

'GET READY BABY' HERE WE COME

The Houston gay community did something Tuesday that election experts in other cities said was still ten years in the future. The community elected, in a *citywide post*, a very pro-gay candidate in a campaign in which gay rights was the most publicized issue.

Everyone thought the race would be close. In fact, Eleanor Tinsley said, two days before election day at a rally at a gay bar, "I'm scared. Although we lead in the primary, I'm scared."

The very definite pro-gay former school board president, Eleanor Tinsley, however, did win, and by a bigger margin than experts had predicted, over the 20-year incumbent Frank Mann.

Gay activist Ray Hill summed it up at a victory party at the Montrose Activity Center with "Get ready, baby," referring to the newly exposed power of the gay vote.

Mann, asked on election night if he considered the

"homosexual vote" as playing a part in his defeat, said, "Of course every vote counts. . . . I really don't think it made that much of a difference. . . . But if those chicken hawks voted for her because they think they'll get police harassment stopped with her in office, they better think again."

Mann has never been able in public to distinguish between "chicken hawks" and homosexuals. To him, the word "homosexual" ap-

parently means someone who prefers underage youths.

The seventy-year-old councilman frequently referred to gay people, in public, as "queers" and "oddwads."

The Tinsley campaign people, and Tinsley herself, were jubilant. A gay victory party at the Montrose Activity Center celebrated with speeches and live broadcasts by most of the major radio and TV stations.

At the gay clubs, as word

spread through Montrose about 9:00 p.m. Tuesday night, cheers went up.

With an estimated 93% of the vote counted at that time, Tinsley was leading with about 54% of the vote

Mayor's Race

The gay endorsed incumbent, Jim McConn, won comfortably over councilman Louis Macey. Voting in the Montrose area went very lopsided to McConn, in excess of three-to-one.

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FIRST LADY HAD 30-YEAR AFFAIR WITH WOMAN

NEW YORK (IGNA) — Eleanor Roosevelt conducted a three-decade correspondence with a woman author. More than 3000 letters just recently revealed show the two had a deep love between them.

The *New York Times* said that the correspondence between Mrs. Franklin Delano Roosevelt and Lorena Hickok started in 1932, just before Franklin Roosevelt's first presidential election, and continued until Mrs. Roosevelt's death in 1962. The two women wrote to each other almost daily and in some cases twice a day.

The letters reveal an intimacy that possibly goes beyond the orthodox.

For example, Mrs. Roosevelt wrote on March 5, 1933, "Hick, my dearest. I cannot go to bed tonight without a word to you. . . . You have grown so much to be a part of my life that it is empty without you even though I'm busy every minute."

The next day, the soon-to-be first lady wrote, "Hick, darling. Ah how good it was to hear your voice. It was so inadequate to try and tell you what it meant. Funny was that I couldn't say 'J'taime et je t'adore' as I longed to do, but always remember I am saying it, that I go to sleep thinking of you. You have grown so much to be a part of my life that it is empty without you even though I'm busy every minute."

Even physical expressions of love appeared in Mrs. Roosevelt's letters, such as, "Hick darling. Oh, I want to put my arms around you. I ache to hold you close. Your ring is a great comfort. I look at it and think she does love me, or I wouldn't be wearing it."

Ms. Hickok wrote the first lady, "Most clearly I remember your eyes, with a kind of reassuring smile in them, and the feeling of that soft spot just northeast of the corner of your mouth against my lips. I wonder what we'll do when we meet — what we'll say. Well, I'm rather proud of us, aren't you? I think we've done rather well."

Mrs. Roosevelt came from a New York society family, while Hickok, born the daughter an itinerant buttermaker, worked for several newspapers, including the daily *New York Mirror*, and worked as a political correspondent for Associated Press, covering the Roosevelt campaign. This is where the two first met.

Hickok gave the letters to the Franklin Roosevelt Library in Hyde Park, N.Y., with the provision that they be closed until ten years after her death. She died in 1968.

Last year the letters became accessible but attracted little attention. Now they are to be published by William Morrow and Co. in a book by Doris Faber called *The Life of Lorena*

Hickok.

These letters are proving interesting to historians since with them it may be possible to prove that Mrs. Roosevelt had an extra-marital love affair at least as provocative as her husband's now-documented one.

Franklin Roosevelt Jr., a son of the former president, who is the literary executor of his mother's estate, said he had not seen the correspondence between Hickok and his mother, the *New York Times* reported.

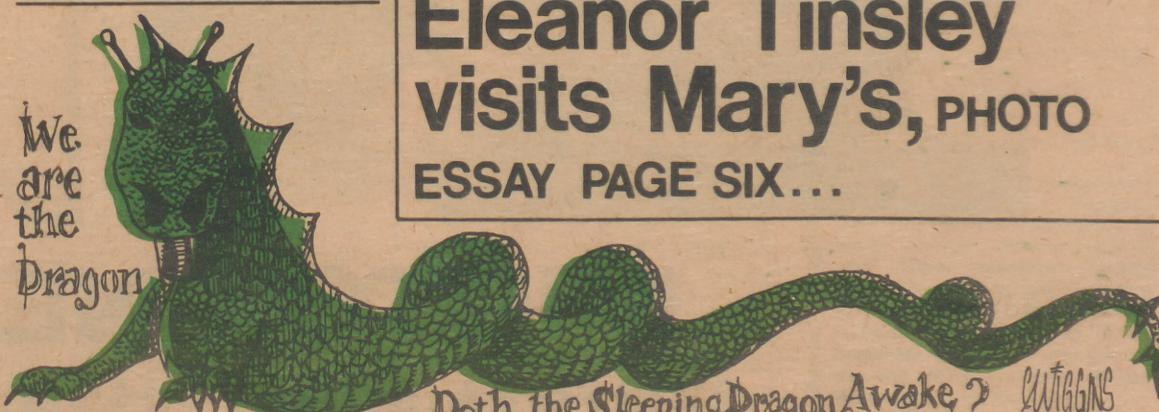
He said his mother was an incessant letter-writer and her affectionate passages were standard letter-prose of the times.

Apparently finding it hard to believe that his mother would have such a relationship with another woman, he said her writing style simply was "very effusive, very loving (to everyone)."

