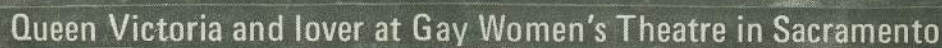


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IS N.O.W. HOMOPHOBIC?

by Julie Lee

The following resolution was officially adopted by last year's National Convention of N.O.W.

"Whereas, The L.A. Chapter recognizes the double oppression of women who are lesbians, Whereas, the Chapter recognizes that a woman's right to her own person includes the right to define and express her own sexuality and to choose her own life-style, therefore, we acknowledge the oppression of lesbians as a legitimate concern of feminism."

The organized lesbian movement in New Jersey started in April of 1971 when Jan Rubin--a DOB member, living in N.J.--founded Daughters of Bilitis in New Jersey (DOBNJ). One of her first priorities was to join the lesbian movement with the women's movement in our state. She did this by joining the Statewide Coordinating Committee (SCC) consisting of all N.J. NOW chapters plus many other independent feminist organizations of all types throughout the state. Her efforts were very successful, and lesbians had considerable influence and a strong voice, and participated actively in many feminist activities for one year.

Lesbians Harassed at "Woman Power" Conference

The first hint of trouble came shortly before the April 8, 1972 statewide "Woman Power" conference where several homophobic women surfaced, including at least one woman with personal conflicts regarding her own sexual orientation. There were supposed objections to the two lesbian workshops--one general and the other on lesbians in the women's movement--but Jan insisted, and both workshops were kept on the program. As it turned out, both workshops were so overcrowded that effective work was impossible, and we found that FOUR such workshops would have been just right. Also, without consulting the lesbians, the woman in charge of publicity barred the press from our workshops, and this same woman announced at the beginning of the workshop on "The Single Woman in Society", which she was leading, that lesbianism would not be discussed in this workshop, and that anyone who wanted to discuss this issue should go to the lesbian workshop being held at the same

to the lesbian workshop being held at the same time! One of the main speakers at the conference was Jacqueline Ceballos, NOW Eastern Regional Director, who discussed with the conference coordinators the advisability of setting up an exclusive statewide NOW structure in N.J. Plans were immediately made for the first planning meeting of such a structure at which only presidents of NOW chapters and/or specially designated "coordinators" were permitted.

Planning Structure Developed to Exclude Lesbians

The danger of this entire situation was immediately apparent to N.J. lesbians. The new exclusive structure would effectively exclude lesbians--no up-front lesbian being a NOW chapter president. So Jan Rubin succeeded in having herself designated "coordinator" from Essex County NOW, Jan's own NOW chapter.

In this capacity Jan attended several of the early organizational meetings, and tried to point out to the women what the new EXclusive structure would do to sisterhood in the State, by essentially excluding lesbians and other minority women, and also by most likely eliminating or rendering ineffective the INclusive Statewide Coordinating Committee, which heretofore had pulled together ALL feminist activities in New Jersey. Jan found virtually no help from any of the women in these meetings, or in the still-continuing meetings of SCC. Many women were openly hostile, while others were afraid to publicly side with their gay sisters.

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Two women especially were extremely antagonistic to Jan's attempts to stop the NOW-only structure, one of whom later admitted to being a lesbian herself -- a fact we had known but were not at liberty to disclose, of course. When it became clear to the women that New Jersey lesbians were actively trying to stop this divisive superstructure, some of the women started employing underhanded and secretive ways of insuring that the lesbians would be undercut in their attempt to save sisterhood in New Jersey.

Appeal to National N.O.W. Rebuffed

On July 12, 1972, I sent a two-page letter to Wilma Heide, National President of N.O.W., writing to her as one veteran feminist to another, and calling on her aid to preserve sisterhood in New Jersey, by pointing out to her that an INclusive State-Wide feminist structure already existed in the State, and that the addition of an EXclusive all-NOW structure was creating ill feeling, and worse. The reply to this serious letter came on August 20 - more than five weeks later - in the form of an almost illegible POSTCARD. My letter had been lost - so Ms. Heide said - and she had so informed Ms. Ceballos, who was supposed to call me and tell me (which she never did, of course). The postcard then went on to say that NOW was perfectly free to form exclu-sive State-wide organizations, would not be frustrated in doing so by any independent group, and it ended with these words: "We will work in coalition as we mutually choose" (emphasis Ms. Heide's).

I replied by stating that sisterhood was indeed dead in New Jersey, and that it looked to me as if lesbians had no real place in NOW.

Anti-Lesbian Letter Sent Out By N.O.W.

Her answer to this was to send me a copy of a sick and incredibly homophobic letter from one Kathleen Mullahey, complaining of supposed atrocities perpetrated by "lesbians" and "dykes" at the Womens Liberation March in New York on August 25th. I happened to have attended this march - a fact Ms. Heide apparently was unaware of - and though we walked pretty much in the center of the small demonstration, we were totally unaware of any of the "terrible" things of which Ms. Mullahey was complaining. And even if these things had actually happened, I was hardly responsible for them. Ms. Heide mentioned that she had sent this letter to many people to demonstrate "what kind of communication I receive by letter, phone, etc". I replied, asking Ms. Heide whether she also distributes copies of letters like mine, pointing out

the discrimination AGAINST lesbians in NOW. Obviously she never answered. By this time it was apparent to most of us that a State-Wide EXclusive NOW structure was inevitable.

N.O.W. Chapter Formed Dedicated To Minority Women

All seemed to go well, and Jane received a letter from Muriel Fox, Chairone of National NOW, stating that she had sent our Charter to Jacqui Ceballos for signature and delivery to us, but the Charter never arrived. In its stead Jane got a letter dated October 8, 1972, from Ms. Ceballos which was so insulting and condescending as to be almost unbelievable. Ms. Ceballos told Jane that she was withholding the Charter because she felt our chapter was "discriminating" because it was formed "for" the doubly-oppressed women. Our Chapter Newsletter "Sisterhood" clearly stated that the chapter was DEDICATED to such women, not that it was FOR them, or in any way restricted to such women. Ms. Ceballos also alluded to a short article in "Majority Report" quoting from the DOB Newsletter "Lazette" which allegedly said that Mid-East Jersey NOW was formed to "fight the State Structure or to influence it." No such thing was ever said, of course -- we were always completely open about our purpose, which was to have fair representation for minority status women. Discrete inquiries by sympathetic NOW women later disclosed that "the Board" -- apparently meaning the Executive Committee -- had unanimously voted to deny Mid-East Jersey its charter.

N.O.W. To Withhold Power From Minority Women

We received a letter from Ms. Fox - Chairone of National NOW, confirming this refusal so this Chapter is closed. The letter was full of lies - as usual. But the entire thing proves to us what we knew all along: that NOW will go to ANY lengths to prevent lesbians from having any say-so or -- GOD FORBID -- power in the feminist movement. We feel this conclusion also applies to other minority women, be they black, red, Chicano, working-class or women-in-poverty.



BEATEN LESBIAN SUES POLICE

by Rita A. Goldberger

Gail Minor, a sister from Los Angeles, was beaten by law enforcement officers at the City of Industry Sheriff's station (see November Lesbian Tide). While in a cell, booked on an assault charge, Minor was dragged from her cell by officers who said, "You look like a man, you act like a man, let's see how you like being treated by a man." The officers held her immobile on the floor as they beat her. When she finally wrenched a leg free and kicked one of the men, he announced triumphantly, "Did you see that? Felonious attack on an officer." Her bond, originally set for \$250, was raised to \$1,250 because of this new charge.

Ms. Minor's arraignment was set for October 30. At this arraignment, the woman who pressed the original charge went to court to drop this charge.

At court that morning, Minor saw the officers who had beaten her go into the judge's chambers before court convened. When her case came up, she was released and told to pay \$50 court costs. Asking whether there was a second charge, she was told there was none.



Gail Minor has paid a \$125 bond for a charge that was never intended to be pursued. Such treatment is clear harassment, beyond the brutality of the beating. She is now seeking to bring a civil suit against the officers involved in her beating.

OPINION: LESBIANS, TARGETS OF VIOLENCE

Gail Minor's experience is one of several recent similar incidents in the Los Angeles area. The victims are usually women who look more "masculine" than women are supposed to look in this society. What is the significance of such police brutality? What are the reasons for it? I believe there are two reasons.

First, Los Angeles is just now catching up with other major cities in terms of lesbian harassment. Women in Los Angeles who come from Dallas, New Orleans, and New York City report that violence against gay women is as common as the entrapment and beating of gay men. The harassment of women's bars and their patrons is on the rise in Los Angeles. Such activity cannot be written off entirely as election year politics. There is too much evidence that other cities have a clear policy of harassing gays, women as well as men. Men in Los Angeles have long been the target of police harassment (see Black Pipe Raid story in October Lesbian Tide), and evidence is coming out that women are now a target also.

