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—From a Dan White campaign flyer, quoted in the S.F. Examiner 11/28/78. Dan White was the only supervisor to consistently oppose gay rights.

"Our laws were never meant to protect the abnormals and were made for the majority."

—Anita Bryant.

We are told that Dan White is a "normal" man who cracked under pressure. There is much truth to this, and vengeance against one individual will not solve the problem.

His basic mentality is a symptom of a greater evil. An evil that has produced everything from carloads of straight punks who attack individuals in our community, to the Inquisition and the Nazi holocaust.

A great many of the gay people here are refugees. Refugees from police brutality, having our jobs taken from us, from family rejection, from being outcast and humiliated.

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MOSCONE, MILK SHOT TO DEATH

Gunfire at City Hall — Ex-supervisor White held

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FORMER SUPERVISOR DAN WHITE TAKEN INTO CUSTODY BY POLICE

After the City Hall slayings, he turned himself in at Northern Station 4 blocks away

Screams of shock shatter wordless waiting at City Hall

By Carol Prentiss

The phone had landed over to City Hall for what was likely to be a front page story: Mayor George Moscone had decided not to reappoint Dan White to his old seat as supervisor but to give the job to a newcomer.

The mayor's office had handed out press releases in advance to The Examiner and other news outlets with early deadlines.

Examiner reporter Alan Cline

had completed dictating the announcement — that Dan Horanay would become the new supervisor — when he heard these words:

"The mayor's been shot."

The word hadn't come instantaneously.

White had entered the mayor's private room. The two had talked, sometimes seriously, sometimes not, or perhaps a car backfiring had been heard by the mayor's secretary on the other side of the wall.

The secretaries had checked out the window and noticed nothing amiss.

It wasn't until the man waiting to see the mayor next, budget analyst Rudy Nothenberg, opened the door to the room that the body of George Moscone was found shot in the supervisor's office.

"He shouted, 'Something's happened. Harvey's been shot,'"

The five or so reporters in the room ran to the mayor's office, but by then that part of the building had been sealed off by police of every description.

Supervisor Donald, aide to Supervisor Carol Ruth Silver, recalled the scene:

"About ten minutes to 11, I was going downstairs to the assessor's office when I saw two police officers running upstairs. One had a rifle, the other a shotgun. They were in the other. It's the mayor's office. I went right back to our office and said, 'God, this is really weird place!'

"Then, I went outside, with Barbara Dawson (another aide), and we saw Peter (Nardino, aide to Feinstein) outside the supervisor's office.

"He shouted, 'Something's happened. Harvey's been shot!'

"By police. City Hall security

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Police said three bullets were found in each body. About a half-hour after the shooting, White turned himself in to police at Northern Station and was taken to the Hall of Justice.

After a 30-minute interrogation at the Hall of Justice, he was taken to the sixth-floor city prison by six policemen. Wearing a tan three-piece suit, White looked grim and nervous. He bit his lips and shook his head occasionally.

Witnesses said White was acting "like a madman" before he met with Mill.

At about 11:20 a.m., Feinstein walked out of the mayor's office with Police Chief Charles Gain and commented that Moscone and Milk had been shot to death.

Feinstein was shaking so badly that Chief Gain had to support her. The crowd around them gasped and stood when the news was announced.

Feinstein later read a statement that began: "Today San Francisco has experienced a double tragedy of immense proportions."

Flanked by other supervisors and city officials, Feinstein said she had heard three shots coming from White's office, where Milk was killed.

She said she expects to be a witness at the trial, that she has made a full statement to Chief Gain and district attorney's investigators, and has been instructed to say no more.

The mayor's body was taken out of his office on a gurney. A priest had gone through a back door to the mayor's office at 11:40 a.m. When he came out five minutes later, he said Moscone wasn't there.

Just after noon, Milk's body was removed from the supervisors' suite of offices on a stretcher covered with

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A BODY IS REMOVED FROM CITY HALL.

Later, the second victim was carried out

Feinstein takes over as mayor

Dianne Feinstein, as president of the Board of Supervisors, immediately assumed the office of mayor until the board chose a successor.

According to section 3.10 of the City Charter, the supervisors are to choose a successor to the office of mayor in the event of the death or resignation of the mayor. This would have ended at the close of 1979. In other words, there will be no election to choose his successor until next year.

If the supervisors cannot agree on a successor, the president of the board will remain as mayor, according to Mel Waz, Moscone's press secretary.

Feinstein will exercise two functions, according to City Attorney George Agnos, that of acting mayor as well as president of the board.

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AROUND THE TOWN

PHOENIX LEVI-LEATHER CLUB'S "ONCE UPON A WEEKEND" A BEAUTIFUL SUCCESS

What a month this has been for interesting and unusual events! We've had breakfast with Dr. Bruce Voeller, watched Bill Stull talk about Gays for days on Channel 12, felt the reality of assassination in San Francisco, made a mad dash to a hospital to comfort poor Aquanetta after an auto accident, were fascinated by a visit to Jutenhoop's, were delighted by Cissy Goldberg at the Casa, and more. But somehow on top of the events was this one — "A Weekend To Remember," they called it, and it truly was.

When Bob Hegyi told me a few months ago that he and the Levi-Leather Club guys were going to put on an Art Show and Auction at the Alwun House in November, I was frankly dismayed. I wasn't too sure a bunch of butch (?) numbers in boots, torn levis, flannel shirts and the rest of the current drag could possibly pull off such an elite affair.

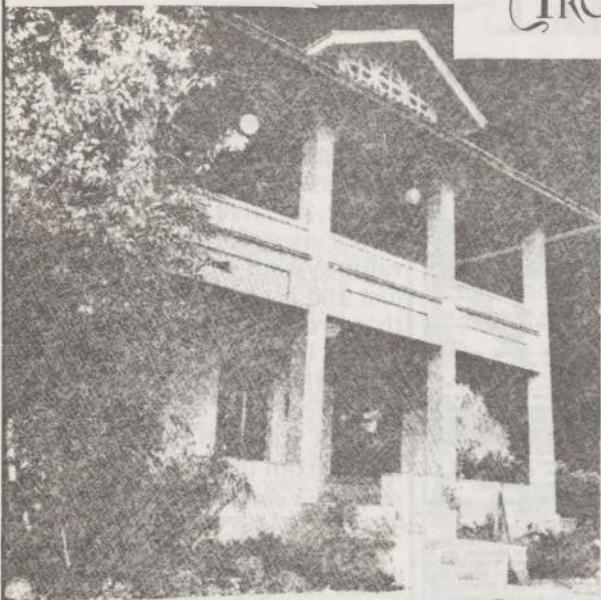
Obviously I underestimated the abilities of our brothers since this "Once Upon A Weekend" was outstandingly successful, and on the top of my list of impressive, interesting and best-done social events, and I compliment them all for it.

The first feather in their cap was getting the Alwun House down on Roosevelt for the occasion. A nicely dressed up 1912 house — rooms with high ceilings, lots of woodwork, with the addition of Arizona-Tropical gardens — the setting was perfect.