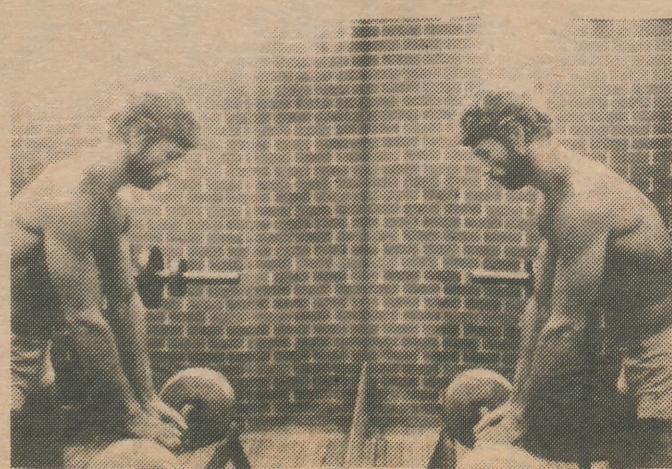
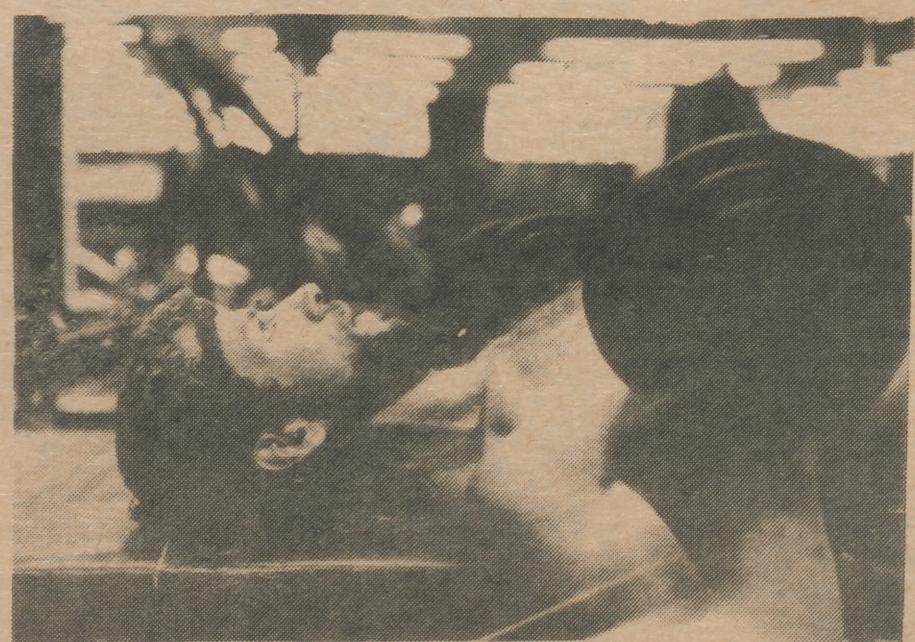
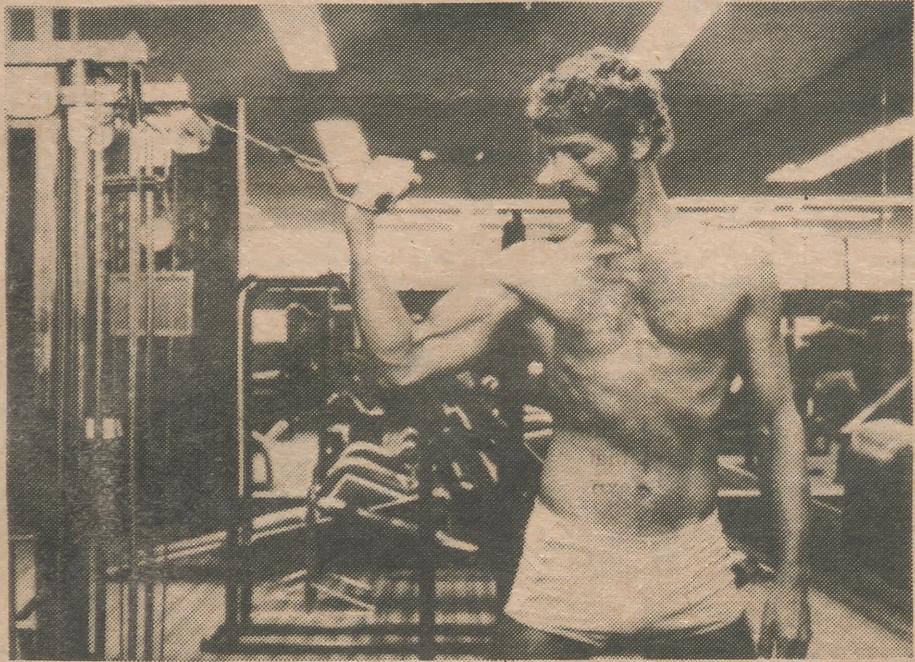
"Today we don't understand that type of love," he added. •



Eleanor Tinsley visits Mary's, PHOTO ESSAY PAGE SIX...



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SAYS POLICE ENTRAPPING THE INNOCENT; GAY MAN SUES CITY OF BOSTON. . .

BOSTON — A \$500,000 civil rights suit against the City of Boston on behalf of "John Doe," a 35-year-old local man, was filed in U.S. District Court by a group called Gay and Lesbian Advocates, or GLAD. This is according to a report in the Nov. 17 edition of *Gay Community News*.

GLAD charged in the suit that the Boston Public Library director, the police commissioner, a deputy police superintendent, a police district captain

and a police vice squad officer conspired to deprive "John Doe" of his civil rights by falsely arresting him for prostitution, the newspaper reported.

"Doe" was said to be one of over 100 men arrested during a two-week-long crackdown on alleged gay male cruising at the Boston Public Library in March 1978.

Those mass arrests incited some of the most vocal anti-entrapping protests in Boston history.

Judges at Boston Municipal Court appeared sensitive to the accusations of entrapment, as nearly half the men who went to trial were found not guilty, *Gay Community News* wrote.

In the suit, the newspaper reported, GLAD accused the city of launching "a campaign of harassment and intimidation of persons believed to be or suspected of being homosexuals . . . to prevent suspected homo-

sexuals from using the Boston Public Library."

The suit charged that after a surveillance of the library by plainclothes police officers lasting two to three weeks that "produced no evidence of criminal activity, the police officers undertook a campaign of entrapment of innocent persons solely because they appeared to said officers to be homosexual."

The newspaper said that the police officers loitered in the men's room and other areas of the library and tried to encourage homosexual solicitations and even exposed their own genitals "in the apparent belief that this would result in an expression of sexual interest."

"Doe" was said to be in the library to attend a concert when he was approached by Angelo Terrizzi — a young, attractive plainclothes police officer — who asked him to have sex. "Doe" declined, but Terrizzi continued to repeat his offer until he agreed, it was reported.

"Doe" was then arrested for prostitution and Terrizzi later testified in Boston Municipal Court that "Doe" had solicited him for oral sex for \$20, said the newspaper.

"Doe" was found not guilty, the newspaper reported.

Gay Community News said that the suit accused city officials of depriving "Doe" of his rights to freedom from illegal detention and imprisonment under the Fourth Amendment; freedom from intimidation and humiliation, enjoyment of life, liberty and property, and freedom from deprivation of due process and equal protection of the law under the Fourteenth Amendment; and rights, privileges and immunities under the First Amendment.

The report said that the conduct of the defendants was called "false arrest, negligence, malicious prosecution and civil conspiracy."

A spokesperson for GLAD, which is one of several public-interest gay law firms in the country, told the Boston newspaper that one anticipated effect of the suit is its "deterrent effect." Similar suits in other parts of the country have been successful, and it is irrelevant that this case involved an entrapped gay man, since any acquittal of this sort is grounds for a false arrest suit, the spokesperson told the newspaper.