Another reason for brutality against gay women is the hatred this society, in particular men,

harbor against women who rebel against their role. One woman I know has never attempted to hide her gayness. Even in high school she dressed and acted in a "masculine" manner. Many times boys waited after school to gang up on her and brutally beat her.

Lesbians have been, and will continue for a long time to be a special "hate-object" for many men. One of the issues of the Gay Women's movement must be how to deal with the violence that often results from this hatred. One way, perhaps, is to take lessons in self-defense, to learn to protect ourselves and to come to the aid of sisters, if the attackers are not policemen. In the case where the attack comes from the police, take his badge number and avoid getting involved in a fight with them. You could easily and literally be killed. Help sisters to press civil actions, whenever possible against police harassment.

Most of all, keep in contact with us at the Lesbian Tide. Tell us of similar experiences and of the situation in your city or town. We would like to print the extent of this danger, so that the movement can begin to fight it.

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PREFERENCE GIVEN TO GAY WOMEN

Opinion: POLITICALLY SPEAKING, WIN A FEW, LOSE A LOT

by Barbara McLean

It hardly seems necessary to comment on the effect which Nixon's reelection will have on the women and the gays of this country. Certain that he now has the support of the American public, and with nothing left to lose (he cannot run for a third term), there is no doubt that he will step up efforts to reintroduce W.A.S.P.M. (White Anglo-Saxon Protestant Male) conservatism (of what's theirs) and capitalism (to keep it and get more) and THE American way of life. He now has the freedom to suffocate the efforts, and the lives, of liberals, particularly in regard to civil rights issues. Look for a big reduction of funds for social programs, further degradation of people on welfare, and increase in military spending, an increase in the prosecution of "victimless crimes", a very slow end to the war, and new appointments to the Supreme Court which will guarantee a conservative majority there for the next 20 years. (My sympathy to the A.C.L.U.). Mr. Nixon has made his position "quite clear" with regard to minority groups. And for the next four years he has the veto.

Remaining on the National level, Yvonne Brathwaite, former California Assemblywoman, has now captured a seat in the U.S. Congress (37th dist.) and Congress promises to be particularly colorful in '73 with the return of the outspoken Bella Abzug of New York. She was just itching to get back in the fight, and fight she will!

On the California scene, it's been a case of give a little, get a little. The Gay community can sigh a sigh of relief with the sound defeat of the Obscenity proposition. Its passage could have put an end to all gay publications, among other things. Passage of the "Right of Privacy" amendment to the state constitution was a step in the right direction. The Marijuana Initiative, while losing, gained enough support to open the eyes of a few politicians to the fact that a hell of a lot of Californians feel that how people get high is none of the state's business.

The Busch-Bugliosi race for L.A. District Attorney was probably the most disappointing result of the election. Even though it was close enough to make Busch sweat, it is not likely that he will now relax his attitude toward gays. Police harassment will continue, unfortunately, as long as Busch chooses to implement his "homosexuality is a criminal offense" attitude.



While the vote was another close one, it was discouraging to see Cathy O'Neil fail in her bid to break into that all-male fraternity known as the California Senate. Gays can be happy, however, that Roberti (D-27th Dist.) made it to the Senate. He can be counted upon to support gay issues (although not Feminist issues).

Probably the most favorable aspect of the local elections was the resulting increase in the number of state Assemblymen who are openly committed to gay and/or women's issues. A few (but certainly not all) that we can count on to carry our ball are: Karabian (D-45 Dist.), Alatorre (he finally made it!) (D-48th Dist.), Sieroty (D-59th Dist.), and Waxman (D-61st Dist.). Look for "Gay Rights" legislation to be introduced in the California Assembly in 1973.

All in all, it looks as though we, as part of the voting public, have now created a political atmosphere which will give birth, in the next 2 years, to a lot of new civil/human rights legislation, locally in the Assembly and nationally in Congress. The maturity and fulfillment of these ideals, however, will have to wait until we, the so-called minorities, pull together to form the majority which will put the right people in the real positions of power, the veto positions.



by Diane Trzcinski

Homosexuality has had a big year on television being a once taboo, now relevant subject subject to be capitalized upon. In August, Owen Marshall defended a pure young thing who had been wrongly accused by a vicious socialite's daughter of being a lesbian. During the trial a real pervert was put on the stand, who succeeded in muddying most issues except that: 1. She was a lesbian; 2. She felt guilty to the point of shame about her lesbianism; and 3. She was weak enough to be bullied into tears quite easily. However, the pure young thing was found to be innocent of any disgusting habits, the reward of which turned out to be her own weekly show in which she is happily married to a nice little Jewish Boy. ("Bridget Loves Bernie").

During the week of October 28-November 3, two more shows on Homosexuality were broadcast. The first (October 31st) was a series show, ("The Doctors" segment of "The Bold Ones") devoted to the subject of lesbianism. In the sixty minutes of "A Very Strange Triangle", the writers managed to insult lesbians (Eleanor), straight women (Danielle), confused-about-their-sexuality women (Valerie), Jewish interns, (Dr. Cohen), and anyone else who had the misfortune of falling into this script.

The title of the show gives some indication of the plot: The "Strange" triangle is composed of Dr. Cohen who loves Valerie who loves Eleanor. What is strange about the triangle, the viewer infers, is that Valerie and Eleanor have built up a relationship without the presence of a male overseer and obviously without male approval. Needless to say, Dr. Cohen is a bit freaked out

by the two "lesbo-s". Dr. Hartman, series regular and all-around good-guy, chides the unenlightened Dr. Cohen for seeing the situation as a threat to his masculinity; instead, Dr. Cohen should see it as a "threat to her (Valerie's) femininity." Yippie for the enlightened.

The plot hinged on several pleasant cliches familiar to the great unwashed public. For example, the young woman hospitalized for a suicide attempt tries to work through the problems which prompted her attempt by throwing heavy passes at young Dr. Cohen. While Danielle's seduction attempts were on the whole pretty pathetic, it was refreshing (in a perverse sort of way) to see a woman who was not just passively pretty. Dr. Cohen, however, was having none of it; he was interested only in his own flame, Valerie. Enter the lesbians.

Eleanor (whom the charming Dr. Cohen refers to as "that") is a real heavy. It is pretty clearly implied that Eleanor is one of those insidious lesbians who seduce young women, playing on their emotional and sexual insecurities. Eleanor has even stooped to perverting the goals of psychology, using it to "justify" her perversion.

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GAYS PICKET CATHOLIC CHURCH

by Freda Smith
Sacramento

Insisting that Gay people are immoral and should not be allowed to dance in the Newman Center, Alden J. Bell, Bishop of Sacramento's Catholic Community broke a contract with the Gay Studies Program of California State University: Sacramento the day before the Regional Conference of Gay Organizations was scheduled to begin.

The contract was for the rental of Newman Hall for the one recreational event planned during the conference: a Halloween Costume

Ball. Arrangements had been made a month before the Conference, a check for a deposit of \$25.00 was paid and a contract signed on September 22, 1972. A.C.L.U. lawyers agree that the unprecedented breaking of a contract with a student group is probably illegal. But illegal or not, the Bishops decision was final... the gay dance could not be held at the location which had been widely advertised (nor was there time to advertise another location).

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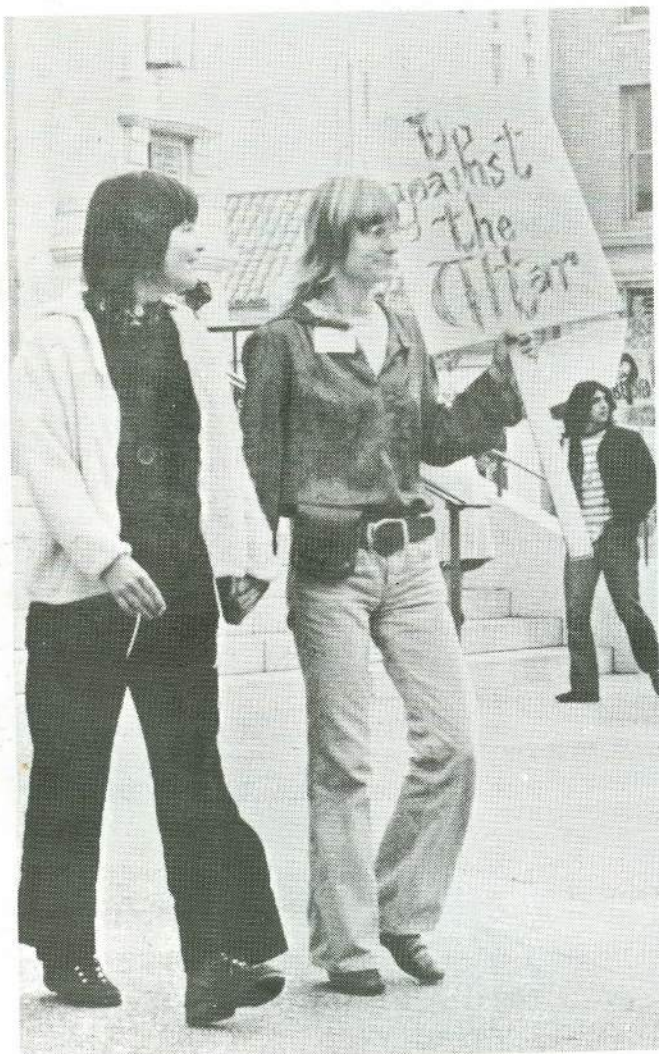
SISTERS, BROTHERS MARCH AGAINST DISCRIMINATION

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Delegates to the Convention, absenting themselves from scheduled work-shops, marched in protest before the Cathedral in down-town Sacramento. Carrying signs and singing songs such as, "We shall overcome". Gay women and gay men circled hand in hand before the crowd which came to morning Mass. Uniformed policemen with paddy wagons rushed to the scene of the peaceful demonstration--but unable to provoke the demonstrators into an excuse to be arrested, the policemen had to content themselves with telling (loudly and raucously), "queer jokes".

