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They're predicting 100,000

WASHINGTON — Optimistic promoters of the gay march on the nation's capital are expecting a minimum of 100,000 people for the Oct. 14 event, Houston activist Ray Hill says. Hill was in Washington to give organizers a check for \$2000 from "The Family," a group of Houston gay business and political leaders.

The money was put to immediate use, Hill said, toward getting the platform built for the Sunday afternoon rally.

Washington organizers were particularly impressed with Texas efforts toward the march, which is officially billed as The National March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay Rights. For example, outdoor billboards in Dallas encouraging people to go to the march created a stir

among the D.C. organizers. They said they were expecting a larger contingent of people from Texas for the march than from California.

The bulk of the estimated 100,000 that will attend the march, however, will be

from the nearby and populous upper Eastern Seaboard. A large turnout from California and a larger-than-expected turnout from Texas and the Midwest could put the march well over 100,000, they said.

Meanwhile, a representative for Pope John Paul II said Sept. 18 that they would cancel their planned Mass at the same site seven days before if Austin atheist Madalyn Murray O'Hair wins a court injunction seeking to prevent the Pope from using government facilities for his religious event. A million people are expected on the Capitol Mall for the Pope's appearance, should it come about.

Gay march officials were watching the developments in the Pope's case. ●



First the Pope, then the gays, on the Washington Mall.

Landmark decision in Calif. on "lewd, dissolute" conduct

LOS ANGELES (IGNA) — The California Supreme Court has knocked down the criminal statute that prohibits soliciting for "lewd or dissolute" conduct. The Court had reviewed over seventy years of statutory interpretation and concluded: "The answer of the prior cases — such acts as are lustful, lascivious, unchaste, wanton or loose — is no answer at all."

The Court then totally overruled all of those cases, saying that such statutes are unconstitutional.

The decision arose from a case involving San Francisco resident Don Barry, who, on a visit to Los Angeles, was charged with soliciting another person for a sexual act. Pryor admitted the solicitation and said the sexual act was to be performed in private.

The solicited person turned

out to be a plainclothes officer. Pryor was arrested.

The judges ruled that "even if conduct occurs in a location that is technically a public place . . . the state has little interest in prohibiting that conduct if there are no persons present who may be offended."

According to Dr. Arthur C. Warner, cochairman of the National Committee for Sexual Civil Liberties, "The decision could spell an end to the snooping and spying by plainclothes police on what amounts to adult sexual or affectionate behavior."

"It affects the case in which a couple is caught engaging in intimate contact in a car in lovers' lane when the only person who observes the conduct is a police officer with a flashlight," he added.

"It also could affect the type of sexual harassment exercised

by police for years as a method of building for their departments good arrest statistics, to the detriment of real crime fighting in cases of robbery, rape, assault and other cases important to public safety and welfare," Warner said.

According to Thomas F. Coleman, attorney for Pryor, the decision "constitutes a warning to lower courts in California that constitutional protections cannot be denied homosexuals, nor their rights disrespected."

Finally, in an unusual move, the state Supreme Court gave retroactive effect to its new definitions. Tens of thousands of men previously prosecuted under the statute may be entitled to an overturning of their convictions for solicitation or lewd conduct, thereby eliminating the requirement to register as sex offenders for the rest of their lives. ●



Whoa-a-a. It's just a few days from now and we'll all be on this thing — the 'Greezed Lightnin' at Astro-world, as the amusement park hosts "Montrose-Gay Day," Sunday, Sept. 30, 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Tickets are now on sale at gay clubs throughout Texas and Louisiana. "Montrose-Gay Day" is a project of The Family, a group of gay business and political leaders.

Santa Claus can be gay this year



MONTREAL, Canada (INGA) — Gay Santa Clauses will be allowed in Quebec province department stores this Christmas, according to a ruling by the Quebec Association of Santa Clauses.

The group had previously taken an anti-gay position. Last December, the group's president was reported as saying that the jolly candidates "must be sober, honest and have no homosexual

tendencies."

After many complaints, the organization apparently realized that it was basing its criteria on the false premise that homosexuals, as a group, were child molesters.

The president now says that the association "should rather have expressed its concern that those persons recruited as Santa Clauses be of good moral character." •

Governor suppressing report, says critic

LANSING, Mich. (INGA) — Zolton Ferency, a Michigan State University professor and longtime critic of the prison system, claims that Gov. William G. Milliken suppressed a report on the study of homosexual assaults behind the walls at a state prison.

Aides to Milliken say that while a study of such assaults does exist, it must be kept secret to protect the lives of the inmates at Jackson Prison.

Ferency disagreed. He said that Milliken suppressed the report because "he knew that as governor he's responsible for what goes on in those prisons, and he doesn't want the people of this state to see just how bad those conditions are. It's more convenient for Milliken to hide the facts than do something about them."

The governor's aides claim that young prisoners saw that they had a better chance of being released or reassigned if they could convince a judge that they were in danger and thus made up sexual horror stories.

Perry Johnson, director of the State Corrections Department, although acknowledging that there are some problems with homosexual pressure on

prisoners, said the pressure is mostly verbal and that homosexual rapes are extremely rare.

"A State Police investigation turned up only five verified assaults and we already knew and had reported all five of them. Much of the information in those interviews (with prisoners) is just unconfirmed rumor," Johnson said.

He added that he thought it unlikely that the state can completely eliminate sexual pressures on inmates or even rapes but that these occurrences can be kept to a minimum and are rare at the present time.

"I'm not talking about consensual homosexuality. We don't condone it but we recognize that in a situation like a prison it is going to exist. But I just won't agree with people who say we have a lot of homosexual rapes or sexual extortion," Johnson said.

"All a prisoner who feels threatened has to do is to go to a guard," he said.

Professor Ferency wants the survey released so that facts such as whether the alleged rapists are homosexual or heterosexuals who assume that the "active" role they take is non-homosexual. •

"Joy of Gay Sex" banned in Britain

LONDON (INGA) — Customs and Excises offices in Great Britain have taken a strong dislike to a book called *The Joy of Gay Sex*, a best-seller in the United States.

British customs agents have decided to burn all 500 copies of the book imported by Mitchell Beazley but they released 200

copies of *The Joy of Lesbian Sex*, which they seized for examination at the same time.

Beazley, who is a publisher himself, said he was bewildered at the decision. When the book on lesbian sex was returned to him he thought the book about gay male sex would be too. But it was not.

