

Joan Rivers to Attack Dallas

She's been called everything from a walking *National Enquirer* to the funniest woman in America by many people, including her husband, the first time he saw her undressed. And she, Joan Rivers, will be appearing, more than likely clothed, at the Dallas Convention Center Dec. 9 for two shows, 7:00 and 10:00 p.m.

The appearance is to promote her new album, *What Becomes a Semi-Legend Most?*

"I'm proud of my new record," says Miss Rivers. "It's so shiny and round and black is my favorite color." Heading into the record business full-speed ahead, Joan Rivers has already acquired her first groupie.

"Okay, so he's around 85, but he thinks young. He's given me a sense of self-worth, not to mention this ring ... and herpes," which the album is said to cure.

Rivers is billed as one of the foremost contemporary comedienne, whose career encompasses television, nightclubs and concerts, and having more guest-hostings of the "Tonight" show than any other performer, is author of a best seller, and acclaimed TV and screen writer, Broadway playwright and motion picture director. Joan Molinsky has come a long way from where she started making people laugh while a chubby youngster growing up on Brooklyn's Eastern Parkway.

While waiting for her big break in dramatic theater as a Shakespearean heroine, she supported herself as a neophyte comedienne. Appearances at Greenwich Village cabarets led her to bigger things—in Chicago with the renowned "Second City" improvisational group and a writing job on "Candid Camera."

During this time she said she learned the three most important things in her career—leave them laughing, always make sure the check is good and always paper the toilet seat.

On February 17, 1965, she made her first appearance on the "Tonight Show," after seven unsuccessful auditions. Since that time her career has skyrocketed and she

has just signed an exclusive, eight-week contract with the Riviera Hotel which marks her official debut as a headliner on the Las Vegas Strip.

Over the years, she has won more than 30 awards, including the auspicious "Georgie" from the American Guild of Variety Artists as the Best Comedienne of 1975 and the 1976 and 1977 Las Vegas Comedienne of the Year Awards, she has two "Cleos" and was recently named "Woman of the Year" by Hadassah. 1983 will mark her third years as National Chairwoman of National Cystic Fibrosis.

Rivers tackles everything from UFO sightings to going to the gynecologist; nurses and stewardesses to Prince Charles and Princess Di. Nothing escapes her irreverent style and infectious put-downs.

Tickets for the Pace produced show are available at major ticket outlets and at the door.

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Quiz Time! What's Your Gay IQ in Literature?

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U.S. Congress Looks at Important Gay Issues

By Larry Bush

WASHINGTON—Congressional panels took up a variety of issues before their winter recess that have important implications for gay people, including hearing a proposal that the Equal Rights Amendment legislation be amended to bar civil rights for gays, a review of a Reagan proposal to subject nearly four million American workers to sporadic lie detector tests about their reliability, a revamp of the U.S. Civil Rights Commission, and efforts to amend Administration proposals on "acceptable" charities to which federal workers may donate.

The House Judiciary Committee heard testimony from anti-ERA crusader Phyllis Schlafly of the Eagle Forum asking that the proposed Equal Rights Amendment include a new provision that would block any court from extending civil rights to lesbians and gay men. The ERA, which died at the state level only three states short of ratification in 1982, was reintroduced in the current congress to once again wend its way through the process.

According to Schlafly, the key reason for blocking civil rights for gays at this time is AIDS, and in her pitch she suggests that airline attendants who are gay be fired to insure the safety of any passengers who might accidentally find the steward's blood in their food as a result of a cut during the microwave preparations.

Congressional sources indicate that Rep. James Sensenbrenner will lead an effort to attach Schlafly's amendment during the full Judiciary Committee proceedings. While the amendment is expected to fail, it is also expected to provide a forum

for heated discussions of the "threats" gays present.

In Rep. Jack Brooks' (D-Tex.) government operations committee, there was a furor of activity over new Reagan Administration proposals to tighten national security by subjecting any workers with access to classified documents to random lie detector tests. According to testimony at the hearings, about four million American workers—1.5 federal workers and 2.5 workers in the private sector contracting with federal departments—would be affected by the random checks.

Each federal department follows its own guidelines on what constitutes "reliable" workers, with some publicly admitting that they want to know which employees are gay. Brooks' committee took a dim view of the Reagan proposal, as have senators in a counterpart committee, and it now appears unlikely that the proposal will swing into full effect without some changes.

Rep. Barney Frank (D-Mass.) wrung changes out of a different Administration department in October. The Reagan Administration had announced earlier this year proposals to deny groups federal grants or contracts if they were doing "grass roots" lobbying with the money they received from nonfederal sources. That would have been an extension of the current rules, which bar the use of federal funds for any lobby purpose.

The Reagan proposals were written by the Heritage Foundation, the think-tank started by Joseph Coors of Coors Brewery, and was meant to "de-fund the left." However, the broadly written proposals also

angered the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, as well as several major Defense Department contractors. Among other provisions, they would have had to build a separate building and hire a separate staff for any work they were doing to affect public opinion.

Several run-throughs were tried by the Reagan Administration to satisfy its Defense Department contractors while still gouging groups like Planned Parenthood off the lists, but Frank used his oversight subcommittee to keep the issue visible. In late October, the Reagan administration finally threw in the towel, accepting a vastly watered-down version of its first proposals.

In a closely related area, the Administration also had sought to cut off the list of acceptable charities any group that it claimed was doing lobbying, again broadly defined to include such things as letting the public know of proposed rules changes affecting programs. Planned Parenthood, which has faced the strongest hostility of any group during this Administration, was once again the target.

The rules change was particularly objectionable in the eyes of charities, because the issue was not federal tax dollars, but merely whether federal employees would be allowed to donate to such groups during the annual Combined Federal Campaign, which is the equivalent of the United Way for the millions of federal workers.

Lower federal court rulings prevented the Reagan Administration from striking Planned Parenthood and similar groups, and Frank's subcommittee once again

kept a close watch on the situation. Frank now says he believes the charities who would like information on how to be listed as an eligible group in the Combined Federal Campaigns of the future.

The U.S. Civil Rights Commission officially is dead at the age of 27, a casualty of the Reagan Administration's proposal to rid the watchdog group of its watchdogs and replace them with lapdogs. The issue was an effort to replace three commissioners with Reagan appointees, following an earlier sweep through the commission that included firing the former Eisenhower cabinet officer then serving as the Civil Rights Commission chairman.

Congressional supporters of the commission, who point to the group's origins in 1957 as a key impetus for civil rights protections in the country, now are considering measures that would take the commission away from the President entirely and make it a congressional agency. Currently the commission is charged with answering to both congress and the President, with the president appointing commissioners and congress giving approval.

Civil rights protections for gays have not been part of the commission's mandate since a 1977 ruling that the commission can not go beyond the charter provided by the 1964 civil rights act, as amended. Since the act has never been amended to include gays, the commission took a hands-off policy.

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This, That and a Lot of Other Things

By Joe Baker

Time to clean off the top of my desk once again.

The only U.S. manufacturer of the sedative Quaalude is calling it quits. The Lemmon Co. has announced it will no longer produce the controversial drug because of all the "unjustified negative publicity."

Quaaludes have been around since 1965 and were intended to be used to ease prolonged and severe pain. But the public—and one or two gay people—had other ideas. They have been an extremely popular—and often abused—depressant.

I don't believe Lemmon's reason for stopping production for a minute. The company just couldn't compete any longer with the underground manufacturers of the drug. They were even putting Lemmon's name on their products.

Those of you who like a lude with your beer can relax. There's still going to be plenty of them around—I'm willing to bet.

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GQ Magazine has once again rejected a gay-oriented advertisement. This time for a company offering gay housing during the Olympics next year in Los Angeles.

A spokesman for the magazine said the ad was rejected because the words "gay" and "homosexual" never appear in the publication. The top brass won't allow them.

Wouldn't it be wonderful if every gay subscriber canceled his subscription and every gay model refused to pose? The magazine would be down to 13 readers in the Bible Belt and only three pages.

It would serve GQ right. When is the magazine's management going to realize who its readers are? When are the advertisers going to realize who is buying their products?

Don't hold your breath.

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Crop prices, government subsidies and modern technology weren't the only issues on the minds of Texas farmers during the 50th convention of the Texas Farm Bureau during the past week.

The organization of farmers passed a resolution proclaiming it did not view homosexuals as a "legitimate minority group" and went on record as opposed to gay rights.

Who asked for the organization's opinion anyway? I guess we should be glad that the farmers didn't decide to stop growing food for homosexuals. I can just imagine what the labels would have read on all their food products: "Not for homosexual consumption."

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Did you see the movie *Kennedy* on television? It didn't leave any doubt in my mind who was behind the assassination of JFK. Also the killings of Robert Kennedy and Martin Luther King.

It was J. Edgar Hoover. I didn't realize before how much hatred the FBI dictator had for the three men. He was consumed—and as looney as they come.

Oh, how I hope the rumors of Hoover being one of us are never confirmed. Let's face it. The gays don't want him, and neither do any self-respecting straights. The man was as evil as they come and completely off his rocker.

The word "queer" sure applied to him.

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Congratulations to the good people of Georgia for having the good sense not to elect Kathy McDonald to her deceased husband's seat in Congress.

