examiner...ABO-TV and KTVU/Oakland also covered the issue with an interview with Dick Gayer, clearly identified as "a member of SIR." Several radio stations carried spot announcements and spot interviews about security matters.

Rock has held a position with a defense firm for the past twelve years. He has held security clearances since his graduation from the University of Michigan (16 years). It was not until he openly discussed his homosexuality that his clearance was challenged..."If I lose my clearance," he stated, "that ends it pure and simple. I won't be able to work in the defense industry."

"I'm not a pervert," Rock told the news media. "I'm trustworthy. My sex life has only been conducted with consenting adults in private. I've never been busted. There was no reason why I should have been busted."

Attorney Joseph Remcho, local American Civil Liberties Union counsel, represents Rock and states that his defendant had not "come out of the closet" until this year because he thought "if you're outspoken, you've got it." Some one informed the Defense Department about Rock's sex life and the proceedings began. Rock then openly stated that he was a homosexual, partly in confidence to the Gay Digest (a SIR official) and Ulrich (Washington, D.C. Mattachine member). Gayer and Ulrich had the challenges to their security clearances voided in a landmark court decision in Washington, D.C., in 1971.
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James Armstrong's talent is illustrated in "Nude Study".

BOETGER

The two studies below are by Sausalito's Richard Boetger. Danny Duncan of the Ballet Black production of "Uhuru" is pictured to the right.

Well known entertainment personalities are included among the male nude photography in After Dark magazine's "Studies in Movement and Change," opening October 12 in San Francisco.

The show, at the Upper Market Street Gallery, 2323 Market Street, will run through November 4 and feature the works of After Dark's California photographers - Donald Bradburn, James Armstrong, Richard Boetger and John David Hough. Hough is also a Vector staff photographer.

Robert Stickel, After Dark's Northern California Editor, assembled the show. The works range in prices from $12 to $1,500. The gallery will be open to the public from noon til 6, Tuesdays through Saturdays.

The four photographers have included opera's Birgit Nilsson, Union Square mime Robert Shields, Ice Follies star Rickie Inglese and movie actress Sally Kellerman. Action shots from the productions of "Tommy," "Dirtiest Show in Town," "Uhuru," and several local A.C.T. presentations are included.

Vector is pleased to present on these pages, courtesy of After Dark, some of the photographs that will be included in the exhibit.

BRADBURN

The work of Donald Bradburn, After Dark's only Los Angeles photographer, appears to the left. The first is of a duo in the cast of the southland's production of "As You Like It" and the second is simply titled, "Nude Study."

HOUGH

John David Hough, who is the Vector "cover man" photographer, has a San Francisco studio and is also now associated with After Dark. Two examples of his work appear below. The first is a torso study called "Wet" and the second is of Les Boday, Pacific Ballet performer and Vector "cover man" (April, 1972).
In regard to the article, "Hello, Dolly!'' Leaves S.I.R., it upsets me to directrrr, as he is called, obviously did not take the time to get the correct information for the article.

First of all, it is true that the cast and crew of the original production of "Hello, Dolly!'' did form a group called The Yonkers Organization and get nothing but praise from the Board of Directors, and yet the other hard work that introduced the name of S.I.R. has been forgotten. Those who volunteer their time to give employment help, lobby against unjust laws, answer SIR's many telephones, assist those with physical problems, appear on radio and TV to promote this show in three issues of this magazine, are making a significant contribution. It is the same old mixture of Biblical quotations and the threat of Divine Wrath and intimidation, and pie-in-the-sky. Its ugly and ridiculous presentation of Homosexuals is combined with the threat of Divine Wrath and the Salvation Bait for maximum effect. It is the same old formula of fear, guilt, self-doubt and most of all, sex. Evidently the prophets felt that there would be a hundred times more problems if the Bible contained no gay segment included. But when we look to the future we see one gay offers another gay a new hair style in a barber shop and when we consider it, we take it in two index fingers, and later, before our very eyes it becomes a man of many things, much much more than we could ever understand.

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San Francisco

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The November Choice: Democrats or Republicans?

With only a short time left, as this is written, until the 1972 elections, one gay's views of the situation might not be untimely. I write as one of the few gays who were involved, as such, in the drafting of the Democratic and Republican Party conventions in Miami Beach.

A great deal of heat has been manifested in various gay circles, over the commitment—or alleged lack of commitment—of the Democratic Party and their candidate, to gay issues. We might do well to examine the facts.

In May and June, spokespeople from the National Coalition of Gay Organizations (NCGO) testified at Democratic Party Platform Committee hearings throughout the country. This laid the groundwork for a not-unreceptive attitude on the part of the whole Platform Committee when they met in Washington, at the end of June, to put the platform together. [Jim Foster of S.I.R. testified also... the editor.]

A number of us invested several full days in intensive lobbying at the very open Committee proceedings which, like the Convention itself, were strongly influenced by the McGovern people, who (feeling—with considerable, obvious, and realistic justification—that they had a hard uphill battle) were playing a somewhat cautious role on controversial issues. Although there was much support for us among individual Committee members, and relatively little overt opposition, the Convention itself (while we were quite sure that it would not be passed on the convention floor, a number of us lobbied intensively among all the state delegations, at Miami Beach, to achieve the maximum possible support), but because, knowing the rules requiring public debate at the convention of all Minority Reports, as a vehicle for the presentation of our case to the whole nation.