These jokes were apparently so funny that had an emergency happened at least one of the officers would have been unable to respond, so convulsed was he over the humor shared by this usually humorless bunch.

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WOMEN SAY, 'UP AGAINST THE WALL' TO BISHOP BELL

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But there appears to be more involved than the explanation that male homosexuality merits more attention than lesbianism because men are more important than women. It is probably closer to the real situation to note that less is known about lesbianism because our male-dominated society finds it hard to believe that women could actually prefer women to men as partners. As a result, lesbian relationships can only be conceived of as incredibly sick, the province of psychiatry, not the general public. And television simply reflects this societal attitude. What is dangerous, however, is that the Great American Cyclops does more than just reflect or act as a gauge of public opinion. Because of its position of power as a major mass communications medium, it also shapes the opinions of millions of viewers. For this reason, the viewing week of October 28-November 3 might have been a major set-back, not a break-through.

The beautiful young prize sought by both Dr. Cohen and Eleanor is the rather passive Valerie. Since quite a lot of time is spent discussing what a louse her mother was, the viewer can only infer that Valerie's sexual hang-ups are direct results of her search for a viable mother-love (shades of Primal Psychology!). A very healthy relationship.

The last ten minutes of the show improves somewhat. Valerie and Dr. Cohen get together for some good old fashioned healthy American sex (so at least Valerie knows what normal sex is like). The look on her face is kind of nice---she doesn't look too overwhelmed. At any rate, the two combatants for the Lady Fair decide to lay off and let her make up her own mind. Given Valerie's innate strength, the decision is pretty predictable. So much for a minor social problem.

The second show (November 1st) was a ninety minute made-for-television movie, That Certain Summer. Unlike "A Very Strange Triangle," this movie explored its subject with sensitivity and honesty. The situation is one that is painfully all too common: a homosexual parent who somehow has to explain to his child the facts of a sexual preference which is a taboo in our society. In this presentation there were few slick cliches, and perhaps because of the quality of the cast, no glib acting.

The question which has to arise is why the subject of male homosexuality can get such an intelligent treatment, while that of lesbianism rates only slipshod, stereotypical garbage. Part of the answer may lie in one of Hope Lange's lines (That Certain Summer): confronting the lover of her ex-husband, she snaps, "If you were a woman, I'd know how to compete with you." Here we have a self-fulfilling view of Woman: She will fight (and divide herself from) other women for the favors of a man, but she dare not compete with a man for anything. Subsequently women can never pose a real threat to society.

An Advance of Sisterhood

by JoAnne Mitchell

It's not often that lesbians and their straight sisters come together to talk about their sexuality. When 60 women met on November 11th at the Self-Help Clinic in Los Angeles, it was proof that a gay-straight dialogue can be a great learning experience for everyone involved.

The day began with speakers--gay, straight, bisexual, and asexual.

The first speaker, Barbara, began by saying, "I am a woman and I am a lesbian; and I would'nt have it any other way." She spoke of the double oppression of lesbians and how she had to deal with her doubts and fears of coming out. In closing, Barbara said, "I am not suggesting that every woman should seek to be a lesbian, but I personally find women infinitely more fascinating, more warm and real than men."

Next to speak was Sharren, a straight woman involved in the feminist movement. Sharren talked of her growing awareness of women as intelligent, warm human beings. Though she finds it hard to relate to most men, she has found some men who are able to struggle with their oppressions and engage in a good relationship. When speaking on the conflict she was feeling between the movement and her lover, she stated, "I'm not going to budge. If anyone is going to move it will be him. I won't."

Anne, speaking as a bisexual, gave an hilarious talk on her development. She first married at 14. "I got pregnant and I was able to get an adult library card because I was married." Anne used her

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card to take out books on sexuality. After her marriage ended, she went to San Francisco where she met "a woman who said fuck right out loud in public, and that was in 1959." Anne remarked that when she found out this woman was a lesbian she was a little shocked, but couldn't help thinking, "Here she was loving this woman and I was still having lousy sex with men." She finally came out and has been with a woman for two years. Explaining her bisexuality, she said, "I believe you fall in love with the person and not the sex."

Kathie talked of her feelings about lesbians. Though she is married and very happy in that capacity, she is also very active in the movement and is working on a PhD in Sociology. She was very honest in expressing her feelings towards lesbians and didn't deny the possibility of a lesbian relationship.

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PSYCHOSURGERY

THE "FINAL SOLUTION" TO THE "WOMAN PROBLEM"?

by Barbara Roberts, M.D.

A Surgery whose sole purpose is to modify behavior.

Patriarchal society has developed an impressive array of weapons in its struggle to maintain male supremacy. These "tools" can be roughly divided into those which are internalized by individuals as a result of their upbringing and those that are imposed externally by the state. For example, mysticism, suppression of sexuality, and belief in racial or sexual inferiority function as internal deterrents to fighting oppression, while jails, police and armies function as external deterrents to revolts against the existing power structure.

In general, the implementation of internal deterrents has undergone refinement over the centuries (Freud's critique of women is more sophisticated than St. Paul's), just as the weapons employed by agents of state power have evolved from rocks and sticks into electronic and atomic "persuaders." The current wave of feminism is adequate proof that psychological conditioning (internal deterrents) is no longer as effective as it once was. And equally ominous to the powers that be, the increased efficacy of their modern weapons has been accompanied by a certain loss of efficiency. That is, sticks and stones, if used judiciously can dissuade people from revolt while preserving their ability to function, but bullets and bombs, while highly effective, have a tendency to destroy natural resources. But, ever resourceful, patriarchal class society is developing what could prove to be the "final solution" to the "woman problem" (and for the "problems" caused by all other oppressed groups). That weapon is psychosurgery. This is the term given to operations in which healthy brain tissue is mutilated in order to affect an individual's emotions and conduct. It is surgery whose sole purpose is to modify behavior.

A slice through the brain.

Most of the information about psychosurgery detailed in this article was brought to public attention by Dr. Peter Breggin, a psychiatrist who has been investigating and exposing the current status of psychosurgery in this country and around the world. On February 24, 1972, his article "The Re-



turn of Lobotomy and Psychosurgery" was read into the Congressional Record; this article is a review of the world's literature on psychosurgery and cites 98 references in its bibliography. It contains graphic proof that we are now in the midst of a "second wave" of psychosurgery, one aimed at new target groups, with women making up a majority of the victims.

The surgical methods being used to implement behavior modification vary widely from old-fashioned lobotomies in which a slice is made through the frontal lobes of the brain, to more sophisticated methods using ultrasound, electrical coagulation, and implanted radium seeds.

The frontal lobes and limbic system are the areas of the brain attacked most frequently in psychosurgery. The frontal lobes are integral to all of humanity's most sensitive, subtle and "human" qualities: love, empathy, creativity, and abstract thinking. Much is still unknown about the limbic system, but it appears to be made up of emotion-regulating connections between the frontal lobes and the midbrain. Wherever lesions are made by psychosurgeons, the consequence is always the same: the decrease or destruction of the patient's unique emotional responsiveness. As psychosurgery is being refined, new techniques are being developed to bleach people free of all emotion while leaving intellectual capacity fairly intact.

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Lesbian Issues Strong At Sacramento Conference

by Sally Anderson

A gay activist conference was held at Sacramento State College over the weekend of October 20-23. The conference was hosted by Sacramento State's Gay Studies Program and by Sacramento's Gay Community Services Center.