The U.S. House of Representatives did not need another hate monger. Larry McDonald's death should not be mourned by any person who believes in human rights. I'm sure he must have been educated at Hoover's knees.

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Beware of Falcon Studios based in San Francisco. Yes, the company puts out some of the hottest gay male films and magazines in the world, but it can't be trusted. It will eagerly cash your checks, but then you will never hear from it again.

I'm so tired of getting ripped off by gay companies through the mail. It really is very disheartening.

Falcon is one of the largest companies in the gay film business, but it apparently has no regard for its customers. I've been waiting for my order since early July. I've written countless letters, and I've never heard a word back. There is no telephone listing for the firm.

All I ordered was a \$5 brochure promoting one of Falcon's new videotapes, so I'm not out that much money. But it is the principle of the thing. How many other people has Falcon ripped off for \$5 each? That adds up. And how many people actu-

ally went ahead and ordered an \$89 videotape and never received their merchandise? The potential is staggering.

I'm not going to let this rest. Outfits like Falcon Studios must be made accountable. And the gay community must be aware of who is ripping them off.

I've got a plan. I'll keep you posted.

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Confidential to the person who addressed a classified ad to me in the GAY NEWS several issues ago: No, you weren't specific enough; write more.

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The National Hairdressers and Cosmetologists Association has released its list of the top 10 hunks in the country. Two of my favorites made it—Gregory Harrison (Gonzo Gates on *Trapper John, M.D.*) and Richard Gere. But who in the heck are those other eight?

—□—

Would somebody please check and see if those houses across from the new Crossroads parking lot are for sale? Then suggest that Frank Caven buy them, rip them down and turn the block into another terrific parking lot.

I don't know where we all parked—before Frank's new lot. The weekends are really getting crazy. I don't know where all the people are coming from. If you are not out by 9 p.m., you have to park 10 blocks away.

Carpooling to the bars just doesn't work.

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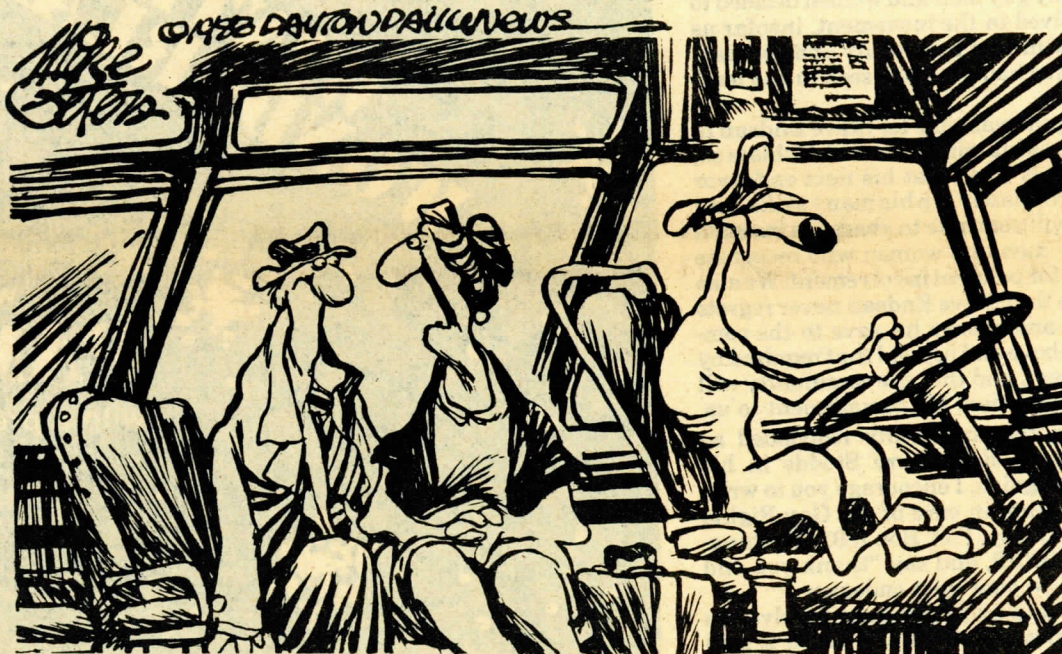
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Are Gay People Chewing Up Their Leaders? . A Disturbed Peace

By Brian McNaught

There are too damn few gay men and women who have put themselves on the line for us to allow one of the better ones to leave the scene without an overdue "thank you."

Steve Endean, the executive director of the Gay Rights National Lobby, has announced that he will leave the Lobby within the next few months. He does so with some bitterness, to which he is entitled. He also does so with some peace, for which I am pleased.

There are numerous versions of the story which led to Endean's decision to leave GRNL, none of which concern me at this point. Nor am I presently concerned as to whether or not his departure is "good" for the community. I am more concerned that the move is good for Steve Endean and concerned that he not depart without someone publicly calling attention to his contributions to our lives.

Steve Endean has given his entire adult life to lobbying for gay rights, first in Minnesota where he earned himself a reputation of professionalism and hard work, and then in the United States Congress where he brought class and respect to our presence on the Hill. In his many years of work, Steve has educated thousands of gay men and women across the country on the ins and outs of political strategizing, educated hundreds of legislators on the legitimacy of gay civil rights and been an articulate spokesperson in the press on the issues that gay men and women face on a daily basis. Endean was a primary reason why many gay men and women decided to get involved in the movement, insofar as they saw in him a maturity and sophistication they had not often seen in gay leaders.

Perhaps it was time for Steve Endean to move on, as his critics insisted. If this is so, we can only hope that his next endeavor will appropriately tap his many skills, and that he will continue to share his insights with gay men and women who recognize the need for political involvement. We also can hope that Steve Endean never regrets the time and energy he gave to the community above and beyond that required by his contract, and that the community will always appreciate his commitment to us.

Just as the community responded so brilliantly to Rep. Gerry Studds in his hours of anguish, I encourage you to write Steve Endean, in care of the Gay Rights National Lobby, P.O. Box 1892, Washington, D.C. 20013, and say "thank you and good luck in your next endeavor."

For as long as I have been involved in the gay movement, I have heard it said that the community will chew up and spit out its leaders. We have all seen it happen over and over again. Our tendency to do so does not indicate that we are less humane or gracious than other people. It suggests to me that we are perhaps desperate for change, a little presumptuous and a wee bit homophobic. We often say "thank you" when it's too late, such as at the person's funeral or departure from town or our organizations.

A little encouragement can go a long, long way. People who lead our organizations or edit our newspapers or run for office as openly gay individuals are under far more stress than their salaries compensate. They often sacrifice a home life and career options because of their commitment to the community. They do so believing that it will make a difference and hoping that gay men and women will care. Yet, the mail and telephone calls they receive are often threatening messages from anonymous people.

Many times these heroes of the movement lie in bed at night wondering if it's all worth the effort. Most of them know they could be making more money, have more vacation, enjoy more of a private life and have far fewer headaches if they left their movement work and stepped into the public marketplace. Getting their names in the paper or appearing on the *Donahue Show* was perhaps fun in the beginning, but it loses its appeal, especially knowing that every appearance is bound to gener-

ate a new wave of death threats.

Sometimes I think people are afraid to acknowledge the sacrifices made by others, because it might make them feel guilty for not being more active themselves. Other people may fear acknowledging the accomplishment of a gay leader because they think it would diminish their power and make their relationship unequal. Some people, I suspect, don't thank or compliment a leader in the movement because they don't think a homosexual should be allowed to get a "swelled head," either because they politically oppose the idea of individual leadership, or they are simply homophobic.

These fears are unrealistic. Nearly every gay man of woman I have met is the last 10 years who is working full or part time in the movement lights up when you take a moment to say "I want you to know

how much I appreciate what you are doing for us all." They smile with gratitude because they rarely hear it, and in saying it, I feel no less active, powerful or secure.

This holiday season, as we recall how cease fires are negotiated throughout the war-torn world in respect of religious observances, I suggest a cease fire among warring political factions within the gay community and an extension of gratitude to all those people who give themselves to us.

In addition to Steve Endean, I encourage you to write: Ginny Apuzzo, Executive Director of the National Gay Task Force, 80 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10011; Larry Bush, political columnist and reporter, 410 11th Street, NE, Suite 13, Washington, D.C. 20002; David Goodstein, publisher of *The Advocate*, 1730 South Amphlett, Suite 225, San Mateo,

Calif. 94402; Jim Kepner, director of the National Gay Archives, Box 38100, Los Angeles, Calif. 90038; Rev. Troy Perry, founder of the Metropolitan Community Church, 5300 Santa Monica Boulevard, Suite 304, Los Angeles, Calif. 90029.

The directors of your local political and service organizations and the editors and publishers of your local newspapers would also be delightfully surprised to hear from you, especially if you have never politically or socially seen eye to eye in the past. A simple "thank you for your efforts" will give a major boost to them and enable you to feel that you have not allowed one more dedicated person to leave the scene without acknowledging his or her commitment.