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More important, however, but much less noted in the gay community, Ms. Wilke reaffirmed, publicly, that the wording presently in the platform applies to us. Accordingly, all the struggle mentioned above was perceived as a victory.

As soon as we learned of the proposed verbiage, we prevailed upon Committee member Jennifer Wilke (Alaska) to introduce to the Committee a much stronger and more specific substitute plank (different from the Minority Plank introduced still later). This elicited some 45 minutes of spirited debate after which it was voted down (54-34). However, during that debate, both the Drafting Subcommittee and the full Platform Committee made it unmistakably clear, before the television cameras and other media representatives, that in drafting, presenting, and adopting the wording quoted above, they intended to apply it explicitly—and perhaps solely—to gays and gay rights.

We introduced yet another plank, as a proposed Minority Report (requiring a vote of only 10% of the Committee for adoption; we had considerably more than that 10%, in advance, in actual signatures). It was adopted by a vote of some one-third of the Committee. We introduced this not because we expected that it would prevail at the Convention itself (while we were quite sure that it would not be passed on the convention floor, a number of us lobbied intensively among all the state delegations, at Miami Beach, to achieve the maximum possible support), but because, knowing the rules requiring public debate at the convention of all Minority Reports, and knowing that gays such as Jim Foster and Madeline Davis were going to be at the Convention as Delegates, we saw the Minority Report as a vehicle for the presentation of our case to the whole nation.

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Vector is pleased to introduce a new columnist — Dr. Franklin Kameny. His columns will generate from his residence in Washington, D.C., where he serves as President of the Mattachine Society, Legal Chairman of Gay Activist Alliance and as an executive of the American Civil Liberties Union.

Dr. Kameny will be analyzing the most significant homosexual rights cases, and gay politics for Vector each month. In addition, he will be commenting on gay organizations, professional conferences and trends in the "gay liberation" movement, as he travels about the country.

Many of our readers have seen Dr. Kameny on national television and have read his commentary on gay rights in Time, Life and Playboy. His concise and insightful reporting and analysis on homosexuality has appeared in many professional journals. He received national attention as the first publicly-declared homosexual to run for public office (Congress) in 1971. "Frank," which he prefers to be called by all, received his B.A. from Queens College, New York City, in Physics in 1948. He received his M.A. in 1949 and his Ph.D. in 1956 — both in Astronomy, from Harvard University.

It appears at times that there are several Frank Kamenys as he travels about, appearing before the Republican Party Platform Committee at Miami Beach, serving as an Alternate Delegate to the Democratic National Convention, lecturing at a major university, appearing on a forum before the American Psychiatric Association and debating homosexual rights before military men in the Pentagon Building. Dr. Kameny is possibly the single most valuable person in the homosexual rights movement in the United States.

KCBS-Radio continues to give exceptional news coverage to the gay community. George McManus recently interviewed Rev. Troy Perry in regard to his new book in several "spot" segments. Jim Hanlan and others have reported favorably on the troubles a local gay bar had in getting a dance license, and the gay art show at The Stud bar and on SIR's legal involvement in attempting to continue to send speakers to classes in Marin County schools. In the Sex Education reporting for the announcement said, "This suit was partly initiated by the organization that protects homosexual rights, The Society for Individual Rights."

Frank Howell and his lower-companion of several years, John, were united in a San Francisco-Oakland service at MCC here. The men wrote their own service, which included readings from Whitman and Dickinson, read by their friends. At the moving conclusion they grasped each other’s hands and thrust them upward militantly. Then John called out, "Kill us or accept us!” as Frank and John moved boldly out of the auditorium.

Vampires will have to starve. SIR needs your blood. Blood letting (for the SIR Blood Account) can commence whenever local people go to the Irwin Memorial Blood Bank and donate, giving the name of SIR so it can go into the SIR Account. Blood is released to individuals in need of it... the Irwin Blood Mobile until will also accept blood for SIR and it will make 9 trips to different parts of the city during October. Call SIR to discover the nearest location (415) 781-1570.

Our people seem to be taking to politics like the proverbial two fish. Politics by gays as gays. We have done very well for ourselves. People seem to be taking to politics like the proverbial two fish. We have done very well for ourselves. Our lives enjoying our rights, not fighting for them, nevertheless, I consider this furor rather puerile, naive (and, more important, self-defeating) on the part of people who seem not to realize that in real life, on major controversial social issues, instant total remedy and satisfaction rarely occur.

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When I ran for Congress, in early 1971, as the first openly-declared gay to run for any public office (and as the obvious next logical step, after the approaches by the gay community to straight candidates, pioneered by SIR) I did so, in part, as a trail-blazer. During much of 1971 and into 1972, I was afraid that the trail was going to fade away through lack of use. As we come into the 1972 elections, I feel that the gay community can be deeply satisfied with what we have accomplished in a very short time.