Add to that the taste and class of the quality art that was *everywhere* inside the house and in the gardens — outstanding. And music, chamber music, no

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(Upper left) Facade of Alwun House. (Center) Art displayed in one of the rooms. (Lower) Our only photo this month of Aquanetta with myself just prior to the Auction on the lawn. (Right) Alwun House's beautiful gardens include many trees and ponds with gigantic goldfish — just right for such an occasion.



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less, and other classical delights. Mime was presented on the lawn under the trees. And a buffet that never ran out. And people, people, people. All your freinds were there, were you? Was this Harvard Square on an Autumn afternoon? It could have been, it felt like it.

Stained glass, ceramics, weaving, painting and print-making of all sorts were displayed by some twenty-five Valley artists, were voted on by the viewers and judged by a carefully selected elite panel of art authorities. There were also demonstrations being done by several of the exhibitors, weaving and stained glass inside the house and a potter at her wheel on the grounds. Very impressive, very tasteful, and fun.

The Auction, held on Sunday afternoon drew a large crowd and saw a large number of fine pieces that went for good prices. Bidding on some paintings got pretty hot which helped to tally up a total of over \$1600 raised at the event.

Prizes were awarded to the top artists for the exhibits following the judging. Gary Borck walked off with First Place for his gorgeous stained glass work entitled "Tiger, Tiger, Burning Bright" for which he received a \$500 Savings Bond. A Charcoal Sketch by Milt Lemberg took the Second Place Award, a \$250 Savings Bond, and Gary Colter won a \$100 Savings Bond for his acrylic painting, "Enlistment Completed". Other awards are in the process of being distributed by Phoenix Levi-Leather Club at this time.

Part of the monies derived from the Auction were designated for charities which included a donation of a wheel chair ramp for the Alwyn House and thirty sets of sheets and pillow cases to Acres East, the convelescent home supported by Phoenix Levi-Leather Club.

This event could never have come off so well had it not been for the efforts of two people in particular. Many thanks go to Randy Shaner, and special thanks to Bob Hegyi, whose brainchild this was, and who, we understand, just may be the next president of PL&L.

"Once Upon A Weekend" drew a crowd of over 1000 viewers, and, according to Bob Hegyi, it will be repeated again next Fall, in September or October. We look forward to it. —Jack.

The photo at the lower right shows Randy Shaner peaking out from behind the lecturn, and Bob Hegyi, holding ribbons to be awarded to the winners.





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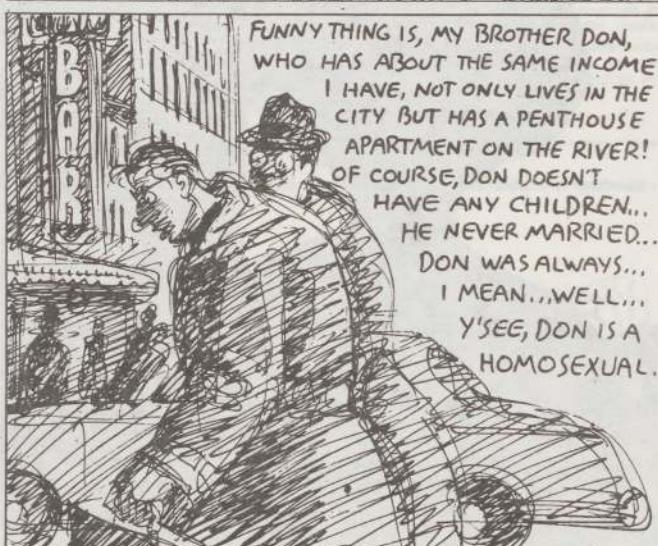
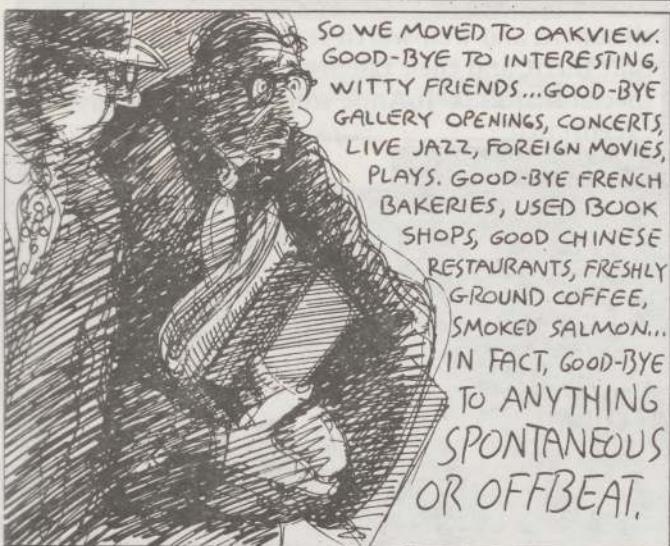
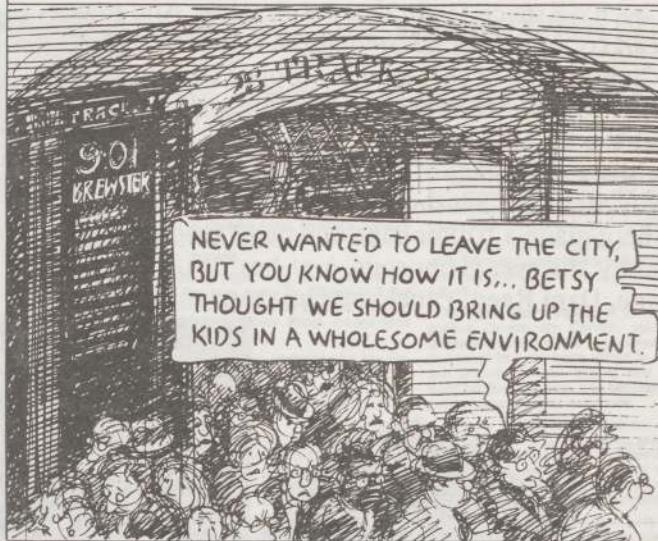
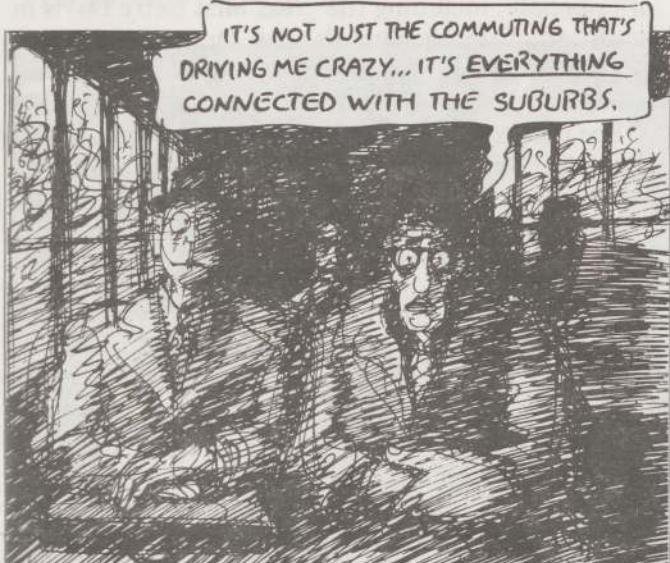
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GOLDBERG WOVS 'EM AGAIN!

