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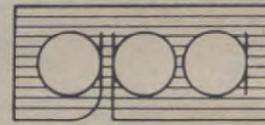
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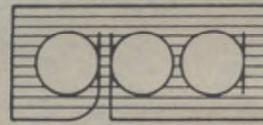
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On the platform, acting as M.C. for the program of speakers and entertainers, was Midge Costanza, a former White House advisor to President Carter and a staunch supporting activist for the gay rights movement. Today, with her own brand of biting political humor, she kept the program moving. Among the half dozen speakers was Irene Eckert, a West German from the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, who spoke on the dangers of the Euromissiles and what the European peace movement is doing to prevent their installation. And that particular weekend, the movement was very visible indeed.

Several million people took to the streets in European cities to protest the introduction of the missiles to their continent. There were reports of 200,000 in London, Paris and Madrid, 175,000 in Rome and Brussels, and an incredible 300,000 in Bonn, West Germany's capitol, where it was said one could hear a pin drop when they called for silence in memory of the atomic bomb victims of Hiroshima.

Following the rally in El Segundo, we talked with two gay women who played key roles in the success of the event. Ellie Cohen is co-director of the Southern California Alliance for Survival.

"I've been with the Alliance for four years," she said, "but this is my last rally with them. I've been hired by the national freeze campaign as a field organizer, and I'll be starting there in two weeks. This is kind of a going away party for me. To promote today's parade and rally, I did 27 interviews in total, an issues media outreach, including a bunch of radio stations. We also distributed 160,000 flyers, 60,000 of them door-to-door. It was mostly grass roots.

"There are a lot of gay people working in the peace movement who are not necessarily working the gay community," she added. "Some are in the closet, and some are really out there. They're all against first strike weapons, though. Now I don't go somewhere and start out with, 'Hi, I'm Ellie, I'm against the nuclear buildup, and I'm a lesbian, but I don't hide it either.'"

While Ellie talked, the speaker's platform was being dismantled a few feet away, and a red-headed woman kept running by taking care of what must have been urgent business. When that woman, Mary Sullivan, stopped to talk, we discovered a lovely gay lady and a dynamic grass roots organizer.

Mary shares a house with a number of other peace movement volunteers who organize meetings in other people's homes where friends are invited to discuss the issues surrounding nuclear disarmament. She quickly explained how house meetings work and how groups in other cities are picking up on it, then posed for a picture with Ellie and split to get back to her duties.

It would appear that more gay women than gay men have become involved with the movement. At least that was the observation of Mark Hallahan, a gay man who has been involved in training people on what to expect when participating in civil disobedience. Throughout the crowd at the rally, one could pick out many people wearing pink triangle lapel buttons and lambdas.

"I think gay men, in a lot of ways, are still stuck to the whole bar syndrome, and that's very much the center of their lives," said Mark. "I'm afraid we haven't gotten much beyond that. It's going to take a real effort to get gay men involved in the peace movement."

Following the rally, people started walk-

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with the turnout. They later learned it was the country's largest that day.

The message from the crowd, and from the speakers on the platform, was loud and clear. They demanded a halt to the deployment of the Cruise and Pershing II missiles in Europe, a freeze on the production of nuclear weapons and the dismantling of existing stockpiles in a verifiable plan with the Soviet Union.

On the platform, acting as M.C. for the program of speakers and entertainers, was Midge Costanza, a former White House advisor to President Carter and a staunch supporting activist for the gay rights movement. Today, with her own brand of biting political humor, she kept the program moving. Among the half dozen speakers was Irene Eckert, a West German from the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, who spoke on the dangers of the Euromissiles and what the European peace movement is doing to prevent their installation. And that particular weekend, the movement was very visible indeed.

Several million people took to the streets in European cities to protest the introduction of the missiles to their continent. There were reports of 200,000 in London, Paris and Madrid, 175,000 in Rome and Brussels, and an incredible 300,000 in Bonn, West Germany's capitol, where it was said one could hear a pin drop when they called for silence in memory of the atomic bomb victims of Hiroshima.

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"I've been with the Alliance for four years," she said, "but this is my last rally with them. I've been hired by the national freeze campaign as a field organizer, and I'll be starting there in two weeks. This is kind of a going away party for me. To promote today's parade and rally, I did 27 interviews in total, an issues media outreach, including a bunch of radio stations. We also distributed 160,000 flyers, 60,000 of them door-to-door. It was mostly grass roots.

