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Boys in the Band **Auditions Set**

Auditions for a production of "The Boys in the Band" by Mart Crowley will be held Dec. 2-3 at WKRB. The play will be produced at WKRB and will run for about three performances. Production dates have not been finalized.

Reading auditions will be held Friday, Dec. 2 and Saturday, December 3 from 5-7:30 PM at WKRB, 1528 Madison. The production is being produced by Sharon Wray and directed by Dennis Massey.

For more information, call 278-9321 between 5-7 PM

GCN/Nashville **Under Fire**

Nashville — Gay Cable Network/Nashville, an hourlong program produced in New York and airing on Community Access Television in Nashville, is under attack from fundamentalists led by Belmont Church. Executive Director of CAT, Elliot Mitchell, has refused to cancel the program citing the company's guarantee of air time to any citizen whose program meets the guidelines of not being obscene, containing commercial content, or in promoting a lottery.

Churches have urged their members to call CAT and voice their objections and also to drop their cable service in an attempt to impress Viacom, the operator of Nashville's cable system, that they mean business. They are also being urged to call their city council members who could vote to withdraw station funding.

GCN/Nashville is mobilizing support for the programming. A contiuing battle could draw national attention to Nashville over First Amend-

ment rights.

Felony May Become Misdemeanor

Crimes Against Nature Law Reviewed

reconvenes in January, they will very likely be considering recommended changes to the Tennessee Criminal Code which will, among other things. make homosexual acts a crime but will reduce the crime from a felony to a misdemeanor.

Tennessee is under federal court order to reduce overcrowding in its jail facilities and lawmakers are applying pressure to eliminate archaic and vague language in the Tennessee Criminal Code. A subcommittee, chaired by Nashville Attorney David Raybin, has been working on the Criminal Code for two-and-a-half-years. According to executive director of the Tennessee Sentencing Commission, Sue B. Cain, the proposed changes have been filed with the Judiciary com-

When the state legislature mittees in the state senate and house of representatives.

The proposed revisions to the "crimes against nature" law would eliminate crimes against nature but would call for "penalties to be leveled against a person charged with an act of sexual penetration with a person of the same gender," reported Dare newspaper. The revision would change homosexual acts from a felony, punishable by 5 to 15 years and a fine not to exceed \$10,000, to a Class C misdemeanor, punishable by not more than 30 days in jail and/or a \$50 fine.

When the legislature reconvenes in January, it will be the responsibility of the Judiciary committees to route the report to a particular committee. It may be assigned to a study committee. At any rate, it will

probably be well into the 1989 session before the report will come up for consideration.

Various recommendations have already come under attack from groups as diversified as the Tennessee Sheriff's Association, Mothers Against Drunk Driving and the Tennessee Gay and Lesbian Alliance.

Sue Hyde of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force said, "There is no reason at all why the Tennessee Sentencing Commission and the state legislature should take the step of reducing the crime from a felony to a misdemeanor without taking the next step and removing it from the books completely.

"To reduce it to a misdemeanor, I think, for most Lesbians and Gay men does not reduce the sting of the state's inappropriate role in our private lives. Gay men and Lesbians have the same inalienable rights to private consensual sex acts as do heterosexuals."

Hyde went on to say, "In regard to homosexual acts, the Commission's logic had nothing to do with reducing inmate population, but instead had to do with the continued stigmatization of Gay men and Lesbians in Tennessee."

Tennessee will join Arkansas, Texas, and Kansas as states in which homosexual acts are classified as a misdemeanor, if the revision is adopted by the Tennessee legislature. In Montana and Nevada, homosexual acts are classified as a felony. In more than half of the United States, both homosexual and heterosexual sodomy are still classified as felony crimes.

Gaze Begins 10th Year of Publication to Gay Community

With this issue, Gaze newspaper begins it's tenth year of publication. Originally conceived by Coalition Founders, Bill Johnson and Ric Sullivan, as a newsletter for the Memphis Chapter of the Tennessee Gay Coalition for Human Rights, Gaze hit the streets in December of '79 as a full-blown, 4page tabloid. Johnson continued as editor until December of '82 at which time it was turned over to co-editors Allen Cook and John Stilwell. During that period, production services were provided by Ken Hagenback and Dickey Stafford. The major writing at that time was done by Bill Johnson and Ric Sullivan.

Over the years, the paper has evolved through many graphic changes, gone up and down in the number of pages, and for a short period, even went to a bi-monthly schedule. Sophistication in producing the actual copy has gone from an IBM selectric to an IBM composer to APC computer and spin writer to the current-stateof-the-art Macintosh with Laser printer.

One thing has not changed. Gaze continues to be produced by volunteers as a service of the Memphis Gay Coalition. For that reason, persons interested in writing articles, reviews, commentaries, and/or guest editorials are encouraged to contact us.

There is also a need for assistance in ad sales. Designed as a not-for-profit venture, Gaze is produced with revenue collected from ad sales. At the present time, the primary source of that revenue are the Gay bars. That advertising base needs to be broadened to include other Gay-owned businesses as well as businesses catering to or sympathetic to

With this issue, we are introducing some graphics to change the look of Gaze. We

welcome your comments and suggestions on these changes and other changes you might like to see in future issues.

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(Animal Ing)

We read in passing the other day about a serious problem that several of our Gay brethren were having in the neighborhood of Jackson, Mississippi. They had been arrested for tearoom activities at a highway rest stop; and, as we recall, the judge made a point of publishing names, etc., and insisted that they serve some time in the hoosegow and be used as an example. We are not here to say a great deal about the do's and don'ts of tearooms, nor are we here to moralize about same. It does occur to moi, however, (despite the thrill, apparent ease of contact, and the sharp tang that a bit of danger can add to

sexual situations) to ask: Is this what Gay people really want?

Are we so afraid in our normal situations that we have to seek a little gratification in a public restroom? So many of us have been there, for whatever reason; but the main point is this: We have a right to choose our companions. We do not have a right to have sex anywhere, anytime; nobody does, to our knowledge. We do have a right not to be harassed. Every time someone, someplace, re-

Lady Astor Speaks Her Mind

members to vote for a sympathetic person (or remembers to vote at all), every time somebody stands up and makes a big stink because they are tired of harassment, every time somebody acknowledges their lover to the world at large, they are bringing the day a hair closer when we will not need tearooms. Do you like hiding all the time? Do you like living in such fear that your evenings are spent sneaking into a Gay bar, drinking yourself into a stupor, and hoping to spend a few minutes next to a warm body? For God's sake, Mary!