There's just no way to deny it and there's no doubt about it — Goldberg's recent reappearance at the Casa after a too-long absence was a treat to remember.

Now, I know, we've said a lot about Cissy Goldberg in the past, but this talent deserves more accolades than we have space for in this publication. And yes, you can count *The Pride* among the Cissy Goldberg Fan Club as long as this terrific trouper continues to give this community the calibre of the art as was the case at the Casa.

By the good graces of Tony Bartoli, Casa's number one guy, and Phil Santhon, Phoenix' number one *Czar*, Goldberg made a triumphant one-night reappearance joined by the ever-glamorous, ever-beautiful, ever-etc. JoAnne, Dani Reed, Penelope Quinton, and Charlene

Champagne among the troupe who gave and gave and gave to the wall-to-wall audience who crammed themselves into the Casa for a really fine evening.

Among the crowd could be seen many of our favorite people, including the great Miss Bette Davis in her Buddy Cunningham disguise, Dragon Lady in no disguise at all, and Moon, who should have been in a disguise!

Speaking of Moon, Cissy found a convenient and well-deserving target in Diane, who chose to swap heckles with the Great One from her almost front row seat. To the delight of the audience, this back-and-forth banter continued on and off throughout the evening. Moon, of course, was no match for Cissy, though I doubt she knew it...!

Rumor has it that the Goldberg will be here in Phoenix for *R & R* for the month of January. Could it be that we'll all be afforded the opportunity for another of these delightful evenings again soon? We certainly hope so.

A word of thanks to the other performers — we don't wish to give the impression that they were totally upstaged by the Great One, for they were all superb and well-worth seeing even when Cissy isn't there, and their talents are appreciated. A special thanks to JoAnne whose work is always exceptional.

—Jack.



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—The Louisville Courier-Journal.



Staff Photo by Stewart Seaman

Protesters gathered last night with rain gear and umbrellas at Executive West Motor Hotel as they demonstrated against the appearance of Anita Bry-

ant at a meeting of the Kentucky Farm Bureau. The demonstration was billed as Louisville's first gay rights protest.

50 protest appearance by singer Anita Bryant

By LESLIE ELLIS
Courier-Journal Staff Writer

With organizers calling it the first gay rights demonstration in Louisville, about 50 people marched in a cold rain last night to protest Anita Bryant's appearance at a meeting of the Kentucky Farm Bureau.

Holding signs such as "Now is the time for gay rights in Louisville," the protesters marched in front of the Executive West Motor Hotel, where Miss Bryant was to sing.

The march was organized by the National Organization for Women and the Metropolitan Community Church. It began about 5:45 p.m. and ended about 45 minutes later.

Protesters could barely be seen in the darkness by passing motorists as they marched on the northeast corner of the Executive West grounds, several hundred feet from the main entrance. By the end of the march, many were soaked and their waterlogged signs were hanging limply in their hands.

"We're here because of Anita Bryant and those like her who spread myths about gays and lesbians," said Sherry Turner of NOW.

Miss Bryant has been outspoken in

her stands against gay rights and other equal rights movements.

"This is our way of educating the public," she said. Ms. Turner said she believed the march was the first gay rights demonstration held in Louisville.

"It's high time we did organize," she said. Gays in Louisville face discrimination in housing and employment, she added.

The Rev. Sandy Taylor, of the Metropolitan Community Church, said she thinks members of the gay community in Louisville have been afraid to speak out because of the effects that may have on their families and because of a fear of jeopardizing their jobs.

"People have been waiting for some leadership and help in forming groups," said Ms. Taylor. She is a minister at the Metropolitan Community Church, which has a ministry for gays and wants to organize groups in the community.

While the majority of marchers were gay, she said, "I believe many are professional people, heterosexuals in support of gay rights and the church."

There were no incidents during the march. The hotel had one security guard stationed at a covered pavilion next to the march site.

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You've probably driven by this house a hundred times if you've lived here very long, and you may have even said to yourself that you should stop sometime.

Inside that quaint old house that looks more like it should be in Stratford-on-Avon than in Phoenix is by far the most interesting collection of items to be found in any store in the state. A diverse gathering of elements under one moldy roof says Jutenhoops' business card, but you just have no idea how diverse that gathering is until you've gone there.

Christmas shopping — do you hate it as much as I do? Running here and there all over Metrocenter and wherever else you may have to go gets to be really a drag, and even when you do go, you probably can't find what you want. Gifts for some people on your list have to be pretty special. Well, the best place to go is Jutenhoops. If you can't find it there, you just don't need it!

Gary and Chris, Jutenhoops' proprietors have spent three years restoring the house and gathering together the fantastic collection they have displayed there. Hand-made ceramics, stained glass, Tiffany lamps, mirrors of all sorts, rare and exotic plants, one-of-a-kind cards, stationery, antiques, pillows, books, prints of

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An interview with Harvey Milk

Q. People have often contended that the gay rights movement seems to grant homosexuals a special, privileged status in society, and that to support gay rights is to condone homosexuality. How do you answer that?

A. That's wrong. That's their lack of reading below the headlines. All gays want is what everybody else has. No more, but no less. We don't want any favors, and we don't want any more than anyone else is getting as far as protection under the law and our right to participate in all aspects of society. We just want equal protection. People are equating gay rights and affirmative action programs. Nobody that I know of in the gay community is asking for affirmative action for homosexuals. I think that's how people misconstrue what the gay rights movement is all about. What we do want is equality.

Supporting gay rights does not mean supporting homosexuality, just as supporting black civil rights does not mean you have to like or love black people. But you respect their right under our democratic system and under the Constitution to have equality. You don't even have to accept the idea of homosexuality; what you are accepting is the right of all people to exist. You are just reaffirming what the Constitution says, and what is chiseled into the Statue of Liberty.

Q. Some gays here think the gay community in San Francisco is so well accepted that an Anita Bryant-style campaign couldn't succeed. Are they right?

A. Unfortunately, I think they're wrong. It's true that we've done our homework, but we've taken the "getting to know you, getting to know all about you" approach. That's vital and important, but we have never really addressed the myths that Anita Bryant used in her campaign. The Anita Bryant will talk about child molestation and role models, and unless we address that we're in trouble.

The survey in Miami after the vote said that most people voting against us thought we were child molesters. In California 95 percent of child molestation is heterosexual. Unless we talk about that we'll be labeled child molesters. The same thing about the Bible — unless we address the issues that are brought up about the Bible, we're in trouble. We must address the real issues that will be thrown at us — the smear campaigns, the myths, the lies, the distortions — and expose them.

Q. What do you say to gays who feel too much money, time and energy are being devoted to the political process, rather than educating the public about homosexuality?

A. You don't educate people overnight. You've had centuries of discrimination against blacks, and there's still rampant prejudice against them. Against gays it's gone back thousands of years, and you can't eradicate that in one generation.

We wouldn't have to be fighting Briggs so hard and spending all this money to educate when for a much smaller amount of money we could probably have elected some gay people to Sacramento. They would have been working and showing what gays are like, just as I'm showing people here that we're involved with taxes and dogs — and Muni and everything else. So that people say, "Hey, you know it doesn't matter if a person is green with six heads. That person is good — good on human issues, good on taxes, good on environment."