I look forward to 1976 and 1980 on the national political scene, and the years between in a growing number of state and local scenes. We are on our way!
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Chuck Schneider's Success Story

By Alan Jacobs

Charles "Chuck" Schneider would have said a person was "crazy" if he told him when he was in the Navy that he would end up in San Francisco on the Board of Directors of SIR, a homosexual organization. In fact, it was during these years that Chuck fought against his homosexual tendencies and it was not until a few years ago, at age 35, that he accepted his homosexual life style.

After his Navy stretch (he entered at 17 "to get away from home in Kansas") he landed at San Francisco State College where he studied Drama under Jules Irving, now director of Lincoln Center in New York City. He married and his wife assisted him with his schooling. She was aware of Chuck's gay double-life.

Following a divorce, Chuck was successful in Advertising and worked in IBM. It was during this period that he met Bill PATH, now President of SIR, and from this friendship he met several SIR activities. Chuck was usually talked into helping at SIR Center. The results are history, as Chuck became a major volunteer worker at the Center. That was two years ago.

Today, this likeable and aggressive person recalls those early days when he became active at SIR. He answered the telephones, to relieve Office Manager George Coffman for other work so often that Bill Path called him the "Voice of SIR". Many. Later, he began recording the 24-hour 'greeting' message (415) 433-5433 (now handled by Frank Hitch). Chuck also was one of those people who would contact only when there was a definite need to make phone calls to prospective employers.

Chuck is a great organizer of meetings. He realizes that it is important to hold such meetings in a gay community setting and to have such meetings in a gay community setting.

Chuck has the type of employment at present where he can give several hours to SIR daily— all without pay. Why does he do it? . . . "All my life, people have helped me in some way—and I'm doing my part in return." He does not even let a possible future lover keep him from my activities at SIR. This dedication of mine is extremely important to me.

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Two wonderful things happened to me recently: I read The Leatherman's Handbook (for the second time), and I saw Hello, Dolly! (for the second time). What a trip they are!

They are both art. Dolly is a work of art, and the Handbook is a description of sex names and techniques which it organizes and criticizes as art. They both have to do with emotional communication, rather than rational communicati,

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the reader
strikes back

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heard it ran unauthorized advertisements and
to into a legal problem.
I agree with your policy on showing
frontal nudes, but it does limit Vector cir-
culation to libraries and other places where
the magazine might do some good. But times are
changing fast. Cosmopolitan and other mags
are opening up.

Andy Donaldson
Los Angeles

Being married, I was most pleased with
your presentation of the problems faced by
the gay married man going through his divorce
and his gay lover's response. This had so much
real meaning in my personal life.
I found your other article (an analysis of
married homosexuals) cold and unfeeling.

Married Man
Marin County, Calif.

As a rule, Democratic candidates are
decidedly more sympathetic to Gay rights. Con-
sequently, the Gay movement is aligning itself
firmly behind Democrats. In most instances, I
think this best.
But there are exceptions. In a few races,
the Republican candidate is either more
friendly to our cause, or has seniority which
gives him considerable power. All legislators are
not equal, because in both Congress and the
State Legislatures, power is based on the num-
ber of committee posts and chairmanships. In
other words, power is based on seniority.

It doesn't make much sense, for example,
to replace moderately pro-gay San Francisco
Congressman Mailliard, who has 28 years
seniority, with moderately pro-gay Roger Boas,
who would be a freshman congressman, who
could not help us much even if he would.

The same arguments apply to the San
Francisco state senate race. It's not in our best
interest to replace pro-gay Senator Milton
Marks with pro-gay Pelosi, merely because
Pelosi is a Democrat.

In the 17th Congressional District (San
Mateo County), Republican Congressman Paul
McChesney is considerably more sympathetic to
gay rights than his Democratic opponent. The
same is true of Republican Assemblyman
William Bagley (Marin County).

In San Francisco's 19th and 23rd
Assembly Districts, anti-gay Democratic
incumbents McCarthy and Foran are running against two equally anti-gay Repub-
licans. The same is true of San Mateo's 11th
Congressional District, whose anti-gay Demo-
cratic Congressman Leo Ryan is running against
a Republican who is no better.

I've surveyed all candidates in the seven
Bay Area Counties. With the exceptions noted
above, a straight Democratic ticket is a vote for
Gay rights.

Don Jackson
The game playing is over. The role enact­
ment has begun. Mere mimicry of an individual
is dead. On stage is now a male performer's
development to the point where with their own
movements, their own voices, they can assume
not suffice. To become in actuality (for the
duration of the play) the character, the person
respected tradition in the theater. Beginning
with Greek and Roman drama, through the
Shakespearean Age, the tradition prospered and was
heroines portrayed by men: The possibilities
the classical drama known as Kabuki. Unfortu­
ately, this art form (nor Kabuki itself) has
not done exceptionally well outside of Japan. Just
last year San Francisco's Japanese Trade Center
imported a famous Kabuki troupe and presented
them at the Miyako Hotel's theater. The show was a
financial bomb and closed quickly.

