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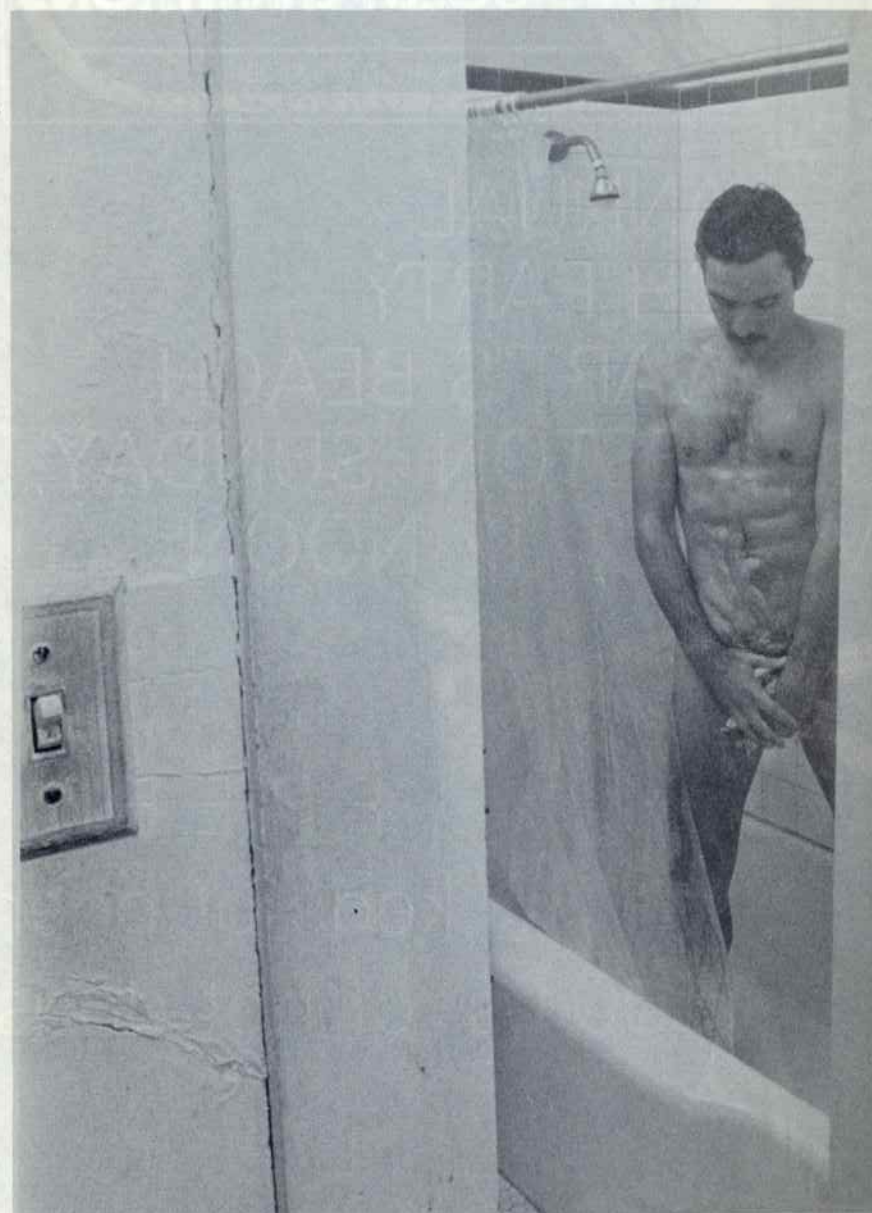
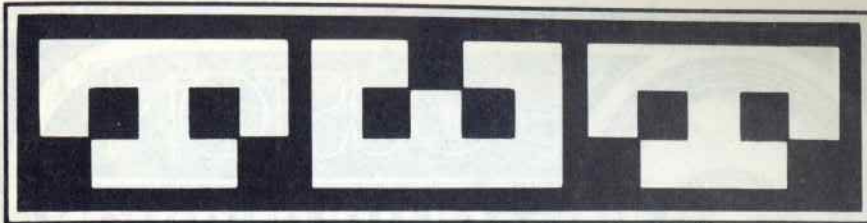


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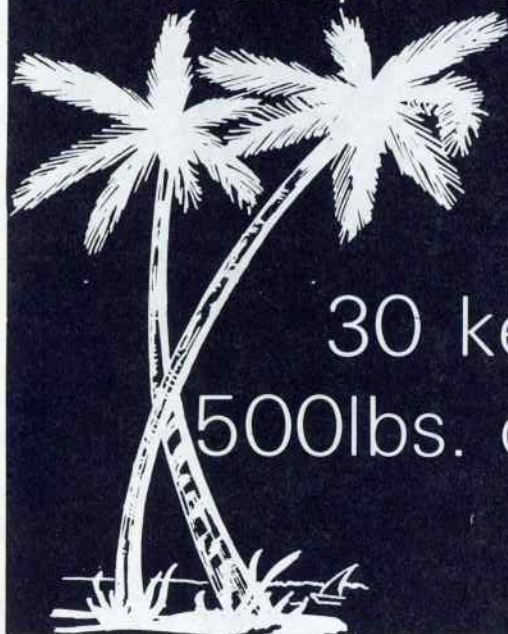
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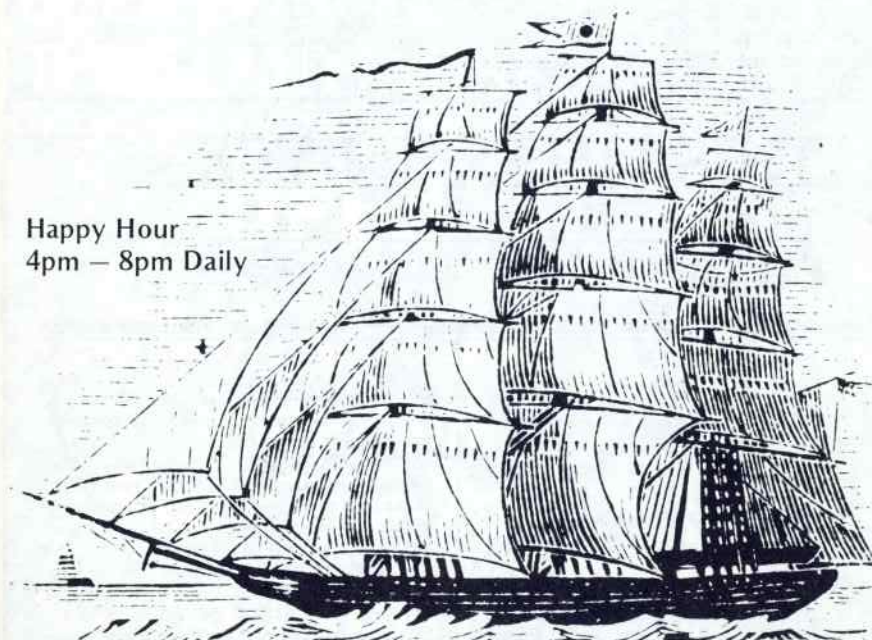
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At the risk of someday being forced to rename this jewel *This Week In And Near-Texas*, we're truckin' lots of

copies to our gay brothers in New Orleans. Which brings us to the difficult chore at hand. Bringing our New Orleans brothers up-to-date on 4 years of *Life With Vera*. God, it boggles the mind.

Vera is a gay guy, about 37 years old. His best friend, Phoebe, is about 360. Pounds. Plus, there's sexy Zachary and level-headed Burt, his lover. Oh yeah, there's Trudy, Zach's little girl by a former marriage. And Vera owned the *Final Fling Funeral Shoppe* (but dumped it for lack of comedic mileage.) Likewise, he had this highly-touted, but soon forgotten, facelift. But at the party, the Countess Bancroft, who was a gay popper-tester for hetero gangsters. Well, the Countess got poisoned and then Vera was . . . Oh, to hell with this. You guys in New Orleans will just have to "catch as catch can."

Peace and heat,
Here's number 163.

—Ed.

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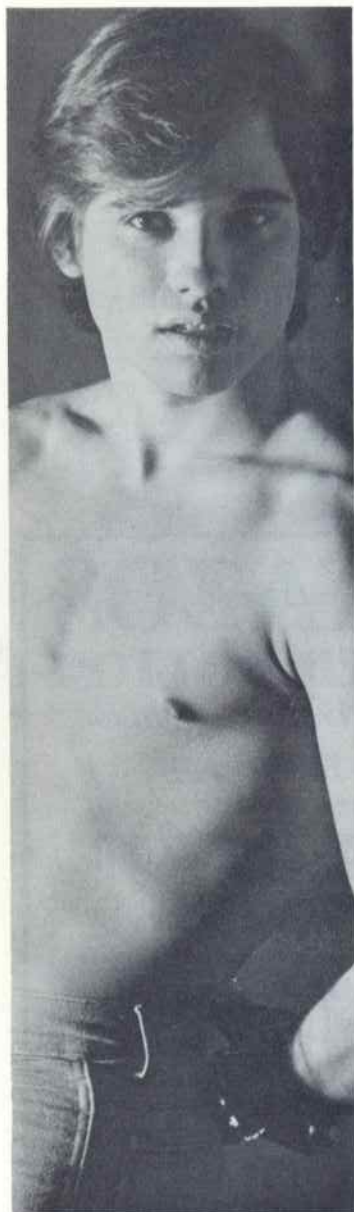
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FOR ALL SIGNS: We are still under the influence of last weekend's New Moon, making the coming week still a good time to begin a new project. Meanwhile, Mercury, which rules communication, moves from fiery and impulsive Aries, to stubborn and reserved Taurus. That's on Monday, the 15th, causing conversations to take on a more serious tone.

TAURUS (April 21 - May 20): The Sun remains in your first house, enhancing your personal magnetism, Venus remains in your second house, which is good for money matters. Monday, the 15th, the Quarter Moon may cause others to not see things your way and cause delays.

GEMINI (May 21 - June 21): If things remain somewhat in a state of upheaval and confusion, it's because the Sun remains in your solar 12th house. But this will pass by the 22nd of May. Meanwhile, avoid anything secretive or underground around the Quarter Moon of the 15th.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23): Lucky Jupiter continues to travel through your sign, giving you the boost of good fortune in situations that could have turned out badly. Meanwhile, the Quarter Moon on the 15th reminds you to do things yourself, rather than rely on others for help.

LEO (July 24 - August 23): There could be some confusion and messy situations could develop around the Quarter Moon of the 15th, but with the Sun still in your 10th house, you can expect your career and ambitions to be little effected. The Moon is in Leo Saturday and Sunday, favoring you.

VIRGO (August 24 - September 23): The Moon will be in your sign Monday and Tuesday, making these the best days of the week. Meanwhile, the Quarter Moon of the 15th will test your patience for details. Venus which continues to travel through your 10th house gives your job a boost and allows you time for fun on the job.

LIBRA (September 24 - October 23): The Moon will be in your sign Thursday and Friday of next week, making those days high points in activity. Meanwhile, the Quarter Moon on the 15th puts the accent on money and how you handle finances with a friend or partner. Venus in your 9th house suggests happy traveling.

SCORPIO (October 24 - November 22): Until the 22nd, the Sun remains in your 7th house of marriage. Time is running out if wedding bells are anticipated. Meanwhile, the Quarter Moon on the 15th may cause some upheaval with co-workers. Watch what you do and say at work. Protect yourself.