Every poll says that people who are on the gay side are people who know a gay person well. How do you get to know a gay person well? They have to be out of the closet. And who is more out of the closet and more exposed than a gay official?

"Bring Back Abortion." We have structured it so that the concept of working together will continue to other issues.

Q. Many gay people think it's a mistake to link the gay movement with other questions, such as the Bakke decision or abortion, for example. Where do you stand?

A. I don't think it's wise to tie other issues into the Briggs initiative by itself. But I think it's imperative that those people who have been disenfranchised work together on all issues. We must work together on Bakke, abortion, the ERA, the American Indian issue, Latino issues, etc. So the blacks, for example, must come to the aid of the gays on the Briggs initiative — as anti-gay as some black people are. They must come together with us on this issue, just as we must come together with them on their issues. That doesn't necessarily mean linking the campaign literature, because that's not the way it works politically. But we must join forces.

If you look at who's against gays, who's against blacks, who's against women, and on and on, you find that it's the same people — the Richard Nixons of this country. And if the blacks and browns and Asians and women and gays are all going to fight each other for the same crumb, they're all going to be disenfranchised.

I think the gay community has to stop voting its pocketbook. There were gays who voted for Jarvis-Gann. They voted for their economic interest, despite what a racist bill it was. I think it's time to educate the gay community that it's no good having a lot of money if you're in jail because you're gay. So what some of us are trying to do is to put together a coalition of all the traditional minorities — people who have gotten nothing over the years — so we can stop fighting among ourselves and work together.

Q. There seem to be a great number of factions in the gay community, and often they appear to be fighting among themselves more than working toward a common goal.

A. That's true in any community. You name me the black leader who controls the black community in this city. There isn't one. There are 40 or 50 black leaders. The same is true of the Chicano community. There's not one group that's ever had it all together, and gays are even more divided because we cover all economic strata and racial and ethnic groups. Blacks are all black. But gays are black, Asian, Chicano, white, men, wealthy, poor and so forth. And to expect a very wealthy, white, well-educated gay man to relate completely to a very poor, black lesbian — as an example — is ludicrous. A lot of us are doing our best to bring them together. But it's difficult when you have gays who are staunch socialists and gays who are reactionaries. To sit there and expect that we will all unite under one common banner is crazy.

Q. Graffiti urging "Gay Riots Now" have been appearing on some walls in The City. Do you think gays would — or should — turn to violence to protect what they see as their basic human rights?

A. I don't think anybody should turn to violence. I am non-violent. I believe in non-violence. But I think I would be remiss in my duties as public leader not to discuss the definite possibility for violence, given the fact that a certain percentage of the population is violent by nature. Let's say for argument's sake that one percent of all people are violent by nature. Then you're talking about 100,000 to 150,000 gay people nationwide who are violent people. If they watch their rights being chipped away, that is justification for them to come out with their violence. In the city of San Francisco, you're talking about 500 to 1,000 gay people who are violent by nature, and will react in the same way.

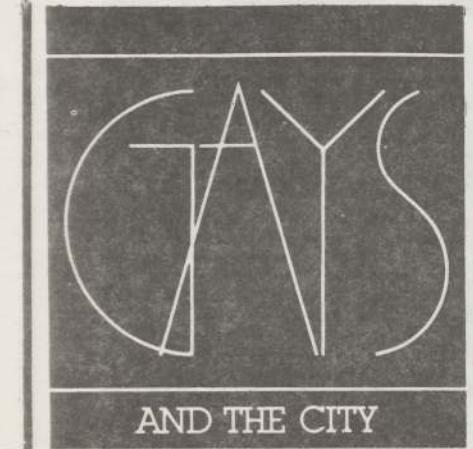
Q. One of the divisions in the gay movement is between lesbians and gay men. Do you see the two groups working together toward common goals?

A. It's happening right now. I'm working with a group called A United Fund to Defeat the Briggs Initiative. Most of the lesbians in the group are strong separatists, yet we are working together. The group has been in existence for just a short while and it seems to be working. What's important is what happens to the coalition after the election in November. I think many lesbian separatists and gay male separatists will be very surprised. If you look at the letterhead of the group, it says in a bold headline, "A United Fund," and underneath in smaller print it says, "To Defeat the Briggs Initiative." You can be sure if we defeat the Briggs initiative, the big headline will remain "A United Fund," but the smaller line may change to "To Support the ERA" or

Do you think gay people are going to go with



Photo by Gary Cameron



their heads bowed into the gas chambers? I mean, I'll go kicking and screaming before I go with my head bowed. I've read history; 300,000 gays went into the gas chambers in Germany, and then six million Jews. I don't think the Jews are going to go quietly the next time, so why should gay people?

Q. Even if it doesn't reach a point where gays turn to violence, some have argued that civil disobedience should become a tactic of the gay movement.

A. Rights are not won on paper; they are won only by those who make their voices heard. They are won by activists and militants. Silence never won rights. They are not handed down from above. Rather, they are forced by pressures from below.

Civil disobedience won blacks the attention, and black violence frightened a lot of people. There are gay people studying history, and they are learning that lesson. They're realizing that Jimmy Carter is more concerned with the human rights of people in Russia than he is about gay people in the United States. A lot of them are apparently deciding that civil disobedience is the route. History is going to show that gay people are eventually going to win their rights, no matter what. So I would tell Jimmy Carter that he has the chance to turn the pages of history faster and prevent violence and civil disobedience from happening.

Q. Gays in San Francisco are covered by a number of city antidiscrimination ordinances. How well do you think these ordinances are actually being enforced? Are gays really protected against discrimination?

A. I think the main advantage of the gay rights ordinance in this city is not to force people to hire gays, but rather to protect those gays who are already employed from being fired. Probably the most sensitive area is the medical profession. There are a lot of gay doctors and psychiatrists who work for major institutions; in the past they would have been fired if it became known that they were gay. So they had to be closeted. Now, partially because of the Briggs situation, a lot of these gay professionals are coming out, because they know they are protected. If they've been working for an institution for a number of years — getting promotions and good evaluations — and now they are fired after they come out, the reason is pretty obvious. They're protected under the anti-discrimination ordinance.

Let's face it — it's not going to be perfect. There are blacks who are discriminated against. There are Latinos and women who are discriminated against, and there are laws on the books against all of that. To think that a gay rights law is going to cure everything

all at once is naive. But I think it's vital that the professional class be protected, because when they come out, they break down the commonly held stereotypes about gay people.

Q. Was it a mistake to pass gay rights ordinances around the country in the first place?

A. The Constitution of the United States was not meant for the majority; it was meant to protect minorities. I'm sure if we put it to a vote, we could outlaw black teachers in some places, and Jewish teachers in others, and Holy Rollers in others. It's easy to legislate against a minority. That's what the Constitution was set up to prevent.