With four new judges recently added to the federal bench in Boston, a trial could be scheduled within two years, the newspaper predicted.

The Civil Liberties Union of Massachusetts was reported to be appearing jointly with GLAD in the case.

... Minnesota Man Awarded \$31,000 in Job Discrimination Case

ST. PAUL, Minn. — The Minnesota Commission on Civil Rights notified Tim Campbell earlier this month that he is entitled to receive two years back pay and other compensation from the Minnesota Chemical Dependency Association because he was discriminated against on account of his sexual orientation.

Campbell, who today is editor of a Minneapolis gay newspaper, the *GLC Voice*, was awarded \$28,000 on Nov. 5 in back pay, \$500 in punitive damages, \$769 for interest and



Tim Campbell

\$1578 to cover legal fees.

Campbell said that he had been treated unlawfully during an interview for the position of Programs Coordinator of MCDA during the summer of 1975. He filed the complaint with the civil rights commission about three months later.

Campbell said he was asked seven non-standard, subjective questions during the interview by Dagny Christensen, including, "Would you be able to work this job without doing your thing predominantly?"

LEO: Turkey weekend starts on a note of confusion for you, but by Sunday, the truth zaps you in the behind. A neighbor storms into the picture. Then it all ends on a note of "B" for bars and blisters.

TAURUS: A little press and push could lead to career advancement. You know instinctively where the pressure must be applied. Do it. Before turkey weekend is over, loved one worms way into your heart. You glow.

GEMINI: Challenge marches into your life like a little toy soldier and you are tested. You take giant step toward personal goal.

SCORPIO: Deal concerning property value may be considered. Concentrate on cold, hard facts. Change, variety, a certain attractive stranger — all very significant. Weekend ends on key of "F" for you-know-what with you-will-know-who.

horoscope

SAGITTARIUS: A new friend enters the picture. You two travel well together as long as you manage to avoid emotional quicksands. Your new friend is strong and you are just. When strength and justice join forces, there is precious little that can deter progress toward good.

CAPRICORN: You are practical, patient, generous, sensual and the sophisticated lover par excellence. You have a wonderful business sense — the ability to make money and to hang on to it. You're going to go far after the new year arrives.

AQUARIUS: You have a resisting segment in your personality which supplies you with both strength and vitality. Draw on this strength to help you make important personal decision. You know the one. Turkey weekend closes on an upper.

PISCES: As one problem is solved, another one immediately takes its place. Have a pockful of ready solutions this Thanks-

giving weekend for "nature abhors a vacuum." And the weekend will finally close rather weakly.

ARIES: Change abounds so remain flexible. If you say, "But I've always done it this way," you miss marvelous chance for growth.

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MOONBABY: Money matters are highlighted over Thanksgiving weekend. Beware of "deal" which seems too good to be true. Is it? Usually you're not an easy one to fool, but this time a certain charmer may have combination to your money belt. The weekend finally clicks

to a noisy end and you'll have a full tummy.

LEO: Turkey weekend starts on a note of confusion for you, but by Sunday, the truth zaps you in the behind. A neighbor storms into the picture. Then it all ends on a note of "B" for bars and blisters.

VIRGO: Wires of communications tangle, personal plans snarl and romantic involvement reaches vanishing point where all perspectives appear to join. In short, it's just another routine weekend, except for all the turkey. Sorry about that.

LIBRA: After a rather tacky start, your energy this Thanksgiving weekend returns and you'll establish a new "record." Your restless heart will find peace.

SCORPIO: Deal concerning property value may be considered. Concentrate on cold, hard facts. Change, variety, a certain attractive stranger — all very significant. Weekend ends on key of "F" for you-know-what with you-will-know-who.

Trying Again in Florida

MIAMI (IGNA) — Undaunted by two defeats for a Dade County sexual rights ordinance, gay activist Bob Kunst said that he'll be back in March with another "full-equality" referendum.

Kunst announced that he has formed CURE (Congress United for Rights and Equality) to combat Anita Bryant's group, CAUSE (Citizens Against Unacceptable Sex Education).

"She's the cause and we're the cure," Kunst was quoted by the *Miami News* as saying.

"This will be Dade County's gift to the country. It will set the tone for the presidential campaign and will help us take the issue to the halls of Congress," he added.

"The purpose of all this is that we're trying to overcome the very lousy reputation this community has all over the planet that we're a community filled with bigots. What I'm looking at is how to establish Dade County as the love and human rights capital of the world in addition to the sun and fun capital of the world, the art deco capital of the world, and the marijuana capital of the world," Kunst said.

Dade County voters rejected in 1978 an omnibus minority rights proposal 189,000 to 136,000, which was much closer than the 202,000 to 90,000 vote margin the anti-gay forces enjoyed in the much-publicized 1977 referendum.

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ARTIST DRAWS FIRE

SAN ANTONIO — This city's first gay male art show recently ran as a page one story in the *San Antonio News* — in a scandal column.

Jim Eggeling, the artist, a well-known supporter of gay rights who was once fired from his teaching job with the local school district for speaking out on those rights, presented an exhibit of paintings and drawings of the nude adolescent male.

The drawings were done in charcoal, ink, conte, acrylic and polychromatic gesso.

According to the artist, the exhibit was a serious attempt to present the sensibilities of a gay male artist to a group of friends — men and women — at a private, invitation-only showing.

However, Eggeling's invitation was posted on the student bulletin board in the psychology department of San Antonio College. A psychology student noticed it and wrote to the *San Antonio News* that he took umbrage "at finding something like this in our psychology department."

The student said, in the letter

to the newspaper, "I have a twelve-year-old son, and if I ever find him involved in such activity, there will be two less spherical objects for the 'artist' to capture on canvas."

Asked about that statement, Eggeling said, "I have often wondered about the quality of education in San Antonio, but to find students of psychology advocating castration as a meaningful childrearing practice is appalling. I think it says something about the homophobia and violence which our institutions of higher learning do little to address and change." •

Here we come

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District C Council Position

Lance Lalor easily defeated John Shanahan. Lalor had the endorsement of gay political groups and the gay press early in the campaigning and had taken 40% of the vote in the first election against twelve opponents.

He won in the runoff with about two-thirds of the vote.

District C includes Montrose.

Position Three

Long-term incumbent Johnny Goyen easily fought off a challenge from Olga Soliz, capturing about two-thirds of the vote.

Soliz was endorsed by the gay community.

The fourteen member city council now shapes up with seven of the members having been elected with the support of the gay community, and the mayor was elected with gay support.

In the cases of Tinsely and Lalor, the councilpersons-elect acknowledge the gay support as being crucial. •

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Military Discharge Appeals Urged

WASHINGTON — The American Civil Liberties Union is behind an effort to get 2.2 million older veterans given undesirable discharges before 1965 to appeal their cases to the Defense Department before a Dec. 31 deadline.

