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Rev. Farrell

UCC has New Pastor, A Dynamo of Enthusiasm

The Reverend C. Shawn Farrell is proof of the old adage that appearances are deceiving. Persons not given advance warning meeting Rev. Farrell for the first time come away thinking they have met a slightly build man.

(This is not true. Rev. Farrell is a woman and one of the most dynamic ministers Bible-belt Dallas has welcomed in a good while.

Aside from being a woman, Rev. Farrell has a second surprise in store for those who meet her. Since she is the recently called pastor of United Community Church, located at 4402 Roseland (near Ross Avenue between Carroll and Peak). This church, familiarly known as UCC, has an outreach to the gay community.

The lively minister is no stranger to

Dallas, where she previously served as assistant pastor at Metropolitan Community Church under Rev. Jim Harris, from December of 1974, leaving Dallas in December of 1977 shortly after Rev. Harris' departure.

While working with MCC, Rev. Farrell was active within the gay community, appearing as a speaker for college classes and radio and television talk shows dealing with homosexuality. She has been invited back often.

In addition to her work with MCC in Dallas, she also served for several years as district coordinator for the denomination, overseeing the work of congregations located in Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Missouri.

Rev. Farrell moved from Dallas to

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'Who's Who Women' Doesn't Discriminate Against Men

By Roy Hall
Associate Editor

Who says the *Star* isn't a really hot paper?

Several weeks ago an envelope (first class mail, not bulk rate!) came in, postmarked January 3, with the return address of Marquis Publications. We were hoping it wasn't a solicitation for cash hospitalization benefits or a new magazine subscription; maybe it might be one of those with an envelope inside marked: "If you are not interested in viewing male oriented sexual material, do not open this envelope."

The letter inside, with a letterhead marked "Who's Who in America," started: "Dear Friend: It is my

pleasure to inform you that your name has been brought to our attention for consideration for inclusion in the forthcoming Twelfth Edition of *Who's Who of American Women*."

Listen, I was all choked up. I don't get an honor like this every day, let me tell you.

Further in the letter, it stated their aim as being "to provide an authoritative source of biographical data about men and women whose accomplishments or career positions have made them subjects of reference interest" and congratulated me "on the accomplishments that have brought your name to the attention

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Rep. Hudson calls Gay People 'Some of the Finest People'

State Representative Sam Hudson of District 33-C was a special guest speaker Sunday, March 2, at the rededication service for the facilities at Agape Metropolitan Community Church.

In his address, Representative Hudson, who was opposed to gay rights until a few years ago, called his gay acquaintances "some of the finest people" he has ever known and commented that if more people could get to see gay people as they really are, a lot of bigotry would end.

He also stated that it was his feeling that this could be attributed in part to the hardships to which gays are often subjected, comparing the ordeal to that of steel, which is hardened and made stronger by fire.

There is, "nothing more atrocious and wrong," than discrimination due to sexual preference, Mr. Hudson pointed out, referring to discrimination as an atrocity more than once. He called the legislation of social standards "a very dangerous doctrine" and asked why lawmakers could not see "a day of reckoning" for such attempts.

Commenting that the United States has been living in the Stone Age as far as civil rights are concerned, he expressed his feeling that not only Texas Penal Code Section 21.06 needs changing but also Section 21.07 and that police officers should not be permitted to act as complainant in cases of public lewdness.

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What's Behind Queer Bashing?

BOSTON — (IGNA) — Violence against gays usually takes one of two forms—attacks by groups of young men of sexual pickups where guilt is involved. The psychological thread that runs through bashers is called homophobia, a fear and hatred of homosexuals, a fear and hatred, some say, of the basher's own homosexuality.

According to the story in *The Boston Globe*, the "average" gay basher in Boston can be typified as a white male between the ages of 18 and 24.

Most often when blacks attack gays, according to Police Lt. William J. Bratton, the primary motive is robbery. "I can't remember a time when blacks might have assaulted gays simply because they are gay," he said.

The largest number of gay bashers

are just picking fights with people they consider odd, defenseless, or unlikely to seek retribution.

Gay bashers run in groups, work fast, and use hit-and-run tactics—either jumping from the shadows or wheeling on front of gays, jumping out of their cars and throwing a few punches and maybe bottles, then escaping before descriptions can be obtained.

"There are frustrated kids who are poor students and who are drinking a lot and doing drugs," says Cliff Bair, a gay man who has been harassed twice by street roughs. His characterization fits generally the description offered by police and psychologists.

"They'll be sitting around and someone will say, 'What's there to do tonight?' And someone else will say, 'Let's go beat up some gays.'"

The other main kind of queer-basher is the hustler who lashes out after engaging in sex. Or possibly the customer does.

Although sex between a cruiser and a hustler is mutually inspired, psychologist Dr. John Money of Johns Hopkins University says that one of the two may find himself revulsed by the situation, blame the other, and strike out against the partner.

The hustler often does not like to think of himself as gay, says Brian Miller, a Los Angeles gay counselor. "The receiving of money is the neutralizer of guilt. He can say, 'I do it for money.'"

The response of the hustler to his revulsion is often more brutal than that of a gang. A five-year study of gay murder victims by Miller and Laud Humphreys of Pitzer College

shows that two-thirds of the 162 victims studied were killed by hustlers, one-third by gangs.

Gay bashers, Money says, usually feel they can operate with impunity "because the social climate out there says that homosexuality is a form of degeneracy. The gay basher says, 'I'm on the side of righteousness.' He feels very morally justified."

The five-year study of gay murder victims also shows that "contrary to a lot of rumor and implications, we found almost no occurrences where gay lovers where involved in that kind of violence against each other."

"Unlike in heterosexual marriages, there are no social sanctions holding them together. No law, no children, no church, no in-laws," Humphreys said. As a result, breaking up a relationship is not as likely to be acrimonious.

There are Complaints About VD Clinic

By Daniel Curzon

SAN FRANCISCO — (IGNA) — The International Gay News Agency decided to do a little looking into the VD Clinic of the San Francisco

Department of Public Health. What it found while interviewing patients of the clinic is a considerable amount of dissatisfaction with the service there.