But even if gays lose in these initiatives, people are still being educated. Because of Dade County, the entire nation was educated about homosexuality to a greater extent than ever before. In the weeks before and after Dade County, more was written about homosexuality than during the total history of mankind. More people said "damn queers" than ever before, and for many it was the first time they'd used the word "queer." That's the beginning of a dialogue. Maybe the result was wrong, but it was the beginning of an education. The first step is always hostility, and after the hostility you can sit down and talk about it.

That's why after Dade County the campaign in Wichita was slightly different. It was different in St. Paul and Eugene. Each time more myths were shattered, and they had to reach further and further for their arguments. Maybe we'll lose 50 races, but by the end there will be no more myths. No one will be able to claim we're child molesters.

Q. In light of the political defeats gays have suffered around the country, where do you see the gay rights movement going now?

A. The call for a march on Washington is taking place, so the next major step will be a mass meeting in Washington, we hope around the 4th of July of the coming year. This will not only be a mass gathering, but will also include seminars, workshops and the setting up of a national political network.

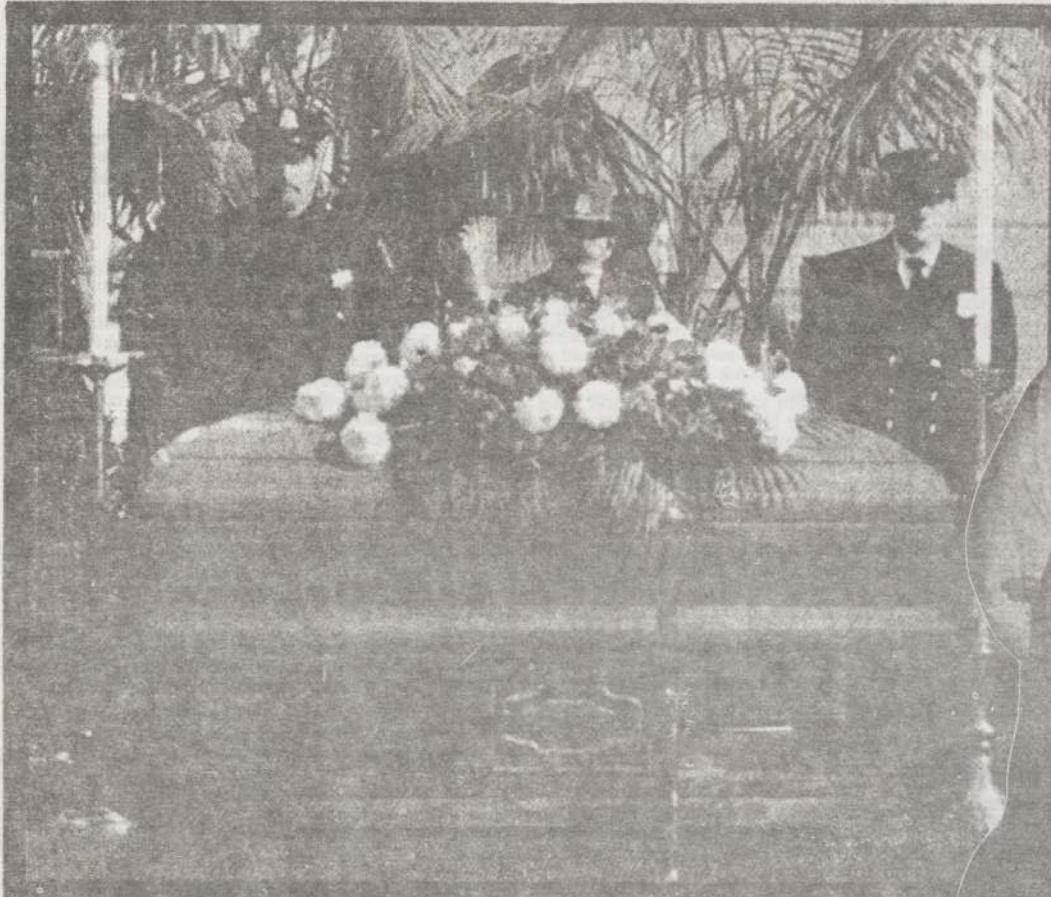
On the local level, you're finding that the battle against Briggs in this city is putting a lot of gay people into the political process — people who have never been in it before. There will be a carry-over that will affect all political races in The City. Once people become politicized many of them stay politicized. That means there will be more gay people involved — not only in running for office, but also involved in initiative campaigns, proposition campaigns and working for candidates. I guess the best way of putting it is, you're going to see the maturing of the gay political consciousness because of the Briggs initiative.

In order to share our insight into this rare man, we are printing an extensive interview conducted with Milk, by Lenny Giteck, shortly before last month's elections. The interview was scheduled for publication next Monday as part of our continuing series on The City's gays. It is more appropriate today.

Milk, of course, did not speak for all of San Francisco's gays. He was, however, a symbol of the determination of gays to take an active role in all areas of The City's life.

In his tiny office at City Hall Milk discussed his hopes and dreams for all of San Francisco and his special concerns for his followers — all of whom he urged over and over again to say "I'm gay."

Pamela Brunger
Scene Editor



Casket of Milk with an honor guard from police, sheriff's and fire departments



After the service, mourners took flowers that were on the Opera House stage



25,000 MARCHED BY CANDLELIGHT TO HONOR HARVEY MILK AND GEORGE MOSCONE
Many of them gay men, they headed silently down Market Street to City Hall last night

Examiner-Law Romano



LETTERS

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Dear Editor:

Two weeks ago I took the opportunity to catch the last hour of the Briggs-Voeller debate. Although I did not witness the entire event, it

was painfully apparent that Senator Briggs and other members of Anita Bryant's tribe are still a grave threat to the freedom of the citizens of this nation. This was supported by the special attention *The Pride of Phoenix* recently gave to Miss Bryant's ongoing campaign. I submit that there are two crucial fundamental issues at work, although I have yet to see them acknowledged by either side.

The first involves the very foundation of this country. The Constitution specifically prohibits the mixing of church and state. We could not dream of a more severe violation of the separation of church and state. The reasons for the separation are obvious. Miss Bryant's church does not approve of homosexuality; however, the Mormon church doesn't like coffee, the Baptist church doesn't like dancing — oh, the examples are innumerable. Should we simply outlaw them all? The answer, of course, is no. The reason is actually simple; in order for a free society to function its laws *must* be an objective code of rules and not a set of arbitrary judgements.

Which brings us to the second issue. Just exactly what is the true nature and essence of the laws presuming to regulate the lifestyle a given individual chooses? I am, hauntingly, reminded of this excerpt from the novel *Atlas Shrugged*, by Ayn Rand: "Do you really think that we want those laws to be observed? We want them broken...We're after power and we mean it...There's no way to rule innocent men. The only power any government has is the power to crack down on criminals. Well, when there aren't enough criminals, one makes them. One declares so many things to be a crime that it becomes impossible for men to live without breaking laws...just pass the kind of laws that can neither be observed nor enforced nor objectively interpreted and you create a nation of law-breakers—and then you cash in on guilt."

Senator Briggs was stopped short by the voters of doing any "cashing-in" with his shabby pretense of morality. Our struggle is hardly over, though. We must continue our fight for individual rights. At stake are not only gay rights, but the dignity, esteem and uncompromised freedom for every individual in this nation. Sincerely, Wayne L. Smith, Phoenix, Ariz.

