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FROM THE STAR NEWSPAPER CHAIN

In the past month the Dallas Gay Political Caucus's Political Action Committee has stepped up their program of contact with legislators and decision-makers with the overall purpose of improving lines of communication, making legislators aware of gay interests, and generally "making them feel our numbers."

Among the highlights of the efforts to date are:

a) Personally meeting with U.S. Reps. Mattox and Milford regarding the Legal Services Corporation Bill amendment passed by the U.S. House which prohibits aid to any case involving homosexuality. Mattox was congratulated for his pro-gay vote on the amendment and Milford was informed that he will begin to hear from his gay constituents in greater numbers. (He voted anti-gay.)

b) Personally meeting with U.S. Senators Bentsen and Tower to determine their reactions to the Legal Services Bill amendment. Indications are that Tower would vote anti-gay should the measure come up in the Senate. Bentsen's possible vote has yet to be determined.

c) During the July 11th General Meeting of the D.G.P.C. the members wrote some 60 letters to their U.S. Senators and Representatives regarding the Legal Services Bill amendment. Each member was given an information sheet to keep as a guide to better letter-writing. Carbon copies were reproduced and sent immediately to the Gay Rights National Lobby (G.R.N.L.) office in Washington D.C. to aid in their lobbying efforts. The D.G. P.C. Political Action

Committee has been in close contact with the G.R.N.L. office by phone and by mail during this intensive effort. To help the D.G.P.C. maintain the information flow to G.R.N.L., members are being urged to send copies of letters to legislators to: D.G.P.C., Box 22333, Dallas, TX 75222.

Future efforts of the Political Action Committee will include:

a) Personal contacts with Dallas-area state legislators to establish better communication lines and make our feelings on issues known. Each legislator will be visited by a member of the Political Action Committee (preferably the member will be a constituent of the legislator). Information packets by the Texas Gay Task Force will be distributed during the visit.

b) Mass letter-writing during each monthly meeting. The subject will be current and timely issues.

c) Voter registration. Deputy registrars will be available at each general meeting of the D.G.P.C. to register voters.

d) Analysis of candidates and issues on the ballot. Announcements will be made at the monthly meetings as to any forthcoming political race and the attitudes and stands of the candidates. For example, in the recent Dist. 33-D State House of Representative special election, Political Action Committee members polled the candidates and informed the members as to their responses on gay rights legislation prior to the election and had available maps to let voters know their district.

Louise Young
D.G.P.C.

DALLAS ACTIVISTS GO TO DENVER MEETING

Two representatives each from the Dallas Gay Political Caucus (D.G.P.C.), Dallas Alliance for Individual Rights (D.A.I.R.) and the Metropolitan Community Church (M.C.C.) were among some 20 Texas delegates and more than 300 national participants in the National Gay Leadership Conference held in Denver, Colo., July 29 and 30.

The conference was co-sponsored by Dignity International (gay Catholics), Gay Rights National Lobby (G.R.N.L.), National Gay Task Force (N.G.T.F.), and the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches (U.F.M.C.C.).

The conference featured speeches and panel discussions by a virtual "who's who" in national gay rights:

State Rep. Elaine Noble of Massachusetts, Dr. Bruce Voeller of N.G.T.F., Rev. Troy Perry of U.F.M.C.C., Adam DeBaugh, a gay rights national lobbyist in Washington, D.C., Jack Campbell of the Dade Co. Coalition, Ginny Apuzzo of G.R.N.L., and many others.

The conference opened Fri-

day evening with keynote addresses by Apuzzo, Rev. Perry, and Jean O'Leary of N.G.T.F. Both Apuzzo and O'Leary emphasized the growing threat to the gay movement by right-wing politicals led by Anita Bryant and Phyllis Schlafly (anti-ERA), and the implications of the wave of anti-gay legislation being introduced at state and federal levels.

Apuzzo urged all gay organizations to work within their communities in public services groups to gain visibility and improve our public image, thus increasing our visibility as constituents of legislators.

O'Leary cited the need for long-range planning to attain our goals of education to change public opinion, passing federal civil rights legislation, and electing candidates who will support our civil rights.

Rev. Perry's address was a more general, but nonetheless "gut-level" keynote. He said that gay liberation was coming to terms with who and what you are and "once you become liberated, you are not afraid anymore."