"Apart from the obvious differences, it's virtually the same book," said the puzzled importer-publisher.

When he heard that *The Joy of Gay Sex* was to be burned, Beazley asked the Customs and Excise office if he could send the "offending" book back to the United States. The ignored his request. •

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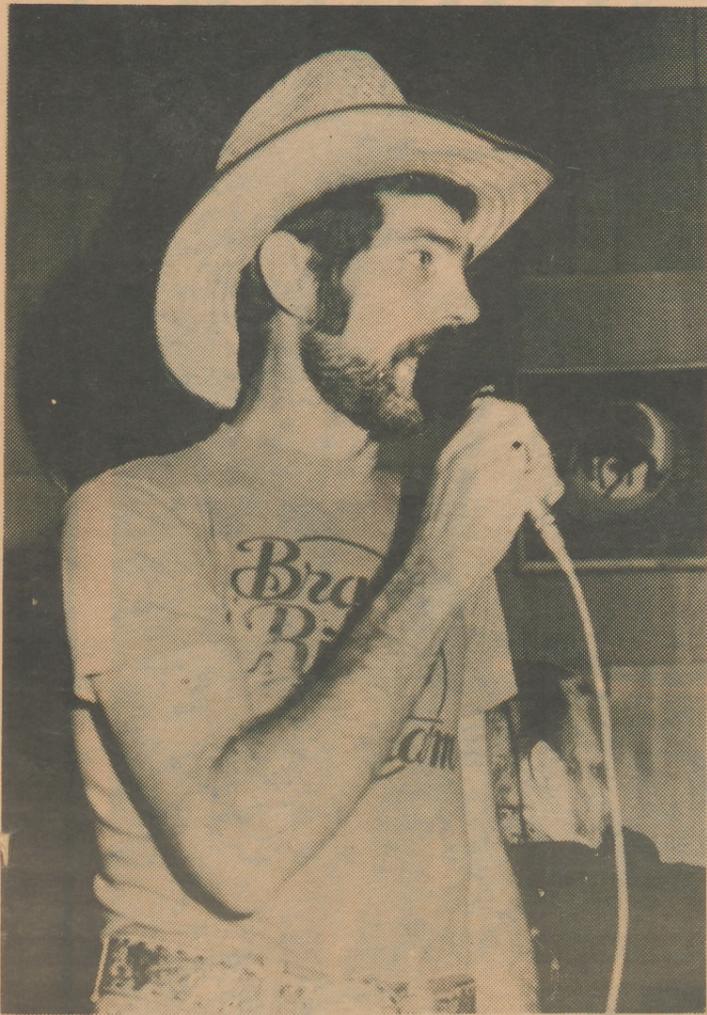


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And for my next number . . .

Singing his heart out here is Ab from the Brazos River Bottom in Houston, which next weekend will host it's second annual country music festival. There'll be two days of continuous country bands.

Montrose is thrown into council district with Rice, Med Center

WASHINGTON — The U.S. Justice Dept. began Sept. 13 reviewing a Houston City Council single-member district plan that puts Montrose together with the Rice University area and the Medical Center area. The plan gives racial minorities a good chance to win three of the nine positions, but not the one Montrose has been joined into.

Minority leaders, however, said that they will ask that the plan not be approved. U.S. Rep. Mickey Leland (whose congressional district includes Mon-

trose) said he expected the Justice Dept. would accept the Council's plan.

Under this plan, Montrose would be included with Rice University area and the Medical Center, along with some outlying areas. It's known as District C and contains an estimated 190,000 population which is believed to be 76% white, 14% black and 10% Hispanic. It is not considered likely that this district would elect a minority candidate but observers believe it could elect a liberal, pro-civil rights candidate. ●

WASHINGTON — Former Florida Gov. Reubin Askew's nomination to be the president's special trade representative was approved Sept. 19 by the Senate Finance Committee despite opposition from gay activist groups.

By unanimous vote, the committee sent the nomination to the full Senate with the recommendation Askew be approved.

Under questioning by the committee, Askew restated a position he took as governor,

saying he would not hire a known homosexual to work in the Cabinet-level trade office.

"To my knowledge, the people I've asked to come on board are heterosexuals," Askew told the Senate Finance Committee Sept. 18.

In subsequent testimony, however, he agreed to follow federal hiring policy, which, according to the Office of Personnel Management, bars employment discrimination based solely on one's preference for a sexual partner. ●

HOUSTON — The police chief's efforts to stop police abuse of civil rights has had little impact on individual officers and local prosecutors do not back him up, witnesses told the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights Sept. 11.

"Much of what is frightening is not at the level of administration. It's on the street," the Rev. Jack McGinnis of Our Lady of St. Johns Catholic Church said.

All-in-all, however, everyone said what was expected at the hearings. Blacks, Hispanics and gay people, along with some middle-class whites, complained about practices of the Houston police department. Representatives of the police, along with middle-class whites and some blacks, defended the actions of policemen and denied that some of the more serious charges were true.

Steve Shiflett, president of the Houston Gay Political Caucus, was among those testifying.

His testimony came on the heels of a fifty-minute meeting he had in Washington earlier in the month with Assistant Attorney General Drew S. Days III, in which Shiflett received assurances that Houston has not been written off as a possible recipient of a lawsuit against the police similar to the one against the Philadelphia police force charging wholesale violations of civil rights.

Shiflett presented Days with details of over 100 instances where gay people have allegedly been abused by Houston police officers.

During Shiflett's testimony before the Civil Rights Commission public hearing in Houston, he told of a case of a man being beaten up inside a gay club by a police officer. The officer, Shiflett said, called the man a "faggot" while he was beating him. Shiflett said medical costs to the victim were \$1400. ●

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ByThe Way

On walking at dawn

By Giles Clark
SPECIAL WRITER

Our civilization runs on clocks, customs and computers.

We have all learned that to be healthy, wealthy and happy, we must eat three meals a day, get eight hours of sleep a night and exercise regularly. If you think otherwise you are advised to see your doctor. The age of the standardized man is here.

Sadly, there is little room left for the Outer Perimeter Man and the person who prefers his or her own wisdom to that prescribed by others. In earlier days such a person could find comfort, solace and sustenance in the wilds of the unsettled west or in Alaska. No longer.

If the picture is bleak, let me point out that there is still some opportunities to live the primitive life. If you have money, the time and the daring, you could travel to some wilderness outpost and pit your strength and cunning against the elements.

Safaris to the remote areas are still possible. There is an easier way and one that is much less expensive and just as rewarding.