THE PRIDE COMMENTS

The points are well-taken. However, the Bryantists see no separation of church and state. She wants prayers in the public schools and has stated so. Senator Briggs has also stated, that when he took office he was sworn in on THE BIBLE and NOT THE CONSTITUTION, so he feels he should depend on that book and not the rules set down to help the "free society" function. He has said this repeatedly in public, including at the Briggs-Voeller debate.

There is little doubt in my mind that these people, this small band of crazies has exactly in mind the very things you quoted from Ayn Rand. The sad commentary is the fact that WE ARE LETTING THEM DO IT! Elsewhere in this issue, you will read about the new clinic for saving homosexuals from their decadence — a new clinic which Anita wants to build and for which she pleads for money. AND WE ARE LETTING HER DO THIS!!!

Indeed, Senator Briggs WAS stopped-short at the Polls this time. But what about NEXT time. He has made it clear that we have not heard the last of him and that, indeed, he plans to try again. And unfortunately, he can try again and again and again...until he gets what he wants. And he just may very well do that.

As far as the debate was concerned, it was well-worth attending, as those who were there will say. Unfortunately there was a mere handful (1000 or so) at the debate. There are over 100,000 Gays in the Valley....where the Hell were they for the debate. I just can't understand when there is an issue that directly involves our own lifestyles, so many of us hide in the woodwork, or behind a beer bottle and refuse even to inform ourselves. And it is this very attitude that the Bryantists are counting on, and so far they've been right, so far WE haven't been concerned enough to stand up and say "Now wait just a goddam minute, I'm not going to let you get away with this!" When that happens they'll have to shut up, but don't hold your breath...it probably won't happen here. Oh yes, maybe if some tremendous tragedy happens a few heads might turn, but the track record here is one of "Don't bother me, I don't care."

—Jack.



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- * It appears that KEN and OLIVER at His Co are having a dispute over who will have what position... Does this mean in the bedroom, or on the job?
- * It's been suggested that WALLY WALRUS might do well to mind his own business instead of everybody else's...and by the way, we've heard his parking lot habits leave something to be desired...
- * AQUANETTA won't be getting that instructors job at Sears School of Driving, though she might qualify for a demolition derby...nice job on the car, toots!
- * And while we're on the subject, AQUA claims that the nasty knee abrasion was a result of said auto accident when her car rolled over (and over) (and over) but it's more likely to have come from one of those rough bookstore floors...!
- * AQUA may not know much about driving, but certainly knows how to treat a car from Ev Mecham!
- * And (also) byt the way, there's no AQUANETTA column this month as she's far too busy off somewhere "Doing The Bit" (whatever the *flock* that means!).
- * Saw DRAGON LADY at the Cissy Goldberg Show — sporting around one of those young cuties and telling everyone (whether they were interested or not) that said cutie is straight. Well, you can't be *too* straight if you chum around with D.L.!
- * Also seen at the Goldberg Show...BOB ELLIS (AGN Editor) sporting around *his* new cutie, GARY, recently acquired photographer (?) who seems to be *lost in time, lost in space...and meaning* (but cute).
- * QUOTE OF THE MONTH: (CZAR about QUINTON while appearing on the Casa stage)
"That's a real switch, a *lady* impersonating a *man*!"
- * (New bumper sticker recently seen):
I Found it...And Now My Finger Stinks...



The San Francisco Chronicle

Message Center

PHONE CALL from a city jailer, sounding angry: "Why should Dan White get special treatment? A phone 24 hours a day, visiting privileges any time — we are all sore as hell

- * Congratulations to P L & L for their Art Show at Alwun House. Who'd have thought the Crisco Kids could pull off such a tasteful event. Bravo!
- * And at the P L & L Art Show there was CARL SAMUELS — Phoenix' Macrame Queen, building one of his masterpieces and muttering, "Knit-one, pearl-two!!!"
- * We understand MIKE D. is going to teach a course in taxidermy...Afterall, he does spend his spare time mounting and stuffing chickens...
- * We hear CHRIS G. (ex-Googs waiter) took a trip to Mexico to bring back some goods...Hope that's all he brings back! Don't know how good Dr. Bob is at curing those foreign strains!
- * We now know why the CZAR's personal TV chair has all those spots and greasy hand prints all over it after we watched some of his video tape movies...Wow!
- * Seems we reported in error about JOHN M. and the Erotica Bookstore for which we apologize. However, behind every nasty rumor is a basis of truth...and we'll leave no stone unturned to find that truth...
- * Confidential to PATRICK O: Do they love you for yourself or is it just your free pizza?
- * RON A (known to countless thousands as Blanche duBois) now has a new (well-deserved) nickname...*Lucy Hole!!!!*
- * SOMEONE (whose name will go unmentioned) no longer has crabs. They left in a huff, since they didn't much like last month's publicity. Even a crab has some pride...!
- * Let's all make a New Year's Resolution to get involved and do something to make 1979 a banner year to further the cause of Gay people in Arizona...It's Time!

about this" ... Jackson Rannells, the labor expert, musing away: "Suppose Dan White had been the one shot and killed. His wife and kids wouldn't have got a cent of compensation from the city. No pension. No insurance. I guess our Supervisors are supposed to buy their own with the surplus from their \$800-a-month salaries" ... "Ironic, is it not," Robert Opal interjects, "that the D.A., Joe Freitas, who opposed Prop. 7 (the Briggs death penalty initiative), may have to invoke it against Dan White, who supported it" ... Out at the Galleria on Kansas St., the joy of Christmas helps to ease the sadness. A great tree rises over the annual "Elegant Celebration" that raises funds for ACT. The city's

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famous people have, once again, designed elaborate holiday dinner tables. At the last moment, before the Tuesday night preview, the names of Gina and George Moscone are removed from — Table No. 13.

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ONLY TWO weeks ago, Harvey Milk and Atty. Terence Hallinan were conferring in a booth at Vanessi's. Along came Dist. Atty. Joe Freitas, who grinned, "I'd give a million bucks to know what you guys are talking about." Grinning back, they refused to tell him — but the conversation was about this: Harvey had decided to run only for one more term, and Terence agreed to be his campaign manager ... Harvey knew he couldn't go on living indefinitely on \$800 a month, his only income. He died in debt. The million offered by Joe Freitas can go to his estate.

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BLIND! (in one eye)

Darkness shrouding the trees, a dim path through the woods; barely visible, the moon is a tiny slit in the star-filled night sky; crickets chirping loudly in the warm, humid Southern night. But cricket sounds and deep shadows give way as a small frightened boy and his loving grandmother move quickly along the path. Up ahead, soft sounds are growing louder; a great tent looms up before us; shadows of hundreds of human forms are silhouetted against the inside of the tent — dancing, moving, the silhouettes are cast by many glowing yellow lights.

Suddenly, as if we were being swallowed, we move through the singular opening in the great tent. The silhouettes have taken form — growling, clapping, dancing, singing and praying people, and all eyes are cast upon the two people at the front of a huge snaking line of wobbling wheel chairs and crutches. Very old people are being led by younger ones and (as with myself) the very young being held by their parents.

