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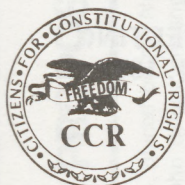


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AROUND THE TOWN

The question of the month for September: Did you vote in the Primary? We hope you did, and it does appear that many of you did, for, even though the voter turn-out was quite light, some good things did come from it. To those of you who decided not to register to vote, we say, shame on you...by not voting you only hurt yourself. Too bad that you can no longer register for this Fall's general election, but it was your choice, and the rest of us will do what we can without you. The CCR deputy registrars were out in the bars seeking people to register this past week end in Phoenix, and some of them had moderate success, but all of them reported a real sense of apathy about registering...seems they had to practically beg people to do even this simple thing. Well, you can all rest easy now, there won't be any more people in green T-shirts bothering you...at least not about this for a while. However, next month you can look for an "assault on your senses" from both the CCR Newsletter and this publication about the upcoming general election. Much research is being done, and we hope you will take the time to read the information about candidates presented and that you will make wise decisions as to who you will vote for, if you even bother to do that simple thing. It can and will make a difference, and if you don't vote, you will only be hurting yourself...

A Note To The "Information Network"

Some months back we were chided for not giving space to some of the events planned and held around town, and at the time, some of that criticism may have been justified. We have, however, always maintained that we would most certainly print information as it was presented to us. The "Information Network" is supposed to be a clearing-house for all the various organizations around the Valley — a group composed of representatives of various organizations who meet once a month to compare notes as to what each group has planned, so that everyone is informed about the others activities. As time has permitted in the past, we have attended these meetings. We must admit, though, that this organization seems to be a smoke screen for something other than its stated purpose, and that if one is not "in" with TIN, you can forget being informed, and, in fact you may be subject to all kinds of nasty remarks and accusations from this group, who seem to think they should be in control of what happens in this city. We were not able to attend the last meeting, and as a result are not privy to some of the activities planned by groups in the Valley, and cannot report these to you. To them (the Information

Network) we say, why don't you stop trying to be "big brother (big sister?)" and be about your intended purpose? *THE PRIDE OF PHOENIX* (and the *AGN*, too, we suspect) are ready and able to help get the word out to the Community about upcoming activities. but without open communication from the "Information Network" we'll have to go back to doing it ourselves...and will.

Congrats...To The MD Committee...

When we turned on our TV on Sunday morning, during Labor Day Weekend to Channel 5 (yes, we did watch some of the Telethon) we were pleased to see Moon presenting a check for something over \$3000 to MD on behalf of the Phoenix Gay Community. This was a commendable effort on the part of a few people, and a word of congratulations is in order for their tireless efforts. And while very little time was afforded Moon on the air, at least it wasn't a 5 a.m., and she was allowed to say just where the money was coming from. To Moon, Bert, Pudge, and the others involved, we say, we're proud of your enthusiasm and efforts.

MCC On The Move...

Among the good things happening around the Valley this past month was the Ground-Breaking Ceremonies for the new Metropolitan Community Church here in Phoenix. Prominent individuals from the clergy of MCC were present for the occasion. MCC's history in the Valley goes back some seven years, and the construction of their own facility is a milestone within the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches, as this church will be the first one to be built by the congregation. We understand that the building fund is now accepting contributions, and should you wish to be a part of their worthwhile efforts, you may do so by sending donations to P. O. Box 10718, Phoenix, 85064. *THE PRIDE* wishes Rev. Pattison and the congregation the best of luck in their endeavors.

**CCR OCTOBER GENERAL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 1978
TIME AND PLACE
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PROPOSITION 6 THREATENS YOU!

WHAT IS PROPOSITION 6?

Proposition 6, placed on the November ballot by State Senator John Briggs, endangers the job of any school employee (teacher, teacher's aide, school administrator or counselor) who has publicly or privately opposed discrimination against homosexuals—regardless of whether she or he was gay. It would allow school boards to hold "hearings" concerning "words and deeds of a continuing or comprehensive nature which would tend to encourage . . . or dispose school children toward . . . private . . . homosexual conduct." The Briggs measure would put school districts in the business of prying into teachers' private lives, into their bedrooms and into their religious, professional and political associations.

WHAT WOULD PROPOSITION 6 DO?

The issues raised in Proposition 6 extend far beyond the effect of banning gay people from the schools—as claimed by John Briggs. This proposition poses a grave threat to many fundamental rights.

VIOLATES FREE SPEECH

Any school employee who expresses opposition to discrimination against gay people could be accused of "advocating" or "encouraging" homosexuality, and fired regardless of whether she or he were gay, or whether such opinion was expressed inside or outside the classroom. As stated in a **Los Angeles Times** editorial, "A school board employee who spoke out for fair treatment of homosexuals could be fired. Expressions of personal beliefs in the course of private life would be enough to warrant dismissal."

Proposition 6 would discourage people from

6 IS A SMOKE SCREEN

Briggs demagogically links the false spectre of child molestation with teachers who in no way violate their teaching responsibilities. **TEACHERS MUST BE JUDGED ON THEIR TEACHING PERFORMANCE**, not on their personal or political differences. If enacted, Proposition 6 would create new problems and do nothing to solve the *real* problems of our schools.

WE CAN'T AFFORD IT!

The costs are both financial *and* social. Proposition 6 would force California taxpayers to finance a witch hunting bureaucracy. It would

speaking out for their own rights or for the rights of others.

DENIES DUE PROCESS

School employees could be suspended from their jobs for up to 60 days before a school board decides whether the provisions of the new law have been violated. A school employee could be suspended for 30 days before the school board holds a hearing.

VIOLATES SEPARATION OF CHURCH AND STATE

Proposition 6 seeks to restrict the expression of opinion in the name of an extremely narrow version of religion and morality. However, the U.S. Constitution defines a clear separation of church and state. Religious beliefs cannot be the basis for legal discrimination.

allow some students to force favors from their teachers by means of baiting, blackmail and manipulation. Briggs is seeking to turn our children into pawns, our teachers into scapegoats and our classrooms into battlegrounds: all to advance his own selfish political ambitions.

DEFEND JOB RIGHTS

This proposition is strongly opposed by the California Federation of Labor, AFL-CIO, as it would disrupt the traditional collective bargaining process. The California Federation of Teachers has called it ". . . a monumental intrusion into the private lives of teachers and a threat to job security at the most elementary level."

DEFEND MINORITY RIGHTS

"The Briggs Initiative, Proposition 6, is the beginning of an attack on the rights of all minorities. If we allow one group to be singled out for discrimination, we clear the way for discrimination against Asians, Blacks, Latinos, women, etc."

San Francisco Supervisor Gordon Lau

"In my opinion, the current law is sufficient to protect pupils from sexual advances by teachers, whether homosexual or heterosexual, and to prevent teachers from promoting their sexual life style or preference in the classroom . . . [teachers] have rights as citizens to live their lives as they see fit . . . I am opposed to Proposition 6."

Wilson Riles

Superintendent of Public Instruction,
State of California

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 Ca. Nurses Assoc., Region 12
 Campaign for Economic Democracy (CED)
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 Civil Service Assn., Local 400 (SEIU)
 Concerned Republicans for Individual Rights (CRIR)
 Department Store Employees, Local 1100
 Dignity
 Fremont Fed. of Teachers, Local 1494
 Hayward Unified Teachers Assn.
 Hotel & Restaurant Empl. & Bartenders Union, Local 2,
 Exec. Bd.
 Integrity
 Libertarian Party, S.F.
 Office & Professional Empl., Local 3
 S.F. Gay Democratic Club
 S.F. Neighborhood Legal Assistance Found., Bd. of Dir.
 S.F. Women's Centers
 Social Services Union, Local 535, State Exec. Bd.
 Socialist Workers Party
 S.F. Commission on the Status of Women

Partial List

JOIN THE CAMPAIGN!

A broad range of political leaders and organizations oppose Proposition 6. They include the California League of Women Voters, all major candidates for statewide office including Governor Brown and Evelle Younger, San Francisco Mayor George Moscone, the San Francisco Board of Supervisors, Ronald Reagan and the National Education Association (N.E.A.). All agree Proposition 6 is bad legislation.

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AROUND THE TOWN

The Wizard of Oz — Casa-Style...

All we can say is that if you weren't there, you should've been! On two nights, the *Little Casa Players* outdid themselves with a sterling rendition of *The Wizard of Oz*. Judy would have been (might have been?) proud... The spontaneity of the evening was exceptional, and though the tiny Munchkins were something other than tiny, the performance was delightful, and the audience agreed.

Our own Dragon Lady made her royal debut as a full-fledged entertainer (no doubt even the mighty JoAnne was feeling threatened!) and the rest of the little band of players did an equally good job. Under the narrative of Kitty Litter we witnessed the Wizard in its entirety and left the Casa feeling *almost* like we'd been to Oz...Nice to see something other than the all-too-typical drag show for a change. Presented here are photo highlights of the show...we wish we could give you the sound-track too, but this is merely a magazine. Coming up they will be doing *Peter Pan*...Hope the pulleys are secure! Check out Casa's ads for details.



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The Bj Bud "Roast"

No Excuse!

What does a community owe one of its' most well-known members? Certainly much better treatment than Bj Bud received Tuesday evening, September 19 at Miss Matty's Attic. Sunday's Child sponsored a planned evening of "roasting" Ms. Bud (as has been done, for instance, with our beloved Cissy Goldberg with hundreds in attendance) and how did Phoenix respond? No one came! Shame on you, Phoenix, and shame particularly falls on Ms. Bud's, shall we say, friends.