"There are a lot of gay people working in the peace movement who are not necessarily working the gay community," she added. "Some are in the closet, and some are really out there. They're all against first strike weapons, though. Now I don't go somewhere and start out with, 'Hi, I'm Ellie, I'm against the nuclear buildup, and I'm a lesbian, but I don't hide it either.'"

While Ellie talked, the speaker's platform was being dismantled a few feet away, and a red-headed woman kept running by taking care of what must have been urgent business. When that woman, Mary Sullivan, stopped to talk, we discovered a lovely gay lady and a dynamic grass roots organizer.

Mary shares a house with a number of other peace movement volunteers who organize meetings in other people's homes where friends are invited to discuss the issues surrounding nuclear disarmament. She quickly explained how house meetings work and how groups in other cities are picking up on it, then posed for a picture with Ellie and split to get back to her duties.

It would appear that more gay women than gay men have become involved with the movement. At least that was the observation of Mark Hallahan, a gay man who has been involved in training people on what to expect when participating in civil disobedience. Throughout the crowd at the rally, one could pick out many people wearing pink triangle lapel buttons and lambdas.

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By Chris Church/Nite Scene  
Via GPA Wire Service

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The gay-baiting of Bill Allain, Mississippi's Democratic gubernatorial candidate, was labeled "dirty politics" in many newspapers and in *Newsweek*—and by the son of William Spell, one of the lawyers who charged Bill Allain's sexual activity with at least three black male prostitutes. Allain denied the "damnable" charges, taking a lie detector test—and won election handily, proving again that gay-baiting is no sure-fire tactic.

But gay political clout was nosed out in Massachusetts by a 19-18 Senate vote sending the Gay Rights bill to the state Supreme Court for an opinion—unlikely to be delivered before the legislature

adjourns. The only attention this got outside the state was 10 lines in *USA Today* (Nov. 3).

The Quincy, Mass., *Patriot Ledger* (Oct. 27) quoted Rep. Gerry Studds saying that being a closet gay is living hell: "I've been in public life 10 years, having to deal with everything from hysteria to irrationality to hatred and plain ugliness... having to live most of your adult as a closet gay person necessitates developing a very tough skin, or you'd... go stark, raving mad." Several papers picked up bits of this interview.

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United Press International on Nov. 5 reported a University of California/Davis study showing that 14 percent of the women surveyed had been sexually harassed, mostly by male faculty members. One-point-one percent of the men surveyed reported having been sexually harassed on campus. The study didn't say by whom. *Time* on Nov. 14 reported a more damning study released at Harvard.

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Gay news is rare in the newspaper business sections, but the Securities and Exchange Commission's action suspending trading of shares of Gay International for 10 days, a San Francisco-based company that publishes the *Gay Areas Directory* and owns several gay hotels, was reported by the *San Francisco Examiner* and the *Los Angeles Times* on Nov. 1. The SEC questioned the firm's financial stability and the accuracy of publicly disseminated information. Gay International went public in April and took over the San Francisco based telephone directory. Their stock has since climbed from 35¢ to \$3. Company officials claimed harassment. They own extensive Utah and Hawaii real estate and are seeking to acquire property in Idaho and California.

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The *Times* article, by Dudley Clendinen, traced the close relationship between the gay community and Washington, D.C.'s Mayor Barry, Houston's Mayor Whitmire (reelected) and other office holders in Sacramento, Boston, San Francisco, Philadelphia and Key West, where businessman Richard Heyman this month became the third openly gay mayor to be elected in the U.S., joining mayors of Buncetown, Mo., and Laguna Beach, Calif.

The article (cramped by the *Times'* refusal to use the word gay except in quotations) discussed how often gay voters support black candidates and spoke of the growing "rainbow coalition." It noted former gay-baiters who now court gay votes and discussed victories and plans of the Human Rights Campaign Fund, the National Association of Gay and Lesbian Democrats and the National Gay Task Force. Granting that homosexual efforts to assert their political influence proceeds "by fits and starts," the article rounded off on college instructor David Scordras' race for the Boston City Council. Said Scordras, "The age of bigotry is eclipsing, and the age of coalition-building is beginning."

The gay-baiting of Bill Allain, Mississippi's Democratic gubernatorial candidate, was labeled "dirty politics" in many newspapers and in *Newsweek*—and by the son of William Spell, one of the lawyers who charged Bill Allain's sexual activity with at least three black male prostitutes. Allain denied the "damnable" charges, taking a lie detector test—and won election handily, proving again that gay-baiting is no sure-fire tactic.