Perhaps it is only fair to say that when people have no complaints they generally say nothing, and so the majority of the clinic's patients may be satisfied with the treatment they have received. Moreover, the clinic is free. Those wanting better service can pay a doctor. Still free clinics should not be run like some Victorian 'charity' that makes patients ashamed to visit them.

The complaints that the IGNA found point to faults that can be remedied at the San Francisco Clinic as well as clinics elsewhere by airing what was heard:

One of the loudest complaints of those interviewed is the, 'third-degree,' interrogation that some patients have to endure in order to get treated.

While the goal of the clinic's personnel is to find the sexual contacts in order to prevent the spread of venereal disease, patients are often intimidated into revealing information they may not wish to reveal for one reason or another.

Sometimes the pressure is so severe, the patients will lie just to have something to tell the staff member.

One patient, who asked not to be identified, said, "The people asking the questions about sexual contacts don't seem to understand that sometimes one doesn't know the name,

height, weight, and social security number of someone one has had sex with."

He went on to say that the cure for the spread of VD is not to look frantically for sex partners after the fact, but to make sure that people going into the baths and back rooms have a check-up before they are admitted. This won't prevent disease entirely, but it will certainly cut it way down.

Another patient faulted the clinic staff for ridiculing him because he asked for a second blood test when he learned that his first one was negative.

Clint Cooper, of Washington, DC, said, "I was given the impression that I was stupid and wrong to double-check on myself."

"Well, I thought those clinics were trying to get us to be careful, not make fun of us for it! He concluded."

Yet another patient mentioned that the clinic's doctor did not take a smear from the patient's penis even though the patient specifically asked for one.

The doctor ignored the small drops on the patient's underwear and said, "Oh, those could just be semen, not gonorrhea." A few days later the patient had to return to the clinic because his symptoms had become unmistakable then. In the meantime, however, thinking himself uninfected, he had sex with someone.



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Austin Receives Gay Radio Station

A Different Drummer, a new gay-oriented radio program, had its debut Sunday, March 2, at noon, on radio station KUT-FM, 90.7 MHz. The half-hour weekly program is being produced by the Austin Gay Radio Collective, a project of Gay Community Services. It is the first Austin radio program to be produced by and for the gay/lesbian community.

According to series producer Carr Strong, the purposes and aims of *A Different Drummer* are to provide a means of communication to the gay/lesbian community; to provide an educational service about gays to the non-gay community; to promote cooperation, communication, and participation between gay organizations in Austin; and to provide an outlet for the creativity of

the Austin gay community.

To accomplish these objectives, the Gay Radio Collective is actively seeking the participation of all gay and lesbian organizations in the area.

"As the collective grows, we hope that its membership will consist of both individuals and representatives from gay and lesbian organizations. The collective will work closely with all of the groups, in order to stay abreast of local gay events and to help publicize activities," Strond said.

A 'radio magazine' style format has been adopted for *A Different Drummer*, which provides segments for news, news analysis, coming events, and special features. These segments are woven together with music and commentary to provide an interesting and entertaining half-hour.

Second Victory in Village Station Arrests; 'Not Guilty'

On Thursday, February 28, the second defendant arrested on public lewdness at the Village Station last November was found 'not guilty' by Judge Miller, the judge who also found the previous defendant arrested at the same time 'not guilty.'

Concerned over the previous verdict, the prosecution had brought in six police officers to testify as witnesses in the trial. The attorney acting for the state summed it up to the court that "the integrity of five police officers is what is at stake here." Despite this plea, Judge Miller was unimpressed and believed the stories of five witnesses for the defense.

This trial has also emphasized again the value of the special hotline which is being effectively utilized to

bring together witnesses and defense in such cases.

The *Star* has also contacted Doug G., the SMU student who was severely beaten by a police officer last June and later found guilty of aggravated assault against that same officer. Doug has promised to provide the *Star* with his personal account of the incident, pointing out that he has heard five different accounts so far, all of them inaccurate.

Efforts will be made periodically to bring our readers up to date on victories and arrests. Readers having information to share with other readers are encouraged to contact us to enable us to provide fast and accurate information.

March on Austin Plans are Underway in Metroplex

DALLAS -- The Planning Conference for the March on Austin for Lesbian and Gay Rights being held in Dallas, March 15 - 16, at the Melrose Hotel is taking shape.

Information and application forms were mailed to all known lesbian and gay organizations throughout the state requesting that they send two delegates (preferably one male and one female) to the conference.

"It is important that all organizations be represented at the planning conference," said Debbie Shaffer of the March on Austin Committee. "This march is an effort to bring together all gay Texans. It

will be the responsibility of the delegates to go home to their organizations and get them ready to march on Austin."

Ms. Shaffer urges lesbians to participate in the conference and all planning efforts. She said, "Men aren't the only gays in the state and the conference needs the (lesbian) input."

Pre-registration is \$5 and \$7.50 at the door. A housing bureau is being formed to provide accommodations for those who request it. Deadline for pre-registration of organizations was February 29.

WORLD

Men Against Sexism Holds Conference

By Michael Brown
(IGNA)

BRISTOL, ENGLAND — Britain's Men Against Sexism movement held its National Conference in Bristol February 15 - 17. Among the approximately 350 men who attended were quite a few gay men.

Although the conference passed some resolutions, including one supporting the gay and women's movement, most time was spent on workshops, socializing, and kitchen duties.

The atmosphere of the conference, which was held on emptied school premises with communal catering and accommodations, was very friendly. Relations between gay and

straight men were far closer than is usual even for nominal "non-sexists" or at previous national conferences.

Each participant chose his own "home" affinity group, such as gays, fathers working class, or members of political parties. Relevant workshops included Gay Men's Relations to Other Men, Sexuality Doesn't Equal Penetration, and Trusting Other Men. Other workshops were for massage, non-competitive games, and contact movement.

Many men, including some who admitted feeling isolated as the only gays in small towns, said that they hadn't felt so free and hadn't been in such a socially warm atmosphere in a very long time.