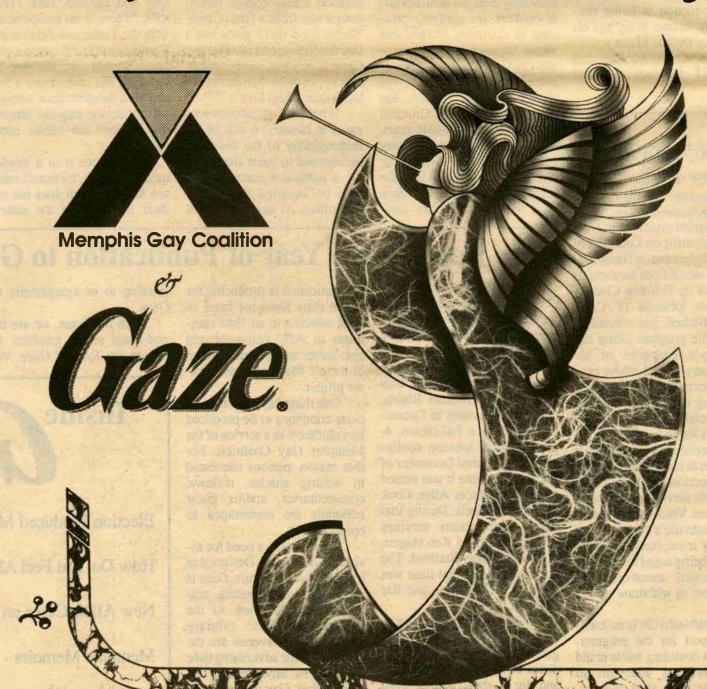
Our business owners work

hard to keep our Gay spaces free of harassment. We have places we can go: once we didn't. We need to be able to patronize any bar or any restaurant and be ourselves. We need to have places we can go to work without pretense. This does not concem wearing sequins and mascara to the office. Get real. This does concern the many, many people who live in constant fear. This does concern those whose lives and careers would be ruined by negative publicity. This concerns those people whose primary place to find other Gay people and perhaps a little companionship is to hang

out at the neighborhood quarter movies and rattle change all night. What a dump.

Each time a tiny victory is won, through courage and persistence, a step is taken. Our royal person will not live to see widespread tolerance. We will, however, support these efforts when we can and exhort our gentle readers to do the same, or at least refrain from dishing those who have the courage to say - no more! As a wise person once said, either get out in front, follow along behind, or get the hell out of the way. We're moving forward. Lady A.

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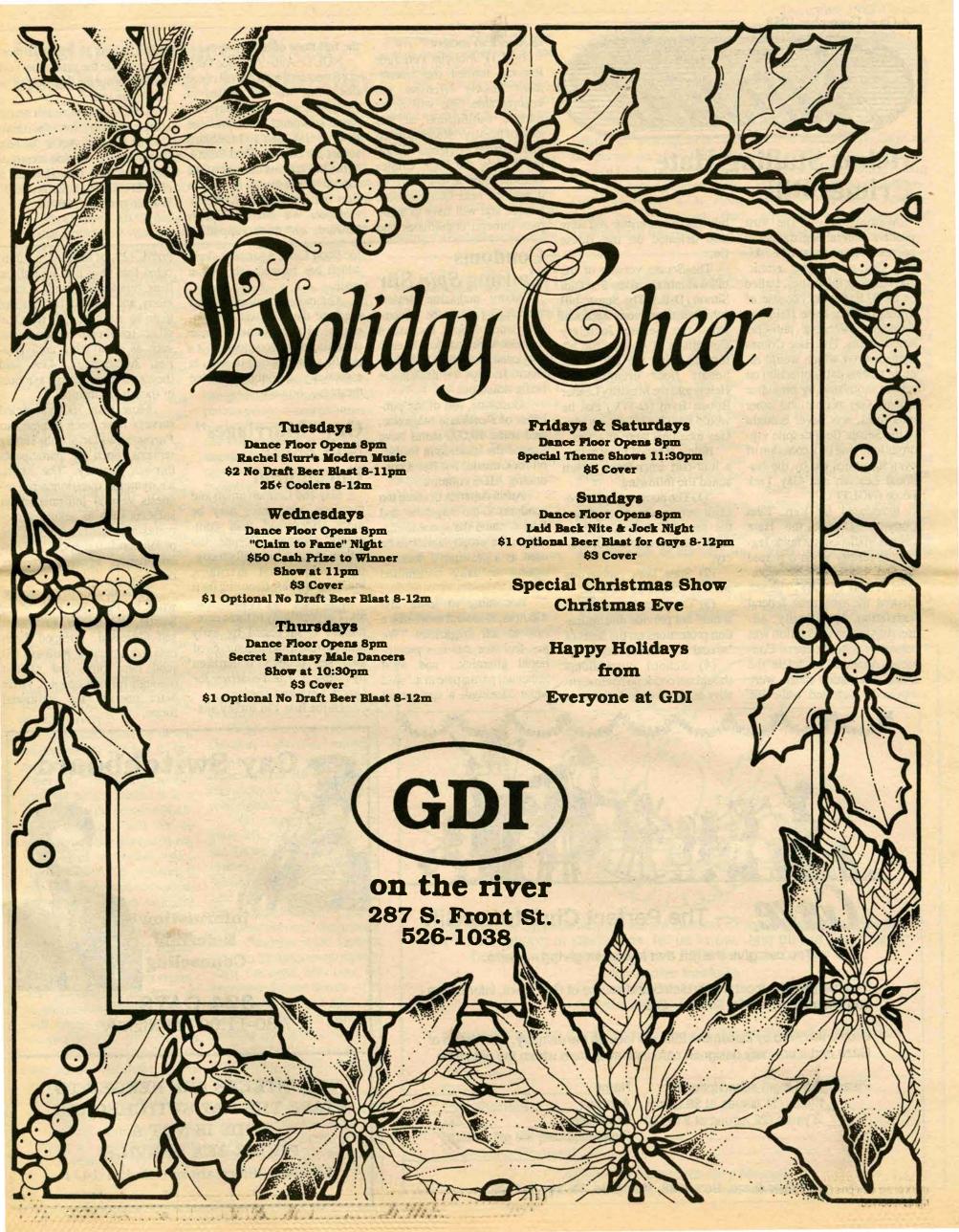
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Helms Stalling Hate Crimes Bill

positive federal legislation to address violence against Lesbians, Gay men, racial, ethnic, and religious minorities, stalled in the U.S. Senate because of threats by Sen. Jesse Helms to introduce sweeping anti-Gay amendments. The Hate Crimes Statistics Act which would require federal data collection on crimes motivated by prejudice against Gay people and other minorities, was never brought to the Senate floor despite vigorous lobbying by a coalition of over 50 groups led by the National Lesbian and Gay Task Force (NGLTF).

Introduced by Rep. John Conyers (D-MI), the Hate Crimes Statistics Act made legislative history when it passed the U.S. House of Representatives in May of 1988. The bill marked the first time federal legislation specifically addressing sexual orientation was passed by either house of Congress. Attempts to delete the sexual orientation clause were repeatedly defeated while the

Washington — The first bill was in committee and were sitive federal legislation to also defeated on the House floor.

The Senate version of the bill was introduced by Sen Paul Simon (D-IL). The Senate bill achieved unanimous approval from the Senate Judiciary Committee in August. But efforts to bring the bill to the Senate floor crumbled as Helms told the Majority Leader Robert Byrd (D-WV) that he would fight the bill unless anti-Gay measures were attached.