But gay political clout was nosed out in Massachusetts by a 19-18 Senate vote sending the Gay Rights bill to the state Supreme Court for an opinion—unlikely to be delivered before the legislature

adjourns. The only attention this got outside the state was 10 lines in *USA Today* (Nov. 3).

The Quincy, Mass., *Patriot Ledger* (Oct. 27) quoted Rep. Gerry Studds saying that being a closet gay is living hell: "I've been in public life 10 years, having to deal with everything from hysteria to irrationality to hatred and plain ugliness... having to live most of your adult as a closet gay person necessitates developing a very tough skin, or you'd... go stark, raving mad." Several papers picked up bits of this interview.

San Francisco columnist Herb Caen on Oct. 29 reported on Don Jackson's St. Priapus Church, whose slogan is "Sex can destroy evil." Jackson, who believes oral sex is sacramental, launched the "December '69" drive for gays to occupy underpopulated Alpine County, Calif. A St. Priapus Church is expected shortly in Los Angeles. On Nov. 8, Caen reported that the gay-oriented Atlas Savings and Loan now has a straight president—whose wife is named Gaynelle.

United Press International on Nov. 5 reported a University of California/Davis study showing that 14 percent of the women surveyed had been sexually harassed, mostly by male faculty members. One-point-one percent of the men surveyed reported having been sexually harassed on campus. The study didn't say by whom. *Time* on Nov. 14 reported a more damning study released at Harvard.

The *Los Angeles Times* reported on Nov. 8 that four prisoners in three days had died in local jail facilities, reportedly by suicide or heart attacks. Three were in on sex charges.

Gay news is rare in the newspaper business sections, but the Securities and Exchange Commission's action suspending trading of shares of Gay International for 10 days, a San Francisco-based company that publishes the *Gay Areas Directory* and owns several gay hotels, was reported by the *San Francisco Examiner* and the *Los Angeles Times* on Nov. 1. The SEC questioned the firm's financial stability and the accuracy of publicly disseminated information. Gay International went public in April and took over the San Francisco based telephone directory. Their stock has since climbed from 35¢ to \$3. Company officials claimed harassment. They own extensive Utah and Hawaii real estate and are seeking to acquire property in Idaho and California.

Edward Guthmann turned in a fine retrospective on poet, avant-garde filmmaker, incredibly elfin performer and radical fairy James Broughton for the *San Francisco Chronicle*, Nov. 6. A third-

generation Californian, Broughton at 80 remains vigorous, witty and committed to shocking his audiences, as he had early tried to shock his conservative stepfather. Seven days earlier, Guthmann did a fine piece on gay Russian filmmaker Serge Eisenstein, whose documentary *Que Viva Mexico*, left unedited at some 50 hours, was slashed up by socialist "producer" Upton Sinclair, who objected to the filmmaker's erotic treatment of Mexican youth.