Over 200 people, half of which were women, attended from four different states. Many independent and gay organizations such as Metropolitan Community Church, Lesbian Feminists, Daughters of Bilitis, Gay Sunshine and Lesbian Tide Collective, etc., were represented. The Conference was billed as the Sacramento Southwestern Regional Conference of the National Coalition of Gay Organizations.

solutions from the Gay Political Power workshop. The first resolution began by recognizing three different organizational models used by the gay movement to achieve political power. These methods are: the support of electoral candidates, particularly those in the Democratic and Republican parties; independent mass actions such as demonstrations; and counter-culture alternatives such as Gay Community Services Centers. The resolution called for the conference to adopt and work in support of: 1) The Decriminalization of all Sexual Laws of a Victimless Nature, and 2) Support of Gay Civil Rights in California. It was further resolved to recommend that the conference call for a statewide demonstration in Sacramento around these two



LESBIAN SEXUALITY WORKSHOP AT CONFERENCE

The first two days of the conference were devoted to workshops covering various subjects concerning the gay community. The four workshops open only to lesbians were: Lesbian Sexuality,

The Treatment of Lesbians in Mental Hospitals and Prisons, Lesbian Social Service Activism, and Lesbian Research. A closed Lesbian General Assembly issued a call for a West Coast Lesbian Conference to be held in Los Angeles the weekend of February 17-19, 1972, George Washington's birthday.

The major political resolutions introduced at the closing session of the conference came out of the Gay Political Power workshop and the Lesbian General Assembly. Freda Smith, an activist in the Gay Studies Program at Sacramento, introduced two re-

issues, and that this demonstration follow the introduction of Gay Civil Rights legislation in the California legislature in 1973.

During the lengthy discussion that followed, Barbara McLean, a member of the California Sexual Law Reform Committee, provided information concerning the new legislation related to gay civil rights. The legislation was prepared by gay attorney Rick Stokes, in conjunction with the Sexual Law Reform Committee, and will be introduced to the California legislature in January 1973. The two demands were passed and the second resolution was amended, striking that part which referred to legislation to be introduced into the California leg-

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E.R.A. On The Way

-- Women's Rights Soon

by Barbara McLean

Sacramento. On Thursday, Nov. 9, the all male Senate endorsed ratification of an amendment to the U.S. Constitution guaranteeing equal rights for women, breaking a six-month stalemate on the issue.

A 28-9 vote sent the ratification resolution, authored by Sen. Mervyn M. Dymally (D-Los Angeles) to the Assembly, which also is expected to pass it. The lower house previously approved an identical resolution, authored by Assemblyman Walter Karabian (D-Monterey Park), by a 56-11 vote last April.

The Karabian resolution had been bottled up in the Senate Rules Committee after it passed the Assembly, because of the opposition of Senate President Pro Tem James R. Mills (D-San Diego). Mills has been subjected to considerable pressure from women's rights groups. He has since announced he had changed his mind during the three-month legislative recess, however, because he was satisfied the amendment would do neither much harm nor much good. However, he was among the nine senators voting against the measure.

There was little debate on the upper house floor on the Dymally resolution. The Los Angeles law-maker noted the subject has been debated for months in the legislature. "I don't see any need to use up any more time," Dymally said. "I ask for an aye vote."

An opponent, Sen. Clark L. Bradley (R-San Jose) said, "This is not a request the women of this state are asking for generally, or particularly interested in. It has far-reaching social effects not in the interest of the public as a whole. I ask for a no vote." Another foe, Sen. H. L. Richardson (R-Arcadia), warned the amendment would lead to more division and agitation among the sexes. "We'll wind up with us men giving another leg of our pants to the ladies," Richardson said. Mills did not speak against the resolution before the roll call vote was taken.

After the Senate vote was taken, Karabian said he would ask that the resolution be sent directly to the Assembly floor without committee screening because it has been considered before. He noted the session is scheduled to end Dec. 1 and the time factor is important.

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The dance was hastily scheduled at the Gay Community Services Center at 17th and R Streets in down-town Sacramento. Although too small... and consequently very crowded...the location never-the-less served well; the dance was an unqualified success.

The success, however, did not mollify the conference planners who immediately brought the matter before the student senate at CSUS. The senate, who last year voted for the formation of the Gay Studies Program at the university, passed a resolution requesting a written statement from the Newman Center, and from Bishop Bell regarding Newman Center's policies toward all campus organizations.

If Newman Student Center refuses to comply or indicates that all campus organizations do not share equally in the rights and privileges of Newman Center, the resolution requests the Student Association of the University break off relations with Newman Center.

Those of us in the gay community, who were crippled or scarred in our struggle for a gay identity by the unchristian attitude of organized religion toward us (and I count myself in this number), must view this open attitude of religious intolerance as a symbol of the distance which still has to be traveled before we can count ourselves as being free.



CORRECTIONS: Oversights!!

Photography credits for November issue stories, "Rape of Self-Help" and "Interview; Gloria Steinem and Margaret Sloane" go to Lesbian Tide photographer, LaVerna Pierce Sierra.

Also, special credit is given to Lesbian Tide reporter, Sandra J. Hayley, for initiating our November issue story, "Interview; Steinem and Sloane".

ECHO...not heard from. "No comment" is the word from those who know about the ECHO, a recent Los Angeles bar magazine. Since its editor's sudden death last month, the magazine has been in litigation.

COURTS STILL DOWN ON GAY PARENTHOOD

by Jeanne Córdova

After almost four years of gay liberation efforts, caution is still very much the word for homosexual parents in court. As Superior Court Judge William P. Hogoboom says, "There is not going to be in my opinion, a violent revolutionary change overnight where everyone in the country says, 'Lesbians are the same as everyone else', because they are obviously not the same."

On Oct. 9, the Beverly Hills Law Association joined the Beverly Hills Academy of Medicine for a joint discussion of "Medical Testimony in Family Law Cases." Carefully shunning all but a vague mention of homosexuality in court and this reporter's one question in that regard, the panel of five "experts" and a large audience discussed aspects of the divorce, custody and visitation court procedures. Psychiatrists Dean Ackley and John Suarez and Attorney Harry Fain joined Judge Hogoboom to represent the three professions, psychiatric, legal and judicial, which are involved in Family Law cases.

Out of frustration at being ignored by the plush body gathered in the plush Grand Ballroom of the Beverly Hilton Hotel, I cornered Judge Hogoboom long enough to ask him the following questions:

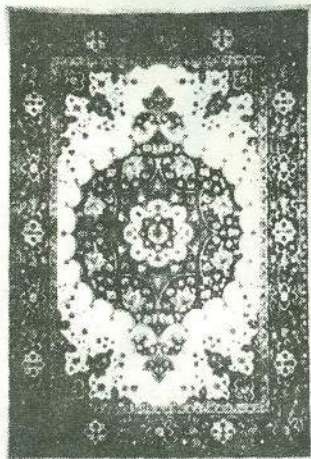
Cordova: Judge, in most cases, what is the usual conclusion when the subject of homosexuality is involved in a divorce case? For example, say there was a mother and father coming in for a divorce. The woman wants the children, but the father is saying, "I don't want her to have the children. She's a lesbian."

Cordova: I heard that under the law there is a clause which reads, "unfit mother," and that is the usual catch-all used by the court...

Hogoboom: Well, it's been a long time legal principal that normally you don't take a child from a parent unless you show some degree of unfitness. The concept of "unfitness" is not a statutory term as it is in some of the case law, but normally when you say "unfit" mother, or "unfit" person, what you're really looking for is "What are the best interests of the child?" Then you look at all the whole situation and ask, Does the best interest of the child indicate that the child should be with the mother or father? You attempt to avoid any connotation of unfitness because this doesn't do anything for your overall situation. It will be considered, because it is a pattern that is not considered, by the greatest number nor by the mores of our times, a normal kind of sexual relationship. The fact that it may be tolerated and the fact that it is either criminal or not criminal doesn't necessarily bear on a custody decision. The important aspect is whether or not, in a basically heterosexual society, you wish to subject a young child to an influence that is... (pause)... all in one direction. Now if it doesn't influence the child, if it's simply a relationship of the parent themselves, and isn't going to rub off and influence the child...

Hogoboom: Well, that happens infrequently, but it does happen. Normally we attempt to investigate the matter and try to determine whether the charges are in anyway valid or invalid. Many times, of course, they prove to be invalid. If it's an overt and outward kind of thing that's obviously going to affect the children, in that it's flagrant in their presence, that's one thing. If it's a passive sort of relationship and doesn't affect the children, why very often it doesn't bear a

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A Review

FEMINISM AND SOCIALISM

by Sandra J. Hayley

Feminism and Socialism, edited by
Linda Jenness

There is a split in the Feminist Movement between the socialists and non-socialists. This split reaches its extreme in the form of "red-baiting." Feminism and Socialism is a collection of articles in which socialist feminists present their views on feminism. If feminists read this book, it could help them understand socialist feminists more and reduce the red-baiting that occurs.

The feminist movement fights the oppression of women in society. The origins of this oppression, according to the feminist-socialists, are based on the division of society into classes. Women are relegated to the position of second class citizenry, serving the needs of the property owners. Care of the nonproductive (children, welfare recipients, etc.) is one of these needs, and placement of women in the domestic role is the cheapest way to satisfy this need. Women must, of course, be kept in this role. Means of doing this include education and employment discrimination, and psychological conditioning.