In the past, there have been rumors of all­
male casts for shows in New York (Hello,
Dolly, Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf —
supposedly with Richard Burton, Henry Fonda,
Warren Beatty and Jon Voight), but the shows never
materialized. Of all the major cities in
America, San Francisco is the only place where
this form is being revived and mined. Beginning
with S. I. R.'s production, Hello, Dolly, last May,
and presently in full-steam momentum with
City Players' Mame, it is obvious this art form
is dead. On stage is now a male performer's
the director. He has brought back several
incidents part of the original Mame, but
missing in the Broadway play. For instance,
thefox hunt musical sequence, related in
Mame by Mother Burnsides, will now be actually seen.
Largent took 25 cast members to a Novato
town and spent five hours shooting the
routine. Additionally, the audience will get the
sequence. It will now be projected overhead
and '50's. All 52 cast members will be royally
dressed. As Designer Campano stated:
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The following was written by Steve Stone, a San Francisco Giants baseball pitcher. It originally was published in the San Francisco Chronicle "Sporting Green" section.

If you are very fortunate in your lifetime you will be able to count your true friends on one hand.

To define our friendship would be ludicrous, but that intangible feeling is ever present.

Whether it be in words or thought, our communication radiates a genuine warmth.

Letting you be part of my life and sharing moments of yours is as great a gift as I could ever receive.

We must go our separate ways for life decrees it, but as we function apart our memory of each other is as important as the memory of life itself.

We touch each other briefly and this emotional stimulation is as important as the memory of life itself.

There is a dependence combined with unusual strength that fills a void in both of us.

Letting you be part of my life and sharing moments of yours is as great a gift as I could ever receive.

There is a refreshing honesty in our relationship that encourages self-realization in both of us.

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\[\text{friend} \quad \text{by steve stone}\]

The entertainment colony of the gay community of San Francisco has more going for it than probably any other entertainment colony in any community in the world. Not only do the gay audiences demand the best in entertainment, but in San Francisco they find it. From the famous names such as Michelle, Jose, Lori Shannon, Joe Stevens, Allan Lloyd, etc., to the brilliant and lavishly staged productions such as HELLO, DOLLY!, WONDERFUL TOWN, ONCE UPON A MATTRESS, etc., etc., to the Empress Ball, the one shot shows, the holiday affairs, etc., etc., one can find "good" entertainment in every way in San Francisco. The Society for Individual Rights (S.I.R.) is proud to be a major producer in the entertainment world of the gay community of San Francisco. S.I.R. has produced some of the most remarkable stage productions: THE BOY FRIEND, A FUNNY THING HAPPENED ON THE WAY TO THE Forum, LITTLE MARY SUNSHINE, ANYTHING GOES, ONCE UPON A MATTRESS, and HELLO, DOLLY! From S.I.R. productions have come the two most impressive theater groups in town: City Players came into existence out of ONCE UPON A MATTRESS and The Yonkers Players was born from HELLO, DOLLY! S.I.R. has produced such one night camp stands as: THE FORTY-FOURTEEN REVIEW, highlighting the likes of Davis and Lori Shannon, and fabulous fund-raisers like the PAUL BENTLEY REVIEW which had more than 21 fabulous different acts on stage from the variety of entertainers in Gay San Francisco.

S.I.R. now invites you to a fall season of fabulous nights of entertainment in the gay community of San Francisco. On October 2nd, a Monday night, we ask you to come to California Hall for an action packed show produced for S.I.R. by Lawrence Fleming. The Stars for this one will be Ann Weidon, Cass Daley, Virginia O'Brien, LaVern Cummings, and the greats from our entertainment colony. This is a special fund raising event for the Society. Tickets are available at the S.I.R. Center Box Office and reservations may be made by calling 781-1570. Don't miss this talent.

Then, S.I.R. is producing that pleasure evening which in the past has been the "fin" thing for summer's end. The S.I.R. BAY CRUISE. Sunday night, October 8, at 8 p.m. the S.F. Harbor Queen will be sailing out into the moonlit San Francisco Bay with the good time social set of the Bay Gay people. A band playing favorite dance tunes, and a bar with favorite bar prices will help you to enjoy the Cruise of Cruises. This is a one time event, annually, and we invite you to be a part of it.

SEXUALITY is no more important than any other aspect of being human. Homosexuals have not formed a "gay" community because of their sexual orientation, S.I.R. WAS FORMED to fight this condemnation and oppression and to bring to the homosexual a spirit of worth and pride in self. S.I.R.'s annual budget (in excess of $100,000.00) is spent in the hopes of attaining a sense of pride and dignity for all homosexuals everywhere. The entertainment colony of our community gives of itself, unselfishly, to help S.I.R. raise the money to carry out its functions.

The S.I.R. NIGHT AT MAME. Friday night, October 13th. S.I.R. Benefit at the Mame show (a production of City Players). Tickets on sale at S.I.R. Center Box Office. Or call 781-1570 for ticket information or reservations.
I am 33 years old. I am a college graduate. I am employed as a biochemist. I am married. I am the father of two children. I am gay.

I am not an active, cruising, street-walking gay, just another guy who knows what he really is but continues to play the game by society's rules. I am getting tired of the rules and I will not go on much longer perpetuating the fraud. Letting others dictate how you act is like murder, a little at a time and accepting such social values that are totally against your nature is a living suicide.

How long have I been gay? As long as I can remember. But I come from a "normal" up-tight family so that has been confessed for the most part to fantasies of the mind and very little reality. Sure, I fooled around with another guy when I was in school but that's just 'normal' kid stuff. Any straight will tell you that. Mine did. Just keep acting straight, get married, have kids and screw up three other lives (or more) besides your own.