Take a walk at dawn.

You will have to get up before sunrise and the only equipment that you will need is some warm clothes and a sturdy pair of walking shoes. Don't bother with the coffee. It will taste even better when you return.

The sun has been peeking over the horizon since time began but the miracle is still there. It's the same old sun and the men and women who saw it ten thousand years ago saw nothing different than what we see now.

It breaks differently every day; there is nothing monotonous about a sunrise. Sometimes it's a big red ball. Other times it's preceded by what looks like long, slender, rosy colored icicles in the sky.

Sometimes it doesn't appear at all. That's alright too because you know it's there anyway.

As you walk along you will discover that there is a special kind of quietness, of peacefulness that permeates every bone of your body. You may hear the birds rustling about as they begin their early morning chores and as the miracle of dawn subsides the traffic may become heavier as the day's work begins.

Walking at dawn is an experience that is available to everybody. Don't miss it. ●

Horoscope

Here's your star forecast

LIBRA — Get the dirty work out early in the day tomorrow. Wash the dishes, the clothes, make the bed, whatever it is you have to do. Because later in the day your hands may be full with something much more enjoyable. You'll see. P.S.: Be careful about bumping into people over the next few days. Someone is waiting for you.

SCORPIO — A Libra is going to bump into you, literally. Say excuse me, and then say, "Are you from around here?" Don't let this one slip by.

SAGITTARIUS — Stress quality from now until your birthday, a couple of months from now. Go home with just the best. Be ever-so-slightly aggressive and you'll get the best. You have plenty of time to sample quite a few. Maybe you'll decide who to keep for your birthday present.

CAPRICORN — My, my. You were such a swish last weekend. What did you have, a nellie attack? This weekend though you're changing. It's going to be your butchiest ever. Perhaps.

AQUARIUS — Self-control is necessary for the next few days. Try not to overindulge too much with alcohol or other stimulants. Save your energy for the March on Washington. (You ARE going, aren't you?) However, you may indulge in the great gay pastime, sex, as much as you please with no harm. Wonderful!

PISCES — Someone self-employed may give you some good advice between now and the next time you read the Star's horoscope.

You're the sign of the fish and we know you not just full of water. You proved that last weekend with your openminded attitude. The advice you're going to get ain't going to be fishy.

ARIES — Be especially careful with words during the next few days. You might say something you don't mean and it might be heard by someone you don't want to hear it. They'll get ideas. You'll get a swat on your cute fanny. Well, maybe that won't be so bad after all.

TAURUS — Did anyone ever tell you what a tiger you are. Well, it's no bull. Try clawing around a little harder this week. Sink your teeth into someone hot. Grrrrrr.

GEMINI — Working conditions for you are going to be great the remainder of September, perhaps beyond. Take advantage of good feelings broadcast by most everyone around you. And radiate those vibes yourself.

MOONBABY — Your next trip to the disco . . . watch out. Someone you'd never have expected is thinking about making a pass. Be on your toes and urge that goodlooking fool on. On to you.

LEO — A friendly neighbor may try to flood you with gossip. You'll hear some juicy bits and possibly some items you can put to use personally. But beware. It's just gossip.

VIRGO — Now let's talk about your sex life. When was the last time you invited someone home? When was the last time YOU were invited home? Recently? Good. I thought so. Maybe there's hope for you yet. ●

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PEOPLE FROM ALL OVER WILL ATTEND MONTROSE- GAY DAY AT ASTROWORLD

EXTRA

HOUSTON — The whole cotton-picking state of Texas (everyone who is gay, anyway) will be at Astroworld Amusement Park here on Sunday afternoon, Sept. 30, for "Montrose-Gay Day."

Louisiana will be here too. It's to be a six-hour party from 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Tickets are \$9.25 each and available from gay clubs and businesses throughout Texas and Louisiana.

The event is sponsored by THE FAMILY, a group of Houston gay business and political leaders.

Montrose-Gay Day at Astroworld marks the second major event for THE FAMILY. They

previously held a very successful "Labor Day Gay Fest" on Lovett Blvd. in Houston which raised over \$4000, \$2000 of which was donated to the National March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay Rights.

Part of the remainder of the funds are being used to help finance the Montrose Patrol, a peace-keeping group in the city that works to keep undesirables from harrasing the fine gay citizens of Montrose.

Come and enjoy yourself next Sunday, Sept. 30, at Astroworld. But BUY YOUR TICKET IN ADVANCE. They're going fast.

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(*Although it is Montrose-Gay Day, the park will still be open to regular visitors. So, heavens, there will be some straights [gasp!] there to party with us.)



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From left to right, Jerry Reed, Dom DeLuise, Suzanne Pleshette, Luis Avalos, Ossie Davis.



DeLuise gasps as precious gasoline pours from storage tank in this scene from “Hot Stuff.”

HOT STUFF, rated PG. Released by Columbia Pictures. Executive Producer Paul Maslansky. Produced by Mort Engelberg. Directed by Dom DeLuise. Written by Michael Kane and Donald E. Westlake. Starring DeLuise and Suzanne Pleshette with Jerry Reed, Ossie Davis and Luis Avalos.

By Seth Cagin
FILM CRITIC

Dom DeLuise is a master of unpretentious, workmanlike

comedy. He doesn't try anything too fancy and you can see his jokes coming a mile off, but he almost always hits the target.

DeLuise plays fair, in that he never demeans his characters and he remains eternally good-natured. He's so consistent that he doesn't have to be original to be funny. Still, DeLuise is undeniable middle-brow. He won't appeal to everyone.

The role DeLuise plays in *Hot*

Stuff is perfect for him. He's a cop named Ernie who, 49 days short of his retirement, finds himself part of an innovative police scheme to bust burglars by setting up a fencing operation.

Ernie's only thought is to reach his retirement day intact, after twenty years on the force. Plunged into a dangerous undercover operation, he's a bundle of raw nerves.

His cohorts are a beautiful

woman cop, Louise (Suzanne Pleshette) and his regular partners, good ole boy Doug (played by country and western singing star Jerry Reed) and a Cuban Cop, Ramon (Luis Avalos).

These four cops are so unassuming in their manner — totally unlike a Bullitt or a Kojak — that it's easy to see how they trick every hood in town into thinking they're a legitimate fencing operation. When the burglars troop in to unload their

merchandise, they are photographed for future courtroom evidence.