SAGITTARIUS (November 23 - December 22): Your ruling planet Jupiter remains in an eighth house position, bringing luck to any mutual finances or partnership money deals. Meanwhile, the Quarter

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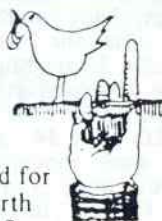
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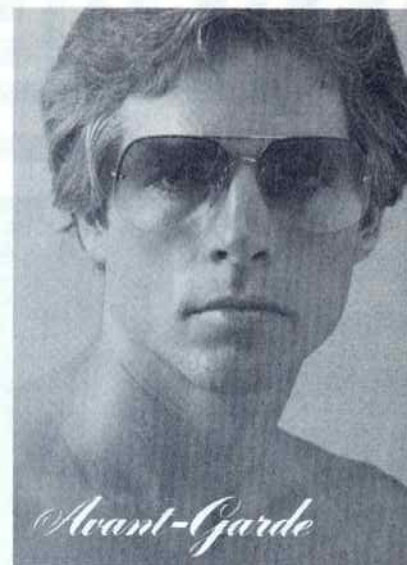
Moon on the 15th may make you somewhat tense and nervous, due to something going on at work.

CAPRICORN (December 23 - January 19): The sun remains in your solar 5th house until the 22nd which gives a boost to any love affairs. However, the Quarter Moon on the 15th may be a day of stress, when a friend may toss a monkey wrench into your plans. Meanwhile money matters seem confused.

AQUARIUS (January 20 - February 19): In case you've been thinking of moving or doing some redecorating, do it before the 22nd, while the Sun is still in your 4th house of the home. The Quarter Moon on the 15th will be stressful. There will be a pulling between business and pleasure responsibilities.

PISCES (February 20 - March 20): The Quarter Moon on the 15th may find you out of sorts and disgusted at the lack of progress co-workers are making. Your ruling planet Neptune continues to cloud issues while traveling through your 10th house of career, but your basic business judgement remains sound.

ARIES (March 21 - April 20): With the Sun in your 2nd house of money, financial matters are favored. However, guard your money and avoid speculation around the Quarter Moon of the 15th. Meanwhile, Jupiter will help bring luck to the home front regarding mate, property, or furnishings.



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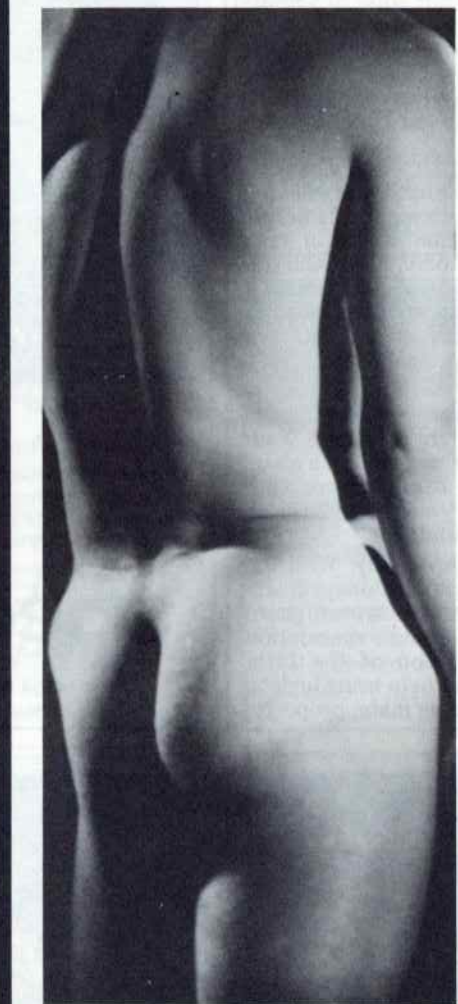


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by Richard Nelson

A Different Story is a film about two gay people falling in love — a gay man and a lesbian. Billed as a different kind of romantic comedy, *A Different Story* stars Meg Foster and Perry King as the unlikely couple. The plot of the film concerns Stella (Foster), a real estate agent, who meets Albert (King) while showing a house to a prospective buyer. Albert, an illegal alien, has been dumped by the house's previous tenant, who was also his lover. Albert and Stella become friends. When Albert's ex-lover grows jealous of their deepening friendship, he calls the authorities to have Albert deported. Albert and Stella marry to prevent the deportation. They set up an offbeat household arrangement, she supporting them in real estate, he keeping house. An unplanned sexual encounter makes them realize they love each other. The remainder of the film details the special problems they encounter in their relationship, including the raising of a child.

Because of its unusual subject matter (unusual to the general viewing public, that is), *A Different Story* will probably get very minor distribution across Texas. Gay groups have criticized its "conversion to heterosexuality" theme sharply, but the film has received excellent reviews overall. It seems to avoid most of the usual gay stereotypes, and,

for that reason alone, is progressive. Despite stereotypes, it rates as required viewing for informed gay Texans.

Television: In a publicity move geared to offset widespread speculation that NBC hasn't got a chance in the ratings next season, that network has announced its planned list of made-for-TV movies and miniseries for next season. NBC, who pioneered the miniseries concept with its Big Event programming, finished the past season a very poor third. Its only strength was in the ratings it received for several of its Big Event miniseries, most notably *Holocaust*.

Finishing the season with only a handful of decent regular series as hold-overs and no successful new series from this season, (*Chips* was their only new series not to be cancelled), NBC is planning to fill the gaps with more and more Big Events. Among the projects for the fall: A four-hour miniseries based on Aldous Huxley's *Brave New World*; an eight-hour continuing series called *Backstairs at the White House*, which concerns a family of servants who work under several administrations; a TV adaptation of Irwin Shaw's *Beggarmen*, *Thief*, the sequel to *Rich Man, Poor Man*; two four-hour movies from Irwin (Towering Inferno) Allen, *The Night the Bridge Collapsed*, and *Hanging by*

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a Thread; and several other projects on which details were not available. Also, NBC will be broadcasting this year's Super Bowl and World Series.

Popcorn potpourri: German television has already purchased broadcast rights to *Holocaust*, NBC's miniseries dealing with a Jewish family during World War II. *Holocaust* was NBC's highest rated show ever, second only to *Roots* as the highest rated show of all time . . . Bette Midler is the center of a minor controversy caused by her request to have her fees for a European tour paid to her in gold bullion. Bette, who asked for payment in gold because of recent drop of the dollar overseas, was sharply criticized for her request, which was dubbed by many as unpatriotic . . . Film rights to *The Front Runner* have reverted back to their original owner after being owned for several years by Paul Newman. United Artists, which was backing the project, has placed the project on their inactive list.

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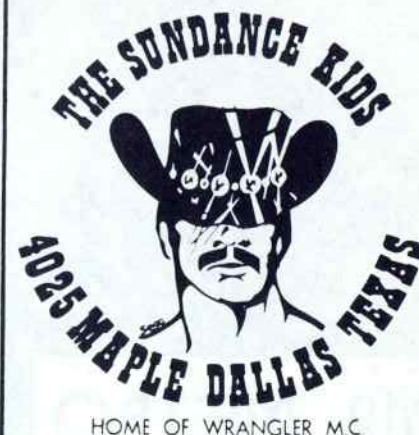
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ful black films, and is expected to retain the number one position until Christmas, when Universal will release *The Wiz*, the all-black adaptation of *The Wizard of Oz* . . . Entertainer Claude Sasha, a nationally-known female impersonator with an impressive local following, has been added to the cast of *The Rose*, which stars Bette Midler in her motion picture debut . . . CBS recently announced plans for two new made for TV movies.

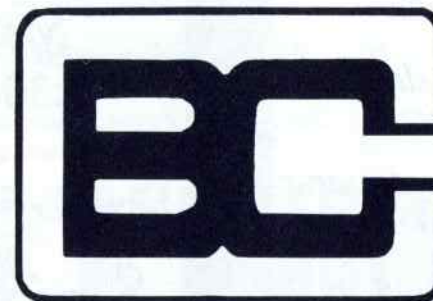
One of the projects will be a two-hour special based on Erich Remarque's novel of WWII Germany, *All Quiet on the Western Front*. *Giant Slalom*, the other project, will be a special four-hour movie dealing with the stories of three women athletes at the 1980 Olympics . . . This year's Best Actor Oscar winner, Richard Dreyfuss, will be this Saturday night's host on NBC's *Saturday Night Live*, which is believed to be in its last season.



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Life with vera

by John Gardner

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"EEEEHHHH!" Phoebe screamed. (Which is not to be confused "AAAAHHHHHHHH!" Vera screamed.") The mayonnaise lid! The mayonnaise lid! The good luck charm that was supposed to protect Vera from evil spirits at the Dreaded Pritchard Mansion! Vera had gone off without it! Suddenly, Phoebe was beside himself with fear! But then, at 360 pounds, Phoebe was beside himself with ANYTHING!

Phoebe grabbed up the mayonnaise lid, began a non-stop scream, ran around the divan three times in despair — and then shot out the front door, put his fat thighs in high gear, and, still screaming, hurtled down the sidewalk toward the Pritchard Mansion to save Vera!

Meanwhile, over at the Mansion Itself, the evil trio sat huddled in the

basement, around the TV monitor, waiting for the hidden television camera in the bedroom to pick up the first faint images of Vera.

"Are you sure he knew he was supposed to go to the bedroom?" Big Al asked.

"Don't question your mother!" Mother Simply Divine bellowed. "Give me SOME credit! When I set a trap, I know what I'm doing. He'll be here. He'll be here. I haven't lost a victim yet."

"Yeah," Ba-Ba Lou snarled, smacking her gum, "but there's always a first time for everything."

"True. But there's also a 48th time for everything!" Mother Simply Divine screamed, smashing her tambourine against Ba-Ba Lou's face. For the 48th time.

"You shouldn't outta hit Ba-Ba Lou, ma," Big Al said. "Makes her feel like you don't love her."

"I don't love her!"
"But ma, she's gonna be my wife."
"Well stop the presses! Big deal! I don't love you, either!"

"How can you say that, ma? I'm your only son."

"Like hell you are! You are not my only son. You're just the son I didn't sell, back when times was hard. How was I to know that when you grew up you'd be a blithering idiot."

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For the 49th time.

"Don't rile yourself, ma."

"Oh, Lord. How could I have
been so wrong. I had two sons. One to
sell, one to keep. When I sold my baby
to one of my infertile gypsy sisters, I
thought I was sticking her with the runt!
I guess size isn't everything. I kept the
big one, okay, but I bet the runt was
smarter."

"How do you know he was smarter
than me, ma?" Big Al asked.

"It's easy. Look over there. What
do you see?"

"All I see is Ba-Ba Lou, ma."

"Well, there you have it!"

"Have I been insulted?" Ba-Ba Lou
asked.

"No dear, you're just celebrating
your 50th Anniversary!" Mother Simply
Divine screamed, smashing Ba-Ba Lou
again. For the 50th time.

"Hey, ma! Look!" Big Al yelled.
"He's here!"

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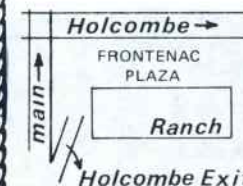
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"Okay, Sabu, honey," Vera said, "we're here in the bedroom. Help me start looking for the clues we're supposed to find."

Then, unexpectedly to all, the house suddenly shook with reverberating tremors. Phoebe had hit the front porch!

"Vera! Vera!" Phoebe screamed. "Where are ya? I brought your mayonnaise lid."

"In here, Phoebe, honey!" Vera screamed with delight.

Vera knew that he had been forbidden to bring anyone with him to the Pritchard Mansion. But this was different. He hadn't brought Phoebe. Phoebe had just decided to show up. Gate crashing, as it were.