We've all probably planned and given parties and thirty minutes prior to the party had the sinking feeling in the pit of our stomach that no one would come; well, that is what happened to the Bud Roast. The "roasters" had put in diligent hours preparing their lovingly scathing comments and who was there to share in the merriment? Only other "roasters".

As if not showing up for this kind of event was not embarrassment aplenty for Ms. Bud, we can not fathom the personal affront Ms. Bud must have felt when numerous persons wandered into the bar accidentally and refused to stay, muttering, "Man, I gotta boogie!"

Well, *man*, go out there and boogie and continue not caring about paying homage to a well-known personality — it is your world — but when you do something, or when you want something done in the community, just remember how Ms. Bud must have felt and do not blame her if she refuses to do another thing for Phoenix.

Well, man, I gotta boogie...

Schemmel and Klemme Visit the Police

On September 20, 1978, Ms. Pat Klemme and Mr. Steve Schemmel met with representatives of the Phoenix Police Department in an effort to establish viable communications between the Gay Community and our local law officials. Both Ms. Klemme and Mr. Schemmel were representing CCR as well as the Community at large. Ground-work for this meeting was laid last year by Richard Rubadue, then Executive Director of CCR.

Police Department representatives at the meeting included Assistant Chiefs Allen and Porter, and Major Ortega. The meeting took place in Police Department offices.

According to Ms. Klemme, the purpose of the meeting was to "test the water" — opening lines of communication between ourselves and the Department. They had hoped to establish a point of contact and apparently they did.

Mr. Schemmel said the Police showed particular interest in the 307 Lounge, a bar on East Roosevelt. He said they are "concerned about the 307 because of the activities happening down there" and not the bar itself. Recently, some unfortunate events have occurred in the vicinity, including the shooting deaths of two men behind the bar. "Those murders are very hot with them (the police)," said Schemmel, and they suspect that there are people with some knowledge of the incident who have not yet come forward to shed some light on the subject. The Police apparently have no leads at this time.

Both Schemmel and Ms. Klemme emphasized that persons with any knowledge of this situation should not hesitate to present what they know, either to the police directly, or to themselves by mean of the CCR Answer Line, 266-5068.

Among the other subjects discussed was the area of downtown Phoenix between Roosevelt and Van Buren, 1st to 3rd Streets — the cruising area. According to the officers, neighbors in the area have complained about the noise and litter, and the police are covering the area at this time. Schemmel said, "If you go down there, you can expect to be carded, which will mean you will be *on file*." He also said that anyone stopped by the police in that area should be cooperative, and not to give the police any trouble.

Ms. Klemme and Mr. Schemmel are to be congratulated for their efforts in this area, and we can all be proud of them for representing the Community in such a forthright manner. Continued contact with the officers is planned for the future. —Jack.

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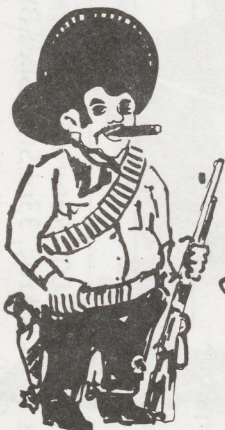
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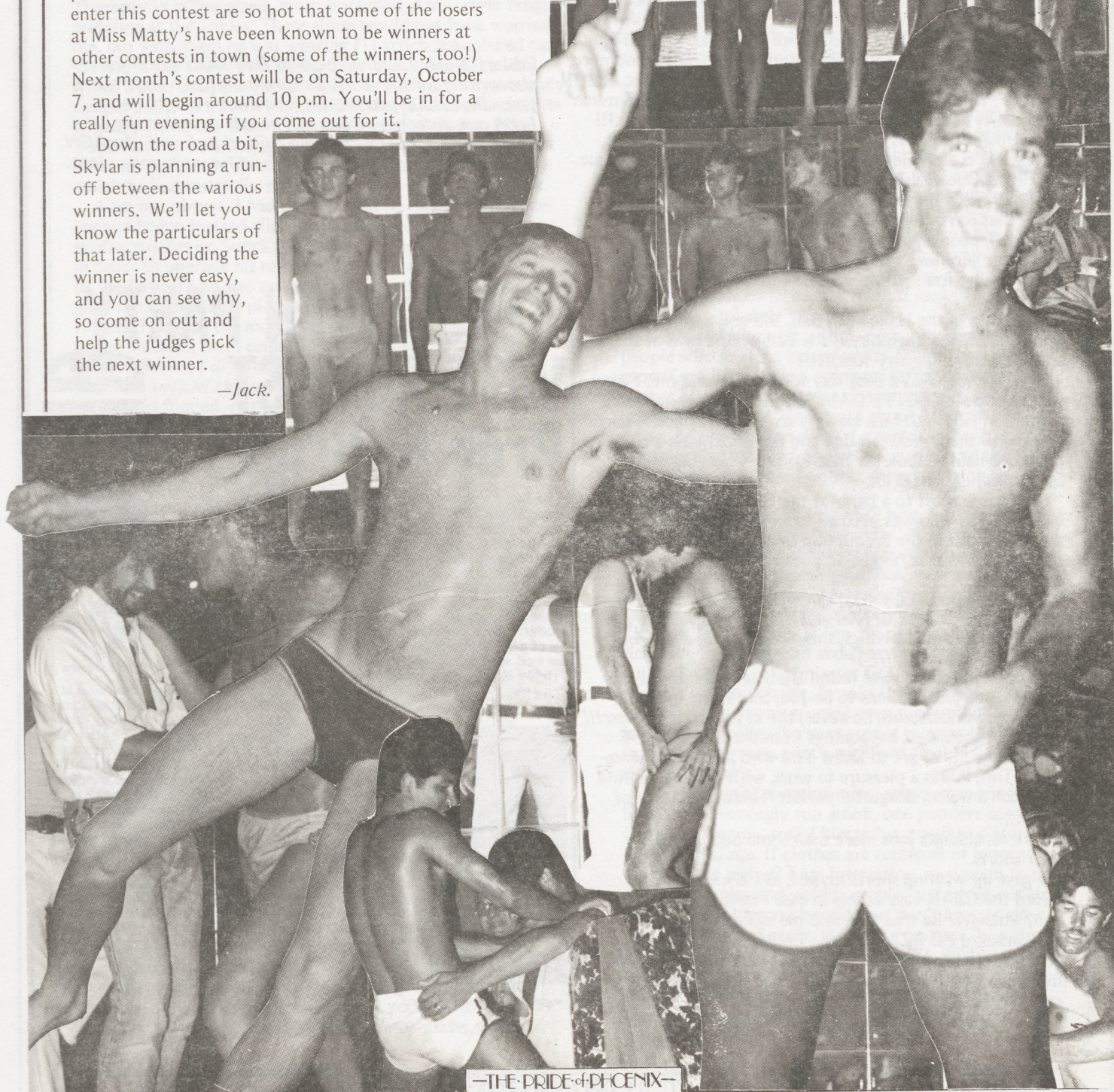
AROUND THE TOWN

Wet Jockey Shorts at Miss Matty's Attic...

Always the most fun, always the hottest contestants, and always that \$100 prize — the Wet Jockey Shorts Contest at Miss Matty's on the first Saturday of the month draws a large and enthusiastic crowd of people. This last month's contest saw the \$100 prize go to Scott — and I have to admit, he entered after a bit of urging from one of the judges (I wonder which one...) Even Sammy got into the act this month and did his share of judging at very close range. Jason made his presence known in a *very big way*, too. The guys who enter this contest are so hot that some of the losers at Miss Matty's have been known to be winners at other contests in town (some of the winners, too!) Next month's contest will be on Saturday, October 7, and will begin around 10 p.m. You'll be in for a really fun evening if you come out for it.

Down the road a bit, Skylar is planning a run-off between the various winners. We'll let you know the particulars of that later. Deciding the winner is never easy, and you can see why, so come on out and help the judges pick the next winner.

—Jack.





FROM THE MOUTH OF THE DRAGON

- Those *Sisters of Sewer Slang*, the Shadowettes, are obviously still sifting yet another manure mound for the stifling stench that they, and they alone, consider a column, as they are in print again. At best, they remind me of an acute case of ring-worm of the mouth as they write in befouled circles!!!
- Has anyone noticed the *chain and lock* around FRANK B's neck, since his recent stay in New York. The real reason behind said chain and lock is to curtail his intake of calories. Perhaps, since he has lost a few pounds, if he passes anymore of his now-famous gas, it will sound less like an atomic blast!!!
- JEFF, who works the door at the Casa, has about as much personality as sun tea made on a very rainy day — Weak!!!
- Let me assure you, TONY B., that being a "JO ANNE PERSON" is a privilege for me and not a form of the plague. Any Drag Queen along with Danny Butler and backed up by 12 to 14 of the most handsome male dancers in this state, that can command the applause of over 1000, that's *thousand*, people as JoAnne did at last year's Halloween Ball, has a bit more going for them than being just a drag queen. I am proud to be JoAnne's fan, friend, and confident.
- Speaking of the Halloween Ball, Bill and Sam have outdone themselves this year, as the Ball will be held at the, are you ready, Registry Resort!!!
- Last Monday was a busy day for JoAnne and me. First, we visited Miss BETTE DAVIS, Buddy, who is in Desert Samaritan Hospital. Miss Davis is always a very active participant with the Halloween Ball and has undergone a complete overhaul to look her best for this year's big event. She looks just fantastic.