The parade of weirdos in the cops' secret fencing operation fuels the comedy. One of the film's central jokes is that crooks come in all shapes and sizes. Little old ladies, kids, college-types, hoods, bums, rich people — all get into the act. The movie's overall effect is vaude-villiam, as each character or set of characters marches in to do their shtick with DeLuise and company.

Offsetting the rather benign view of criminality that many of these skits convey are a couple of incidents involving really tough gangsters, in which Ernie and friends are truly endangered. As dicey as things get, however, DeLuise never abandons his sense of humor.

Ultimately, *Hot Stuff* emerges as a thoroughly unexceptional entertainment, and as such it can't be enthusiastically praised. Yet there's something to be said in favor of the way Dom DeLuise routinely goes about his business of making people laugh.

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Houston gay community center is alive and well

"The Montrose Activity Center is alive and well," reports Bill Ramsey, MAC's chairperson of the board of directors.

Even though the building is being renovated, the minor inconveniences of a misplaced paint bucket or a few half-painted walls is not keeping many gay groups from using the building.

"We've been in operation about a year," reflects Ramsey. "And I would say that just about every night of the week there is another group using a part of the facilities. Right now the Montrose Players are presenting *Women Behind Bars* at the building. The Church of Christ, GPC, Gay Data Processors and numerous social groups are making use of the facilities."

The building contains approximately 18,000 square feet of floor space. Of the two floors, the first contains several large meeting rooms. The second floor, which formally contained residential apartments, is being converted to office spaces.

"We have fourteen gay organizations to make use of the second floor," says Ramsey. It is in various stages of remodeling."

Most of the labor and much of the materials are donated. Saturday at 10:00 a.m. volunteers meet at the center, at the corner of Holman and La Branch, with each volunteer contributing in his or her own way.

"The work is coming along great," stresses Ramsey. "We are already performing a terrific service to the community. With more volunteer support I think we'd have a fantastic community center for the gay people of Houston."

According to Ramsey, support needed by the center should come in the form of both skilled and unskilled capacities.

Both material and labor, like paint, painting, fixing up and

cleaning up, "are great," says Ramsey. "But it's going to take even more than that for us to have a first class community center. Right now the Center needs air conditioning, heating things, on that order. We can't expect someone to completely donate an air conditioning system to us. We've had to have an electrician come in and do some work as well as plumbers. All of this costs money."

Ramsey says the Center needs volunteers interested in fund raising, to plan portions of the renovation, help manage the building, lawyers, publicity people, basically volunteers in every stage of the project.

And Ramsey is optimistic the volunteer help will come through.

"I can see the day when the Montrose Activity Center will compare with those I've seen in

other cities. It will house a VD clinic, job placement service, and much, much more."

People interested in volunteering their services to MAC can call Bill Ramsey at 521-1254. Groups interested in using the facilities at the Center can call 528-6333.

"I can look back over the last year and be very proud of the center," concludes Ramsey. I remember one of the first

meetings of the Gay Rights Coordinating Council. It was about thirty degrees in there. We all wore our heavy coats and forty of us sat for two hours in that freezing room. The Center has come a long way since then." With additional volunteer support, in the form of bucks, labor and materials, the Center promises to become a relevant part of every gay person in the Houston area. ●

"Flap over MAC should never have happened"

HOUSTON — "What this is doing is dragging the Houston gay community through legal fees, legal hassles. There is no way they are going to foreclose."

This is the response of Bill Ramsey, chairperson of the board of directors for the Montrose Activity Center, when questioned about the foreclosure attempt by the building's lienholder, Gary Hoy.

Bill explains the foreclosure attempt this way:

"On or about the seventeenth of July, this past summer, we mailed in our monthly payment to the lienholder (Hoy)." Ramsey says on July 30 the

2 articles on this page about M.A.C. were written for the Montrose Star

By Bill Lubing

check was returned to MAC. The Center had since learned of Hoy's plan to foreclose on the property.

"At this point we went to court and obtained a temporary restraining order. We then sent in the July and August payments for the property. The result was the same — Hoy would not accept payment. His intention to foreclose was clear.

"We went back to court and obtained a temporary injunction against the lienholder. The question in court was

whether we were one or two days late with the payment or eleven days late. The judge said that one or two days late was more evident, so he granted the injunction."

Ramsey says some interesting points were brought up in the court session.

From testimony at the case it came to light Hoy has entered into a contract to sell the building where MAC is located, at a substantial profit. Hoy could sell the property if MAC was forced into foreclosure.

The land in the Holman/La Branch vicinity is tremendously increasing in value, at least partly because of purchases by Houston Community College in the area. The college is purchasing the land across from MAC, presently housing a high school. A total of five tracts of land have been purchased by the college, at a total cost of \$765,000.

"Using these figures," explains Ramsey, "HCC paid \$11.68 per square-foot of land in the 1.5 acre purchase. The Montrose Activity Center rests on around 18,750 square-feet. The purchase price for this land, if sold at the same rate HCC is paying, would come to \$219,000." Ramsey stresses, "This is for the land only! Hoy sold us the Montrose Activity

Center for around \$155,000 about a year ago." Ramsey says downtown real estate is presently enjoying a tremendous boom in value.

"Hoy already made good money on the land," says Ramsey. "He bought the building and land where MAC is located for around \$49,000. He sold it for around \$155,000. Now apparently he wants to sell it again."

Ramsey says there is "no way" Hoy will be allowed to retain full control of the property.

"The injunction runs out in December," Ramsey explains. "At that time it is possible Hoy will appeal and try to foreclose. If he should choose to do that we'll seek a jury trial. We have hardly begun to exhaust our line of appeals on this issue."

"But, if push came to shove, and by some way or another foreclosure threatened us the money to pay off the balance of the lien could be secured." Ramsey says this would be possible through loans made to MAC by individuals in the gay community. In July, when the issue first surfaced, Ramsey says enough people came forward, willing to loan money, "that getting the money to pay off the balance, if we have to, has already been assured." ●

Hot Shot

Photo by Gregory



The "Andrew Sisters" seen recently at Dirty Sally's in Houston

On Broadway

People, places and things in the Big Apple

By Ray Wilson
SOCIAL REPORTER

NEW YORK — WINDOW ON BROADWAY: Maggie Smith comes to B'Way in Tom Stoppard's production of *Night and Day* Nov. 26. Irene Worth will star in Edward Albee's new play, *The Lady from Dubuque*, opening on B'Way also this fall. It will be produced by Lester Osterman and Richard Barr and is directed by Alan Schneider. . . . A new production of *West Side Story* returns to the big Street in February. . . . The theater booking jam has already started and at the present time the Lunt Fontanne is occupied

by Peter Pan but should be handling Stoppard's *Night and Day* (see above), which is planning to grab that location.