The Pentagon has no plans to extend the deadline even though an estimated less than 3000 people — a tenth of a percent of those eligible — had applied by

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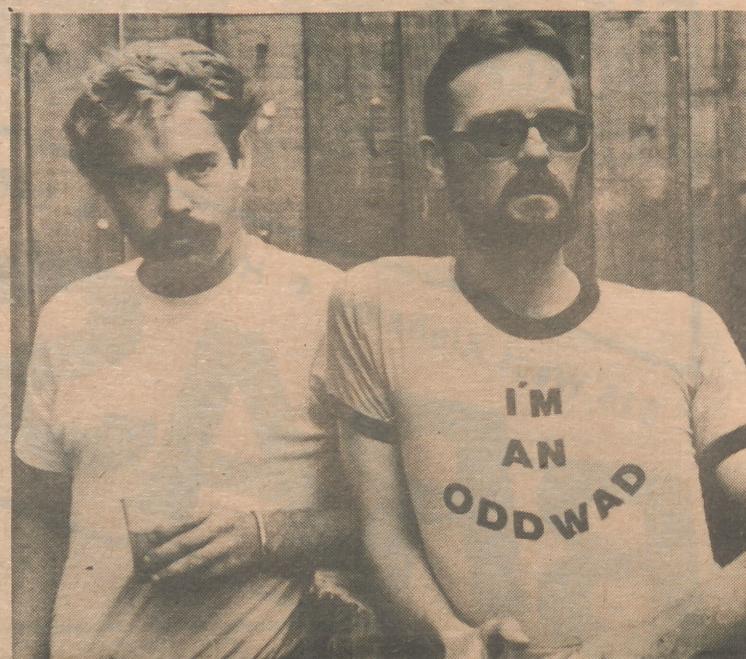
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TINSLEY THANKS GAYS FOR SUPPORT



It was "Eleanor Tinsley Day" in Montrose Sunday, Nov. 18, as the city council candidate appeared at fundraisers in the area, including the one shown in these photos at Mary's Lounge, a gay club at 1022 Westheimer. Tinsley told the



happy crowd that she has the gay community to thank more than any other group for help she's received in the fight to unseat long-time, anti-gay incumbent Frank Mann. Montrose Star photos by Bill Lubing.



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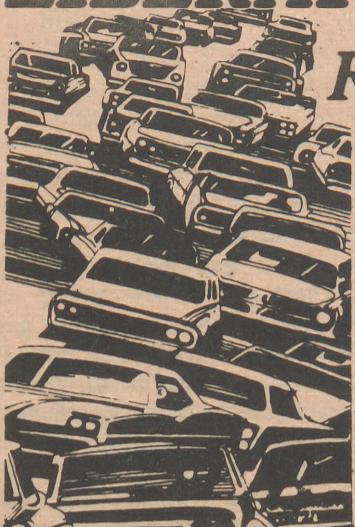
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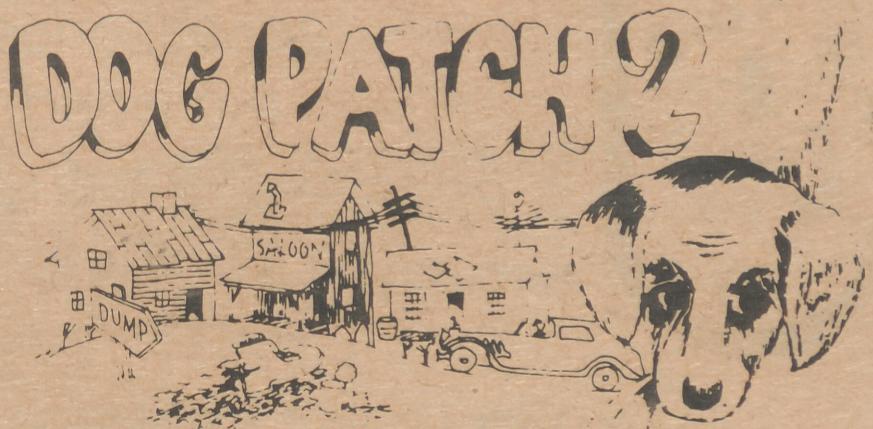


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By Lori Jones
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

"I was born heavy and overfed as a child," writes one middle-aged gay reader.

"There is nothing I can do. I am forty pounds overweight and I can't do anything about it," he said.

There is only one answer to such a message: there is something you can do about your weight — if you want to.

Many people have long-term habits of over-eating. If you can't change the habit of how you eat, then you can change what you eat. Let me explain.

The average American eats about 525 pounds of food per year. Either directly or indirectly, over a hundred pounds of this is sugar. With some effort, you can cut down on the sugar intake.

It may be easier than you think. Except for certain cakes and breads which require a proper balance between ingredients, you can reduce the amount of sugar in most recipes by a third! In the course of a full year, this method alone could cut your sugar intake by fifteen to twenty pounds.

Cooking oils are also heavy contributors to your overall caloric consumption. Instead of sauteing vegetables in oil, cook them in a little instant chicken,

vegetable or beef broth. For every tablespoon of oil you don't use, you'll save about 125 calories.

Your body won't be able to tell the difference. Your eating habits need not change drastically but your cooking habits will save you many pounds over the months ahead. I'll be giving you more of these calorie ideas in the weeks ahead. You see, I believe you can fool Mother Nature.

Over the next thirty days ground beef prices may be dropping. So the following recipe will be relatively low-cost for the next four weeks.

The low calories part is that the meatballs are *not* fried but are simmered in broth. Also, instead of lots of thickening, bread crumbs give the gravy just enough consistency to cling to the meat.

And this recipe uses two low calorie flavorings — capers and lemon juice — stirred into the gravy right before it's served.

Capers, by the way, are cousins of mustard. Look for small jars of capers in the deli section of your supermarket.

THE LOW-CALORIE MEATBALL CAPER

1 lb. lean ground beef
1½ cups fine dry bread crumbs
½ cup minced onion

2 eggs
2 tsps. garlic salt
½ tsp. pepper
3 cups beef broth
3 tbsps. capers
1½ tsps. lemon juice
3 cups hot, cooked rice
(note: no cooking oil and no sugar.)

Using a large fork, mash together your ground beef, 1½ cups of bread crumbs, onions, eggs and seasonings. Press and shape this into meatballs, making them about two inches in diameter. You'll get about eighteen to twenty meatballs out of this.

Bring your broth to a boil in a large saucepan. Drop the meatballs in the broth. (I wear old clothes, 'cause this splatters both me and the wall.)

Cook for fifteen minutes.

Using a large spoon with holes in it, lift the meatballs out and set them aside. Stir the remaining bread crumbs into the broth. Simmer gently for about ten minutes to reduce the broth and thicken it slightly. Add the capers and lemon juice, and then return the meatballs to the sauce and reheat gently.

Serve this over rice, and it'll serve six people. Each serving has about 325 calories.

District Lines Set for Dallas

WASHINGTON — The Justice Department Nov. 19 ended a months-long squabble with the City of Dallas by concluding its latest reapportionment plan does not appear to discriminate against blacks and Mexican-Americans.