"Honey, I'm so glad to see you," Vera giggled. "If I'd known you were going to show up - I wouldn't have gone to all the trouble to have this damned midget bodyguard tucked betwixt my legs. Which, let me tell you, has been no easy chore. Right, Sabu?"

Big Al, Mother Simply Divine and Ba-Ba Lou were still unaware that Vera had a bodyguard hidden under his hoop skirt. But the presence of Phoebe in the bedroom could not be denied. Given that the television cameras add additional pounds to the appearance of a person,

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"Sorry, Vera. By the way, I just had a terrible thought."

"Yes, dear?" Vera asked. "And what was that?"

"I didn't slam the door."

"Of course you did, hon. You came flying into the room and slammed the door behind you."

"But I didn't."

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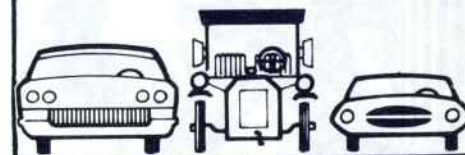
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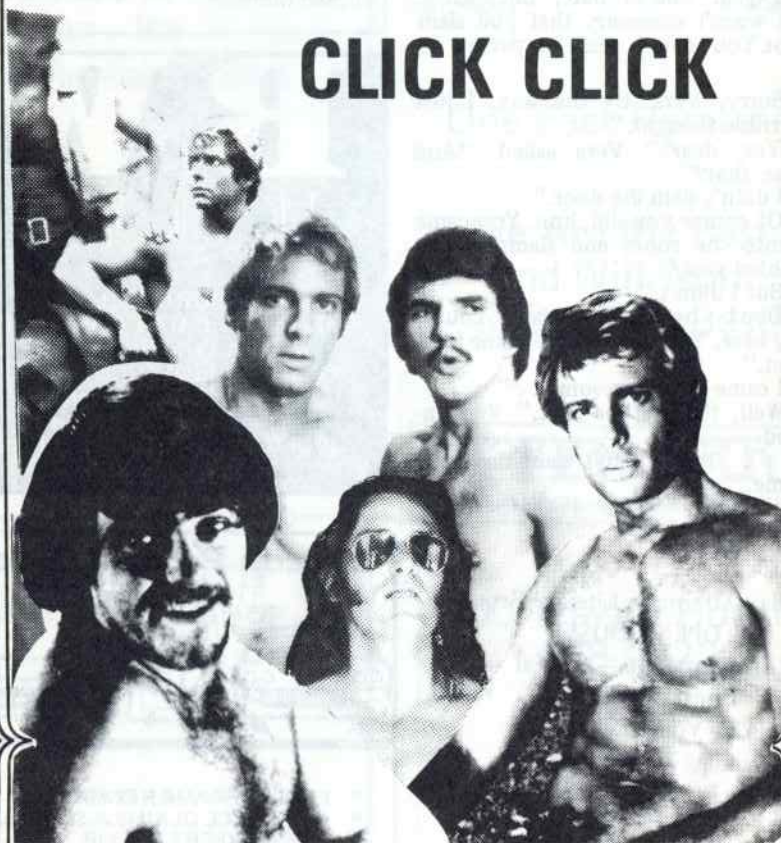
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"Vera?"

"Yes, dear?"

"Read my lips, Vera. I did NOT slam the door."

"Of course you did, you . . ."

"I DID NOT slam the door."

"Are you sure?"

"Absolutely certain."

"You're sure you didn't slam the door?"

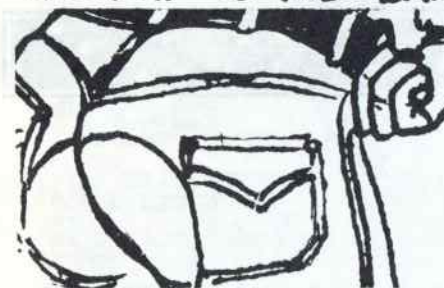
"Positive."

"Well," Vera said, "there's only one thing to do. AAAAHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHH!" Vera screamed. "We're trapped like rats!"

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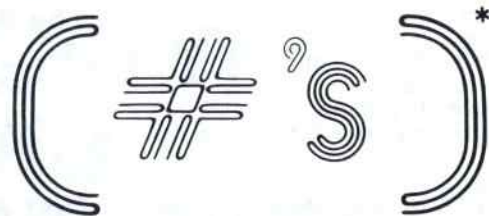
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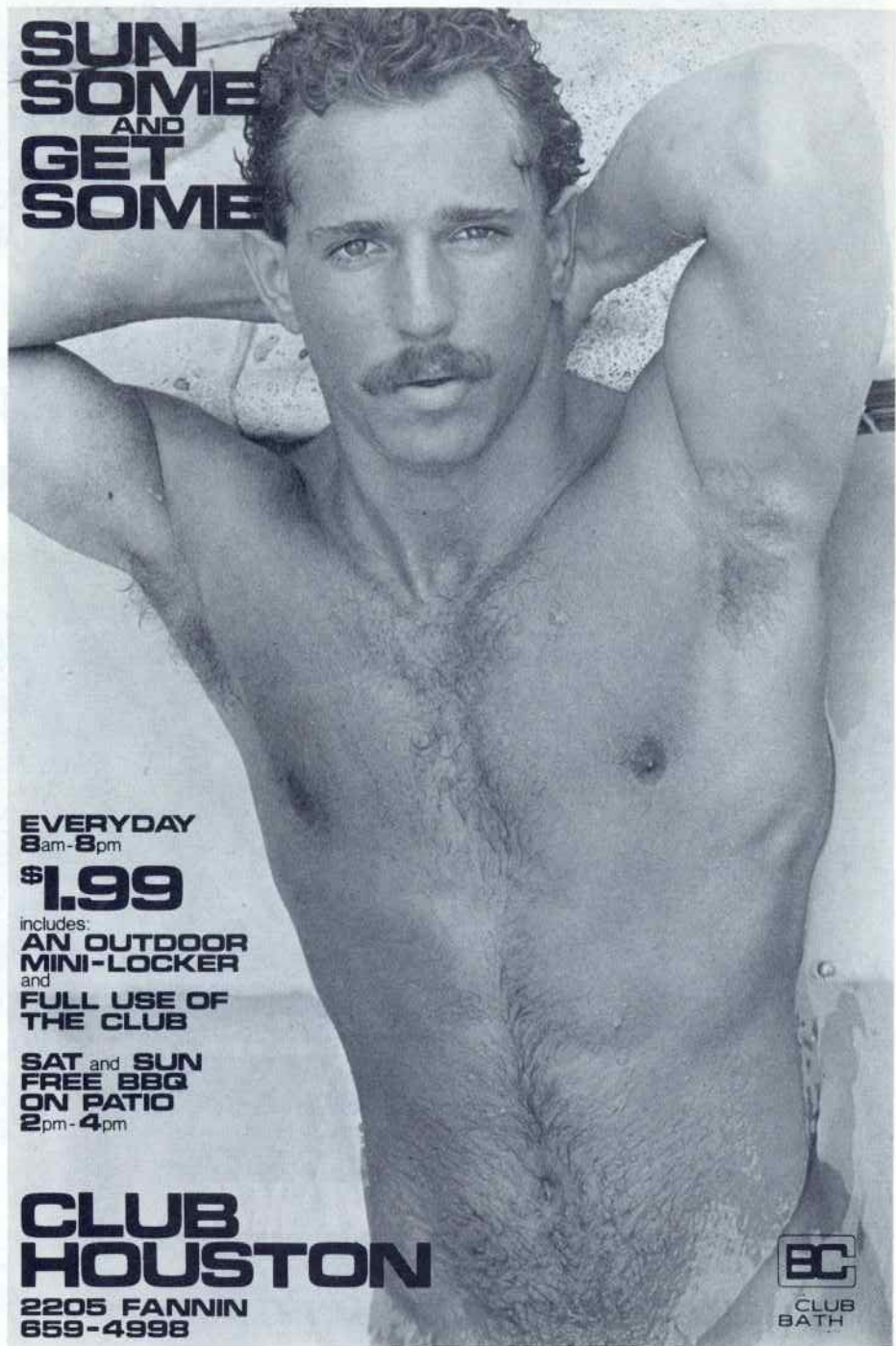
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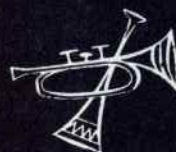


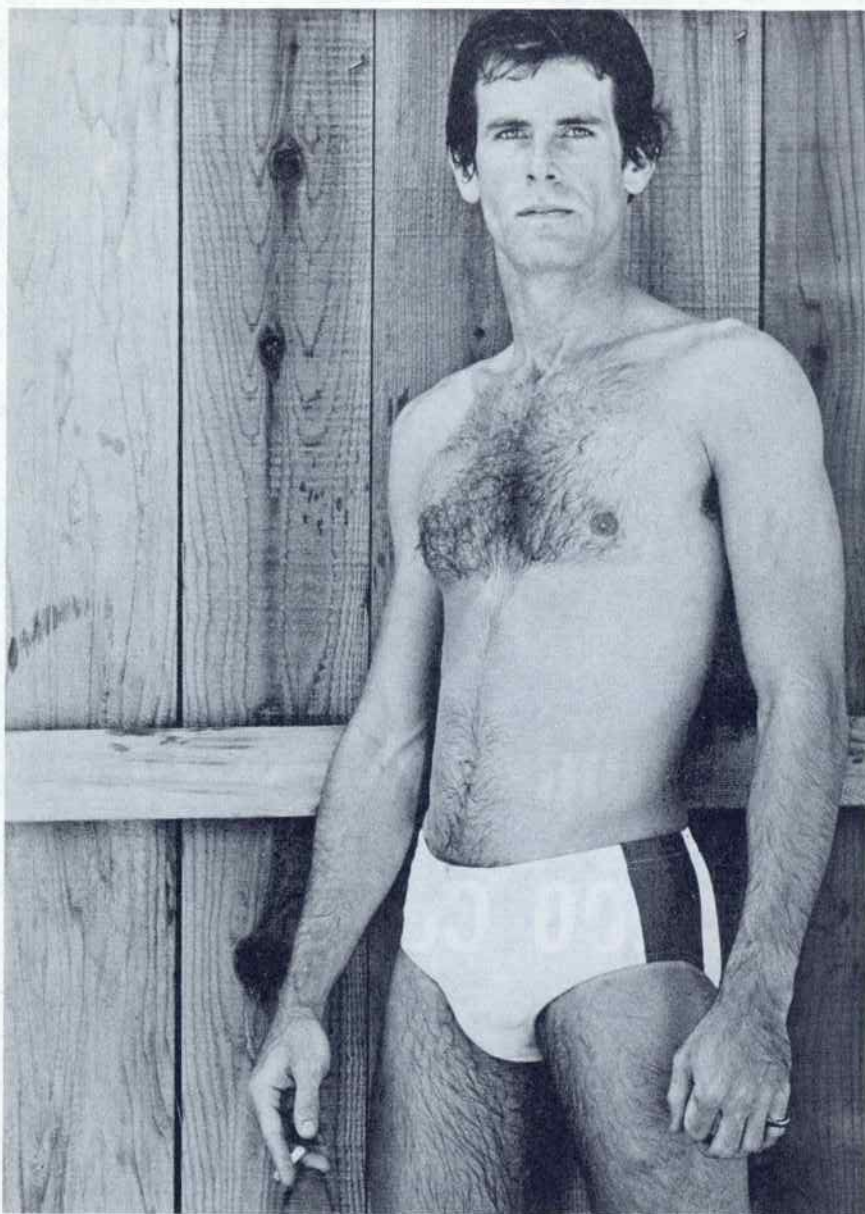
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What happened! For a group of people who were going to build a classless society, I'm afraid some of you have gotten awfully GRABBY! And I AM taking names!