Helms planned to introduce a four-part amendment which stated the following:

- "(1) The homosexual movement threatens the strength and the survival of the American family as the basic unit of society;
- (2) State laws prohibiting sodomy should be enforced;
- (3) The federal government should not provide discrimination protections on the basis of 'sexual orientation;' and
- (4) School curriculums should not condone homosexuality as an acceptable lifestyle

in American society."

NGLTF lobbyist Peri Jude Radecic termed the amendment "totally offensive and unacceptable. We will never tolerate codification of this kind of bigotry." Radecic noted that because of Helms' delaying tactics, the Hate Crimes measure must be re-introduced during the next Congressional session and will have to again pass through committees and

Condoms
Causing Spin Stir

Many magazine dealers are refusing to sell the November issue of *Spin* because it includes a free condom in each magazine. Publisher Bob Guccione, Jr. says the dealers are being ridiculous.

Guccione, son of the publisher of *Penthouse* magazine, said some 10,000 stores have banned the issue. *Spin* focuses on rock music, but has a continuing AIDS column.

Ansel America donated the condoms to the magazine, and *Spin* donated the space to distribute the prophylactics to be used as a preventive measure against sexually transmitted AIDS

According to some distributors, it looked more like a ruse to sell magazines. "We just feel like this is a promotional gimmick... and we'd rather not participate in it," said Mike Mozingo, a spokesman

the full floor of both houses.

NGLTF Anti-Violence Project Director Kevin Berrill noted that while the bill stalled in Congress, acts of anti-Gay violence continued to shatter the lives of Gay men and Lesbians across the country. Said Berrill, "This bill reflects our call to the federal government to take a firm stand against homophobic violence. We intend to press forward, add more supporting

organizations to our coalition, and continue the grassroots constituent pressure that helped so much this year."

Activists interested in generating support for the Hate Crimes Statistics Act in the next Congressional session are urged to contact Peri Jude Radecic at NGLTF, 1517 U Street NEW, Washington, DC, 20009.

for Food Lion, a grocery chain which has banned sale of the issue.

Guccione contended that much of the criticism is hypocritical in that "some of these store already sell condoms. It's a terrific over-reaction to what is essentially a public service message," he said.

Gay "Marriages" No Longer Uncommon

Gay and Lesbian union and marriage ceremonies may be more widespread than commonly assumed. Despite the failure of states of legally recognize homosexual marriage, many couples are honoring their relationships with wedding rituals. The popularity of these ceremonies is suggested by early returns from a national survey of same-sex couples undertaken by Partners: The Newsletter for Gay & Lesbian Couples.

Of the first 136 survey ana-

lyzed, 12% of respondents indicated that they had formalized their relationship with a ceremony, and 4% said they planned to do so. Another 12% relied on other traditional observances, such as celebrating anniversaries. Additionally, 43% said they wear rings or other symbols of their relationship.

More than 700 completed surveys have been returned to *Partners* thus far, and the survey remains open to participants through January. The short, anonymous questionnaire requests general information on subjects such as sexual agreements and satisfaction, sources of relationship support, and discrimination against same-sex couples

To participate in the survey, write to Partners, Box 9685, Seattle, WA 98109. Enclose a self-addressed, stamped business size envelope. Partners will send two forms per request (enough for one couple). Affix extra postage for additional forms.



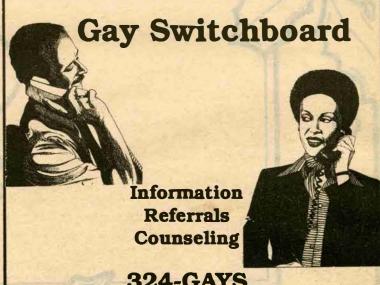
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Election Produces Mixed Results for Gay Community

This year's election brought mixed results for the Gay community according to the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force. The most significant victory was the defeat of Proposition 102 in California, the Dannemeyer AIDS initiative that would have eliminated anonymous HIV testing and imposed mandatory reporting of HIV positive individuals. The greatest disappointments were in Oregon, where a state executive order banning sexual orientation discrimination was overturned in a referendum. and in Connecticutt, where AIDS and Gay civil rights supporter Lowell Weicker was defeated in his bid for re-election to the Senate.

Irrespective of those results, however, Jeffrey Levi, NGLTF's executive director, observed that "this election marks the end of an era of neglect by the President of the nation's most compelling public health issue. While we do not fully agree with President-elect George Bush on many of his positions on AIDS, Bush has been more engaged on this issue than President Reagan. Bush actively supports anti-discrimination protections for persons with HIV infections, and has had an open ear to those working on AIDS in the Public Health Service."

Commenting on the defeat of Proposition 102 and its impact on national politics, Levi observed, "This is a great victory for public health. It is a statement by the people of California that they will not be browbeaten into accepting expensive and ineffective 'quick fixes' to the AIDS problem. It proves that education of a population can work in changing attitudes and increasing understanding about AIDS. We hope this defeat of William Danneniever — on the heels of threeto-one votes against his repressive proposals in the House of Representatives last month will return debate to a more reasonable level in California and in the nation's capital. We also believe that defeat of this measure will stop a steamroller effect of copy cat propositions around the country.

NGLTF noted with regret passage of another California AIDS initiative, Proposition

96, which, among other things, allows court-ordered testing of persons accused of certain crimes. Observed public information director Urvashi Vaid, "While not as far-reaching as 102, it attacks the basic civil liberties of those most vulnerable in our society — persons accused of crimes. Had this required testing of those convicted of sexual assault, etc., this might have been an understandable — though not necessarily appropriate approach. However, in permitting testing of those merely accused of certain crimes, the measure undermines the fundamental American principle of innocent until proven guilty — and provides a motivation for false accusations of crimes. It poses a substantial threat to the accused's opportunity to receive a fair, impartial trial, particularly in jury cases."

The vote to repeal the Oregon executive order on sexual orientation discrimination was the source of great disappointment — "to Gays and Lesbians and all those concerned with civil liberties," Levi said. "On the anniversary of Kristallnacht, it is particularly sad that the people of Oregon would turn their backs on any minority, group that has suffered discrimination." The contrasting vote in the Presidential election - Oregonians supported Gov. Dukakis — showed, Levi said, "that progressive views in other areas does not always translate into support for Gay/Lesbian civil rights."

The returning 101st Congress will look quite similar to the 100th, with one major exception. "The loss of Lowell Weicker — our strongest advocate and spokesperson in the United States Senate — will be a tremendous one," commented Levi. "Weicker stood alone at times in fighting uncompromisingly for those who were not represented in the Senate — all minorities, not just Gay and Lesbians. His role in increasing funding for AIDS, most recently in the extension of federal funding of AZT, cannot be overestimated."

With the election over, Levi said, "some of the most challenging work is ahead of us. A new administration is being constructed — and we plan to be on the ground floor in helping advise and counsel the transition teams about AIDS and civil rights issues."

"We anticipate continued discussion and access to the Public Health Service in a Bush administration," Levi continued, "just as we have had access within the Dept. of Health and Human Services in the Reagan Administration. The change we anticipate is greater receptiveness at the political level — assuming the budget cutters at the



Office of Management and Budget are not given the upper hand in health policy debates."

