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Scientists Report AIDS Vaccine Progress

By Jan Ziegler
UPI Science Writer

WASHINGTON—Preliminary tests in baboons show a novel experimental AIDS vaccine keeps the virus from attaching to immune system cells and may prevent infection, Texas researchers say.

The approach is based on a complex process that uses antibodies—substances manufactured by the body to fight foreign agents such as bacteria and viruses—instead of a fragment of the acquired immune deficiency syndrome virus. Most other experimental vaccines are based on AIDS virus fragments.

The next step is to determine if the vaccine candidate prevents AIDS virus infection in chimpanzees, said Tran Chanh, an associate scientist at the Southwest Foundation for Biomedical Research.

“There have been suggestions we bypass the chimp and use humans for vaccine trials now,” the Vietnamese-born immunologist said in a telephone interview April 3. “I don’t know if it will ever go that way.”

Chanh said it is uncertain whether the compound will work as well in chimps or in humans. The chimp tests are expected to take a couple of years.

Chanh’s team reported the results at the annual meeting of the Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology earlier this month.

Another researcher, clinical biologist Ami Klein from the Sunnybrook Medical Centre in Toronto, said she and colleagues have isolated a substance from the blood of AIDS patients and patients with AIDS-related complex that kills white blood cells.

Klein said the substance, which does not appear to be produced by the virus, was not found in the blood of healthy people.

Chanh’s team made antibodies that mimic the receptor site on white blood cells attacked by the AIDS virus. The virus attaches to the antibodies instead of the cells, and thus no infection occurs.

The team first injected mice with molecules from the section on the virus that hooks onto immune system cells. In response, the mice made antibodies that were then injected into another group of

animals. Those animals made antibodies to the first set of antibodies.

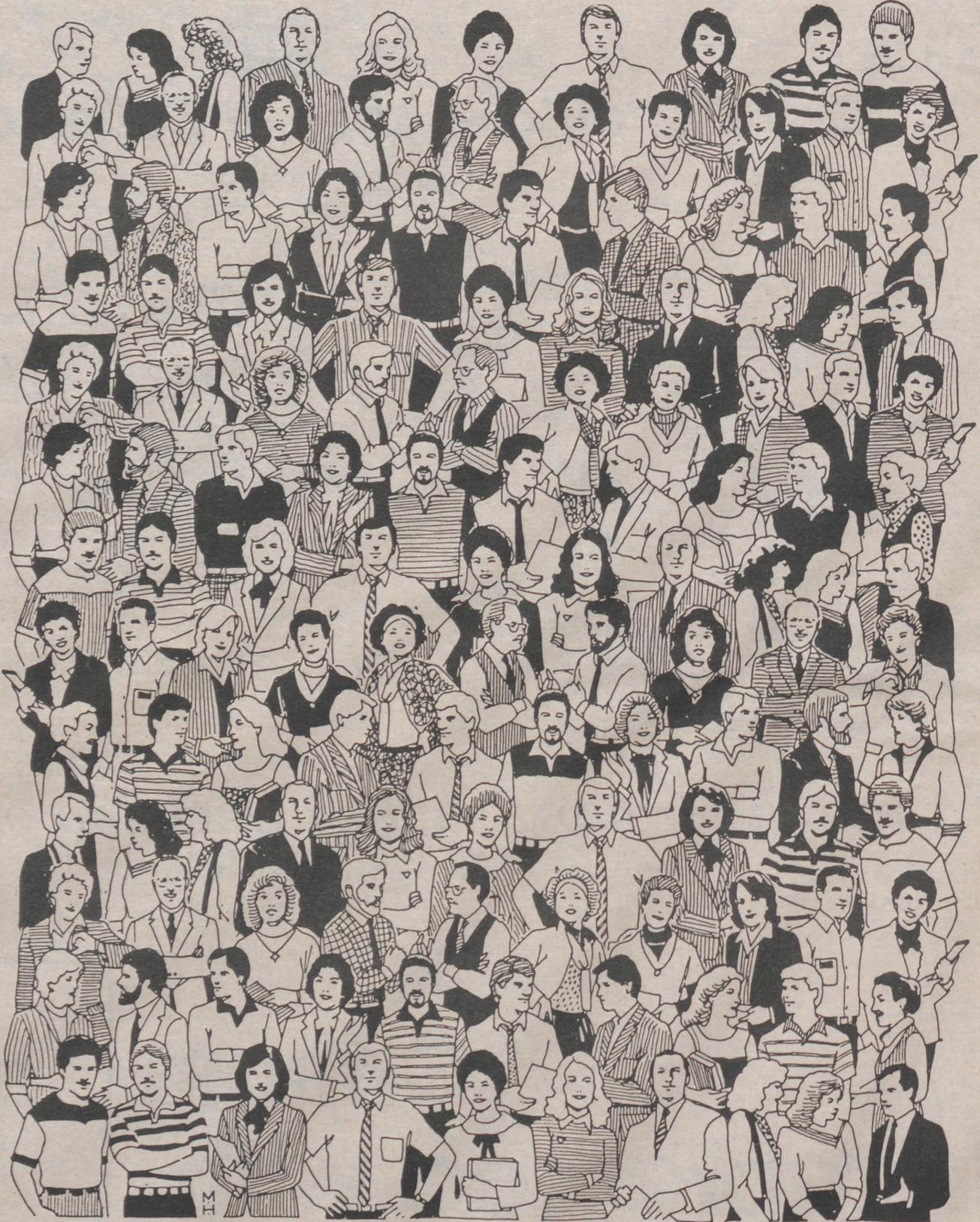
This second set of antibodies closely resembled the original target molecules, so when baboons were injected with them they produced antibodies that blocked the molecules’ action when mixed with virus in lab dishes.

The antibodies produced in the baboons with a variety of AIDS virus strains clogged the virus’ molecular binding hooks on as much as 99 percent of the virus, Chanh said. About 1 percent appeared unaffected by the antibodies.

Leo Rodkey, an associate professor at

the University of Texas Health Science Center in Houston, whose 1974 theory is the foundation of the San Antonio team’s research work, termed the report “very exciting.”

“I think they are on the right track,” Rodkey said. “They have some very good ideas that deserve further testing.”



Bill Proposes AIDS Courses in Okla. Schools

OKLAHOMA CITY (UPI)—Courses on AIDS would be taught in public schools in Oklahoma under a bill approved Monday by a state Senate committee.

The bill would require courses on Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome be taught once in grades 5 and 6, once in grades 7 through 9 and once in grades 10 through 12.

An amendment to the bill that has been approved by the state House would require students be told that sexual contact with a person with AIDS will permanently disqualify them from donating blood.

Other amendments would require that students be told that total abstinence from sexual activity is the only way to be sure of avoiding the disease and would bar the advocacy or promotion of contraceptives as a prevention for the disease.

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Light Rail Plan Includes Route Through Montrose

By Linda Wyche
Montrose Voice

City Councilman George Greanias said Thursday that he will not form an opinion on the Metropolitan Transit Authority's light rail plan until he "takes a long look at it."

The plan, which would greatly impact Greanias' District C, which includes Montrose, was outlined Tuesday to the Metro board of directors by general manager Alan Kiepper. The 15-mile, \$750 million rail system is part of a \$2.2 billion project which, along with light rail, includes new buses and a bus mall.

The system features trolley like cars which draw electric power from overhead lines. The tracks will run down the middle of Post Oak, Main Street and Richmond Avenue.

It is the Richmond route that is a major concern of Greanias.

"This plan will take some time to understand," he said adding, "I'll have to take a close look at it."

The widening of Richmond, a project heavily pushed by Greanias, was recently completed. Businesses that survived the two years of disruption are just beginning to recover and the idea of once again having major construction along that thoroughfare is something that will weigh heavily when the councilman forms his opinion of the plan.

"I am extremely concerned about the affect on businesses in the area. We certainly must consider this since we've finished the work (on Richmond) and did such a beautiful job," explained Greanias.

Part of the cost of the plan includes money needed to acquire property but no compensation is made for disruption of business.

The proposed Richmond route will cross Wesleyan, Buffalo Speedway, Kirby, Shepherd and Montrose, with a regional transit center at Main and Richmond. The plan calls for the system to be ready by 1998.

The 1998 completion date can be reached only if Metro raises the neces-

sary money through the sale of bonds. Before a bond issue can be brought before voters the metro board must approve Kiepper's proposal. The board will analyze public opinion presented through a series of public hearings before deciding whether to proceed with the plan.

Greanias believes that, if voters approve the sale of \$1.36 billion in bonds needed to finance the project, it will be late 1988 before any construction can begin.

If the green light is issued, Kiepper says the plan will generate 9,275 jobs. This is also an element that city officials will consider when looking at the cost of implementing such a system.

"How the cost of the program benefits the community as a whole" is also a major issue with Greanias. "We cannot look at just one segment."

Unlike Greanias, some members of council immediately expressed opposition to the plan. Recognizing that previous rail plans were handily defeated, Greanias believes this latest attempt to solve Houston's every-growing traffic problems is going to face an uphill climb.

He said, "This is going to be a tough thing to get through." He also indicated that powerful business interests will be influential in determining if Houston will join other major American cities in revitalizing a century old form of urban transit.

A similar system opened in Portland, Oreg., in 1986 and Los Angeles officials

hope to clear up their freeways when their system is completed in 1989. Older systems are still in use in Boston, Philadelphia, New Orleans and San Francisco.

Metro's board has scheduled six public meetings to explain the plan and will hold final public debates May 14-16.

The dates and locations of the public hearings are: April 20, Lincoln Hotel Post Oak; April 22, Marriott Astrodome Hotel; April 28, Holiday Inn, 9100 Gulf Freeway; April 20, Magnolia Multi-Service Center; May 5, Kashmere Multi-Service Center; and May 7, West End Multi-Service Center.

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Nelson Comes in 2nd in Dallas

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DALLAS (UPI)—Longtime Texas gay activist Bill Nelson came in second last Saturday in a three-way race for a Dallas City Council seat but captured only about 23% of the vote.

At-large incumbent Jerry Rucker won without a runoff with about 66% of the vote.

Businessman Roy H. Williams was third with about 10%.

The projected final figures gave Rucker about 49,800, Nelson, president of the Dallas Gay Alliance, about 17,400 and Williams about 7,800.

Two Nelson supporters near election eve videotaped a 30-minute discussion responding to remarks by the TV evangelist James Robison and land developer Jim Williams Jr. that were aired on three Dallas UHF television stations.

During a 30-minute discussion, Robison and Williams said homosexuals were one group trying to take control of the City Council and cited the candidacy of Nelson.

Robison also said he did not believe that Nelson, if elected, could truthfully take the oath of office to uphold city and state laws, including the sodomy law.

After complaining that he was entitled to equal time under the Fairness Doctrine, the three stations, KDFI-TV, KLTJ-TV and KDTX-TV, agreed to air Nelson's response.

Nelson's response was a 30-minute discussion between Charlotte Taft, director of the Routh Street Women's Clinic and a member of the Dallas Area Women's Political Caucus, and Ann Brown, a school teacher and Nelson volunteer.

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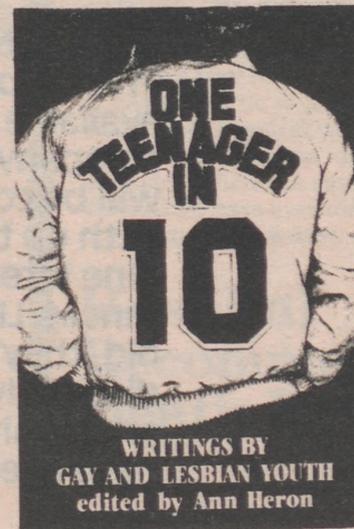
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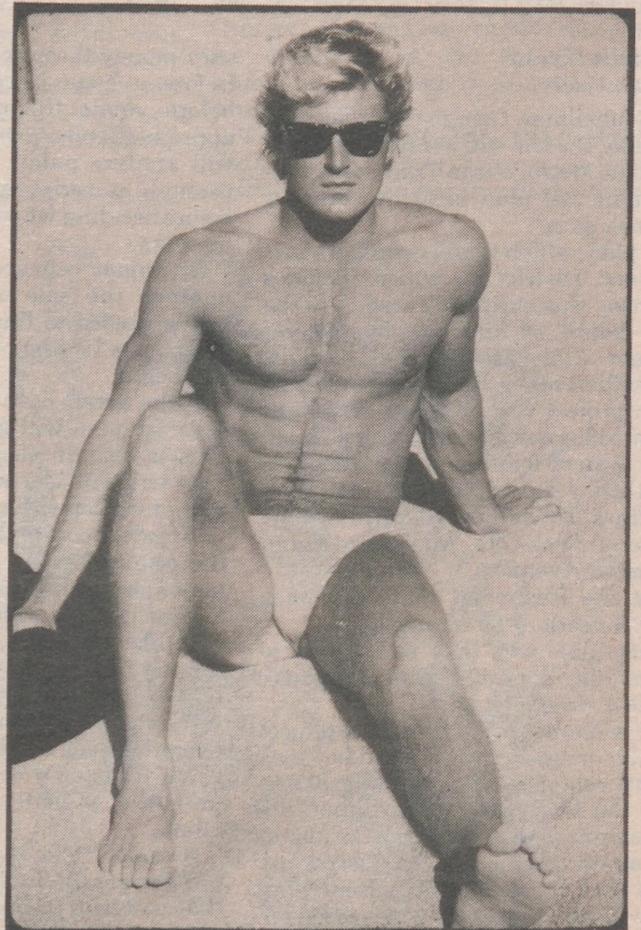
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No Win for Britt in SF

By United Press International

Democratic Party activist Nancy Pelosi captured the most votes among 14 candidates in a San Francisco congressional race to succeed the late Rep. Sala Burton but failed to net enough votes to avoid a runoff. Her runoff, however, will not be against second-place winner Harry Britt.