There are six other Nederlander theaters — four are currently occupied and the two remaining — the Mark Hellinger is awaiting the arrival of next month of Ann Miller-Mickey Rooney's burlesque show, *Sugar Babies*, and the Palace is being held for the December arrival of *Oklahoma* and unfortunately the set for *Night and Day* was constructed for Lunt Fontanne — so Peter Pan may have to swing from a new limb soon. . . . *Show Boat*, the Broadway hit, is making its

first national tour of 88 cities in over thirty years. The new production of Jerome Kern-Oscar Hammerstein II classic is being produced by Gingerbread Prod, starring Forrest Tucker and Butterfly McQueen.

DOLLY PARTON makes her film debut as a secretary in November, co-starring with Jane Fonda and Lily Tomlin in *Nine to Five*. . . . Barry Nelson just finished directing two plays at Resorts International in Atlantic City. Barry told friends that the suite he had at the hotel was so big that if the phone rang in one of the rooms, by the time he

could run over to answer it from another room, it would stop ringing. . . . Frank Sinatra will be the recipient of the World Mercy Funds Vivere Award at the Waldorf, Oct. 12, followed by a big benefit show for the Memorial Sloane-Kettering Cancer Center, Oct. 28, at the Met. They expect to gross a million from this affair.

'ROUNDTOWN: Art D'Lygoff, owner of the Village Gate, who was among the first to present Woody Allen, Richard Pryor, etc., will start a new venture with an all black vaude-

ville show called *One Mo' Time*, opening Oct. 20. . . . When Henny Youngman opened his violin case after dining at Wong Foo's China Bowl, "in the heart of the theater district," he was asked what he was going to do. "Oh," said Henny, "just fiddle around."

MARIO PUZIO is asking an all-time high for his next book and getting it — \$2.25 million. . . . Circus, eleven-year-old musical weekly, is bankrupt, but will try to continue publishing. . . . Fashion designer Oleg Cassini, branching out into jewelry and perfume biz. ●

First a word on Connally, then on personal attitudes

DALLAS — Forget all I said in this space several weeks back about Republican presidential candidate John Connally endorsing gay rights. What he said here this past weekend shows he knows little of reality.

Connally sharply attacked the U.S. Justice Dept. for its criminal suit against Philadelphia and, by inference, criticized federal investigations of police in other cities, such as his hometown of Houston.

Connally attacked "politically muddled do-gooders" who believe "police officers are dangerous, police brutality is a daily and continuing creed . . ."

Mr. Connally: Police brutality is a daily and continuing creed. And since it is such in a major metropolitan area like Houston, think what it must be like in thousands of smaller cities where there's likely to be less public outrage.

Did you see *Lou Grant* on TV this past week. Remember the attitude of the gay cop's partner early in the show. That cop's attitude was mild. Many cops do not just express their homophobic (or racist, or whatever) attitude with words, such as he did. They express it with brute force. Which causes, in many cases, permanent scars.

Well, enough this week about the flaws with policemen and the flaws of John Connally. On to the series we started last week called "The Self-Value Key," reprinted with permission of H.S. and Associates. This week's subject: Developing the proper attitude.

The single most important cornerstone in the building of your self-value key to success is a self-confident attitude.

Without this attitude, all other efforts will meet with eventual failure. Each person literally creates his own environment, his mental, emotional and physical states by those attitudes with which he lives.

Let's take the "threat" out of

the word attitudes by defining the word in a positive context. Attitudes are actually nothing more than habits of thinking. Remember, at this point, that just as all habits were acquired, so all habits can be adjusted, shifted, discarded or completely remolded.

The entire world can be divided into two groups — those who are the victims of their attitudes and those who are the masters of their attitudes. For every individual it's a personal choice.

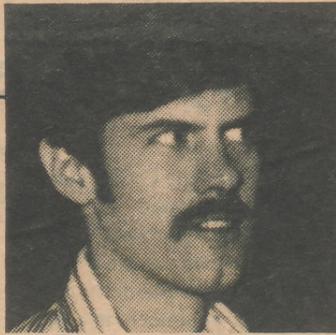
Changes in attitudes come about through the effort of internal understanding and self-value building. Man is the only known creature on this Earth who can reshape and remold himself by altering his attitude. Man is the master mechanic who can retool his thinking.

Just how do you reshape attitudes? You examine them by first getting in touch with the feelings that color your thinking — the feelings that warp what is objectively true. You question yourself as to the productivity of your present attitudes. You question their origins. Then you acknowledge that you do not need to retain the mistaken viewpoints.

You seize that which is true, you hang on to it, you allow only positive feelings to creep into the formula and at every stage each decision is consciously yours. You actively and positively choose your future.

The test of your personal self-motivation and discipline lays in the degree to which you are able to question the negative and develop the healthy attitudes toward yourself.

You will find your positive attitudes rooted in calm, crystal-clear and truthful self-confidence. Your increased understanding of yourself will be obvious in your growing and strengthening attitudes. Success in achieving one's pre-determined goals will follow because success is the result of attitude — not aptitude.



Where you are now and what you are now is the direct result of the dominating thoughts that occupy your mind. From this point in time, choose your thoughts wisely. Each person makes his own choices, including his choices of attitudes. As you choose, so the remainder of your life will be.

Letters to the Editor

Write us with your views about any subject of interest to the gay community

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No gay priests for Episcopalians

DENVER — More than 100 delegates to the Episcopal Church's 66th General Convention signed

a statement Sept. 19 opposing the church's decision to prohibit the ordination of "practicing homosexuals," a spokesman for the movement told UPI.

Lay and clerical delegates to the convention approved the resolution the night before, following similar action by the House of Bishops one day earlier.

The resolution says it would be "inappropriate" for the three-million-member church group to ordain practicing homosexuals or anyone who engages in heterosexual acts outside marriage.

Twenty-one bishops and 86 clergy and lay delegates signed the "statement of conscience" opposing the resolution.

The statement said the signers "give notice as we are answerable before almighty God that

we cannot accept these recommendations or implement them in our diocese."

John Lawrence, the president of Integrity, a national organization for gay Episcopalians, promised the issue was not dead.