Mamma has a tight hold of my trembling hand, my eyes are staring big and blue at the two people at the end of the line — a very old man in a wheelchair just in front of us is speaking to the preacher. It's his turn to be "healed".

Grabbing the old man by his head, the preacher hauls the old man from his chair, and his trembling old body is standing level to the eyes of the preacher.

I tug back, Mamma pulls me forward, the fear in me increases as the preacher screams, "In the Name of the Lawd Jesus Heee! HEEEL!"

The fear increases, I want to get out of here —

"It won't be long now, it's almost your turn." "But Mamma, I'm so scared!!!" "Now, darlin' it won't hurt a bit, and the preacher will make you see out of both your eyes with the help of God, and it will be wonderful not to be half blind." "OK, Mamma, but I'm plenty scared."

The old man in front of us is on his knees praying and grabbing handfuls of dirt. His eyes are wide, he muffles his screams by stuffing the dirt into his mouth and a strange jabbering and grunting is pouring from his lips. "Speaking in tongues!" the crowd is shouting. The old man with dirt and spit on his face is screaming at the crowd.

"Please Mamma, I'm only seven years old, why am I here? Get me out!!" But she doesn't here — she seems lost among the dancing, singing, clapping, praying which is growing louder each minute. The preacher is barely heard as he keeps shouting, "In the Name of the Lawd Jesus Christ...HEAL! HEEEL!" His sweating face is bulging and red with hysteria as he screams at the old man (who has just ruined his pants) "Walk! Walk!! I command you to WALK!!!" The crowd joins, "Walk!! Walk!!"



The old figure takes two painful steps and falls from the dirty platform into the arms of the screaming crowd. "Thank you, Jesus. Thank you, Jesus!" yells the preacher, and it is repeated by the crowd. "Sweet Jesus, I can walk!" shrieks the old man as he is swallowed by the undulating figures.

Now the red eyes fall upon me; the crowd drops to a murmur, and I'm so scared. "Please don't touch me." The hand is holding me, his sweating face suddenly staring into my eyes. I'm pulling away in terror — sudden pressure, powerful grip — "GOD HAS GOT ME!!!" White haired old face all dressed in black, she looks like the wife of the devil — old hands, so strong! "Mamma, don't let them do this!! Stop!!" The red eyes are using all the air in the tent, how can the old woman helping him hold me so still? The yellow lights swim past me (it seems there are many hundreds of them) "Let go of my hair!!!" He twists my neck so violently — Snap!!! For an instant it seems he has killed me, I am being dragged onto the stage, the people are wild — singing, praying, shouting that strange language again. Several pants are ruined, dirt is flying and the heat is awful, I think I'm going to throw up.

"By the Lawd God and in the Name of Jesus, I command you to be healed. What's the matter with the kid?" From somewhere my Mamma's voice says, "He's blind in one eye. Help him see, help him to the truth of the power of God. Help him see as well

as you!" She puts money into his hand. He pushes it away, "Not yet, not yet." The pain from my hair is awful again as he yanks my neck, SNAP!!!

"Half blind," he says, "Son, look at me. Do you believe in the Lawd Jesus Christ?" Yank — snap — pain. "Answer him!" that old woman jerks my arm, "You must answer him!"

"I don't know. Please let me go, that hurts —" More pulls on the hair. "HEAL! HEAL!!" "Please, stop, you're hurting me! Mamma, please!!" The dirt is flying, the lights are swimming again. "Heal! By the Lawd God Almighty, I command you to be healed! SEE!! SEE!!!" He is shaking me and violently slaps me across the face. "YES!! YES!!" shouts the crowd. The dirt is getting into my eyes and grit is running off the red face, a tiny child is lying on the ground, the father is covering her with dirt and the mother is removing it, my eyes move. "YES! YES! He can see! Show us you can see!!" The old man from before is lying on a bench waving his clenched fists in the air "SEE!! SEE!!" he shouts. My eyes move. "Mamma! Help me!!" Tears are filling my

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eyes, SLAP!! "SEE!!" —Dirt ant tears—"Are you possessed by the Devil, can't you see?!!" "Yes, he can see!!" shouts the crowd, stomping up more dirt. Tears and dirt blinding my good eye "I AM EVIL, I CANNOT SEE AT ALL!! GOD HATES ME, I CAN'T SEE ANYTHING!!"

Sudden extremely loud screaming — SLAP!! — The red eyes, the yellow lights, the grey hair, the wheel chair — a spinning blurr, I can't speak, I can't see — SLAP!! — Pain — "Mamma! Help me!!"

"The Devil is here, the kid is blind!! Woman get thy son out of God's temple, he is EVIL, EVIL, EVIL!!!" "DEVIL, DEVIL" shouts the crowd, "The Devil is here!! Pray him out, pray him out!!" The drug of terror and hysteria grips all inside the tent, the wife of Satan is pulling my arms — down from the stage, the preacher jerks his hands from me like I was on fire, "HELP ME, I CAN'T SEE!!"

The hem of Mamma's dress is wiping my face. "Mamma, what have they done? That feels good, Mamma, I can see," she is wiping the grit and tears away. "Oh, I'm not blind, get me out of here."

The line moves. A frail, frightened figure somewhat older, but looking so much like me is being pulled onto the stage, four men are holding him — one for each limb — the men are speaking to the preacher; his eyes have grown wider and redder, the old woman is throwing water on the terrified figure.

The preacher grabs the boy by an arm and a leg and shakes him violently, sucking in the last remaining air as he begins to scream, "In the Name of the Lawd Jesus Christ, heal this queer, HEAL!! HEEEL!!!" The crowd roars, "Heal, queer; heal queer!! YES!! YES!! (Slap!) Queer!! (Slap!) HEAL!! (Slap!) HEAL!! HEAL!!"

The frail figure crumples to the floor — the old woman is calling to the "special" people at the sides of the tent. She motions them and they carry the (now fainted) figure away. "The Devil has left him, he is free from sin, he is healed. The QUEER IS HEALED!! THE QUEER DEVIL HAS LEFT HIM!!" the preacher shouts and the crowd again goes wild as the white faced boy is swallowed up in the sea of people. The sobbing father, so relieved, while praising God is placing a twenty dollar bill into the old woman's hands and runs joyfully from the stage. "My son is free from the Devil!!..."

As in a dream I'm walking forward, and as I look over my shoulder the mouth of the tent is growing smaller and smaller, and so are the figures of the devil and his wife bathed in the holy yellow light inside. Now the animal sounds from the tent are giving way to the crickets and the tiny slip of a moon guides our steps through the woods. I clutch Mamma's hand tightly as we silently walk home.

...If Only I Were A Hundred.



You Ain't Seen Nothin' Yet!

In our December issue we printed the first of these Anita Bryant Ministries Newsletters, and got quite a lot of comment on it from various people. Hence, we decided that if another came in the mail, we'd print it. Well, it came alright, and even if we hadn't used the first one, this one was a must. Not only was the Newsletter in the envelope, but so was a copy of the "Anita Bryant Ministries Counseling Center Blueprints" and a sobbing appeal letter from herself. I couldn't believe it, but it's true: She's actually going to build this thing and has begun to hire the staff. Are you ready? She is.