Voters went to the polls to select a successor to Burton, a Democrat who died Feb. 1 of cancer. The two strongest candidates, both Democrats, were Pelosi, 47, and San Francisco Supervisor Britt, 48, who is homosexual.

Pelosi collected 38,021 votes, or 36 percent, to become the Democrat in the runoff. Britt, formerly of Port Arthur, Texas, had hoped to become the first openly gay person elected to Congress. He received 34,031 votes, or 32 percent.

But lacking a clear 50 percent win, Pelosi was forced into a June 2 runoff against the top Republican vote-getter, Harriet Ross, and four minor party candidates.

Before her death, Burton endorsed Pelosi. She also drew support from San Francisco Mayor Dianne Feinstein, California Assembly Speaker Willie Brown and other Democratic leaders.

Democratic Supervisor Bill Maher had 14,914 votes, or 14 percent, and three other Democrats received a total of 10 percent.

Ross had 2,922 votes, or 3 percent, to defeat three other Republicans for a spot in the runoff.

Other candidates criticized Pelosi throughout the election for her wealth, her ties to influential politicians and the fact that she has never held an elected office.

Pelosi, a former state Democratic Party chairman and successful party fund-raiser, said she is qualified for the office because of her community work in San Francisco and her familiarity with local and national politics.

Pelosi is the daughter of former Maryland congressman and Baltimore Mayor Thomas D'Alesandro Jr.

Analysts say much of Pelosi's popularity stems from the endorsement by Burton, who died of cancer shortly after being sworn into a second term. As a result, voters associate Pelosi with the popular congresswoman and her husband, Rep. Philip Burton, who held the congressional seat from 1964 to until his death in 1983.

While in Congress, the Burtons amassed a liberal coalition of minorities, union members and environmentalists who dominated the city's politics and were called the "Burton machine" by Democrats and Republicans alike.

Britt was considered Pelosi's closest contender because of his strong support from the city's gay community, which makes up a substantial percent of the district's eligible voters.

Voter turnout was higher than expected and election officials credited heavy media coverage and the switch to daylight-saving time for the number of voters.

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Rock Against AIDS

By William C. Trott

United Press International

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Michaels, making his first solo appearance since the demise of Wham, drew a huge ovation when he took the stage.

John sang a couple of rousing songs in his first appearance since throat surgery and the announcement of the breakup of his marriage.

Boy George sang his hit "Everything I Own" and told the crowd, "This is the first time I've sung for 2 years."

Much of accompaniment was provided by the Super Group—John Entwistle of the Who, Andy Summers of the Police and drummer Zak Starkey, son of Ringo Starr.

For the finale most of the stars got together, threw condoms into the crowd and sang "Stand By Me."

The show raised \$180,000 from ticket sales and organizers expect more from donations when the concert is seen by an estimated 100 million people on television.

China Says It Has First AIDS Victim

BEIJING (UPI)—A Chinese man who lived in the United States for more than 10 years has died of AIDS in southern China, becoming the country's first native victim of the disease, the official Xinhua News Agency reported April 3.

Xinhua said the 34-year-old victim, whose relatives refused to allow him to be identified, fell ill early last year in the United States where he had been working in a restaurant since 1975. He had previously lived in Hong Kong for about three years.

The man was admitted to a New York hospital, but his condition failed to improve. In November, he returned to his hometown in southern Fujian Province for further treatment.

"Although he received adequate care in a Fujian hospital, he died of AIDS on March 26," Xinhua quoted a Health Ministry official as saying. "This is the first AIDS case ever diagnosed by Chinese experts," he said.

Hospital Recommends Death Penalty

TAIPEI, Taiwan (UPI)—Taiwan's most prestigious hospital Tuesday recommended the death penalty for AIDS carriers, who knowingly infect others and penalties for doctors who fail to report cases of the disease.

Dr. Wang Cheng-yi of the Taiwan University Hospital called willful AIDS infection "tantamount to murdering and thus should be punished accordingly."

Doctors who fail to report cases of acquired immune deficiency syndrome should be fined at least \$290 and face other penalties, he said.

There was no immediate indication how the government would react to the suggestion. Taiwan has only one confirmed aids case and the patient, a homosexual businessman who traveled abroad often, died in Taipei half a year ago.

Heterosexual Risk of AIDS is 'Very Much Exaggerated,' Claims Army Study

By Larry Doyle
UPI Science Writer

CHICAGO—An influential Army study purporting to document transmission of AIDS from infected prostitutes to soldiers is flawed and has led to unwarranted fears the virus will quickly infiltrate the heterosexual population, a health official charged earlier this month.

John Potterat, director of infectious disease at the El Paso County Health Department in Colorado Springs, Colo., said April 2 that there is good evidence suggesting the soldiers lied to investigators at Walter Reed Army Hospital in Washington and were infected through "classic high-risk activities"—intravenous drug use or homosexual contact.

Potterat also said other evidence of female-to-male transmission is rare and infection from heterosexual intercourse unlikely, at least for men. He said that while men can apparently infect women, numbers of infected heterosexual men are likely to remain small, making a heterosexual epidemic unlikely.

"My feeling is that the threat to heterosexuals is very much exaggerated," Potterat said. "There's this idea that there's going to be this real flood of heterosexual cases and I don't think we're going to see that."

"I think it's going to be more of a trickle than anything. Why panic the entire population when in point of fact the risk is very, very small."

Walter Reed researchers and other health officials, including one from the federal Centers for Disease Control, acknowledged that heterosexuals are probably less likely to contract AIDS than are homosexuals, but said the risk does exist.

"It's perfectly clear (the virus) is not spreading as fast in the heterosexual population," said Dr. Tom Peterman, of the Atlanta-based CDC. "But I don't think there's any question that transmission occurs. The question is whether it occurs frequently."

Potterat's charges, leveled in a letter to the Journal of the American Medical Association, refueled a continuing debate over what conditions are neces-

sary to transmit the virus that causes acquired immune deficiency syndrome.

In October 1985, Dr. Robert Redfield and his colleagues published the first study appearing to document heterosexual AIDS transmission outside Third World countries. The Walter Reed researchers interviewed nine men carrying the virus whose only admitted high risk activity was heterosexual intercourse with prostitutes.

Although the study was later criticized by scientists questioning the truthfulness of soldiers asked to admit to punishable offenses, the researchers defended it.

Potterat and associates tested their

hypothesis that soldiers are more likely to reveal homosexual behavior or drug use to civilian doctors by interviewing 20 soldiers infected with the AIDS virus.

Although only four admitted homosexual contact to military doctors, 14 acknowledged such activity to civilian doctors. Three people admitted to intravenous drug use, compared to one in the military investigation.

Dr. David Wright, one of the Walter Reed researchers, defended the Army studies and said the hospital has since seen a number of men who were infected sexually by spouses who contracted the virus from blood transfusions, "which pretty much proves that it can happen."

"I don't know what the frequency with which it occurs, but it does occur, and it's important to realize that," he said. "No one wants to believe that there is heterosexual transmission, and maybe that's why they don't want to believe us."

As of March 30, the CDC said 33,482 cases of AIDS had been reported in the United States, resulting in 19,394 deaths. Of those cases, 1,261 have been classified as heterosexually transmitted, 630 among Americans and 631 among Haitians and central Africans. The ratio of American male-to-females contracting the virus heterosexually is about 1-to-5.

Italian Baker Gets Tough with AIDS Rumors

VENICE, Italy (UPI)—A baker, alarmed by rumors he was suffering from AIDS, posted 200 leaflets earlier this month on walls in Chioggia, an industrial port at the southern end of the Venice lagoon.

The leaflets carried a photocopy of a medical certificate stating Giordano Villan is not suffering from acquired immune deficiency syndrome and a few words of admonition to his fellow citizens.

"Because of inaccurate information, the AIDS virus in recent years has created a crazy form of racism in society," Villan said April 2 in the leaflet. "For the information of the rumor-mongers and credulous people who believed them, here is a copy of my test certificate."

The baker said he blamed the rumors for a recent loss of clients.

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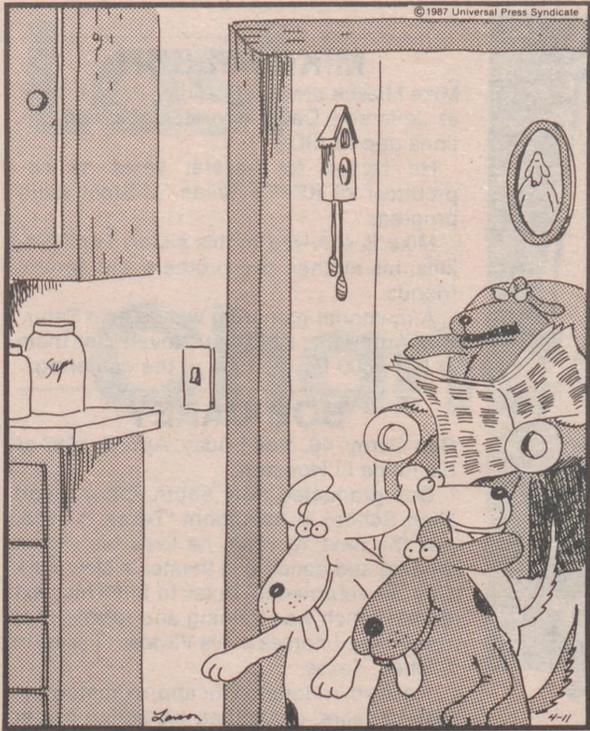
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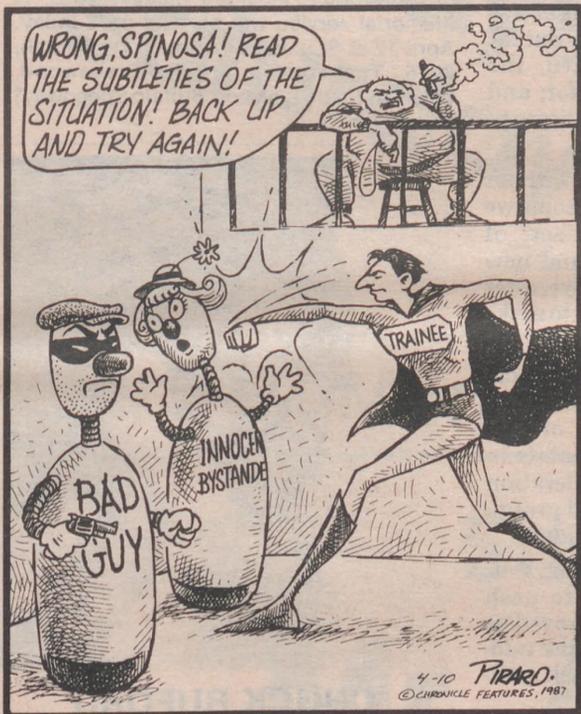
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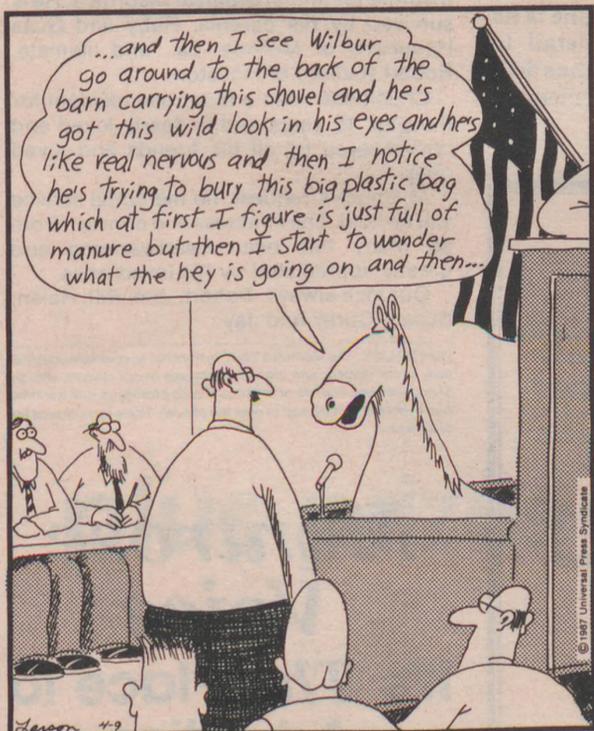
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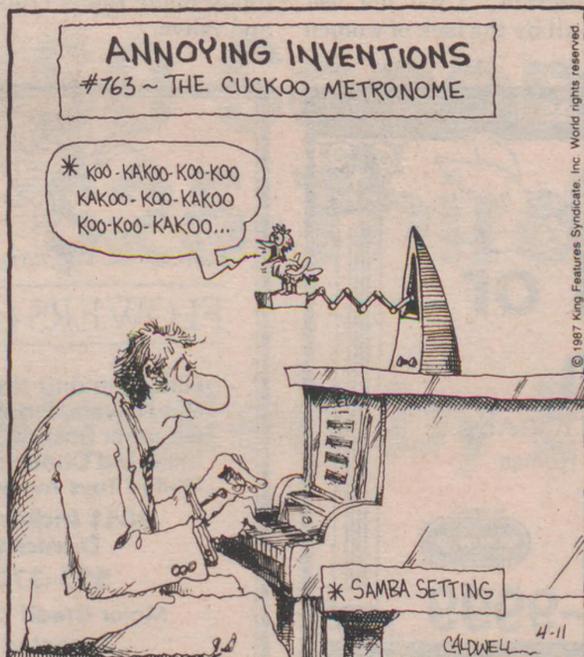
Jason is strong on "How" and weak on "Why."