Norwegian Gays Face a Setback

By Harald Nybo
(IGNA)

NORWAY — The state-appointed Norwegian Committee for Criminal Law, evaluating existing penal codes, has made a negative decision about giving protection from discrimination homosexuals.

Activists in Norway expected a bill for gay rights to pass because a general criminal bill preventing discrimination on the basis of

religion and race has passed.

For years Norwegian gays have been fighting to get legal protection. Last Gay Liberation Day there were many demonstrators in Oslo as well as appeals in the newspapers.

The Committee failed to pass the pro-gay code because two elderly permanent members of the Committee, both lawyers, blocked it.

Their opinion was strongly contested by other witnesses called to testify, one a sexologist, another a lawyer.

Hot Tub Trial Trial Set

Police raids last October on the Hot Tub Club in Toronto included eleven men and one woman, according to *Bodypolitic*, Canada's magazine for gay liberation. The accused from the club and several homes appeared in Provincial Court January 17 and were ordered by Associate Chief Judge Harold A. Rice to stand trial September 8.

Keeping a bawdy house, and

making obscene films were the charges on which the twelve were arrested. The raids were conducted on five different locations in Toronto by more than 50 Metro Police officers. The accused face more than 30 charges as a result of these raids.

A group of men charged as founders at the Hot Tubs Club, a gay steam bath, presumably will be tried separately from the "keepers" and the filmmakers.

Seduction:

All of the 'Victims' are Married Now, Study Finds

By Johannes Werres
(IGNA)

KIEL, WEST GERMANY — Three scientists of the University of Kiel have made an investigation of 215 "victims" of so-called homosexual seduction.

They searched in court files dating from 1946, and selected 50 cases of boys between 4 and 18 years of age who had been attacked, assaulted, seduced or approached by older men. The activities involved ranged from touching to mutual masturbation.

The scientists set out to determine any lasting effects on the boys.

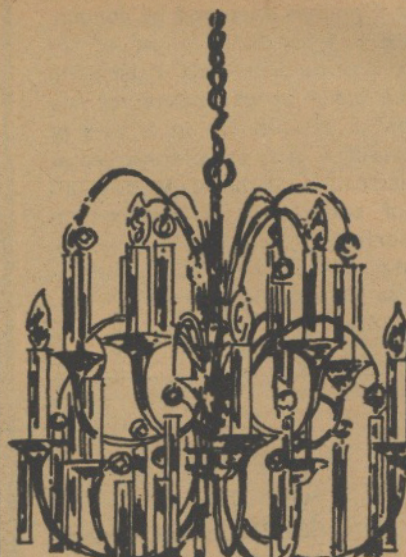
The result was to discover that all

"victims" are married now. There are no psychopathic patterns of behavior as a consequence of such sexual contacts. Nor is there any sense of fixation to homosexual behavior.

The results of this study by Krohn, Freyschmidt, and Wille were published in the scientific monthly *Beitrage Zur Gerichtlichen Medizin*, out of Vienna, Vol. XXXVII, 1979.

As a consequence of their study, these scientists have asked all lawyers and judges not to use the term "seduction" in court any longer if they mean that sexual contacts can make one homosexual for life.

"This is untrue," they claim.



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finds that younger people are more likely to have such arrangements. They do so because of their growing sense that the old formulas are not sufficient to the deepest needs of people. Role-playing, monogamy, and even permanence are not given the same over-valuation that they have received in the past.

Unquestionably the gay and women's movements have enabled women to choose to have both careers and lovers and gay men to have less secrecy and more variety in their sex lives. Ms. Turley mentioned that gays can be too rigid about being 'exclusively gay,' thus role-bound like traditionalists.

The author is aware that conservatives consider her and her book dangerous. She said that when she appeared on *The Donahue Show* some audience members told her: "You're breaking the backbone of the American family!"

But Ms. Turley feels each individual must find his or her own sexual pattern in life. She considers it a sign of progress, not regression.

I asked her if she thinks the new conservatism will rise like a tidal wave and push us all back into the roles of the past. She answered that she's optimistic that most people will never return to the old straight-jackets.