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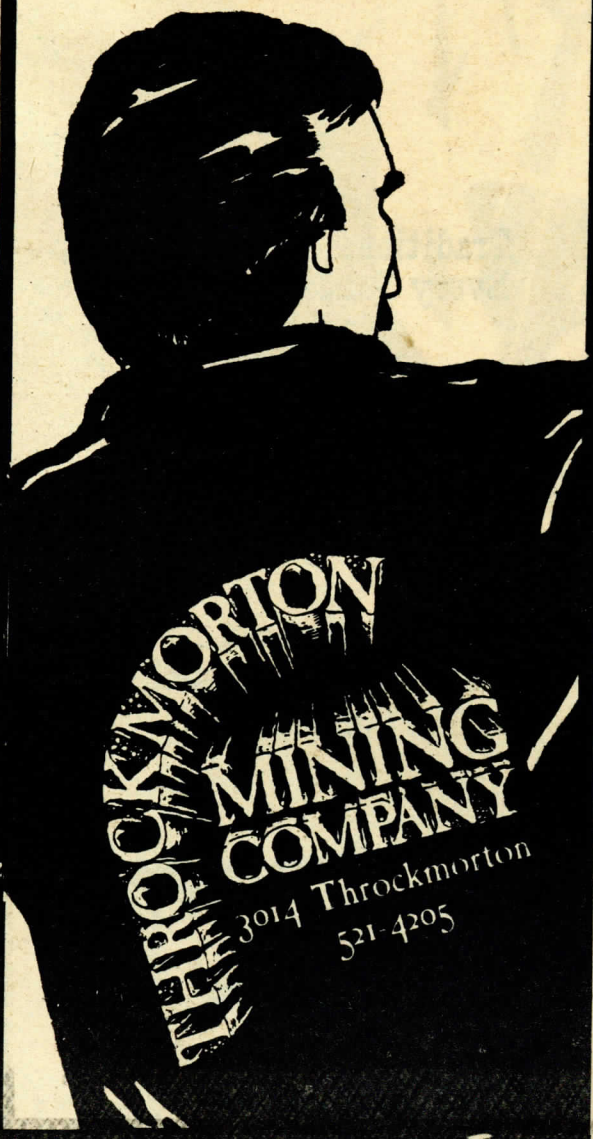
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By David Meunier

"This is your head flight attendant Trudy speaking. We have an emergency. I repeat: We have an emergency. One of our stewards has lost his gold neck chain!"

It was every airline passenger's nightmare—cruising at 37,000 feet when all of a sudden disaster strikes! If you think cruising on the ground is tough, you should try it at this altitude. Piercing earaches because of fluctuating air pressure makes conversation almost impossible, not to mention airline meals which cause nausea. Plus, there's little privacy trying to shout across a retired school teacher from Ohio or winking at the object of your desire only to have him turn away for you to confront the cold stare of a businessman from Des Moines.

Wait a minute! Let's backtrack to how this whole mess started.

I was on my way home to Texas after a wonderful vacation in Key West. Originally, I had decided to take the bus to the airport in Miami, but at the last minute a group of my friends had chipped in the difference so that I could fly. As Amy said, "Buses are so tacky, and they don't serve cocktails!" How could I refuse?

I had my apprehensions about using Air Sunshine—Air-Sometimes, as the locals quaintly referred to it. But my mind was quickly put at ease when I learned it would be the popular Tea Dance flight, so named because it leaves Sunday at 8:15 p.m., right after the biggest Tea Dance on Key West as La-Te-Da's is ending. You could still catch last minute sun, dance and drink and gather a few more addresses. It was a frantic scene at the airport, as cars screeched in at breakneck speeds depositing disoriented and inebriated passengers at the last minute.

I eyed the plane nervously. It wasn't even a jet. It was one of those two-engine prop numbers which had probably last seen service in World War II. The stewardess at the door looked like she was from the same era. It did not bolster my confidence.

Once inside the plane, I was distracted from my misgivings by the frivolity of the crowd. It looked like it was going to be a fun flight. What Air Sunshine lacked in opulence was more than made up for in special features other airlines did not offer. Even though it was a small plane, it had two male flight attendants to meet our every need. They made a nice addition to Trudy, who turned out to be one campy old broad.

Clint and Clark both had marvelous tans and looked stunning in their airline uniforms of navy blue tank tops and kelly green running shorts. Those bright and bold colors somehow didn't look as good on Trudy, but her constant mugging of Mae West made you love her never the less.

I have always felt that airports and airplanes are such romantic places. I was hopeful that somewhere among the crowd Mr. Right would be seated. About three-fourths of the passengers were gay. The rest didn't seem to mind. I waited with great anticipation for my seatmate to arrive. Would it be the hot number in the violet Polo shirt? Perhaps that hunky blonde still wearing just his Speedo bathing suit?

Unfortunately, it was neither. George was a middle-aged, heavy-set funeral home director from Dania. He immediately engaged me in conversation.

"How far do you go?" he asked suggestively.

"Only to Miami. Then I'm transferring to Pam Am for Houston," I replied curtly.

"What a shame. How long is your lay-over?" He leered.

I didn't like the way he put emphasis on lay. "Only 15 minutes," I lied.

As I was pushing his hand off my knee for the third time, Trudy arrived to inform

us that Air Sunshine provided free cocktails. What a nice gesture, I thought.

"It's to get your mind off this old wreck you're flying in," she roared.

"Would it be possible to change seats?" I inquired. "Flying in the back always makes me airsick, and I wouldn't want to puke all over George here."

"I'll see what I can do, hon," she promised.

George, in the meantime, was leaning halfway out into the aisle, giving me apprehensive looks. At least if I could be in Clark or Clint's section, the flight would be tolerable.

Soon I was up front seated next to Lucy, a retired school teacher from Ohio. But at least I had an aisle seat.

Just as I was establishing a rapport with Clint, the unthinkable happened. Trudy's voice crackled over the intercom:

"This is an emergency. I repeat, an emergency. One of our flight attendants—Clark—has lost his gold neck chain!"

Total chaos erupted. Screaming queens ran up and down the aisle. It was horrible! How could this be happening only 10 minutes from Miami! A Gary Larson cartoon flashed in my mind—Fifi, the french poodle, saves the day by taking over the controls of a plunging airliner. But there was no french poodle on board! We were doomed!

I knew I had to act quickly. If I could find Clark's neck chain, I could restore order. Plus, the hunk would be indebted to me for life. Everyone was searching frantically—even the pilot. (What was the pilot doing back here?) Clint led us in show tunes, while Trudy did Ethel Merman impressions. Then, like a miracle, I spotted it lying near one of the johns. A huge

cheer arose as I announced my find. Clark ran towards me. At last—love was in the air! As we embraced, I felt the plane dropping.

"Oh, my God!" I screamed. "We're losing altitude!"

"Of course," smiled Clark. "We're landing in Miami!"

The restroom door sprung open, and we fell in. On the ground, as Trudy gave an interview to the assembled reporters, Clark and I had a passionate restroom romance.

Later, Amy called to ask how my flight went.

"Remember Erica Jong's book, *Fear of Flying*, that you promised to loan me?" I said. "Well, I won't be needing it."

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Gays Expected to be Active and Visible in Primaries

By Larry Bush

Democratic presidential hopefuls continue a hectic schedule, and straw polls in both Iowa and Florida drew candidates and gay activists.

In Iowa, 1980 Democratic National Convention delegate Harold Wells helped launch a statewide effort to bring gays in for the Jefferson-Jackson Day dinner early in the month, showing that gays will be active and visible in the first primary. About 350 attended the Democratic Party fundraiser, and presidential hopeful Alan Cranston joined the gay group earlier in the day to talk over his candidacy.

In Florida, a smaller but equally vocal group of gay Democratic Party activists also put in a day's work at the state's convention; most were divided half-and-half between Cranston and Mondale, with a

smattering favoring former Florida governor Reuben Askew.

Of particular note at the convention was the human rights statement, which did not echo national Democratic Party standards and instead left out support for civil rights for gays.

Fred Butler, a past Key West Business Guild president and treasurer of the Monroe County Democratic Committee, rose to a point of order on the issue, but was ruled out of order. When the proposal passed, a vocal outpouring of "nays" were heard, according to Dade County Democratic committee member Jack Campbell, a leading gay businessman.

Meanwhile, South Carolina senator Ernest Hollings has added his name to the list of cosponsors of the federal gay civil rights bill. The step, which was unex-

pected only because Hollings had earlier indicated his support of the measure but not a willingness to cosponsor, came after Hollings told the National Organization

Tanyan Corman talked to Hollings afterwards, told him he was not a cosponsor, and got him to move.

Black civil rights leader Jesse Jackson, declaring for the presidency on Nov. 3, was the only Democratic hopeful to date to specifically mention gays among his coalition and support for civil rights that include gay people among his objectives. Among those invited to attend Jackson's announcement in Washington, D.C. was National Coalition of Black Gays director Gil Gerald and National Gay Task Force Washington representative Jeff Levi. It was Levi, by the way, and not Gerald, who was invited to the podium; Levi suggested afterwards it might have been because he is also Jewish, and a Jewish Defense League protest was set to take place at the event.

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Changing Lifestyles, Changing Names

By Randy Alfred

NUMBERS: A pronounced downward trend in a key venereal disease statistic indicates the extent to which sexual behavior among gay men is changing in the midst of the AIDS epidemic. During the first nine months of 1983, the ratio of rectal gonorrhea to genito-urinary gonorrhea at San Francisco public clinics declined from .48 to .25, according to Dr. Erwin Braff, director of the Health Department's Bureau of Communicable Disease.