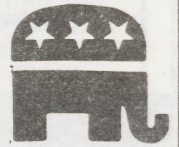
Then it was off to a party at the CZAR's for MISS GOLDBERG who was in town from Reno, Nevada for the day. She's still in the production of *Baggy Pants*, is wafer thin and looks smashing. You guessed it darlings, I just got smashed.

- Recently saw BILLY (DJ) out with CRYSTAL. Wonder where Bob D was??? Crystal and Billy didn't seem to miss him, as believe me, darlings, they were having a ball, or two, or three, or four!!!
- JOE S appears to have found another new interest whose name just happens to be Joe, too. None of which I shall ever understand, however, the key word is *another!!!*
- One of the nicest happenings from the WIZARD OF OZ was for me to get to know TIM who played the scarecrow. Tim, it was a pleasure to work with you and to find you such a warm, delightful person. There are so few of us left...
- Jack M. changes jobs more than some people change their shorts.
- I gave up wearing shorts myself, as I always want to afford the CZAR easy access in case I have to moon for him, whenever he tries to hump me again in public...
- Overheard the CZAR ask the EMPRESS not to wait until September to tie the Imperial Knot. See how time flies when we're having fun. Even I had no idea the Imperial Knot Tying was so close at hand.
- GEORGE C back from yet another vacation...

- Guess who else is back from California??? STAN W... Welcome home, Stannie.
- Keep making news as I need copy...

Editors' Note...Our own beloved DRAGON LADY is now also writing for the AGN. Twice a month, we understand, you will find her pearls there, and once a month here. Look out, Arizona, no one will be safe now that she has THREE TIMES as much space... Good luck with the AGN, DL, that's one column none of us will want to miss. Jack.

REPUBLICAN PARTY VOTE AGAINST Prop. 6/ Briggs



Mike Henderson

The San Francisco Republican Party's County Central Committee in full session, voted to oppose the measure on the November ballot to ban gay teachers from the public schools of the State. Prop. 6, introduced by the State Senator from Fullerton, John Briggs, had its supporters, and they were crushed by the landslide vote against them and Briggs' Prop. 6.

The only two persons who actually voted "yes" on 6, were attorney Alan Nichols and school teacher Juanita Raven. Both have vehemently opposed the appointments of gays to the State and County Central Committee's, as well as recognizing the first gay Republican Club, the Teddy Roosevelt Republican Club.

The "Yes on 6" Pro-Briggs forces were led by Terrance Faulkner who is from the 18th District. Faulkner, a notorious homophobe, abstained on the vote with the rather lame excuse that the voters of his District were for "prop.6". Max Woods, who is seeking the 6th Senate seat from that shame area voted against Prop. 6, saying that it was bad legislation. 6th Congressional candidate, Tom Spinoso also voted against the Briggs' measure also. Another Republican candidate, Mike Henderson, was the author of the measure. He is seeking the 17th Assembly District spot of Willie Brown, and is favored win a narrow victory over Brown.



George Deukmejian
candidate/Attorney General

Henderson, long a pro-gay rights advocate, along with his lovely wife Cathy, made this statement, "Prop. 6 is hate legislation. Our school shouldn't become social battlegrounds, for we should teach children how to read without creating more problems for the teachers. Attorney General candidate, Senator, George Deukmejian has come out against Prop. 6, also.

The San Francisco Crusader, Issue 62.

The Clothes Horse

—by Calv Incline.

The Macho Pucci Gucci Look (apologies to M. Knox)

Recently I have taken to reading *Gentlemen's Quarterly* and have, moreover, cast a furtive clandestine peek or two at *L'Officiel Hommes*, and *L'Uomo Vogue*, top French and Italian ragmags for men. This because a companion of many fine jean-boot-and work-shirt years appeared before me last Thursday in pillow-sized, multi-pocketed, Army-style fatigues puddling at the ankles. These alone would not have worried me, but with them he was wearing (1) artichoke-colored canvas and suede shoes with thick, baby-blue soles, (2) a long white woven belt, the end of which he had carefully, casually tucked under at a point past the buckle, (3) a blue and white striped pajama top from a pile of hospital givaways, (4) a T-shirt an insouciant diagonal rip, (5) a wrinkled brown vest twice his size, and (6) an oh-so-tiny polka-dotted brown tie which he had tastefully mislaid about his sweet brave neck.

I am not obtuse. I had noticed that he had stopped shaving and begun instead clipping his whiskers with a pair of sewing scissors on Sunday mornings while buttering toast, in order to upgrade his resemblance to Giancarlo Giannini, of the films. I had also noticed that he was, lately, shinningly, gleefully, unbearably pleased with himself. About what? He left; I flew to the mulch pile of current periodicals under his desk; there under a litter of *The New York Review of Books*, I discovered some back copies of *'Uomo Vogue*, *L'officiel Hommes*, and *Gentlemen's Quarterly*. My friend had flipped, not out, but in.

"The rough with the smooth," *GQ* had told him. "Star Milan Designer, Giorgio Armani, combines rough and smooth to create an aggressive almost anarchistic view for Spring. His men are self-confident enough to dress as if they had assembled their clothes with their eyes closed. I turned the page with my eyes closed. "Carve up your old T-shirts," *GQ* was saying, "into wearable art...slice out the neck, letting that natural curl of fabric create its own lines. And snip off the sleeves while you're at it. By the way, save the scraps from your cut-ups and turn them into headbands or neckerchiefs." My dustrags? I turned the page. "Then, there are long Johns," *GQ* was urging. "We've seen them tucked into boots and topped with assorted Big Tops and parkas in sufficient numbers to suggest a trend...there's also fashion's new negligence toward shirttails. You'll wear them out, if you care at all..."

I was learning a code I hadn't known existed. When one's mate is found in the kitchen mixing witch hazel with almond paste, poisoning is not necessarily imminent. *GQ's* "Grooming and Fitness Basics" has been explaining how he can loosen dead cells and degrease skin. If one finds one's friend pressing very thin cucumber slices against his eyes, he's trying, not to regain his salad days, but to "relieve swelling and puffiness while respecting the skins acidity." Men, I discovered in my reading, like to consider themselves as buildings. "Remember," says *GQ*, "when gathering up your courage to make...visual statements, that clothes are architecture. If that classy new culture box in Paris, the *Centre Beaubourg*, has the guts to expose its innards to the awed public, why can't you? In other words, if a building can visibly consist of elevator shafts, ducts,

and stairways, then why shouldn't you reveal your suspenders, underwear and socks?"

When not feeling like buildings, men are thought to feel like Boston lettuce. "Soft with almost sleepy elegance in good-natured fabrics, gently rumpled, sleeves pushed up, collars undone, a bow tie thrown on..." Or, *GQ* says, men may think of themselves as History: designer Nino Cerruti, for example, "spans not only the cultures of Europe and America, but also the great divide between the machine age and the time of handcrafting..."

As I turned the pages of these high-steppers, distinct personalities emerged. *L'Uomo Vogue*, published in Milan, is thick, glossy and sexy, but doesn't speak English very well (there are eight pages of English precis in the back of the book, containing such lovely lines as "Leather is certainly having the Lion's share," and, "The minute checks and stripes are redolent of the nursery"). It can be moody—sulky/sultry looks in leather jackets and turned up collars and blasé hirsute, *sinistramodels*. It is very *rivoluzionario*, pushing the widest, loosest, most rolled-up, baggiest, and superprole of threads. In *fini*, it looks a lot like Giancarlo Giannini.

L'Officiel Hommes is slim, neat, boyish and full of people who seem to be *université* folks. They are also *sportif*, golfing, fishing, going on safari, scoffing sandwiches of *jambon*. They are concerned with *mode*, *accessoires*, *beauté*. They read about *L'homme en beige*, *Le phenomene disco*, *La carte de credit*, *Le nouveau divorce*, *La frequence sexuelle*, and the *Gar aux ulceres* — it's hard on the stomach, being so *aujourd'hui*.

On balance, I think I like *GQ* best, but wouldn't want to be in its Ballys. It worries. It doesn't want the American male to make a fool of himself, and thinks that without strict guidance, he will. It feels the added responsibility of protecting him from the most bizarre of the European fashions — a heavy task. "Italians love the feel of fine fabric over unencumbered flesh. We're not so wild about it, for both climatic and cultural reasons..." confesses *GQ*. "Another trend we've seen...is wearing classic, Brooks Brothers boxer shorts (or boxer-type swim trunks) over sweat-pants while jogging. Logically, the next step is to wear them over jeans or fatigues, but let's withhold final judgement on that one." Let's.

As with whisker-eating mice, where grooming behavior has seemingly run amok, one ponders competitive adjustments, social hierarchy, possible dietary deficiencies, age. If clothes are emblems of inner states, what are we seeing? I am interesting, men seem to be saying, complex and unfathomable, and it's about time you noticed. I am rock-solid, but don't have to dress as if I am, able to get to the office on time, but don't have to dress as if I must. I am playful, witty, nicely unconventional. Insight's my middle name — flexible subtle, mind-of-my-own. Can pack a picnic basket like nothing you've ever seen. A pasta masta. The good bunch of lilies does not elude his hand.