Let's add another "I am" to the list . . . I am sensitive. I remember reading Reuben's description of a homosexual in Everything you always wanted to know about sex . . . Not having indulged in one-night stands or public presentations of sex, but only wanting to share my life with the right man, I was forced to find, according to Dr. Reuben, that I was not a homosexual. Then what am I?

What do you call a man who after seven years of marriage meets another guy with whom he can speak without words, share stolen hours of feeling that he has never known in his life and then be broken-hearted when his friend complies to social pressure and breaks away. I would call him a gay person if I am sensitive.

Sensitive to another person too. This person is a wife, a mother, another human being. How do you leave a person who stays with you after you tell the truth, I am honest too. After he left, she knew something was wrong and kept after me until I told her the truth. But she stayed. I don't know what her motives are but if it is love, how do you leave a person who cares that much?

If you haven't gotten the message yet, I'll spell it out. If just one "closet" case who is contemplating marriage as a solution to his problems reads this and accepts the fact that he is gay and will...
The suit was filed for Kristina O'Donnell and Lawrence Siegal, two teachers who had invited the speaker, and the Society for Individual Rights (SIR). The suit contends that blacks, women, students and other discriminated groups were allowed to speak before classes but that administrators barred Robbi Robillard, a SIR representative, from speaking.

It is ironic that the parents of the students in the Novato-San Marin High School had agreed in writing to permit Robillard to speak and students were not required to hear the speaker. The administrative action prohibited students in a Personal Philosophy and Minority Studies class from hearing the speaker.

Frank Fitch, Public Relations Chairman of SIR, explained that Robillard has made many such public speaking engagements in public schools without a negative incident. Fitch said he was pleased that SIR was taking part in the court action, along with the teachers.

The result of this action and other recent controversy over sex education in the school has been an investigation by the California State Board of Education.

The result was a report which vaguely states that the sex education is, in general, properly conducted. There was no call from the State Board to prohibit any speakers.

ACLU Staff Counsel Joseph Remcho stated, "The issue is whether school administrative authorities can thwart the wishes of students, parents and teachers to hear responsible discussion of controversial issues within the classroom setting."

It is particularly ironic that this situation happened in a school district with an enlightened official guideline which says that "students have the right to study any controversial issue which has political, educational or social implications."
Copulation

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equal protection clause."

2) "Conceding that the state has an extremely strong power to enact legislation, there has nevertheless been no showing of any rational relationship between Section 288A and any valid public purpose nor any necessity for the achievement of any compelling state interest."

Whether the state of California will appeal the decision remains to be seen. California attorneys, including SIR's Legal Chairman B.J. Beckwith, have filed suits for SIR and other groups and individuals to force enactment of Section 288A by California of its oral copulation statutes. No judge, until the recent decision, had made a ruling that was general enough to allow for a court test. If California appeals, it will have to legally justify in court the criminalization of the act of oral copulation.

Previous attempts to legalize oral copulation have been defeated in the state legislature. The primary reason has been the fear of legislators that the "folks back home" would remove such legislators for supporting "a crime against nature." Restrictive sex legislation is generally conceded to be on the books because of the mixture of church and state codes, where individual morality has become legal to protect the individual from himself."

Married

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always be in favor of that. I am along with all the other things I mentioned in the begin­ ning a savior. I have saved someone's gal's life for somebody who really cares and maybe I have even saved his life. I have saved his life. I have saved his life. I have saved his life. I have saved his life.

That's the toughest part . . . the children. Sure, I like guys, but I love my kids. Why do I go on with the sham of marriage? Because I can't stand to lose my kids. Few judges in this country are allowed to do that. The screws are too tight, but I know that dad liked some guy better than his mother. Con­ templating what your own flesh and blood will think of you is the toughest part to swallow. So don't let it happen to you unless you are totally prepared for the consequences.

I am surrounded by people and yet I am alone . . . I am a MARRIED GAY

Important Notice

An article by Noel Hernandez in the September issue of Vector attributed a net income of $4,000 to the "Dolly" production this Spring. Actually Dolly did much better than that for SIR. According to the annual report filed by SIR's accountant, Mr. Lloyd Taylor CPA, the Production Committee's net income for the period February 1 through July 31 was $6,484. I feel this figure accurately represents the net income.

Since the "Dolly" company have worked to have SIR it would be an injustice if the community were left with the impression that their efforts were not raising less than a nuisance. The show made more money for SIR than the total netted by any other two productions SIR has ever staged.

The Hernandez article discusses the bad feelings that were engendered in the "Dolly" production group when SIR was forced to spend money on then current operating expenses. Perhaps those feelings have been aggravated by a misunderstanding of the financial realities of 1972. Not only SIR but every organization dependent on public donation has felt a pinch this year. Anyone on mailing lists such as those of the ACLU, KPFK radio, or the Sierra Club knows time has been hard and donations slow for these groups.

Even though donations to SIR are at the lowest rate they have ever been, SIR has attempted to continue to serve the gay community. We believe the arts and our community services, political, and educational activities. We sent the first gay deli­ gate ever to address a national political convention. We maintained our political support and continuity of our operations through a disastrous fire. In the face of an amazing unemployment rate we have expanded our job counseling service to help more people than ever before.