Assistant Attorney General Drew Days III, who opposed several previous Dallas proposals, gave the go-ahead to the latest plan and withdrew his objection under the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

The plan calls for a change from selection of eleven at-large city council members to a system of selecting eight

members from single-member districts and three at-large members, including the mayor.

Some gay leaders are not expecting the new system to result in the election of any gay candidates but they do think it could be responsible for getting some pro-gay candidates elected, especially in the district that includes the area of Oak Lawn.

Houston recently underwent a Justice Department-supervised election which did result in several candidates being elected who promised to work toward the hiring of homosexuals as police officers and for other gay rights issues.

Latin Gays Form Literature Contest

By Cesar Albini
IGNA

RIO DE JANEIRO — Several gay organizations here have decided to organize the first Latin American gay literature contest.

The main conditions for

the stories are that they be in Portuguese and about gay subjects.

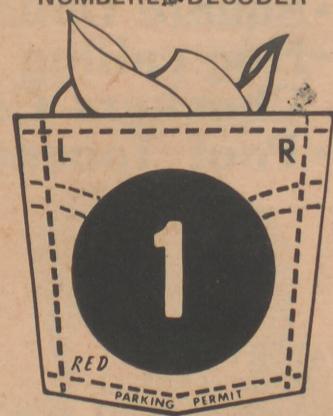
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world: TWO GERMANYS, TWO LIFESTYLES

By Johannes Werres

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BONN, West Germany — As would be expected, gay life is certainly different in the different Germanys. But as many Americans might not expect, there is a gay subculture in East Germany, the Communist-controlled quarter of the country.

The age for sexual consent on the Communist side of the Iron Curtain is eighteen and has been since 1967. There are, however, no known gay groups there, except in East Berlin, the

largest city.

There are gay bars, however, in East Berlin and several of the other big cities. There are no gay publications except those illegally smuggled in from the West.

In West Germany, the scene is quite different. There's an estimated one million gay males here and another one million lesbians, most concentrated in the larger cities, such as Hamburg, Munich, Frankfurt and West Berlin, each with about 35 gay bars.

Most of the homosexuals here

still live in, as Americans call it, "the closet."

Throughout West Germany there are about sixty gay political and social groups and five gay publications: *Him-Applause*, *DON, du and ich*, *Homosexuelle Emanzipation* and *Gay Journal*.

Discrimination in employment in West Germany continues, but changes are slowly coming about because of certain, widely publicized cases.

The regular news media in Germany for a long time seemed very uninterested gay political news. Only recently did the

press start to report gay news extensively. Now there are very often films with gay subjects on German television and some German producers, like Rosa von Praunheim, have received funds from German television companies for their films.

In schools, on the other hand, homosexuality is rarely discussed. Sex education is taught in the schools but homosexuality is taught only as a perversion or as a subject of minor importance.

On a national level in West Germany, however, despite there

being the several dozen local gay groups, there is still much disagreement between them and there has been no national organization or political lobby formed.

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OUR PHILOSOPHY

By Henry McClurg
EDITOR

I'd like to take a minute to define the philosophy of this newspaper.

We're a neighborhood weekly newspaper, just like thousands of others in this country.

We're different from most of those thousands of others because, in our neighborhood, Montrose, a majority of the residents are gay. And an even greater majority of the economic clout of the neighborhood is in the hands of the gay residents.

So, we cover two things, basically:

1) We cover the news of Montrose, including political news, social news, business news. We try to cover the real news of the area as any local newspaper does.

2) And we cover the national and international gay political news because that coverage is not available to our readers through

any other easily-accessible media.

I'm explaining this because pretty soon we're going to start presenting ourselves to Kroger, Weingarten's, the banks in and near our area, the other so-called straight businesses which Montrose people patronize. (The more advertisers we have, the bigger, better paper we can give you.)

I can just see our salesman, sitting in the office of the advertising director of Kroger or Weingarten's, trying to explain what all this "funny" news in what is supposed to be a neighborhood newspaper.

It's in there because that's what the people of Montrose — that's what our readers — want to read.

The majority of the people of Montrose are gay. So if we did not have gay news coverage in the paper, then we really would not be a true neighborhood newspaper.

letter to the editor

THANKS

Dear editor:

I would like to publicly give my most heartfelt thanks to Andy Mills and Mary's for making it possible for me to attend the American Public Health Association meeting in New York.

I'm proud to report that it was great to find out that Houston is the only town that seems to have it all together. Most cities do not have a "Family" like we do in Houston. Consequently, their community is not always working together.

A lot of knowledge on staffing, funding and problems of gay clinics was received and Houston will be next when it comes to having a clinic.

Thanks for the opportunity of letting me meet with the Gay Public Health Workers of APHA and letting them know that Houston is on the map.

(signed) "Mother Ruth"

Slusser

By Phil Slusser
MONTROSE STAR
COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE

Well, folks, guess what?

Somebody stole the Christmas Tree.

But fear not.

We've got another one.

The Montrose gay community will light its first annual Christmas Tree this Friday, from 9:00 to 10:30 p.m. Join us at that little patch of land where the freeway entrance ramps are split, at the intersection of Bagby, Westheimer and Elgin. We'll have dignitaries, old-fashioned speeches, politicians, hunky numbers, and even a few tired people. Yes, something for everyone.

I consider the Christmas Tree lighting as the biggest event



of the weekend, but it's certainly not the only event. The weekend is crammed more tightly with events than the Copa is on Saturday night with hot men.

On Thanksgiving Day, the Family (a group of gay business and political leaders) will hold a Thanksgiving Buffet at the Family's Center, 3207 Montrose.

And many clubs will have buffets too, including the Brazos River Bottom (whose buffet last year was so good, you can now almost call it "world famous") and the Exile (all newly remodeled and just waiting for you with open arms).

Saturday, the 24th, visit the Weekend Festival at the Family

A GRENCH IN OUR MIDST?

Center on Montrose, where they'll have booths, beer, and entertainment.

Then, later Saturday night, an after-hours party at the Family's Center, starting 2:00 a.m. and lasting till dawn.

In other news, the Gay Political Caucus can use a few more dollars to help with the huge campaign expenses in the last election. If you've got your checkbook handy and five or ten dollars you could stand to part with, mail them a check to P.O.B. 3887, Houston, TX 77001. You can make the check out to "Municipal Election Committee of Houston," if you're still in the closet and don't want

GPC to appear in your checking account.

The Venture-N is remodeling. David and Jim are busting their tails there and wouldn't mind at all if you came by this evening, had a drink and watched them work. Yea, Venture-N.

So, what else is new?

The Parade Disco opening is about three weeks away, and the whole city is talking. People are talking about Numbers too, and there's a change in the works for that club.

Cesar's Palace is yet another new disco — and it's opening is any day now. Thought we could announce it this issue — but not yet. Watch next week's paper.

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By Stanley S. Stanley
ADVICE COLUMNIST

Dear Stanley: I get so tired of the gay newspapers and magazines telling me how I must vote, think, what I must do and wear to be "in." Can I not be allowed to think for myself. (signed) P.O.'d

Dear P.O.'d: It's nice to know there are independent thinkers. And I hope the MONTROSE STAR is not on your blacklist.