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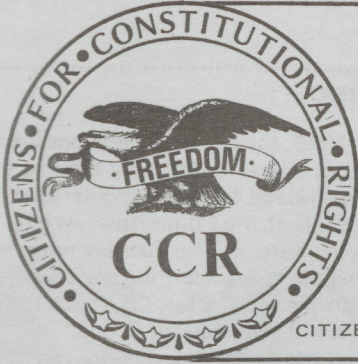
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GUEST EDITORIAL.....

—by David Custead.

Ed. Note: This is being submitted as a viewpoint of a private person, not as the Treasurer or CCR.

It is now 11:30 p.m., September 12, 1978. The ballots are being counted. The "dry run" of the election is over and I am exhausted. I called people last night reminding them of the election. I was also at a meeting of *Janus* and did not get home until after 2 a.m. I was up a 6:30 a.m. and I started telephoning. I never hung up the phone until 1:30 p.m. The phones started again at 3:00 p.m. and did not end until 6:00 p.m. I telephoned over 100 people, told them what their District was, helped them locate polling places, and gave information concerning candidates. There were three other people doing the same thing — Ron Atkins, Skip Green and Jack Caldwell. If we had more people, more cars and more phones we *could have decided* the elections for *many* districts!

The returns showed a light voter turnout. If we had more people organized, if we had more people registered, if we had been allowed to use that time we had set aside...

Why didn't CCR have the information available one or two weeks in advance? Why were there almost no flyers? Why were there no sample ballots mailed at least to the membership, if not to the Community in general, including Tucson?

We *had* the information weeks in advance. I know, I helped gather a small portion of it with Ron Atkins — who practically did it all by himself. There was no one else to help with the poll. However, the critics seem to abound now that the poll is finished. I handled the Republicans and Ron handled the Democrats. We *knew!* So why wasn't the information distributed?

Two weeks ago, just before the Primary, a small group of small-minded people started to attack the *only* Gay political group we have in Arizona.

They wondered "where all the money was going." They attacked every member of the Steering Committee. They resigned from CCR, supposedly to leave, then tried desperately to eliminate the entire Committee. They must have wanted everyone to go down with them. **THEY STOPPED CCR FROM FUNCTIONING!!** They stopped it cold! Nothing could be done for the Primary Election. Everyone had to "put out fires" including approaches on BLACKMAIL on Steering Committee members. This was because of Gays "concerned" about the Community.

BULLSHIT!! They were only concerned about themselves and their small, petty groups and social clubs. They want their own glory! They could care less about Gays or the future of Gays in Arizona! They couldn't possibly care. How could they when they attack CCR, the only political action group we as a Community have fighting for our rights in Arizona? Can they, as a small social organization, go to the Legislature? Can they deal with the police? Who *do* they think they are? And, why did they choose to attack just *before* an election? Was it planned and timed? Whose side are they *really* on?

Well, for their information, CCR's function will not be stopped! There *are* those who care! There are those of us who *will* get the people out to vote. We *will* inform on the candidates! We will fight, and win, even if we have to roll over those self-serving Gays who "claim" to be "all for the Community!"

I think the Community really should take a hard look at those who cause trouble. We all should determine the real personal motives behind the accusations. Do we want them?

Do you realize the potential we *had* in this election? This was the first time in Arizona's history that Legislative candidates came to a Gay organiza-

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tion, CCR, and asked for help from us. It was perhaps the best chance we had as united Gays. We have one last chance in November. That election will decide for the Legislature how effective the Gay Community actually can be. Let's unite now and ignore the petty, small-minded people who want to see CCR, and thense the Community, destroyed. It seems as though these people have been around and "involved" when several other organizations and leaders were destroyed in the past few years in Arizona.

Stop *destroying* and tearing down! Now is the time to build, and we don't have all that much time! Just 55 days. Maybe I care too much. But there is a limit to what I can take.

Come on Gays! We need to hang together NOW, or indeed we may soon hang separately!

EXECUTIVE BOARD.....

A Message From The Executive Director:

Dear Members:

At the September 6 General Meeting a motion was passed calling for the re-appointment of all Steering Committee positions. The motion stated that a special meeting be held September 20, for the approval of a new Steering Committee by the general membership.

I will make every effort to appoint a Steering Committee that will be a strong and powerful force in the struggle for your rights. I feel that it is essential for those appointed to be able to work together for the goals of this organization.

A Steering Committee that has the support of the entire Gay Community will be a powerful force. They cannot receive your support if you do not attend this meeting. Let your voice be heard now!

Sincerely yours,

John Morris, Executive Director

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LOBBYIST COMMITTEE.....

A REPORT FROM RON ATKINS

On Tuesday, September 12, 1978, the Primary Elections were held. The Lobbyists had circulated a flyer on Monday evening to all possible locations within Phoenix. Pat Klemme circulated the flyers to the women's bars on behalf of the Committee. As a result, the answer-line was very, very busy all day Tuesday with requests for information. Three people helped continually telephoning voters and informing them on the candidates. Consequently, a few opponents of human rights lost their bid for office.

The Lobbyists Committee will need many more volunteers for the General Election on November 7. We can surprise Arizona by electing our supporters if the trend of light voter turnout continues. There will be car pools, phone banks, and another poll. The planning for these things has already begun. This cannot, however, happen without your support and work hours. This includes Tucson. The information on the candidates will be disseminated within two weeks of the General Election.

Volunteers should contact Ron Atkins or David Custead c/o CCR, P O Box 2266, Phoenix, 85002, or, through the CCR Answer Line 266-5068.

NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE.....

A REPORT FROM TED MAUREAU

As you can see, the NEWSLETTER is back into full swing after the long hot summer months of much inactivity in CCR and the Community in general.

For the future, a new poll is planned by the Lobbyists Committee for the upcoming November elections. If all goes well, we'll be able to bring that to you in the October NEWSLETTER. Candidate information, polling place information and other General Election news will predominate the NEWSLETTER in October and November. Look also to the NEWSLETTER for information on CCR's SPECIAL EVENTS and fundraisers.

If you have any information of a *Political* nature that you feel is important to be printed, please let me know through the CCR Answer Line. Your call will be returned. ALSO, we are in desperate need of a copy editor. This sort of work mostly means running through the material presented by the various committees, members, and others for print. Help of this nature is needed as there will *not* be a NEWSLETTER if there isn't any help.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE.....

A REPORT FROM DOUG GORDON

The Membership Committee has begun formulating the plans for a huge drive for new members scheduled to commence at the end of January. This may seem a long way off, but there is a lot of work ahead to prepare for the November elections. This is not to say, however, that the membership committee can't use help now. On the contrary, we always want help, and need it. Call the CCR Answer Line and leave name, phone number, when you can be reached and note that the message is for the membership committee, and you will be contacted shortly.

The work needed for the Committee is mostly clerical at this time. Correcting addresses, phone numbers, sending letters out informing people that their membership has run out and the like.

We are also planning (hopefully by the 20th or so) the inclusion of accepting MasterCharge and Visa for donations and membership. This will make the giving even more painless. Watch future CCR NEWSLETTERS for more information about the membership drive, it may be worth it to you in more ways than one.

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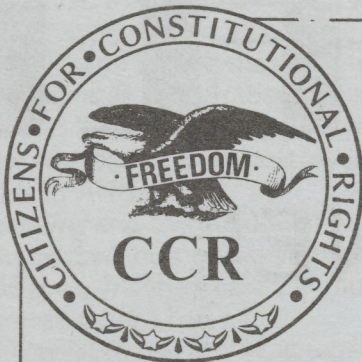
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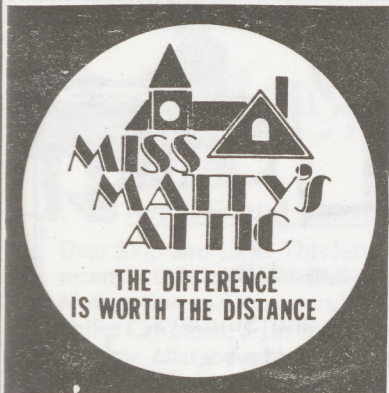
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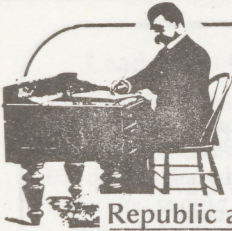


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For those of us who work with children, and are easy targets for such allegations, the implications of this sort of newspaper treatment are horrendous.

The article goes on its homophobic vein to blame the increase in such abuses of children on the gay liberation movement, an unsubstantiated fact which is counter to any recent research and should be duly protested. I am sure my letter to the Editor of the *Republic* will remain unpublished as in the past, but my incensed feelings will have been registered, hopefully along with many others.

Let this be a warning to anyone, closeted or not, who works with children, that, on the basis of such an allegation, he or she will be found guilty until proven innocent. Part of the sentence passed on Philip Campbell so far has been his precipitous emergence from the closet, the loss of his job and the expense of mounting defense necessitating the selling of his home. Unless we protest this absolute freedom of the press in setting itself up as prosecutor, jury and judge, then we allow them to hammer home one more nail in our collective coffin.

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Coors Employee Writes...