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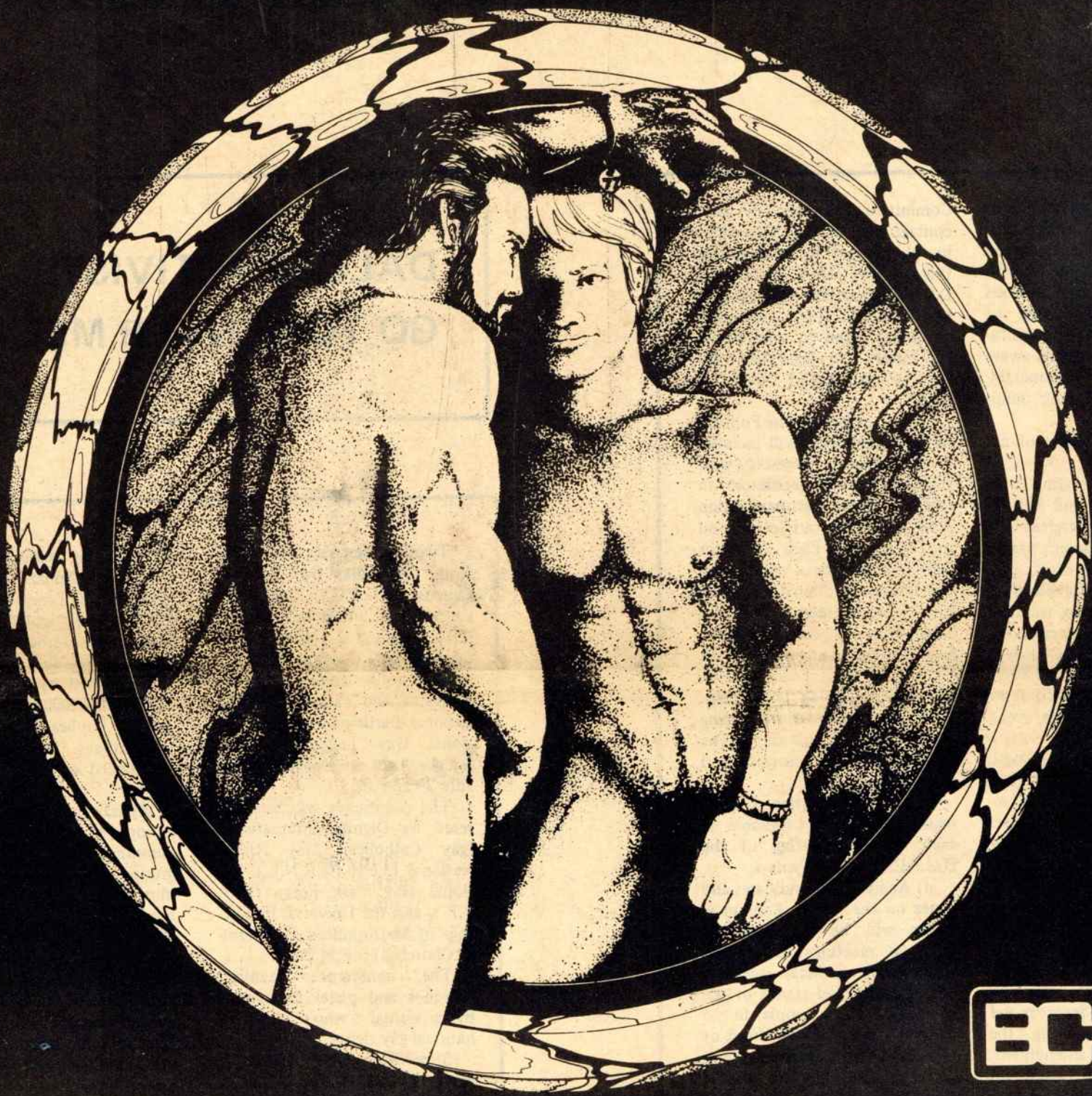
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ARIES (March 21-April 19): You feel like you're being chased by three witches with a kettle, Ari. The stroll down easy-street should be sweet, sweetheart, not a mad journey from pillar to post. So glide, you'll arrive. On last day, witches turn into a partner for the ball... and you have one!

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Your problem is like an onion, Taurus-baby: layer after layer after layer. The tears are many, but the peeling persists. On last day, you feel like a petunia in a you-know-what. Cheer up and keep peeling, for on last day solution is found. You grow.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): The seashore is covered with shells, Gem, but few have any real treasure inside. Sift carefully, by week's end you find perfect "pearl". A mate or an idea — whichever — "don't cast pearls before the unappreciative". YOU enjoy it first.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): There is so much red tape around you, Moonbaby, it looks like May Day in Moscow. Cut path through the middle with swift, sure strokes. Advice of expert is not helpful now. On final day, replace sword with bottle-opener and uncap a few.

LEO (July 23-August 22): Take advantage of summer lull to complete a big project, Leo. In other words, get out of the hammock and into the harness. There's work to be done! WORK, WORK, WORK! On last day, you marvel at what your aching back hath wrought.

