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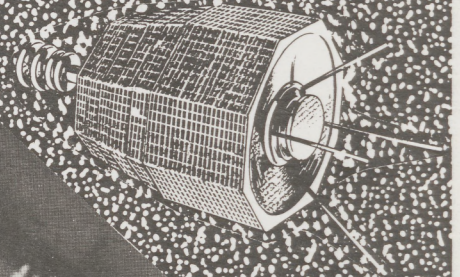
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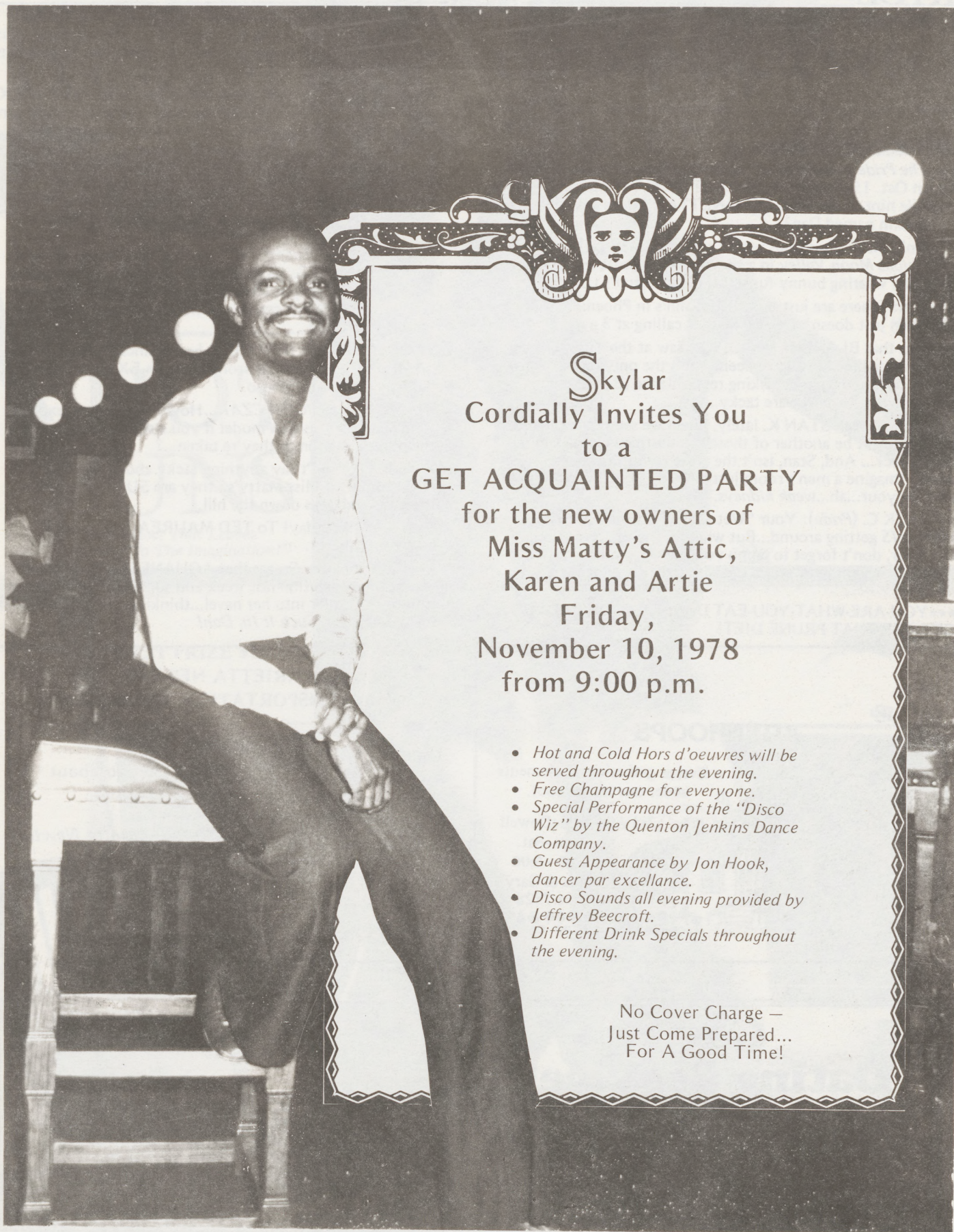
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Now That Was Tacky

***We understand DAVID C. fell out of a bunk at the Rich St. Tubs while in San Fran. Yes, everyone started running around yelling EARTHQUAKE...!

***The *Pride* publishers tell us they've dubbed the month between Oct. 15 & Nov. 15 "SUCK IT IN, DAN" Month...Is this a *subtle* hint to our own AQUANETTA, or does anyone know a Zeppelin named Dan?

***Only Ms. P. Cuntsales would attend a social gathering in *Prestigious Moon Valley* in a flashers trench coat over a night shirt and wearing bunny-fur scuffies. Now that's tacky...!

***Seems there are just too many John's in Phoenix. JOHN M (CCR) just doesn't know who he's calling at 3 a.m.

***Was that BLANCHE DuBOIS we saw at the Tubs looking at the floor tile? Must have been...she's the only one we know whose backside bears a striking resemblance to a wash-tub full of liver... Now WE are tacky...!

***Haven't seen STAN K. lately. When we see you again, we hope it won't be another of those clandestine meetings in the *usual place*... And, Stan, isn't the store layout just par excellence? Imagine a men's room just steps away...How convenient for your...ah...*weak kidneys*.

***JACK C. (*Pride*): Your "Wet Jockey Shorts" Judge reputation *IS* getting around...But when you get back out on the floor, don't forget to comb your teeth. And do put your little convenient gym shorts back on right side out for a change!

***YOU-ARE-WHAT-YOU-EAT Dept: DRAGON LADY, GET OFF THAT PRUNE DIET!

***And another note to AQUANETTA WILLIAMS: We think your taste in tricks is *wonderful*...it affords those who none of the rest of us would touch a chance for...a moments happiness?

***Seems that a certain disgruntled person has given JACK C. a new nickname...*Lee Harvey Caldwell*. We don't understand as the only big gun he fires...is in his pants!

***Seems JOHNNY Some-One-Or-Other has been talking about putting a bounty on a certain person's size 4-7/8 cowboy hat. Now, we ask, how could anyone *stoop so low* as to take that hat off her (oops) head?... We trust the hat is to be delivered *sans head*...

***We also understand that a bounty may soon be placed on someone's WIG...but we won't go into that right now. Forewarned would be forearmed and that rug just might get stuck down with contact cement instead of yesterday's bubble gum...!


***Has MARTHA MITCHELL been reincarnated? Those odd-hour telephone calls from a certain EX-CCR-Official has lead many to think so.

***OH, CZAR, POOR CZAR...How can you ever expect to make it as a fashion model if you continue tearing up the photos as soon as they're taken...?

***Sorry we can't say anything tacky about the Sunday Night Shows at Miss Matty's...they are SUPER. Just like the good old days down the hill.

***Happy Birthday! To TED MAUREAU...One year closer to puberty.

***Closing Note...Seems that AQUANETTA WILLIAMS was at the gas station last week and some guy pumped 10 gallons of regular into her navel...thinking that she was his Winnebago...*Suck It In, Dan!*



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So wrote Republican candidate Richard F. Koppe, Jr., of Eloy replying to the 1978 Candidate Poll recently sent out by CCR Lobbyist, Ron Atkins. Mr. Koppe answered affirmatively to the support of decriminalization of private consenting adult sexual behavior and prohibiting discrimination based on sexual or affectional preference. He was undecided on the ERA. Complete results of this Poll will be out soon. The Poll is the second in a series designed and produced to provide the basis for voter information at this critical time for all of us. When asked about the replies to the Poll, Ron said he thought we were all in for some surprises. "The Poll," he said, "along with other data we've compiled, will give us valuable information about where the candidates and incumbents stand. A few of them are *definitely* our friends, but some of them *really* hate us."

Asked when the information would be released, he replied, "Soon — well-before the election. But I'm waiting as long as possible so we'll have a complete view of the candidates. Some of these people are awfully hard to get to. A lot of them even have unlisted telephone numbers. I can't believe it—running for office and not available for comment. I don't think I can trust a man running for office who can't be reached..."

Some of you are about to stop reading, saying, "Here goes some more of that political crap...I sure am tired of it. Why do they insist on spending so much time boring us with this stuff?" Well, DON'T STOP READING! You need to know these things, or can't you understand? Perhaps I should explain it all again:

In Arizona, we Gays are in trouble — and most of us don't even know it! Our legislature has already tried once to "put us in our place" with the Proposed Criminal Code Revisions last year. What that group of pompous old fundies tried to do was unforgivable. You and I and 200,000 other Gay people in Arizona could virtually have lost *everything* had that atrocity become law. Under that thing a Gay person even breathing might as well be a felony.