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Dutch boy's nightmare.

A Cruise to Remember

"Doing America with Bob Damron" by Dan Delbex

And it certainly was. When I was first approached with the idea of taking an all gay cruise it did not entirely thrill me. The thought of being in a somewhat confined area with 750 gay men and women I equated with being at a gay freedom day parade and not being able to leave, but I was soon proved wrong.

It all began in New Orleans, the port of embarkation, where days before one could observe the steady trickle of potential passengers, for it was written in their eyes. Even the bars were beginning to resemble a bit of Mardi Gras three weeks past.

Arriving at the pier on Saturday morning I was taken aback by the line of passengers waiting to check in. You could certainly tell these people didn't want to miss one moment. My surprise with the throngs of people was only overwhelmed by the number of bags that were being checked. It is only a one week cruise but everybody's a Duchess.

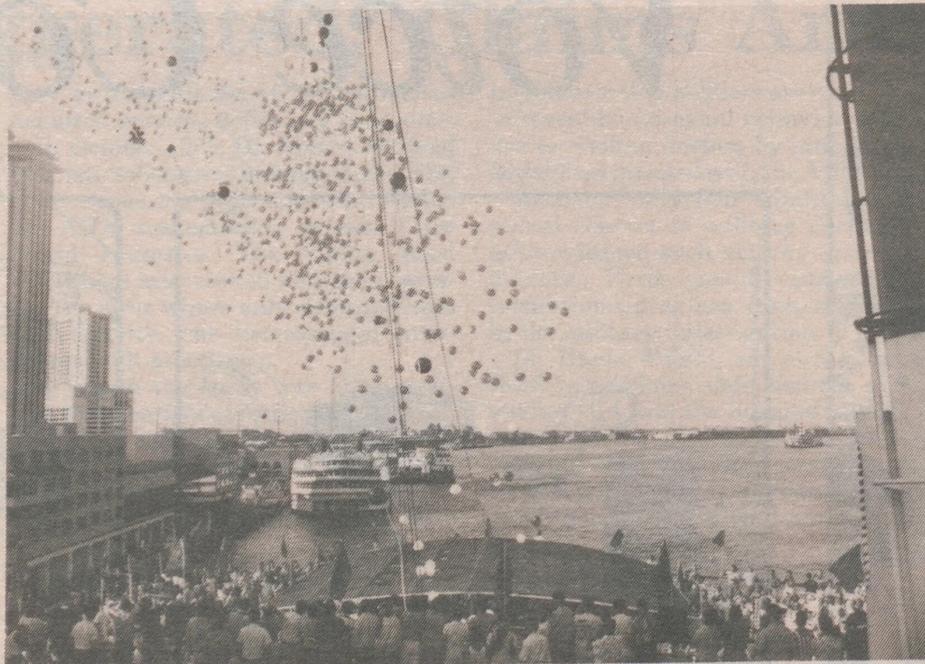
The cruise line, the S.S. Bermuda Star, reports three times the normal amount of luggage checked in. Once the gear was stowed, we proceeded down the Mississippi for what would turn out to be a true vacation experience.

The passengers constituted a broad group of ages and personalities and were not lacking for pretty faces and bodies. Yet steroids aside, the interaction and ambience relating between fellow passengers was a wonderful sight. As one individual said, "The adventure begins when attitudes are left behind" and after the second day we all became much more relaxed with one another.

The entertainment was far superior to any other cruise I have been on before. Rita Moreno, the headliner, cancelled due to a family emergency but there was no lack for entertainers at all. Wayland and Madame were in rare and wonderfully trite form, while Celeste, the cabaret singer from New York served as the perfect cruise hostess.

Gotham, a comedy/singing trio also from New York were always on their toes and giving a great performance. Tom Ammiano, a very timely comedian from San Francisco, kept me rolling on the floors during and out of his shows. For those in for a more serious mode of entertainment, authors Armistead Maupin and Quentin Crisp gave excellent full circle readings and conversations.

The ship certainly did not lack for parties and excitement. The disco and piano bar were always going until the wee hours of the morning. But perhaps the most outrageous event was the costume party.



The Mississippi River from aboard the SS Bermuda Star

Now I know why there are three times the normal amount of luggage, a single steamer was needed just for some of the headdresses. It could have been dubbed "Mardi Gras on the high seas" I personally enjoyed watching the shipboard romances that ensued and changed, practically on a daily basis. I would love to get into stories of those certain revolving doors but I best save that for a Harlequin novel.

The ports of call, with the exception of Key West, were not too exciting. But I feel that when one takes a cruise the real enjoyment can be found at sea. The welcome we received at Key West was truly befitting a royal visit. Many of the town's citizens had either come to the dock to greet us or had opened up their places of business for special tours and parties.

The other two ports, both in Mexico, were Cozumel and Playa del Carmen del Maranda. They were good for ninety cent margaritas and Aca Joe clothes, but that was about it.

After speaking with well over 100 people and gathering their views on the cruise, I would estimate that 80 percent of the passengers would take another gay cruise and of those at least 50 percent booked again for next year.

One person who came on alone said, "taking this cruise as a single was the best thing I could have ever done."

I was also curious as to the interpretation of the women on board. Said one lady from California, "I did not feel intimidated at all by the lack of women

on the ship. I enjoyed the total group and hope that other gay women will see their way to join in on this event."

Now if I were asked my thoughts on a repeat voyage (for those of you who care), I would say judging on the cruise line itself, I would not go again. But for what the Bermuda Star lacked, the R.S.V.P. staff surely made up for; and for that reason, I would not hesitate to rebook.

I cannot pass on this article without mentioning the great group of people we had at our table nightly. A sort of instant family for the week, and new friends for some time to come. Sylvester and his lover Rick really helped to make it a great table.

A cruise is not generally a cheap vacation. In fact, you should plan on spending anywhere from \$1,000 on up (depending on your spending habits in ports of call). Taking into consideration that this includes your food and gratuities it is quite a reasonable holiday.

The food, although not being four star, is a definite two trying to push three. I found that the food improved as the cruise rolled on; however, the mid-night buffets always seem to lack quality.

If you enjoy having fun, meeting new people, making new friends, rekindling old friendships or old loves, this is a vacation for you. I must hand it to R.S.V.P., for what they have done is no small undertaking and the detail to which it has all been completed has definitely made this a cruise to remember and relive.

In Memoriam

MIKE MIESCH

Mike Miesch died Wednesday, April 1, 1987 at Jefferson Davis Hospital of complications due to AIDS.

He served for several years as co-producer of KPFT's Wilde 'n' Stein radio program.

Mike is survived by his sister, Toni Perkins, his mother, two brothers and several friends.

A memorial gathering will be held Saturday, April 11, at KPFT, 419 Lovett. Call them at 526-4000 for the time of the gathering.

BOB CAREY

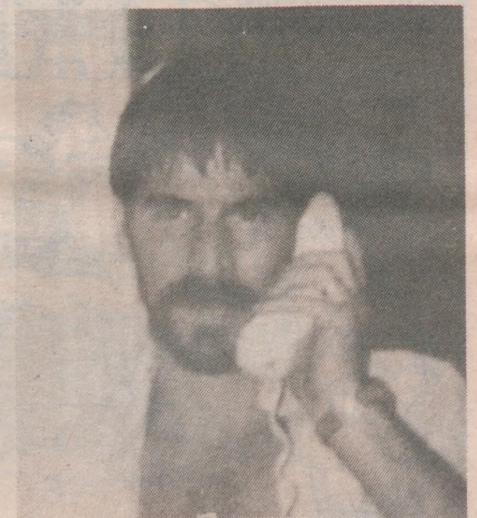
Bob Carey, 46, died Friday, April 3, 1987 at his home in Houston.

Bob graduated from South Padre Island High School in Beaumont, Texas in 1955. For the next 10 years he lived his dream singing and dancing in theater in New York City. He returned to Texas to fulfill his next dream which was training and raising thoroughbred horses at his Virdezza Farms in Silsbee, Texas.

He lived in Houston for approximately the last 10 years, continuing his acting career by owning and operating "Action Packed Grams Inc.," a novelty telegram service.

Bob was preceded in death by his lover of 27 years, Bob, who died unexpectedly of a year attack a year-and-a-half ago.

His ashes will be buried at sea. Bob had a full life which included many friends. A memorial service will be held on Sunday, April 12 at St. Luke's Presbyterian Church, 8915 Timberside (off S. Braeswood, between Stella Link and Buffalo Speedway) at 4:00 p.m.



CHUCK BUFORD HAMMONS

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Chuck passed way on March 6, 1987 at the Institute for Immunological Disorders. He is survived by his parents, Ruby and Guss Hammons of Monroe, La., and lifemate, Robert Badlato of Houston.

Chuck has been a Montrose resident for the past 15 years and is dearly loved and remembered by all his friends and loved ones.

At Chuck's request, no memorial service will be held. The kindness and concern from so many has been heartwarming and greatly appreciated by his loved ones.

Our love always. Robert, Jim, Bill, Helen, Susan, Corey and Jay.

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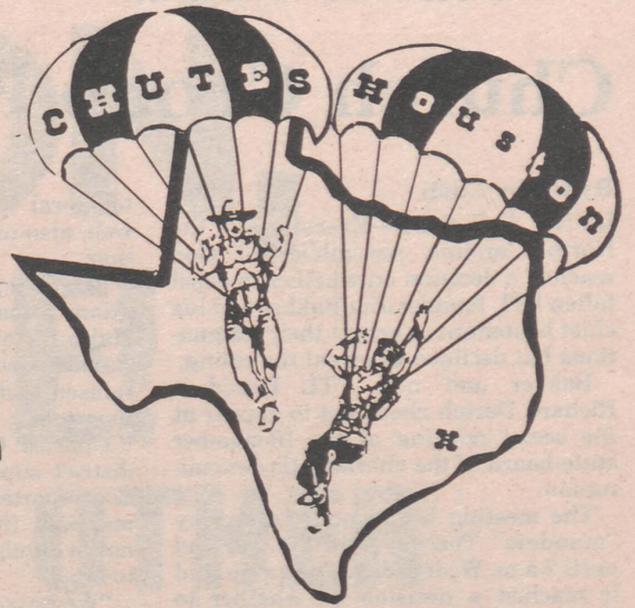
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Church Group Reaches Decision on Bakker

By Cathy Cash

DUNN, N.C. (UPI)—Executives of the North Carolina Assemblies of God reached a decision on whether to expel fallen PTL founder Jim Bakker and his chief lieutenant or accept their resignations but declined to reveal the ruling.

Bakker and new PTL President Richard Dortch chose not to appear at the secret meeting of the 16-member state board of the charismatic denomination.

The meeting began under a secrecy "mandate" Tuesday and did not end until 2 a.m. Wednesday. The group said it reached a decision on whether to accept the resignations that Bakker and Dortch submitted March 19 or recommend they be drummed out of the church.

A board spokesman said the decision would be sent to the national headquarters in Springfield, Mo. He said there would be no public announcement.

Bakker resigned from the denomination and the \$172 million PTL television-entertainment ministry he founded after revealing he had a sexual encounter with a church secretary and paid her to hush up the affair.

Dortch, who became PTL president after Bakker surrendered the ministry

to Moral Majority founder Jerry Falwell, also resigned from the denomination.

Dortch reportedly handled the negotiations to pay church secretary Jessica Hahn for not revealing her tryst with Bakker seven years ago. Dortch has refused to discuss the allegations with reporters.

Charles Cookman, North Carolina district superintendent of the church, told reporters the board was "under a mandate (from church headquarters) not to divulge the results of the meeting today."

"We have 90 days to act on the information we have," he said. "Once we have concluded our deliberations here

in North Carolina, we send our decision to what we call the executive presbytery in Springfield, Mo. They then act on our recommendation."

Bakker and Dortch were asked to appear before the board, but neither attended and Cookman said their decision in effect eliminated one of the three options available to church executives.

Cookman said the board would consider only whether to accept Bakker's and Dortch's resignations or reject their resignations and ouster from the ministry.

A third option—that they undergo a two-year "restoration" process—was

not considered since neither man requested it or indicated any desire to remain as Assemblies of God ministers.

Bakker was ordained 23 years ago in the same church where Tuesday's meeting was held. Cookman, district superintendent for the last 21 years, was one of those present when Bakker was ordained.

Bakker initially blamed his problems on a relentless investigation by The Charlotte Observer, but later said he quit to prevent a hostile takeover of his ministry and its Heritage USA resort at Fort Mill, S.C., by a rival minister subsequently identified as evangelist Jimmy Swaggart.

New Wave Club Agrees to Fine

DALLAS (UPI)—Managers of the Starck Club, a trendy New Wave bar stung by a drug raid last summer, have agreed to settle charges they condoned drug use by paying a \$10,500 fine and banning dancing for two weeks.

Owner Blake Woodall said Wednesday he agreed to the fine because it equaled the amount he would have paid in legal fees to defend the club from losing its liquor license.

Dallas police raided the bar Aug. 7, arresting 36 people. After the raid, police complained to the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission that the club condoned drug use.

"We deny these allegations. We say we did not have anything to do with drug use," Woodall said.

But police said drug use at the club was so open, it was evident to anyone who entered.

Woodall denied that by agreeing to pay a fine he was admitting guilt.

He said the amount of the settlement was one-fourth of what the commission had originally asked.