The SIR board of directors was glad to hear, last month, that the Yonkers Production Company, which is the "Dolly" company, intends to make an additional donation to SIR in the amount of $500. SIR is grateful to them and always shall be grateful for their work in seeing us through some very troubled times.

Rodger Hayden
Treasurer, SIR

Foster

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was the largest vote-getter in the last local election. Marks is already senator and has been a big vote-getting in a Demo­ cratic district, although he is a Repub­ lican.

Foster states that Senator Marks "has indicated that he might sponsor and endorse broad legislation in the area of gay rights in the Senate next year. He has asked that local gay attorneys consult with him about formulating some good legislation." Marks spoke to the SIR membership at a recent meeting and has placed a full page ad in this issue of Vector.

Foster explained that Pelosi has voted for legislation before the local Supervisor's Chambers. He has never been as openly enthusiastic about gay rights as Supervisor. "Marks has been an exceptionally fine legislator," Foster states, "and voted for what was best for San Francisco."

Los Angeles voters are concerned about the race between the current District Attorney, Joseph Bauch, and the gay-support challenger, Vince Bugliosi. The Los Angeles press has stated that Bugliosi has gay support and has become an issue in the campaign. Many homosexuals are working at Bugliosi headquarters and the candidate has spoken at MCC church and in gay bars. Foster calls upon Los Angeles voters to also support Richard Altos and Ken Diamond for the Assembly. - GM

Call Mr. Don Watson, Jr.
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Since the "Dolly" company have worked to have SIR it would be an injustice if the community were left with the impression that their efforts were not raising less than a nuisance. The show made more money for SIR than the total netted by any other two productions SIR has ever staged.

The Hernandez article discusses the bad feelings that were engendered in the "Dolly" production group when SIR was forced to spend money on then current operating expenses. Perhaps those feelings have been aggravated by a misunderstanding of the financial realities of 1972. Not only SIR but every organization dependent on public donation has felt a pinch this year. Anyone on mailing lists such as those of the ACLU, KPFK radio, or the Sierra Club knows time has been hard and donations slow for these groups.

Even though donations to SIR are at the lowest rate they have ever been, SIR has attempted to continue to serve the gay community. We believe the arts and our community services, political, and educational activities. We sent the first gay deli­ gate ever to address a national political convention. We maintained our political support and continuity of our operations through a disastrous fire. In the face of an amazing unemployment rate we have expanded our job counseling service to help more people than ever before.

The SIR board of directors was glad to hear, last month, that the Yonkers Production Company, which is the "Dolly" company, intends to make an additional donation to SIR in the amount of $500. SIR is grateful to them and always shall be grateful for their work in seeing us through some very troubled times.

Rodger Hayden
Treasurer, SIR

Foster

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was the largest vote-getter in the last local election. Marks is already senator and has been a big vote-getting in a Demo­ cratic district, although he is a Repub­ lican.

Foster states that Senator Marks "has indicated that he might sponsor and endorse broad legislation in the area of gay rights in the Senate next year. He has asked that local gay attorneys consult with him about formulating some good legislation." Marks spoke to the SIR membership at a recent meeting and has placed a full page ad in this issue of Vector.

Foster explained that Pelosi has voted for legislation before the local Supervisor's Chambers. He has never been as openly enthusiastic about gay rights as Supervisor. "Marks has been an exceptionally fine legislator," Foster states, "and voted for what was best for San Francisco."

Los Angeles voters are concerned about the race between the current District Attorney, Joseph Bauch, and the gay-support challenger, Vince Bugliosi. The Los Angeles press has stated that Bugliosi has gay support and has become an issue in the campaign. Many homosexuals are working at Bugliosi headquarters and the candidate has spoken at MCC church and in gay bars. Foster calls upon Los Angeles voters to also support Richard Altos and Ken Diamond for the Assembly. - GM
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By Hannibal, Travel Editor

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**Lesbian Mother**

**Case May Resolve Life Style Issue**

By Del Martin

Judges are elected, and just like other politicians they sidestep or block gay rights. The Honorable (?) Gerald S. Chargin and John S. McInerny, judges in the Santa Clara (California) County Superior Court, stand as blatant examples of the "political" justice gay parents may expect from our court system. Both figured in the custody case of Camille Mitchell, the Lesbian mother who fought for her children and got them - BUT with the insufferable proviso that she see her lover only when the children are at school (she has just landed a job) or when they are visiting their father (the second and fourth weekends of each month).

Ironically this decision from Judge Chargin is considered a victory, however hollow, a victory, according to Ms. Mitchell's attorney, Joan K. Bradford, because it is the only known case where an awowed Lesbian in a contested case was actually awarded custody of her own children. Judge Chargin, from the testimony in the case, could hardly have found otherwise: the Juvenile Probation Department, Warren Weiss, chief conciliator for the county, and Dr. Arthur M. Bodin, family psychologist, all recommended that Ms. Mitchell retain custody. Other witnesses testified in her behalf were a neighbor whose husband is a police officer and the ex-husband of Ms. Mitchell. Judge Chargin awarded custody to Ms. Mitchell because he had to, and then "sentenced" her for placing him in that position.