I was a child of the '60's. I'm sorry, but I am just not ready for the '70's, nor will I ever be. It was one thing to have left the cake out in the rain, but this is just getting to be too much. Oh, the wretched '70's! If I'd known what was really blowin' in the wind, I'd have gassed myself the same night Judy did. Oh people, the country is finis! Be honest. Let's face it. The curtain on Miss America has been rung down. And I'm not talkin' about the Miss America Burt Parks brays to — I'm talking about Old Purple Mountain Majesties Herself. The Spacious Skies. The ever-popular Amber Waves of Grain. America! El Downfallo Time. There's something wrong with her "bumpa!" The torch is OUT! Kaput! The curtain has not only been rung down, it has been securely nailed to the pit! So long, its been good to know, ya.

God, its been such a nightmare. Working my way through college — only to find out there's no one intelligent enough to talk to me. Then — bang, bang, bang! Before we knew what was happening — Nixon, Ford, then Carter. And didn't we have our hopes up on Jimmy? True, we had hints his spokes were not all in total alignment, but surely, we thought, he's better than what we've had. We were wrong. In sheer numbers, Presidential blunders under the Carter Administration outnumber Helen Keller Prat Falls. And now, to top everything off, we have Debby B-B-B-Boone! The lips almost refuse to say it. Look around gang, we have gone from Janis Joplin to Debby B-B-B — THAT GIRL! Lord, have mercy. 'Course I guess we can't blame the child. Knowin' that you're an outgrowth of a Pat Boone sperm cell is no bed of roses, I'm sure. Still, I'd love to grab her, strip her, drag her through the Montrose on a hot night. She'd get Her Light Lit Up!

Back to this business about the U-S-A D-O-A. The only way we're going to save the country is to turn back the clock. By law! Turn the clock back to the '60's. And everybody DOES have to cooperate! First off, the Beatles WILL be reunited — whether they like it OR NOT! Secondly, Germany WILL start making VW Beetles again. Not rabbits, BUGS, you assholes!

Thirdly, we're dumpin' that tired "In God We Trust" as the national motto. Dumpin' it! All the nickels, dimes, and quarters will soon say "Obla-Dee Obla-Da!" Fourthly, we are going to dig up the body of Hubert Humphrey! And while I'm sure that may seem a bit drastic for some of you, there is no cause for concern, we WILL be putting Murial in his place!

Fifthly, we are going to all agree — ONCE AND FOR ALL — that sex is not a sin! Oh Lord, we have been through all this! First you say you do, and then you don't; next you say you will, and then you won't. Geeze, I could barf!

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Also, our government is in shambles. I just don't have a lot of faith in a government that goes absolutely ape shit because I'm drinkin' a Diet Pepsi with saccharine in it — and turns right around and poisons my weed! Let's get our priorities straight, man! Spraying my marijuana with Lung Rot is the ultimate in turdiness! The ultimate!

"Well, don't smoke it," they say. Don't smoke it, huh? Are you crazy! Laying off cranberries during a Thanksgiving Scare is one thing, but to lay off dope! When it's around? "Yes, yes, that IS a Lazy Susan filled with marijuana. But I'm not smoking it, it might be tainted with Paraquat." Come, now. Those words will certainly never cross my lips. Nor yours. You ARE going to smoke dope. Risk or not! Danger or not! Lung Rot or not! C'mon Susan! Spin, bitch, spin! Tomorrow is another day!

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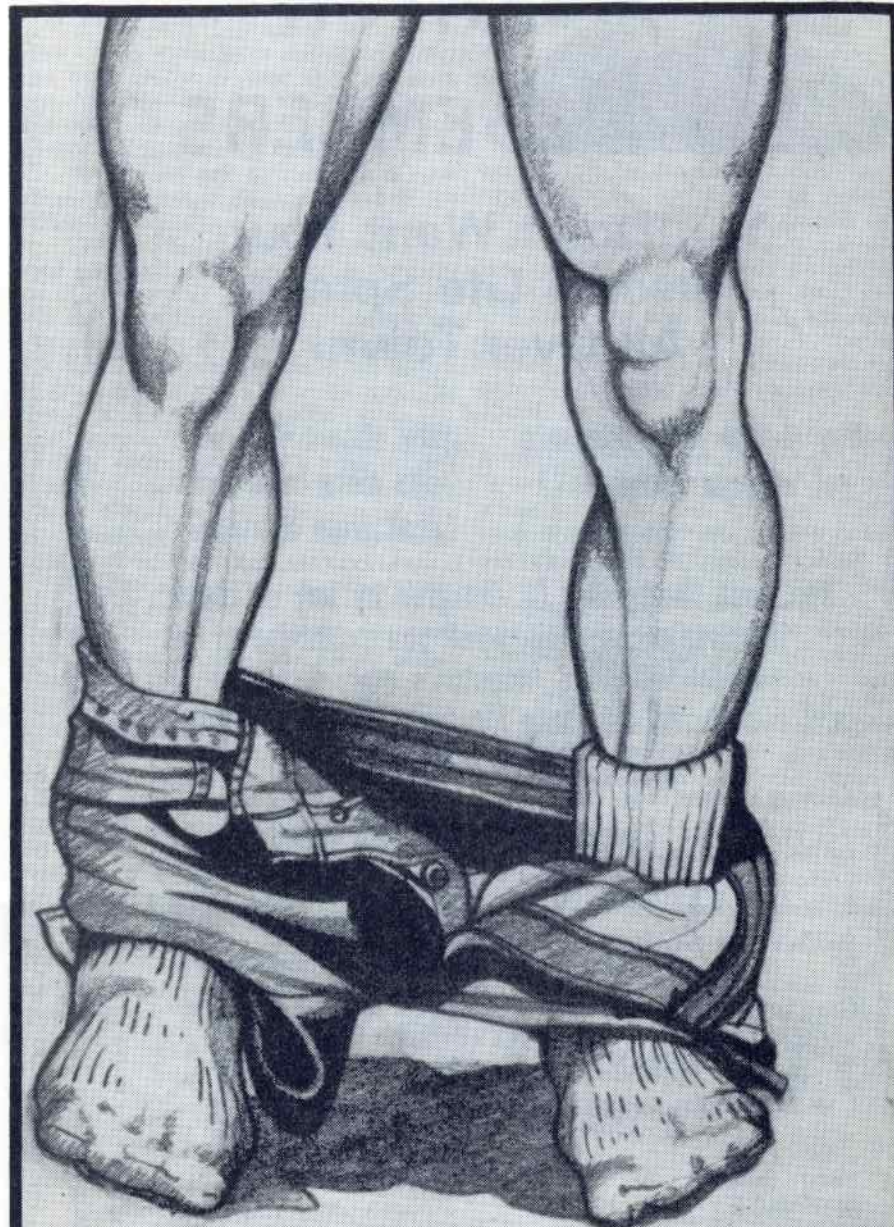
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It is quite impossible for me to know if my opinion is shared by other men who prefer to have their sex with men. I suspect that it is, and thus I know how much despair is being felt by those others who do share my view.

The word gay to describe a male homosexual should be tossed out of the language at once!

Why? The answer is simple. The word gay connotes too much frivolity and effeminacy. It seems to me that men who like men should be more masculine than those who like women. An effeminate male homosexual lives a life that is fraught with illogic. He does not like women as sex partners, yet this same nervous nelly oftentimes acts more stereotypically effeminate than do the women whom he dislikes. Do these flaming queens therefore hate themselves? Are they therefore not proud to be men? I cannot understand it.

A man who wants sex with another man should strive to be as masculine as possible, because masculinity is what turns him on in the first place. Sissies should have no place of importance in the male homosexual culture. The word gay connotes the word sissy in the minds of many self-styled super-heterosexuals; and as such, it is a monstrous deterrent to those really macho closet cases who fear to "come out" because they just don't want to be labelled gay, that dreaded, sickening-sounding word of

weakness. Moreover, this term is becoming one of utter deprecation and derision when it is used by certain super-straight spokespersons; and for that reason alone it should be cast aside.

The only way for male homosexuals to be feared and respected, if not accepted, by society in general is for them to upgrade their public image. Take the Hell's Angels, for instance. An extreme example, but an analogous case in point, nonetheless. Most people don't like the Hell's Angels, but nobody gives them any shit! They command respect because they're fearsomely super-macho. That's the way male homosexuals should be.

Anyway, I have already detected a current trend towards increased masculinity on the part of many male homosexuals; but we (and by "we" I include male-oriented bisexuals as well as homosexuals) must endeavor to look even better: more muscular, more rugged, more surly, more macho in general than ever before. We've got to show the straight world that a man's man is as much of a man as a woman's man, if not more so, since we are not effected by the capricious vibes of straight women. We should try to look so terrifically macho that when we walk down the street, we (not the straight men) get the desirous, envious stares from passers-by, even from straight women whom we don't prefer. As the old sayings go,

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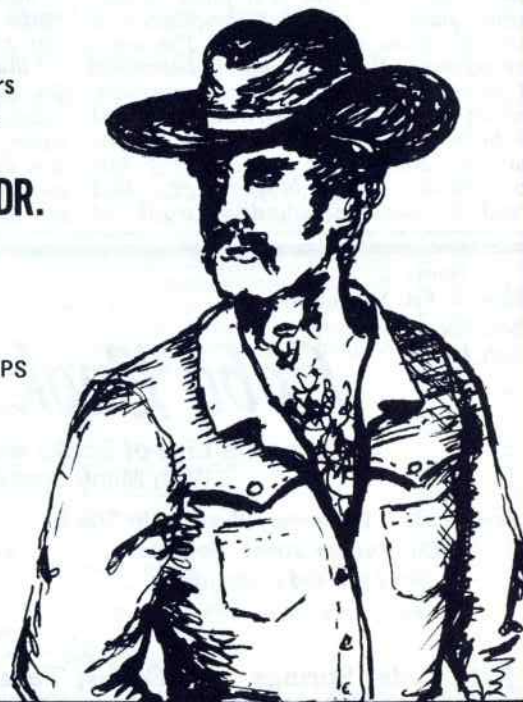
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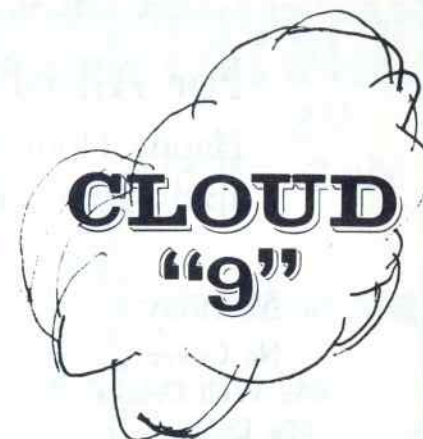


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"beat the enemy at his own game" and "The best defense is a good offense." Strength lies in numbers. We must "re-cruit" (to use Anita's concept) as many closet cases as possible into our ranks, even if it means changing our term of reference for ourselves. In this case the name is everything. We must rid ourselves once and for all of that pansy-sounding expression gay.

Unfortunately, I cannot think of a perfect substitute, despite many days of racking my brain. We need a new, he-man type expression, one that implies strength, danger, intrigue, fear. Looking in my Dominion Sex Dictionary under homosexual, I find the following synonyms among the approximately 200 entries: Boretto Man, Branco, Bungler, Jocker, Pricknik, Punk, and Wolf. Other more ordinary adjectives include such words as lusty, brute, brawny, and rough-and-tumble. Actually the word macho would be an ideal choice not only because of its imagery but also because of the havoc that it would diabolically create within the vocabulary of the super-straight, but I personally prefer the word boretto. It has a fine, masculine, Latin lilt to it; and for all practical contemporary purposes, it would be a brand-new expression. It could be used as both a noun and an adjective, and unlike "macho" it would have no prior connotations. I cannot find it in any dictionary (English, Spanish, or Italian) other than in the Dominion Sex Dictionary where it is simply defined as "(Vulg.) A male homosexual who takes the active role in anal intercourse; an active pederast."