INTOLERABLE!

We did something about that. 600 of us—out of 200,000?—made ourselves known and stood up for our — your — rights as taxpaying citizens. That feeble attempt at mass demonstration at the State Capitol caused such a furor in those lofty buildings that they compromise those laws. We were heard. It worked. Were you there with us — I didn't notice you...

Oh, but that's not the end of it. Out of the wood-

work comes the *Orange Crone*, Anita Bryant. And among the straws in her broom are people like John Briggs (more about him later) and half the membership of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Over the moon she flew spewing forth dirty words about Gay people; about their "sin", and dubbed all "child-molesters". Anita even came so close as Tucson. Oh yes, we went there too, and battled the fundies (there's that word again). No one won that time. But we did get a taste of the bad side—of the REAL hate, the furious chanting of those spell-bound drones—the fundies. You weren't there... Figures.

Across the country, precious laws are being plucked from the leather-bound books of rules, and

Anita smiles — she's found her unsuspecting targets. It took years of hard work, the expenditure of more time and money than you can imagine to ensure equal rights (not *special rights*) for Gays in those cities. And in moments, hypnotized by religious and moral fervor, people — like your neighbors? — went to the Polls and TOOK AWAY the rights of Gays...not just in a couple of places, but ALL OVER the country. And Anita smiles...

And while Gays everywhere danced to *Macho Man*, John Briggs and his boys were busy drafting an initiative bill directed at Gay Educators. Not only did they draft it, but with the help of Anita and people like Jerry Falwell who are out to *Save America!* they managed to acquire enough signatures to get it on the California November General Ballot. And her smile becomes a grin.

"California...oh yes...it's over there by the ocean." Yes, it is. But it's also just over our western border. And on bills, as California goes, so goes Arizona most of the time.

But in California, people — Gay people — are busy. Gay people in California are busy being political. They're working to defeat this *New Naziism*. Large sums of money are being raised to educate and inform the voting public and to fight — fight for the very survival of California's Gays. But they got a late start...it may be *too* late.

And then what? Then us. You and me. What? You aren't a teacher? Well, neither am I. But, don't think for a moment that they'll stop with the teaching profession. As the fundies do their brainwashing and gather up their growing forces, other forms of repressive legislation will be passed and enforced. Good-by bars, good-by baths, good-by good times. But worse! Good-by job, good-by right to vote

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in the bedroom, as long as you
don't do it in the streets and frighten
the horses."

—Lady Randolph Churchill.

Editorial, *continued from previous page.*

(oh, that one doesn't matter, you don't vote anyway), good-bye life. Hello PRISON. Hello DEATH...

That's it, Arizona. That's what you can expect if you don't get involved and help protect what should be yours naturally. Will you do it? Most of you haven't even thought about it yet. But don't wait too long... next Spring may be too late. It may be over...for us.

So, I've bored you with "more of that *political crap*", and why? Because it's so goddam important! Probably the most important act in your life would be your standing up for YOUR rights.

How can you do it? Some of it's easy...Go Vote! But, vote for the *right* candidates. Which ones? The CCR Lobbyists know. Read the Poll published in the CCR Newsletter a couple of months ago. Then read the new Poll that will be out the end of the month. Take those names and vote for them. Talk to your friends before you go vote and get them to do it too. And join CCR — become a part of that group who has taken the first step.

That was the easy part. The hard part is the work that we all must do. A whole lot of committee work is right now being done by a few, but many are needed, ALL are needed.

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people in Arizona are numbered. And within two short years you will be feeling it in your own lives. Is that what you want...?

—Jack Caldwell.

If every Gay person in Arizona would stand up together, would vote as a block (that's called *Unity*), and would demand to be among the Non-Persecuted in this state, if we'd do that, then we wouldn't need to worry about all of this. But, because you, reading this, haven't taken that step, we all still have to worry — some of us have to do absolutely everything we can, and worst of all — we may ALL suffer because you didn't care enough to help protect your own human rights!

"It doesn't matter what you do in the bedroom, as long as you don't do it in the streets and frighten the horses."

What a statement! And what a slam at THOSE people — Anita and her fundies — horses in the

streets, so easily spooked, and so easily stamped.

What we're working and hoping for is just that statement, but the By-Line should read, "The Arizona Revised Statutes", not Lady Randolph Churchill!

But the time is now! Right now, you've got to fire yourself up to vote, to work, to care! After all, you'll be in jeopardy too, not just us.

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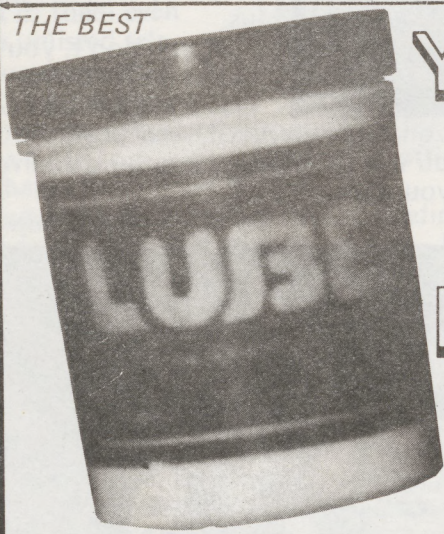
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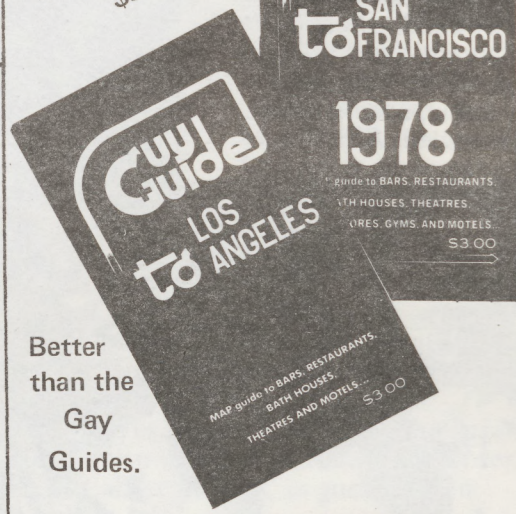
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CCR's "Communitic Position" Revealed?

"When I went to the September 20th meeting, I was shocked to hear the head of CCR say that it was all or nothing — that the members had to vote for the board as it stands or they would all "take their footballs and go home". I had been impressed with CCR until then. I could not believe that a group which calls themselves "Citizens For Constitutional Rights" would present, in my opinion, a Communistic position. They seemed to say, "You, the members of CCR must vote for us all or you will no longer have an organization." Who in their right minds could vote against that? Altho I am not active politically, I feel that we do need a political organization in Phoenix. I only hope that CCR can become that — a political organization."

Somehow, I got the feeling while reading the above in the "Editorial" in Sunday's Childe (October issue) Newsletter (the editorial is a letter from — I mean to —

the editor) that I was supposed to be altogether furious over this "slam" at CCR's Steering Committee.

My initial reaction was somewhat-less-than hysterical laughter. "Communitic position," chuckle, chuckle, chuckle... "Who is she (are they) trying to kid?" I mused.

I pondered... "Citizens For Constitutional Rights, holding a copy of the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution (including the Bill of Rights) in its' left hand, and a copy of *The Collected Writings of Karl Marx* in the right..." or should they be in opposite hands...?

No, not quite. Interestingly enough, you'll note that what was said was "Communitic position" and the direct ascertainment that the Steering Committee members are Communists was never made. But the inference is surely there, and I protest that. I doubt that any of those on that Committee could align themselves with that philosophy, since, for example, the death of homosexuals at the hands of "The Party" is very much the norm among Communists. That reason alone should be sufficient for any Gay person, not the least of whom are the members of CCR's Steering Committee.

Then came a brief "Benefit of the Doubt" time, and I thought, "Perhaps they have some subtle meaning of those words that I am not aware of — better check it out." Off to my Funk & Wagnall's to seek out some obscure meaning to "Communitic position" that would change my mind. Would I find it?

I searched, I read the definitions of every derivation. "communist — communitic — Communist Manifesto — Communist Party." I read them again. "Maybe I need an unabridged edition..." Finally, I thought I'd found it under communism... "it advocates seizure of power by a conspiratorial political party, maintenance of power during an interim period by stern suppression of internal opposition" and a third usage, this time Communism, "The system in any state based on this theory..." There it was, and clever, too.

By the wildest stretch of the imagination it almost fits. But there are big holes in it: "seizure of power" — No one on the Steering Committee seized power, there being none to seize. "conspiratorial political party" — the Steering Committee neither conspires, nor is it a political party.

"Maintenance of power during an interim period by stern suppression of internal opposition" — Again, there is no power to maintain, nor is there any "internal opposition" on the Steering Committee, only jealousy and back-stabbing on the part of those on the "outside" seeking some type of glory for themselves.