Lawrence said, "They've cut off a whole group of people from the church. Many people in Integrity will feel rejected, devastated. Some will feel, 'Why stay with the church?' How can a gay clergy person have an effective ministry with this (resolution) on the books?"

The debate over the ordination of gay priests was the most heated issue discussed by the delegates, lasting over five hours.

The anti-gay vote was 60-39 among the clergy, with thirteen dioceses divided, and 71-27 among the lay member groups, with thirteen also divided. ●

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GayAmerica

Major notable gay events scheduled in America over the next few months:

Sept. 30: Blueboy magazine's "Man of the Year" contest at Madison Square Garden, New York City. Entrants were selected in advance from regional contests.

Sept. 30: Gay Day at Astro-world in Houston, 1:00-8:00 p.m. Tickets available at Houston gay businesses. Info: (713) 529-8188.

Oct. 1-31: "Octoberfest in Key West," a month-long celebration. Info: 1-800-327-9191, ext. 626 (in Florida, call 1-800-432-7999, ext. 626).

Oct. 5: Full moon celebrations at many clubs.

Oct. 13: Assorted celebrations in Washington, D.C. on the eve of the gay march.

Oct. 13-15: Third World Gay Caucus convention in Washington, D.C.

Oct. 14: Gay businesspeople's breakfast in Washington, D.C., prior to the march.

Oct. 14: "National March on Washington (D.C.) for Lesbian and Gay Rights," Capitol grounds. Info: New York City (212) 924-2970, Washington (202) 789-1070, Houston (713) 523-6969, San Francisco (415) 626-9880, Miami (305) 754-008, Boston (617) 354-1755, Baltimore (301) 366-8548, Detroit (313) 863-7255 or Denver (303) 861-1163.

Oct. 14: "Lone Star Uprising" at Sam Houston Park in Houston, 3:00 p.m., for those unable to attend Washington march.

Oct. 15: National Lobbying Day with gay people urged to contact their local lawmakers while in Washington for the march.

Oct. 31: Halloween, "THE national gay holiday," to be celebrated at virtually every gay club in America.

NOTE: Keep the Montrose Star posted on other events you think should be included in this list. Write: Montrose Star, POB 70282, Houston TX 77007. Or call (713) 529-8188.

Farley



State wants Feds out of porn case

NEW ORLEANS — Texas Attorney General Mark White asked the Fifth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals Sept. 19 to stay out of the legal fight over the state's new anti-pornography law.

White said in the brief the controversy has no legal issue that cannot be settled by state courts.

White maintained that the suit filed for Red Bluff Drive Inc. does not deal with something which has happened but instead "can only complain of possible future prosecutions." It is, therefore, not a federal case, White said.

The new law increases the penalties for selling books, materials and sex devices, which the law defines as obscene, and simplifies prosecution of those cases.

A temporary order suspending enforcement of the law was issued by the appeals court on an appeal filed after a U.S. District court in Houston rejected a suit attacking the constitutionality of the law.

Associated Press wrote Sept. 20 that it expected there would be an appeals court ruling soon on whether there should be a federal trial of the case. ●

Cookin'

Spending too much? Here's a low-cost veal dinner

By Lori Jones
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Too much of everybody's budget seems to go for food these days. Here are some ideas that might help you during those awful moments when the check-out rings up the final, threatening total.

About those offers of so many cents off the regular price — some of these are sucker deals. Often they are on expensive new products such as dessert toppings or expensive brands of coffees. Maybe blends of coffee with some other flavoring. *U.S. Consumer* publication told about one coupon offer of 25 cents off a 59-cent can of scalloped potatoes in cream sauce. The result was one serving of potatoes for 34 cents!

Whenever possible, you'll

save money by doing your own cooking. So called "convenience" food costs you a lot for what you end up getting. For instance, one brand of frozen chicken chow mein has three per cent chicken! Frozen fish sticks are about half fish; frozen breaded shrimp has only 30 per cent shrimp — the rest is breading and water. "TV dinners" cost you three times as much as preparing the same dishes yourself. Frozen beef patties cost you more than twice as much as patties you shape yourself.

Prices are usually reasonable on veal. Of course the way to really save big on veal is by stewing veal. Of course the way to really save big on veal is to buy stewing veal. These cuts are low in cost, shoulder veal of for example. It is also high in

nutrition.

Remember, any boned veal may be cut up and used for stewing if the cartilage has been cut away. Here's one of the best recipes there is for low-cost veal stew meat. It's not very low in calories — but then, I can't win 'em all.

VEAL ITALIANO CON PEPPERS

This recipe serves four but this is an easy one to cut in half when it's dinner for two.

- 2 pounds veal stew meat
- 2 cups tomato puree
- 1 cup water
- 2 (medium-sized) onions, sliced
- 2 packets of instant chickenbroth
- 2 garlic cloves, minced
- 1 teaspoon basil
- 1 teaspoon oregano
- 4 green peppers (medium-sized)

Cut meat in one-inch cubes and brown in preheated nonstick skillet. Remove the meat and wipe the pan perfectly clean.

Return the veal to the skillet and add the remaining ingredients except the green peppers. Cover and cook over low heat for 45 minutes.

During this time, cut the green peppers in half-inch strips. Add the green peppers, cover and cook for another ten minutes — or until both the veal and the peppers are tender.

If you must total up the calories in this dish, each serving comes out to over 400 calories. Yet, this is still one of the lowest calorie veal recipes around.

So buy the veal now and freeze it; then make this dish for a special occasion. Everyone needs a break sometime. ●

New officers picked for Executive & Professional Assoc.

HOUSTON — The Executive and Professional Association of Houston elected Bert Hollister, local merchant and *Montrose Star* co-owner, president at its Sept. 18 meeting. The group is composed of professional people

with an interest in the Montrose community.

Steve Norvell of J. Ross Realty was elected vice-president, Eric Liston, a private investor, was elected treasurer,

and Roy Cunningham was chosen secretary.

Bill Ramsey, chairman of the board of directors of the Montrose Activity Center and the first president of EPAH, was appointed parliamentarian.

Hollister said EPAH was soon to undertake various civic and charity projects as it "continues in the effort to promote professionalism and the advancement of business" in the community. ●

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Gay Air Force nurse says he'll fight the military "on behalf of other gay people"

FAYETTEVILLE, N.C. (IGNA) — Capt. Robert N. Coronado, a flight nurse at Pope Air Force Base and a six-year veteran, says he will fight his expulsion from the military for homosexuality.