The various Texas homosexual task forces should consider this matter in their future meetings. It wouldn't be all that difficult to purge the word gay. Suggestions could be accepted and passed on to a statewide name-selection committee. Several tentative terms could then be chosen by the committee and a poll taken to determine which of the terms would have the most universal appeal. Then, once the new term were officially adopted, all references to anything gay could be totally dropped from our vocabulary.



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As for me, in the meantime you can call me a queer, a fag, a pervert, a bone queen, a joy boy, a bumner, a daffodil, an icing expert, a gazooney, or a shoe. Call me any damn thing you like, but just don't call me gay! I prefer men, but I never was gay, and I never will be!

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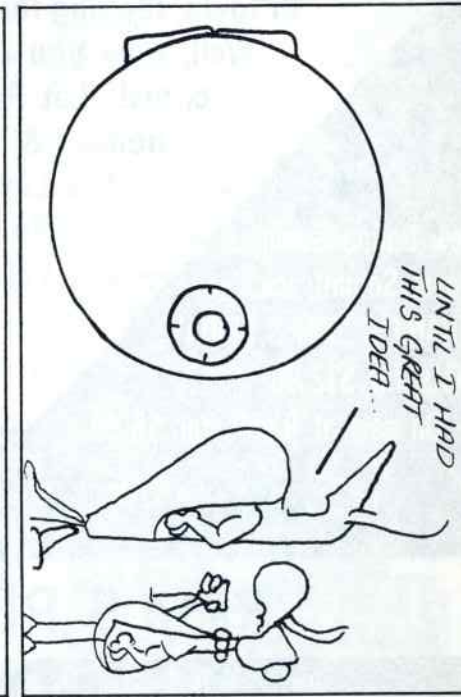
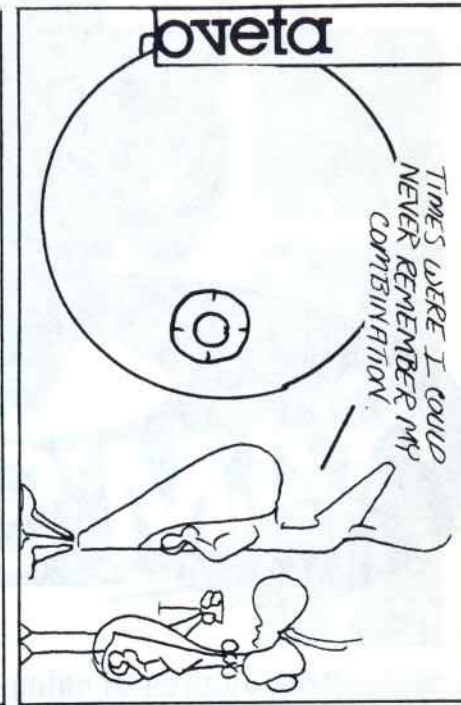
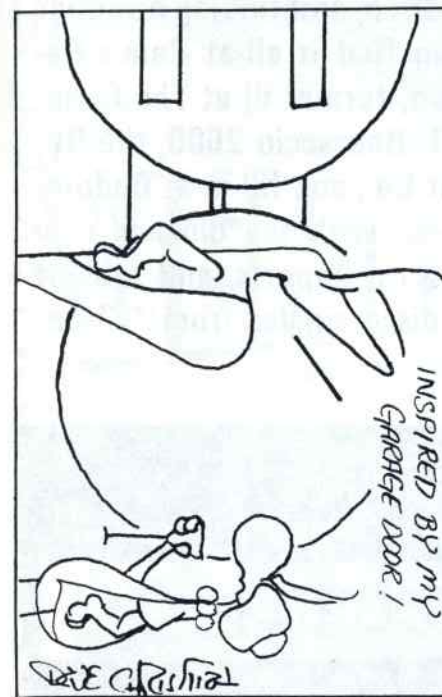
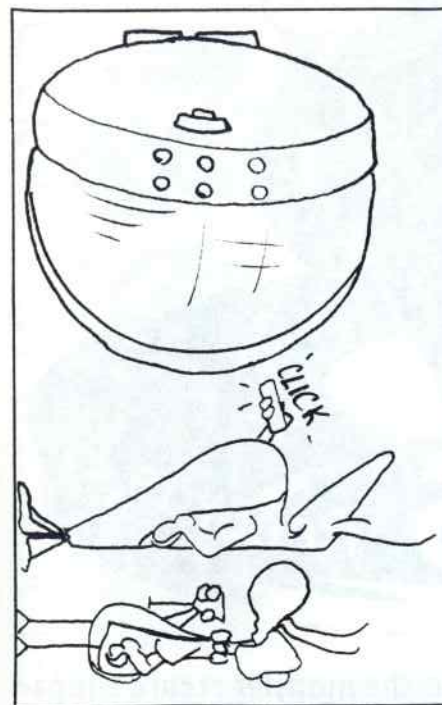
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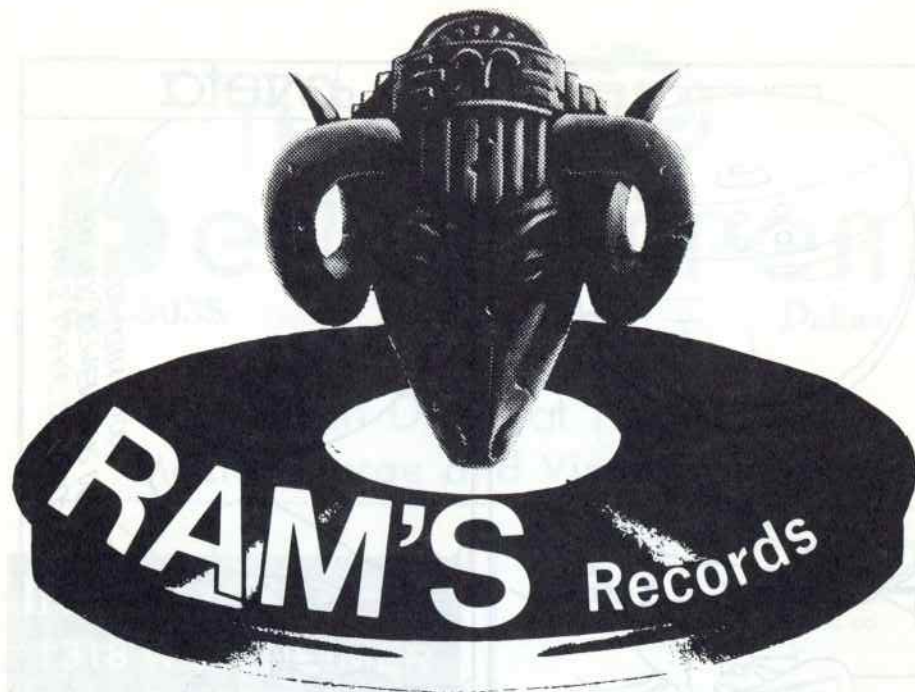
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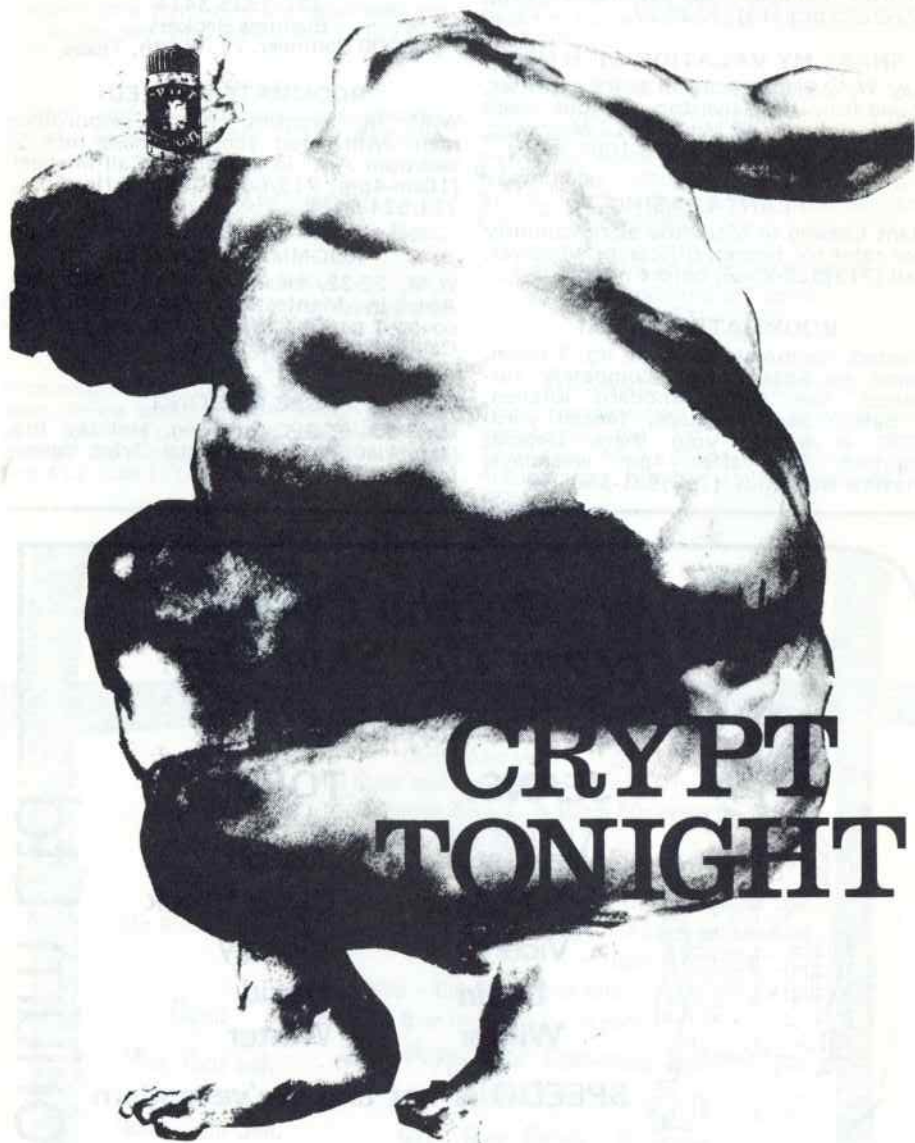
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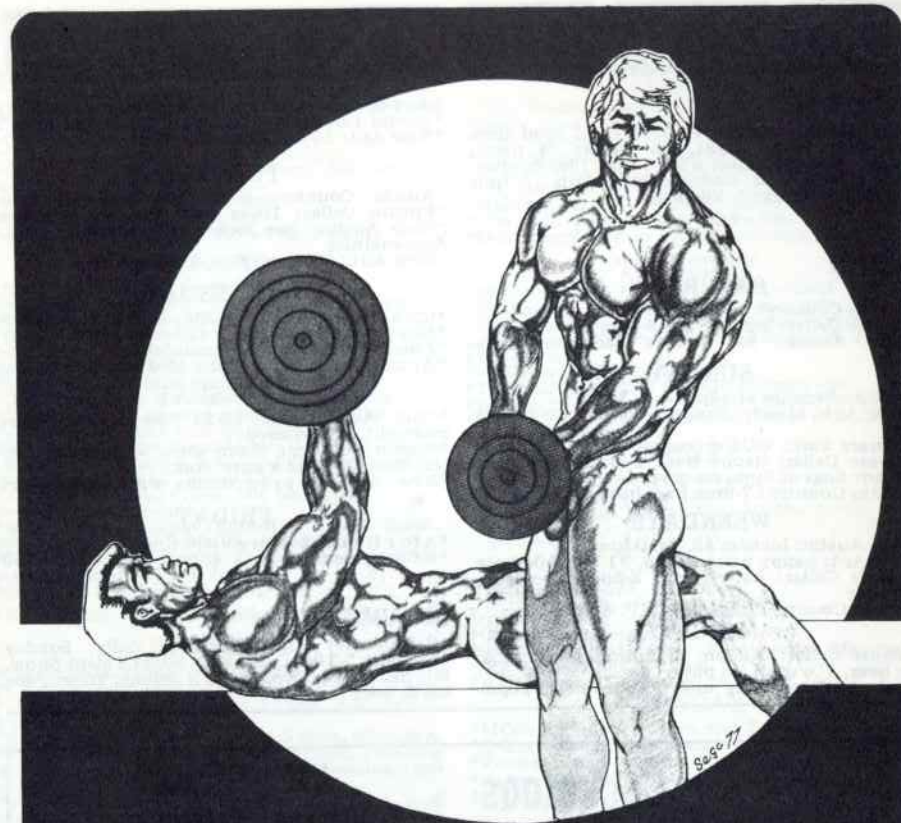
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AUSTIN