That had to be it. But worse: It was an attempt — another attempt — to malign an already

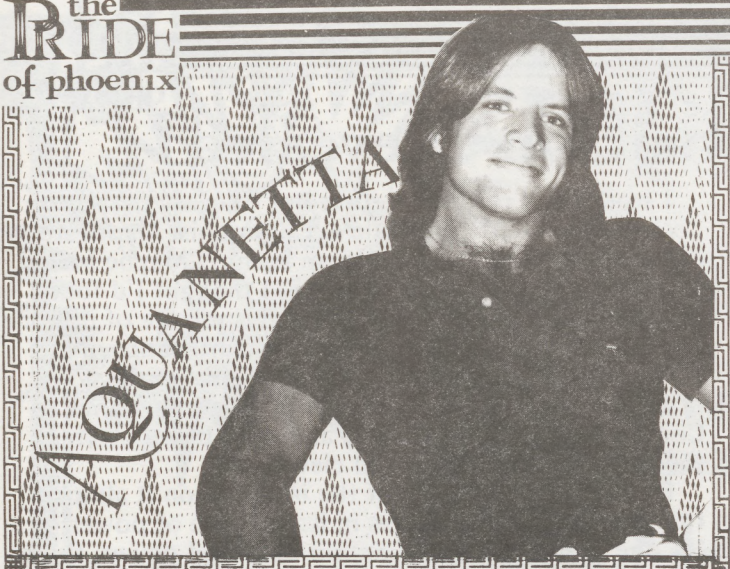
apathetic community and to undermine the people on the Steering Committee and their endless work on behalf of the Gays in Arizona. When will this end?

The Editorial called the Sunday's Childe Newsletter "the most open, non-judgemental, and honest publication in Phoenix." Striking this kind of malicious blow is just plain dumb. The Steering Committee is doing everybody's work for them and taking everybody's flack. It does not have time for, nor will it tolerate this kind of foolishness. Perhaps "T. Ray" (signator of the Editorial) ought to spend a few days working as the Steering Committee does — against overwhelming odds, and practically single-handedly — doing all the things that nobody else seems to have time for (they're all busy putting out derogative put-downs in newsletter form). If you want something to do, we can provide it. Go walk a few precincts for favorable candidates, join in when we have a mailing to get out, help get people to the Polls on Nov. 7, among others.

We have our eye on Ms. Liberty, not Karl Marx.

— Jack.





No, this Aquanetta doesn't sell cars, doesn't fill your trunk with groceries, doesn't make deals over the phone, and hasn't made a lousy movie in years. This Aquanetta frequents (haunts?) every bar in Phoenix, is seen often at various community meetings and events.

This is Aquanetta Williams, new addition to our staff, and long-time Friend of *The Pride*.

Surprisingly, Aqua has the ability to make adroit comments on the world around and has been known to be quite sharp-tongued at just the right moment (just ask Skylar, Artie and Karen at Miss Matty's!). Aqua claims to have a "winning smile (we've seen some of those Aqua's *won*...Oh, brother!) and cares about the surrounding community and world." But aside from those indiscretions, we have found that Aqua can not only run his mouth, but can run his pen too.

Not only can you often see Aqua posing on a bar stool or lurking in some dim-lit corner, but this one has often been found among the contestants of *some* contests in Phoenix, and hard as it is to believe, Aqua even won a prize (!) this past month for entering one of said contests. Were the judges being merciful and condescending? Were the other contestants so repulsive that they had no choice? Was Aqua the only contestant? The answer to all is no. Actually, Aqua is quite attractive (considering) and *endeared* himself to ALL the judges many times...!

Asked what in particular Aqua intended to write about, he puzzled momentarily, and answered, "I'm going to look around me carefully. Praise what deserves it, and bitch when I feel I must. You know, Phoenix surely isn't perfect, and there are things that need attention, and I intend to see that the attention is given."

Was that some kind of threat? Probably not, but we think you'll find Aquanetta's column interesting, to say the least, informative, and scintillating.

"What's first on your list, Aqua?" Smiling broadly, he quickly answered, "There are so many, but if I told you now, you'd let the cat out of the bag. You're sworn to secrecy if I tell you." He did and I am.

Watch out, Arizona. Aquanetta is on his soap-box now, and none of us will be safe!

—Jack.

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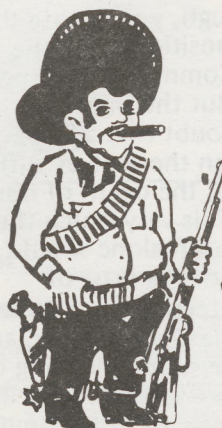
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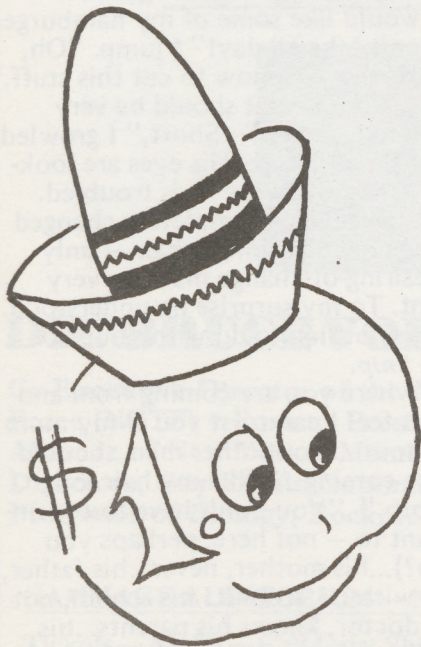
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ANOTHER TIME — ANOTHER PLACE

2:30 already and I'm gulping my usual tired hamburger (it'll probably kill me this time), glaring at a flat Pepsi-cola and thinking that my profession (hairdressing) is not a job of hand-labor, but of timing, skill, psychological perception and lots of quiet patience. But this day is not quiet, it's roaring.

"I'm a little late, folks, so goodnight," a picture of an anguished Jack Benny is glowing in my mind. "God, the moon is bright,"...the picture flickers and dies. "Well, I thought that was funny"...not one giggle..."This day will never end..."

A young man of about sixteen is sitting in my chair, his long blond curls are in his eyes. Where did this come from; he can barely see me... Well — haircutter — do your thing...here goes...walking over peering at him, smiling, "Hello in there, if you can't see me, can you hear me? It's time for your new *do!*" He is glaring at me through his curls! Well, I guess I had better try again. "What's your name?" I ask, cutting the comedy. "Steve Bates," he replies in a quiet, small voice. *Snip, Snip.* "Bates...Oh, yes, are you related to Mrs. Ralph Bates who I see on Fridays?" "I'm her son," he answers.

"DO YOU DO BOYS?"
(said Mrs. Bates, last Friday)

"No, only men." She looked puzzled, not realizing what she had said. "I cut hair for all the sexes," was my quick reply, sensing she did not realize I was Gay. "I'VE A SON THAT NEEDS A CUT — HOW MANY ARE THERE? — SEXES, I MEAN." she asked. "About twelve or thirteen at my last count," was my reply. "THAT'S NOT FUNNY," she said (I stopped smiling), "THERE ARE ONLY TWO, MALE AND FEMALE," (I cut the comedy completely). "You're right, of course, I was speaking of sexual orientation." She flared back at me. "YOU MEAN TO TELL ME YOU DO QUEERS IN HERE?!" (The first throb of my hamburger...I sip my flat pepsi...ugh) "I cut anyone's hair that wants my service and I usually don't discriminate." (looking closely at her). "WELL 'I KNOW YOU'RE NOT A QUEER BECAUSE YOU HAVE A BEARD.'" I knew it — my hamburger's gone bad. "MY HUSBAND AND I CAN ALWAYS TELL A QUEER WHEN WE SEE ONE, THEY ACT LIKE WOMEN AND ARE ALMOST ALWAYS CLEAN SHAVEN, SO THAT WHEN THEY PUT ON THEIR MAKE UP THEY CAN LOOK MORE LIKE US." (Could it be vice-versa? NO, not her) I'm beginning to discriminate..."AND THEY ARE DISGUSTING; ALWAYS PICKING ON CHILDREN, CHANGING THEM INTO QUEERS. IT'S AN AWFUL DISEASE. Somewhere in the back of my mind

I can hear Johnny Mathis singing "Stand there just a moment darling, let me look at you," but the tune was quickly smashed out with, "IF I SEND MY SON HERE WILL YOU KEEP THAT 'ONE' AWAY FROM HIM?" nodding towards the fellow down from me (who is completely straight and making it with just about every female client he has). He noticed we were looking and he swishes over, his gold chains clanging on his wrist, "Hello, Darling!" He addresses my customer and wiggles on past to get a cup of coffee. "I JUST HATE QUEERS" she says under her breath. "How old is your son?" I asked, swallowing my anger and a threat from said hamburger. "FIFTEEN," she answered. *Snip, Snip,* said my scissors...