On a less optimistic note, Levi observed, "it is clear, based on the record, that George Bush still needs a good deal of education on Gay/Lesbian issues. It is our hope, however, that a younger, more moderate generation of cabinet officials and other political appointees will at least afford access on these concerns."

Victim-Blaming Tactic Fails in Lesbian Murder Case

On Oct. 27, Adams Co. Pennsylvania Judge Oscar Spicer convicted Stephen Roy Carr of first degree murder in a shooting that killed Rebecca Wight and critically wounded her lover, Claudia Brenner. In a move praised by Brenner, the Gay community, and victim advocates, the judge also excluded as inadmissible any arguments by the defense that the victim's sexual orientation and behavior provoked the attack.

On May 13, the two women were fired upon at their Appalachian trail campsite by Carr, whose attorney claimed in a preliminary hearing that Brenner and Wight "provoked" the

attack by performing sexual acts in front of him, and otherwise teased him. While acknowledging that she and Wight had made love at the campsite, Brenner insisted that they both thought they were alone, and described the accusation that they provoked the attack as "not only untrue but insulting." In a statement re-leased to the press, Brenner asserted that "Rebecca and I were lovers... Nothing about who we were or our love for each other could be considered motivation for the outrageous, inhumane violence that Stephen Roy Carr perpetrated against us."

Carr waived his right to a jury trial in exchange for an agreement by the prosecution not to seek the death penalty and to drop several lesser charges. Although he has not yet been sentenced, Carr faces life imprisonment without parole. An appeal by Carr's defense attorney is expected.

Brenner and Wight were on a hiking trip in Adams County when they twice encountered the defendant along their route. After making camp in a secluded area, the women were suddenly fired upon by Carr, who had been hiding nearby. Wight, who was shot in the back and the head, died at the campsite. Although shot five times, Brenner managed to walk nearly four miles to a road where she was able to get help.



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Intimacy Quiz

by Becky Caperton

In the last issue of Gaze, we discussed intimacy — what it is and how to develop it. Below is a quiz that may help you evaluate the intimacy you have with

- 1. Do you lack an intimate relationship with another per-
- 2. Do you feel that your relationships could be more

5. Do you resent relationships which have ended, and hesitate to enter into new ones?

6. Would you like to learn more about being intimate with yourself?

If you answered "yes" to some of the questions, you may want to consider the following suggestions for creating successful intimacy.

TRUST each other. With-

need.

LISTEN to the other person's needs and feelings, too. Remember that life is a process of growth and change, and don't cling to a fixed image of the other person which doesn't allow them to develop in other directions.

SHARE your feelings as well as your needs, even if you think your feelings are silly or

HAVE FUN together! Specialness comes with laughter and joyous times together.

RESOLVE conflicts so that both of you are satisfied. Neither of you will always get

your way, so work on compromises that show the strength of your relationship, not the strength of one person.

UNDERSTAND that one person cannot meet all your needs. Cultivate other friendships that enhance your understanding of intimacy. Enjoy things that you do alone, and bring that joy to the relationship.

TEND your intimate relationships with care and attention. Without care and attention from both people, intimacy will fade.

KEEP the spirit of special days alive throughout the year. Little acts of thoughtfulness and kindness keep the magic in any

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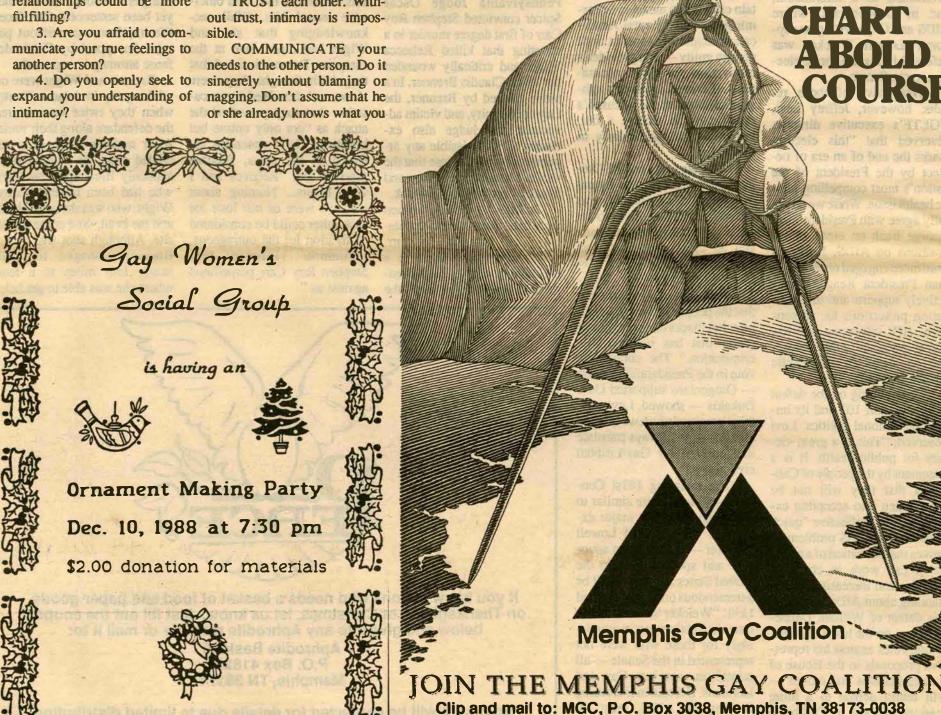
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relationship.

Achieving intimacy can be scary, and it's definitely a lot of work. But nothing else brings the same sense of joy, fulfillment, and meaning that makes it all worthwhile. Merry Christmas!

Got a problem or question? Write to Becky, clo Gaze, Box 3038, Memphis, TN 38173-0038. Ms. Capterton is a psychological counselor in private practice in Memphis. See "Information and Services" listing in this



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Suleiman the Magnificent

Suleiman the Magnificient, ruler of the Ottoman Empire from 1520 to 1566, was born around 1495. He was quiet and sensitive, and loved poetry and music. He had a long, thin body which he carried gracefully, a delicate complexion, and long thin hands.

In his adolescence, Suleiman's father gave him a Greek slave named Ibrahim as a companion. Ibrahim was two years older than Suleiman, and was tall with dark, curly hair and a solid muscular body. The two men shared many interests, often discussing religion and philosophy. Ibrahim never left the prince's side, and it was common knowledge that Ibrahim shared the prince's bed.

When Suleiman became the

tenth Sultan of the house of Osman, he made Ibrahim his Grand Wizir, or head of the Imperial Council. Later Ibrahim was also named head of the army, making him second only to Suleiman who had no real desire to rule. Ibrahim's new-found power corrupted his values, and he soon rejected some of Suleiman's most cherished ideas.

In 1534, hearing a rumor that Ibrahim was plotting to take over the empire, Suleiman invited Ibrahim to dinner. After eating, the two went to the sultan's bedroom. The next morning, slaves found the walls streaked with blood and Ibrahim's naked body, which had been strangled with a bowstring, lying face down on the bed. Suleiman refused to allow the walls to be cleaned, and the stains remained until his death.