Coronado was quoted in the daily *Raleigh News and Observer* as saying, "I hope my case gives more of them (gay people) the courage to stand up and say, 'I'm not going to take this . . . I'm going to fight.'"

In addition to being in dan-

ger of separation from the service for homosexuality alone, Coronado faces a court-martial because he has been accused of forcible sodomy by Spec. 4 Jonathan Heaton of the 82nd Airborne Division at Ft. Bragg. Heaton claims Coronado drugged and raped him in Coronado's apartment after picking him up as a hitchhiker and taking him to a gay bar.

Coronado admitted in a sworn statement that he had

"oral and anal" sex with Heaton but he denied that force was involved.

"I believe I can demonstrate in court that it was physically impossible for the act to take place without (Heaton's) consent," Coronado said.

Heaton has failed to appear at four consecutive court hearings.

Faced with legal fees of more than \$7000, Coronado has appealed to the public for support. The Coronado Defense

Organization was formed in Fayetteville to publicize his case as a human rights issue, and the ACLU is investigating to determine whether it should become involved.

Coronado, meanwhile, has filed a \$1 million malicious defamation lawsuit against Heaton alleging financial loss, mental anguish and the loss of his military career.

"What gives me the most heartache is seeing how overtly

the military has denied me due process of law because of my homosexuality," Coronado said. "I also feel badly for my fellow homosexuals in the service. I've met a lot of them, at embassy parties and bars, and I think they probably suffer more homophobic reaction than do straights."

"I hope my case will give other homosexuals the courage to stand up for their rights," he concluded.

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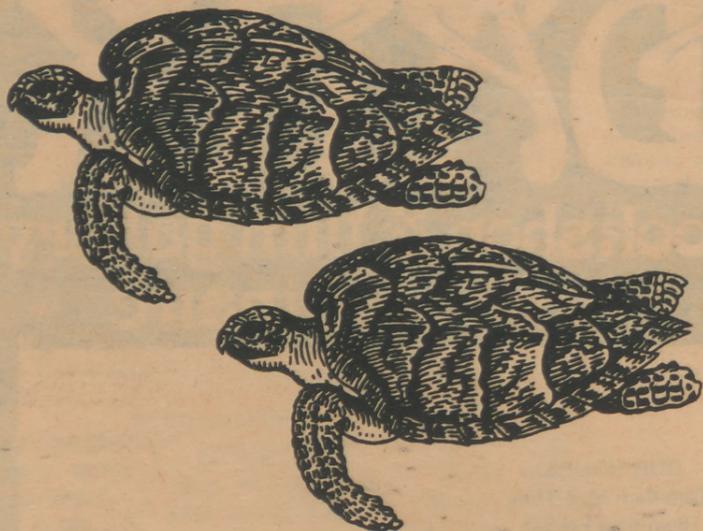
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ADVICE COLUMNIST

Dear Stanley: I have never had a lover and I am 28. I really do want one. Why does everyone else I know seem to be able to get a lover except me? I have such dreams of a wonderful love affair.

(signed) Lonesome

Dear Lonesome: Maybe it is you, maybe not. If you are looking for a knight on a white horse, he does not exist. If you are looking for a thirty-day affair, that isn't love. If your friends are staying in love, they are having a lovely affair. So it may be hard to say, just depending on your total point of view. Seek not the perfect. Look deep into the person who has more total virtue points than vice points. Be sure you tip the scales in the same direction. I hope you two meet soon.

One more tip - remember that aloneness is far better than loneliness. There is a difference. Let me know if you don't already know the difference.

Dear Stanley: I have been gay for most of my adult life, about six years. I have no tolerance for drag queens and nelligs. Why can't a gay man act like a man?

(signed) A Man

Dear Man: I think the key word in your statement is "tolerance." No lifestyle appeals to everyone. Lots of straight men may not think of you as a man, but I'm sure you are! BE SURE as a man, you are not putting on what another may call, "A Butch Act." Be tolerant. Life is not an act; it is a fact, so live it well! Lots of happiness to you - and to all.

Dear Stanley: I feel that I need to go to a shrink. Not because I'm gay. Because I feel I can better myself in life. Can you recommend one that is good, and affordable?

(signed) Slightly Mixed

Dear Tom Mixed: Better yourself in what way? Job position? Personality? Some other way? Whatever, do not just pick a "shrink" in the Yellow Pages and go. Not all are good, but many are. What is "affordable?" \$20. \$50. The best thing I can say to you with no information (except that you write from Houston) is to contact the Montrose Counseling Center. They are qualified to direct you and to determine what you can afford to pay for counseling. If you'd rather, you might talk to Crisis Hot Line. Thank you for asking. Many people do need to know where and how to seek help. Keep smiling. Good Luck! You just may be better in life than you realize!

(Editor's note: Got a question for Stanley. All subjects covered: social, medical, legal. Write Stanley, c/o Montrose Star, P.O.B. 70282, Houston, TX 77007.

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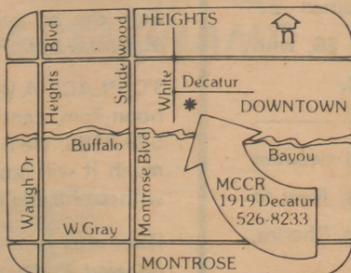
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"Astroworld Fever" starts to catch

By Phil Slusser
COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE
HOUSTON — As you read this, there are less than ten days until Montrose Gay Day at Astroworld. This weekend, many clubs will have ticket-selling parties and specials. So carry an extra \$9.25 around with you while on the town this weekend and pick up an Astroworld ticket at any of a dozen loca-

tions, which are listed on page 3. (Or, pick up two tickets, 'cause you know you're going to be taking a friend — and the tickets are going fast.)

(Check the ads in this week's paper and you'll see some of the specials that clubs are having.)

Now — once we're all at Astroworld next Sunday (Sept. 30), we've got a few rules.

Remember, we're going to be on display there as representatives of the gay community. (Hell, we're not only going to be representative of the gay community, we're going to be the whole gay community.) We're out to make a good impression — so-o-o-o everybody must wear clothes. No, seriously, I mean pants, shoes AND shirt. That's Astroworld rules they laid down



to us when we approached them about this several months back. And leave your "high" at home too, please. No poppers and no dope. Let's have a fun and sober time — then, after it's all over, around 8:00 p.m., we can hit all the Montrose Watering Holes and continue the celebration — knowing that we're going to be invited back next year.