Here I go again, "It's a well-known fact that a person's sexual orientation has been established by the ages of two to five," she obviously could not believe this saying. It was just another lie from some queer psychiatrist. "I WOULD RATHER SEE MY SON DEAD THAN QUEER. I JUST COULDN'T STAND IT."

Snip, Snip.

I'm cutting her hair, I'm speechless, and trembling with anger. At this moment I can understand people that hurt other people — I'm thinking how this curling iron would fit her tongue nicely, I'm determined never to touch her again...

She is pleased but would like

A LITTLE MORE TEASING AND MORE OF A LIFT to her hair...a blast of hairspray..."Good by, Mrs. Bates, have a wonderful life." As usual, she didn't get the point. I wonder if she would like some of my hamburger.

Snip, Snip. "Well, don't take all day!" I jump. "Oh, I guess I was...well, I was thinking how to cut this stuff." "I don't care, just do it. Mom says it should be very short so that I will look like a man." "Short," I growled, having heard this many times before. His eyes are looking directly into mine, anyone can see he is troubled. "Like a man". The last decade has completely changed those images, the average man has longer hair — only the most daring and desiring-of-change man has very short hair in the present. To my surprise he understood. "Your length of hair has nothing to do with your sexual orientation." *Snip, Snip.*

He speaks. "I know where you are coming from and I'm glad you said that. I feel I can trust you — my mom says men can't think about...about other men...I could go to Hell," his eyes are coming. "I like my hair long or short. Maybe I'm both." "You don't have to continue this if you don't want to — not here; perhaps you should speak to...(who?)...his mother, never...his father, never...his church, not with *sin* around...his school, not with laws around...his doctor, knows his parents...his dentist, probably tell his parents. WHO...WHO...not me,

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If Only I Were A Hundred, *continued from previous page.*
the Gay hairdresser! (Well, here goes. I'll try once again.) "You are obviously in a bit of a mess." *Snip, Snip.* (This beautiful human being...what can I do) "I think I'm queer."

"Steve, don't call yourself that. You are a young Gay human being. Do you have any Gay friends?" "Yes, but they are more afraid than me...my friend Charles is in an institution. His parents say he has had a breakdown, they are treating him with drugs to change him. I know he is just like me." He is looking at his feet and the fear is awful. "You must be strong, I will help you anyway I can."

A curious lady has been trying to overhear us. I say, "We are your children." *Snip, Snip.*

His curls are in place, he pays and leaves. This is tearing at me. What can I do.

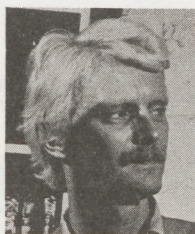
A couple of months have passed. I remember suddenly, she is standing there. "Oh, Mrs. Bates, where have you been?" Damn, I hate this — I don't care where she's been — I can't stand her. I don't want her money or her presence. I'm going to send her away. What's this? She looks sad — impossible— she is stone. I ask, "What's wrong, my dear?" "YOU DON'T KNOW? A FEW WEEKS AGO, STEPHEN — STEPHEN." "What? Tell me." "STEPHEN O-D'd ON DRUGS. HE'S DEAD."

I want to stick my scissors through my hand...

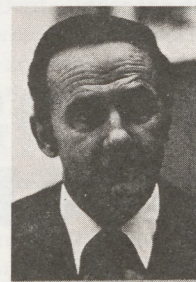
"If only I were a hundred."

HOMOSEXUALITY: THE LAST DEBATE

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ARE HOMOSEXUALS A THREAT TO THE FAMILY?
 ☆ **TEACHERS, HOMOSEXUALITY AND EDUCATION** ☆
CIVIL LIBERTIES AND HOMOSEXUALITY
 ☆ **IS IT NATURAL TO BE GAY?** ☆



Vs.



DR. BRUCE VOELLER

Co-Executive Director of the National Gay Task Force (NGTF) • Former President, Gay Activists Alliance of New York • Member, Board of Directors, Gay Rights National Lobby • Former Professor of Biology, Rockefeller University.

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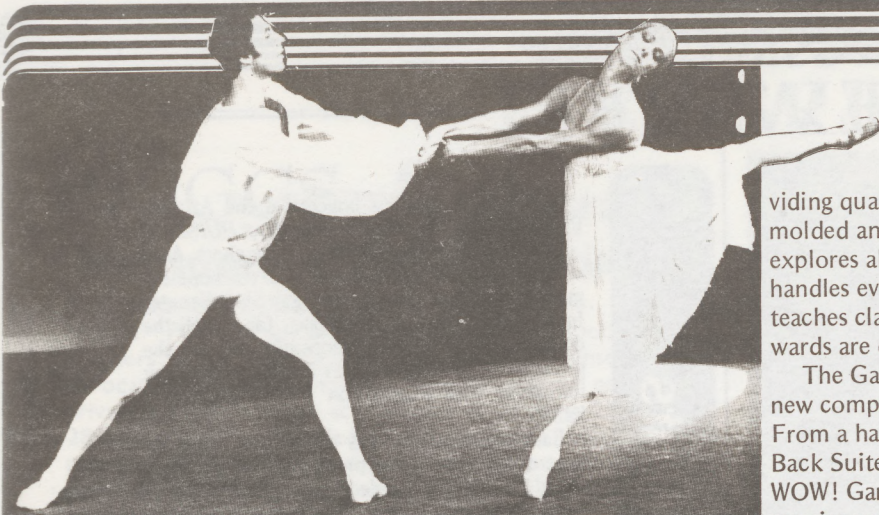
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The Company will have their own orchestra this season and will officially open with *An American Rhapsody* at the Palace West Theatre. Created by Robert D. Rodham to commemorate the seventy-fifth anniversary of composer George Gershwin's birth and the American Bicentennial, *An American Rhapsody*



is not to be missed. The piece is based on the Roaring Twenties theme, with sets, such as a mirror stairway to the stars and costumes as lavish as *Liberace's*. This will be a Busby Berkly special. Complete with Ballroom-Fred Astair scene to BoJangles Robinson tap sequence. Performances, Oct. 27-28 at the Palace West Theatre. Tickets available through Diamond's Select-a-seat or Arizona Ballet Theatre's own hotline, 258-2354.

Just 19 blocks away from the Arizona Ballet is a studio which you may recognize — The Phoenix Dance Center. This studio offers Jazz and Ballet training from beginner to professional, but it is also home base for the Gary Naylor Dance Company.

Mr. Naylor is an extraordinary young man, who has trained from London to Hollywood and has dedicated himself to pro-

viding quality dance in Phoenix. Almost single-handedly he has molded and shaped a dancer's dream — a dance company which explores all areas of dance. Work is Gary's middle-name. He handles everything — costumes, rehearsals, choreography, and teaches classes five days a week. Dance is not easy, but the rewards are endless.

The Gary Naylor Dance Company is just beginning, but this new company has a repertoire that will knock your eyes out. From a hard-core Jazz number (*Blue Lady*) to an Eric Satie *Back Suite Ballet* — the energy never stops. And costumes — WOW! Gary is well-known for his lavish finery. If it calls for sequins and feathers, Gary doesn't cut corners. The company offers a total theatre experience. The company will have its first concert November 9, 10, 100, with a matinee on the 11th at the Stagebrush Theatre, Scottsdale. Tickets and information are available at Phoenix Dance Centre, 257-8446 and at the Stagebrush.



We must not ignore that wonderful institution across the bridge — ASU, which has a wonderful program planned for November. The Dance Dept., under the direction of Beth Lessard and faculty is presenting the Doris Humphrey Festival. *Dance Magazine* will be covering this event and Ray Cook is flying in to reconstruct the pieces. Ray is a Dance Notation expert from New York. The Festival will explore all areas of Humphrey's work and will also show a film on Miss Humphrey. A completely fulfilling evening in Modern Dance is in store. The Festival will be held at Gammage Auditorium Nov. 18. Tickets are available through Diamond's Select-a-seat.

I personally hope you will make an attempt to attend these events. It is so difficult for a Dance Company to make progress, yet so easy to backslide.

There is only so much the companies can do, after that it's up to the public. Enrich your lives — Support the Arts!

—Jason Barnett

Disco Dora Says...

Welcome back LOREN & HUSBAND from New York!

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Bay Area Reporter,
EXCLUSIVE October 12, 1978

**NGTF Director Voeller Resigns,
Talks to B.A.R.**

Dr. Bruce Voeller, Co-Executive Director of the most prominent Gay liberation organization in the country, has informed *Bay Area Reporter* of his resignation. He will continue as counsel to the National Gay Task Force, headquartered in New York City, but effective January 1 he will divide his personal time between writing, lecturing, and "in just living."