Finished reading your article about Coors. I would like to make a few comments on my own about the article. (1) Before the strike, Coors didn't have any need for all the "expensive printed material and rah-rah stuff" — your words. The real issues of the strike have been lost in all the emotional lie ridden propaganda put out by the Union. (2) You said NBC did a three-part special on the Polygraph and Coors. I never saw it. So I can't say too much about it. (3) About the report from the Union about Coors and Gays: About this 10% you talk about. How are you going to find out unless you ask? See—you are hollering about it—if they ask and then if they don't have the 10% you are hollering. I ask you editor, how many higher ups and officers are gay in the Union. Oh—no, don't ask that. That's privileged information. BULLSHIT! They probably don't have any, so get off our backs. Myself, I think you are doing to Coors what society is doing to you — Crucify. (4) I don't and won't believe Coors ever contributed to Anita Bryant. (5) In this country there is free speech—Anita Bryant has the right too. I disagree with her though. We aren't all child molesters, but I think there is one thing all gays should recognize. Most of society will tolerate us, but keep your hands off my body and my kids, is their attitude. That's their hangup. (6) Incidentally I am a mother of 4. I felt the same way too. Yet I'm gay too. I also worked for Coors Container for 2½ years. I've always been open about my sexual preference. I've really never had any problems because of it, from fellow-workers or supervisors. We—gays — are in all divisions of Coors. And I haven't heard any complaints. Really enjoyed your last paragraph. Talked to John, Sterling and people on the coast. Well, so did I meet John and Sterling when they were here. Your last paragraph was a real laugh. I say why don't "YOU" come to Golden yourself to see for yourself where it is at? THE UNION REALLY SUCKED YOU IN —guys—WITH LIES. But there again, you need them and they need you, ONLY TO SERVE THEIR PURPOSE. When this is all over with, LET'S SEE WHAT THEY DO FOR YOU? Thanks for listening to my side. Carolyn J. Dolph, Coors Glass Division.

THE PRIDE REPLIES: No, Carolyn, the Union didn't really suck us in, as you wrote. Actually, we've had no input from the Union, per se. Lies? Yes, I'm sure there have been some pretty gross lies on both sides...not just the Union. And, at this point, whether there are gays in high places with the Unions is not an issue (maybe it should be) and we are asking for nothing from them. As for my coming to Golden, well, I was willing...but they cooked the trip up with Sterling and not me, even after saying that I'd be contacted about it. So if somebody in the Coors hierarchy is unhappy...that's just too bad...they had their chance. If you wrote this letter as a concerned gay person: BRAVO, but, if you are vocalizing the mouthings of Bob Russo, Joe Coors and others...then my dear, YOU have sold out, and that's pretty awful... —Jack.

LETTERS: *THE PRIDE OF PHOENIX* has always maintained the printing of any and all letters we receive. If you have comments, criticisms, questions or the like, please feel free to address them to us. Any letter received before the 8th calendar day of the month will be included in that month's edition. Write to: *THE PRIDE OF PHOENIX*, P. O. Box 9550, Phoenix, Arizona 85068.

The CCR "Leadership Olympics"

—Or—

How To Unify An Apathetic Community In One Easy (?) Lesson

For sometime now, I have been involved in the current (recurrent?) CCR leadership Olympics. The original (and lasting) reason for my involving myself in CCR at all was, very simply, to lend a hand to the hands of the too-few seemingly dedicated souls — my hand which just happened to hold a printing press and alot of other things which could be put to use for the best cause — that being our own very existence in this arrogant, self-assured Republican dominated state. I had then hopes to, in some small way, contribute to the future well-being of Arizona's Gays. Something went wrong, though, and while I maintain my original premise for being involved, most of those other "seemingly dedicated souls" seem to be more interested in obtaining some large measure of social and perhaps economic status and to "control" the organization and at least the Phoenix Gay Community. Being so open about all of this may prove dangerous, both politically and socially, not to mention economically, yet I feel compelled to talk, I feel the need to be heard, and I think my comments should command as much attention at least as did any one of those 10 or 20 people for whom Richard Rubadue asserted he was speaking for at the September General Meeting of CCR's membership.

I shall begin with the person just mentioned, Richard Rubadue — the *boy next door*, 1977's *person most likely to succeed*. First, I must record that I consider Richard to be a friend, and I have watched him grow up over the past eight years, and I care about him and he knows it. In the past I did what I could to keep his name clean and unblemished, though I could have done otherwise. As Executive Director of CCR, Richard tried to unify the community behind one cause — one admirable and important cause — our rights as human beings, gay human beings, to live here in Arizona. An admirable task, a difficult task, and an almost-impossible undertaking. Richard's wide-eyed idealism soon fell prey to pessimism and paranoia. This, though, was not to his discredit, the weight and strain of what was going on was certainly more than any one person should have had to bear. But bear it alone he chose to do and only his clear momentary foresight allowed him to decline running for the position at the first General Election.

So when my friend, Richard Rubadue, made one of his "rare" public appearances at the September General Meeting, it was clear to me what he was up to. And when, at just the right moment, he rose to speak in behalf of "20 members, 10 of whom are here, 10 are not," I also knew what he was up to. Somewhere there's an analogy for this kind of behavior, but it escapes me. But there he was with what seemed to be the *Articles of Schism* in his hands, taking pot-shots of innuendo at his "friends" on the Steering Committee. Asking for a General Membership vote on a proposition of demands, he put the new Executive Director on the defensive as the *dissident twenty* demanded action in direct violation of the By-Laws, not to mention common courtesy. And the charges of "conflict of interest" hurled through Richard at the "people from *THE PRIDE* (Skip, Jack and Ted Maureau)" — I could only stare at him in curiosity. Conflict of interest? Who among the community have broadcast longer and louder the importance, the merit, and the validity of CCR? Who has turned over to that organ-

ization the "soap-box" of *THE PRIDE OF PHOENIX* (an action, I may add, which has caused negative comments from the non-CCR people in the community)? Who has caused near financial disaster in their own business as a direct result of their contributions to CCR? And who "kept it quiet" as much as possible when three previous Executive Directors inadvertently created havoc in the organization and the general community? Well, of course Richard knew the answer, but he would only stand there reading from a document designed by others to make him feel important while serving *their* ends, and which could very easily not only relieve the present Steering Committee of their "duties" but put swift finality to the organization as well. At the moment Richard Rubadue is like an American patriot who is working for the King's men and doesn't know it.

Next comes the immediate past Executive Director, Sterling Gruver — a new person to me at the time of the CCR General Elections. Richard had promoted the Donaldson-Gruver team and in the light of the competition (Tom Read) we supported them, the only logical choice. Mr. Donaldson succumbed in a matter of weeks and the destiny of CCR now appeared to be in the hands of the curious Mr. Gruver, who had said he never wanted to be Executive Director and didn't feel qualified. And who did he come to for advise? Not the people on the Steering Committee at the time, not the general membership, not Richard Rubadue or Terry Donaldson, but Jack and Skip and Stan Krosky. In the best interests of the general membership we all threw our support behind him, and at the time, Sterling still knew how to ask questions. As a sense of power and authority grew, his questions became statements, then demands, and finally action without advise. Feeling threatened, thanks to a disagreement over the Coors issue, Sterling now viewed an adversary in *THE PRIDE OF PHOENIX*. Because he doubted his own sincerity, he doubted ours and towards the end must have thought we were seeking to control both the Executive Director and CCR in general. We watched Sterling struggle with his awkward position, he even called himself the *Imperial Director*, and I kept thinking, "He's adjusting, it'll pass." It didn't pass, it got worse. "I am the Executive Director!" his constant statement.

While the small band of "active" Steering Committee members busied themselves with the real work of CCR — educating and informing wherever possible the Gay Community to their own plight and what to do about it, polling the legislature, raising the funds to do the work and then doing the work themselves, this little group (I can count them on one hand) kept asking, "Isn't he (Sterling) going to help us?" And in the final analysis, he never could. Instead he turned away, resisted, and — hopelessly unintentionally — undermined the work of the people and the organization. And as a final gesture, caused to be humiliated in the face of the general community and underhandedly removed from the Steering Committee one of its' hardest working members, Stan Krosky, stating that he was really out to get Jack and Skip, and he knew if Stan went, we'd go too. That was followed by subterfuge and clandestine meetings, and when he realized he could no longer rail against the strength of the convictions of those who represented the best interests of the member-

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ship (the Steering Committee) he resigned and began gathering forces elsewhere and with others of his same ilk. "Do you think I should resign?" he asked me at the CCR Boys In The Band night for which he had done nothing. "Yes, Sterling, I think you should," I thought but didn't say.

John Morris comes into view now. Absent for a long time from the sphere of activity as a result of a weekend in Denver with Sterling Gruver during the Coors investigation by *THE PRIDE* and then CCR, John Morris was momentarily speechless when I told him over the phone that Sterling had resigned. And then (like a Prodigal Son?) he reappeared and assumed the position of Executive Director. Though John had been "in hiding" during most of Sterling's administration, he had managed to keep vaguely informed with infrequent telephone conversations with me and a few others. Now John picked up the reins, somewhat ill-informed and surely misinformed, but eager to do...something. "This is *square one*," said Steve Schemmel at the first Steering Committee meeting after Sterling's resignation, but somehow it didn't look that way.