Suleiman the Magnificent: Even love can be corrupted.

Lawrence of Arabia

Thomas Edward Lawrence was born in England in 1888 and grew up during the height of the British Empire. While a student at Oxford, he immersed himself first in the Medieval period and then in the ancient world. It was through his study of the classics that he first came into contact with Middle Eastern culture.

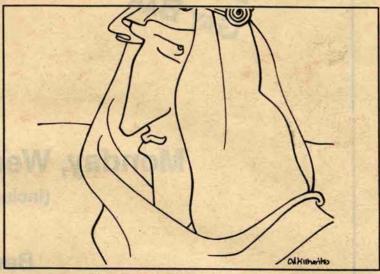
In 1911, while on an archaeological expedition, Lawrence met a fourteen-year-old boy named Salim Achmed (nicknamed "Dahoum") at Carchemish. Dahoum was sensitive and handsome, and Lawrence fell deeply in love with him. When Lawrence returned to England with Dahoum, their relationship was hardly noticed. Because Dahoum was an Arab, the English assumed he was Lawrence's servant.

World War II began in 1914, and Lawrence was sent to lead the Arabs against the Turks. He was captured in November 1917 and beaten by a Turkish governor for refusing his sexual demands. Lawrence later wrote

that after the twentieth blow "a delicious warmth, probably sexual" had surged through his body and made him relax. This beating left a lasting psychological scar on Lawrence. He wondered how it might affect his relationship with Dahoum, but he never found out. During

his absence, his lover had died of typhus.

Lawrence's memoirs, entitled *The Seven Pillars of Wisdom*, are dedicated to "S.A.," which aroused a good deal of speculations. It is not generally thought that "S.A." stood for Salim Achmed.



Lawrence of Arabia: Discovering a Delicious Warmth

Queen Anne

Born on February 6, 1665, Anne grew up lonely and lovestarved. In her portraits she appears to have been plain, large-boned, and overweight. Anne was fairly intelligent and politically astute, but the one great drive in her life seems to have been her need for affection.

In 1683 Anne married George, Prince of Denmark. Anne and George produced seventeen children, none of whom survived to adulthood. In the year she married, Anne found the love she had been looking for. She met Sarah Churchill, the future duchess of Marlborough, a woman of great and a fiery temper.

When Anne became ruler of England following the death of her brother-in-law William in 1702, she appointed Sarah Officer of the Stole. One of Sarah's duties was to attend the queen's

bedchamber.

Sarah was ambitious and became involved in politics, often disagreeing with her lover. When Sarah grew tired of having her views ignored, she left the court. Anne was extremely upset by Sarah's departure and begged her to return, but Sarah stubbornly refused and vacated her apartment in St. James Palace, taking doorknobs and mantelpieces with her.

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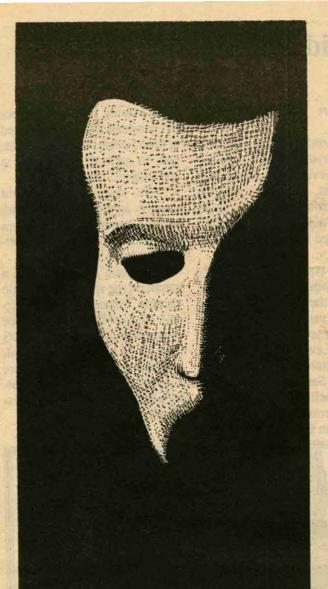
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New AIDS Cases On Decline stration has authorized a second

Berkeley, CA — The latest Health. analysis of a major AIDS study shows new AIDS infections in San Francisco have continued to decline substantially, mostly because of a decrease in highrisk sexual behaviors.

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The new statistics, which amount to an 88% drop in the annual rate for new infections, are reported by Warren Winkelstein, MD, director of the Men's Health Study and professor of epidemiology in the School of Public Health at the University of California at Berkeley.

The reason for the decline is that more and more homosexual and bisexual men have abandoned or greatly reduced their practice of unprotected anal-genital intercourse and have decreased their number of sexual partners, Winkelstein

Winkelstein and his colleagues reported their new finding in the current issue of the American Journal of Public

Since 1984, the San Francisco Men's Health Study has been monitoring the spread of AIDS among a representative sample of Gay and bisexual men in San Francisco.

Previously, Winkelstein and his colleagues found a decline in new AIDS infections among the men in the study from an estimated annual rate of approximately 18% per year between 1982 and 1984 to approximately 4% per year in 1986. This decline was also a result of reduction in unprotected anal-genital intercourse and number of sexual partners.

The new findings reinforce the conclusion that current public education strategies, supported by effective community organization and public health department efforts, can control the spread of the epidemic of HIV infection, Winkelstein pointed out.

He also emphasized the importance of maintaining the present policies regarding the confidentiality of HIV test results, availability of alternate test sites and contact notification procedures.

FDA OK's Typhoid Vaccine for **AIDS Therapy**

to reports in the November issue of Spin magazine, the federal Food and Drug Adminidrug for treatment of AIDS. A New York researcher primarily associated with sexually transmitted diseases petitioned the FDA last December to administer typhoid vaccine as a means of slowing development of AIDS infections. He says the results are dramatic.

"It has been found that a complete immunization and remission of a person afflicted with AIDS may be achieved by the administration of typhoid vaccine, with no observed toxicity," read the patent granted to

Washington — According Salvatore Catapano by the

According to the Bay Area Reporter, the patent in only one of three ever granted for AIDS treatment. Capatano said he had formulated his typhoid vaccine theory after he found it stimulated the immune system

The typhoid vaccine is initially administered twice weekly, then weekly, then once a month, at a cost of less than \$2,000 a year.

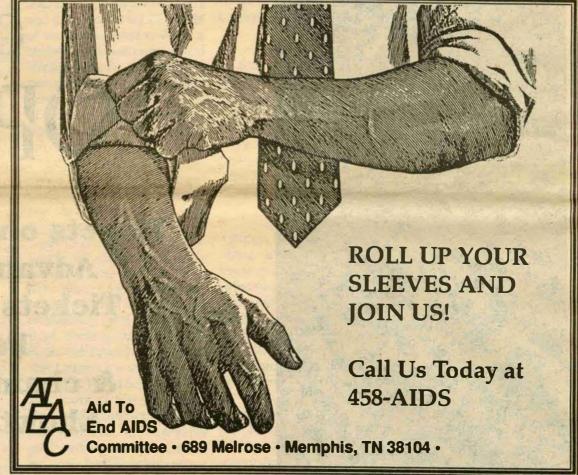
Dr. Lewis Mehl said he had treated more than 30 AIDS patients in San Francisco, and he found neither objective nor adverse results to report.

"I can say that 85% appear

to be making excellent subjective progress that has improved in blood count, lower enzymes, and, in general, less tiredness and fatigue." said Mehl.

The story of the typhoid vaccine against AIDS appears in the November issue of Spin Magazine, which is championing Catapano's research.

Catapano apparently has a patent on the specific use of the vaccine, but not the vaccine itself. He believes that the source of immune depression in AIDS patients is bacterial, not viral, and that people with AIDS are suffering from late-stage syphilis whose symptoms have worsened by multiple exposures.