These socialist writers don't feel that revolution by itself will dispel the psychologically ingrained myth of female inferiority. They do feel, however, that it will remove the economic function that women's oppression serves. I must agree that a feminist movement would also be necessary.

Whatever society we live in we as women must fight for our rights, because no one will hand them to us on a silver platter. This need for all sisters to move together is precisely why red-baiting (i.e., name calling, exclusion) is bad. According to Ms. Lipman, NOW (National Organization for Women) is engaging in the practice of red-baiting. Ms. Lipman is angry because she sees herself and other socialists as authentic feminists. They fight women's oppression as a part of the overall oppression imposed on subordinated groups in society.

In "A Socialist Program for Women's Liberation," feminist socialists propose a way to fight these oppressions. They say that concrete demands such as; control of our own bodies, freedom from

domestic slavery, economic freedom, educational opportunity, nonharassment, justice in the judiciary process, and end to imperialist wars, are needed within the areas of general demands. It is necessary to organize women from all nationalities and classes to fight for common demands, and for women to fight separately for individual demands.

They feel that consciousness raising gives women the strength and self-identity to accomplish this organization and join with other oppressed groups, to fight against common problems. Women can, in this war, gain concessions from the government and, according to this socialist perspective, recognize the need for a mass struggle against capitalism itself. The results of our last election make me think they may very well be right.

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Says "Baby ain't you sweet" I could scream.
Cause I know these guys are sick and think
only of their prick.
It ain't sweet I feel, I just feel good and mean.

Chorus:

They whistle for me like a dog
Make noises like a hog
Heaven knows they got problems I agree.
But their problems I can't solve
'Cause my sanity's involved.
And I'm Tired of Fuckers Fucking Over Me.

When I'm on my way to work and I'm confronted
by some jerk
Who has some obscene quirk he must display.
Though I know this guy is ill, I can't help
but want to kill
Every other man that's standing in my way.

Chorus

So I sing this song in hope that you won't think
it's a joke.
'Cause it's time we all awoke to take a stand.
We've been victims all our lives, now it's
time we organized
And to fight we're gonna need each other's hand.

Chorus.



Feedback

by Evan Paxton

The children of the censors
think us mad, love, and
my mother accused you
of stealing my wrist-watch.



People Mean Well

by Susan Williamson

I speak out

complaining that I don't like the way things are
run around here
knowing I'm right, and feeling quite sure of
myself.

A colleague asks

What's the matter, Susie?
Did you have a fight with your boyfriend?

Taken aback, I make no reply

She can't see the colors exploding behind my eyes
a hot red flash of anger, contained
turns to a bilious poison of self-hate
which seeps down and spreads with a deafening
quiet
into all my extremities.

Rather than lie

or tell the whole truth
I compromise:
"I don't have a boyfriend."

Inside

a scream forms
my imagination sees it burst into the room
fat red letters hanging in the deathly stillness:
DYKE! (In my imagination: "I don't have a boy-
friend, because I'm gay.")

"What? A cute girl like you must have a boyfriend"
So she's giving me another chance
I can still say it
and purge myself of this poison

By now I cannot even look at her
the words are stuffed down into my throat
and all that comes out
is a dead, dry "No"
which falls to the floor like a tennis ball that's
lost its bounce.

She senses something strange about this woman
and turns away.

Leaving me
with my exploding colors
and my unsung screams
unspeakable rage, turned inward.

One more chip nicked away
in a fragile construction of self esteem.

People mean well
and they'll kill you with it.

(reprint The Gay Liberation)

Women and Lunatics

by Evan Paxton

Women and lunatics
are bounded by the moon
its silver crescent
is a smile for vulva
its copper circle
a penny for thoughts

Lunatics know
what women have yet to learn:
if you are bounded by the moon
you need no other boundaries.





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D.O.B. SAYS NO

by Jeanne Cordova

On Tuesday, Nov. 17th, the membership of San Francisco's Chapter of the Daughters of Bilitis voted against admitting transsexual persons into their organization.

Ending a several month long "very heavy issue", Del Martin, co-founder of D.O.B. and member of the San Francisco Chapter said, "D.O.B. has always been set up as a woman's organization. A person before having the operation (to become a woman) is not legally a woman. Phyllis (her lover and co-founder of D.O.B.) and I understand both sides of the issue...it's regrettable that it had to come up this way."

In a last minute telephone interview with the Lesbian Tide, Ms. Joanne Darcy*¹, the only transsexual active in S.F. DOB reported, "I lost, not as badly as McGovern...but they voted 'no'." Ms. Darcy has been vice-president of this organization for many months and is well known in California as a lesbian feminist activist, writer and singer.

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A COLLECTIVE EDITORIAL:

In recent months the subject and matter of transsexuality has become once again a controversial issue among gay groups and organizations.

In the San Francisco chapter of the Daughters of Bilitis, the issue has threatened to split that organization in half. Insisting that transsexuals are "only synthetic women", who "should start trying to relate to each other and get out of our space", a number of S.F. D.O.B. members recently went on a campaign to oust two transsexual members of that organization. They stated "We don't like them voicing their opinions as lesbians. They are not lesbians. Even after surgery it would be hard to accept these people as lesbian women. There is no excuse for this 'passing'. These people should accept themselves for what they are. Their oppression is different than the lesbians' oppression."

Other DOB members, in an article written from the standpoint that male-to-female transsexuals are women, and should therefore be allowed in DOB, have stated: "A transsexual is a woman who is born in a man's body or a man who is born in a woman's body, and who goes through reconstructive surgery to bring his or her body into harmony with her mind...Actually the entire issue regarding transsexuals in DOB really boils down to whether or not one accepts science's definition of a male-to-female transsexual as a woman; whether or not one accepts that any such woman who feels love for only women, who relates to only women, who identifies herself as a lesbian, is a lesbian."

They say, further, "It is wrong to say that a lesbian woman in a male body is 'passing as a lesbian woman. You don't 'pass' for something you ARE," and, that "the true transsexual wants not just to be a woman (or man) inside, but also to have the physical body of their true sex. Despite all the disadvantages involved with being a woman and a lesbian, the transsexual woman, with the alignment of her body with her psyche, gains her self-identity and her self-esteem. And that is everything."

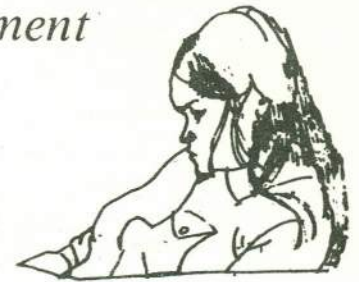
These statements appeared in articles recently sent to all members of S.F. D.O.B. in preparation for a vote on the issue. The proposal: "Any transsexual who considers her/himself to be a woman will be eligible for membership and participation in S.F. D.O.B."

The Tide Collective also received these articles. The matter was discussed and a vote of the collective was taken. A telegram was then sent to S.F. D.O.B. The words of that telegram are the essence of this editorial:

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Thoughts and Questions on the Gay Women's Movement

by Del Whan



Lately some of the lesbian "activists" in L.A. have been wondering where the movement went. As one of my friends complained: "All the old groups are dying! Nobody is coming to meetings anymore." Then she enumerated a list of fatalities including the Lesbian Feminists, the Coalition, and the Gay Women's Service Center, finally remarking, "All that seems to be left is the Tide Collective."

Well, I must admit that I do not share my friend's pessimism or disappointment over the demise of these groups. Their passing may only mean that times are changing; maybe a new consciousness is developing. Perhaps we have reached a turning point in the lesbian movement from which we can begin to conceive, build and create ANEW, forgetting the past, except insofar as we should try to avoid previous mistakes. Let's briefly reconstruct a couple of fictional characters out of the hundreds of women who have entered and left movement groups in the past two years. Then we will try to analyze what happened to them.

What Ever Happened to Jan and Kay?

THE STORY OF JAN: Why do individuals join a movement group? Some with "political" goals join in order to accomplish things they can't do alone. But that is not why Jan got involved. She was "closety" and lonely, seeking warmth and belongingness within a circle of understanding, loving gay friends. Yet from the moment she entered her first meeting she heard rhetoric about how "the system is fucked" and long live the "revolution" (but nobody ever really explained what that meant). Jan sat quietly through the meeting, feeling out of it because she didn't know anybody, and only one person had spoken to her all evening. When it was time to go she tried to slip unnoticed out the door, but a voice and a question brought her up short with: "Are you going to help us picket at the Bl&çblblich next Wednesday?" Jan smiled and said "Sure!"