Now, on to other news. The Montrose Patrol continues to make a good name for itself, and crime in the area is DEFINITELY DOWN. Support these people. They're volunteering their time to help you from being mugged or robbed while in OUR neighborhood. And if you're interested in joining the Montrose Patrol, see Andy Mills at Mary's or Jim Erwin at Dirty Sally's.

In a couple of weeks, Oct. 6, the Texas Gay Task Force will be having a community-wide fundraiser. Be looking out for that.

Integrity/Houston, a social and fellowship organization, will begin a "community coffee house" at 3405 Mulberry, at Hawthorne, 7:00-11:00 p.m., Friday nights only, for now. It's an alternative for those who want to socialize but don't like the bar scene. They have films, games, and (most important) potential friends for you. It's being sponsored jointly with the Wesleyan Fellowship for Gay United Methodists, but don't get them wrong. You don't have to be "regilious" to visit. It's strictly a social event, not a religious one.

Integrity is also having a "Pre-March on Washington" celebration and covered dish social on Oct. 6, two weeks from now, at the same above location, Saturday, 7:30 p.m. Phone 529-7014.

The Executive and Professional Association of Houston, a

group whose purpose is to promote business and professionalism in the Montrose community, has elected Bert Hollister president. Bert's a local merchant and co-owner of this newspaper. He says the EPAH is always looking for new members and, if interested, you can call them at 789-1074 for more information. They meet on the third Tuesday of each month for cocktails, dinner and business. Reservations are required 48 hours in advance.

The Rev. John E. Kirkland has resigned as assistant pastor at the Church of Christian Faith to seek his own pulpit and the group there wish him the best. The Rev. Jeanne Legett continues as the capable pastor.

Last Sunday in our great city, Mary's had a benefit for the Metropolitan Community Church and raised \$1500. That's a lot of dough.

The MCCR, by the way, is having its Parish Festival this weekend at the church, 1919 Decatur. It runs Friday evening and all day Saturday. There'll be a carnival atmosphere with good food, drinks, games, and entertainment, including illusionist Steve Harrington with a daring straight jacket, water escape act.

A highlight of the MCCR Festival is the drawing for the pickup truck. Feminist Nikki van Hightower will draw the winning ticket on Saturday at 5:00 p.m., and tickets can be purchased right up till Nikki sticks her hand into the jar.

All proceeds from the MCCR Festival goes to help pay for a new air conditioning system.

Don't miss the Second Annual Country Music Festival at the Brazos River Bottom, next week, Saturday and Sunday. Continuous live entertainment both days 2:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m. And cowboys all over the place.

Houston Gay Writers are set to meet Oct. 1, 6:30 p.m., at the Spirit Cafe. More info from Barney at 861-3451. ●

Disco

16-year-old France Joli still number one

The Montrose Star surveyed the major gay discos in America and determined that these were the top songs as of Sept. 20, 1979 (listings in larger typestyle are ten fastest chart risers of the week):

this week	last week	title	artist
1	1	"France Joli" LP	France Joli
2	12	Groove Me	Fern Kinney
3	5	Found a Cure	Ashford & Simpson
4	2	The Boss	Diana Ross
5	18	Pow Wow/Green Light	Cory Daye
6	4	Get Up and Boogie	Freddie James
7	17	Stand Up, Sit Down	AKB
8	9	The Break	Katman Du
9	8	This Time Baby	Melba Moore
10	3	The Main Event	Barbra Streisand
11	7	Don't Stop Till You Get Enough	Michael Jackson
12	11	I've Got the Next Dance	Deniece Williams
13	21	Move On Up	Destination
14	6	Here Comes That Sound Again	Love DeLuxe
15	16	Good Times	Chic
16	13	Gimme Back My Love	Sister Power
17	10	When You Wake Up Tomorrow	Candi Staton
18	14	H.A.P.P.Y. (Radio)	Edwin Starr

19	26	Born to Be Alive	Patrick Hernandez
20	19	People Come Dance	Holt & Starluv
21	15	Never Gonna Be the Same	Ruth Waters
22	-	Fantasy	Bruni Pagan
23	-	Put Your Body In It	Stephanie Mills
24	-	Pop Muzak	Factor M
25	28	"Keep Those Lovers Dancin'"	LP - Saturday Night
Band			
26	20	Want Ads/Stars	Ullanda
27	-	Best Beat in Town	Switch
28	27	Put Your Feet to the Beat	Ritchie Family
29	-	Get Up and Boogie	Leroy Gomez
30	-	"Bad Girls" LP	Donna Summer

The Twelve-Inch scene:

Melba Moore has the surprise twelve-incher of the week and probably of the year with the release of "Miss Thing" on Epic. It's a semi-funky tune with everything from unique lyrics to a clever horn sound.

The record was produced by Pete Bellote, who is writer and co-producer of Donna Summer's "Heaven Knows." It's from the forthcoming explosive album "Bum." Watch this single go all the way to the top along with the album.

Eruptions' new twelve-inch is also a semi-funky creative twelve inches that should rate among the big ones in weeks to come. "One Way Ticket" is produced by Frank Farian, who produces the well known European

group Boney M. This single is impressive with the intro and superb vocals by Miss Precious Wilson. It was mixed by one of Los Angeles' best known disco DJ's, Rusty Garner. Taken from their current LP it could very well become as big as "I Can't Stand the Rain."

Queen Samantha is back with a strong contender, "Take a Chance." This TK twelve-incher is still yet another semi-funky but exceptionally powerful disc that is already creating some excitement whenever it's played. The buildup is hot and the vocals are clear and satisfying. TK has another winner here.

Bob McGilpin's "Get Loose/Sexy Thing," on Butterfly is quite a different song for him. This one is funky and sleazy and it should be interesting to see how it does.

I have mentioned "Love Insurance" by Front Page to you in my past columns. But it's best I tell you again for this has to be one of the best dance records around. The twelve-incher is on Panorama, distributed by RCA. It's happy, up-tempo and the girl singing reminds me of my favorite disco vocalist, Pattie Brooks.

"Move On Up/Up, Up, Up" by Destination, on Butterfly, is another up-tempo, catchy tune that must be slowed down on the turntable. The group's vocals are sharp as is the instrumentation.

Club DJ's: Join the Star's disco info exchange network. Send us your Top Ten list (as determined by dance floor action) to Disco Network, Montrose Star, POB 70282, Houston, TX 77007. Or write for supply of forms and postage-paid envelopes. ●

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