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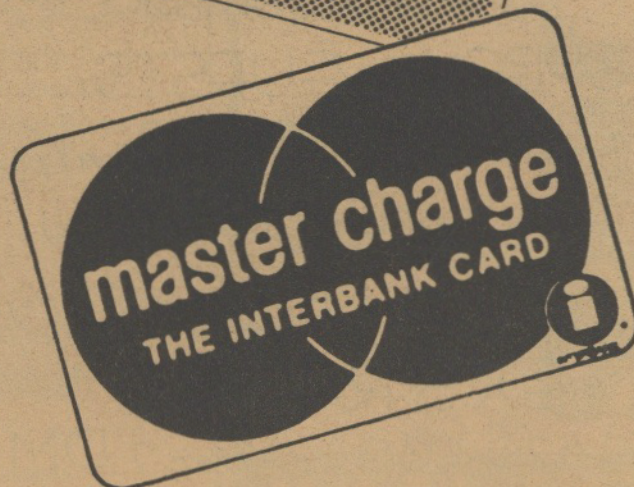
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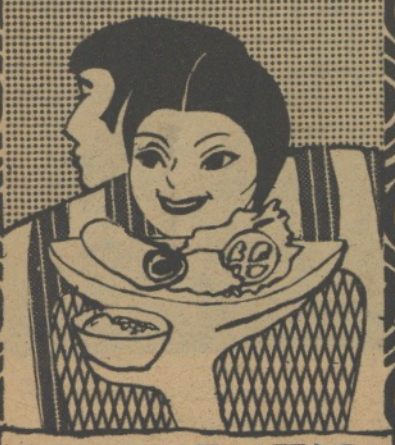
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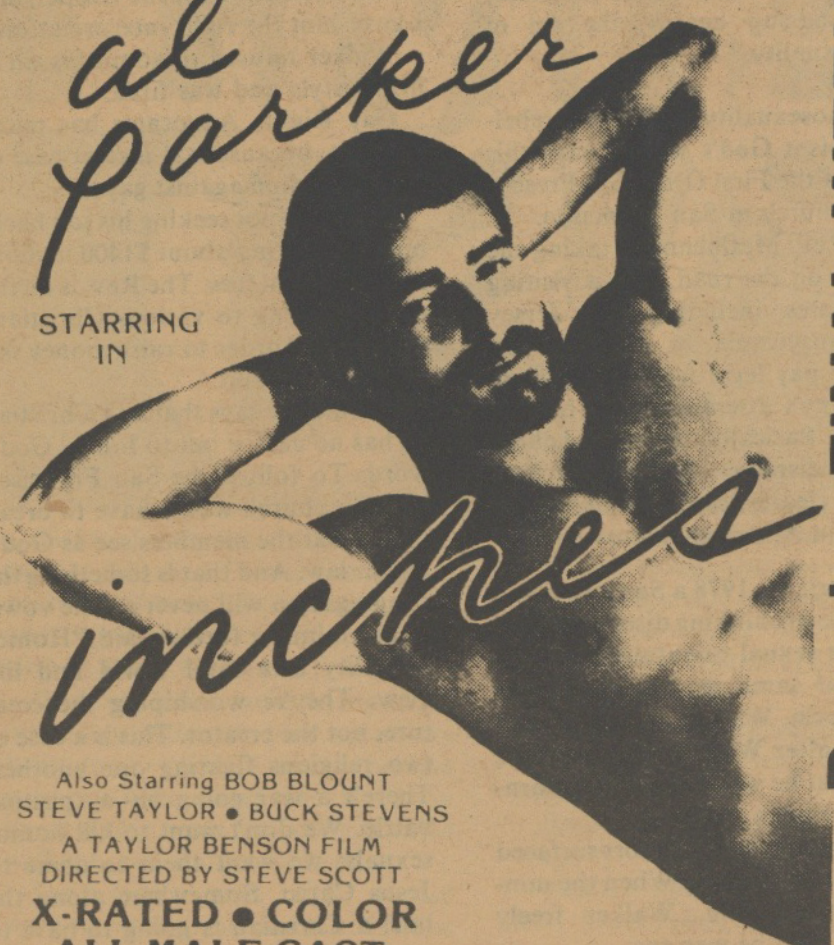
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of our editors."

Gosh, folks. . . I'm all choked up. True, I do have quite a number of achievements which few, if any, American women can claim for themselves.

For example, I don't know a single American woman (or any other nationality) who has ever skinnydipped at the Club Dallas. Right offhand, I don't even know one who has a membership at the 3116 Club or the Bodycenter in Dallas.

And the list keeps on coming! The problem is, they didn't leave space on their questionnaire for all the answers I'd like to give them.

The thing which really makes me wonder is that, contrary to what I had expected, there was no note in small print telling me that to cover expenses, a small donation for

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processing my application was requested. However, perhaps that happens when they send me the proofs of the final copy for the book, hoping that I will be so overcome at emotion at my newfound recognition that I won't be able to resist the lure of fame and fortune.

And to think I never attended Bryn Mawr or Vassar but still reached this pinnacle of success.

In thinking it over, however, I think I'll just be content to remain plain, sweet and humble little me, modestly serving our readership each week in my own quiet way.

Thanks, Marquis Publications. *Who's Who of American Women* wasn't one of my ultimate dreams, thank you very much. It was a nice try, but I think I'll pass for now, thank you all the same.

Rep. Hudson Pleases Gays

The effect of this change would mean that officers would not be able to arrest an individual in a gay bar unless another patron of the bar at the time of the alleged offense was willing to sign a complaint against the accused. This would effectively eliminate virtually all

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arrests in recent harassment cases which have been brought to light by the Dallas Gay Political Caucus and other groups concerned with this problem.

Representative Hudson received a standing ovation from the crowd of more than 80 persons present at the church.

Christians Should 'Come Out of the Closet' Against Gays

SAN FRANCISCO — (IGNA) — The Rev. Chuck McIlhenny says God's word is clear—"it's time for Christians to come out of the closet and stand up against the sin of homosexuality."

"Homosexuality is sin; it's rebellion against God's word," says this pastor of the First Orthodox Presbyterian Church in San Francisco.

The Rev. McIlhenny is taking the message on the road, and is visiting other states, including New Jersey and Pennsylvania, in order to raise funds to pay legal fees arising from McIlhenny's attempt to fire his gay organist. Basically, the story behind the legal dispute, which the minister calls the clearest case of state-church conflict in American history, is this:

On April 11, 1978 a San Francisco ordinance prohibiting discrimination based on sexual orientation became law. That same month McIlhenny hired Kevin Walker as his church organist after Walker convinced the pastor that he was a practicing born-again Christian.

Five months later, rumors surfaced that Walker was gay. When the minister queried him, Walker freely

He said he was living with a lover, and believed in Jesus Christ as his savior. The pastor said, "He gave me his interpretation (of the Gospel) and I gave him the right interpretation."

Walker refused to admit his sin in his lifestyle and was fired.

Gay Rights Advocates has taken the case, because it is a clear case of discrimination against gays.

Walker is not seeking his job back, but he is asking about \$1400 in damages and legal fees. The Rev. is on the road speaking to various Christians churches in order to raise money to fight the law suit.

McIlhenny says that as a Christian he has no choice but to follow God's word. To follow the San Francisco law, his church would have to break what the members see as God's higher law. And that is something the congregation will never do, he vows.