But Ms. Mitchell and the gay community will not tolerate this kind of justice. Thanks to a concerted effort by both male and female homosexs and individuals, approximately $1800 of the estimated $2000 needed for an appeal has been raised. It is not a matter of law that a mother is unfit and therefore not entitled to custody because she is a homosexual, according to a 1967 California Appellate Court decision. However, the moral character of the mother was a substantial bearing on whether it would be in the best interests of the children to award exclusive custody to her. But most judges have concluded that a Lesbian orientation is in itself immoral and that only a heterosexual environment is in the best interests of the children, the Lesbian Mothers Union complains. It is time that our "heterosexual" courts were challenged, and we are proud that Cam Mitchell has the courage and stamina to do it.

Ms. Martin is one of the moving forces in the Lesbian Mothers group in San Francisco. She and the group can be reached at 330 Ellis St., San Francisco, CA 94102.
The Inside Story

By Larry Townsend

Larry Townsend, President of the gay organization, HELP, in Los Angeles, has discussed with Vector the recent police raid on a HELP benefit party in that city. Townsend said that officers burst into the Black Pipe bar and arrested 21 people on August 20, seeking out those in charge - HELP officers and voter registrars. Funds from the event were to benefit HELP's new Community Center. The raid was an obvious attempt to break the growing political power being mounted in Los Angeles before the coming election. All were arrested on vague "lewd conduct" charges except one who was arrested on a "drunk" charge. In reality, Townsend states, the "party" was a quiet, conservative affair with no sexual activity. HELP President said that the "party" was actually dull and some people had been leaving as a result.

President Townsend is a long-time SIR member and supporter of gay causes statewide. He has written for Vector about his experiences as a gay writer. Townsend's most recent book, The Leatherman's Handbook, has become a best-seller in the "gay books" market.

"What has happened to us," Townsend stated, "is similar to what happened to SIR when it had its first dance in San Francisco. It was just a bunch of people in a bar, at a private party. There may have been some brushing but it certainly was no orgy. We had the affair well paroled to assure that nothing would go on of that nature."

"The authorization for the raid came from a Sergeant Nelson of the Wilshire Police Station. He is the Assistant Vice Commander and was in charge because his superior was on vacation. Nelson had been seen on other occasions hanging out in gay bars; whether he was on duty or not is not known... We suspect that what really happened is that Nelson was put up to making the raid by forces in the community that want to harm HELP."

"The raid of SIR's first dance (1964) brought you [SIR] in more support than you had ever had before and that is the result of our raid here - although some are very scared. HELP is fighting the cases in the courts and all of the defendants, at this point, have pleaded innocent. Some may "cop out" on lesser charges, of course. We are also using the resources of the new statewide Sexual Law Reform committee, which was launched in 1971 in a San Franciscan Hotel dinner in San Francisco. These are the kinds of cases that group is looking for to establish court tests against obvious harassment. SIR's Political Chairman, Jim Foster, is also working cooperatively with us in this respect..."

"We have 14 of the finest trial attorneys in Los Angeles working on these cases. Initially, all the attorneys are working without fees although there will be filing and appeal expenses as things progress. HELP has had to pick up considerable bail bond expenses... The biggest blow to HELP is that money that would have gone into our new Community Center has been diverted to fighting for the defendants. We are not desperate but we do need assistance."

"Ironically, by arresting a number of people involved in the gay rights movement, they picked the very up-front homosexuals who have nothing to lose by fighting in the courts... The police not only arrested me, the President of HELP, but the head of our local gay Tavern Guild Association and the Director of our Center."

"One officer asked out loud, 'Where is the guy who was sitting at this table?' He was seeking to arrest a voter registrar who had been sitting at the table. This was a deliberate political gesture and certainly had nothing to do with any 'lewd' activity."

"Although there were no police beatings, there were derogatory comments toward some of the arrested. Twelve of the 21 were chained together by their right hands, which meant that every other person was facing in the opposite direction. They also showed all into a very small van, which made it extremely uncomfortable. They were laughing and commenting that they were going to make the ride to station 'a rough one'... A small bit of humanity was heard when one officer said embarrassingly that 'this is not my bag,' referring to the chaining of the men."

"Once downtown at the main jail, our attorneys arrived immediately with bondsmen - then we were treated politely and even called 'Mr.' and 'sir.' The officers deliberately dragged out the booking process so it took six hours before we were all released. It should have taken two hours. The arrests were at 6 p.m. and the last released man did not get out until after midnight, although bail had been arranged immediately after his arrest."

"We think it is most significant that although there were over 300 people in the Black Pipe at the time of the raid, there were only ten or twelve blacks present... However, when it came to the selective arrests, four blacks were pulled out for arrest. Among the many arresting officers none were black, although the Black Pipe is located in a black area."

"The court appearances have been detailed by the defense attorneys so that they will have time to prepare their cases. The first step is a demand that all the
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of an alleged suggestive, sexual nature. The arrest report is laughable. One guy is accused of saying to another guy, 'I'd like you to take your home and fuck you,' and another guy is accused of saying, 'Come on, suck like fuck you.' The report is written more in how a policeman might conceive how homosexuals might react in those situations. That report was written out of the officer's fantasies. . . . The Black Mac pipe and management were cooperation.