With our hands no longer tied, the Steering Committee immediately made some pertinent changes, including the addition of new Steering Committee members as well as allowing for the presence of interested members at our meetings. The feeling among the members had been that their input was neither wanted nor appreciated, and to be perfectly blunt, the previous Executive Director had stated that Steering Committee meetings were absolutely closed and that if there were members present, they would not be allowed to speak at all. Such had been the case, but is no longer the case. Effective communication is imperative in an organization such as CCR and we have sought to increase communication between ourselves, the membership and the community in general. Practically all the "demands" made by the *dissident twenty* prior to the September General Membership Meeting were already done.

Still, the question remains — *what happened to the "leadership" of CCR? Why have three Executive Directors left office feeling greatly threatened and pressured?* It would take the knowledge of a clinical psychiatrist to fully answer that, but the fact remains that it has happened.

The Special Meeting on September 20 was indeed called, just as they requested, and the items listed in the motion Richard had presented were indeed the items on the agenda. The interesting point here is what happened among the members of the Steering Committee during the interim, at meetings, on the phone and over lunches. *Principles before personalities...* we had all tried before to maintain this point of view. It's meaning became totally clear and the realities of those words became the guiding force of that small group during these days.

When the time came for the re-appointment and confirmation of the Steering Committee, John Morris, in a forthright, clear and unmistakable manner, said very simply that this Steering Committee stands as a block — as a body — to either be retained or removed as a group. He spoke of the unity that exists between and among this group who has done much and will continue to do much. And during the ensuing discussion, they popped up like Jack-In-The-Boxes, horrified by this show of solidarity, unbelieving that this group of people, thrown together by three different Executive Directors could possibly all be of the same mind. One or two wanted to vote each Steering Committee member in separately, most just wanted the whole question resolved.

And there it was, before the eyes of the general membership and the entire community; the evidence of what real unity is and how it can work could not be missed. For the first time in the history of organizations in Phoenix, a group of determined people had made the statement clearly and emphatically — We are one body, we stand together, we are unified.

When the vote was finally taken the Steering Committee stood and will remain standing and working for the entire community, but now, there is no doubt about it, and everybody knows it.

And what can this: all possibly mean to Gay Arizona? Well, for one thing, it should now be obvious that the members of the Steering Committee of CCR mean business. It's no game, it's no social club, and there's no glory. It's a volunteer organization of people concerned with the quality of life in this state, and those present on that Committee intend to follow through, and to the best of their collective abilities, intend to make a better life for all Gays in Arizona. We stand behind each other since we realize that together we can and will accomplish good things. For once, in the face of a great deal of character-assassination, mud-slinging and jealousy, a small group of dedicated people have said, emphatically, "No, just this once, an organization will survive and will do the job set before them. We're not going to be destroyed by slander, innuendo, and the like, nor are we going to see the goals of CCR diminished by persons on the outside who are selfishly seeking something else."

Further, this situation should stand as some kind of beacon to the rest of the community, who choose apathy in place of action. Here is the beginning of a UNIFIED GAY COMMUNITY. The rest of the community is invited to fall in with (not *behind*) these people, and TOGETHER work towards all those things we all want — consenting adults laws, acceptance as a sub-culture, tolerance from people who have been taught to hate us, and the freedom to express ourselves as human beings. The potential is so great it is overwhelming. TOGETHER we can do anything; SEPARATELY we can do next to nothing.

And yes, Richard Rubadue, Sterling Gruver, Bj Bud, and several others who have had *bones to pick* with the Steering Committee in the past will be among the unified group, too, since secretly this was exactly what they were hoping for too — a strength in numbers, a group of clear-thinking workers to carry out the important task of permanently securing the future existence of Gay people in Arizona as a respected part of the community as a whole. Their own efforts have paid off, and we will all be working together.

Your own opportunity is here too. You can, if you care enough to, help create that *better tomorrow*, that seems to many to be too nebulous to bother with. All you need to do is step forward and help us help you. Criticize? Yes, there will be times people will do that, and they probably should. But to divide, to scoff, to hate and to persecute — the time is past for that. If you care about yourself, you won't. If you don't care, the least you can do is nothing, and the best thing would be to leave it all alone and let the rest of us, that ever-growing number who truly care, to be about our (and your) business.

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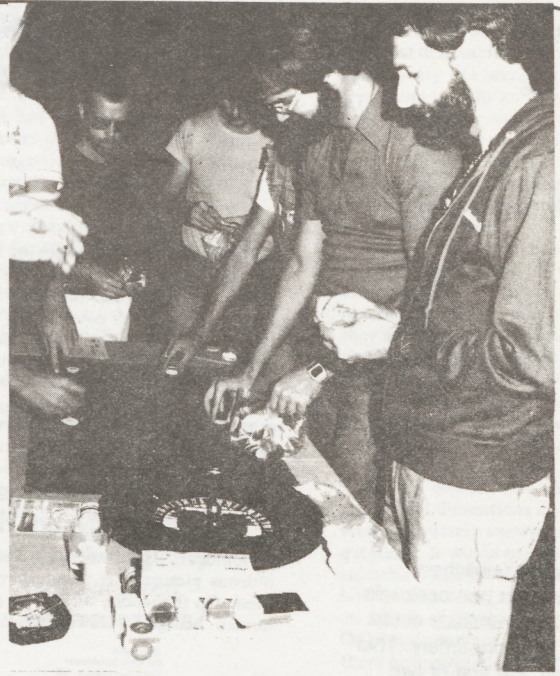
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JoAnne, Kitty Litter and Moosela came up from Casa to do an outstanding show for the crowd, highlighted by Kitty's Mae West routine, all of which was thoroughly enjoyed by the audience. Without a doubt, you can look for a repeat of this event later on...this time you should really make an effort to go, you'll have fun, and you'll help raise funds for a very good cause — your rights as a citizen of this state.



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A 'KINSEY REPORT' ON

HOMOSEXUALITIES

A newly published survey on homosexuals in San Francisco could not be more timely. This study, the first of two volumes from the Institute for Sex Research, concludes that 'homosexuality,' like all human behavior, comes in many different forms and lifestyles.

By Ashley Montagu

AT A TIME WHEN communities are voting down antidiscrimination ordinances with reference to homosexuals, a new book has come along that could not be more opportune. *Homosexualities: A Study of Human Diversity*, by Alan P. Bell and Martin S. Weinberg (Simon & Schuster, \$12.95), which reports on an investigation by the prestigious Institute for Sex Research, founded by Alfred C. Kinsey, shows clearly and unequivocally how spurious are the existing stereotypes of homosexuals.

Homosexuals do not conform to the hideous picture that people have of them. On the whole, they are as good human beings, as law-abiding citi-

identified. In this way, it is presumed, the problems presented will then become more amenable to analysis. The purpose of the investigation was, first, to identify various sexual dimensions of homosexual experience. By "dimensions," the authors mean such things as how much one regrets being homosexual or how overt one is. What they wish to demonstrate is "the relationship between homosexuals' sexual lifestyle and their social and psychological adjustment. . . . Our hope," they write, "is that it will become increasingly clear to the reader that there is no such thing as the homosexual (or the heterosexual, for that matter) and that statements that are made about human beings on the basis of their sexual orientation must always be highly qualified."

Then the authors spring a surprise: there is to be an additional volume, their most ambitious, which "in-

cially trained for the purpose, many of them homosexuals. Almost 5,000 men and women were recruited as potential respondents from the following sources: public advertising, bars, personal contacts, steam baths, organizations, mailing lists, and public places. Fair samples of black and white respondents were obtained in these ways. What, however, is somewhat mystifying—and the authors offer no explanation—is that in a city like San Francisco, whose second largest population is Oriental or of Oriental origin, no Orientals were recruited as respondents. An unusual opportunity seems to have been missed.

Methodologically, the authors did as well as they could with regard to hoped-for equivalences in age-groups, education, occupation, residential patterns, and religious affiliation. As might have been expected, the highest frequency of respondents was among Protestants; next in order came Catholics; and very low on the scale (2 percent) were Jews, with hardly any lesbians in the latter. It will be interesting to see what the authors make of this in their second volume.

One cannot help being impressed by the care with which interviewers were selected, the sensitivity with which they were trained, and the confidence which they inspired in the respondents. Statistical confidence tests were run on the results of the interviews; those for which a low correlation was found (below .40) were excluded from the final analysis. A great many statistical techniques were utilized in the analysis of the data, the value of which is exhibited in the many elaborate tables provided by the authors.

About three-quarters of the white homosexual men and a somewhat smaller number of black homosexual men considered themselves exclusively homosexual in their current sexual behavior. These respondents, however, less often considered themselves exclusively homosexual in their sexual feelings. The majority considered themselves homosexual in both their sexual behavior and feelings. These findings agree with those of most other investigators. White lesbians mostly believed they were more homosexual in their sexual behavior than in their feelings. Black lesbians tended to believe the opposite. On the whole, the females tended to show more evidence of heterosexuality than did the males.

Some of the observations made by lesbians on the contrast between the ways in which lesbians make love and the ways in which men make love to women are illuminating, and tend to support the view that women are rather more competent at the art. The women felt that females are more gentle, more sensitive, more thoughtful, and more deeply involved than men tend to be.

The authors expected to find that the men and women who volunteered for the purposes of this investigation would have been "relatively overt" *continued next page*



zens, as involved contributors to their society, as heterosexuals. Where they significantly differ from others is in their sexual preference. And here they do not indulge in sexual violence, rape, or seduction as frequently as heterosexuals do. The authors find that homosexual males are not as likely to make objectionable sexual advances as are heterosexual males. And homosexual teachers are probably not as apt to make sexual overtures to their pupils as are heterosexual teachers.