If you feel some publications are too slanted, too dictatorial, then write a letter to the editor. Most publications listen carefully to what readers say.

Read the next letter.

Dear Stanley: Why is it that most gay publications are always harping on how persecuted we are? (signed) Curious

Dear Curious: The gay lifestyle is great. But it is true that gay people are still persecuted.

Perhaps some of the gay media overplays this a bit. But don't you think overplaying it a bit is preferred to underplaying it? For hundreds of years, gay persecution has been underplayed, and you've heard of the results, which ranged all the way up to public executions.

We've come a long way. And we still have some distance to travel. Bare with those who you think may be overplaying their fight for gay rights. Even if it is "overplaying," it seems to be working.

Dear Stanley: I met the perfect person at a club about a month ago. We had a good time and now continue to see each other.

So why am I writing? My friend drinks too much. Way too much. Extremely too much.

And my friend doesn't want to stop drinking so much. Do you think I should continue the relationship?

(signed) Trix

Dear Trix:

You probably should not get seriously involved with this person, who apparently needs professional help.

Now, no one can get help from an alcoholics' group unless they want it. You can't force your friend to moderate the drinking. Only your friend can make the decision.

Got a question for Stanley? He can provide answers on all topics. Write him c/o the MONTROSE STAR P.O.B. 70282, Houston, TX 77007.

CAMPAIGN WORKER BEAT

Barbra Strong, media consultant for Mayor Jim McConn's election campaign, was in good condition at Hermann Hospital after she was attacked and beaten early Friday, Nov. 16.

Strong, who was press secretary for former Mayor Fred Hofheinz, left the headquarters

of District C city council candidate Lance Lalor at about 1:00 a.m. and was attacked she attempted to enter her Montrose apartment.

She said she did not know the attacker and police made no immediate arrests.

The 36-year-old woman said

she didn't think the attack was politically motivated.

"I didn't see anyone," she told the *Houston Chronicle*.

"I guess they could have followed me from Lalor's headquarters. I just don't know," she added.

CHANCELLOR HOLDS FIRM; No Gay Groups On Campus

CLARKSVILLE, Tenn. (IGNA) — Lawyers for the Student Coalition for Gay Rights are trying to convince the chancellor of Austin Peay University to allow the group to legally form on campus.

The chancellor, Roy Nicks, earlier this year, in denying the group the right to be recognized, said that acceptance of the group would lead to increased homosexual activity and endanger students with sexual identity problems. Nicks said that allowing the group to form would cause increases in an act that is a violation of a state law that prohibits "crimes against nature."

Recognition would give the group the right to use school facilities and funds for their meetings and projects.

The attorneys for the Student Coalition are busy this semester trying to convince Nicks that the extent of social acceptance of homosexuality has not been demonstrated to affect the incidence of homosexual behavior.

and that he should change his original decision, or else face the possibility of having a court decide the issue.

Student Coalition lawyer Gary Crawford said that he and attorney James Blumstein, a professor of law at nearby Vanderbilt University, will continue to argue that "homosexual behavior occurs in roughly the same proportion in societies that condone it and in societies that disapprove of it."

Nicks, despite a vote of 25-to-1 by the Students' Government Association for approval of the group, said in his original decision, "Sexual activity with another of the same sex is unlawful in the state of Tennessee. Moreover, such activity is contrary to the Judeo-Christian ethic which undergirds our community, our state and our nation."

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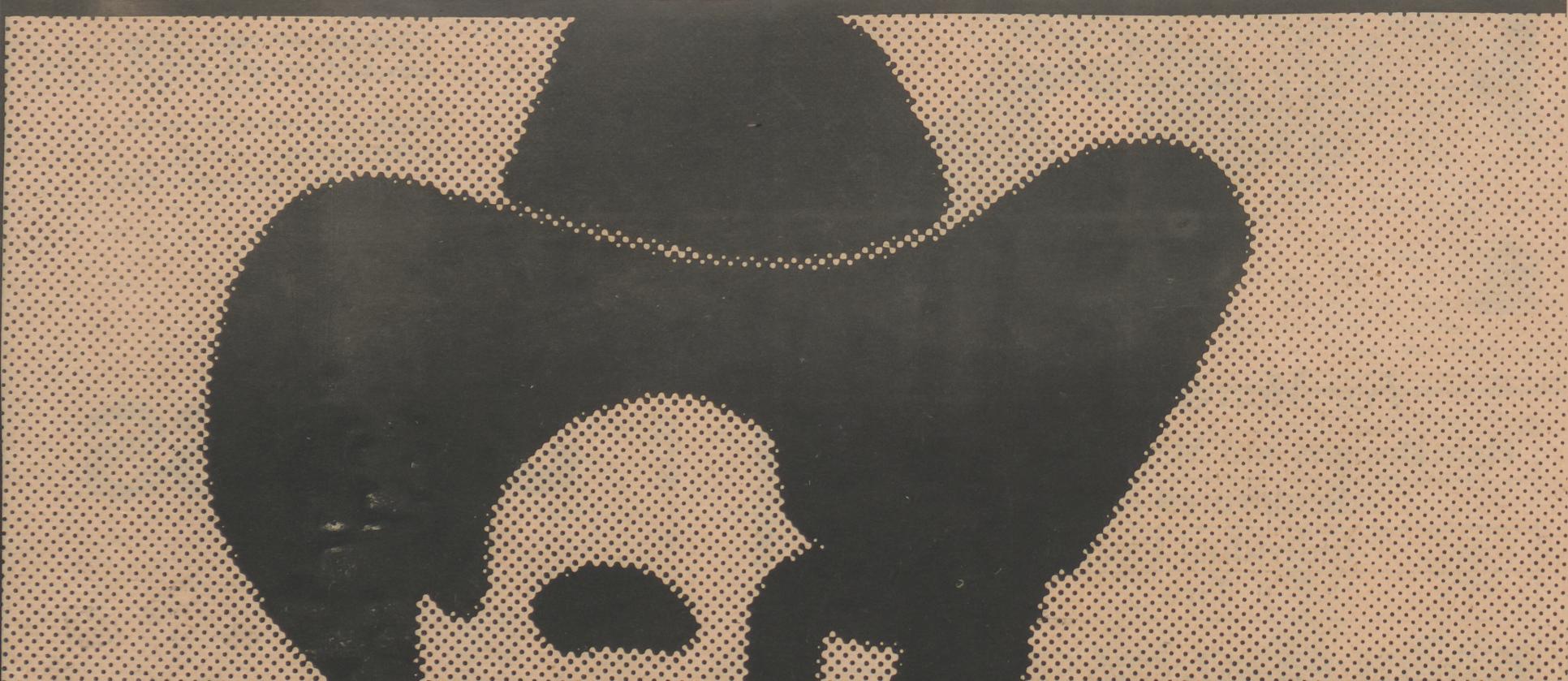
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By Irving W. Cahn
SPECIAL TO MONTROSE STAR
FROM NEW YORK TODAY

(Regular "On Broadway" columnist Ray Wilson is on assignment. His guest columnist this week is Irving W. Cahn, a leading New York theater critic for the past thirty years.)