The settlement also includes a ban on dancing at the club for 15 days, from April 20 through May 4, at the request of Dallas police, which issues dance permits.

Woodall called the ban "kind of interesting."

"If you come into the club and dance in our visibility, we are going to take you outside. We are not going to keep you from dancing. We are going to ask you to leave," Woodall said.

General Manager Greg McCone said the club has booked alternative forms of entertainment for the period covered by the dance ban.

The night of the raid, 17 people were arrested for public intoxication, 15 for drug possession and four, including two employees, on warrants alleging the sale of drugs.

Eleven others from whom police had allegedly bought drugs were later arrested on warrants.



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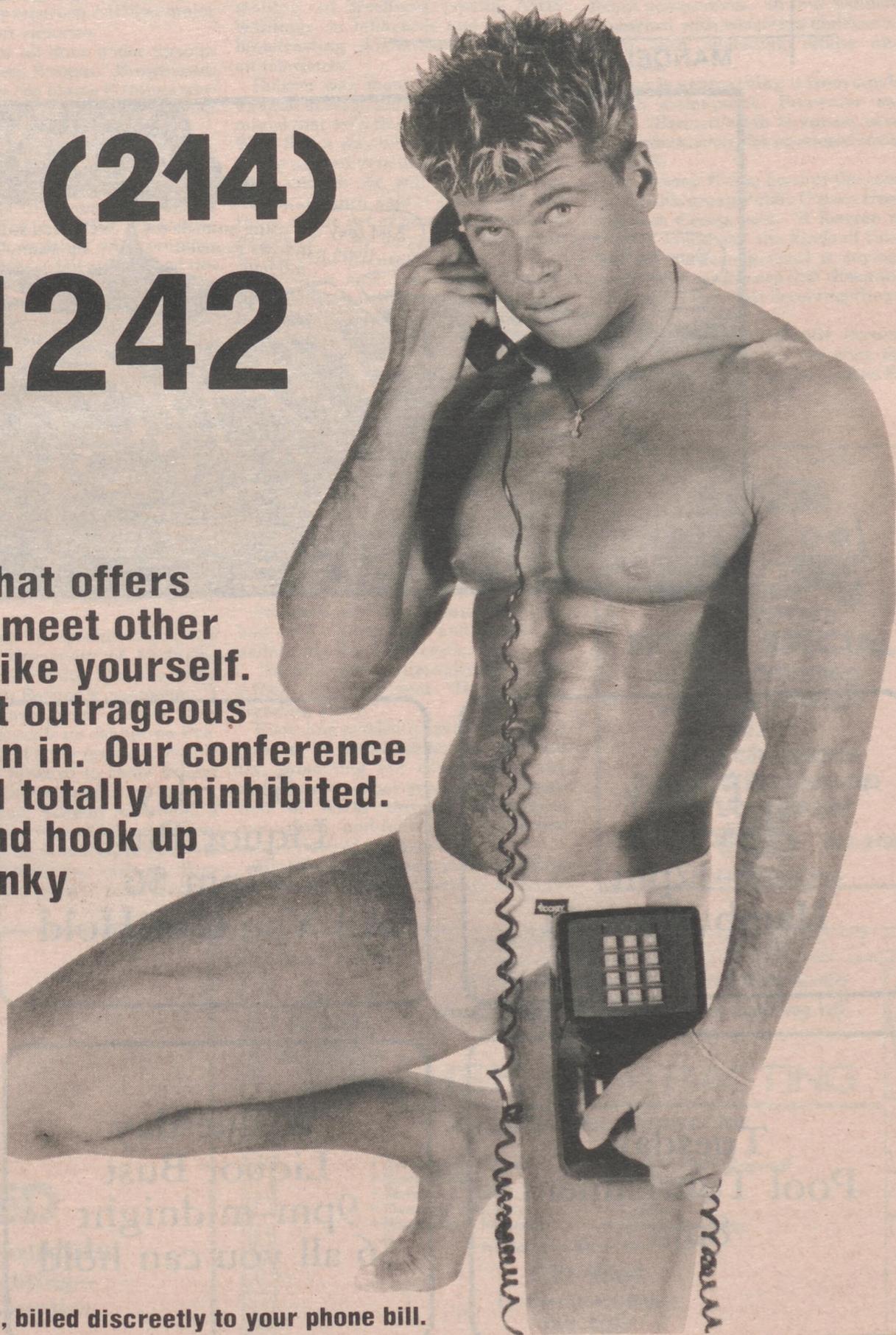
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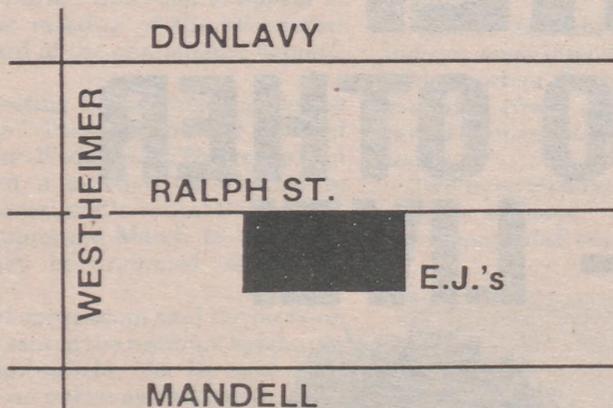
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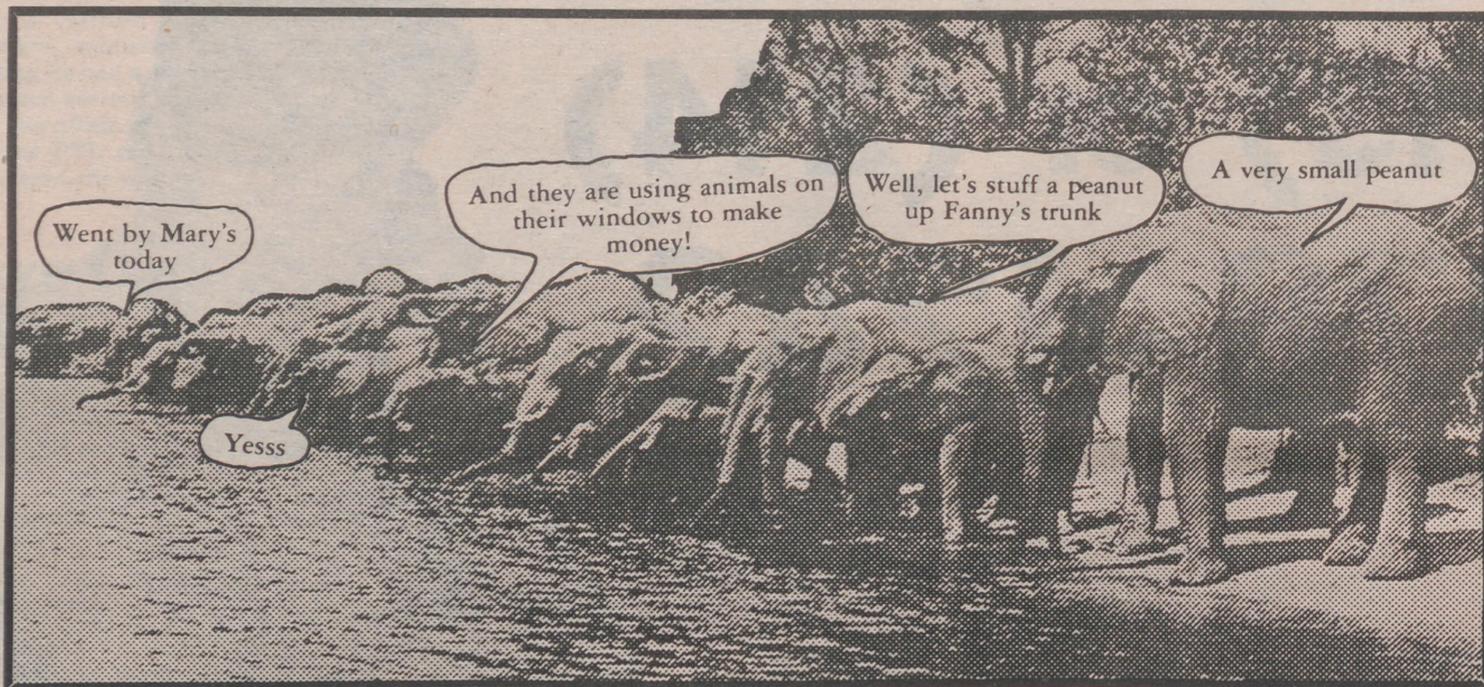
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Critics Unimpressed with Reagan's AIDS Gambit

By Celia Hooper

WASHINGTON (UPI)—President Reagan twice in recent weeks broached the subject of AIDS, but some experts believe he took the wrong tack in his verbal entrance into the fight against an epidemic that has killed over 19,000 Americans.

On March 31, Reagan and French Prime Minister Jacques Chirac jointly announced the settlement of a dispute between French and American laboratories over the discovery of the AIDS virus, and on April 1 Reagan made his first major address on AIDS before the Philadelphia College of Physicians.

"After almost six years of silence on the epidemic," said Rep. Henry Waxman D-Calif., chairman of the House Energy and Commerce Subcommittee on Health, "the president has finally said that he will fight the disease."

White House aides insist Reagan's entrance into the AIDS discussion came just because the College of Physicians was an appropriate forum. Spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said, "It was quite a natural evolution. This is a national disease that has come upon the public very rapidly. A year ago ... people didn't understand AIDS or thought it was confined to a small segment of society."

But Waxman cautioned, "If (Reagan) stops at this speech, we will have years more of bickering between public health figures and moralists, more infections and more deaths."

Harsher congressional criticism of Reagan's address came from a member of his own party: "This peril that confronts the nation is not comprised of words," said Sen. Lowell Weicker, ranking Republican on the Senate appropriations subcommittee that oversees acquired immune deficiency syndrome research.

"It's comprised of very complex viruses and a medical mystery that nobody has been able to unlock, and it ain't going to be unlocked by the speech in Philadelphia by the president," Weicker said.

Speaking to reporters following the president's speech, Weicker said, "The most damaging piece of deception as far as the president is concerned is that he says, 'I'm asking for \$100 million more in AIDS research.'"

"That sounds very good until you hear that he is asking for a \$600 million cut in the funds to go to the National Institutes of Health for basic biomedical research. The net of all that is he has cut \$500 million for AIDS."

The National Academy of Sciences, in a special report last October, urged

expenditure of \$1 billion for AIDS education and \$1 billion for research annually by 1990. The report chastised the administration for a lackluster education effort.

Until his speech, Reagan delegated visibility on AIDS policy to four physicians at the Department of Health and Human Services: Secretary Otis Bowen, Assistant Secretary Robert Windom, FDA Commissioner Frank Young and Surgeon General C. Everett Koop.

James Brown, spokesman for Windom, said that Reagan's low profile did not mean that he is unconcerned with the issue. Brown pointed to medical advances, such as the discovery of the AIDS virus, the rapid development of blood tests and the drug AZT, the budget increase for AIDS and the surgeon general's report on AIDS as major administration victories.

"These were all done under appointments of President Reagan," Brown said. "He would get the blame if things weren't done; he should get the credit when they are done."

Dr. Edward Brandt, chancellor of the University of Maryland in Baltimore and former assistant secretary of health, agreed that research progress on AIDS was "unparalleled." He said he was generally satisfied with progress against the disease but said he had not seen Reagan's speech.

"I don't worry about what the president says. I worry about what the Public Health Service is doing—that's the important thing. My own view is that the PHS just needs to be free to do what needs to be done."

Asked if the administration would adopt a "watch what we do, not what we say" approach, Fitzwater said, "A little bit."

Brown said the PHS top doctors, Koop and Windom, were both "delighted to have the president speak out."

But outside the government, health and AIDS experts were neither delighted nor surprised with Reagan's speech on AIDS.

Dr. June Osborn, epidemiologist and dean of the University of Michigan School of Public Health, said she found no surprises in Reagan's comments. "I was sorely disappointed," Osborn said. "The speech signals no change on Reagan's part—that's the problem. People were looking forward to some federal leadership," Osborn said.

In his speech, Reagan advocated a modest federal role in AIDS education: "It must be to give educators accurate information about the disease. How that information is used must be up to

schools and parents."

Reagan stressed instruction in morality as a complement to AIDS education. He told reporters that he favored AIDS education "as long as they teach that one of the answers to it is abstinence—if you say it's not how you do it, but that you don't do it."

Stressing the key role of education in the fight against AIDS, Osborn said Reagan's approach to AIDS stood "in shocking contrast to those of (other) industrialized nations that have frank educational campaigns that assume there are some people who don't practice monogamy and chastity. We owe all citizens—including those who don't practice monogamy and chastity—leadership and guidance on AIDS."

Great Britain, for example, has begun mailing out brochures, posting AIDS warnings on billboards and has been broadcasting AIDS-related messages on television.

Osborn was most critical of a vow Reagan made in his speech: "I am determined that we'll find a cure for AIDS. ... We'll find a way or make one."

"He seemed to be saying if we just try hard enough we will get a cure for AIDS," Osborn said. "That's the last thing on the list of promises we should be giving. ... We may never find a cure for the viral disease."

Fitzwater said that when Reagan referred to a "cure" in his speech he was speaking in general terms. "I think 'cure' was used as a generic word to describe any number of medical solutions to the problem," Fitzwater said. "It was not meant to be a medical term."

Thomas Stoddard, executive director of the Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund for homosexual issues, said that if Reagan's AIDS speech marked the beginning of a more forthright approach to the issue, "It is not a promising beginning. His statements were naive and ignorant about AIDS and about the federal government's role in combating the disease."