The investigation involved about 1,500 persons living in the San Francisco Bay area and was commissioned by the National Institute of Mental Health. Authors Bell, a psychologist, and Weinberg, a senior sociologist, are both connected with the Institute for Sex Research. They feel that to understand more about homosexual men and women, various "types" or "kinds" of homosexuals must be

volves an attempt to ascertain the kinds of developmental experiences which are apt to lead to homosexuality or heterosexuality in men and women." This is a pleasant surprise and perhaps strategically a wise decision. With the present volume attempting to make some order out of the "types" and "kinds" of homosexuals, it will be of interest to see what "types" and "kinds" of developmental experiences most closely correlate with them. I shall have something to say on the subject later in this review.

The investigators selected San Francisco, and the Bay area in particular, because they found it to be the most permissive and least harassing of homosexuals of all the towns they considered. It provided the investigators with a number of cooperative homophile organizations that were of great help to them. The bulk of the respondents were recruited from June to October 1969 by individuals spe-

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HOMOSEXUALITIES

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with respect to their sexual habits; instead, they found them to be "relatively covert," especially in their

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dealings with parents and other relatives. The better-educated homosexuals were more covert than their less-educated counterparts.

In all these connections, it should be remembered that in the eight years that have elapsed since the conclusion of this investigation, there have been highly significant changes on the social scene, so that as a picture of the contemporary homosexual world in the United States, this book is already somewhat out of date. Nevertheless, its contribution is very considerable.

A common view that homosexuals are sexually hyperactive is not supported by the facts revealed in this and other studies. Homosexuals are neither more nor less sexually active than are heterosexuals. Nor is it true that they spend a good part of their lives "cruising" in search of sexual contacts. Some do, but these are a minority.

While almost all male homosexuals had "cruised," less than 20 percent of lesbians, black and white, had done so. While males are, for the most part, interested in impersonal sexual encounters, females tend to seek a continuing, durable relationship that places a premium on mutual fidelity. In general, male homosexuals tend to be somewhat promiscuous, whereas lesbians tend to be involved in a long-term love affair. The authors cite an earlier study by psychologist Renée Liddicoat in which the average duration of a male homosexual affair was about four years, compared with a little less than six years for women. Almost half the white homosexual males and one-third of the black homosexual males said that they had had at least 500 different sexual partners during the course of their homosexual careers. While almost all of the white homosexual males reported that none of their partners, or only a minority of them, had been black, about two-thirds of the blacks reported that more than half of their partners had been white.

Of those involved in a current affair, about a third of male homosexuals said it helped them become a better or more complete person. A much larger number spoke of the warmth and love and understanding they were getting from their partners.

To lesbians, having a permanent living relationship with a partner is very much more important than it is to male homosexuals. As the authors point out, the sexuality of the male is

attributed to the greater tendency of the male to separate sex from affection, to validate themselves by how much sex they have, and to view fidelity as an undesirable restriction upon their freedom and independence. Another reason for the greater promiscuity of male homosexuals is, the authors suggest, the fact that society provides them with little or no opportunity to meet on anything more than a sexual basis: "Driven underground, segregated in what have been termed 'sexual marketplaces,' threatened but perhaps also stimulated by the danger of their enterprise, homosexual men would be expected to have an enormous number of fleeting sexual encounters."

The authors believe—I think rightly—that the relative instability of homosexual liaisons is probably due to the strong negative social sanctions opposed to such relationships. The data of this study clearly indicate that a steady relationship with a love partner is a very meaningful event in the lives of homosexual men and women.

Most homosexuals are happy with their lot, and lesbians are less discontented than male homosexuals. Homosexuals appear, on the whole, to be as psychologically well adjusted as heterosexuals. In this connection, the authors sagely remark that "the therapist who continues to believe that it is by fiat his or her job to change a homosexual client's sexual orientation is ignorant of the true issues involved." Unfortunately, there are a great many ignorant therapists practicing. It is to be hoped that this book will diminish their number.

Among the tasks the authors have attempted is the development of a typology of sexual experience based on a refined statistical analysis of their data. It is not possible to enter into a discussion of this here. The authors make no claim that their typology is the only possible one for their particular respondents or any others. In the course of their typological efforts, however, they have come up with some interesting correlations.

Involvement in a quasi-marriage or in an affair (i.e., being "coupled"), amount of regret over being homosexual, number of worries while cruising, number of sexual problems, and sexual activity are closely correlated. The involved tended to report a higher level of sexual activity, to have fewer sexual problems, and fewer regrets about being homosexual. There were also other predictably interesting correlations.

Homosexual men changed their jobs no more frequently than heterosexual men, but homosexual women changed their jobs somewhat more frequently, although they did not differ in how satisfied they were with their current jobs. Politically, both male and female homosexuals tended to be moderate. The authors think this may have been due to the fact that few of them had ever suffered negative social consequences as a result of their homosexuality. This is the authors' observation, and somewhat surprising. Today, however, as the authors are aware, the gay activist movement is making itself more powerfully heard in the endeavor to secure equal rights for homosexuals. This, of course, implies a far deeper

individual political involvement than has hitherto been the case. Homosexuals, previously driven underground, can today function a good deal more openly and freely.

More than a third of homosexual women had been married, compared with fewer than a fifth of the males. The suggestion is that many male homosexuals who marry tend to have some sexual interest in women, and marriage may merely be a testing ground for their heterosexual potential. Female homosexuals married, it would appear, because social factors encouraged it, and they do not find heterosexual relationships completely intolerable or impossible. A number of females, unlike their male

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counterparts, were unaware of their homosexuality prior to marriage.

Homosexual men and women tend to have more good, close friends than do heterosexuals, and among those close friends, heterosexuals are included. (There are indications throughout the study, but no actual evidence, that heterosexuals were questioned.)

Homosexual activity, even between consenting adults, is considered a criminal offense in 31 of these United States. Even where there are no such legal discriminations, homosexual men especially are subject to considerable police harassment. These arbiters of morality will even resort to entrapment. As long as such laws remain on the books and bigoted attitudes prevail, homosexuals will continue to be the victims of espionage, harassment, blackmail, robbery, and other unpleasantnesses.

The great contribution made by Bell and Weinberg's study is its demonstration of the essential normality of the homosexual—as anyone who has had homosexual friends knows. For the benefit of those who have not enjoyed such friendships, Bell and Weinberg's book is indispensable reading, for what their findings reveal is that homosexual men and women are best understood when they are seen as whole human beings, not just in terms of what they do sexually. And that, surely, is the important point about any class of human beings that are, in any way, distinguishable from others. By virtue of the fact that a person is a human being, whatever his or her biological or behavioral traits (so long as they are in no way damaging to others), the person has a full right to his or her growth and development as a human being. What he or she does about sex, whether to remain celibate, heterosexual, homosexual, bisexual, should always remain a matter of individual right.

Judeo-Christian dogma, which still governs most people's attitudes to-

ward homosexuality, is as archaic and as destructive as have been its attitudes toward sex. Certainly among the most destructive achievements of Christianity has been to turn sex, by repressing it, into an obsession. The Judeo-Christian condemnation of homosexuality as a sin and a crime for which no punishment could be too severe has made miserable and wrecked the lives of untold numbers of men and women.

Bell and Weinberg's book will help to break down some of the misunderstanding that prevails concerning homosexuals. The "*raison d'être*," as they quaintly put it, for their study is that "we do not do justice to people's sexual orientation when we refer to it by a singular noun." There are "homosexualities," as there are "heterosexualities," each involving different, interrelated dimensions.

Yes, of course. But the authors' typological dimensions do not, in my view, adequately answer the implied questions. It would have been of considerable value to know, for example, how each of their respondents stood on a scale of femininity-masculinity. On this important question the authors have absolutely nothing to say, and I find this both astonishing and inexplicable. It will be of interest to see how, if at all, they deal with gender behavior in their more ambitious volume. If they have any data on the subject, I would predict that the relationship between type of gender homosexuality, that is, whether one behaves in a masculine or feminine manner, bears a direct relation to the manner in which one or the other parent was inadequate. For the rest, I have little doubt that homosexuality is almost always the result of parental inadequacy. When both parents are inadequate, the child may develop as bisexual. The best unbiased source material for these statements is to be found in George Henry's *Sex Variants* (Harper & Row Medical Books, 1941, 2 vols.), which provides case histories and allows the reader to draw his own conclusions.

Homosexuality is not a problem that homosexuals create, but that ill-informed and bigoted people create whose emotional conflicts about their own sexual difficulties they frequently tend to project upon others. Sexual bigotry is as reprehensible as any other form of bigotry. The best way to combat it is with such facts as Bell and Weinberg have brought into the light of day in this book. It has lessons to teach above and beyond those of homosexualities, and the chief of these is humanity.