SATURDAY

*Austin Country: after hours 2-4am
*Private Cellar: happy hour 2-8pm
*Club Austin: \$2 lockers 8am-4pm daily

SUNDAY

*MCCA: Services at 12pm & 7:30pm
*New Apt: bloody Sunday, all tomato drinks 75c
*Ramsey Park: GCS-sponsored volley ball 3pm
*Private Cellar: happy hour 2-7pm, free beer, and hot dogs at 7pm, no cover
*Austin Country: 7-9pm beer bust

WEEKDAYS

*Club Austin: lockers \$2, 8am-4pm
*New Apt: happy hour 4-8pm, \$1 bar, 50c beer
*Private Cellar: happy hour 2-8pm, 95c well, 50c beer
*Austin Country: Big screen TV, 8pm - ?

MONDAY

*Private Cellar: 9:30pm til closing, 50c well & can beer, 10c draft on patio
*Club Austin: Movie nite, \$3 lockers, 6-10pm

free popcorn (Lockers \$2, 8am-4pm daily M-F)
*Austin Country: Big screen TV nitely 8pm-?
*New Apt: 10-11:30pm free beer

TUESDAY

*Austin Country: free draft beer 10-11pm
*Private Cellar: 10pm pool tourney w/prizes
*Club Austin: free locker with discount card, 4pm-midnite
*New Apt.: Western Nite, 1st drink free

WEDNESDAY

*Club Austin: buddy nite, 2 for 1, 4-12pm
*New Apt: Pool tourney \$25 cash prize
*Private Cellar: free beer call 10pm
*Austin Country: free beer 10-11pm

THURSDAY

*Club Austin: age 18-21 free locker, 4pm-midnight, ID required.
*Austin Country: 10pm show with Kitty Litter, Miss Riki and a guest star.
*New Apt: 1/2 price drinks with club colors

FRIDAY

*After Hours: 2-4am Austin Country
*GCS: men's rap 7:45pm, call 477-6699

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*Farmhouse: Open 7pm-2am daily, Sunday beer bust 7-10pm also at 9:30pm Talent Show, 50c bar & beer; Wed. 2 for 1 drinks; Thurs., 35c bar & beer

DALLAS

SATURDAY

*Single Shot: happy hour 4-8pm, Live Band 9pm
*The Maidenhead: Disco, \$1 cover
*TJ's: happy hour 4-7pm, 50c bar & beer
*The Nail: free bust 4pm til ?
*Chuck's: Happy hour 4-7pm
*One Way Inn: happy hour 1pm-7pm
*Crews Inn: happy hour 4-8pm, 50c well & beer
*Ram Rod: happy hour 5-9pm
*Wild Crowd: free beer 3pm
*After Hours: OP & Chuck's Truck Stop

SUNDAY

*Single Shot: happy hour 4-9pm
*Maidenhead: disco, \$1 cover, plus special entertainment & drag show
*Bell Pepper: Brunch \$4.50
*Chuck's: Pool tournament 3pm, 25c bloody mary's, screws & greyhounds, 1-3pm
*The Nail: Beer bust 8pm
*Old Plantation: \$1 cover, 45c well/bottle beer
*Dimension III: Special guest, Allan Tripp
*Tex's Ranch: free beer bust 5pm
*Crews Inn: happy hour 4-9pm, 50c well & beer
*Ram Rod: happy hour 5-9pm; bottomless champagne glass \$1, 5pm til ?
*TJ's: happy hour prices, 50c bar & beer free draft beer, 7-8pm
*Wild Crowd: 6pm-10pm-Hal Mack Band, 50c cover, 5-6pm, 2 for 1 well drinks.
*Throckmorton Mining Co.: mining special, marys & screws 35c, 1-7pm
*One Way Inn: happy hour 1-7pm
*Boot Camp: 12 noon - 5pm, Vodka 50c

WEEKDAYS

*Single Shot: happy hour 4-7pm
*Chuck's: beer bust 5-7pm, happy hour 5-7pm
*Maidenhead: happy hour 1-7pm, 60c well & bar
*Sundance Kids: happy hour 5-8pm, Mon thru Fri., 60c beer, 75c well & gun drinks, 10% disc off regular prices for customers wearing club colors/leather hats or western hats
*The Nail: 4-8pm, Budweiser draft 35c, well and beer 50c
*Villa Fontana: happy hour Mon-Sat, 9am-7pm
*Tex's Ranch: happy hours 7 days 2-8pm 50c beer & 70c well
*Club Dallas: \$3 locker, 10am-2pm
*One Way Inn: happy hour 1pm-7pm
*Crews Inn: happy hour Mon-Fri., 4-7pm, 50c well/beer
*Ram Rod: happy hour Mon-Fri., 5-8pm & midnite to 2am
*OP: \$1 cover, 45c well/beer, M/T/W/Th
*Boot Camp: happy hour 8-12am and 4-7pm 50c well & beer, Mon-Sat.; Mon thru Thursday, 8pm-10pm, Vodka 75c
*Wild Crowd: Open 8am Mon-Sat., 12:00 noon on Sunday, 2pm-7pm Mon-Sat, noon-7pm Sunday, 50c beer cocktails
*Throckmorton Mining Co.: happy hour 4-7pm
*TJ's: happy hour 4-7pm, well/beer, T-Fri.

MONDAY

*Wild Crowd Inn: Margarita Day, 75c each
*Maidenhead: no cover, 40c draft, 85c well
*The Nail: free beer bust 8pm
*Sundance Kids: happy hour all night, 50c beer, 75c well liquor & guns
*Boot Camp: pool tourney 8pm, w/prizes
*Crews Inn: happy hour prices 4-7pm
*Dimension III: 55c well & beer
*Throckmorton Mining Co.: well Scotch 75c

TUESDAY

*Maidenhead: 40c draft, 85c well.
*Sundance Kids: Scotch Tuesday, 90c well scotch all night
*The Nail: bareback night well & beer 25c 4pm-2am
*Bachelors Quarters: "Dollar Night"

*Club Dallas: 2 for 1 buddy nite, 6pm-2am
*Dimension III: 55c well & beer
*Throckmorton Mining Co.: Frozen Fruit Dacquiri \$1

WEDNESDAY

*Villa Fontana: steakout nite, 7:30pm
*Single Shot: 15c draft all day
*Wild Crowd: Cowboy corral nite, 50c beer & cocktails all nite for those in hats
*The Sundance Kids: Leather & club night 50c beer, 90c well liquor & guns
*Maidenhead: free draft, \$1 cover
*The Nail: Vodka & gin drinks 75c
*D-III: regular show plus all star cast

THURSDAY

*Dimension III: Mr. Gay Dallas Contest
*Sundance Kids: 50c vodka, well & gin
*Club Dallas: midnight - 8am leather special Lockers \$3; chicken night 4-12pm, 18-21 get free lockers
*Maidenhead Disco: \$1 cover
*The Nail: Scotch & Bourbon drinks 75c
*Bachelor's Quarters: Buddy night, 2 for 1
*Wild Crowd: 2 for 1 nite, buy one drink, get one free 9pm - 12

FRIDAY

*Maidenhead: disco, \$1 cover
*Single Shot: live band, 9pm
*Throckmorton Mining Co.: Vodka & Gin 75c

FORT WORTH

SATURDAY

*Other Place: Disco 8pm-2am
*Tender Trap: Cowboy Kemo Nite; 25c draw with cowboy hat, 9-12pm
*Aubs: Raina Lee Show, 10:30pm
*MCC: Services at 11pm and 7pm
*Other Place: Casey Starr Show, 10pm
*Tender Trap: 25c draw with cut-offs, noon-7
*Aubs: 4pm pool tourney, Tonya Lynn Show 10:30pm

MONDAY

*Tender Trap: super sippin', 4-7pm

TUESDAY

*Other Place: draw beer, all you can drink \$1.50, 10pm-midnight
*Tender Trap: super sippin' 4-7pm, and Paula's Party 9pm-midnite with 10c draw
*Aubs: draw beer 35c, well 60c all night

WEDNESDAY

*Aubs: Barbie Doll Show 10:30pm
*Other Place: \$1 cover, 45c can & well
*Tender Trap: super sippin' 4-7pm

THURSDAY

*Other Place: \$1 cover, 45c well, 35c draw
*Tender Trap: super sippin', 4-7pm; erection nite, 25c draw with hard hat, 9-12pm

FRIDAY

*Aubs: Alice Phallus' Fur-Burger Follies 10:30pm
*Other Place: disco 8pm-2am
*Tender Trap: super sippin', 4-7pm

GALVESTON

*Kon Tiki: Bar open 3pm-2am, disco nightly at 10pm, happy hour 8-10pm, Baths open 7pm-9am, except Tuesday.
*Mary's II: Open 8am-2am, happy hours 5-7pm & 10-12pm, M-F; Sunday \$1 beer bust 2-6pm.
*Robert's Lafitte: open 10am-2am daily, noon-2am Sunday, with bar tab drawings

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HOUSTON

SATURDAY

*Ram Rod: live western band 8pm-1am
 *Brazos River Bottom: well & beer 50c 4pm-7pm
 *Exile: live band with Bob Williams, 9pm-1am
 *Old Surf: 9pm show
 *Inside/Outside: 70c bloodys & screws
 *Venture-N: happy hour noon-3pm
 *Soixante Quinze: disco and dining, 8pm-4am, special breakfast buffet 1am
 *After Hours: OP, Soixante Quinze

SUNDAY

*Club Houston: free coffee & donuts, mini-lockers, \$1.99 8am-4pm
 *Soixante Quinze: Early Bird Buffet, 9:30am; champagne brunch 12:00-3pm; movie at 8:00pm, with hamburger buffet at 7pm
 *Midnite Sun: 6pm show with Cheree, Darla & guest stars, Heather, Monica & Burgandy Woods.
 *OP: OP Follies 10:30pm w/Ernestine, Carmelita and guests Claude Sacha & Jessica Landa.
 *Silver Bullet Saloon: open noon-2am
 *Galleon: beer bust 2-8pm
 *Hi Lite: 5pm buffet with 50c well & beer, also a Welcome Back Jim Party, w/Mustang Band, 4-8pm
 *Inside/Outside: 70c bloodys & Screws 7am-7pm; Mustang Band 5-9pm
 *Ram Rod: free beer bust 4-7pm
 *Venture-N: happy hour noon-3pm
 *CountrySide: Mustang, 5-9pm
 *Locker: \$1 beer bust 3-9pm
 *Montrose Mining Co.: Miners special noon-7pm, bloody & screws 35c
 *Barn: Jambalaya, noon til?
 *Inside/Outside: bloodys & screws, 70c; doubles \$1.25, 7am-7pm