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By Lady A.

Well! 'Tis the season to be jolly, or helpful, or merry, or sarcastic, or bitchy, or something. We discovered that the season was begun a bit early — with a lot of caring for one another, overlaid with literally pounds of glitter. Isn't that what the season is all about?

ANOTHER FINE MESS DEPARTMENT

We seem to be making a habit of having alternative pleasures, or mostly occupations, which keep us away from places where we should be. Thanks to modern technology, however, we may enjoy these theatrical treats second hand.

We are speaking, first of all, of the second annual Camp Show for PWA's sponsored by the Pipeline. The pre-show was handled by an oh-so-impromptu entrance by the Pipettes. These devil-may-care sylphs of the vacuum hose (yes, Mae, we stuttered not) entered the saloon doing five simultaneous Hattie McDaniel impressions, the quality of which was highly debatable. If the NAACP was not notified--well, they lucked out, we suppose. R-a-C's and Moon Pies indeed! We jest not, it's on

The show opened by a reappearance of the Unknown Drag singing the song for which she became notorious (the only song she has ever done) to great applause. Many were the participants in this flamboyant of theatrical whatchamacallit, including the Unlikely Trio, doing their interpretation of "Sincerely." The Lady in Pink (yes, you dear, the one in the middle) is the type of performer who can always be called upon to follow a different drummer in most any situation. The trouble is, this drummer could never hold down a steady job. One attendee referred to a certain performer, no name was mentioned to moi, as "looking like one of Jerry Lawler's opponents." Sharon and Kelly did a "Frumps do have more fun" number which we will have to catch live sometime.

A true highlight was something truly unique for these days and times. We saw, with our own eyes, a genuine attempt at a Judy Garland impersonation. It was very well done, even a bit wistful. Some of us do remember, and some more of us should

find out what the rest of us know. We were impressed.

Over \$500 was raised for PWA services and equally divided between ATEAC and HRC

EAT YOUR HEART OUT MGM DEPARTMENT

Wow! Now wasn't that a cryptic title. Dingbats, we were discussing Aphrodite's That's Entertainment VII benefit. Get it? Got it? Good!

We were treated to mere excerpts of this show but we wished we had indeed attended instead of being where we had been, some people just don't seem to be able to keep appointents. GRRRRRR.

The surprises were many, Sharon Wray in whiskers (no, no, we know you've always wished for them secretly) and not one Dolly but two! Dueling Dollies, we just can't cope. Dolly Levi's wig was almost as big as Dolly Parton's and as for the hot pink feather boa, we perceive a tease number when it's downstage center, girls. There was participation from Tsarus members and Wings members. A good time was had by all, naturally. And Dennis was almost always in step.

Aphrodite named Betty
Rae as this year's honorary
member and the over \$900
raised by the show will go toward the Thanksgiving and
Christmas baskets annually
distributed by the club. Anyone
who knows of a Gay person or
family who could benefit from
one of these baskets, please
contact the club directly (see
Information and Services in this
selfsame newspaper) or
through WKRB.

Let us strongly reiterate that these both were benefits. Let it always be said, and never loudly enough, that we care about and care for our own.

RUMOUR MILL DEPARTMENT

Holey Moley! There is actually a new bar opening. Tommy Stewart told moi personally that Reflections, his new enterprise, should be open in time for the holidays. It will be very easy to find, being in the old Backstreet space, and will be devoted to dancing and cruising, rather than a lot of shows. The light show and sound equipment will be en-

tirely new. The size and layout will be similar, and the parking goes on for acres. Open hours and beer bust schedules will be similar to other locations with later hours on Friday and Saturday nights.

Rumours about other new establishments remain shrouded in the mists of uncertainty. That means, it's their turn to call moi.

As for community events, both the Pipeline and the Memphis Gay Coalition had community Thanksgiving dinners. The idea was to offer an alternative to those with no family in town.

By the by, we hope you are enjoying MEMPHIS MEMOIRS. We are only beginning to research the history of the Memphis Gay Community, and we welcome any contributions likely to come our way. We are still looking for old copies of GAIETY and GAZE.

WOMEN ON THE STREET DEPARTMENT

December 4 marks the PIPELINE'S fourth anniversary. That Sunday's regular BUFFET will be extra special as will this year's Christmas decorations. We understand that the decorating has been in the planning stages for months.

CHRISTMAS DAY will fall on another buffet day which will call for another extra special feast, with all the Christmas trimmings.

The big event for WKRB in November was a SPECIAL SHOW on November 27 featuring BILLIE JO CASINO and LILY CHRISTINE, seldom seen nowadays, assisted by LIZ CARRINGTON, all three being performers of long standing and high quality. One of our favorite Lesbians, Rebel, will give a farewell performance on December 4, and the Christmas special will be on December 18.

HUMAN RESPONSE COUNCIL will receive a benefit on December 11 at WKRB.

The winner of GDI's MISS MESS MEMPHIS was KATHY KIRKLAND. Second was KIRBY KINCAID.

SHARON WRAY is taking another step toward alternative entertainment at WKRB. the classic Gay play of plays THE BOYS IN THE BAND will be produced at the bar in the early

spring. AUDITIONS will be on Friday, December 2, and Saturday, December 3, from 5 to 7:30 PM both nights. Dennis Massey will direct. For more information, call 278-9321 between 5 & 7 PM.



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ACLU Sues Gov't Over Helms Amendment

New York — The American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) filed suit against Health and Human Services Secretary (HHS) Otis Bowen and Centers for Disease Control (CDC) Director James Mason in a move to forever nullify congressional measures that prohibit the "promotion" of homosexuality.

In the suit, filed Oct. 13 in the U.S. District Court in Manhattan, the ACLU is representing the Gay Men's Health Crisis, the Fund for Human Dignity, Horizons Community Services of Chicago, among others.

The target of the suit is the controversial amendment which Jesse Helms attached to section 514 of the Labor Health and Human Services Appropriations Bill for fiscal 1988

which, after conference negotiation, stated that no funds from the CDC shall be used to provide AIDS education, information, or prevention materials and activities that promote or encourage, directly or indirectly, homosexual activity.

That amendment has had a chilling effect on grants to AIDS education community-based organizations which have targeted safe-sex education to Gay men.

Nan Hunter, director of ACLU's AIDS Project, stated that although the joint House/Senate committee which gave the final approval to the October 1987 amendment, included language restricting its impact. In their conference committee report, the rider, which will continue to affect funding grants into early next year, has

limited grants for AIDS education nationwide.

Since the amendment's passage, the ACLU has been gathering research for the court action and will now seek to find the amendment unconstitutional on the basis of its vagueness. Doing so, she says may nullify similar amendments in the future.

Helms has vowed to keep reintroducing the measure until

it takes. He threatened to filibuster the issue just before the election break in the current Congressional session. This fall, Helms made three unsuccessful attempts to renew his AIDS education amendment on the Labor, Health, and Human Services Appropriations bill, failing by, at one point, only one vote.