Eight years ago, Voeller resigned as an Associate Professor at Rockefeller University to dedicate his time to Gay activism. His salary at the university (\$18,000) dropped to Zero. While involved in liberation activities in New York City, he became known nationally as a spokesperson for the movement. Later the National Gay Task Force was formed (1973). He became its Director and later Co-Executive Director with Jean O'Leary.

Voeller is divorced and has three children that he pays child support, although he worked for some time with NGTF at no salary and later at \$5,300 a year. He told B.A.R. "that was less than unemployment insurance here in New York." Recently the salary went to \$10,000 and the current \$13,000. There is a projected \$17,000 salary for the position which will begin in April, 1979.

"I am really tired of being so poor," Voeller told B.A.R. He emphasized that it has been exciting and rewarding to be part of the growth of the NGTF but he needs "more space" to do a variety of things with a salary that is commensurate with his abilities. (B.A.R. learned that Voeller had turned down two positions in the movement offering \$35,000 and \$50,000 respectively.)

When asked what the "real" reason for resignation was, he replied with humor, "Read my books." The books will include at least two that will be autobiographical and analyze the Gay liberation movement. But, he explained to B.A.R., his major love is fiction because "fiction today about Gays focuses on their 'Gay problems.' I want to focus on Gays who deal with life problems and who incidentally happen to be Gay."

After a brief vacation in January, Voeller will "see what



Dr. Bruce Voeller, highly regarded co-chair of the National Gay Task Force

the tide will bring in." He has signed with a lecture firm in New York City and will be traveling across the nation to speak on Gay liberation and debate three anti-Gay speakers who have signed with the same firm: State Senator John Briggs of California; Mike Thompson, who directed Save Our Children in Miami for Anita Bryant; and Harold Voth, a senior psychiatrist at the Topeka, Kansas, "Menninger" clinic. (The firm is Royce Carlton, 866 U.N. Plaza, NYC, 10017 (212) 355-3210.)

Voeller is especially proud of the growth of the Task Force which has grown from two or three people working for no salary (1973) to its present 13-person staff, including 5 CETA (federally funded) workers. NGTF recently moved into expanded facilities at its 80 Fifth Avenue address in New York City.

"I wish to underscore," he explained to B.A.R., "what a wonderful and extraordinary experience it has been to work with Jean O'Leary and that I wish nothing but the very best for the Task Force."

Voeller grew up in Roseburg, Oregon, and later was a Phi Beta Kappa gradu-

ate from Reed College. He earned his doctorate in Developmental and Evolutionary Biology in Rockefeller in 1961. Voeller became nationally known as the President of the NYC Gay Activist Alliance.

O'Leary and Voeller have worked together to make significant inroads in the nation's capital in influencing policy changes that have been favorable to Gay people. In March, 1977, NGTF was instrumental in setting up a well-publicized White House conference of Gay concerns with former Carter aide Midge Costanza.

"Bruce has been a source of enormous creativity to this organization," O'Leary told B.A.R. She stressed, "I am especially appreciative of his commitment to feminism. I will miss him very much as my other half in this team. I am thankful that his advice and counsel will remain with us in the coming years."

Voeller said that he and his lover would be traveling to Los Angeles for a conference in November and briefly stay in San Francisco. His future residency in New York City? — "We are thinking about moving to California." . . . GM

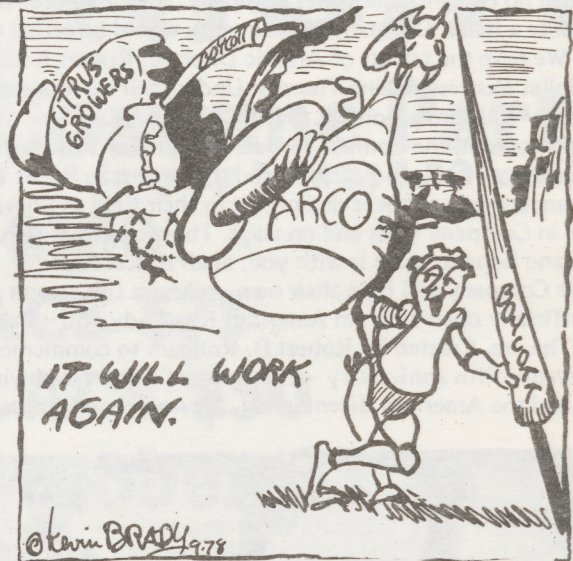
Comments

There is a growing boycott of the Atlantic Richfield Company (Arco) and we shout **HURRAY!**

To make a very long story very short, Arco contributed two thousand bucks to the hopeless gubernatorial campaign of anti-gay State Senator John Briggs. Part of that money (as did all the donations to Briggs' unsuccessful try for the governorship) wound its way into Briggs' anti-gay initiative, now Proposition 6 on November's ballot.

Last year when the gay community began its boycott of Florida citrus products many of our so-called "liberal" friends decried the move, offering lame excuses that Anita Bryant has a constitutional right to freedom of speech. So, using the term loosely, the lady does. And the gay community has every right to retaliate against what she says by refusing to buy the products for which she is a huckstress.

We wonder what some of our mealy-mouthed friends are going to do and say about the budding boycott of Arco.



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And, before they can pop off with their asinine protestations that Arco was only protecting its own interests and its corporate right to freedom of speech, etc., let's look at a few facts.

Arco gave Briggs the money at a time when the feisty anti-gay senator commanded no more than 2% of any primary preferential poll. Briggs could hardly be considered, under those circumstances, a "serious" contender for the nomination.

Arco had to be aware that at the time they gave Briggs the money he was virtually a one issue candidate: a fag hunting hatemonger.

And, lastly, there is no other truly effective way in which consumers can tell a manufacturer or purveyor of goods that it is dissatisfied with that company than by boycotting its product(s).

Corporate donors to political campaigns must know that they will be held accountable for their campaign gifts.

Jews who would purchase goods from a company giving money to anti-semitic organizations ought to have their skulls examined. So too with gay men and women who pull into an Arco station to fill up a tank.

And those who criticize this boycott as they did the orange juice boycott can take a flying leap for all we care.

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BRIGGS—final draft Homosexual School Initiative

SCHOOL EMPLOYEES — Homosexuality — Initiative statute. Provides for filing charges against schoolteachers, teachers' aides, school administrators or counselors for advocating, soliciting, imposing, encouraging or promoting private or public sexual acts defined in sections 286(a) and 288a(a) of the Penal Code between persons of same sex in a manner likely to come to the attention of other employees or students; or publicly and indiscreetly engaging in said acts. Prohibits hiring and requires dismissal of such persons if school board determines them unfit for service after considering enumerated guidelines. In dismissal cases only, provides for two-stage hearings, written findings, judicial review. Financial impact: Unknown but potentially substantial local cost to school districts depending on number of cases which receive an administrative hearing.

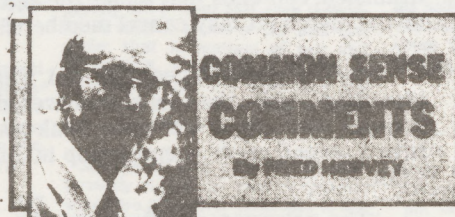
Could this be Briggs' start in Arizona?

Fred Hervey — not just some yo-yo columnist — the chairman of the Board of *Today/Sun* Newspaper, largest weekly newspaper in Arizona, created this little gem which goes into over 250,000 homes in the vicinity.

The *Today/Sun* does NOT print letters to the Editor, but we suggest you answer this anyway. This sort of thing must not go unnoticed, and since it directly affects our lives, we should be heard. We're almost positive they do read their mail...!

This kind of crap sounds more like it belongs in the long-defunct (bankrupt) *Evening American*, one-time soapbox for Republican Gubernatorial Candidate Evan Mecham.

Looks like Briggs just might have a few Arizonans in his hip pocket...and what are we going to do about it?