The minister further said, "Homosexuality is a total world and life view. They're worshipping the creature, not the creator. This is a case of two religions fighting one another. There's a war going on—a spiritual battle. We don't want to kill homosexuals; we want them to come to Jesus Christ. Somewhere along the line, a Christian is going to have to



Rev. Farrell

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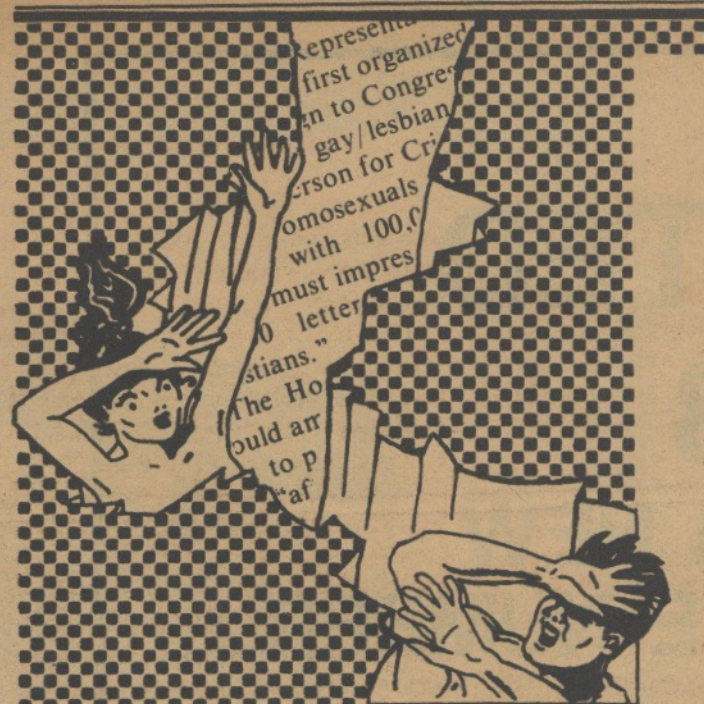
Akron, Ohio, where she assumed the pulpit of the newly formed Cascade Community Church, a position in which she served until moving to Dallas in January, to be near the family of her companion of 16 years, Kathryn, due to an illness.

A native West Texan, the 55-year-old minister is well known in Dallas for her enthusiasm and ability to get things done, along with her powerful yet loving sermons. She brings with her the United Community Church years of valuable experience in ministerial 'hot seats' — experience which should be very beneficial in bringing

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METROBEAT

Shows Shows, Shows in the Metroplex

By Roy Hall

ASSOCIATE EDITOR

It's show time!

Shows, shows, shows! The **West Coast Connection** is ending up its two week run at the **Conference Room** this weekend.

The first weekend was a big hit. The group is being followed up by **David & Dazzle**, ventriloquist team, on Monday, March 10.

David & Dazzle will be at the **Encore II** on Sunday, March 9, and at the **Raintree Landing** on Tuesday, March 11.

April 1 and 2 are the dates for the official **Miss Gay Dallas Pageant**. For the first time the pageant is being opened up to residents of counties adjoining Dallas County to give the Dallasites a run for the money.

Having seen some of the talent around I think this may well be the best pageant yet. The *Star* has already asked for a front-and-center seat on the night of the finals to give you the best coverage possible.

Think we're through with show announcement? Nope!

On April 1 there's a show in Fort Worth, which we're planning to cover to give both cities equal time, and we'll be in Dallas on April 2. The **April Fool's Day Show** is at the **Split Image** and will feature (are you ready?) the barowners and bartenders of **Cowtown**. It's for the benefit of **Agape' Metropolitan Community Church**.

So is the show the following night at the **Downtowner**, which will feature persons more accustomed to the genteel art of impersonation.

Dr. Don Clark, renowned author of *Loving Someone Gay* and of a new book, *Living Gay* was the speaker at a two-day seminar sponsored by the **Gay Academic Union** and the **Community Resource Center (Gayline)**. The seminar was designed for those persons involved in the educational process as administrators, teachers, counsellors, and in capacities where knowledge of working with gay students would be beneficial.

A spokesperson for both sponsoring organizations said that he was quite pleased with the response to the seminar and to a talk presented Saturday evening, March 1, for members of the gay community, at which about 125 persons were present.

Dr. Clark told the *Star* that when

his first book came out the publishers anticipated sales under 10,000 copies and ran a very small printing in a quality large paperback format. They were astounded when the book was well received, later going into the popular paperback edition and a hardback edition as well.

Dr. Clark, the father of two children, presently practices counselling and psychotherapy in California when he is not away on trips resulting from his national fame as an author. A review of his book and a brief interview with the *Star* will appear in a later issue.

Speaking of **Agape MCC**, the church's sanctuary at 2336 Hemphill (at Page) has recently had a complete overhaul and remodelling. Now, we saw the before, and now we wish we had a picture of the before; it would make a splendid show of before and after. It had bare walls, an office up on stilts, no carpeting, a ceiling which must have been high, high, high -- we won't even guess.

Now, it's gaining momentum in Fort Worth and has paneled walls, a total new look that looks like a church. At the dedication of the new facilities Sunday, March 2, there were approximately 80 persons in attendance -- a record.

The dedication took place on the third and concluding evening of a three-part series by **Rev. Donald M. Eastman** of Dallas on the subject of homosexuality and the Bible.

The series takes portions of the Bible which have been used widely by persons such as **Anita Bryant** and **James Robison** and looks at them in a manner which indicates that they may well not be the harsh condemnation of gay people which some fundamentalists make them out to be.

If any of our readers have problems in this area, **Rev. Eastman** usually delivers the series in June at the Dallas church at 2701 Reagan.

See elsewhere in this issue for a talk by **Representative Hudson**, a guest at the dedication service.

Also in Fort Worth, **Emperor Sonnie** tells us that still another candidate has thrown her hat into the ring as **Jackie Jorge** has entered the race for **Empress II**.

Word has been received that the **Emperors and Empresses of San Diego** and of **San Francisco** will attend the coronation April 6.



Tickets for the affair have gone on sale at \$10 each, which includes a barbecue dinner. Ticketholders will also be entitled to vote for the candidate of their choice.

Back in Dallas, we're trying to get our act together to pick up all the latest gossip while it's still hot and get it to our dear, sweet readers. If you know some news we just can't live without, call and let us know.

Guys (sorry, guys only), we did want to remind you that the **3116** has something exciting and different to offer you. If you haven't been by yet,

what are you, waiting for?