What is asked of people in a humane society is not that they view homosexuals from a heterosexual but from a humane viewpoint. Homosexuality is neither a disease nor a disorder, nor is bisexuality. These are preferences conditioned by developmental conditions. Given those conditions, such preferences can be predicted. I expect that Bell and Weinberg's second volume will help to make this clear. Meanwhile, they have given us a thoroughly documented volume on an important issue which should be read with the care it deserves, especially by parents, teachers, and legislators, and, of course, by all who have an interest in the development of human behavior. □

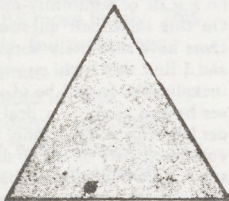
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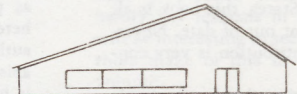
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Bryant Cancels Funder for Candidate Phillips

By John Graczak

BOSTON — Anita Bryant failed to perform in Boston Friday, Sept. 1, when Democratic United States Senatorial candidate Howard Phillips called off his fundraiser starring the anti-gay crusader. Phillips claimed to have cancelled the concert due to threats of violence from "militant homosexuals," but failed to mention low ticket sales. A reliable source told GCN that only 78 tickets were sold through commercial outlets.

While Phillips was still planning his Hynes Auditorium fundraiser, members of the women's, gay, and civil libertarian communities gathered to form the September One Coalition. The Coalition faced opposition from Bryant, Phillips and the South Boston Marshalls, the militant anti-busing group, and at the same time fielded dissent within the gay community.

The Coalition

The September One Coalition began on Thursday, Aug. 24 during a meeting of 200 people at Old West Church, Boston. Several responses to Bryant's visit were proposed. Jack Rubin, representing several bar managers, offered the support of the bars in holding a city-wide party during the Phillips fundraiser. Rep. Elaine Noble, one of those facing Phillips in the Democratic primary, favored a celebration at Faneuil Hall. These proposals were considered and passed over by the ad-hoc group, which decided on a massive demonstration at Hynes Auditorium, with a celebration to follow.



Anita Bryant and Howard Phillips talk to the press.

Tim Grant

The Coalition met with its first difficulty when State Rep. Barney Frank told David Drolet of the Mass. Caucus for Gay Legislation that he would have the participants of the protest arrested if they march through Back Bay to the proposed celebration site on the Esplanade. Frank told Drolet that he has spent his entire legislative career keeping groups off the Esplanade. The demonstration was finally set to begin at Copley Square, and then proceed to Hynes for a rally during the Bryant performance. The Coalition contacted speakers and entertainers, and community groups began to endorse the rally.

The Community Dissension

The GCN staff had committed itself as early as Aug. 18 to carrying infor-

mation of any planned activity in response to Bryant. The paper came out on Aug. 29 with a special supplement publicizing plans for the demonstration, and carrying endorsements from several lesbian and gay groups.

By Wednesday, GCN received reports of dissension within the gay community. Dignity, the organization of gay Catholics, had decided to withhold endorsement of the rally because of the Coalition's resolution supporting "women's right to choose." Robin MacCormack of the Gay Business Association contacted many local gay and women leaders, asking them not to support the proposed demonstration. Rep. Noble held a press conference Wednesday afternoon in front of Hynes Auditorium. Noble asked "any-

announced that, "All permits had been obtained for a peaceful march and rally." Drolet went on to thank Commissioner Jordan "for his willingness to cooperate with the gay and women's communities to ensure a peaceful response in Boston to Ms. Bryant's appearance." Drolet announced that State Rep. Mel King and Angela and Robert Bonin had agreed to speak at the rally.

Kathy Travers said that the Coalition "has announced its support of everyone's right to sexuality and lifestyle, equal opportunities to employment, housing and education, and women's right to choose." Travers stated, "While we recognize Bryant's right to speak, it is our right and responsibility to show our resistance to homophobia, attacks on women's rights and the right-wing positions that Bryant and Phillips represent. We will show them that there are more people in Boston who support people's rights than are against them." A list of forty-eight endorsements from various individuals and groups, including the Gay Task Force of the National Lawyers Guild, Rep. Mel King, Rev. Troy Perry, gay activist Flo Kennedy and singer Joan Baez was announced.

The Phillips Conference

That afternoon, Howard Phillips spoke to reporters at the Park Plaza Hotel. Phillips announced his cancellation of the demonstration due to "threats of violence" from "militant homosexuals." Phillips brandished a copy of the GCN supplement, claiming that its back-page poster of Bryant with the caption "Wanted, for crimes against humanity," was "proof" of the violent nature of the rally.



Susan Flitzmann

Phillips acknowledged that he had invited members of the South Boston Marshalls to attend the rally. "The Marshalls I have met impress me as fine, responsible people," said Phillips. Phillips assured reporters that he did not know how many tickets were sold for the performance, though by then the low ticket sales were common knowledge in Boston. Advertisements in Boston newspapers appeared with the face of Anita Bryant marked over with the caption "Cancelled; due to threats of violence."

Rally Held by Coalition, Bryant Shows

The September One Coalition decided to go ahead with the rally, announcing "that what was to be partly a protest against what Anita Bryant and Howard Phillips represent is now primarily a celebration of everyone's rights."

Bryant did come to Boston, appearing at a press conference in the Copley Plaza Hotel, along with Howard Phillips and her husband, Bob Green. Entering the room surrounded

by an entourage of Phillips supporters, Bryant made her way to the podium, shaking hands and introducing herself to the press. Then, flanked by the Marshalls, who eyed the reporters throughout the conference, Bryant announced, "For a number of years I have been aware of the outstanding leadership of Howard Phillips in the nation. . . . That's the only reason I'm here in Boston today." When asked how she came to endorse Phillips, Bryant answered, "Well, I had heard of Howard Phillips for some time, particularly because of the great job he did with the Office of Economic Opportunity in taking out, particularly I remember the great job he did in cutting tax funding for homosexual organizations, I believe it was a day-care center."

The Celebration

The September One Coalition held a news conference and reiterated the peaceful nature of the demonstration. It attributed the cancellation of the fundraiser to the low level of ticket sales. The demonstration began as

one who plans to participate in that demonstration to stay calm . . . to keep a sense of humor." Noble announced that she would not march and added, "I am not a leader for the gay community. . . . This demonstration could prove to be explosive and counterproductive. She [Bryant] has a right to express her views." The police permits which Noble promised the Coalition she would "obtain for whatever route you choose," had, in the end, to be filed for and obtained by David Drolet and John Mitzel of the September One Coalition.

Coalition leaders were concerned that Noble was encouraging a climate of fear around the demonstration. Noble told the *Boston Globe* that she had spoken with Police Commissioner Joseph Jordan, and reported Jordan had told her, "there are men in the ranks who are as prejudiced against gays as anyone else, who would be difficult to hold back and not reticent to clear the streets of gays." Jordan told GCN that he "did not say that." Rumors that the Ku Klux Klan, and the South Boston Marshalls were planning to attend the rally began to circulate. By Wednesday evening, bars in Boston carried both the GCN supplement announcing the protest and an appeal by Elaine Noble and several gay businesses not to endorse the rally.

Permits Given Coalition

David Drolet and Kathy Travers spoke to the press on Thursday from the steps of the State House. Drolet

planned at 6 p.m. in Copley Square. Two thousand participants heard speeches and entertainment while Bryant, Phillips, members of their families and supporters watched from the fourth story of the Copley Plaza Hotel.

An analysis of the New Right by Sherry Weigart of Abortion Action was delivered at the beginning of the demonstration.

State Rep. Mel King told the crowd that, "You are all niggers . . . we are not a minority . . . to be called a minority is to set yourself up to get less. The coalition that we need in this country is that of all the niggers."

The Bonins Speak

One of the highlights of the rally was the appearance of Former Chief Justice of the Superior Court of Massachusetts Robert Bonin and Angela Bonin. Bonin resigned his post on Aug. 2 after the Massachusetts House and Senate had voted overwhelmingly in favor of a "bill of address" to remove him from the bench permanently [see GCN Vol. 6, No. 4].

"I promise you," said Angela Bonin, "that some time in the city of Boston, gay people will be given the same rights as heterosexuals . . . our courts and government will be run by people of integrity and intelligence."

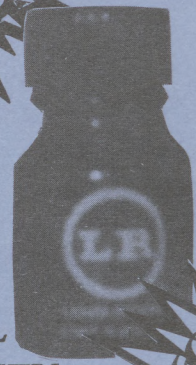
Robert Bonin called the cancellation of the Bryant fundraiser "a typical demagogic trick." "Politics is the only profession where mediocrities can gain the world's attention by slander. You don't need, and I sure don't need, Howard Phillips or Elaine Noble to lecture us," Bonin said.

"My wife and I wish you the best of luck, we support you and fellow civil libertarians."

No incidents occurred at the demonstration.

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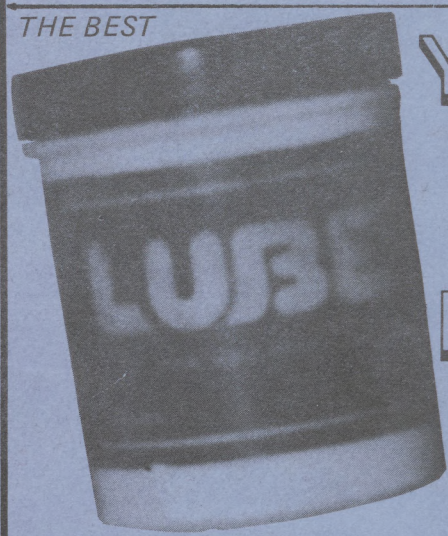
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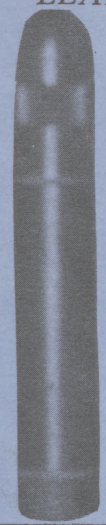
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