Stoddard said that to date only Koop had been "forthright and frank" in addressing the AIDS crisis.

"No other official has fully faced up to AIDS," Stoddard said. "He is a hero standing alone."

Koop has carried a frank anti-AIDS message to audiences across the country, promoting sex education in the early grade school years, and prevention of AIDS through abstinence, monogamy, and for those who practice neither, use of condoms.

His efforts prompted a public scolding in March from conservative Eagle

Forum President Phyllis Schlafly and a continuing public disagreement with Education Secretary William Bennett.

The disagreement over AIDS education between Bennett and Koop began in January during a Cabinet-level Domestic Policy Council meeting during which Bennett described the Public Health Service approach as "morally empty." The dispute has since evolved into a gentlemen's agreement to disagree.

Bennett recently told school board officials he doubted the differences would ever be resolved because the issue "is one where people feel very strongly."

White House press spokesman Marlin Fitzwater denied that there were major divisions over AIDS within the administration: "They're coming at it from different perspectives," in that Bennett is concerned with educating children and Koop with educating adults about methods.

Koop is approaching it from a public health standpoint, Fitzwater said, while "Bennett's job is values, education, information, the emotional status" of AIDS.

Dr. Sidney Wolfe, head of the consumer health group Public Citizen Health Research Group, said, "If Reagan personally would say the kinds of things that his surgeon general is saying, I would have confidence that (Reagan) is doing more than just deceiving the public."

"I would rather educate (sexually active) kids while they are alive than pray for them after they're dead as Reagan seems to be doing."

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Americans Make a Deal With an Apology

Commentary by Anne Saker

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Americans find apology the most difficult of communication because making excuses is the second most important feature of capitalism and forgiveness is not an American trait.

In business, in politics, even in religion—as the current jihad among televangelists demonstrates—apologies become currency, barter for a better deal: I'll say I'm sorry if you promise 1) not to sue; 2) to vote for me; 3) to keep sending those love offerings.

The nation has been enured to the deal-making and because apologies are so expensive, Americans usually will forgo them because they don't want to pay the price, even for the satisfaction of hearing somebody say, "I'm sorry."

The Pilgrims, full of divine fire, landed on the New World's rocky shores utterly certain of their Providential deed of trust. Such absolute purpose was born from the belief that Old World was warring, oppressive and bloody because it was constantly apologizing to heaven for its morass of human frailty and suffering.

The American nation, however, was founded on the tenet that believers could have a wholly correct and unerring contract with God—a belief that has not changed radically in tenor since William Bradford wrote to his spiritual cousins in Europe that deliverance was available very nearly as simply as arriving in the New World.

Apologies were unnecessary when godly people were carving out a city on a hill from a untractable wilderness. That article of faith got the Pilgrims through hellish winters, and though by time

alone made slightly more complex, that belief rules American life now.

A magazine cover story recently wailed at the decline and fall of can-do American service. A cheery smile or a cordial offer of help costs extra as service submits to the service industry.

A plane is a hour late for takeoff because a rear door cannot be closed. No one says, "Sorry for the delay, folks." Instead, the pilot blames FAA regulations, which apparently require that all airplane doors be closed while in flight.

Politically, apologies force reassessment of motivations and goals, something to be fervently avoided. Those who wait, candle in window, to hear from Nixon or Reagan in this regard

keep a lonely vigil. As a signal demonstration of American political weakness, an apology is tops. Say anything else communism had to be stopped, future presidents needed protection, mistakes were made but for an American politician, apologies are anathema.

The squabbling among the television preachers offers the most intriguing current study of apologies. The Rev. Jim Bakker's confession of infidelity seemed at first a bracing display of humility from a person who makes a fine living telling people to make right with God.

Only a few days passed before his act of contrition took on the unappealing taint, in the current argot, of the "poison

pill"—an action to fend off a hostile takeover.

To extend the metaphor, the Rev. Jerry Falwell rode in as Bakker's "white knight" to save the PTL Club, adding a delicious little twist for those who have watched Falwell's career with perverse fascination.

In America, apologies are a means to a foreseeable and attainable end, as much of the fabric of commerce and politics as money. Forgiveness, as a result, is drawn into the exchange as a matter of trade. Simply saying "I'm sorry" with no strings attached is a singular act of humanity, a gift from one spirit to another and, apparently, becoming rarer by the day.

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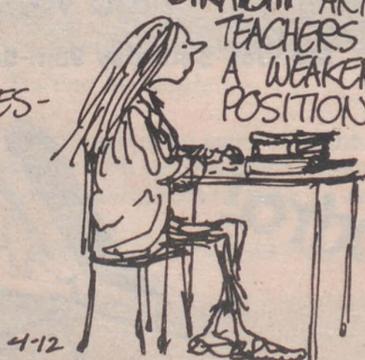
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Planned Parenthood Director Threatened With Ex-Communication

SAN ANGELO, Texas (UPI)—Despite threats of excommunication, a Roman Catholic director of Planned Parenthood said he will continue to promote the use of condoms to stop the spread of AIDS.

"I'm in a lot of hot water with the Catholic church," said Jim Ferels, city Planned Parenthood executive director. Ferels responded Wednesday to an article by Bishop Michael Pfeifer that appeared last month in the San Angelo Standard-Times. Pfeifer had denounced the advertisement of condoms on television.

"I wrote a very non-threatening article responding to Bishop Pfeifer because I was disturbed by his lack of concern about AIDS," said Ferels, who formerly was director of the San Francisco AIDS Foundation. "The article is really concerned with the transmission of AIDS and the use of condoms to assist in defeating the disease."

In the article, Ferels said he was writing not only as a Planned Parenthood representative but as a practicing Catholic.

Ferels and other parishioners of Holy Angels Catholic Church received a letter Monday from the bishop and parish priests stating opposition to Ferels' views on contraception and AIDS.

Ferels met Tuesday with the priests at Holy Angels.

"What I was told was that as a Catholic, I did not have the right to express my written or spoken opinion, because when one is Catholic, one sacri-

fices certain things in this case my freedom of expression," he said.

"They talked to me about my attempts to diminish the threats of AIDS and I was told they were in contradiction to the bishop's teachings and that there is no room for controversy.

"They indicated to me if I could not be silent and step down as director of Planned Parenthood, I would in fact be excommunicated, could no longer call myself Catholic, take the sacraments or attend church," he said.

The Rev. Serran Braun, Holy Angels pastor, said Ferels, as a practicing Catholic and member of his congregation, is representing the Catholic church when he presents his views.

"We indicated that as a practicing member of the Catholic church, he either accepts all teachings of the church, (or) if he is non-practicing, he can reject some or all," Braun said.

"If the church feels the need to excommunicate me because of my views, the ball is in their court," said Ferels, who plans to continue airing his opinion.

Ferels would not be the first Planned Parenthood official to be excommunicated over his views.

Officials of the Roman Catholic diocese of Providence, R.I., last January announced that it had excommunicated Mary Ann Sorrentino, the director of the Rhode Island Planned Parenthood affiliate.

In another incident last year, church officials in Toledo told the Catholic assistant director of a women's clinic

that performs abortions that her 11-year-old daughter would not be allowed to continue going to the parochial school she attended because of her mother's views.

Planned Parenthood has long been a target of the Catholic Church, not only because of its position on abortion but also because its clinics offer birth control information and dispense contraceptives—both of which the church staunchly opposes.

Mexico Plans AIDS Program

MEXICO CITY (UPI)—Health Minister Guillermo Soberon announced Saturday Mexico would begin a program aimed at controlling the spread of acquired immune deficiency syndrome.

The program, to begin at the end of the month, will be run jointly with the World Health Organization and will concentrate on testing people considered to be at high risk of infection, Soberon said.

The program will include tighter controls on blood banks to stem the spread of AIDS through blood transfusions, Soberon said.

The Health Ministry has reported 340 AIDS cases and said half the patients have already died. Some private experts suspect the number of unreported cases to be at least twice as great as the known cases.



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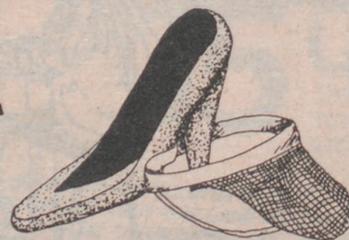
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Spalding Gray Dives Into 'Cambodia'

Houston Screens by Bill O'Rourke
Montrose Voice

It's easy to describe *Swimming to Cambodia*. The difficulty comes in catching the spirit of the piece.

Essentially, a man who played a small role in *The Killing Fields* sits behind a desk and tells us about his experiences with and around the film. This may not sound too exciting to most of us, but people who loved *My Dinner with Andre* might be salivating already.

This is, however, a movie of style and substance.

Some may have seen Spalding Gray in person. He has performed in Houston. Before becoming Spalding Gray, the performance artist, he worked for a year at the Alley. More recently, he has been back in his present unique style, even with the two evening monologue from which this movie is condensed.

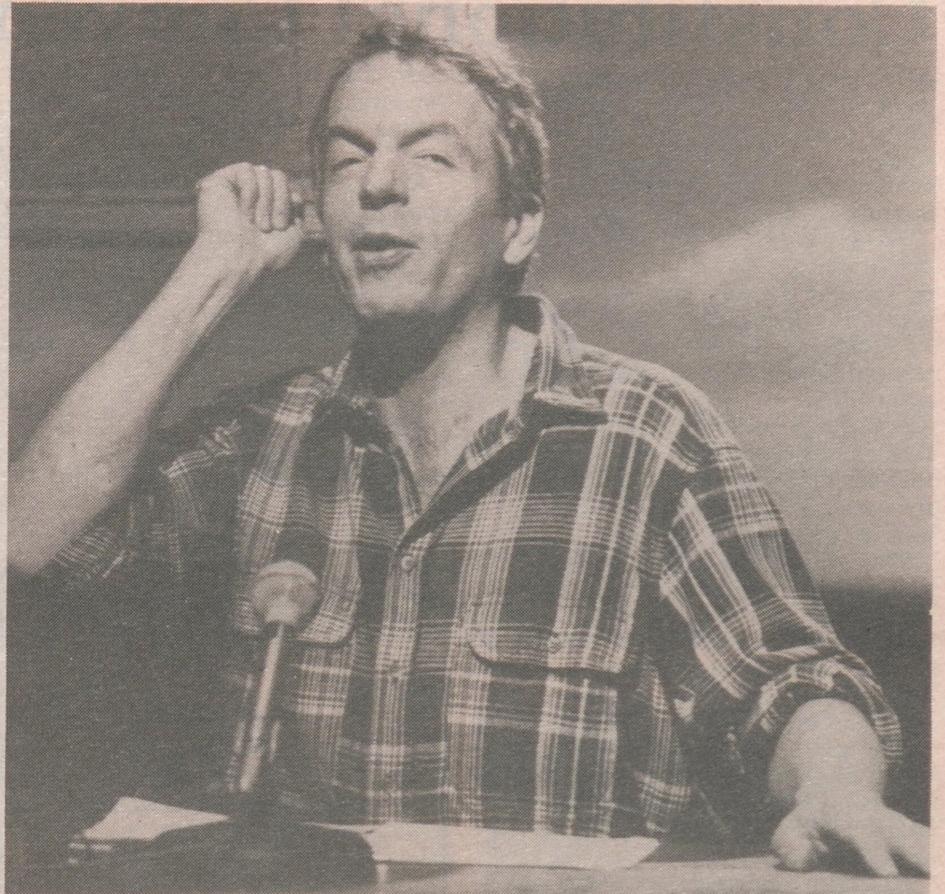
Why didn't somebody drag me to this man's shows before? It's not the kind of thing I would have willingly chosen for myself. I even resisted *The Gods Must*

poetry.

There are three stories in this film. The tale of how he got the job in *Killing Fields* is engrossing, but it is the least interesting of the three. He also searches for that "perfect moment" that sums up and yet transcends the entire experience of his trip. Following his "dark angel," he has several near misses, but finally finds it. It is exhilarating and spooky all at once.

Some of the most powerful moments come not from his personal experiences but from what he has found out about the bombing of Cambodia. He tells about it from the point of view of the Cambodians. It becomes a harrowing but inspiring vision worthy to stand beside Goliad and the Alamo. Heroes for freedom and enlightenment take a brave stand which is doomed to failure when they are abandoned by the United States.

This is not quite like Gray's stage show. Besides being condensed, director Jonathan Demme has opened it up just



Spalding Gray talks about war in "Swimming to Cambodia"

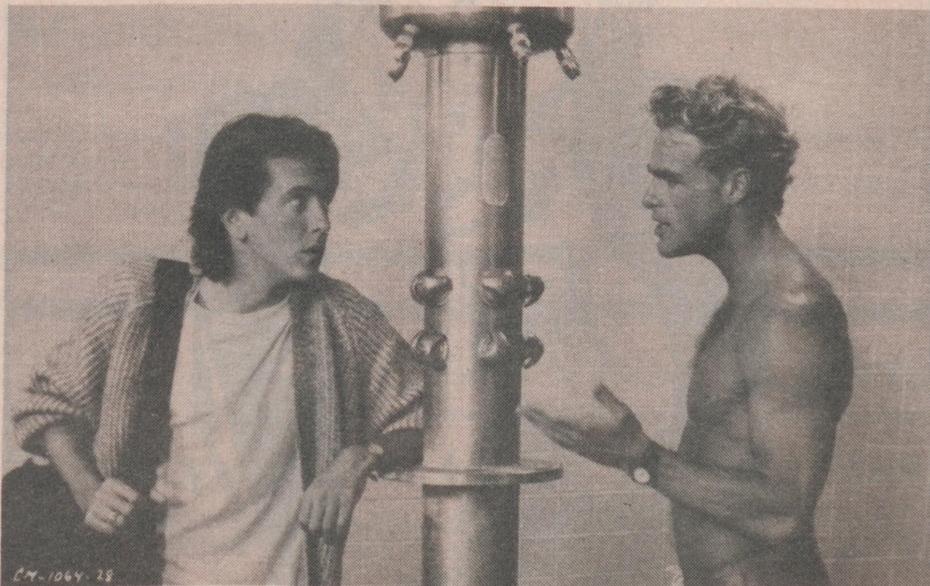


Ann Magnuson and John Malkovich in "Making Mr. Right"

Be Crazy. This man is, at times, delightfully funny, eerily menacing, regretfully rueful, heart-warmingly philosophical—a really great raconteur. Or, as he calls himself, a "poetic repor-

a little and done some very interesting things with camera angles. Laurie Anderson underpinned it with an evocative score, too.