Braff said the figures indicate either a decline in rectal sexual activity, a decline in rectal sexual activity with new (and possibly infected) partners, increased use of condoms in rectal sex, a general decline in overall sexual activity among gay men, or some combination of these. Braff said he finds the data encouraging.

AIDS risk reduction guidelines generally suggest having fewer sexual partners and using condoms to avoid the direct exchange of bodily fluids (namely semen, urine and feces). Some guidelines specifically list receptive rectal sex as a risk factor.

Braff's figures cover the San Francisco City Clinic and the district health centers. Although they include the statistics for women and heterosexual men as well as for gay men, Braff said the proportion of males and females with gonorrhea is essentially constant over time. More than 90 percent of all the reported gonorrhea cases in the city are diagnosed at City Clinic or the health centers. The others are reported by privately run clinics or by doctors in private practice and are not included in this accounting.

Here are the data for the first nine months of 1983 (ratio of rectal to genito-urinary gonorrhea): *January-.48; February-.44; March-.43; April-.45; May-.41; June-.38; July-.39; August-.36; September-.25.*

Thus, in September there was one case of rectal to every four cases of genito-urinary gonorrhea, as opposed to a one-to-two ratio in January. Note, however, that the ratios would be higher among gay men, who constitute almost all the rectal cases. The genito-urinary cases include many women, among whom rectal gonorrhea is rare, and straight men, among whom receptive rectal sex (and hence rectal gonorrhea) is definitionally almost unknown.

Comparing the same ratio over the first nine months of each of the past five years, Braff found: *1979-.51; 1980-.49; 1981-.46; 1982-.53; 1983-.40.*

Last year, there were over 14,000 cases of gonorrhea overall in the city. The figures for the first nine months of this year are the lowest in the last five years, Braff said. Compared to five-year highs for the first nine months, the nine month figures for this year show genito-urinary gonorrhea down 46 percent and rectal gonorrhea down 56 percent. That differential, Braff said, is another indication that pat-

terns, as well as levels, of sexual behavior are changing.

BY ANY OTHER NAME: There has been a spate of name changes among our political clubs recently. Here is a brief history of their nomenclature, with thanks to Frank Fitch, Jim Gordon, Armand Boulay, Paul Boneberg and Tom Isenberg for their help.

When it was founded as the nation's first gay political party club in 1972, the Alice B. Toklas Memorial Democratic Club chose not to use the word 'gay' for reasons both of discretion and its inclusion of pro-gay heterosexuals. A move to rename it the "Alice B. Toklas Gay Democratic Club" in 1977 was amended first to add the word "lesbian," then the words "and other." The amended motion was then defeated. In September 1983, adopt-

ing punctuation chosen by the Lesbian/Gay Freedom Day Parade in 1981, the club became the Alice B. Toklas Lesbian/Gay Democratic Club.

Although Alice was the first San Francisco club to add the word "lesbian," Bay Area honors go to the East Bay Lesbian/Gay Democratic Club, founded in May 1982.

The San Francisco Gay Democratic Club was founded in December 1976. It was the first in the city and perhaps in the nation to explicitly name itself that way. A motion to change the name to the Harvey Milk Gay Democratic Club was introduced on the day after the assassinations of Milk and George Moscone. The new name was formalized by a bylaw amendment two months later in January 1979. In October 1983, the name was changed, with

punctuation differing from the East Bay and Alice's to the Harvey Milk Lesbian & Gay Democratic Club.

City & County Reform Democrats, founded in 1974, became the Minuteman Democratic two years later and the Stonewall Democratic Club of San Francisco two years after that. In 1980, it became the Stonewall Gay Democratic Club of San Francisco. Its executive committee has recommended a fifth name, "Stonewall Gay/Lesbian Democratic Club." The club could effect the change, which drops "San Francisco," by January.

Concerned Republicans for Individual Rights was founded in 1977. It is still Concerned.

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Loneliness More Lethal Than Smoking

Pacific News Service

We used to hear of people dying of a broken heart only in song, but a new study confirms that loneliness is in fact a greater cause of death than smoking, drinking or eating the wrong foods.

Researchers at the University of California at Berkeley say lonely people are particularly susceptible to cardio-vascular disease, the nation's number one killer. A related study at Johns Hopkins University found that many people who developed cancer were also victims of loneliness.

Says one doctor, "Loneliness is finally coming out of the closet."

Commentary

Not Quite Priest,
Not Quite Nobleman

By Patrick Franklin

Frederick William Serafino Austin Lewis Mary Rolfe will not disappear. His flamboyant writing and even more flamboyant character have always branded him as a "minor" prosodist, and yet after many of his more highly regarded contemporaries have been relegated to the dusty corners of old libraries, Frederick Rolfe, "Baron Corvo," bursts forth every few years when a new group of avid readers discovers his florid soul and acid words.

Rolfe was born in London on July 22, 1860, and died in Venice on Oct. 25, 1913. Between those dates, he managed to write 18 books, innumerable stories, dabble in several other arts and alienate anyone who came to him in friendship. He was a staunch Catholic who revelled in orthodoxy and a socialist who hated conservatives. He indulged himself in making up new and wonderful words, while writing in an antique style that is nearly unduplicatable.

He was born into a family that was at best "shabby gentile." His ancestors had founded a piano manufactory that furnished instruments to the royal family in George III's time, but had in following years come the full round to poverty once again. Rolfe never even had the satisfaction of calling the capital his home; economics forced a move to the provinces when he was very young.

Nor could he claim the distinction of a university education. He says himself that "all the education I ever had took place in third-rate schools and terminated by my fourteenth birthday." All those elements combined to create a personality that simultaneously loved and hated the advantages it had been denied.

Despite his lack of formal schooling, Rolfe found employment as a teacher in a provincial boy's school. He was regarded as eccentric even then, and his attachment to an obscure local saint, "Little Saint Hugh," was thought strange. So was his depiction of another boy-saint, William or Norwich, in which he painted over 100 figures that bore a resemblance to the child, who in turn had an uncanny similarity with his own features.

He somehow wheedled an appointment to the Scots' College in Rome, where he was to take up holy orders. His eccentricities and abrasive personality made him as unpopular there as it had elsewhere, and he was soon ejected from the school. That turned him against his fellow Catholics, but he maintained his deep affection for the church. It was then that he took to signing his name "Fr. Rolfe," an ambiguous autograph that could be understood as "Father Rolfe" or "Friar Rolfe," as well as "Frederick."

Back in England, he worked what in our own times would be called "confidence games." He assumed the title "Baron Corvo" and pretended to be a nobleman. Using the bogus title for entree, he drew funds from naive acquaintances for fictitious projects and lived by cadging meals and lodgings from kind-hearted friends.

However, some of Rolfe's projects weren't bogus at all; they merely sounded that way to suspicious ears. He tried to raise funds to finance underwater photography, something thought laughable at the time. Rolfe had become fascinated with the new art and pioneered some methods of camerawork and film developing. The underwater scheme never came to much.

His writing was better accepted, if narrowly published. *The Yellow Book*, famous for its Beardsley covers and associations with decadence, accepted several of his stories, and of all the short pieces in those volumes, Rolfe's tales stand up today as still interesting. He devised ways of telling Biblical tales as if they were pagan legends and also managed a turnabout that made tales of Romans and Greeks sound as if they were stories of the Saints.

After gulling so many important people, he found it prudent, as well as cheaper, to move to Italy. There he continued his practice of taking lodging wherever possible, often from unwilling but courteous hosts. He also found an outlet for his taste in boys in the street urchins of the city; one of them he called "Toto," and he collected his stories as *Tales Toto Told Me*.

Toto exists for us today on film. There are numerous studies of naked youths that Rolfe took in Venice and elsewhere. He used their personalities as thinly-veiled girls in his books; *The Desire and Pursuit of the Whole*, and *Nicholas Crabbe*. He continued his interests in painting and even built himself a boat with beautifully-painted sails so that he could travel the canals and lagoons of Venice.

And he wrote. His fascination with the Borgias resulted in an extraordinary book, *The Chronicles of the House of Borgia*, which he frankly admitted to writing as a whitewash of a family for which he felt respect. The book recounts the family history from early beginnings in Spain through its 19th century descendants.

The Borgia book fascinated some, infuriated others. He did not limit himself to strict history, but made other comments along the way, such as his claim that the rightful ruler of England was Vittorio Emanuele of Italy because of a tenuous connection with the deposed Stuarts. He used exotic words and spellings, insisting that the "Sistine" chapel was more properly the "Xystyne," and peppered his prose with terms such as "fumicables" for tobacco, "fylfot" for swastika, and so on.

Rolfe might have described his life as "contortuplicated." The sheer effort of maintaining his precarious independence and self-esteem in face of continued poverty and disdain from critics took its toll. He died at the age of only 53 and was buried in a free plot in the cemetery in Venice.

If his talent had been totally expended in cadging a living, he would have soon been forgotten. But his exquisitely-written prose still attracts readers. Its attraction is never enough to insure commercial success; The Modern Library published an edition of *A History of the Borgias* which remained on the list for only a few years. Alfred Knopf put out several luxurious editions of his novels which couldn't quite stay in print.