The 1940's Radio Hour, which recently opened at the St. James Theater on West 44th Street, runs two hours. That's our kind of inflation.

The new musical, written and directed by Walton Jones, a nostalgia buff born in the 50s, is a regressive romp into the heyday of that medium. Television was in gestation and radio was the mass madness.

The Big Band and concomitants — the boy and girl singer and the singing group — was a top attraction on the air and in theaters and ballrooms.

Glenn Miller, Glenn Gray, Benny Goodman, Artie Shaw, Claude Thornhill, Tommy and Jimmy Dorsey, et al., were idolized and the youngsters swayed as they played and sighed at the sights and sounds of Frank Sinatra, Perry Como, Dick Hayes, Bob Eberly, Jack Leonard, Doris Day, Helen O'Connell, Helen Forrest, Peggy Lee.

Jones' story is tenuous but it serves as a peg on which to hang the misical numbers and japes

about the commercials: The Dec. 21, 1942 program of the long-running *Manhattan Variety Cavalcade* is the final show before renewal time and the producer-host is anything but serendipitous. Performers arriving late for dress rehearsal, the crooning star hitting the bottle and the bottle hitting back and cast tempers were flaring.

But old cliches never die and "the show must go on." In a realistic studio setting by David Gropman (the Algonquin Room of the Hotel Astor) with Stanley Lebowsky and a terrific orchestra on stage, Jeff Keller, Cissy Wilzak, Stephen James, Mary-Cleere Haraon, Kathy Andriani, Joe Grifasi, Josef Sommer and Dee Dee Bridgewater delighted as they reprised the golden oldies.

The applause signs for the studio audience weren't needed for the audience at the St. James Theater. Theirs started before the lettering was turned on.

If you'd like a nostalgic nosh, order *The 1940's Radio Hour*, a tasty dish on the Broadway bill of (play) fare. We enjoyed it.

When bruitings reached this reporter months ago about the planned revivals of musicals for the 1979-80 season, we got that old, cold feeling: producers lack confidence in the new crop of writers and lyricists and composers are playing it safe

by presenting proven products instead of gambling with new musicals.

Peter Pan encored with Sandy Duncan in the title role and didn't get a critical pan. Not as fortunate was *The Most Happy Fella*. Unhappy producers.

The legendary *Oklahoma*, first partnership of Richard Rodgers with Oscar Hammerstein II, opens in December. *The Music Man* with Meredith Wilson music and *West Side Story*, a joint venture of Leonard Bernstein with Stephen Sondheim, are also on the agenda. Broadway is promised a return engagement of *My Fair Lady* with Rex Harrison in his original role; and a revisit of Richard Burton as King Arthur in *Camelot* is set too.

Lerner and Loewe collaborated on the last two successes. How will these classics do? Frankly, we're not very sanguine.

Economics is a factor in the selection of musicals. When a show costs less than \$100,000, producers were more prone to risk, but when a musical can't be mounted for less than \$500,000, impresarios become cautious. Understandable, but unless fledglings are encouraged, they will become television hacks and the lyric theater will wither.

THREE PEOPLE KILLED, ONE WOUNDED IN BOOKSTORES

Three people were killed and another critically wounded at two Houston adult bookstores over a two day period.

Police said there were similarities in the two instances.

Edward Stevens, 39, of 5600 Glenmont, the clerk and Richard Paul Rowe, 28, a customer, of Louisville, Ky., were shot Sunday afternoon, Nov. 18, at Mr. Peepers Bookstore, 4300 Richmond.

Rowe, who was shot twice in the abdomen and once behind the ear, was dead at the scene, and Stevens, who had previously worked in Montrose gay businesses, died a short time later at Twelve Oaks Hospital. He had been shot in the left chest and left cheek.

Another customer told police investigators he was in a movie booth at the store when he heard four or five shots, fired in rapid succession, and then a single shot.

He said he hid in the movie booth for a few minutes until Steven's relief showed for work and found the victims.

Police said they thought the motives for the murders were robbery. The cash register had been emptied of bills. The billfolds of the victims were also missing.

The next night, at Adult World in the 11000 block of Hempstead Highway, a customer was killed and a 19-year-old female attendant was critically wounded, in much the same fashion.

Body Found

The body of a 19-year-old was found in bushes in the 2300-block of Richmond Avenue, early Monday morning, Nov. 19. Police said the youth, Hardy

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Homophobia crucial factor in Milk killing: 'That Which Was Left Unsaid Was What This Trial Was All About'

SAN FRANCISCO (IGNA) — *Inquiry* magazine has published a provocative article by Warren Hinckle, former editor of *Ramparts*, apparently revealing how crucial Dan White's homophobia was in his assassinations of gay City Supervisor Harvey Milk and Mayor George Moscone.

Highlights of the article are:

1) Witnesses who would have hurt White's case were not called to testify, including Jim Denman, a former under-sheriff of San Francisco. Denman believed that he was not called because of "political decisions" made by District Attorney Joseph Freitas' office.

"The prosecution did not want to go into the connection between police attitudes toward gay people and Dan White's state of mind," Denman said. "That which was left unsaid was what this trial was about."

2) The press contributed to creating a false impression about White's crime. Denman again: "After the People's Temple violence, the press made immediate connections between what happened and San Francisco's liberalism. But nobody seems to want to make that connection between Dan White and the anti-gay and reactionary side of San Francisco. That never seems to get into the papers."

3) Was the trial fixed?

According to Jack Berman, a prominent San Francisco attorney: "That's strong language. But the prosecution certainly stayed away from certain malcontent aspects of White's background. If anything it would be more of a prejudiced fix."

4) White's homophobia. He religiously voted against gay causes and opposed federal funding for a proposed gay community center in the nation's gayest city. He also voted against closing Polk Street on Halloween because he didn't want to encourage gay people to "do their thing on the street."

According to Dick Pabich, one of Milk's aides,

this was Dan White's attitude: "All the time it was as if he wanted to say, 'you faggot,' but it was like his mother had told him to be nice, and he was straining not to say it."

"He really wanted things to go back to the way they were before gays came to San Francisco. Talking to him, I realized that he saw Harvey and George Moscone as representing all that was wrong with the world."

5) The prosecution's complicity. According to author Hinckle, for the prosecution not to present the evience of White's sexual and political loathings was like going after James Earl Ray without suggesting he hated blacks.

Furthermore, such testimony would have proved malice, motive and premeditation. Lawyers call it establishing a frame of mind.

Instead, the jury heard that Dan White *liked* his gay victims. Ann Kronenberg, another Milk aide, said that Milk tried to get along with Dan White, "but after awhile Dan just stopped talking to him."