The film is 87 minutes long. It felt like



Todd (John Dye, left) relentlessly hounds Brett (Steve Lyon) to convince him to pose for Todd's all-male student pin-up calendar in "Campus Man"

ter."

His imagery—the way he bounces words off one another, the way he plays with the sounds of the language, his imitations of people (accents, facial expressions, philosophies)—really are

a little over a half hour.

This show is obviously not for everyone, but it is for a lot more than many might think. If you're on the fence about going, let me push you into it. It's not only worthy, it's fun!

□ Film Clips

The Houston International Film Festival, opening April 16, will feature a major retrospective of the works by director John Huston, including a personal appearance by this famed director of *Key Largo*, *African Queen*, and *Moby Dick*.

The Rice Media Center is hosting a festival of post-wave Canadian cinema this week, April 11-13.

□ Curtain Up

Aristocats—reissue of the Walt Disney animated feature.

Athens, Ga/ Inside-Out (River Oaks, 10 & 11)—rock with R.E.M. and the B-52's

Campus Man—the making of a male pin-up calendar.

Dr. Strangelove (River Oaks, 15 & 16)
Making Mr. Right—Susan Speidelman (Desperately Seeking Susan) directed this reverse Pygmalion, with a female image consultant hired to humanize a handsome android.

Partisans of Vilna (Greenway III)
Raising Arizona—an "adopted" baby gets kidnapped by someone else.

The Best of Jay Ward (River Oaks, 12-14)

The Secret of Success
Three for the Road—Charlie Sheen
Swimming to Cambodia (Belair, 10)

□ One Night Stands

L'Armata Brancaleone (MFA, 10)—Brancaleone's Army

Man of Aran; How the Myth Was Made (Rice Media Center, 10)

Memoirs; Mother's Meat and Freud's Flesh (Rice MC, 10)—the punk side of Montreal; "A young porno film actor can't get physical with women because he associates all of them with this mother. His psychiatrist attempts to hypnotize Mom into thinking she's a man so that the actor will give up men."

Per Grazia Ricevuta (MFA, 11)—Between Miracles

C'est Comme Une Peine D'Amore (Rice MC, 12, 2:00 p.m.)—an attempt at an emotional, non-political, non-moralistic view of abortion

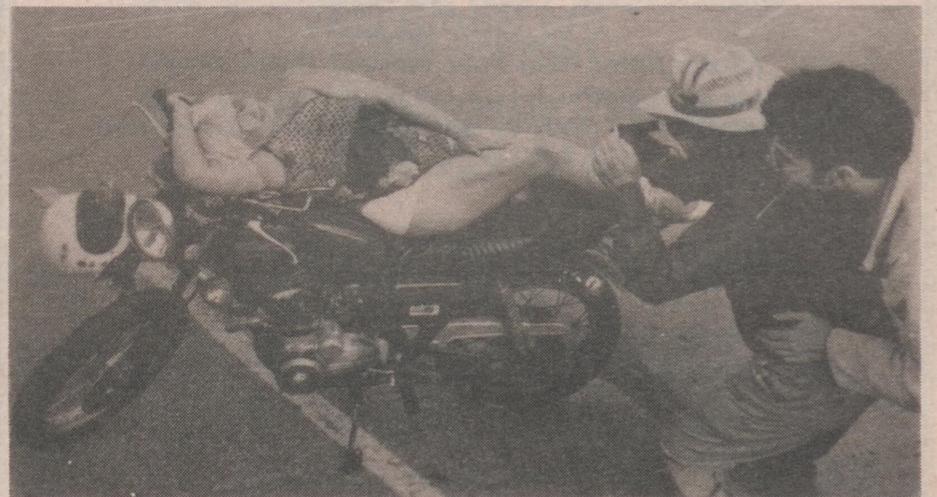
Divorzio All'Italiana (MFA, 12)—Divorce Italian Style

Next of King; Low Visibility (Rice MC, 12)

Crime Wave; Scissere (Rice MC, 13)

The Photographer; The Photographers (Houston Center for Photography, 14)—profiles of six photographers, the major focus being Edward Weston

Walkman Blues (Goethe Institute, 16)—Alfred Behrens will be on hand to introduce his first feature-length film. Freebies.



Ester Vargas, E.J. Sullivan and Demitrios Estdelacropolis are featured in "Mother's Meat and Freud's Flesh," playing at Rice Media Center April 10

Coalition Wants to Halt Constitutional Convention

AUSTIN (UPI)—A rare coalition of liberals and conservatives is urging the Texas Legislature to lead the way in stopping a federal constitutional convention that is only two states short of approval.

The group, which includes People for the American Way and Phyllis Schlafly's Eagle Forum, said March 26 it wants the Legislature to withdraw a 1977 petition for a constitutional convention on a balanced budget amendment.

Rep. Clint Hackney, D-Houston, has filed in the Texas House a resolution that would cancel the state's petition for the nation's first constitutional convention in 200 years.

Thirty-two states have passed resolutions calling for Congress to convene a constitutional convention, and only two more are needed before it must act. A similar resolution has passed the Nevada House and was scheduled for debate in the Senate.

"My main concern is that the very foundation of this country could be undermined by opening up the constitution for amendments in an open convention," Hackney said.

The lawmaker said there is no historical or legal precedent for a convention open to only one subject.

Arthur Kroop, executive director for People for the American Way, an anti-censorship group, told a news conference the nation is at "the brink of a constitutional crisis."

"Mrs. Schlafly's help in trying to stave off attempts to call a constitutional convention shows the great broad base of support for our efforts," he

said. "Together, we ask Texas to lead the nation and withdraw its resolution calling for a constitutional convention."

Kroop said many state legislatures apparently did not understand what they were doing when they adopted the resolutions.

"Perhaps these states' public officials used the resolutions to send a political message to Washington to get its fiscal house in order," he said. "And perhaps they saw little chance of a convention actually being called."

Mike Hudson, Texas director of People for the American Way, called the proposed convention "a bad idea whose

time has come and gone."

The resolution adopted by the Texas Legislature in 1977 calls for Congress propose for state ratification a balanced budget amendment or call a constitutional convention.

The House adopted the resolution on May 23, 1977 without a record vote, and the Senate adopted it a week later on a 25-6 vote.

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"Soap" by the staff of the Montrose Voice

It's April in Montrose and a bevy of activity has folks up in a frenzy. As we approach mid-month (full moon is Monday the 13th), there are many activities still in the works to round out this exciting time in the neighborhood. So here are a few notes:

□ On the Rocks

The Ranch's anniversary celebration is set for Sunday, April 26. Free well drinks will be served from 2:00-4:00 p.m. A lone dollar gets a well drink or long neck all night.

Mary's now has morning madness specials with *Maria and B.J.* The daily soiree has been deemed *L'eggs over Easy* and features \$1 Bloody Maria's and screwdrivers.

Rick Clyne's pool tournaments continue at Mary's with sign up at 2:30 on Sunday and 7:30 Thursday.

If you can't find *Dickie* or *Fanny* at Mary's, look around **Outback**. That is the name of the newly-fenced vacant lot.

Seems that *Bubba* of the **Venture-N** celebrated so much Wednesday he did hand stands on his bicycle.

Attention! Sunday at 1700 hours is time to report for another uniform party at the Main Street headquarters—the **Venture-N**.

On a personal note, *Kenny R.* needs to train his dog not to bite the hand that feeds it. We hope the dog lived after its alcohol breakfast.

□ Mark that Calendar

White Star Line announces an evening cruise on Tuesday, April 14. It will be a "Night to Remember."

The Gay and Lesbian Hispanic Unidos will be having a "Fiesta de Lesbianas" to benefit the *Lesbiana Latina* Retreat. The fundraiser will be held at

"Just" Marion and Lynn's, 903 Richmond, Sunday, April 12 beginning at 3:00 p.m.

There will be a Celebration VI Parade Party host meeting Sunday, April 12, at 1:00 p.m. For more info: 526-4942. You, too, can be a host.

An all women's formal debutante ball benefitting *Womynspace* is slated for Saturday, April 18 at the *Magnolia Ballroom*, 715 Franklin. Billed as "a coming out extravaganza," it begins at 8:00 p.m. Tickets are \$13 in advance and \$15 at the door. *Cherry Wolf* will deejay and a cash bar will be available. A photographer will be on hand for prom pictures.

April 24 is the deadline to sign up for the *Greater Montrose Business Guild "Greater Montrose Garage Sale."* Booth fee is \$6 which includes pre-sale promotion. Info: 528-0443.



John of Cousins celebrated his birthday last week so much he couldn't make it to work on Monday!

□ Just a Reminder

Not to put a damper on anyone's good times, but with all the special parties



Enjoying good weather and good times at the vacant lot festival

slated for the coming weeks this may be a good time for a few special reminders.

The new drunk driving laws are very strict and public intoxication arrests in this neighborhood have always netted the city some extra revenue. The men in blue in Montrose and judges in black downtown aren't playing. It's wise when going out for the evening to tuck away a few bucks for a safe taxi ride home. A D.W.I. or P.I. costs a lot more than a couple of cocktails.

Also, always remember to play safe.



Mac, left, and Jerry, right, relaxing after a hard days work at Classic Designs



Congratulations to R.C. Cuellar, first place winner in wild cow riding at the Golden State Gay Rodeo

Community

News from Neighborhood & Community Groups

▶▶ GLSA Car Wash

The Gay/Lesbian Student Association of the University of Houston will hold a car wash on Saturday, April 11, in the parking lot adjacent to Mary's, 11:00 a.m.-dusk.

▶▶ Easter Services at Kingdom Community

Maudy Thursday Services will be held at Kingdom Community Church on April 16, beginning at 7:15 p.m.

Easter breakfast will begin at 8:30 a.m. April 19, followed by Easter worship at 11:00 a.m. KCC is located at 614 E. 19th.

Neighborhood Sports

Sports News from Montrose & Community Groups

▶▶ Hadnot & Bell Win No. 1 Doubles Rank

In recent Houston Tennis Club challenge ladder matches, Rick Hadnot and Ron Bell took over the No. 1 doubles ranking with a 4-6, 6-3, 6-2 win over Mark McMahon and Mike Houston.

Another new team got on the doubles ladder as Shawn Paulk teamed with No. 1 singles player Andy M. to take over the No. 4 rank over Bruce Willis and Maddie 2-6, 6-0, 6-2 to hold onto his No. 10 rank.

This Sunday HTC is hosting a women's tournament for the Virginia Slims tickets. Entry fee of \$4 gets the ladies into a fun singles round robin event on the Memorial Park Tennis Courts. Other club members and guests will play as usual on other courts 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. For information about playing in the women's tournament, call Dimples at 523-2836 or Rachel at 524-2151.

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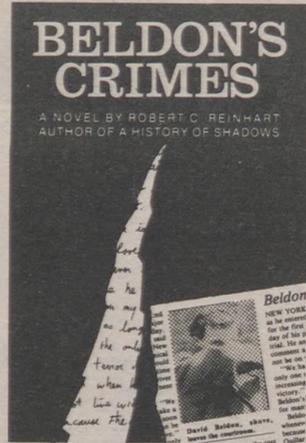
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The horny relationship chronicles of Max Exander

LOVESEX: The horny relationship chronicles of Max Exander, by Max Exander, \$7.00. Exander gives a vivid description of his personal six-month odyssey toward establishing a lasting gay relationship which incorporates safer sex.

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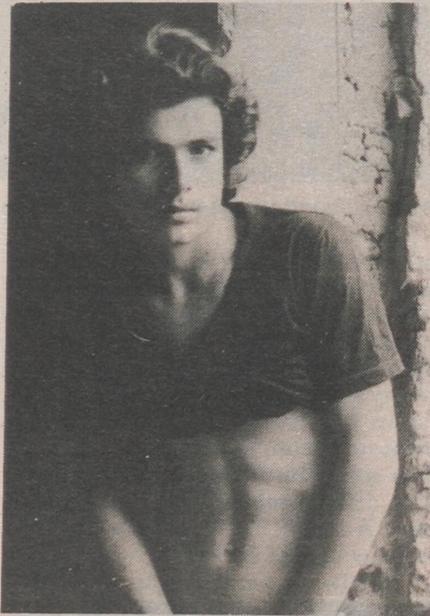


BELDON'S CRIMES, by Robert Reinhart, \$7.00. A grisly sex murder and a homophobic job dismissal suddenly turn Dave Beldon's life upside-down. When he decides to fight for his rights, he becomes the country's most recognized gay man. But soon the question arises: Will Dave Beldon ultimately be the victor — or victim of the three-ring media circus that surrounds him? A new and original novel from the author of *A History of Shadows*.