Sill, periodically, he becomes rediscovered. A.J. Symonds renovated his image with "The Search for Corvo" in 1934. Broadway, in the 70s, produced *Hadrian VII*, a dramatized version of his best-known book. Biographies came out in 1971 and again in 1979.

Toast his memory with a bottle of the Sicilian wine from which he drew his title. "Baron Corvo" was a fraud and an unprincipled rogue. But he was a writer of great talent and a stylist of incomparable skill.

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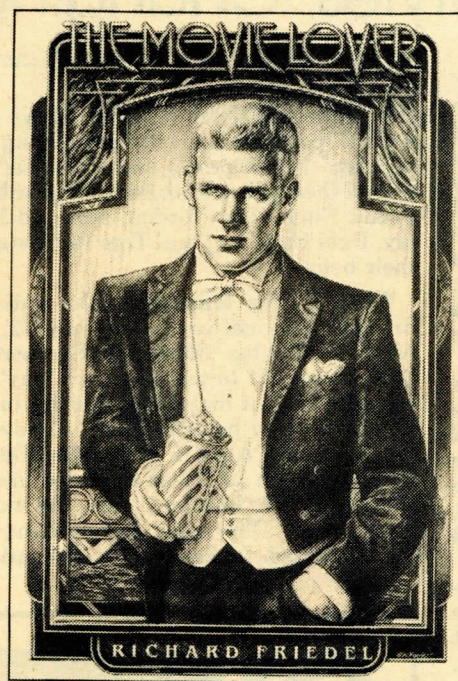
And Yet
More Food Lust

Pacific News Service

For those who'd never dream of dieting, now there's *The Joys of Pigging Out*, a trivia guide for confirmed foodaholics.

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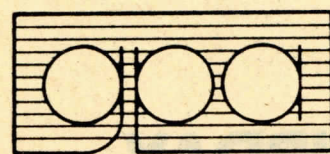
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How Do You Do at Literature?

By Roz Ashley

Do you read to fall asleep, or do you read for stimulation? What *kind* of stimulation? Do you think the Great Books are the greatest, or that bestsellers are the best? Do you read the newspaper for news, or just to follow the adventures of Mary Worth?

How well-read are you? To find out this author's opinion, finish and score the following quiz. Circle the answer that most truthfully completes each numbered sentence. Skip items that do not apply to you; it will ruin your score, but who's looking? Answers follow the last question.

1. My library is full of: a) records; b) hardcover books; c) other people's books.

2. I read to get to the core of things, such as: a) serious nonfiction; b) soft core; c) hard core.

3. Your new book purchase starts out: "Norbert's brown eyes were feverish with longing, and he sighed deeply, enticed by his lover's smile. He was inflamed, despairing of triumph over this haughty beauty's indifference." You decide to: a) read it *now*; b) return it for credit; c) burn it.

4. You read the book reviews so that you can: a) select the best books; b) avoid difficult books; c) discuss the latest books without having to read them.

5. You've just started James Joyce's *Ulysses*, and you: a) skip to the sexy parts; b) need help and get it; c) need help, but fake it.

6. You enjoy poetry: a) and read it; b) and read it aloud; c) as long as it rhymes.

7. You buy current magazines and you read: a) most of the articles; b) the recipes and the ads; c) everything but the silly quizzes.

8. You select a book because: a) it's a bestseller; b) it's been recommended; c) it's easy to borrow.

9. You've finally started *Moby Dick* and: a) Captain Ahab makes you nervous; b) the whole book makes you nervous; c) you decide to read *Jaws* instead.

10. You're reading a book with a lot of long words, so you: a) look up most of them; b) look up every other one; c) forget it and look for the latest copy of *Mandate*.

11. For current news each day, you consult: a) at least one newspaper; b) the news show with the cutest anchorperson; c) the crowd at the bar.

12. You're taking a Great Books course, and you find: a) it's dull, but good discipline; b) it's difficult, but exciting; c) it's boring and you quit.

13. You've finally found the time to read just one book. Which would you choose? a) a Jacqueline Suzanne novel; b) a good mystery; c) *My Secret Garden*.

14. Your favorite mysteries have a lot of: a) well-drawn characters; b) hidden clues; c) blood and guts.

15. Which title most appeals to you? a) *The Heart is a Lonely Hunter*; b) *The Devil's Desire*; c) *Tea Room Trade*.

Now, get your score by adding the points for the answers you've chosen: (1) a-2, b-5,

c-1; (2) a-5, b-2, c-0; (3) a-2, b-5, c-0; (4) a-5, b-3, c-0; (5) a-1, b-5, c-2; (6) a-5, b-5, c-0; (7) a-5, b-1, c-5; (8) a-1, b-5, c-0; (9) a-5, b-3, c-0; (10) a-5, b-3, c-0; (11) a-5, b-3, c-0; (12) a-3, b-5, c-0; (13) a-1, b-5, c-5; (14) a-5, b-3, c-0; (15) a-5, b-0, c-0.

Reading Your Score

(4-27) Your low score may indicate that you don't read enough, or that you don't care about what you read. As long as you read, though, don't let it bother you.

(28-51) You're reading, and that's good. Your choices may not have snob appeal, but what do you care?

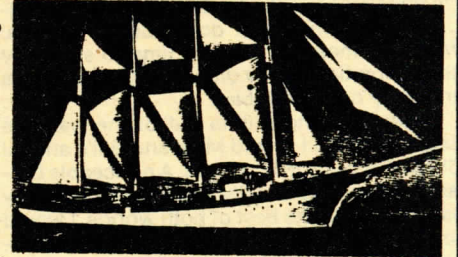
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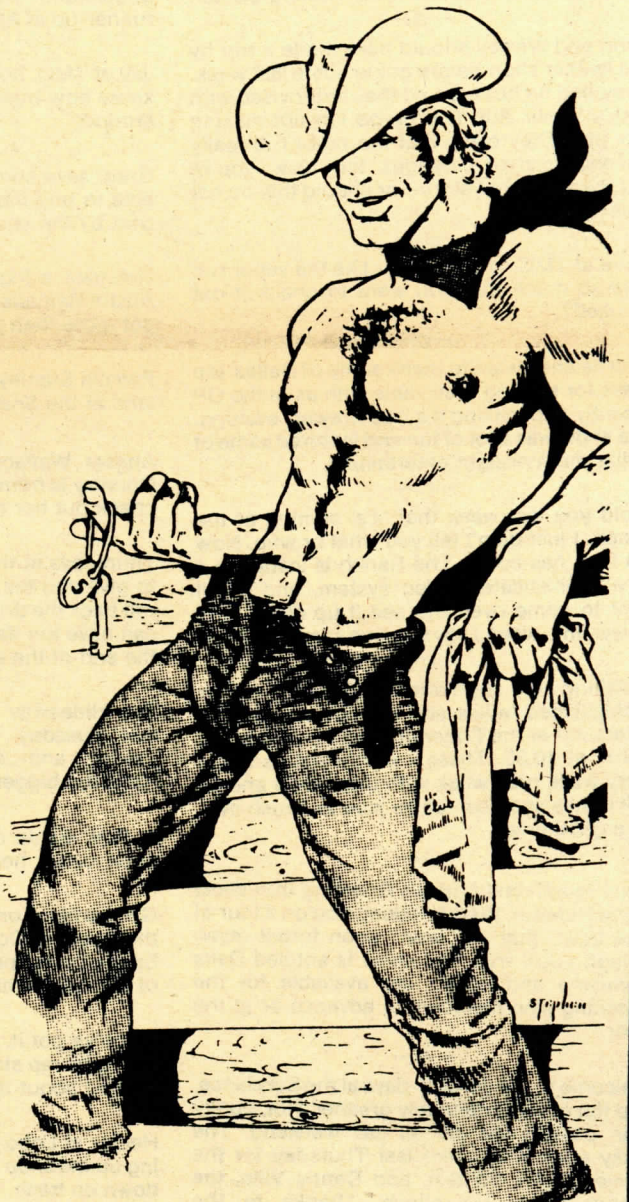
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Christening the Hot Vapor Rub Season

The holiday season is now in full swing, and I'm definitely qualified to talk about full swing... just watch me walk down Cedar Springs. What this means is that it's time to swing by holiday parties, family dinners, shopping malls and gaily decorated bars.

I'll be swinging a little out of the way this Saturday when I attend Mike and Bill's annual Christmas party in Ft. Worth. A noticeable Dallas delegation is usually there, so I'll have my hands full with the best of both worlds. I would say that Louella will help keep me out of trouble, but that would be a big LYE.

Phil thought he was going to swing by Tom's last Friday, but ended up slinging by Tom's. I'm sure there was a rush for the top of the sling, however.

JR's is butchering up its image. Last weekend, they had leather-scented candles scattered around the bar. Their next project is to butcher Drew, but you can plan on a leather shop in better dresses before that happens.

There is a special sale in better dresses at JR's all afternoon on Saturday, Dec. 10. Polo shirts and sweaters will be available at reduced prices and a portion of the sale price will be donated to the Oak Lawn Counseling Center.

John and Wesley should have made a trip by the leather shop before going home last week. They had no hot lube, so they improvised with Vick's Vapor Rub (I promise I'm not making this up). They claim that the vapor rub really opened up their passages, too! Now, you've got the whole hot story—or should that be hot hole story?