VIRGO (August 23-September 22): Like a basket of cherry-bombs, you are calm, cool and collected until lit, Virg. Then POW... to the moon: pretty, but cold and lonely. On last day, keep fire extinguisher ready, but allow self three "fizzles" and a BANG!

LIBRA (September 23-October 22): Steady does it, Lib, you're on course and the jib is full. Expect smooth sailing, this week, as you ride the waves with east. On last day, look for friendly port to fly a flag of welcome.

SCORPIO (October 23-November 21): Things around you are heavy, heavy, heavy, Scorp. Somewhere in your spirit, there is a lode-stone of sadness which attracts even more grief. Put it aside. Without the bitter, there would be no sweet... and vice versa. On last day, you get some sugar.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22-December 21): Do a flip-flop, Saj. You're headed in the wrong direction, for sure. Ease up on the hammer and take a good, hard look at where you're going. There's another road open that is better for you to travel. On last day, Cupid winks. You capitulate.

CAPRICORN (December 22-January 19): Your sense of what is fair and right has been clouded by your desire to be a banner waver, Cap. Some causes are lost. Leave them to wander on their own. On last day, use your banner as a flag of truce and have tea with a former foe.

AQUARIUS (January 20-February 18): Complications are about to be revealed. Relax, Aquari, if everything were as simple as ABC, the world would be a big kindergarten. There is still time for a few games, however. On last day, you play hide 'n seek and you're IT!

PISCES (February 19-March 20): Worlds flow within and stand still without. You are in a new tranquil space, Pisces, but watch out, what was yesterday's reality is today's dream, WAKE UP! Head for the ocean, the rivers, the mountains... the hills, if need be. Just go. Last day finds you "off on the road". Probably not to Morocco... but maybe Ypsilanti? Yes, Pisces, there really is an Ypsilanti.

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e just sitting around when we
ided to dash to Galveston
re there was a blue empty
and a mostly empty Stewart
ch, if you can imagine.

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STLERS HUSTLED OFF JAIL

Houston police last week
sted nearly two dozen young
es on the Lovett Blvd. and
yhound bus station circuits
charged them with sollicita-
for prostitution. Bonds
e set at \$400 each.

Actually the vice officers
med they were searching for
es under 18, but all they
nd were legal adults. Never-
ess, they were arrested and
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"We are looking for kiddie
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Five years ago you could ask
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purchased the list from the
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le sure the wrong names were
on their about-to-be-mailed
positions.

However, those who fill out
n 2201 are required to do it
ry five years or their name
es off the master list. Well, it
ns very few of the 320,000
ple who signed up five years
are renewing. They just
t seem to be as "anti-porn"
scious as they were then.
Porn dealers, aware of this,
just in the future ignore
list and mail at random
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ctories.

RASH BAG' MURDER ARGE DENIED

One of two men arrested in
nection with the recently
covered "trash bag" mass
rders in southern California
pleaded innocent. Patrick
ne Kearney, through his
omey, denied that he com-
ted three of the killings that
has so far been charged with.
The other man originally
sted, Kearney's roommate,
had charges against him
pped and has been released.

ITA BRYANT SELECTED ERICA'S GREATEST'

Contestants at the Miss Na-
al Teenageer contest, 3500
them all together, have voted
nophobe Anita Bryant "A-
rica's Greatest American" ac-
ding to a recent poll released
atlanta.

Terry Lewis and Bob Hope
e runners-up.

We stayed until the sun
was about to drop for good,
washed our hair in the ocean
with strawberry shampoo, found
some marvelous things at the
souvenir shop, had a drink at a
seawall surfer bar and headed for
the Kon-Tiki.

Phew!! Lafitte's just around
the corner was having a show,
but it hadn't started so we
walked down that marvelous
deserted alley to the Kon-Tiki. A
beautiful lady named Frankie
mans the front desk (or should I
say, womans the front desk).
She's a real charmer, and there's
that cute little 25 cent cover
charge to pitch in the jar while
she just smiles and smiles.

Outrageous and wonderful
Clarence is still there, but
he was rather subdued that
night. He is at his best on
Sunday afternoons, cutting up
for days!

The KT is still the same sweet
bar with the 144 pulsating
penises on the dance floor. It's a
sin, really, but we all love it.
Speaking of sins, I heard the
Baths have been sparkled up a
bit, and for five bucks you can
get a room from 7 p.m. to 9
p.m. and go to the bar while
you're there (or anywhere).
There are about 60 rooms, and
Frankie said they've been taking
hot-to-go reservations.