On a personal note, we understand that someone saw our new jacket and commented about our *semi-vinyl* jacket and wanted to know if we had gotten into **S&M**.

First, we haven't changed our preference and **S&M** isn't one of our bags.

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REVIEW

The New Couple

By Daniel Curzon
IGNA

SAN FRANCISCO — Myra Turley spent four years interviewing people and co-writing her book largely, I think, because she despises the term 'fag hag.'

She wanted to show that the relationships between gay men and straight women are richer and more complex than the dismissive term 'fag hag' suggests.

When we talked at the Huntington Hotel atop Nob Hill in San Francisco, Ms. Turley wished to make clear that the old stereotypes don't hold. She seemed distressed that people stereotype themselves and also stereotype others — and then complain about stereotyping! She added that gays sometimes stereotype straights, as well as the other way

around of course.

What *The New Couple* reveals is that there are three major categories that relationships between straight women and gay men fall into:

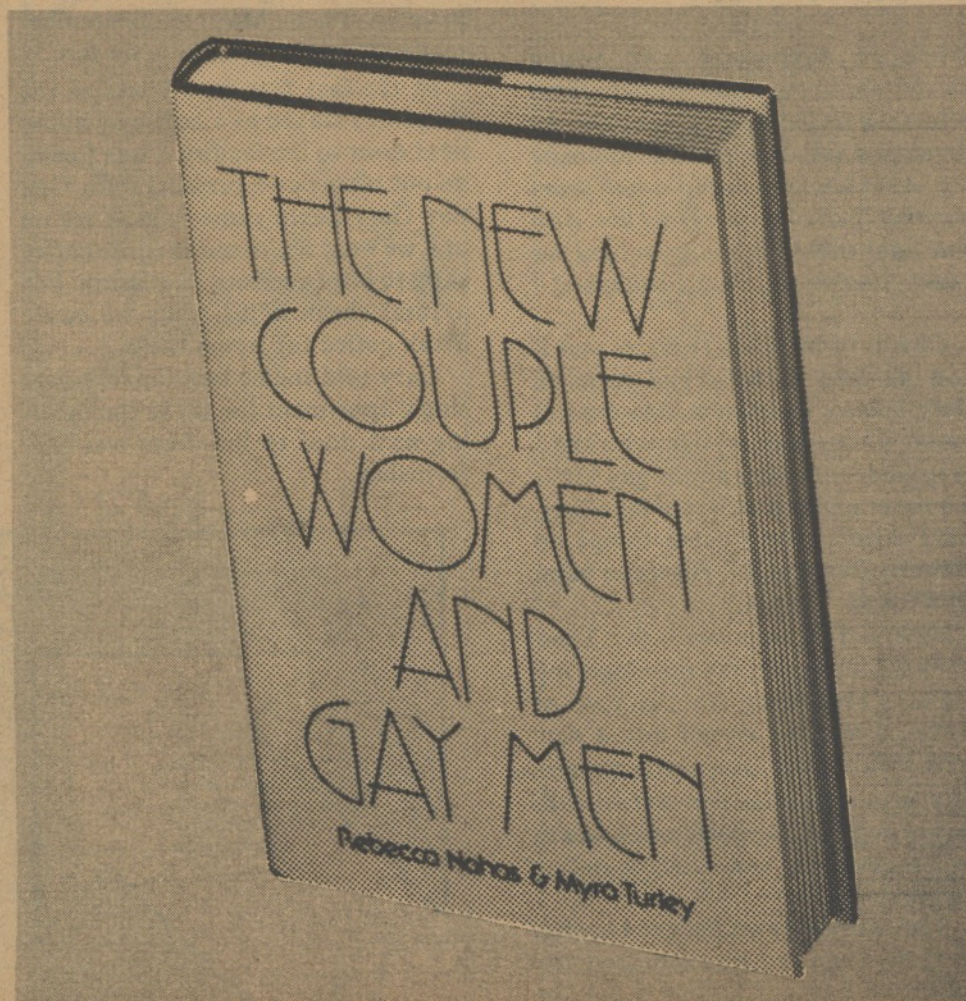
Traditional couples, marginal relationships, and new couples. Within each category, it should be noted, are wide-ranging variations.

Turley and her co-author, Rebecca Nahas, interviewed people all around the country and discovered that the new couple shows up not only on the East and West coasts but in Mid-America as well.

What characterizes the new couple is that there is a love relationship, sometimes sexual, between a self-identified gay man and a heterosexual woman.

Ms. Turley, not too surprisingly,

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HEALTH

What are the Effects of Nuclear Exposure

By L A Chotkowski, MD
Star Columnist

Hazards from nuclear power plant accidents, such as occurred at Three Mile Island, were clarified at a recent Yankee Atomic Energy plant drill held in conjunction with Middlesex Memorial Hospital in Middletown, Connecticut.

Dr. Roger E. Linnemann, director of radiation problems at Three Mile Island, presided. I participated as

representative of Connecticut Valley Hospital.

A plant employee with simulated injuries was brought into the hospital and treated in a simple, precise and efficient manner. His clothes were removed, body scrubbed clean of radiation and all radioactivity disposed of. The decontaminated patient was then admitted to the hospital floor like any other patient.

If a nuclear accident is that simple to handle, why then, all the fuss at

Three Mile Island? Mostly because of misunderstanding, said Dr. Linnemann. First of all, atomic plants do not blow up. Thousands of people are not injured. The most severe accident might injure 20 employees, and no one in the vicinity.

As for the China 'melt down' syndrome, it has not and should not happen, he stated. At Three Mile, the cone reactor (i. e. uranium bombardment of the hydrogen ion) was shut down. The problem was in

the inability to cool off the two by products, radioactive cesium and iodine, because of a water cooling pump failure.

Few people understood that xenon gas, escaping from the tower produced only one to two millirems of radioactivity, a negligible amount.