Ernie at TMC, is it true you like the vapor rub idea so much that you went to check it out yourself?

Louella and I want to thank some of Dallas' top brass for sharing their table with us at the OP recently and making it a "top drawer" evening. The show was a lot of fun and featured some of Dallas' heavyweight entertainers.

I told you last week that "it's" coming at the Ranch. I just didn't tell you what or who. Now the time has come. The Ranch is installing a very sophisticated video system, and you'll want to come over and see it up close. And believe me, when I say you can see it up close.

Speaking of sophisticated, some rather sophisticated ladies and well-known sorority sisters are at the Fraternity House on Sunday nights at 10:30. These sorority sisters make every week rush week with their show and \$1 well drinks and beer, so be sure and rush over for a good time.

Don't forget next Friday's Branding Iron show at the Hideout. We'll be taking you on a tour of Oak Lawn that you won't soon forget (even though you'll try). The show is entitled *Dalla Dementia* and tickets are available for the Branding Iron members in advance or at the door.

Welcome to the good ol' days at the Sundance, and the grass is definitely greener. Hot, hunky men packed the bar all last weekend. The lucky ones were there last Thursday for the Prime Choice contest, and Danny Villa, the winner, is a cut above. Thanks to the Wranglers for coordinating the well-planned, on-schedule event. The crowd even stayed for special "turkey day" afterhours that even included some dancing.

Mark at the Crews Inn, in answer to last week's question, I'm sure a good night's sleep was good for you. And Frank, I hear that you even assumed the position to get your hair cut; presumably that's because it's so very long (your hair that is).

The Texas Motorcycle Club is celebrating their first anniversary this weekend with registration beginning at the Hideout. And just like Louella, the Hideout will be wide open, 24 hours a day real soon.

Raise your hand if you've been to north Dallas.



Prime Choice winner Danny Villa (center) with Larry Horn (left) and Tim Summerall. The contest for men over 40 was held this year at the Sundance in Dallas.

Raise your hand if you've heard of north Dallas. Good response, so now it's time to plan a trip there to check out the new Studio 4—a new dining and disco owned by Ray Martin that's just a little up north. Grand opening is scheduled for Dec. 15.

Surely everybody remembers Eva, the cashier from the Bell Pepper. Well, Charles Armstrong has brought her back to us. She is currently the coat checker at the 4001. Be sure and drop by, because she'd love to see everybody again.

Title tycoon Jimmy Lisenbee went westward and won first runner-up in the Mr. Ft. Worth contest at the Other Place and the next night won Mr. Arlington at the TCMC. And Phil, I understand you were the very close first runner-up in Arlington. I'm proud of you both.

Jay at TMC, hope you're feeling better soon. I know how miserable you must be just sitting around.

Greg, save some money and maybe you'll be able to buy the sleeves that go with your fur coat by the end of winter.

Jim paid a high price for satisfaction at the Austin Ramada Inn, hopefully for the price, he got more than just good music.

Pamela Stanley will be at the Winter Wonderland at the Snake Pit Dec. 10.

Angela Wallace's art showing at the High Country is from 3-6 on Sunday, so be sure and check out her etchings—I'm sure.

Thursdays at the OP, they roll back the clock to give you the best music of yesteryear; they roll back the drink prices, too. That means you can have fun dancing and roll out of the bar at the end of the evening.

The Hideaway kicked off the holiday season last Tuesday with a tree trimming party. Leverne and Lonnie fought over who got to hang the biggest balls, but everyone had fun.

A Pink Eagle may be flying at the Unicorn soon; check here for more on that later.

Get bombed on Pearl Harbor Day, Dec. 7, at the Hidden Door—sponsored by the Silver Spurs. Drink specials for those in uniform and, of course, Kamikaze.

If you've got it, they'll wrap it at All Tied Up, a new giftwrap store on Oak Lawn. Robert's just excited about the name.

Hector at Lobo finally admitted it while cleaning up the shop on Tuesday that he loves going down on trash. Lobo's 10th anniversary is this coming week.

Another week, another anniversary. On Dec. 9, it's the first year celebration for the OP at its Cedar Springs location. Free well drinks will be served from 8-10pm.

The bar owners will be behind bars soon. That's right, they originally were given life sentences, but the Tavern Guild got them just one night behind the bars at the Saint. The night is Dec. 8 and will benefit Gay Pride Week '84 (whenever that might be) and the AIDS program of the Oak Lawn Counseling Center.

Don, of this paper, what muscles to you develop when you work out in the sauna?

PARTY ALERTS: Friday is the 29th anniversary of the day Sen. Joe McCarthy was con-

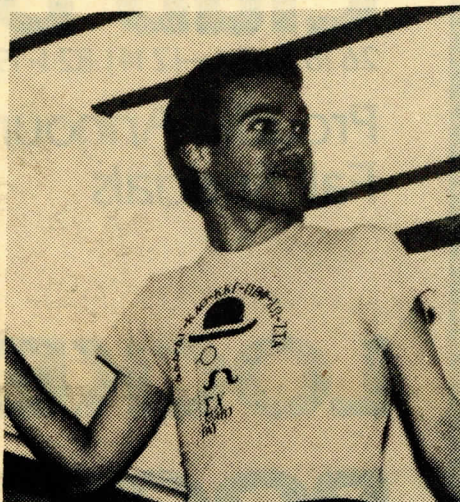
demned by the U.S. Senate for his witch hunt for communists, many of whom he claimed were either homosexuals or movie stars.

Saturday is the 178th anniversary of the day Lewis, partner of Clark in the Lewis and Clark expedition of the Northwest, carved his name on a Pacific Pine.

Next Tuesday is the 118th anniversary of the 18th Amendment, abolishing slavery.

Wednesday is the 42nd anniversary of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor. (They clobbered us. But we did eventually win the war.)

And next Thursday, the 8th, is the 207th anniversary of Washington, looking real dandy, crossing the Delaware.



Heda Quote from days gone by

Ft. Worth Soap

By Louella Lye

Autumn Leaves Scaring Prize-Winning Hunks in Cowtown

Bits and pieces. You ought to see this column before I sit down to write it. Small bit here, quick piece there, lot's of mass confusion. Yet somehow, I manage to make it all come together. Sometimes this job can really get sticky, or you can end up in some pretty tight places (thank God!).



Meet the "Gay News Dancers," (top row, from left) Don Ritz, Jerry Terrell, Robert Moore, (bottom row), from left) Tim Barnes, Dwight Kilgore, Bill Belcher

There are a lot of people who lay low trying to stay out of the public eye, and then there are those who low lay trying to catch Louella Lye! Nevertheless, it's a dirty job, but someone has to do it!

Speaking of a dirty job, Gordon from the Corral, dear, you have been working much too hard lately. I think you could use a nice little vacation. I hear Sweden is just wonderful this time of year. Let me know when we are leaving so I can get my Heidi outfit from the cleaners.

For those of you who missed it, although I don't know how, Ma Peeler just celebrated another birthday last Tuesday. Hope that you enjoyed your C. Holiday party! Also happy birthday to John.

Joel, or is that Jowl?—I hope that I got it right this time.

Niki Shelton, you're just like Laura. Just about the time everybody thinks you're dead, you suddenly reappear! Who is your booking agent, Cassadine? From what I hear, you really had a good time at TCMC!

The Court of the Golden Lions and the Wednesday Afternoon Drinking Society are jointly sponsoring "Not Your Ordinary Drag Show." This event will help raise money for Toys for Tots. Lots of wonderful lovelies, including several of your favorite bartenders, will be in the show. All you have to do is either bring a toy, canned goods or a donation to get in. This fun-filled evening has been planned for Dec. 20 at the 651 Arlington.

Jay McKee, hon, this just hasn't been your week. I was wondering if you could tell how much cab fare is from the Come Along Inn to the fine arts? Also, I know I know you like buns, but haven't you been biting off just a little more than you can chew?

The new Mr. Ft. Worth was chosen last Friday night at the Other Place. Larry Aguilar was selected to represent Ft. Worth at the Mr. Texas pageant. Larry is also the current Mr. 651 Arlington, which sponsored him in the Mr. Ft. Worth contest.

James Smith, I saw you behind the scenes, or should I say sheets, doing what in the shadow of love—or should I say lust?

Last Saturday night at the Tarrant County Mining Company, the new Mr. Arlington was chosen. From an audience response, Jim Lisenbee was chosen as the new Mr. Arlington. Phillip Goudeau hopped a close second, and Patrick Culbert placed third. Because Jim and Phillip's scores were so close (in fact, they scored exactly the same), the TCMC decided to send both on to Mr. Texas. Now that's what I call the double barrel shotgun approach!

Congratulations to Raina Lea for winning yet another out-of-town title. Yes, Raina is now your new Entertainer of the Year for the City of Abilene. This title is not to be confused with A.N.D. Productions. Tell me, hon, who got the Miss Congeniality award? Go get em, girl!

Coming up on Dec. 10, the 2nd Annual L.C.A.M.S.C.T. That translates to the Lynn Christopher Annual Memorial Scholarship Christmas Tree Pageant. The pageant is open

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to anyone who has ever wanted to do drag and wanted that first big break. Only unusual costumes need enter, but it could be worth your while, because first place prize will be \$100 cash! That will take place at the Lumber Company.