The suit states that such provisions are "impermissible

restrictions on their speech which are vague, content-based, and discriminatory."

"Right now, we have to battle this every year," Hunter said. "If we can declare this language unconstitutional, we won't have to fight it this year and again next year. If they declare this language is unconstitutional, Congress will never be able to enact this kind of amendment again."

Gay Canadians Sue Gov't Over Benefits

Vancover, B.C. — In a case designed to determine whether Canada already has national Gay rights protections, a British Columbia couple is suing the Canadian federal government for what they see as their fare share under Canada's Old Age Security Act.

James Egan and John Nesbit have been together for 40 years. Under Canadian law, citizens over the age of 65 receive an old age pension. Spouses — either married for common-law — between the ages of 60 and 64 may apply for a spouse's allowance when the couple's income is less than \$16,000.

When Nesbit was refused his spouse's allowance by Health and Welfare Canada, the couple decided to fight back and eventually received funding for their case from the government itself under a special Court Challenge Program.

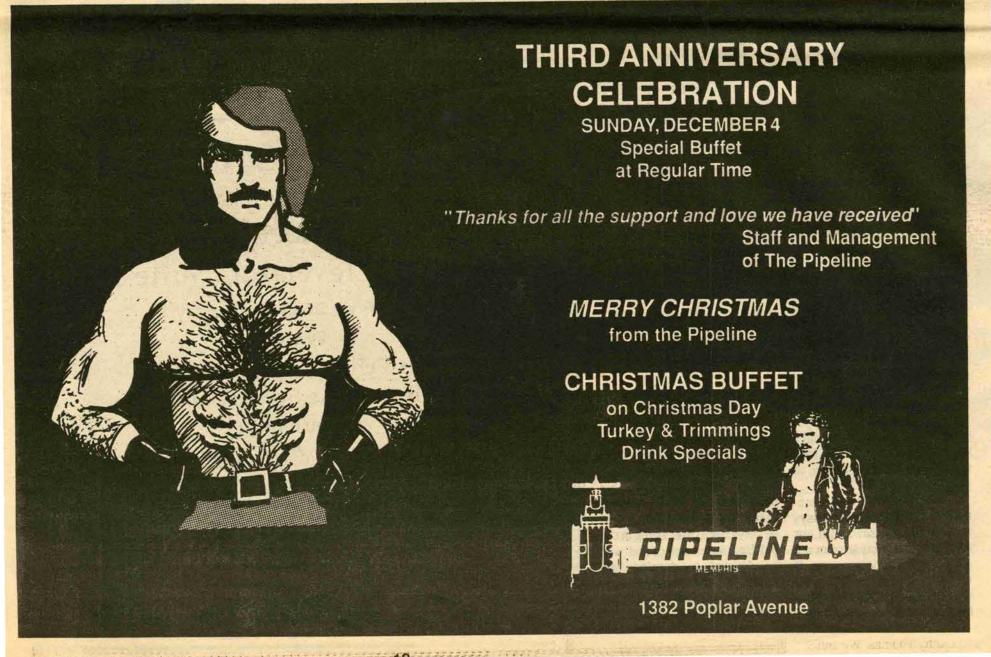
According to the Bay Area Reporter, the couple's lawyers intend to prove that Canada's Charter of Rights and Freedoms prohibits discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, a contention that has been put forth by human rights advocates since the charter was enacted six years ago.

The 67-year-old Egan says he

is particularly galled that a common-law heterosexual couple who has been together only one year is automatically approved for the allowance, while he and Nesbit have been automatically denied.

"We're not asking for any special protection at all," Egan said. "We're asking for precisely the same protections that are accorded to heterosexuals."

Egan is a an openly Gay politician and Gay activist. He represents 7,000 islanders in the local government council.



Southeastern Conference Slated

The 14th Annual Southeastem Conference of Lesbians and Gay Men will be held April 13-16, 1989 in Dallas.

Begun in 1976 by students and concerned members of the Chapel Hill, North Carolina areas, the SECLGM is the oldest regional Gay/Lesbian conference in the United States. For the first time Texas will be hosting the 1989 conference.

The conference will provide a forum to share aspects of Gay life, broaden information and skills, and encourage greater community involvement through extensive networking within the region.

The theme of the Dallas SEC, "Southeast Meets Southwest," has been designed to promote involvement and participation by Gay and Lesbian individuals and organizations from coast to coast, furthering individual growth while promoting regional communications and networking.

Focus areas will include Intimacy, Sex & Relationships; Health Issues; AIDS, Youth and Aging; Breaking Cultural and Physical Barriers; Substance and Alcohol Abuse; Law and Politics; Fundraising;

Stress Reduction; and Gay/ Lesbian Parenting, among others.

The registration fee is \$40 (early registration is \$35) which includes a reception, all workshops and speakers, a Friday evening reception, dance and night life tour, and membership in SEGLGM. The conference will be held at the Sheraton Hotel and Towers in downtown Dallas. For more information, write SSECLGM, P.O. Box 190712, Dallas, TX 75219 or call (214) 471-6040.



MGC Officers Elected

At the annual meeting held November 7th 1988, the Memphis Gay Coalition elected officers for 1989. Ken Horton was elected president and Vincent Astor was elected vice president. Returning officers were treasurer, Cecil McLeod and secretary, John Stilwell. The at-large board positions are held by Allen Cook, Bob Dumais, and John House. The steering committee meeting scheduled for Sunday, November 27th at 4 PM in the party room at Bryton Tower was a joint meeting of the '88 and '89 officers and boards. The direction and agenda for the Coalition for 1989 were discussed at that time. The steering committee meetings are open to the public and your comments and suggestions are welcomed.

The Memphis Gay Coalition operates the Gay Switchboard, publishes *Gaze* newspaper, conducts monthly "Gay-Rap" meetings, and presents GayFest and the Gay Pride River Ride each year.

Hot, Horny & Healthy Workshops Slated

by Ken Albright

The National Task Force on AIDS Prevention of the National Association of BWMT in conjunction with BWMT/Memphis has announced a series of Hot, Horny & Healthy workshops to be held the weekend of Dec. 9-11.

Phill Wilson, co-chair of BWMT/Los Angeles, and health trainer/consultant for the National Task Force on AIDS will be in Memphis to do three workshops. Wilson is not only an accomplished activist for Gay and AIDS issues, but was co-chair of last year's Black, Lesbian, and Gay Leadership Conference held in Los Angeles and will serve the same role in 1989.

These Hot, Horny, & Healthy workshops are designed to teach Gay men how to enjoy a healthy, vigorous, creative sex life while taking the AIDS epidemic into account and playing safely. The workshops are innovative, fun, informative, informal, and progressive.

Schedule of workshops is as follows:

Friday, Dec. 9, 7-10 PM HH&H workshop for BWMT Chapter members and friends. Also open to the public.

Saturday, Dec. 10, 10 AM-4 PM (Lunch included) - "Train the Trainer" Workshop - Enrollment limited to 12. This is a thorough workshop on how to conduct workshops in the community and to teach our Gay brothers to have a satisfying, but safe sex life in the age of AIDS.