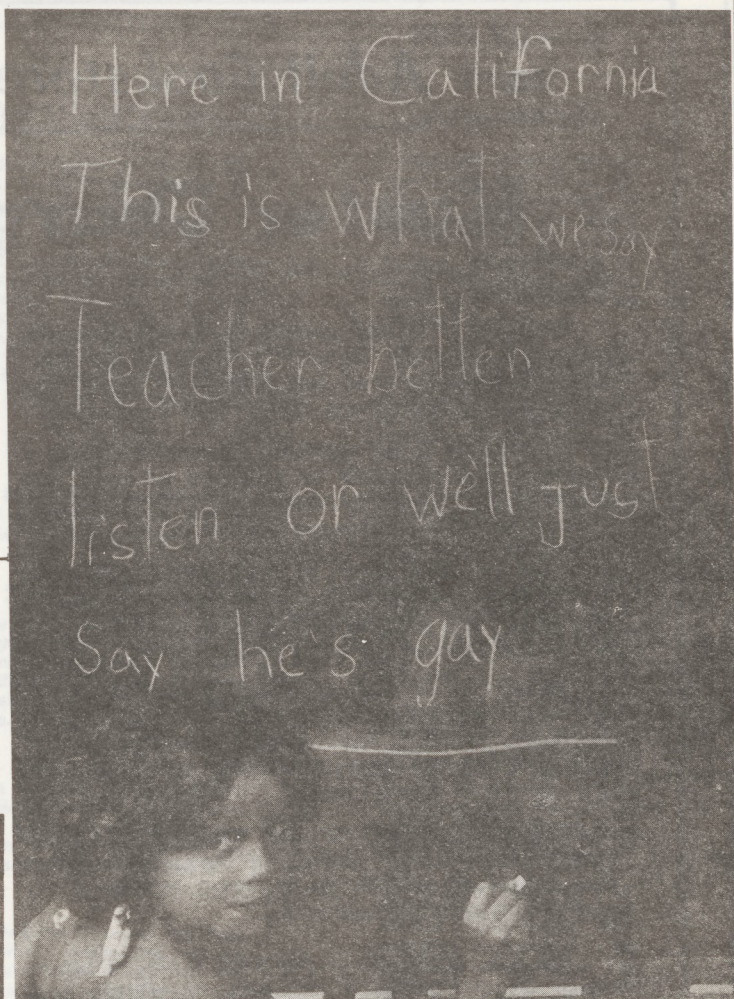
HOMOSEXUAL SCHOOL TEACHERS

So called "Gay Rights" elections have been held in quite a number of local communities; Dade County Florida, Wichita, Kansas, St. Paul, Minnesota and Eugene, Oregon and all have resulted in a defeat for gay rights.

Now, in the November 7th election, Californians will for the first time vote a state wide initiative which provides for dismissal of teachers who engage in homosexual conduct.

Homosexuals have been with us since the beginning of time. It's probably caused by a faulty trick of nature, but we can't rule out the fact that education and acceptability could very well induce an increase of this deviate practice. There are probably very few boys, during the time of growing to manhood, who have not experienced an approach for sex from a grown man. These approaches are done in an inconspicuous manner. The very foundation of our family life structure will be under attack if we ever make the mistake of protecting homosexuals in our society. The move by homosexuals to become respected reaches the point, in my opinion, of absurdity to try to legalize it in our schools.

So California will probably lead the way and provide the rest of the states a service by passing Proposition 6. Under no stretch of the imagination can I see any advantage to our society or even to the homosexuals in making the practice acceptable or to condone the ac-



Reagan Raps Prop 6

Former Governor Ronald Reagan issued a statement Wednesday, September 20, finding the Briggs Initiative redundant and potentially dangerous.

In his statement Reagan explains, "I don't approve of teaching a so-called gay lifestyle in our schools, but there is already adequate legal machinery to deal with such problems, if and when they arise."

Reagan finds no similarity between the recent repeal of gay rights in Dade County Florida, St. Paul, Eugene and Wichita and the Boise measures. Instead, the for-

mer chief officer of California charged that proposition 6 "has the potential of infringing on basic rights of privacy and perhaps even constitutional rights."

The initiative, in Reagan's estimation, is "cumbersome and has the potential for real mischief. . . Proposition 6 is not needed to protect our children." Reagan in stressing the adequacy of existing laws pointed out that legal experts including Attorney General Evelle Younger, who has taken a neutral stand on prop. 6 during his gubernatorial campaign, have found the present "legal machinery" sufficient.

In conclusion, Reagan stated proposition 6 "could be very costly to implement and it has the potential for causing undue harm to people."

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ceptance of a known homosexual teacher in our schools. We can appreciate the predicament of those people that nature has mixed up, but it cannot be admired or allowed to be acceptable. So let us hope the passage of Proposition 6 in California will teach the deviates in our society that their best chance of living a happy life is not to try to make their misfortune a knowledgeable and publicly accepted fact.



Adult Bookstores to be Dropped

Master Charge Porno Flap

San Francisco Chronicle, Sept. 26, 1978
Washington

The Master Charge emblem may soon disappear from the Olympic Baths in Washington's adult entertainment area and ten adult book stores if a Maryland bank has its way in a brewing court battle.

Executives of the Maryland National Bank say it was all a mistake when its salesman last year sold Master Charge membership to Alpha-Sentura Business Services Inc., which manages the businesses.

Now the bank wants to cancel the membership, which allows customers to charge purchases, because of what the establishments sell. Five are in Washington, five in Baltimore and one in Fayetteville, N.C.

In turn, Alpha-Sentura, based in Baltimore, has filed suit in U.S. District Court there claiming the bank, the state's largest, is making "moral judgments" that harm its ability to compete and violate the constitutional guarantee of free speech.

"No strictly business reasons were offered for the planned cancellation," said David Moeslein of Alpha-Sentura. He said business has increased since the credit card membership was obtained.

The suit, asking for a minimum of \$1 million in damages, also lists as a defendant Interbank Card Association, which owns the Master Charge trademark.

Moeslein said Alpha-Sentura was still receiving Master Charge promotional material when a Maryland National executive told him the membership would be

withdrawn in November because "we don't like the nature of your business and do not wish to continue doing business with you."

Banking officials say credit card use is not uncommon among establishments dealing pornographic books and magazines and at adult-oriented establishments such as the Olympic Baths — which, according to an advertisement, provides "a man's world of pleasure . . . in a private club."

But Bill Moroney, a spokesman for the American Bankers Association, conceded "it's a subject not talked about" much in banking circles. The association had no statistical information on the subject.

"We were unaware at the time the membership was sold what the nature of their business was," said Dan Finney, chief spokesman for Maryland National.

The bank, which has asked that the suit be dismissed, contends that under the agreement either it or the merchant may cancel membership.

One Maryland National official, who declined to be identified, said the bank discovered what Alpha-Sentura was selling when the bank sought to sell the firm a second credit membership in June, this time in VISA.

"The salesman asked where the card machines could be dropped off and was told the Alpha-Sentura office would be closed. When he brought the machines to one of the stores, he found out what the stores were selling," the official said.

Associated Press

Berkeley Ordinance Tops Them All

BERKELEY — The new ordinance granting equality to Gay people adopted here last week is the most extensive in the United States. It includes \$200-\$400 penalties for those who discriminate on the basis of sexual orientation.

The legislation was adopted unanimously by the city council. It forbids mistreatment of Gays in employment, education, public accommodations, and housing (except for 2-unit, owner-occupied dwellings).

Matt Coles, Gay Rights Advocates, is the attorney who authored the measure. He was assisted in its passage by Berkeley Gay activists who formed the Committee for the Berkeley Human Rights Ordinance for Gay People. The Berkeley Human Rights Commission held six months of hearings before the final draft was approved.

Jane Niehaus, who helped lobby for the ordinance, told B.A.R. that considerable effort was made to rally public support for the legislation to stave off a possible repeal effort. She said that the committee went to great care to consider the objections of commission members and council

members in order to form a united front of support.

Niehaus was joined in the effort by many concerned citizens including committee members Rock Eckel, Robert Brokl, Gayle Davis and Carol Venbrillo.

She advises others who are considering ordinances to "take the time and build support by educating the public. Berkeley is not as liberal as people think it is. It has not been easy. We have our homophobes too . . . By taking our time, we are happy that we were able to sensitize many that would not have considered the rights of Gays otherwise."

Briggs: "I'll Be Hero or Chump"

California's anti-gay state senator John Briggs told an interviewer for the Escondido *Times-Advocate* that the election results on his Proposition 6 will either make him "a hero or a chump."

"I could well end up being America's newest and biggest folk hero," Briggs predicted.

"Or," he added, "I could very well end up being the world's biggest chump."

The rabidly anti-gay conservative Republican also said his friends have told him that he would be a good challenger to try and unseat Democratic U. S. Senator Alan Cranston if the voters approve the anti-gay school ~~voters' initiative~~ initiative in November. Cranston is up for reelection in 1980.

NEWSREEL

Patrick J. Buchanan The Arizona Republic

They Hate Anita — And Themselves



Washington
Last Sunday evening, this writer chanced to dine with Anita Bryant, who is rated in some surveys as the most respected woman in America, in others as the most detested.

Her most celebrated and controversial opinion — that parents and private school officials have the right not to hire or retain as teachers professed and practicing homosexuals — is an opinion shared by the great majority. It is a view upheld by the courts.

As for the social harassment or political repression of homosexuals, she has never advocated it; nor has she any authority to impose it.

If the activists in the gay rights movement genuinely believe her to be a simpleminded singer, spouting religious superstition in a progressive age, why do they trouble so with her?

MISS BRYANT is **abhorred**, I believe, because she takes the issue beyond the realm of the civil rights of parents vs. the civil rights of teachers, and over into the realm of morality, of right and wrong.