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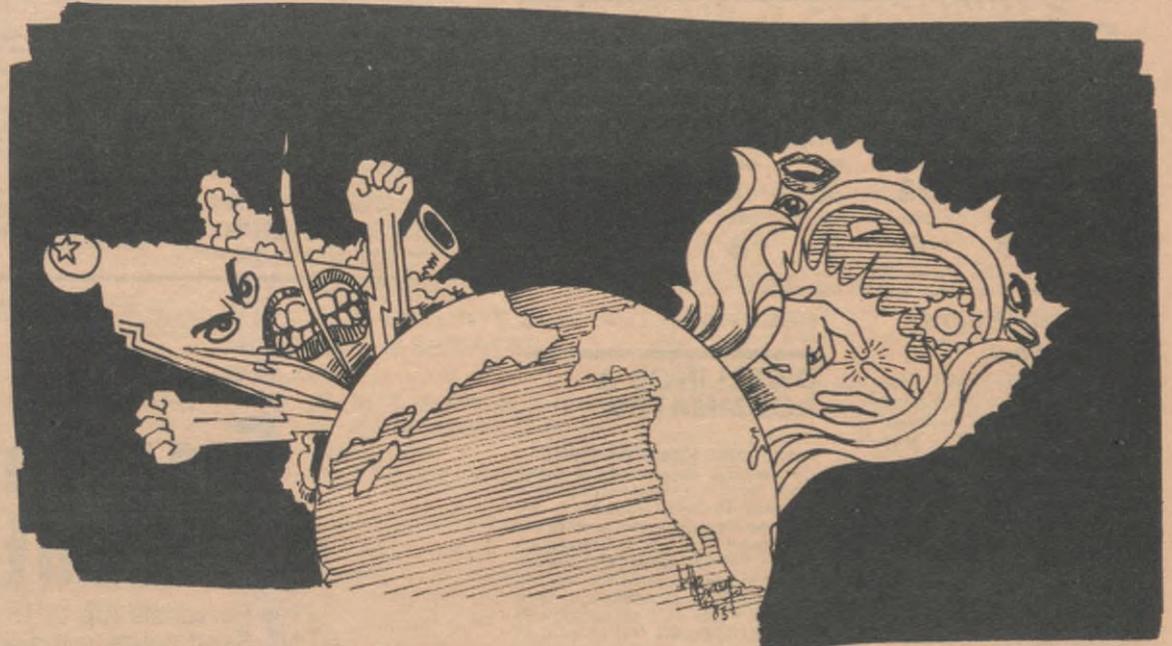
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- National Gay Health Education Foundation—80 8th Av #1305, New York, NY 10011—(212) 206-1009
- National Gay Rights Advocates—540 Castro, San Francisco, CA 94114—(415) 863-3624
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- **IN 9 WEEKS:** Gay Press Association Southern Regional Conference, Jan. 27-29, Houston
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- **IN 11 WEEKS:** Valentine's Day, Feb. 14
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- **IN 14 WEEKS:** Mardi Gras Fat Tuesday, March 6
- **IN 16 WEEKS:** St. Patrick's Day, March 17
- **IN 18 WEEKS:** April Fool's Day, April 1
- **IN 24 WEEKS:** World's Fair opens in New Orleans, May 12, lasting to Nov. 11
- **IN 26 WEEKS:** Gay Press Association 4th National Convention, May 25-28, Los Angeles
- **IN 26 WEEKS:** Memorial Day, May 28
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- **EARLY JULY:** Lesbian and Gay Bands of America concert, Los Angeles
- **IN 29 WEEKS:** National Gay Health Education Foundation's 1st International Lesbian/Gay Health Conference, "Toward Diversity," New York, June 16-19
- **IN 34 WEEKS:** Democratic National Convention, San Francisco, July 16-19
- **IN 38 WEEKS:** Castro Street Fair, Aug. 19, San Francisco
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- 10039—(212) 944-9488
- Media Fund for Human Rights (Gay Press Association)—POB 33605, Washington, DC 20033—(202) 387-2430
- National Association of Business Councils—Box 15145, San Francisco, CA 94115—(415) 885-6363
- National Association of Gay & Lesbian Democratic Clubs—1742 Mass Av SE, Washington, DC 20003—(202) 547-3104
- National Gay Health Education Foundation—80 8th Av #1305, New York, NY 10011—(212) 206-1009

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  - Gay Rights National Lobby—POB 1892, Washington, DC 20013—(202) 546-1801
  - Human Rights Campaign Fund—POB 1396, Washington, DC 20013—(202) 546-2025
  - Lambda Legal Defense—132 W 43rd, New York, NY

- National Gay Rights Advocates—540 Castro, San Francisco, CA 94114—(415) 863-3624
- National Gay Task Force—80 5th Av, New York, NY 10011—(212) 741-5800
- NGTF's Crisisline—(800) 221-7044 (outside New York State)
- Texas Gay/Lesbian Task Force—POB AK, Denton 76201—(817) 387-6216

- AUSTIN—
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  - CORPUS CHRISTI—
  - Gay Bartenders Association—c/o Zodiac Lounge, 517 Staples—883-7753
  - Metropolitan Community Church—c/o Unitarian Church, 3125 Horna Rd—851-9698
  - SAN ANTONIO—
  - Alamo Human Rights Committee—654-0074, 655-5485
  - Dignity—349-3632; meets Sun 5pm, St Patricks Church, I-35 near New Braunfels & Pine
  - Gay Switchboard—733-7300
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  - Jolly Jack 2—413 Peoples
  - Spanish Galleon—517 N Chaparral—882-0510
  - Sandbar—408 Taylor—884-0277
  - Zodiac—617 S Staples—883-7753

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- The Apartment—804 Myrtle
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