It sounded hot, but we had to
go back to the beach for an
other side of midnight dip (like
in Jaws - we had no fear). We
sacrificed our old tricks to
Neptune, god of the Gulf, which
means next time they go to the
beach, they're goners. I haven't
decided whether or not to tell
any of mine.

Then I remember returning to
the Kon-Tiki, but by one we had
both passed completely out
of it - just left our bodies right
there. I don't know how it
happened, but we woke up in
Dallas, in our very own lovely
home, and surely, it had all been
a dream!

Next Week: Look me up in
the Vieux Carre, darlings - King
Tut hasn't arrived in New
Orleans yet, so until then
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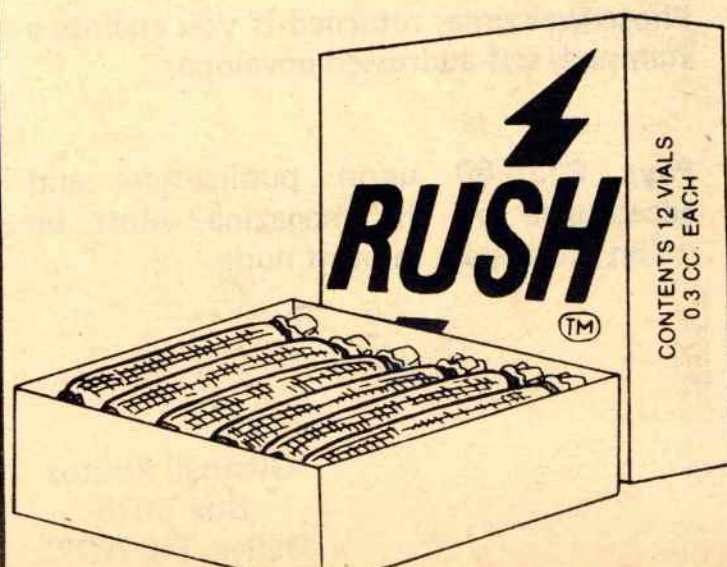
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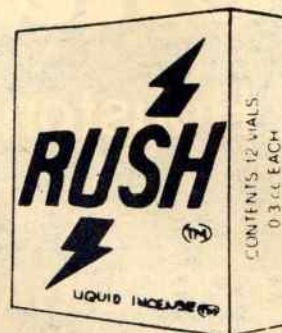
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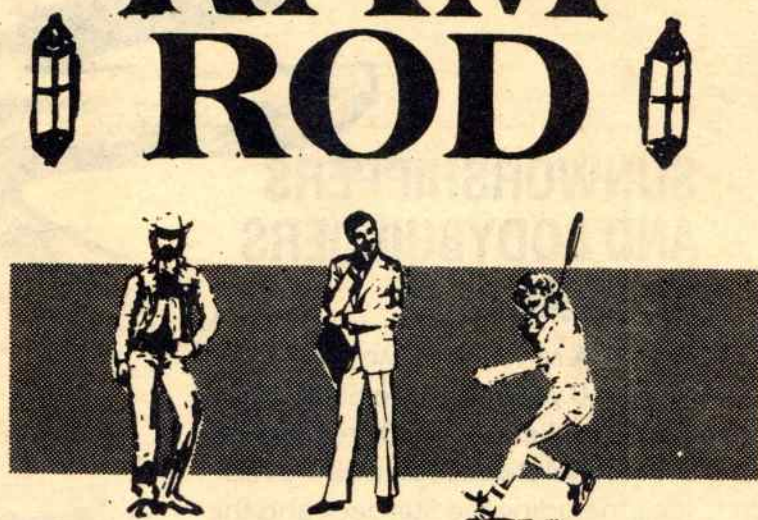
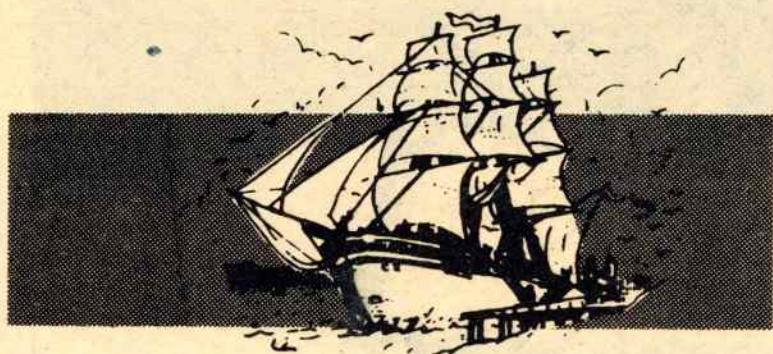
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