She challenges one of the pivotal dogmas of the secular humanism that has displaced Christianity as the religion of our governing elite. In this, our new national religion, it is supposedly self-evident that each individual is entitled to his or her own lifestyle; that in matters of sex and procreation, freedom of choice is paramount; that the state and the individual should be utterly indifferent to that choice.

She speaks with a moral certitude formerly heard in church pulpits which are given over today less to discussions of sin, death and resurrection than to the redistribution of income,

the evils of nuclear power and the necessity for non-intercourse with the Republic of South Africa.

Miss Bryant enrages because she insists that there is a Biblical distinction between good and evil, that homosexuality is not an "alternate lifestyle," but a sin against nature and against God, and its practitioners are, pardon the expression, going straight to hell if they do not change their ways.

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THE PASSIONS she arouses among militant homosexuals are the passions associated with a religious war.

What Anita Bryant threatens, then, are not the jobs, housing or constitutional or civil rights of homosexuals — but something more important. She is a threat to their sense of self-worth and self-esteem. Hers is the voice crying aloud that gay is not beautiful, but base.

To the individual truly confident in his political, moral and religious convictions, a contradictory position is a cause for rebuttal, not grounds for ranting and rioting in the street.

This leads me to suspect that "Gay Pride Week" celebrations are not really celebrations at all. They are masquerades where men and women "put on a happy face" to cover up doubts, insecurities or a sadness inside.

Her arrival at the Kennedy Center, for the world premiere of the Chuck Colson story, *Born Again*, was snubbed in secrecy, as are all her movements nowadays. For, at almost every announced appearance, she becomes the target of filthy taunts from pickets, ugly demonstrations and bomb threats. Her commercial appearances, her bookings at conventions, once so numerous, have been reduced to a handful. The boycott and blacklist are working.

IN CHIC CIRCLES, she has become the preferred subject of contemptuous ridicule from people who would court her party made if it included a visit from that withered, one-time apologist for Stalinism, Lillian Hellman.

Yet the blacklisting of Anita Bryant for her convictions, an act of orchestrated intolerance, seems to have escaped the notice of the civil liberties crowd still keening over the horrid treatment of the Hollywood Ten.

What is puzzling, though, is why Anita Bryant is the subject of such concentrated fear and loathing.

Milk Forum Bay Area Reporter

Where Do Gays Draw the Line?

by Harvey Milk

To the many people who gave me hope these past few weeks: Thank you. We are always learning and must pass our lessons on to others. When the proper words come, I'll pass on to others what I have learned. There are reasons why some people give up. When we learn of those reasons we must try to make sure that others don't become victims of the same reasons. We must fight harder to prevent tragedies from happening over and over. There has been much too much hate in the world already. Again, thank you.

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One question that keeps coming to me from so many different sources — from so many different backgrounds — from so many different age

groups — from so many places that I have to openly discuss it. There are already too many people raising the questions. To avoid it — to make believe that no one is asking the questions is not to be honest. More important, not to bring the discussion into the open is to greatly limit input. So I would like to give to you a question that I am being asked over and over.

The question: WHERE DO WE GAYS DRAW THE LINE?

Gays have been called names. We, in most cases, don't even answer back.

Gays have had violence committed against them. We, in most cases, can't fight back well enough because of the odds as groups of punks attack

individual Gays.

Gays have media attacks against us more and more. We can't fight back unless we use the boycotting of a particular media.

Gays have been murdered because they were Gay. So few killers of Gays are caught and/or convicted.

Gays have had our rights taken away in city after city. In the federal government-military. And Briggs is now trying to take the right to work away from some Gays.

Anita Bryant wants to open up "camps" for Gays . . . are they to be "camps" like Hitler had for people he did not want?

When does the entire Gay community stand up and say, "Enough! No more!" Do we wait like the Gays and Jews of Europe did — until it is too late?

The question is: "When? When do we say 'enough' and start to do something about it?" Do we wait until the concentra-

tion camps of Anita Bryant are built? Do we wait till Gays are not allowed to vote? Hitler started with not allowing Jews to teach — isn't that interesting?

At what point do we say "Enough!" At what point do we stand up — as a total group — and say we will not allow it to happen any more? Enough is enough!

That question, "Where do we Gays draw the line?" is being asked. And the President of the United States, the Governor of the state, our close friends, our enemies and those who are sitting on the sidelines must be asked that question. At what point should we Gays draw the line? When should we stand up and say "No more!" Should we wait till the Bryant "camps" are built?

I don't think any one person has the answer to that question. I think it is a highly individualized, highly personal answer. For each person there is a different answer. What

Milk Reveals Briggs' Arguments

Supervisor Harvey Milk has taped a discussion with Senator John Briggs which will be viewed on KPIX-TV at 8:00pm on September 22. The segment, Milk told B.A.R., revealed four basic arguments that Briggs will be using in the campaign:

1. Gay teachers are bad role models because if students like a Gay teacher and learn that he/she is Gay then they might emulate or copy the homosexual lifestyle. (This was a major argument used by Save Our Children' during Anita Bryant's Miami campaign.)

2. Homosexuals attempt to recruit children into their Gay lifestyle. (The argument by Bryant was that they must do this because — it was asserted — they cannot have children of their own.)

3. Parents have the right to determine who shall teach their children. Briggs argues that parents' rights are greater than the civil rights of Gay school employees; that closeted Gays may be good teachers but they should remain closeted.

4. Homosexuality is immoral. Briggs was converted to Roman Catholicism after marrying a Catholic. He speaks frequently of "protecting the family" and the alleged immorality of those who are Gay based on biblical teachings. The senator does not quote scripture. His religious comments are general in nature.

happens when a particular point is reached and a lot of Gays have had that point as their individual point is a question that also has to be asked.

I do not have an answer for this. No one has. No one can have an answer. But, the "leaders" of this nation had better start to address that question — now, not after that point is reached.

And what does it mean when we reach that point? Again, there is no one answer. To some it may mean just "coming out" — and to whom. To others it may mean getting deeply involved. To still others it may mean much more. Again, each person when they reach their point where the line is to be drawn will react according to his/her own inner self. But each person will react!

And that is the point: non-Gays and Gays must be prepared for a reaction when a nation of Gays reaches that point when they finally say, "Enough! No more!"

Treadaway cleared in '74 death of boy

The Arizona Republic

By FRANK TURCO

Jonathan C. Treadaway Jr. was acquitted by a Maricopa County Superior Court jury Monday of the murder and sodomy charges that put him on death row at the Arizona State Prison more than three years ago.

The verdict came after the 12-member jury spent four days reviewing testimony and evidence presented during a six-week trial.

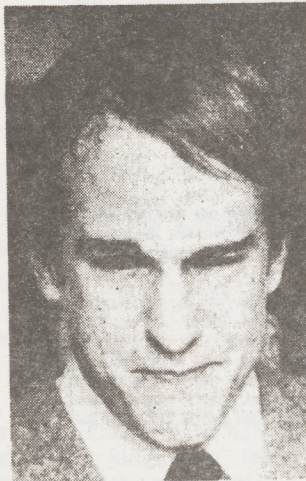
Treadaway, 24, who showed no emotion when the verdicts were read before a full courtroom, told the jurors later that their decision restored his faith in the judicial system.

"You people have showed me that it can work," said the once-convicted Phoenix man.

He said his first trial in 1975, when he was convicted of both charges in the 1974 death of Brett Jordan, 6, and sentenced to death, had destroyed his belief in the jury system.

Members of the jury, who met with the attorneys after the court proceedings, said they voted to free Treadaway because the prosecutors failed to present enough evidence to convince them that the defendant ever was inside the Jordan home.

The Jordan boy was found dead in his bed by his mother, Rita Jordan, now of Flagstaff, and an autopsy report maintained that he died of suffocation and was a sodomy victim.



Jonathan Treadaway

"I guess the evidence we presented was just not convincing enough," said Assistant State Attorney General John Todd, who co-prosecuted the case.

At an evening press conference called by Treadaway's father at the family residence, 3140 N. 83rd Ave., Treadaway was asked about the evidence the state had marshaled against him.

"If you didn't do anything, then of

course there'll be no evidence, so certainly there was a lack of evidence on the part of the state," he said.

Treadaway said he did not show any emotion when the verdict was read because he was completely numb. He said the impact of what had happened had not reached him.

Asked about his plans, Treadaway said he intends to attend college and become a journalist.

Defense counsel John J. Flynn, who took over the case after the first conviction, based nearly his entire defense of Treadaway on a claim that the Jordan boy died of pneumonia or bronchitis.

Five out-of-state pathologists, including two who specialize in pediatrics, testified that the youngster suffered from a lung ailment that probably killed him.

"He died a quiet death, probably in his sleep," maintained one of them, Dr. Daniel Stowens, a Utica, N.Y., pediatric pathologist.

The pathologists also said they could find no evidence that the boy was a sodomy victim.