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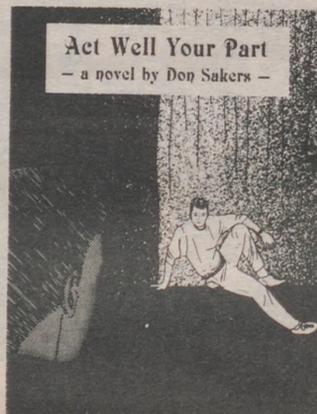
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Long Time Passing: Lives Of Older Lesbians



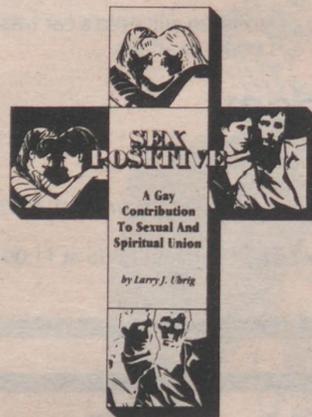
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Competent is the Word for Capricorns

By Mark Orion
Your Horoscope from the Voice
For Friday evening, April 10, through Friday morning, April 16, 1987.

ARIES—While this may not be the dark night of the soul, it's no bed of roses either. It isn't really that things are so bad, more that you have some important and difficult decisions to make when you'd rather go out and play. Sorry, Aries. Take care of business.

TAURUS—An ability to laugh at yourself and see the humor in your ways can be a valuable asset. You won't be doing things much differently, but you'll be able to stand back and at least giggle. Meanwhile, your plans and schemes are taking nice shape.

GEMINI—Have you learned to go with the flow yet? If so, you're swimming in some fine waters this time. If not, you may be in over your head. "Go with the flow" doesn't mean the same thing as getting carried away. The surface may be calm, but there are rip-tides and crosscurrents.

CANCER—You can learn a lot about yourself. Your ability to stick with it and plan through may surprise you and impress others. Even if you always thought you could, really doing it is another thing. Congratulations. Keep on keeping on.

LEO—Everyone should have a Leo for a partner right now. You've got the kind of mind and energy that knows how to give anyone the best. The danger is that you may want to give everyone your best. One at a time, please, one at a time.

VIRGO—In thinking about your planning for the future, don't forget what the present requires of you. Someone close may be upset with a space case of a mate if you do. You're "there," but where else are you? Don't be isolated in dreamland.

LIBRA—You were almost too hot for words last time! Now that you've cooled down a bit, merely glowing warmly, why not bring your friends together for some entertainment? Spring's here, and if anyone knows how to celebrate its pleasures, you do.

SCORPIO—While everyone else is planning vacations and trips, you'll be more than satisfied to stay home. In your unusual calm and peacefulness, small everyday things will give you great pleasure and joy. Stop to smell the roses!

SAGITTARIUS—You can give your best to the group now. Whether it's family, friends, business associates or an organization you're part of, you can do a lot for everyone involved. Your lack of selfishness and desire to give makes you extremely attractive.

CAPRICORN—Competent is the word for Capricorns now. Calm, cool, and collected are others that describe the way you're feeling. There's a nice give-and-take with lovers, and a better understanding with coworkers. It all adds up to a fortunate time.

AQUARIUS—In the search for that perfect lover, you keep on running into yourself. Self-discovery? While you learn some things you don't really want to know, in the long run you gain a lot. Becoming a bigger and better person isn't always easy.

PISCES—The only thing that can stop you now are self doubt and self-imposed limitations that are no longer valid. Your drive and energy could take you into a whole new period of life and understanding. Don't stop yourself. Go with the mighty flow.

The Yellow Man's Burden

The Innocent Bystander
By Arthur Hoppe

I had read nervously about the fall of the once-mighty dollar, but nothing had prepared me for the arrival of Mr. Yutaka Hibachi at my door. Mind you, he was polite and outwardly considerate as he introduced himself to me and handed me his card.



What alarmed me was the announced purpose of his visit. "I wish to buy your house," he said with a little smile and a small bow.

I was about to tell him, in the interests of international friendship, to get lost. But several recent experiences stayed my tongue. One was the way the edge of my paint scraper disappeared into the window sill in the bathroom last Sunday; another was the growing brown stain in the bedroom ceiling which has been much on my mind lately; and third was a small noise I heard coming from the floor joists under the living room the other night: it sounded like chewing.

"Come right in, Mr. Hibachi," I said. (What did I care about international friendship?) "You're planning on moving here to live?"

"Live?" he said, looking surprised. "Here? In this house? Oh, no, I am doing very well with my company in Tokyo, thank you. But my wife thought it would be nice to have a little rustic retreat. Some place to get away from the hustle and bustle of modern life."

"Oh," I said. "Well, we are a couple of minutes away from downtown. But, look, it's only two bedrooms and a breakfast nook. It's not very big."

"Yes," he agreed, "that's why we're buying the block. Tell me, would those interesting—ah—furnishings be included?"

"I suppose I could let you have the tee-vee, the stereo and the VCR," I said.

"Ah, yes," he said. "Do you have anything that is not Japanese?"

"Oh, sure," I said, picking up a tea cozy my Aunt Cora had knitted. "There's this."

You would've thought I'd offered him the Saudi crown jewels, the way his eyes lit up. "An authentic native handicraft!" he exclaimed, holding it up to the light. "How much are you asking for this indigenous treasure?"

"Well," I said, "I happen to know she could use \$10 to buy into tonight's Double Keno Game at St. Jude's."

"Ten dollars?" said Mr. Hibachi. "How much is that in real money?" He punched his wrist calculator. "Why, that's less than 1500 yen!" he said incredulously. "How many of these can this Aunt Cora turn out a day?"

"Oh, maybe one a week," I said. "More if there's something good on tee-vee."

His shoulders sagged. "It's the poor working conditions and lack of technology that keep you Americans from reaching the economic takeoff point," he said. "It's no wonder you're a debtor nation, forced to buy your necessities from the advanced industrial powers."

"Now, wait a minute," I said.

"Please," he said, holding up his hand, "I happen to admire the way you

easygoing Americans drift through life as though you didn't have a care in the world. We hardworking, ambitious overachievers could learn a lot from you."

"Hold on there," I said.

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That did it. The heck with international friendship. I did what any vengeful victim of economic colonialism would do: I sold him my house.

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'Grandpa Hasn't Moved' at Radio Music Theater

Review by Bill O'Rourke
Montrose Voice

□ Radio Music Theater

If you don't mind laughing (and I don't), Radio Music Theater is a very comfortable place to be. Currently, *Grandpa Hasn't Moved in Days* is playing there.

RMT is a cozy little nightclub with tables. They have an efficient smoke eater but they don't allow smoking during the show. Alcohol (complimentary white wine) is only available at the Saturday late show.

The performers are certifiably talented, among other things. Their recent short (two nights?) engagement in NYC resulted in three offers to produce their show there. So we may be losing them next fall. They're proud to point out that they have homes and children here in Houston. They're not at all sure that the Big Apple will get them for more than six months at a time.



Vicki Farrell, Steve Farrell and Ken Polk of Radio Music Theater

They also make comedy film shorts which are seen on "Saturday Night Live."

Do you get the feeling that I laughed my head off and am having difficulty remembering any details? At intermission, one person sitting near me thought that the three performers (Steve and Vicki Farrell and Ken Polk) had become a total of 12 characters. Another said it was 14. (Most of the recurring characters that regulars love appear, except for Mack Sloan and the Old Dick.)

We are in Dumpster, Texas. Grandpa Fertle, the wiener king, preacher and leader of the now disbanded famous gospel family group, has just passed on. It was his dying wish (wasn't it?) that the Singing Fertles be reborn, even though his son now wants them to switch to "secular" music. And his daughter Justicina (Polk) thinks of herself as a very large Joan Baez.

Well, there are marital spats and reconciliations and complications with a pregnancy and the simple son's reactions to his father's death. It all sounds very serious. The best comedy usually is. The second part of the second act is a concert. The music is delightful. (This group has actually put out a good LP.) Some of it is openly, downright hilarious. Some of it works very well as the kind of song it's intended, with close harmony and all. But there's always some kink to it that will draw a laugh right out of you.

□ Joel Sternfeld's Photography

There's a major showing of Joel Sternfeld's photography at the Museum of Fine Arts. These are gorgeous land-

scapes. Most of the people included in the pictures are incidental—to be overlooked or perceived as just one more element in the overall picture. However, there are some very telling portraits, such as the one of a couple manning an AIDS information booth in a park.

Most of his compositions are geometrical, finding interesting angles and planes. It hints at an abstractionist influence.

His skies are blue and sunny. An occasional study of lighting or a tornado are interesting standouts. And he shares my deep and abiding love for mountains. In fact, one mist-filled photograph lets Houston's own Penzoil building loom in the background like distant peaks.

However, his recurring motif, the one that gives rise to the feeling of geometrical planes, is off-beat ground covers. There's a sloping California lawn full of something pink. There's a desert lawn—alternating rows of low, hairy cacti and

flagstones. He often pulls the camera way back til trees and even houses become ornamental ground cover themselves.

You can't help but notice his bright, autumnal colors at the very first glance. As you progress through the works, you become aware that he has used some darkroom technique I won't pretend to understand. He achieves more vibrant hues without leaving behind attention to realism. Unfortunately, part way through the second room full, it just became too rich a pawtry. The aggregate just got to be a bit much.

I think you'll really like these photos, if you only take them one room at a time. Thankfully, there are so many other things worth seeing at MFA that you can give yourself an enjoyable intermission.

□ Notes

Hey, all you "stud puppets" and "pseudo virgins" out there! Judy Tenuta, queen of the sleazy prom and goddess of sorts, will be at the Comedy Workshop. Her opening night, April 21, is a benefit for the AIDS Foundation. So get insulted for a good cause.

You know I won't usually mention garage sales at all, but today and tomorrow at Clay and Main there's a garage sale covering an entire city block! And the proceeds benefit Houston's hungry, homeless and jobless.

Chocolate Bayou has been able to extend the run of John Henry Faulk's one man show through April 18.

The newly incorporated Houston Academy of Motion Pictures is having a screenwriting contest. Deadline for scenarios is April 18. Call HAMP for details, 546-9633.



The Plutonium Players' "Ladies Against Women" returns to Maceba Theater on April 11

Auditions: '87-'88, Kuumba House, April 13-14, by appointment only, 524-1079.

□ Celebrate!

Saturday, April 11, is my dearly beloved mother's 75th birthday. She lives in Colorado Springs and I will be there.

April 20, 1956, Birmingham, Alabama. White racists took to the stage to beat up Nat King Cole while he was trying to perform.

B'days: 10—Hans Licht, Clare Boothe Luce, Max von Sydow. 11—Paul Douglas, Joel Gray, Louise Lasser. 12—David Cassidy, Lionel Hampton, Herbie Hancock. 13—Lanford Wilson, Lyle Waggoner, Ricky Schroder. 14—Julie Christie, Loretta Lynn, Sir John Gielgud. 15—Claudia Cardinale, Hans

Murray Perahia, pianist (Jones, 10)—HSO

Ernst Riejsger and Alan "Gunga" Purves (Diverse Works, 10)—cellist and drummer. ONO!

Tibet: The Mystic Mountain Sanctuary (Museum of Natural Science, 10)—illustrated lecture by Harold A. Knutson. ONO!

Wind/ Percussion Ensembles (HSPVA, 10)—ONO!

Ladies Against Women (Maceba, 11)—"You're Nobody until you're Mrs. Somebody!" ONO!

World of Beauty (Stages, 11)—Texas Playwrights Festival

Very Special Arts Festival (Sam Houston Park, 12, 1-5)—for disabled children and adults to see and be artists. ONO!



Vlado Perlemuter, pianist, performs at Heinen April 10 and 11

Conreid, Elizabeth Montgomery. 16—Eddie Adams, Herbie Mann, Peter Ustinov.

"The human race's prospects of survival were considerably better when we were defenseless against tigers than they are today when we become defenseless against ourselves."—Arnold Toynbee (born April 14)

□ Openings

Vlado Perlemuter, pianist (Heinen, 10 & 11)

Feiffer's People (Company Onstage, 10)

Duane Michals, photographer (Glassell, 12, 3:00 p.m.)—illustrated lecture about his own works. Freebies. ONO!

Choir and Orchestra of St. John the Devine Episcopal (12, 4:00 p.m.)—Freebies. ONO!

George Hunter Jazz Quintet (Tranquility Park, 13, noon)—Freebies. ONO! Mark Anderson (Diverse Works, 14)—performance art. ONO!

James Merrill (MFA, 14)—reading his own works. ONO!

A Lie in the Mind (Alley, 16)—by Sam Shepard

Sounds of Gee (Jones Plaza, 16, noon)—Freebies. ONO!

Court Upholds Enforcement of City's 'S.O.B.' Ordinance

HOUSTON (UPI)—An appeals court has thrown out two court orders that allowed two topless bars to continue operating in violation of the city's sexually oriented business ("S.O.B.") ordinance.

The 14th Court of Appeals ruled April 2 that state District Judge Frank O. White did not have the authority to grant temporary injunctions in December that prohibited the city from enforcing the ordinance.

The clubs do "not have a constitutionally protected vested right to operate a sexually oriented business," the court stated.

City Attorney Jerry Smith said the ruling was significant for the city's enforcement of the sexually oriented business ordinance. He said a ruling against the city could have stymied enforcement efforts in other cases.

The clubs have continued to stay open without the required city permits or extensions.