WEEKDAYS

*Silver Bullet Saloon: open 11am-2am
 *Montrose Mining Co.: happy hour daily 4-7pm
 *Brazos River Bottom: happy hour 4-7pm 50c well & beer
 *Midnite Sun: happy hour 7am-7pm, 50c beer and 75c drinks
 *OP: \$1 cover, 55c beer & well M/T/W/Th
 *Barn: open noon-2am, happy hour Mon-Fri, 4-7pm, 50c well/wine
 *Galleon: open 4pm-2am, happy hour every-day 4-8pm
 *Soixante Quinze: happy hour 5-9pm
 *Tues-Fri., Tommy Babbitt at piano, 6-10pm
 *Exile: happy hour 4-6pm, Mon-Fri: 75c well & 50c beer
 *Briar Patch: happy hour 7 days 4-7pm
 *Midtowne Spa: sun worshippers/body builders special 8am-8pm, Mon-Fri., \$2.50 lockers
 *Venture-N: happy hour 2-8pm
 *Dirty Sally's: happy hours 7am-noon and 4-7pm
 *Hi-Lite: happy hour 7 days noon-4pm
 *85c bar; happy hour 4-8pm, 50c bar & beer
 *Inside/Outside: happy hour 7-12am & 4-7pm, 70c singles, \$1.25 doubles.
 *Club Houston: \$3 locker; \$1.99 mini-lockers, 8am-4pm
 *Ram Rod: happy hour 4-6pm, 55c beer and wine

MONDAY

*Club Houston: T-Shirt nite, 4-12pm, free locker with CBC T-Shirt
 *Midnite Sun: 50c beer 7am-2pm

TUESDAY

*Club Houston: free locker with discount card purchase
 *After Dark: no cover with After Dark T-Shirt
 *Brazos River Bottom: Steak Nite, 7pm

WEDNESDAY

*Club Houston: buddy nite, 4-12pm, 2 for 1
 *Ram Rod: free supper 7pm til?
 *Inside/Outside: cocktail hour all day
 *Midnite Sun: 10pm talent nite

*Soixante Quinze: live entertainment; Fantasy Fashion Show, 9:30pm, \$2 cover for non-members

*Venture-N: bare chest nite, happy hour prices all nite with bare chest

THURSDAY

*Club Houston: club colors nite
 *Soixante Quinze: happy hour all nite, 2 for 1 \$2 cover for non-members
 *After Dark: no cover with After Dark T-Shirt

FRIDAY

*Exile: live band with Bob Williams, 9pm-1am
 *Wilde 'N' Stein: KPFT 90.1 Show 7:00pm
 *Soixante Quinze: happy hour 5-9pm, dining 8-12pm with breakfast buffet at 1am
 *Ram Rod Tavern: live western band, 8pm-1am
 *After Hours: Old Plantation

NEW ORLEANS

*The Bourbon Pub: Open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
 *Parade Disco: Open 9pm-3am, Mon. thru Thursday, \$1 cover; open Fri., Sat. and Sun., 9pm-6am, \$3 cover; happy hour, 5-7pm every-day, with 50c bar drinks; Sunday madness, drawings for prizes and drinks.
 *Club New Orleans: Tuesday, 8pm-midnight, lockers \$1, rooms \$3; Wednesday, Buddy Nite, 2 for price of 1, 4pm-midnight; Thursday, Happy Hour Special lockers, \$1, 6:30-7:30pm.

SAN ANTONIO

*Sunset Blvd Disco: Sun., no cover; Mon., closed; Tues., 11pm show with regular cast & guest stars; Wed & Thurs, beer specials; Fri & Sat., after hours.

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by Chuck



THE NUMEERS Disco and Theatre is the name of a big new club opening in Houston in June in the location of the Million Dollar City Dump, which closed its Las Vegas Revues last Saturday. The owners, Don Darragh and Thom Cohen have hired bartenders Terry Bailey and Chris Ballard (photo above). Ram Rocha will DJ and David Dauber will be host.

THE NEW DISCO will not feature regular drag shows but rather feature special entertainments. The theatre lighting will convert into disco lighting, the giant kitchen will afford big Sunday buffets, and ETC Jewelry Botique will move into the balcony which will overlook the three bar disco. And that is the tea as just brewed!

DALLAS HOT TEA: The Crews Inn has temporarily closed for several weeks but will reopen soon . . . Mother Eva thanks everyone who helped celebrate her birthday at the Bell Pepper Sunday April 30th . . . The Wild Crowd is having Hal Mack and the Texas Express entertain all their cowboy customers this Sunday night . . . The Nail is drawing hunky crowds for their Sunday beer bust . . . Remodeling continues at the Club Dallas but remains open during construction . . . And the remodeling at Tex's Ranch is complete and looks great!

OP DALLAS holds its second anniversary party Sunday night May 21st with 10c drinks . . . Meanwhile DJ Howard Metz metzmerized Big D last Friday night for Turn On II — that hot new light show.

CUMING TEA: Soixante Quinze's Rosewood Jct. closes Saturday May 13th . . . "Boys In The Band" is the Sunday 8pm movie.

SNOOPING AROUND: After Dark's Bill West is bringing California singing sensation Sharon McNight to Soixante Quinze for Memorial Day . . . After Dark's new air conditioning will be in by months end with new sound speakers . . . Hank and Johnny have joined the Dirty Sally's crew . . . Turnabout night at the Midnite Sun means the bartenders will do drag and the dragsters will tend bar, alright . . . C.A. Tripp, author of "The Homosexual Matrix," is to hold a seminar/workshop in June at the U of H . . . And Houston's first Artist and Models Costume Ball (a bizzare Halloween Mascarade) will be held at the pissy Houston Oaks Grand Ballroom . . . Tickets on sale now at Top Ticket (713/723-6431).

INSTANT TEA: The Locker has dropped their Saturday afternoon beer bust, but the Sunday beer bust tradition continues as always . . . Everyone is geared up for the Miss Gay Texas Pageant in Houston at Dance City on June 17th and 18th . . . And D-III is about ready to plug in their spectacular light show.

V-N TRIPPING: The Venture-N's bus to splash day in Galveston found islanders happy to receive some fresh meat from macho Houston . . . And the Taurus Zodiac Party is this Mother's Day May 14th — a double festive celebration to stir the tea!

MOTHERS DAY at the OP Houston will be extra special with Claude Sacha (photo below) of French Dressing stirring the tea as Bette Midler. Also guesting will be Jessica Landa, long time Houston favorite. That's Sunday, May 14th, OP Follies, 10:30pm.





SMITTY AND AB (photo, left to right) are the owners of Houston's newest country and western bar, Brazos River Bottom. No matter when you go, there always seems to be hunky men drinking in the warm friendly atmosphere. The back patio is now complete and makes for fine summernight cruising.

WELCOME HOME JIM: Jim Ettridge of the Hi-Lite Ranch is out of the hospital and recovering rapidly from the recent gun shot wound. In fact he is back to his old Vera antics. Meanwhile the Mustang Band will play at the Ranch this Sunday from 4 to 8pm for a "welcome back" party. Meanwhile, Jim thanks all for their donations and get well wishes.

THE GALLEON will hold a special benefit auction on Wednesday the 24th with a special show and auctioneers. So bring by your memorabilia to be auctioned off.

GAY VOTE MANDATE: Ray Hill says the gay vote turnout in the recent election was very heavy and most instrumental in getting several of the GPC endorsed candidates elected. . . . And GPC president, Steve Shiflett, is rightfully walking tall from the good results from the hard electioneering. And, Dirty Sally's was busy, busy for the Sunday victory party. That bar is really hot!

CLUB L'AMOUR opened last week as a Women's bar and disco and manager Jan reports faces she's never seen before and crowds are building. The Westheimer bar is poshly decorated with a large, long dance floor which is lit from both under and over. The club opens daily at 5pm and on Sunday at 2pm.

CLINIC OPENS MAY 15: The Montrose Activity Center's new clinic will open the middle of the month,

giving a series of health tests. Two tests, one for syphilis, and one for hepatitis, will be available initially.

SUNSET BLVD SHOWS: Guesting this past Tuesday night was Jessica Landa from Houston and Tragedy Ann from Austin with regular Paulette Leigh, Miss Gay San Antonio. Next Tuesday the 16th regular Jahonau Reis welcomes guests Alan Allison from Dallas and Miss Riki from Austin. As usual, SB continues to headline top stars weekly!

GALVESTON TEA: Granny reports good crowds for Splash Day at Mary's II despite the cloudy weather. . . . And over at LaFitte's they're still recovering from that 8th anniversary celebration. . . . Love those cuddly toys!

BEACH PARTIES: The OP Disco Group takes to the beaches again this month for dancing in the sand, kegs and kegs of free beer and tons of free hot dogs. In Houston, it's Stewart's Beach in Galveston, Sunday May 22nd. Then, the following Sunday, May 28th, it's Queens Point on Lake Dallas. So get set for these third annual splashes!!

MR. HOUSTON PAGEANT: The Mr. Metro-H contest has been moved from the now closed Cuddles disco to Souixante Quinze. And, the new date is May 23rd. Sponsors for the event are Studz News and Union Jack. Winners will receive cash prizes and gift certificates. Entry fee is \$25. The event is a GPC benefit again this year as it was last. So, get ready for the beef cake and muscles.

MISS GAY FLORIDA is next Monday nite May 15th with Texans Naomi Sims, Kandi Delight, and Eartha Kitt gearing to bring home the crown to the lone star state. There should not be a dull moment with the Texas Tornado Tiffany Jones as emcee in "puss" hi-drag. Also, there will be a former Miss Florida, our own Hot Chocolate.

MISS CAMP AMERICA will hold a country carnival on the patio of the Inside/Outside Sunday, June 4th. . . . Meanwhile the new outdoor covered stage will be finished soon and open to any group for entertaining. . . . Hot tea from the Countryside: Cody got married. And, there was a big wedding cake last Sunday during the Mustang Band performance.

NEW ORLEANS FLASH: After 4 years TWT has given into the demands for publication outside Texas. Beginning this week TWT can now be found weekly in the Crescent City. TWT welcomes the Club New Orleans which is soon to begin major remodeling and the Bourbon Pub (open 24 hours) and Parade Disco which was chosen by Playboy Magazine as one of the top 20 discos in the nation.

the guide

(Listed here are bars, bookstores, baths, retail shops, and services which THIS WEEK IN TEXAS recommends to our readers.)