The five said they based their findings on examinations of tissues slides and photographs of the body.

Their testimony was disputed by the two county medical examiners who performed the autopsy the day the Jordan boy was found dead in his bed.

Drs. Thomas Jarvis and Heinz Karnitschnig said their examination of the body revealed that the boy died from asphyxiation and that he had been assaulted sexually.

The two testified, however, that they did not conduct microscopic examinations of body tissues before reaching their conclusions.

Jarvis said they did view the tissues

The Treadaway Trial — The Mockery Is Reversed
Anyone in the slightest way interested in Human Rights or the Judicial system in Arizona, not to mention those of us interested in Gay Rights, should have been pleasantly surprised at Judge Robert J. Corcoran's praise for the jury, not to mention the jury's verdict in this case.

Many people had watched for the past few years, and waited to see the outcome of this second trial, considering the first trial a mockery. Justice such as this is long overdue in local courts.

The Republic and Gazette has gone out of its way to keep Treadaway's name and address clearly in print during this time, and has done everything short of saying he is still guilty. Again, as has been the case too often recently, the R & G has played Judge and Jury, and over and over they are allowed to get away with it.



Jonathan Treadaway, center, stands with his family at a press conference at their home after his acquittal. They are from left, sister Penny; mother, Anne; father, John, and brother, Brock.

late last year and could find no evidence that would cause him to alter his opinion.

Assistant State Attorney General Stanley Patchell, who also handled the first prosecution, attempted to convince the jury that Treadaway was involved in a similar attack on a boy three months before the Jordan boy died.

Although Treadaway was not charged with the offense, mention of it at the trial was designed to show that the defendant had a propensity for sexual aberration.

The earlier assault involved a 9-year-old boy who was attacked in his bedroom by an intruder who entered through a window. The assailant was chased off by the boy's mother, who awoke when she heard her son struggling.

Patchell tried to link Treadaway to that attack through clothing and a necklace left at the scene by the intruder when he was chased by the boy's mother.

Flynn countered that effort by attempting to show that the early-morning attacker actually was the neighborhood paperboy. He also offered testimony that showed the clothing left at the scene did not fit Treadaway and the necklace may have belonged to a neighbor girl who lost it.

Evidence presented to the jury by Patchell to tie Treadaway to the Jordan death included a palm print found on the outside of the boy's bedroom window and hair samples found on the boy's body, which the state claimed belonged to Treadaway.

Mrs. Jordan, who sat in the courtroom with her husband when the verdict was read, said she was disappointed in the decision.

"It would be easier for me if I could believe my son died of pneumonia. John Flynn did not convince me my son died of natural causes," she said.

The mother said if she could believe the pathologists, she would get down on her knees and beg for mercy for Treadaway.

Flynn called the trial one of his best and maintained that the verdict was correct and just.

Judge Robert J. Corcoran, who presided at the trial, praised jurors and the attorneys, saying that they all performed their duties properly.



AROUND THE TOWN

Deborah Washington Hits Phoenix Discos



Among this past month's activities was an evening some of us will remember for a long time. Jack Witherby (super DJ from His Co.) invited us to a small gathering at The Pointe to watch Deborah Washington perform, and to meet with the press and others at a cocktail party there. Ms. Washington is as charming as she is beautiful, and we were pleased to be invited. Deborah is a recording artist



Dan Williams, Jack Caldwell, George Hill, Deborah Washington, and Jack Witherby at Press Party at the Pointe.

for Ariola Records, and her songs are heard in every disco you can name across the country. We asked her what she thought of Phoenix, and she replied, "I'd really like to be able to spend more time here, everyone has been so nice, and the desert is beautiful." She is warm, appealing, and sings with great confidence. Following the performance at the Pointe, Ms. Washington made brief appearances at both the Forum and His Co. Disco. And you can look for more such spot appearances in the future, thanks to Jack Witherby.

Coming Up...

Before my space is used up, let's get a few notes in about what's going on Around The Town in upcoming days...Not to forget the HALLOWEEN BALL coming up at the Registry October 29. Always a pleasure, and the Social Evening of the Year, Bill Reinke has big plans for this year's Ball. Tickets at Forum, check the ad. Octoberfiesta at Forum will be Sunday, October 22, also check the ad.

Connection's new remodeling job is underway (the main bar), we here the new look will be super. Mr. Connection Contest coming up soon...we hear judging will be done by the audience this year.

Matty's Attic will be having Super Wet Jockey Shorts Contest on November 4th (Saturday) and The Grand Dance Off on Friday, November 3. See Centerspread for details.

Sunday Night Shows at Miss Matty's

Looks like another winner out on the other side of the mountain. The Sunday Night Shows are going over well, as was expected. The talented crew, including JoAnne, Ebony, and Moose are pleasing the audience with new routines, new costumes...new everything. And the crowd is eating it up. We haven't seen shows like these for well over a year.

Added attraction to the shows: Disco Boys...including Skylar himself (though he doesn't qualify for the term boy). John Hook has been causing a great deal of applause with such outstanding show-stoppers as his rendition of Al Jolson's famous songs, such as Mammy. Worth your time to go see...definitely.



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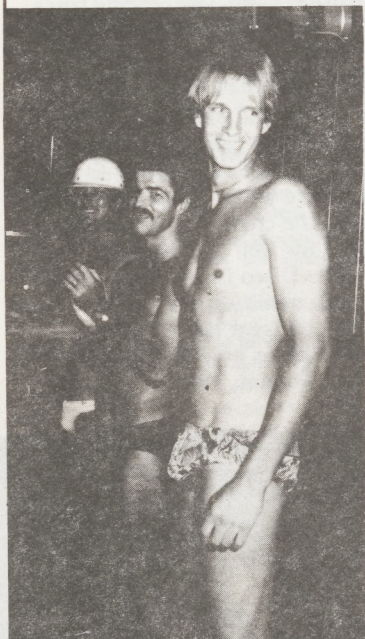


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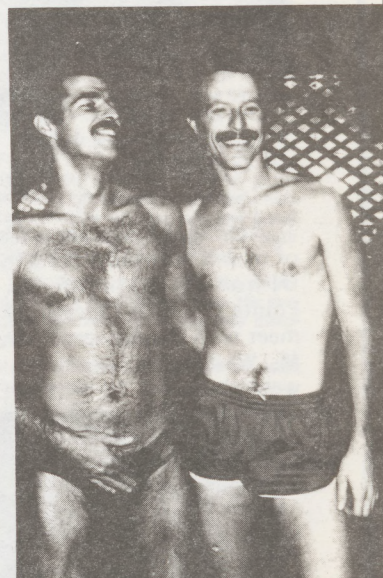
There were several contests this past month of note in the Valley. Among them the Wet Jockey Shorts Contest at Miss Matty's, along with Matty's Mr. Macho Man Contest and the Hot Buns Contest. Also this month was a Mr. Casa Contest. We went to them all. Rather than to spend a great deal of space describing them, we'll just tell you that they were all fun, and the winners were outstanding. Here are photos of the various winners and some of the contestants. At Matty's, Wet Jockey Shorts Contest is held the first Saturday of each month (the next one is Super Wet Jockey Shorts, with winners of contests since April competing, Nov. 4, next Hot Buns Contest, Saturday, November 18). —Jack.



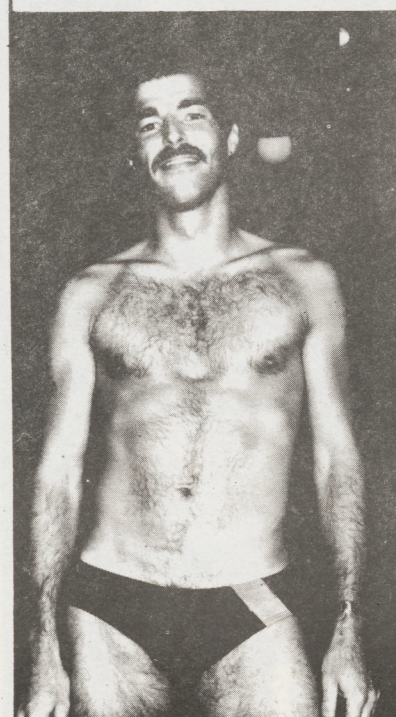
Jason & Rob, Wet Jockey Shorts Winners at Miss Matty's October contest.



(Left) Contestants lined up for review at Matty's Mr. Macho Man Contest. (Below) Jim Snell, Judge, and contestants having a little fun in the office at Matty's Wet Jockey Shorts Contest.



Jim & Roger, winners of Mr. Casa Contest.



(Left) Jim, winner of Matty's Macho Man Contest — also won Mr. Casa Contest. (Below) Finalists in Matty's Macho Man Contest. (Right) Terry, who should enter one of the contests but won't, could have been 1st Prize himself at Matty's Macho Man Contest, here shown delivering a case of Champagne to one of the winners.



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