6) The prosecution's police connections. "The prosecution was think with an attitude that, loosely translated, is part of the cop mind-set: Why do anything more to one of your own than he has already done to himself?" wrote Hinckle. •

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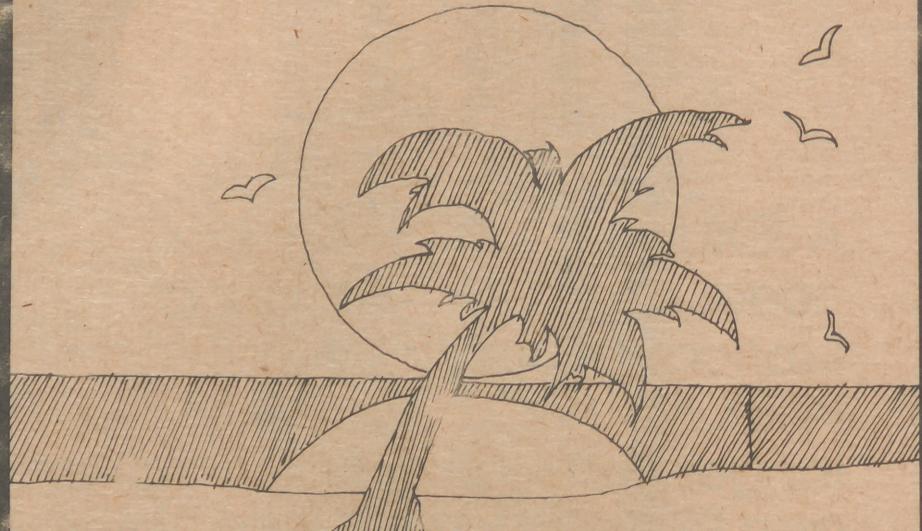
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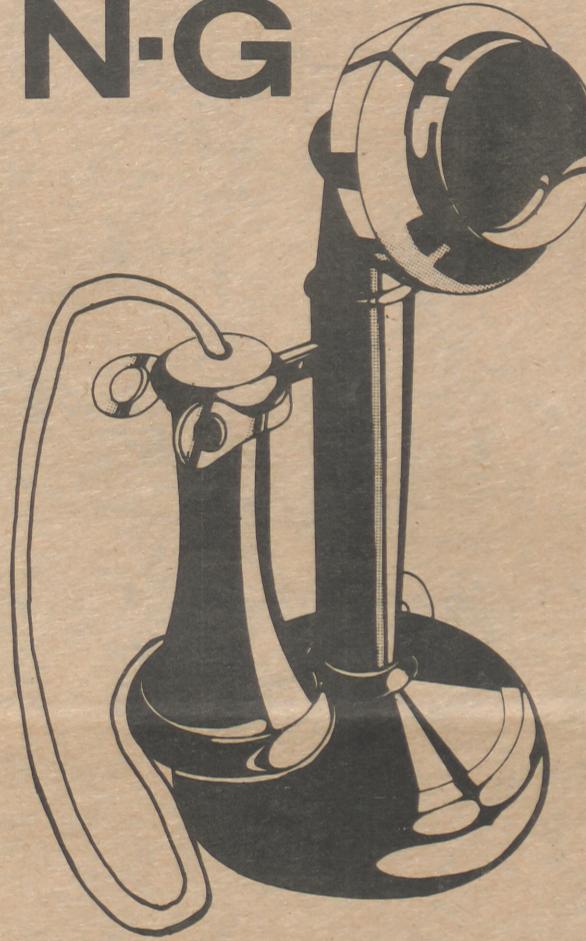
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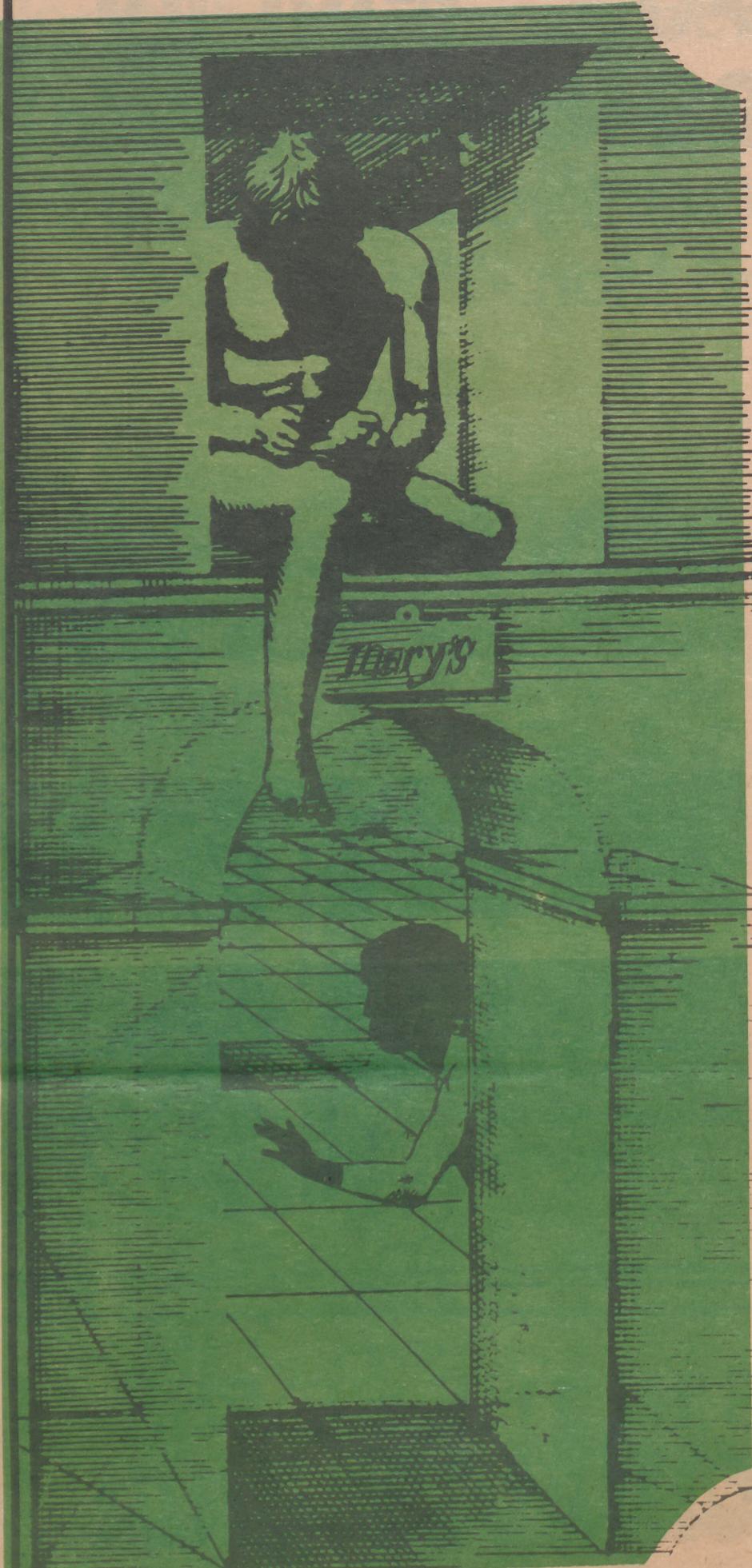
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