By the time the next meeting rolled around Jan was back dressed as Che Guevara in a beat up army jacket, jeans and boots, ready to picket and protest all over L.A. if it would get her acceptance from her new friends, who to her seemed so brave, liberated, and STRONG. She began to "identify" with the leaders who did most of the talking during meetings, and gradually a "therapeutic" process began to take place in her whereby she no longer felt so afraid or lonely anymore. Instead

she rejected her former "closety self" and started taking risks to affirm her new gay identity. She wore a BETTER BLATENT THAN LATENT button on her army jacket and even "came out" with some of her old friends from school (but she decided to wait a while yet before telling her parents). By taking such risks Jan learned that she too could be strong, and self-reliant. Thus she no longer needed the group for social support as much as in the beginning, and after a couple of months she dropped out.

BUT WITH KAY IT WAS DIFFERENT: Unlike Jan, Kay joined the lesbian movement for "political" reasons. Soon she identified so personally with the goals of the group that she graduated to full time "Activist". Along with others she helped organize a weekend conference with workshops, movies, a dance, publicity committee, etc. As the date drew near she discovered with anger that some people had not yet carried out their responsibilities. There were tons of leaflets, but nobody with time to distribute them; and beer for the dance had not been picked up. So she rushed out and took care of all these things, only to find out at the last moment that so-and so forgot the ice, or money box, or cups or....?

Finally, after losing her temper, burning up lots of cigarettes, gas and rubber, and wishing she had never gotten so involved, Kay took off for San Francisco after the conference. When she got back to L.A. she began to hear rumors that several of the "sisters" were mad at her for dominating the conference in an "elitist, macho, oppressive" manner. What a shock! Kay felt awfully hurt and cut off from her friends in the group. With guilt and self-doubt creeping into her awareness she asked herself secretly, "Have I really fallen into the sin of becoming a LEADER??? Oh God, not THAT!" During the past year Kay has retired from "activism."

COMMENTS: In the first example the woman begins a "personal liberation" process with the help of the therapeutic charisma generated within the group. She tries on temporarily the role of "Rah-rah-right-on-radical-Revolutionary," but eventually leaves the movement in order to continue her growth as an individual...perhaps to get

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a job, go to school, find a lover, enjoy life, etc. In the second example we see a woman involved in something more outside herself...let's call it "political liberation." Both these goals--individual and political liberation--are valid, but the movement groups tend to ignore the fact that personal liberation is basic to political liberation. If a woman doesn't know where her head is at, she will probably not be a reliable "activist." Yet many times in order to be accepted by the group, a woman feels she has to pretend to be a hip, super-revolutionary (even though what she really wants is an "old lady" to live with).

As a woman develops herself personally she loses her dependance on the group for direction and support. Her self-doubts disappear, and she becomes more autonomous or "inner directed." And that turns out to be a big problem, as with Kay in the above example. For as she begins to see and think clearly and doesn't lack the courage to speak up. She often comes into conflict with the prevailing norms and dogmas (i.e. the rhetoric and sacred myths) of the group she is in. These dogmas, which every lesbian activist knows by heart, are used by the group to exert pressure on the individual who deviates; to the extent that group pressure succeeds, the individual remains "other directed."

Very often it is these sacred myths which lend charisma and purpose to the group. (For example: "We are right, we are liberated, we are political... and we are going to WIN!") But paradoxically it is many of these same myths which stultify the effectiveness of the group by limiting its ability to grow, change, absorb new ideas, and react speedily and efficiently when necessary. For example, if an organization has a built-in dogma specifying that "leaders and structure are reactionary and oppressive," we can predict that

there will be endless discussions, arguments, ad hoc adjustments and power plays made by half a dozen "leaders" in an attempt to guide the amorphous mass one way or another. Recently, in a feminist pamphlet, I came across the following statement, which summarizes quite well the major peril of "structureless, leaderless" groups:

"...the loose structure of...groups results inevitably in the dominance of the few, generally the most talkative...In short, the very structurelessness of these groups, while parading as democracy, is actually a perversion of true democracy, namely demogoguery."



There are unfortunately many examples of demogoguery rampant in movement groups, the most obvious being verbal attacks on "leaders" or "elitists." Prime targets include Gloria Steinem and Kate Millett in the women's liberation movement, and Morris Kight, Troy Perry and some others in the gay movement.

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(Due to its length and importance, Part II of Ms. Whan's article, "Sacred Gospels of the Lesbian Movement", will appear in our January issue).

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islature. The feeling of the people at the conference was that, inasmuch as the legislation had not been previously reviewed, no reference should be made to it. There was strong feeling that the conference was regional and included more states than California, and thus any demonstration called should include other states. In its final form, the resolution called for demonstrations not only in Sacramento, but in all state capitals across the nation. However, it was pointed out that implementing such a resolution without the existence of state-wide coalitions would be difficult.

Rita Goldberger, Los Angeles lesbian feminist, introduced a resolution from the closed Lesbian General Assembly that, "The Conference disassociate itself from the National Coalition of Gay Organizations (NCGO) to become a California organization, and that this California Coalition organize on a state level, looking toward communications with other regions and the possibility of forming some kind of national coalition." The conference did vote to disassociate itself from NCGO. However, the concept of a California Coalition was dropped in favor of calling a "Pacific Inter-Mountain" Conference.

Committees were set up in the form of Task Forces to work on the Pacific Inter-Mountain Conference, and the demonstration, both planned for the spring of 1973.

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great deal of weight. It bears some weight. But I think the mere fact that there is a sexual deviation is not in and of itself sufficient to deny either custody or visitation. Now you would have to illustrate this by a number of individual sample situations. But there is nothing legally which prevents a homosexual from having custody or visitation.

Cordova: If you award custody to a heterosexual parent you are of course subjecting that child to an influence that is all in one direction...

Hogoboom: Oh, of course.

Cordova: But because it's in the norm...

Hogoboom: That's right.

Cordova: Let me ask you...in a situation where a mother is going to get a divorce, would you recommend that she bring out this issue or should she try to leave it completely out of the courtroom?

Hogoboom: You can't advise her to bring it out, because you are simply raising an issue that may affect her interests adversely. You don't tell people to come in and bare their souls unnecessarily in court, nor are they obligated to.

Cordova: Recently there was a San Jose case in which the mother openly said she was a lesbian. The decision came in her favor and she was awarded custody. But she was not allowed to see the woman she was having a relationship with at certain times...

Hogoboom: (getting somewhat defensive) Well, that may be. Exactly the same thing works in heterosexual relationships however. Very often you will find a custody or visitation award made upon the condition that the relations of the husband or wife do not continue with some third party. Now this was more common in other years. Our concepts are changing gradually. But exactly the same kind of order may be made in a heterosexual case where it is indicated that this has an adverse affect on the child.

Cordova: When a woman goes into court does she as a mother usually have an apriori bias in her favor in terms of being awarded custody?

Hogoboom: I don't know if the courts have to favor the mother. In 90% of the cases the parties themselves have decided this because normally, in our economic climate it's easier for the mother to do the rearing of the smaller children. It's simply a more compatible relationship. Now this doesn't mean that if society got to the place where the husband stayed home and took care of the house

and children, that he wouldn't be a good custodial parent. Or even when he's working he can't be, he certainly can be.

Cordova: One last question. I gather that the issue of homosexuality is given different weights as a factor. Is the decision as to how much weight this factor carries usually a decision of the judge? In other words, a matter of his interpretation?

Hogoboom: Normally, it is a decision of the judge. But he views the whole circumstance. The fact that...suppose the father has a drinking problem. We will attempt to make an order that indicates that during the period of visitation he is not to use alcoholic beverages because that particular person can't handle it and you know something may happen to the child. The same thing would be true of sexual activities, heterosexual or homosexual. Exactly the same. I think they are treated identically from the standpoint in that if they are a harmful influence on the young child, the fact of their existence is not harmful, it's how they (sexual activities) are pursued and how this affects the child.

Cordova: Are you saying apriori, the fact that one or either parent is homosexual does not affect the court's decision in any way?

Hogoboom: I wouldn't say it doesn't affect the court's decision. It affects it just like any other piece of evidence. It's just one of a whole myriad of bits and pieces that you try and put together to look at the whole thing.

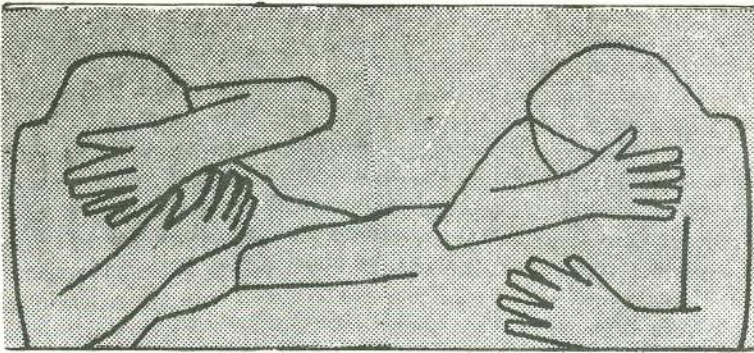
Cordova: What I mean is that, in the cases where the parents are heterosexual I would suppose that the courts would still say, "no parents are supposed to engage in sexual activity in front of children," and that applies to both, but...