City Council adopted the ordinance in March 1986, requiring owners and operators of sexually oriented businesses to obtain permits from the city. To obtain a permit, the business must meet certain requirements regulating location, signs and exterior painting.

Lone Star Classic Draws Field of 18

Eighteen men's softball teams from six states have accepted invitations to play in the Fourth Lone Star Classic.

Sponsored by the Montrose Softball League, the double elimination tournament is scheduled for April 17-19 at Memorial Park.

Teams from Los Angeles, San Francisco, Dallas, Kansas City, Sacramento, Chicago and New York will join six Montrose Softball League teams in the competition.

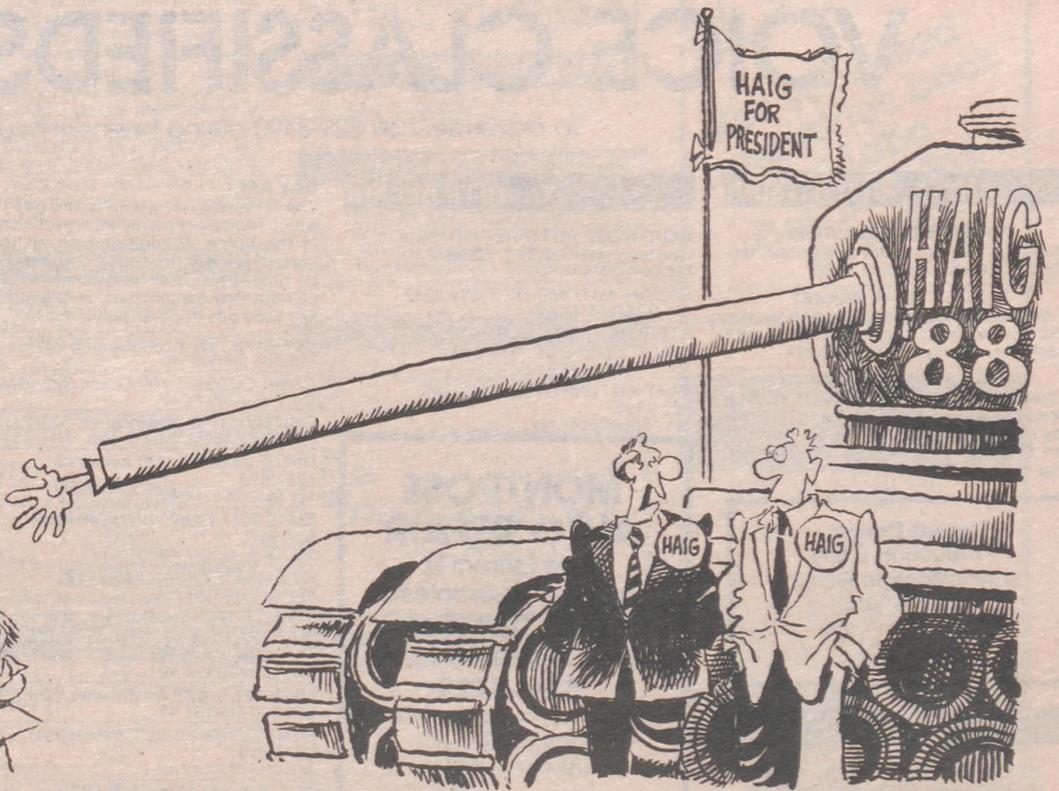
Teams signed up from Houston are Fitness Exchange, Galleon, Montrose Voice, Mecca, Montrose Mining Company and Michaels.

Play begins at 11:00 a.m. Friday, April 17, on Memorial Fields 2, 3, 4 and 5. Continuing Saturday at 10:00 a.m., play will be centered around fields 4 and 5. Sunday will be reserved as a "rain date."

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Kemp Has Best Record on Women

By Clay F. Richards
UPI Political Writer

WASHINGTON—Conservative Rep. Jack Kemp, R-N.Y., has the best record among likely Republican presidential candidates for giving women high-paying staff jobs, a study showed Thursday.

The Republican task force of the National Women's Political Caucus surveyed nine potential candidates on issues important to women.

One of the nine, evangelist Pat Robertson refused to divulge any information about the employment of women in his religious organizations.

The report noted that Robertson was a violent opponent of the Equal Rights Amendment and abortion, and said extension of the Civil Rights Act was "one of the most frightening pieces of legislation that has been brought up."

Among the others, the report noted that Kemp had 13 women and three men on his personal staff and all four top earners were women including his executive assistant who earns \$63,232. Kemp is an active opponent of abortion and the ERA.

As for Howard Baker, while he was in the Senate, the majority of his staff were

women, although they did not hold the highest paying jobs. The median male salary was \$34,500, the median female salary \$22,490.

The report noted Baker supports women in politics, because his grandmother was the first woman sheriff in Tennessee, his stepmother served in the House and his daughter ran for the House.

The report said five of seven of Labor Secretary William Brock's immediate personal staff are women, the highest ranking woman holding the No. 2 slot.

The male median salary on Brock's staff is \$50,171, compared with \$35,672 for women. Women also hold a number of top positions in the Labor Department including associate undersecretary.

Vice President George Bush has three women on his immediate personal staff of 13, including the one in the third highest position. The male median

salary is \$68,920 compared with \$53,758 for women.

Senate Republican leader Robert Dole's staff includes 19 women and 11 men. The salary for females is \$29,251 and for males, \$45,672. When Dole was majority leader, his chief of staff was a woman.

While he was governor of Delaware, Pierre duPont had a woman as secretary of the senate, chief clerk of the state house and state treasurer. However, the treasurer was paid only \$25,700, while her male colleagues averaged \$42,000.

Sen. Nancy Kassebaum, R-Kan., has nine men and 30 women on her personal staff. The median male salary is \$37,280, compared with \$25,000 for women. Five women are included in the top 10 salaried positions.

As for Jeane Kirkpatrick, of the three support persons currently working for the former UN ambassador, one is a male who is her executive assistant.

Letters to the Voice

From the Readers of the Montrose Voice

✉ Responding to Rep. Wright

From Chris Kihnel, co-chairman, PWA Coalition—Houston

In reference to Rep. Brad Wright's (R-Houston) comments Monday, March 23, regarding PWA's as having to take responsibility for contracting AIDS because of our illegal activities, the PWA Coalition-Houston regrets his short-sighted far right, bureaucratic hypocrisy regarding our so-called responsibility and the state's responsibility ending after fully educating people.

We commend Glen Maxey our lesbian-gay rights lobbyist for calling Wright "short-sighted." After all, AIDS has attacked not only the gay community but IV drug users, people that have acquired AIDS through blood transfusions, women with bi-sexual husbands or lovers, and the children. What about the children?

We commend Texas Atty. Gen. Jim Mattox ruling on our rights to file job discrimination complaints if our employers fire us because of AIDS. But at the same time we as PWA's prefer not to be called "victims" but as People with AIDS.

I promise that we, the PWA Coalition of Houston, has only begun to voice our rights and opinions. We will fight for the rights of all PWA's and will become politically active with the help of our friends in the media.

✉ Write the Voice

Items in the "Letters" column are opinions of readers. Publication of such opinions does not infer a concurring view by the Voice. Readers are encouraged to submit their thoughts on issues of interest. Please keep letters brief and mail to "Letters to the Editor," Montrose Voice, 408 Avondale, Houston, TX 77006. All letters must be signed and include address and phone number to verify authenticity. Address and phone will not be printed. Name will be withheld on request.

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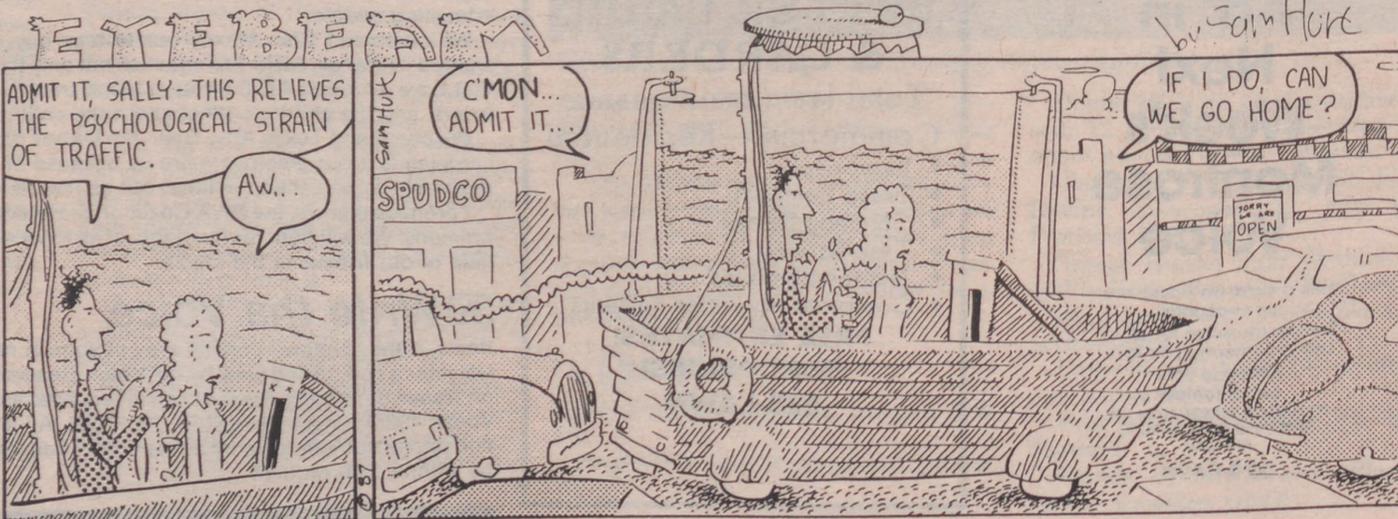
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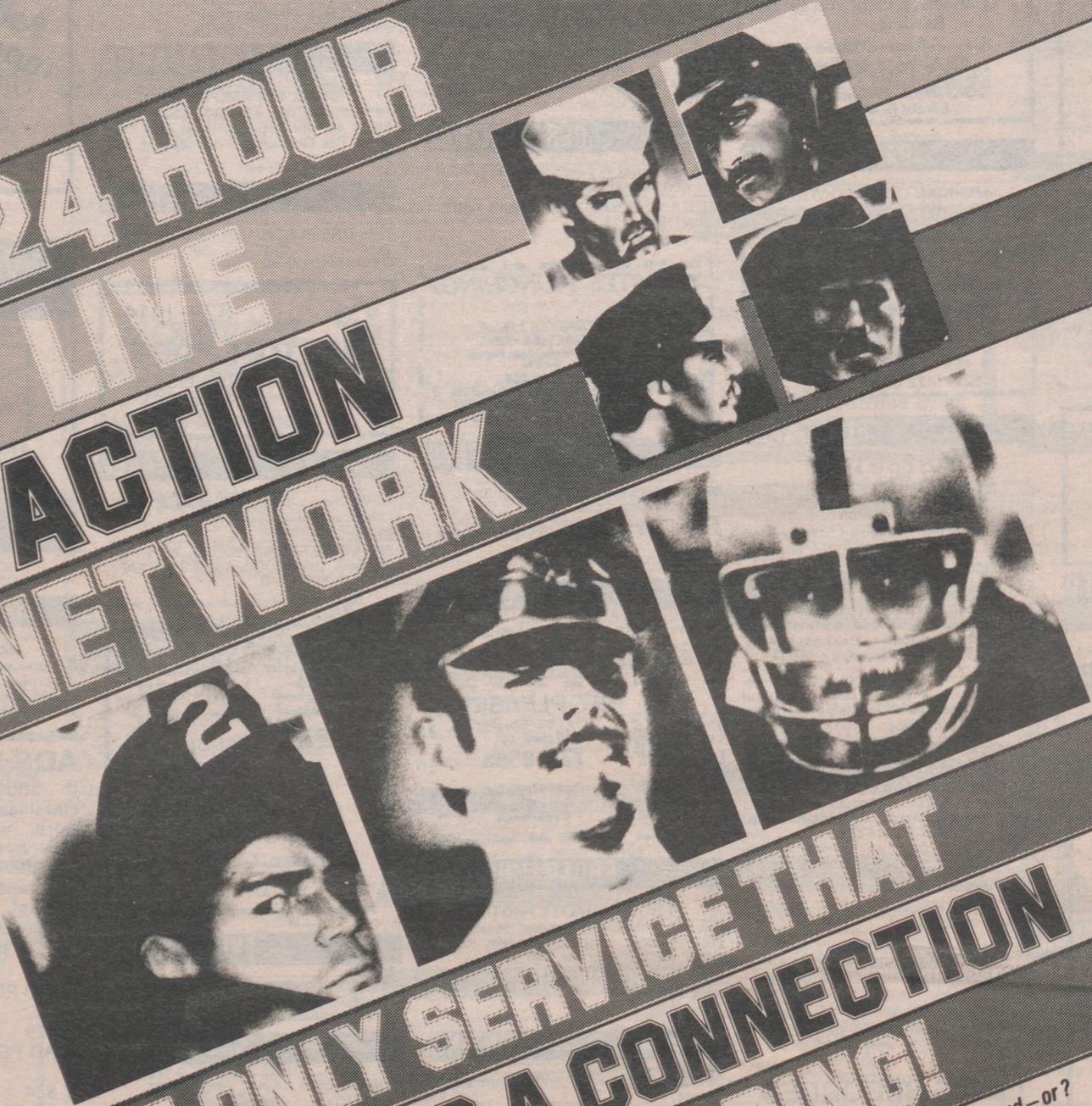
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