This was a private fund-raising event for HELP with $2 being charged at the door to all that entered. There were no other fees, in casual street clothes, paid $2 each to enter. There were five policemen who entered in this manner. They even bought raffle tickets on a stereo set and one officer would have won the prize if he had been present later on, as his ticket stub was drawn.

There has been a furor within the police department here since this raid. There will be a lot of inner-department repercussions for this. Sgt. Nelson, who led the raid, is not highly regarded within the department. It is rumoured that Nelson has been overstepping his bounds.

"Nelson's costume, as a customer of the Black Mac pipe and limited management officer, was most interesting. He was wearing a tank-top shirt with a plunging neck that would expose (if he had been embarrassed to wear) which revealed a Marine Corps tattoo on his arm. It was built like a brick wall, wearing skin-tight white pants, showing an enormous 'buttock.' . . . Maybe part of his problem is that he made himself very available but no one propositioned him. . . .

One consequence of this HELP benefit raid is that other gay groups are now afraid to rent space in our new HELP Center. Our people are now afraid that the police are 'after' HELP. We had depended on this income to keep the Center going. Funding the Center, our Bail Bond services, publishing a monthly newsletter and relying on this income to keep the Center going is a problem. We are constantly of our functions but money is needed . . . Our Center is in county sheriff territory, away from the Los Angeles police.

personal liberation

By Mark Friedman

Gay Liberation has made us aware of man's potential bi-sexuality. Most people now believe that if people are born with a sexual drive but do not have a sexual orientation. The ultimate choice of how to satisfy these desires appears to be determined by social learning experiences: that is, how you get to deal with the individual's past direct and indirect (sym­ bolic) experiences with sexual stimuli. For example, a man would be sexually responsive toward other men if he had positive, rewarding sexual experiences with his peers during adolescence. If these experiences were aver­ sive to him or if he had been deeply imbued with societal taboos against homosexual behavior, then such men would not be sexually stimulating to him, or homosexually a likely sexual outlet. "Social learning" does not necessarily imply that these behaviors and attitudes are consciously acquired.

Learning psychologists have demon­ strated repeatedly that emotional responses, attitudinal postures, and other diverse preferences can be conditioned without the subject's knowledge or specific consent. In other words, a person's sexual behavior pattern is learned and is subject to the orderly laws of acquisition and extinction that govern virtually all behavior. Without the neg­ ative or aversive conditioning against homosexuality (via the home, schools, churches and mass media) most people would probably be bisexual.

Gay Liberation has also attuned us to the concept of the "medical model" of dis­ turbed functioning to insure conformity in our society. Physicians, psychiatrists and psychologists define normality in terms of a medical perspective. Illness, then, is a state where every one time or another, has had some experi­ ence of the medical concept of illness. It is readily available to our minds when we want to characterize some acute difficul­ ties as "social illness," "our sick society," a "men­ tally ill" position, and so on. This charac­ terization is used by the most sophisti­ cated writers and critics in our culture, as well as by the most unthinking hacks. The problem in using these medical meta­ phors for deviant behavior is that of identifying a phenomenon as a medical problem. These terms are usually obfuscating the issues. Let us take an example: in the last few years, many meetings and debates have been identified as "sick" or as manifesting "mental illness." Our conclusion may be gambling.

Gambling is not literally a disease, in the sense that it is the product of germs or viruses or bacteria. There is no one etiology, or causal agent, that produces the gambling behavior. The sequence of behavior is not the same for all gamblers, and there is no "prognosis" for this "sick" behavior among gambling. That gambling is commu­ nicable or not, like sexual outlet appears to be determ ined naturally is a problem. We are consciously

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DOLLY — security under its belt. S.I.R. is once again hitting the boards. In lieu of the usual (and perennial) SIReladies Capades, Tonight: San Francisco, SIR! is being presented October 2 at California Hall. Producer George Hoffman, the imaginative entrepreneur in charge of shows for Gold Street, is in charge of the S.I.R. production. He has gathered together some of the most capable performers available from both the rights and gay communities. Call Daley and Virginia O’Brien (both reopened the Orpheum with The Big Show of 1936) along with ACT’s golden-throated Ann Weldon, and Finnich’s Lauren Cummings headline; they will be backed by Golden Award winner Chuck Waltz, the Pioneers, and John Rothermel and Peter Arden. Arden was the winning musical director of SIReladies Capades’ Madcaps ‘71.

All performances, costumes, and sets are being volunteered to benefit S.I.R. Office Manager George Hoffman states that this smaller cast had collaborated on services in recognition of the support the gay community has always given them. Literally the entire show is a labor of love. Bill Bud and David Keley are assemble orchestra. In fact, the entire star-studded show promises to be one of the most luminous arrays of talent S.I.R. has yet presented.

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In its continuing effort to endorse, support and participate in quality entertainment, after Tonight: San Francisco, SIR!, S.I.R. is sponsoring a night at Movies, Friday, October 13. In a unique gesture of mutual reciprocation, the Menso troops waived the standard $1,000 minimum deposit which is usual when an organization guarantees a house for an evening’s performance. Of course, it will be a sell-out house.

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