Hogoboom: Or maybe we will say that during the weekend visitation the husband shall not have an unmarried female staying overnight with him. Because that all detracts from a normal relationship of father and child because that often excludes the child. The sexual activities of two married people are far different normally, usually, from those of a man and a woman who are not married, the latter being a more active thing.

Cordova: Have you found in your experience that most of these cases are decided against the homosexual parent?

Hogoboom: Again this is a numerically relatively rare situation. But I don't think you can say that there is any pattern one way or the other. The charges are made, the question, after hearing some kind of expert testimony (this means psychiatrist), "how does this affect the parent-child relationship? Is it going to be a bad influence, or a neutral influence, or no influence?"

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Twenty years ago, lobotomy was primarily aimed at state hospital patients with chronic and disabling mental diseases. It is estimated that 50,000 Americans fell victim to this "first wave" of lobotomy. The decline of lobotomies during the late 1950s came about not because of any public or professional outcry, but because of the development of electroshock therapy and psychoactive drugs. The current wave of psychosurgery is aimed at an entirely different group--individuals who are relatively well-functioning, most of whom are labeled "neurotics."

71% of Lobotomies Performed are on Women

What is the evidence that psychosurgery is on the increase? Psychosurgeons themselves are in agreement that between 400 and 600 such operations are performed each year in the United States alone. A Second International Conference on Psychosurgery was held in Denmark in 1970 and was attended by 100 psychosurgeons.

The widest target group, according to all large-scale studies, is women. Dr. Lindstrom, a prominent California neurosurgeon writing in 1964 said that 72 percent of psychotics and 80 percent of neurotics operated on are women. Seventy-one percent of the lobotomies performed by Drs. Brown and Lighthill in 1968 were on women. And Dr. R. F. Heatherton, at the Kingston Psychiatric Hospital in Ontario, admitted at a 1970 medical conference that the hospital administration refused to allow lobotomies on men because of the unfavorable publicity given to lobotomy in Canada; that publicity did not, however, deter the hospital from performing lobotomies on seventeen women. Repeatedly in the psychosurgical literature it is regarded as evidence of success if a previously distraught woman is able to return to housekeeping chores. Dr. Freeman, the "dean of lobotomists," openly stated that lobotomized women make good house keepers.

The Operation was a Success, But the Patient Died.

Drs. Frank Ervin and Vernon Mark from Boston City Hospital reported in 1970 on a depression case

in which the lobotomy was lauded as a great success--despite the fact that the patient killed herself. A woman with a long psychiatric history, she submitted to the operation under pressure from the doctors and her mother. When the first operation failed, she was given a second. She became furious at the doctors and refused a third operation; the good doctors dismissed her rage as "paranoid." Her mood seemed to improve; the doctors were delighted by her "high spirits." Allowed out of the hospital to shop, she committed suicide. This suicide, Dr. Breggin reports, "is not seen as the vengeful act of a mutilated soul against her mother and her physicians. Instead her suicide is interpreted as a sign that she was getting over her depression, a gratifying result of the operation."

In Canada, Dr. Earle Baker of the University of Toronto reports the case of a promiscuous housewife who ran away from home frequently and sometimes became suicidal. After her lobotomy, her doctors bragged that she was cured of her promiscuity, and was now a model housewife. Dr. Breggin contends that the reason women respond better to lobotomies is their passive conditioning, and adds that it is more socially acceptable to lobotomize women because creativity, which the operation totally destroys, is, to this society, an "expendable quality in women."

Since extreme depression is now a reason for lobotomy, Dr. Breggin sees the situation for women worsening. "The individual with an agitated depression is typically an older woman...who becomes depressed, hypochondrical, depressive, and generally tense during her midlife and menopause, and this person has always been a target for whatever current 'therapy' someone wishes to push."

Homosexuals are a Favorite with Lobotomists

Another favorite group with lobotomists, not surprisingly, is homosexuals. In West Germany, F. D. Roeder experimented with lobotomy as a cure for "sexual deviation." Happily, he reported that "the aberrant sexuality of this patient was considerably suppressed without serious side effects. One important feature was the patient's incapacity of indulging in erotic fantasies and stimulating visions."

Best of all, homosexual impulses disappeared, thus saving the fortunate patient the anguish of commitment to a mental hospital. It apparently never occurred to Dr. Roeder that an even simpler solution might have been to let the man alone. In 1969, the British Medical Journal carried an editorial calling for brain surgery for "sexual disorders." It praised the German investigators for

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performing operations on three male homosexuals that resulted in "a distinct and sustained reduction in the level of the sexual drive." Though the editorial did suggest that "voluntary consent" be obtained before parts of gay brains are lopped out, what can voluntary consent mean when the patient is labeled a social deviant and faces the alternative of prison or confinement in a mental hospital? The writer brings up the alternative of castration of homosexuals, but argues that castration, unlike psychosurgery, may be unethical. Apparently, it's okay to lose your brains but not your balls.

Some Women have Shown Their Feminine Adaptability to Circumstances by Wearing Attractive Hats or Wigs to Conceal Their Electrical Headgear.

Perhaps the most appalling new development is ESB, electrical stimulation of the brain. Much of this work has been done at Yale by Dr. Jose Delgado. The technique has already been developed and used on human beings--adults and children. An Orwellian nightmare, ESB remotely controls human behavior with radio waves and monitors, and directly controls behavior by the use of computers. Dozens of electrodes are implanted into various parts of the brain, and the terminal sockets are gathered into a small box which is located on the outside of the skull, or more recently, completely hidden under the skin. Through these wires currents of electricity are passed into defined areas of the brain. Weak currents stimulate various emotions or types of behavior, depending on the area stimulated. Stronger currents can be used to destroy brain tissue.

In discussing his work on humans, Dr. Delgado writes: "Leaving wires inside a thinking brain may appear unpleasant or dangerous, but actually the many patients who have undergone this experience have not been concerned about the fact of being wired, nor have they felt any discomfort due to the presence of conductors in their heads. Some women have shown their feminine adaptability to circumstances by wearing attractive hats or wigs to conceal their electrical headgear, and many people have been able to enjoy a normal life as outpatients, returning to the clinic periodically for examination and stimulation. In a few cases in which contacts were located in pleasurable areas, patients have had the opportunity to stimulate their own brains by pressing the button of a portable instrument, and this procedure is reported to have therapeutic benefits." Further on he notes that electronic technology has reached a high level of sophistication and two-way radio communication with automobiles, airplanes, and space vehicles is common. He goes on to show that it is now possible to equip human beings with minute instruments he calls "Stimoceivers" for radio transmis-

sion and reception of electrical messages to and from the brain of completely unrestrained subjects. Behavior, such as aggression, can be evoked or inhibited. His research has already demonstrated that "Therapeutic programmed stimulation of the brain can be prolonged for any necessary amount of time." Therapeutic and necessary--by what standards and for whom?

Research is Financed by the Navy and Air Force

Not surprisingly, Dr. Delgado's research is financed in part by the Office of Naval Research and by the Air Force. With ESB intense anxiety, fear, violence, depression, pleasure, even orgasms have already been repeatedly and reliably reproduced in human subjects. Eventually it will be possible to evoke any desired emotion or behavior in any number of people. As we have already seen, social, economic and political problems are being dealt with psychosurgically.

Society has Never Developed a Weapon it did not Use.

We are dangerously close to a society in which everyone who deviates from the norm will be vulnerable to surgical mutilation. The increasing application of these methods to neurotics and to people who are well enough to work raises the specter of wide-scale application, particularly to women, who continue to be the majority of victims. Unlike burning at the stake, psychosurgery can silence rebellion while preserving the useful work women do with their hands, their backs, and their uteruses. Unlike napalm, bombs, and grenades, psychosurgery quells insurrection without destroying valuable natural resources. The vision of a society of placid human robots, remotely controlled by computers, is not far-fetched. Society has never developed a weapon it did not use. It is up to us to keep the weapon of psychosurgery from falling into the hands of our "compassionate" rulers.

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We are a unique group with an important potential to realize by the united participation in support of one another. By coming together as a group we can begin to define our problems and move toward a more cohesive management of these.

Among the issues of concern to be discussed are the relationships with our children, their relationship with friends and community as well as our own, how to best accomplish the inherent adjustments to gay life and the family situation, how to deal with outside discrimination both legal and social. In short, it is hoped that a general pooling of resources will result in a concerted effort to offer direction and resolution in these areas.

Babysitting services and activities are being planned for the meeting time and also outside social get-togethers will be proposed.

For further information, please call Donna Smith at 764-9118.



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"Our common oppression is based on society's insistence that we perform certain roles: wife, husband, mother, father, masculine, feminine, etc. We cry out, 'You cannot define us. WE DEFINE OURSELVES! Those who vote no tonight vote with our oppressors. Those who vote yes recognize that none of us is free unless all of us are free.' Please advise our transsexual sisters that, if they are not welcome in the liberal city of San Francisco, they are most welcome in the city of Los Angeles."