J.W. and Greg, my grapevine sources, tell me that you two will be moving to Cowtown in the very near future! Let me know when you get your Silver Spurs unpacked, and I will gie you two a Ft. Worth/Lye tour!

Beth, I hope you get well soon. Taloula Too-loose is running out of ideas.

Get ready, Ft. Worth, Sir Bud's is on the way. They have scheduled their opening for the 5th, pending their liquor license arrival. If you need room, then this will be the place to be. Sir Bud's will be the largest gay bar in Ft. Worth. Be watching for their grand opening soon at 600 W. Magnolia, or call them at 877-5326 for more information. Tell them Louella sent you!

Joni, can I borrow a pen? I go through almost as many pens as you do admirers. By the way, how is your little adopted friend with huge assets?

D.J. had a benefit drag show last Monday night to help offset Josie's hospital bill for recent surgery. The fun thing about this show was that all of the performers in the show had either gotten their start at D.J.'s or were just starting out when they had performed there before. Yes, it was almost like a family reunion. Josie, we all hope that you get well soon.

Mark and Bob, I got your wonderful postcard. I hope you two got all moved in to Oklahoma City, O.K. (cute, huh?). Well, I'm lousy about returning letters, so consider this my postcard. Now how about here's my card, you already got the post! Say 'hi' to OKC for me!

Autumn Leaves, you have got to stop walking around out of drag. You nearly scared me to death! You have to remember that you're not like Fonda Peters who is scary in or out of drag. Before I forget, can I borrow your Miss Ellie outfit?

Along with jockey shorts, they now have musical barstools. Some of those skinny people sure can slam their hips and thighs around. \$25 prize to the winner, too.

If you missed the Infinity Dancers at Tim's last weekend, you missed a lot. They do have it together. Really want to see them perform more often. How about it, Howard or John? Let's get them to do a show in your joints, too.

There seems to be a new past-time at a local Tulsa watering hole, collecting shorts. I promised I wouldn't reveal the dark-haired boy's name, but he had his removed by a very sharp bartender. Keep up the good work, Kel. Maybe Dane—oops a slip of the Tongue—will come around some day.

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Bonfires Roasting Buns on Fridays

Curtis and his friend SB made their weekday appearance amidst great speculation as to what the initials SB stood for. Perchance does it have anything to do with those well-placed holes in the jeans?

Remember the story of the aging debutante? Well, there was a terrible error in the story. She's not looking for her fifth husband, it's her sixth! Keep working at it, girl; I'm sure you'll get it right soon.

There's a certain liquor store in town that may make a great trade—phone numbers for a bottle. Could this possibly be true, Boss Hogg?

Tulsa gets real hot on Fridays with the bonfires by Miss T. and Miss W. But really, girls, couldn't things be more profitable if you recycled your papers instead.

Louella, dear girl, maybe we'll meet real soon—tomorrow maybe. I've heard so much about you from everyone. I've longed to meet you face to face, or should I say tongue to tongue?

Speaking of Thanksgiving, many in Tulsa have Howard to thank for supplying a quick buffet in the Mining Company that evening. Congrats to Helen Holliday on the great show that night. Sorry to see your reign end so soon after I met you. Were you really wrecked that night? Best to you in the future. Keep your crown—it looks fab!

Sunday was the crowning of the new Miss Gay Tulsa, Raving Madd. She did do a number on the crowd at the dinner theatre. Celebs from all over came to witness what some said was the social event of the year. Carry on, girl, we look forward to seeing you in the future.

If you want to see some hip swinging, check out the new contest at TMC on Mondays.

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Seven Day Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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For additional information or phone numbers for events listed below, look for the sponsoring organization under "Organizations" in the Dallas Gay News Classified & Directory.

Selected Events through 7 Days

■**SUNDAY:** Oak Lawn Tennis League play, noon, Cole Park Tennis Courts, Dallas

■**SUNDAY:** "Lambda Weekly," gay radio, KNON, 90.9FM Dallas, 12-1pm

■**MONDAY:** Ft. Worth Dignity meets Dec. 5, Catholic Renewal Center, 4503 Bridge

■**MONDAY:** Oak Lawn Bowling Assoc. league competition at Bronco Bowling Lanes, Oak Cliff, 8:30pm

■**TUESDAY:** Oak Lawn Symphonic Band meets 7pm, MCC, 2701 Reagan, Dallas

■**TUESDAY:** Tarrant County Gay Alliance meets Dec. 6, Center for the Community, Ft. Worth

■**WEDNESDAY:** Center for the Community, Ft. Worth, hosts pot luck supper, Dec 6, 7:30pm

■**WEDNESDAY:** Pegasus Volleyball Assoc. practices 7-9pm, Reverchon Recreational Center, 3505 Maple, Dallas

■**WEDNESDAY:** Oak Lawn Tennis Assoc. meets 7:30pm at Cole Park Tennis Courts, Dallas

■**WEDNESDAY:** Lesbian Rights Task Force of Dallas County NOW meets 7:30pm Dec. 7, 3107 Routh

■**THURSDAY:** Dallas Gay Republicans meet Dec. 8, 7pm, 4209 Bowser, Apt. 115

■**THURSDAY:** LAMBDA bowling, 7pm, Circle Bowl, 10011 Denton Drive, Dallas

Selected Events in Future Weeks

■**IN 1 WEEK:** Affirmative meets 3pm Dec. 11, Dallas

■**IN 1 WEEK:** Oklahomans for Human Rights meet 7:30pm Dec. 11, Hilton Inn Northwest, Oklahoma City

■**IN 1 WEEK:** Dallas Gay Alliance meeting, 7:30pm Dec. 12, MCC, 2701 Reagan

■**IN 2 WEEKS:** Center for the Community, Ft. Worth, hosts Dot & Paula singfest, Dec. 13, 7:30pm

■**IN 1 WEEK:** Dallas Motorcycle Club meets Dec. 14, Hidden Door, 5025 Bowser

■**IN 2 WEEKS:** Dallas Gay Pride Week Assoc. meets 1pm Dec. 18, NOW offices, 3107 Routh

■**IN 2 WEEKS:** Imperial Court of the Shooting Stars meet 2pm Dec. 18, 5534 Merrimac, Dallas

■**IN 2 WEEKS:** Imperial Court of Ft. Worth/Arlington meets Dec. 18, 2412 Lipscomb, Ft. Worth

■**IN 2 WEEKS:** Dallas Gayline meets 7:30pm, Dec. 18

■**IN 2 WEEKS:** Pegasus meets Dec. 20, 1st Unitarian Church, 4015 Normandy, Dallas

■**IN 3 WEEKS:** Center for the

Community, Ft. Worth, Christmas dinner, Dec. 20, 7:30pm

■**IN 2 WEEKS:** Winter begins at 4:31am, Dec. 22

■**IN 3 WEEKS:** Gay/Lesbian Student Support Group meets 9:30am Dec. 24, MCC, 2701 Reagan, Dallas

■**IN 3 WEEKS:** Lesbian Rights Task Force of Dallas County NOW coffeehouse, 7:30pm Dec. 24, 3107 Routh

■**IN 3 WEEKS:** Christmas, Dec. 25

■**IN 3 WEEKS:** Integrity/Dallas meets 7:30pm Dec. 29, St. Thomas the Apostle Church, Mockingbird at Inwood

■**IN 7 WEEKS:** NOW's Lesbian Rights Conference, Jan. 20-22, Milwaukee

■**IN 8 WEEKS:** Gay Press Association Southern Regional Conference, Jan. 27-29, Houston

■**IN 10 WEEKS:** Lincoln's birthday, Feb. 12

■**IN 10 WEEKS:** Valentine's Day, Feb. 14

■**IN 11 WEEKS:** Washington's birthday, Feb. 20

■**IN 13 WEEKS:** Mardi Gras Fat Tuesday, March 6

■**IN 15 WEEKS:** St. Patrick's Day, March 17

■**IN 16 WEEKS:** Lambda Bowling League hosts St. Patrick's Invitational, Circle Bowl, Dallas, March 17-18

■**IN 17 WEEKS:** April Fool's Day, April 1

■**IN 23 WEEKS:** First primary party elections in Texas and party precinct conventions, May 5

■**IN 23 WEEKS:** World's Fair opens in New Orleans, May 12, lasting to Nov. 11

■**IN 25 WEEKS:** Texas Senatorial District Party Conventions, May 19

■**IN 25 WEEKS:** Gay Press Association 4th National Convention, May 25-28, Los Angeles

■**IN 25 WEEKS:** Memorial Day, May 28

■**IN 27 WEEKS:** Run-off party elections in Texas, June 2

■**IN 29 WEEKS:** Texas Democratic Party Convention, June 15-17, tentatively Houston

■**IN 28 WEEKS:** 1984 Gay Pride Week begins, 15th anniversary of Stonewall uprising, national slogan "United & More in '84," June 15-24

■**EARLY JULY:** Lesbian and Gay Bands of America concert, Los Angeles

■**IN 28 WEEKS:** National Gay Health Education Foundation's 1st International Lesbian/Gay Health Conference, "Toward Diversity," New York, June 16-19