Nevertheless, pregnant women were advised to leave the area despite

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SPECIAL FEATURE

Disco in the 80's; Where is it Headed for the Future

By Derek Kennedy
GUEST COLUMNIST

(Editor's Note: Derek Kennedy, the talented young DJ at Fort Worth's popular Other Place and manager of the Dallas/Ft. Worth DJ Association, has agreed to write a number of columns for our music-loving readers. This is the first.)

Where is Disco headed? This is one of the most talked about money-making

ideas in years. But, unlike hula hoops, granny glasses, yo-yos, etc., disco is not a fad and, therefore, it cannot die.

The above statement about disco and the possibility of its dying is one of the biggest controversies around. First, you must understand the word "disco." This is short for the word "Discoteque," which briefly means a place where people go to get off on live or recorded music (a disc.) This has always been true, even back in the days when there were only

jukeboxes.

So, although the word "disco" has a lot of people believing it is something new, it has been around quite a while and has gone through some major changes, incorporating all types of music from rock, country, pop and classical. Because all these types of music are still around and always will be, how could a form of music that includes the above styles fade away without taking one of them with it?

BSNF (before *Saturday Night*

Fever) was a time when disco was for the most part underground and gay oriented - a special place. All they were exposed to was that all discos had beautiful interiors and played Bee Gee music and that all the people in a disco were pretty, men in three piece black and white polyester suits and ladies in leotard tops and flowing dresses.

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MAY TO SEPTEMBER

Thank Heaven for Gary

By Ted Brink
STAR COLUMNIST

While in Hollywood with young David, the lover, I had brought from Michigan to the land of sunshine, he developed an urge for the opposite sex. After about two-and-a-half years together David took off to live with and later marry a young actress we knew. Unable to cope, I collapsed.

David, in his fresh twenties and I, now 42, had a really bad scene in Gary Levin's apartment. My dearest friend, a kind man my age, who had a deep understanding about gay life -- but never quite came out of his closet, Gary tried to help patch things up between David and I. His usual balm didn't heal.

Feeling tragic, deprived -- that I had given up my home, my marriage, my work -- everything for the love of David, I worked myself into a nervous breakdown. Gary made the necessary arrangements, the several calls to worried and helpful friends, and to my concerned and understanding parents.

They decided on a private hospital in Hollywood, an excellent psychiatrist, and I signed myself in for the help I needed.

Never once did he suggest that I should give up gay life, only that I had to adjust to be a 'normal homosexual.' God help me, those were his words.

We laughed about the phrase, but I thought I understood and would try.

A few years later it was to happen all over again. Apparently I didn't learn too well.

One can imagine that my problems as an older gay -- in my case, some 20 years older than my first real lover -- are not entirely unique. Other older men like me have had to face a break-up and the accompanying sense of self-pity, the feeling of having given up everything for their young lover, only to be shoved aside. They, like me, may have come to realize that there are two sides to that coin.

It takes time to come to this realization . . . but it is the truth.

When we were pulled over for a busted tail light David was hauled away because the authorities discovered he had skipped out on his previous California probation. I had gotten the best attorney, called in some old debts and got him out of jail on a rather costly bail.

Fighting all the way, I got him again on probation, in my care. Quite an achievement!

It took me several years and many other bad as well as delightful times with young lovers to discover the flip side of the coin.

When we fail to hold close with an

open hand, when we fail to understand the very special need for compromise in a May to September relationship, in gay life -- we lose.

In the last few days I was at the hospital I stayed at a half-way house next door to the facility. I was free to go out on my own certain hours. One day Gary Levin came to pick me up and we went out to our favorite coffee shop to have a serious discussion. For a total check of 52 cents we could drink coffee for hours there.

Gary told me he had found a neat single apartment for me in the building next door to his. Rent was \$95, furnished.

My marvelously wise friend knew me pretty well.

"We've got to find you a new young lover, Ted," he announced to me one night.

"I know you," he said. "You function best with a good young guy with you," he continued. "This time I'll help select him and we'll make him assistant to the producer."

We devised an ad to place in the *L.A. Advocate*, somehow implying in the wording everything I expected sexually and in business.

There were many responses. Gary and I interviewed most of them -- all who showed up -- and we selected

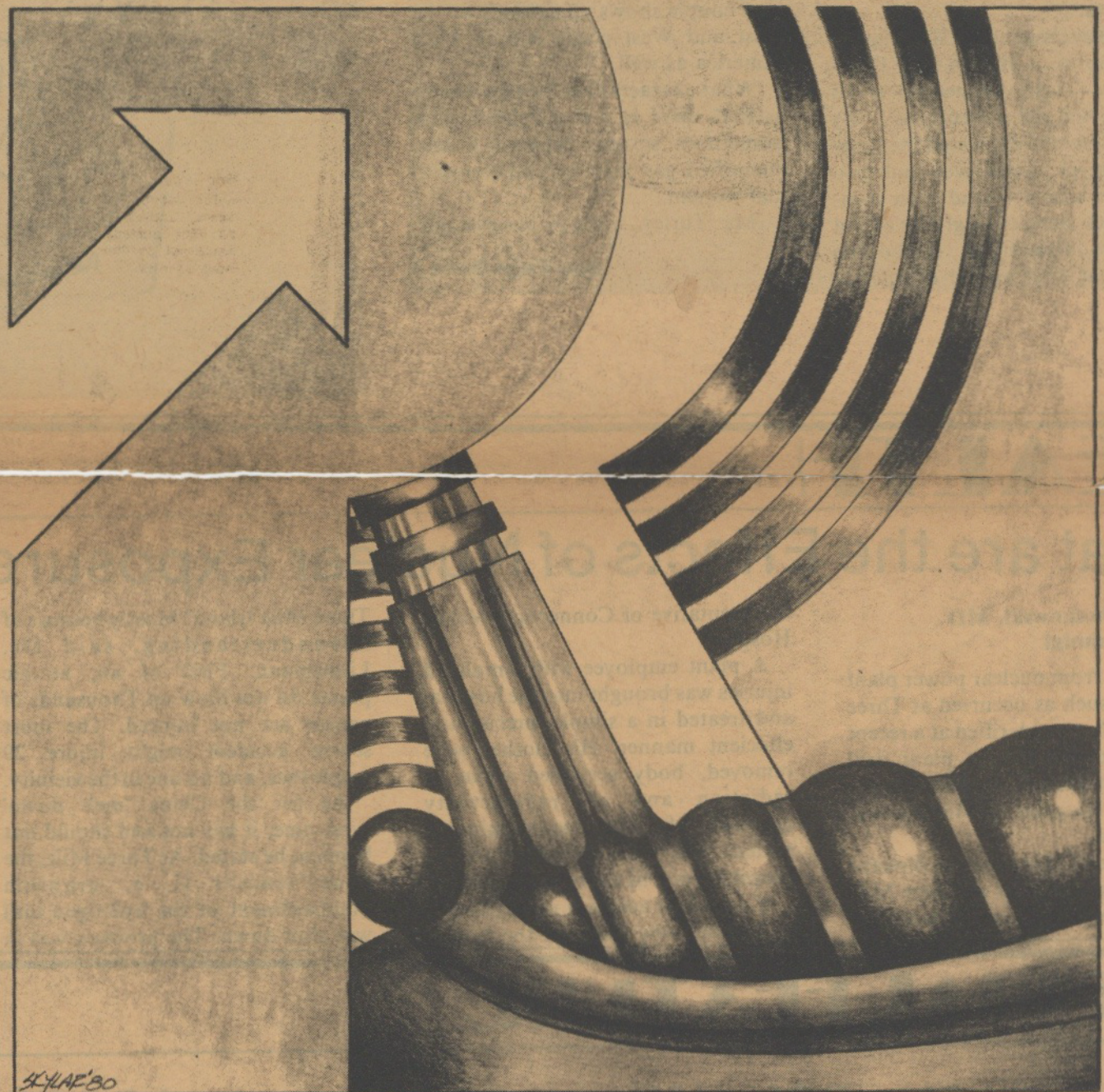
Chet.