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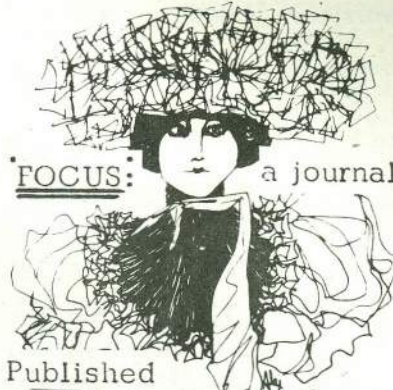
When asked how they stood on the issue, Ms. Martin replied, "We (she and Phyllis Lyons) were for a compromise. We felt the issue should be decided as it was but we felt there should be an exception made for Joanne who has been so active for so long." Martin and Lyon's compromise was not accepted however and Ms. Darcy has been expelled from her membership.

Ms. Martin went on to explain, "DOB is the only active all lesbian group in the area. This issue was taking a lot of time away from other concerns of lesbians. Also, when new women came in they are just trying to handle themselves as lesbians ... to meet transsexuals is another added difficulty." When it was pointed out that this rationale is reminiscent of some feminist groups attitude toward lesbians, Martin replied, "the issue was so controversial that there was no other choice but to leave it to the membership."

STAFF WALKS OUT

In what was a heated and deeply felt debate, the entire staff of SISTERS magazine, a two year old SF DOB monthly, resigned their positions and their membership in protest. As of this writing neither editor Karen Wells nor other staff members were available for further comment.

*1 Because the Lesbian Tide does not have permission to print the real name of this woman we have given her this pseudonym. See January issue for in depth account of this story.



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Eve spoke on her reasons for her present asexuality. "Right now the feminist movement is taking all my energy. When I find someone, woman or man, who is as warm and real as I need them to be, then I might be willing to engage in a relationship with them."

The last speaker was Muriel, the mother of a lesbian. Muriel grew up realizing the oppression of women. She resolved not to be treated as a "beast of burden" or a "second class citizen." Though she didn't get involved in the women's movement until after her children were older, she appears to have a deep sense of feminism. When asked what her first reaction was when discovering her daughter was a lesbian, she said, "This to me, in a way, was an advance. She has really developed as a person. As a mother I can only be grateful." When speaking on the lesbian movement she stated, "I really feel that in the lesbian movement there's really a thing of women coming together. This is an advance, an advance of womankind."

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On February 17-19, 1973, a West Coast Lesbian Conference will be held in Los Angeles. Its purpose will be to integrate the cultural, social, political, and sexual lives of the Lesbian community. The Southwestern Regional Lesbian Working Committee has joined in developing this conference and is trying to be responsive to different interests.

The conference will include a Lesbian art exhibit, performances by Lesbian musicians and poets, Lesbian theatre, discussions on Lesbian sexuality, workshops on Lesbians in prisons and mental hospitals, and attempts to formulate political actions for the Lesbian movement.

All sisters are needed to develop this conference. The next Working Committee meeting is Saturday, December 2, at the Gay Community Services Center, 1614 Wilshire Blvd, at 2:00 P.M. For more information, call Sally, 469-4147.

Lesbian Collective Newsletter

Chicago

The Amazon Nation is a radical lesbian collective currently operating in Chicago.

As a collective, we define the term Amazon to mean a totally self-sufficient, strong lesbian who has learned to fulfill her needs totally within the gay community, and who has fully realized the need for social change. She realizes that escape from a sick society's oppression is within the realm of possibility as long as lesbians recognize and deal with the need for unification within the lesbian community.

Recognizing the need for communication, we have, therefore, established The Amazon Newsletter to share our views and political statements with not only lesbians in the Chicago area, but at strategic points throughout the county.

If you wish to be on our mailing list, please send us your name and address, one dollar and any important information about yourself or organization to: The Amazon Nation, 2916 N. Burling, Chicago, Ill., 60657.

"Sunshine" On a Cloudy Day

Three members of the Gay Sunshine Newspaper collective announced their going on strike at the Southwestern NCGO Conference held October 20-23. They are striking "in protest of the exploitation of our labor by the collective's coordinator" (Winston Leyland). Leyland says these three bro-

thers (Zack Mansfield, Mitch Charellis, and Peter Goodman) are no longer a part of the paper because they have cut themselves off from it by issuing this ultimatum, and that the next issue will come out on schedule.

Amazon Quarterly

California

The first issue of Amazon Quarterly, a lesbian-feminist arts journal was being put out in November. One of its aims is to replace The Ladder, which folded after serving as a cultural forum for Lesbians for 14 years.

The first issue will be 72 pages of fiction, essays, art work, poetry, and reviews by and about lesbians. Included will be an article on a woman's experience with Anais Nin and a herstory article on the labrys during matriarchal times.

Funds and literary contributions are needed. To subscribe, send a check or money order for \$4 (for one year) to: The Amazon Quarterly, 554 Valle Vista, Oakland, CA 94616.

8,700 Men Welcome 2 Women

"They passed all the requirements," a spokesman said. This included expertise in handguns, shotguns and rifles, hand-to-hand combat and detection methods. With that, the FBI graduated its first women agents since the agency was founded 48 years ago. Packing new .38-caliber revolvers and bronze badges were Susan Lynn Roley, 25, a blue-eyed redhead and former Marine Corps lieutenant, and Joanne Pierce, 31, a tall slender brunette and former member of the Sisters of Mercy religious order. They joined a force of 8700 men. Miss Roley, of Laguna Beach, was assigned to Omaha and Miss Pierce, of Niagara Falls, N.Y. to St. Louis.

(reprinted from the L.A. Times)

Washington

The Seattle, Washington Gay Community Center was closed September 30th because the landlord did not renew the lease.

Massachusetts

Boston Metropolitan Community Church has a new co-pastor, a woman, Nancy Wilson.

8. Awake

The June 22 Awake Magazine (Jehovah's Witnesses) reportedly has an article suggesting gays be put to death. By stoning perhaps?

9. National Student Association Admits Gays

As part of a quota system for minorities, two gay positions out of 28 on the Supervisory Board of the National Student Association were voted at the Association's annual convention this summer. The NSA is an association of college and university student groups.



NOTES FROM A BUICK 6

by Beth Elliott
San Francisco

"Who set up this system--supposedly democratic system--in which you always end up voting for the lesser of two evils? I mean, was George Washington the lesser of two evils? Sometimes I wonder."

The Fugs

Something is happening in this city--the gay vote is important. According to the Scientific Analysis Corp., quoted in the S.F. Chronicle, "a strong trend is developing--politicians everywhere would do well to watch it." And even if Tricky Dick was elected, the local gay community will come out of this campaign with an embryonic gay political machine. This could evolve out of the precinct organization put together at the Eureka Valley District McGovern headquarters by the Alice B. Toklas Memorial Democratic Club. Both Eureka Valley (Castro Area) and the Toklas club are heavily gay.

So once again we see that strange bedfellows make politics, with a capital P. Perhaps more significant, though, is that no one freaked out when a sister and myself liberated the dance floor at a benefit dinner for Sen. Marks held at the Hilton. With Republicans like that, who needs liberal Democrats. (However, it was Jim Foster who made Herb Caen's column by asking Supervisor John Molinari for a dance...)

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Admittedly, this is only one judge's opinion. However, it seems homosexuality is still being considered on par with "a drinking problem" and that our lifestyle is, according to Hogoboom, not something one should "subject" a child to. I got the feeling from the Judge that the court would like to avoid the entire issue whenever possible. It is somewhat easy for activists, reporters, or gay liberationists to shout, "Out of the closet", or "be open" however, the plight of a gay parent in court is usually a precarious time for a showdown over gay rights. Gay parents should remember that the burden of proof of homosexuality remains with your adversary. Saying nothing in court is not the ideal, but unless you have an excellent lawyer, that may be the best alternative you have. Gay activists might remember that laws regarding child custody have to be changed, not only by single individuals in court, but by continual assaults on our lawmakers and societal mores.

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SABBATH SERVICES — 8:30 PM at Metropolitan Community Temple
- SUNDAYS:** CHURCH SERVICES — 10:45 AM and 7:30 PM at Metropolitan Community Church
WOMEN'S CONSCIOUSNESS-RAISING — 4 PM and 7 PM, G.C.S.C.

OTHER EVENTS

- SATURDAY DECEMBER 2** SOUTHWESTERN LESBIAN WORKING COMMITTEE — Agenda devoted to planning February Lesbian Conference.
2 PM at Los Angeles Gay Community Services Center.
BENEFIT FOR LOS ANGELES FEMINIST WOMEN'S HEALTH CLINIC at the SEVENTH CIRCLE —
704 No. Van Ness at 8 PM - 2 AM. Dawn Dirksen, a folk singer will be there. Also, guerrilla theatre and other entertainment.
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