Sunday, Dec. 11, 6-9 PM - Community-wide HH&H workshop open to the public at the Apartment Club, Madison and Danny Thomas. We antici-

pate 25-50 will be able to participate. The workshop will be led by newly trained trainers with Phill Wilson present for

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Smithsonian to Acquire Quilt Panels

Washington — The Smithsonian's National Museum of American History will acquire commemorative panels collected by the NAMES project for its AIDS Memorial Quilt.

The acquisition will take place over a period of time in an effort to document the diversity of those who have died from Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome. The quilt panels will be added to the collections of the Division of Medical Sciences, which has an ongoing interest in issues related to the history of public health in the United States.

Museum Director Roger G. Kennedy, in speaking about this acquisition, said "The AIDS Memorial Quilt is significant not only as a symbol of those who have died, but also as one aspect of the country's response to the loss."

The quilt currently consists of nearly 9,000 panels, each commemorating a person who

died from the AIDS virus. Each of the 3-foot by 6-foot panels—many created by family groups and friends—is distinctive in its design, reflecting the personality and interests of the AIDS victim memorialized in the panel.

During the coming years, the museum's Division of Medical Sciences, in cooperation with the NAMES project, will identify and select a number of panels — based on design, message, gender, and age of the individual depicted. The selected panels will join other objects, graphics, and educational materials in the collections which document the medical and social history of AIDS.

The division is an active member of the newly formed AIDS History Group, a national organization whose aim is to coordinate efforts to preserve and document the history of AIDS

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Alice Mitchell Jailed - 1892

Part 2

Snow glistened on the ground that cold January afternoon as the buggy containing two young women raced along Front Street. At Front and Madison, just north of the post office, the vehicle jerked to a stop and the rider, Alice Mitchell, 19, leaped out and ran down the bluff toward the riverboat landing.

Near the Illinois Central railroad track, Alice caught up with her "closest friend", FredaWard, 17, who was going to board the steamer "Ora Lee" with her sister, and slashed her throat from ear to ear with a razor blade before several startled witnesses.

Later that evening, after her arrest, Alice said that she loved Freda desperately, wanted to marry her, and could not live without her.

On Monday, February 1, 1892, the women [Alice Mitchell and her "accomplice" Lillie Johnson] and their attorneys appeared in Shelby County criminal court to plead to the charges. Miss Johnson pled "not guilty" while attorneys for

Miss Mitchell pled "present insanity."

Habeas corpus proceedings were immediately initiated to win the release of Lillie Johnson. These were thoroughly approved by the newspapers and Memphis public, who believed she was innocent.

Each appearance of the women in court, no matter how brief or insignificant, drew immense crowds. Women of all ages, races and social stations were especially attracted. Newspapers reported that they filled the courtroom and hallways outside. This feminine interest startled many Memphis males and led the Memphis Public Ledger to caustically say "Disof the proceedings: gustingly decent so far, eh ladies?"

Memphians were not the only ones who were curious. The famous French actress Mme. Sarah Bernhart, in Memphis at the time, went to the jail and attempted to visit the two prisoners. She was barred from talking with them, the *Public Ledger* reported, but was permitted to peek in their cells.

On February 25, Lillie Johnson's habeas corpus hear-

ing began in the Shelby County criminal court. To accommodate the expected crowd, a wall between two regular courtrooms was knocked out and the resulting space remodeled into one much bigger chamber. This new courtroom was still not big enough for the hordes of people who showed up. More than a thousand spectators were able to crowd into the chamber, the Weekly Commercial reported, but hundreds more were left in the corridors outside, where they struggled for a view.

Judge Julius DuBose, whose gavel had been wrapped with lavender bunting for the occasion, ruled over this throng dictatorially, the *Ledger* reported, and arbitrarily made male and female spectators sit on opposite sides, causing amusement and indignation.

During the habeas corpus hearing, many details of Alice and Freda's love affair were first made public. Freda's sister, Jo Ward, told the court of the women's romance and how she had broken it up. She also gave an eyewitness account of the murder. Numerous passages from the girls' love letters were also read.

F. J. Simms, a "brain doctor", also testified at the hearing. He told the court that Alice Mitchell was "undoubtedly in-

sane" and that while there was an extremely developed Platonic or brain love between her and Freda, there was no evidence of "homo-Sexuality."

Later on, however, a letter was read in which Alice wrote Freda, "It will be three weeks Friday since you slept with me. I don't think I will get to sleep with you."

Throughout this and later court proceedings, the attitude of the "Victorian era" press and the public was generally sympathetic to the two women. While the Memphis papers ran lengthy, florid accounts of the bloody slaying, the overall tone was one of awe and fascination rather than moral outrage. The slaying was viewed as a unique human tragedy rather than a conventional murder.

On February 27, Lillie Johnson was ordered freed from jail on \$10,000 bond on grounds of poor health caused by confinement. The public generally approved of this, but Judge DuBose informed her that he thought she had indeed aided and abetted the slaying

and was guilty as charged.

Miss Johnson then went home with her parents while Miss Mitchell was returned to the Shelby County Jail to await her sanity hearing.

During this period, Miss Mitchell was provided with special accommodations in the lockup, the Weekly Commercial reported. She was not kept in a cell like other prisoners but had the "coziest room in jail, with plenty of air, sunshine, and a good view of the street."

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Next month will be the final installment in this sensational piece of Gay Memphiana. It was originally published in the November, 1975, issue of Gaiety newspaper. Written by Fred Harris, edited by Gary Poe.



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American Gay Atheists Memphis: Box 41371, Memphis, 38174-1371.

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Gay and Lesbian Parents Coalition, Inc. of Memphis: P.O. Box 40982, Memphis 38174-0982.

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Gay Women's Social Group: 324-6949 or 377-7312.

Human Response Council: PWA services. 275-3536.

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Memphis Center for Reproductive Health: 1462 Poplar Ave, Memphis, 38104 - 274-3550.

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Mystic Krewe of Aphrodite: Box 41822, Memphis, 38174-1822.

National Organization for Women (NOW): Box 40982, Memphis, 38104.

Parents & Friends of Lesbians And Gays (P-FLAG): P.O. Box 172031, Memphis, 38187-2031 - 761-1444.

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Street - 526-1038.

J-Wags: 1268 Madison - 725-1909.

Pipeline: 1382 Poplar - 726-5263.

WKRB in Memphis: 1528 Madison - 278-9321.

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Airport Adult Theatre: 2214 Brooks Rd E. - 345-0657.

The Book Mart: 852 S. Cooper - 278-9546.

Cherokee Adult Book Store: 2947 Lamar - 744-7494.

Fantasy World: 1814 Winchester - 346-2086.

Getwell Book Mart: 1275 Getwell - 454-7765.

Getwell Adult Book Store: 1617 Getwell - 745-9054.

Men of Leather: 1266 Madison - 722-8963.

Paris Adult Entertainment Center: 2432 Summer - 323-2665.

Star Search Video: 1264 Madison - 272-STAR.

Tobacco Corner Newsroom: 669 Mendenhall Rd S. - 682-3326 & 1803 Union - 726-1622.