This rather serious 20-year-old, good looking, studious -- with a fine position in an L.A. bank -- passed my 'casting couch' audition with flying colors. When we told Gary we had decided to get an apartment and go it together, he was delighted.

Chet was to be a unique experience -- one I've never encountered since. And, he too, changed my life.

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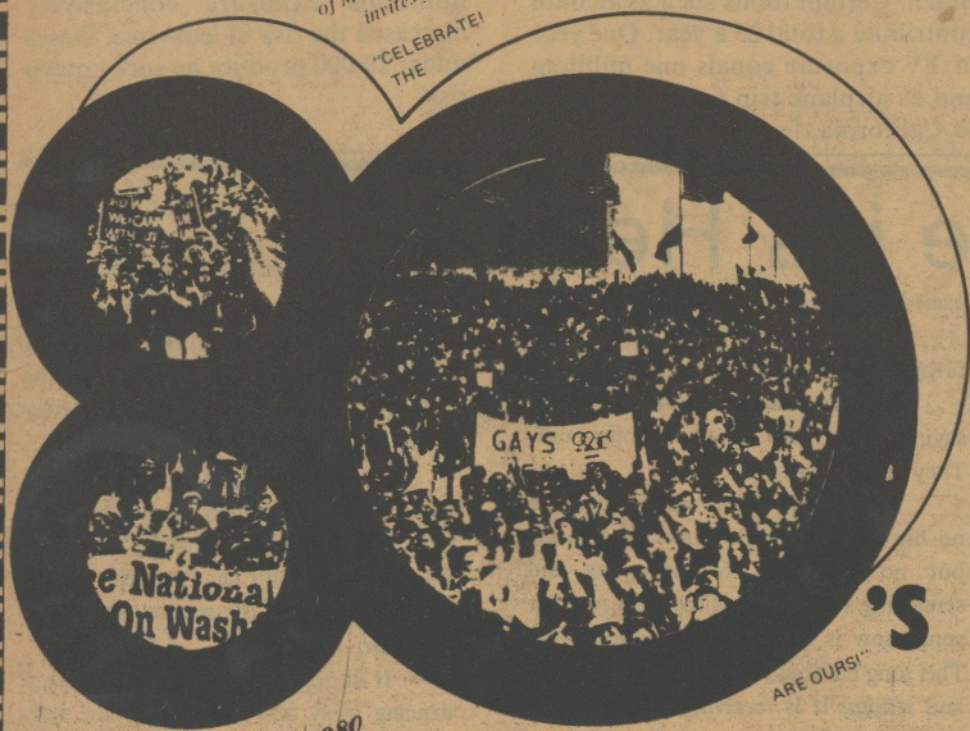
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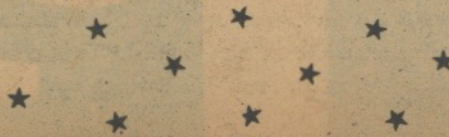
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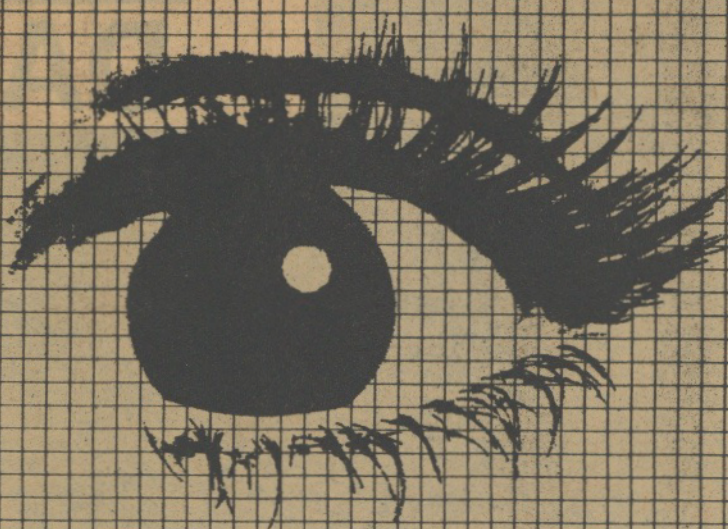
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