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Texas Gay - P.O. Box 2036
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Austin - Gay Student Services
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College Station - Alternative
P.O. Box 8109 zip 77884 - (713)846-2469
Dallas - (214)748-6790
East Texas Gay Task Force - P.O. Box 101
321 Montgomery - Gilmer, Texas 75664
Houston - (713)228-1505
San Antonio - (512)733-7300
Lubbock - GPWT/Dignity Hotline
Mon-Thurs, 7-10pm - (806)795-7825

AMARILLO LOUNGE

Old Plantation - 1005 N. Fillmore - 372-5081

ARLINGTON LOUNGE

Mad Hatter - 735 N. Collins (157) - 469-1781

AUSTIN ADULT BOOKSTORES

All American News-2532 Guadalupe-478-0222
Mr. Peepers - 213 E. 6th Street - 478-0243
Stallion Bookstore 706 E. 6th St. - 477-0148

AUSTIN BATH

Club Austin - 308 W. 16th Street - 476-7986

AUSTIN CHURCH

MCCA - 614 E. 6th St. - 477-7747

AUSTIN LOUNGES

Austin Country - 705 Red River - 472-0418
New Apartment - 2828 Rio Grande - 478-0224
Private Cellar - 709 E. 6th St. - 477-0387

AUSTIN ORGANIZATION

Gay Com. Services-2330 Guadalupe-477-6699

BEAUMONT LOUNGES

Farmhouse - 304 Orleans - 832-4206

DALLAS ANTIQUES/FLEA MARKETS

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8 Days A Week -3906 Cedar Springs-526-9334

DALLAS BATHS

Bachelor's Quarters -3116 Live Oak - 823-0432
Club Dallas - 2616 Swiss - 821-1990

DALLAS BOOKSHOP

Lobo - 3917 Cedar Springs - 522-1132

DALLAS CHURCH

Metro Community - 2701 Reagan - 526-6221
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DALLAS HAIR SALONS

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Union Jack - 3918 Cedar Springs - 528-9600

DALLAS HEATING/AIR COND.

Day & Night Air - 5710 Marquita - 826-8300

DALLAS LIQUOR STORES

B&W Liquors - 4044 Cedar Springs - 526-5820

DALLAS LOUNGES

Boot Camp - 2508 N. Fitzhugh - 823-0138
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Dimension III - 2617 N. Pearl - 741-0300
The Maidenhead - 4516 McKinney - 526-9328
The Nail - 1804 N. Harwood - 742-0350
Old Plantation - 1807 N. Harwood - 651-1988
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Perry Photos - 7108 Green Meadows - 451-5191

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Lambda - 5210 Fannin - 433-8380
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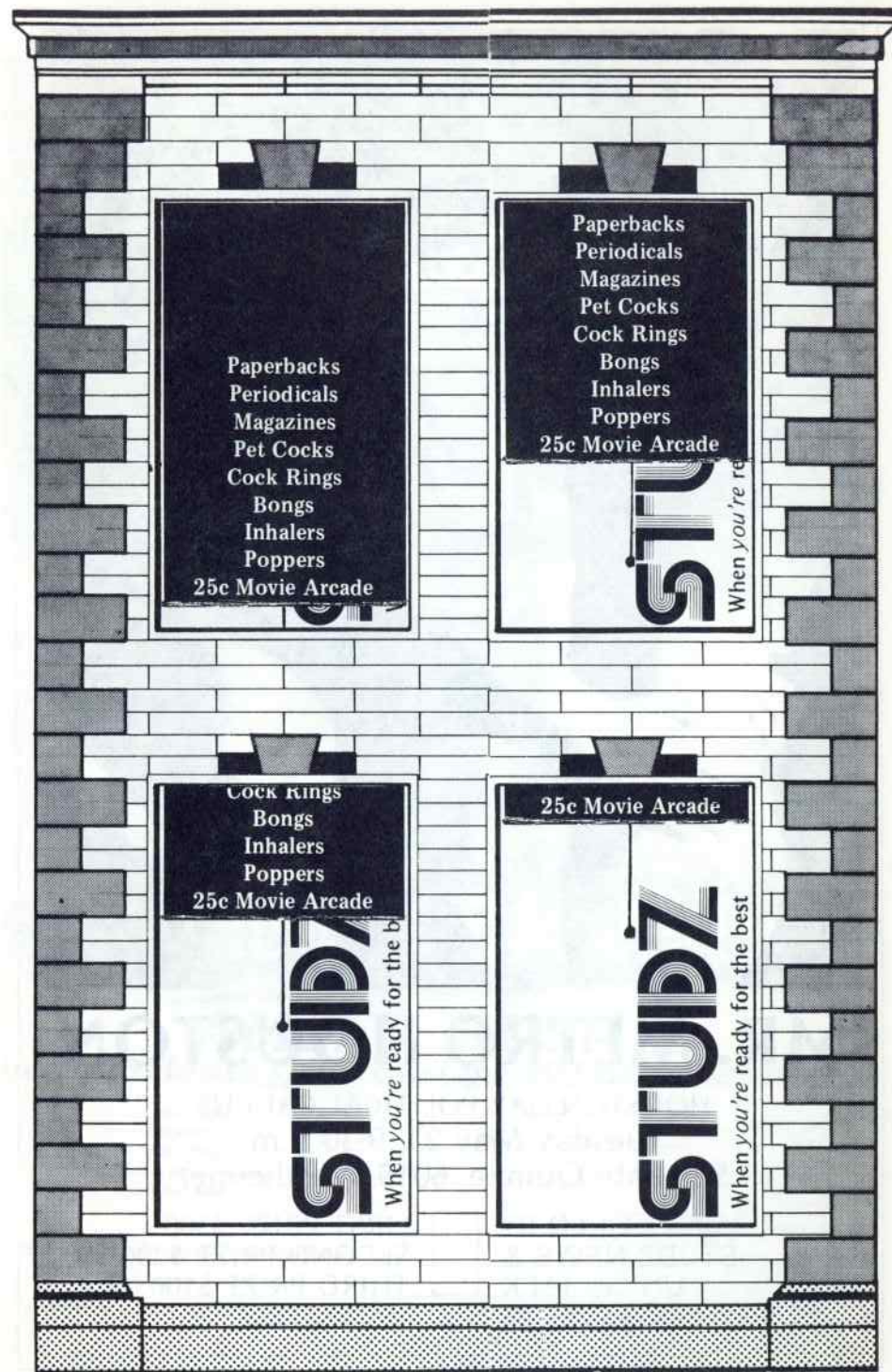
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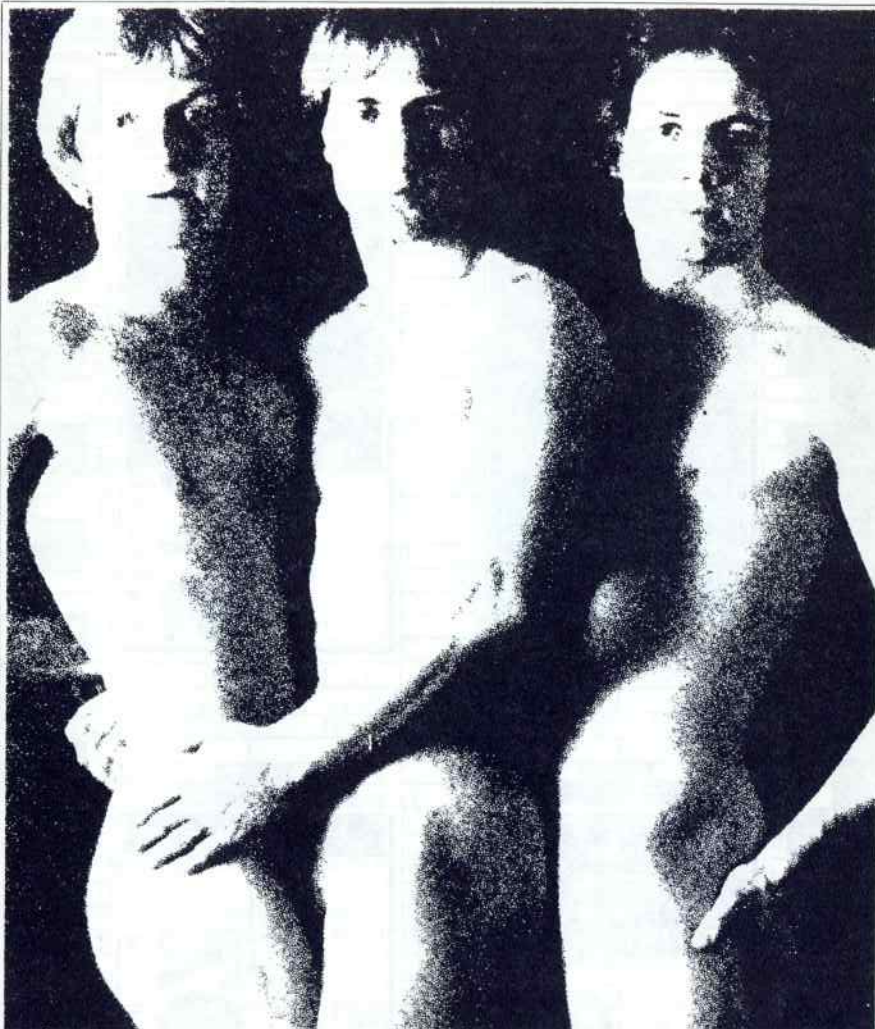


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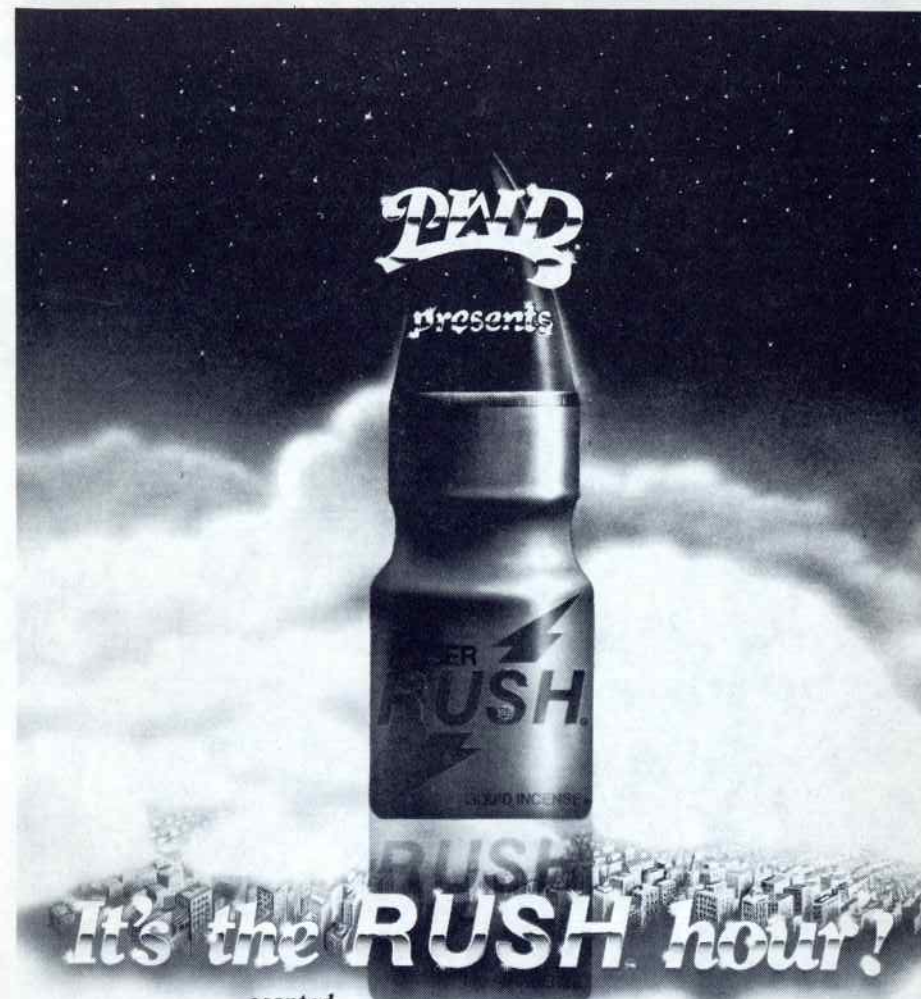
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