■**IN 33 WEEKS:** Democratic National Convention, San Francisco, July 16-19

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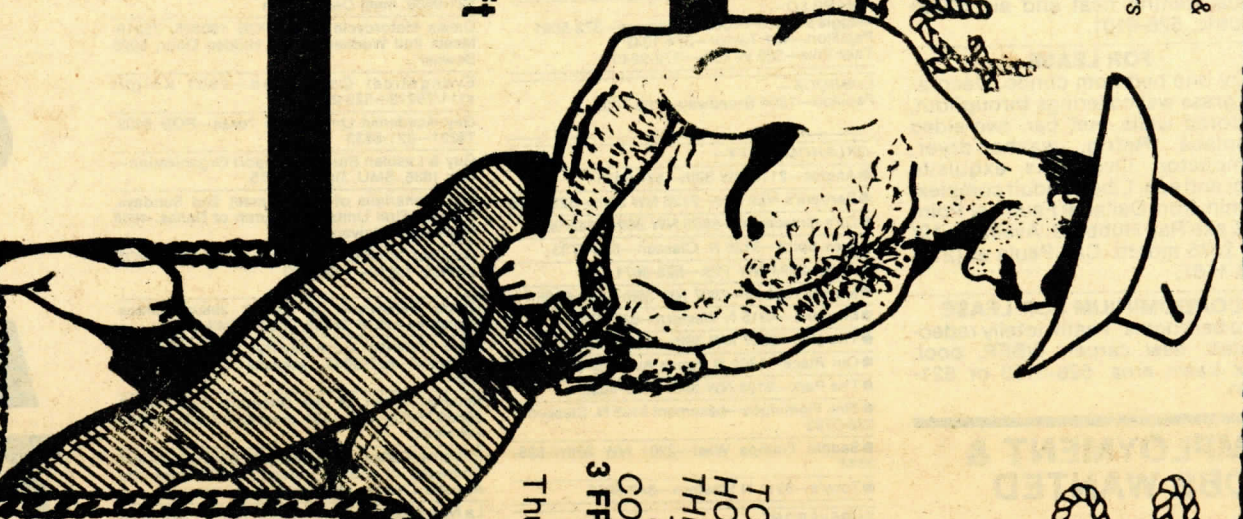
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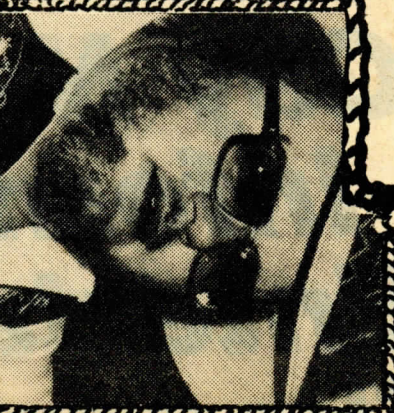
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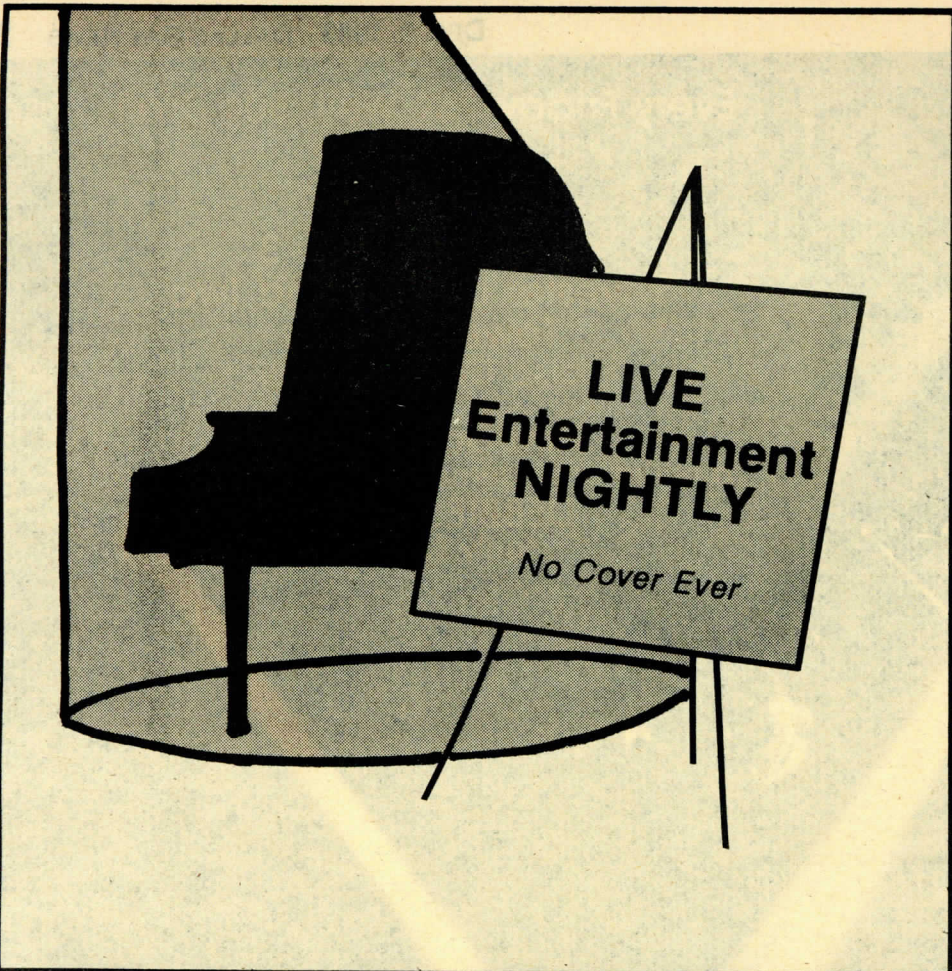
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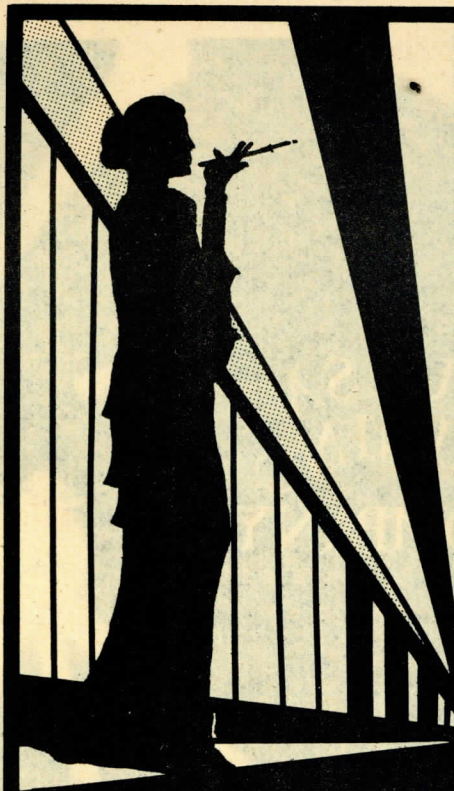
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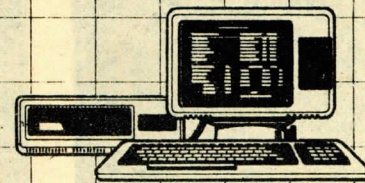
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TAURUS—You will be acutely aware of how you are seen and known by others. From that awareness follows the realization of the positive and negative limits that define your life. You will want to communicate your deepest self to one you love deeply. It can only lead to good.

GEMINI—A release through display of your love and affection. Holding back at this point can cause only more tension and lead to emotional stagnation. Let it all go. It is a time of great energy, and the proper use of that energy is the making of a powerful love.

CANCER—If you hadn't planned on being with your family this Christmas, you should; otherwise, you'll miss out on what union and reunion can really feel like and mean. There's some tension, even frenzy in a sexual relationship you're having. A break from that couldn't hurt, could it?

LEO—And, for Leo also, home is most definitely where the heart is. Some difficult words between you and a man from your past will come and go, eventually overshadowed by the absolutely charming and loving way that you do the things you do.

VIRGO—Brothers and sisters can best help you work out the problems you're faced with. You're reaching out for acceptance; if you didn't want it so much, things might be a lot easier, but certainly a lot less interesting. Be able to reach in for acceptance.

LIBRA—The great American poet, Charles Olson, has a line—"I have had to learn the simplest things last—which has made for difficulties." Learning some of the simplest things now will certainly ease some of the difficulty you're experiencing. No stopping you now!

SCORPIO—Having—though important—is not enough for Scorpio. The more important thing is a kind of double-edged knowledge of what it is that you have. The blade that cuts through the material world may itself be made from that world.

SAGITTARIUS—There is a kind of nobility about you now, that in its embracing of the central meaning of Christmas spreads a radiant and joyful light. It is a time when your ability to create the future should not be missed. You can really share.

CAPRICORN—The question you keep asking is "why is this happening to me?" The question itself may be your stumbling block. The joviality and high spirits of others feel like an affront to what you are going through. Give yourself the gift of solitude when you need it.

AQUARIUS—The intense desire to create something of lasting importance may begin to be fulfilled if you keep your eyes open and allow yourself to take chances. What you see may only be the seed, but take it, nurture it, and watch you grow.

PISCES—The participation in a certain ritual holds special meaning for you now. It could be trimming the tree or sending out the cards. Something that was empty becomes full; sing the carols, tie the ribbons, and have a very Merry Christmas.

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