There is no doubt in my mind that this place is going to be anything less than a place to take poor Gays whose parents or other relatives will drag in for brain-washing and other humiliating forms of physical and psychological torture, the likes of which you and I have never seen before. I'm sure they've searched around and found lab manuals from the various Nazi "scientists" who performed similar acts on people during the War, including countless Gays. Don't kid yourself for a moment, that's exactly the kind of stuff she wants to do, and she's off and running now. She says, "No attempt will be made to counsel any persons except those who first recognize their need for help, and then explicitly request it." I wonder how many bamboo slivers under your finger nails it would take for you to "explicitly request it"!

You will notice that they have been very careful to put down Freud and his teachings, and I'm sure they'd do the same for his many students. This should come as no real surprise, since no doubt the staff they have picked out has come mainly from any number of the Baptist Bible "Colleges" and they probably never took a course in psychology, much less Freud.

I can't help but think of an interview I saw recently (on film) with Carl Jung, who, when asked, "Do you believe in God," smiled, paused, and answered, "I don't need to believe, I know."

Get a load of this guy she's got lined up to be the Center's director, this Rev. Renfroe character. Take note of his "credentials" if I dare call them that...he has a Masters in Theology (very simple to obtain among the Baptists, often given away) and a bunch of baloney that might qualify him to be a jailer, but not a sex-counselor. She's got big plans, and this is only the first step.

So, here she goes, on her national campaign to raise the few thousand she'll need to open this trap. I wonder what she'll do with the rest of the money she gets. Remember, this Newsletter goes to thousands all over the country.

Anita Bryant Ministries

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Counseling Center To Open

The first Anita Bryant Ministries Counseling Center is now on the verge of becoming a reality. A well-located facility has been acquired by lease, and the task of partitioning, carpeting, furnishing, and decorating the facility is next on the agenda. Funds are urgently needed for this purpose.

The floor plan of the counseling center has 1,800 square feet. This is sufficient to provide initially for three counseling rooms plus a receptionist-waiting room area, a volunteer work area, some storage space, and very importantly, a meeting room for the use of group counseling and special instructional sessions.

Also, for the purpose of confidentiality, note that a separate exit has been provided so that the counselor need not leave the counseling center, after a counseling session, through the waiting room entrance.

This pilot counseling facility in the Miami area will also provide sufficient space for a library of books, pamphlets, papers, and other materials which will be utilized regularly in the counseling process. Competent counselors will reach out by telephone, and also through the mails, to people all over the nation who are oppressed by moral and personal problems and who call in or write to seek help. In next month's Newsletter

we hope to be able to announce the main telephone number of the center.

Because we are receiving so much correspondence nationally, especially from people who desire to find a way out of homosexuality, it is important to provide sufficient administrative and secretarial space in this initial counseling center. The southeast wing of the facility has been allocated for this purpose.

This counseling center is located on the second floor of an excellent modern building. We are more than pleased in every way with the facility, and regard it as a provision of God.

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New Director Outlines Counseling Program

Anita Bryant recently introduced the Reverend David R. Renfroe to the press and the media as the new Director of the counseling center that she is opening in the Miami area under the auspices of Anita Bryant Ministries.

"Even though the counseling center will be operated by Christians," explains Miss Bryant, "its services will be open to people of all faiths. No attempt will be made to counsel any persons except those who first recognize their need for help, and then explicitly request it."

David R. Renfroe then briefly outlined the counseling program and the responsibilities he would assume as Director.

Former minister of the Calvary Bible Church in Williamston, North Carolina, Reverend Renfroe comes

from a highly qualified background of various Christian counseling experiences and professional studies.

His following comments explain how he perceives his role and God's purpose for this specially designed counseling center:

"A totally new and crucial segment of the Anita Bryant Ministries is about to become a reality. This is the much needed counseling center that is designed to deal with the large volume of earnest, yet troubled people seeking guidance and meaning for their lives. Hopefully within the next couple of months we will have completed all necessary planning and have the counseling center operational.

"Our purpose for this center is not to establish a clinic with a sterile and aloof approach to fellow humans who may be experiencing all manners of



David R. Renfroe is the new Counseling Center Director in Miami.

difficulties. Rather, we are going to establish a setting where an individual can find understanding, love, warmth, and acceptance with total confidentiality. However, this setting is to be structured in such a manner as to bring about radical and permanent healing of the whole person. Necessarily then, this will include an honest confrontation with the client along structured Biblical lines.

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Anita – The Clear and Present Threat

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Bryant's "Save A Queer For Christ" Clinic Could Be More Dangerous Than We Think

I'm not sure, but I rather doubt that you can help a suicidal manic-depressive by quoting Scripture at him or her — Scripture no doubt that would condemn his very existence (since these do-gooders can only quote the "Thou Shalt Nots"). And while I agree that a "God-centered approach" might have some merit, it seems that a better approach would be to incorporate some of the known-to-be-positive approaches of modern-day psychology, too. But then, I'd only do that if I was really trying to help someone....

Try to make some sense out of "New Director Outlines Counseling Program", if you can. I can't find an outline of anything there, but to the uneducated, lower class sickie who would request receiving such a piece of crap as this, it just might make some sense (Wait a minute, I requested it too...!)

"By means of education, science, behavioral studies, and control of the environment, all human inadequacies and illnesses can be overcome." The key here is "control of the environment", get the picture? They seem to be saying that since that's what "Humanistic counseling" does, and it's bad, they won't use it. But isn't the center itself a "control of the environment"? Otherwise, why not counsel in the Gay bars or on the streets?

Maybe they'll resort to the laying on of hands. Then we could all write chapters of *If Only I Were A Hundred!*

—Jack.

There are a great many different opinions concerning counseling — who needs it, what it is, and who should do it.

There is the humanistic viewpoint that man is the center of the universe, and has the solutions to all of his own problems. By means of education, science, behavioral studies, and control of the environment, all human inadequacies and illnesses can be overcome.

Humanistic counseling generally goes back to roots associated with Sigmund Freud. He's the fellow who tended to trace all problems back to sex and childhood. Also, he taught that religion and Christianity are little more than crutches for mentally sick people.

Counseling Center To Open

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We are equally happy and pleased that God has directed in the selection of a highly qualified man to head this important project. The Rev. David R. Renfroe has been chosen for this position because of his outstanding personal, spiritual, theological, and professional qualifications.

With approximately ten years of full-time experience as a Christian counselor dealing with every conceivable type of problem, Mr. Renfroe is eminently qualified to head this first Anita Bryant Ministries Counseling Center. In addition to his counseling qualifications, Mr. Renfroe is also an outstanding administrator. This is important, because as the counseling ministry expands his administrative capabilities will be needed more and more.

Anita Bryant, Bob Green, and the Board of Directors of Anita Bryant Ministries are grateful to God and to friends and supporters all over the nation who have made this first counseling center possible. Projected plans are to open a second counseling center (probably on the West Coast of the country) as God directs and as funds are available.

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Realistically Speaking

by Edward Rowe, *Executive Director*

Freud has many descendants today. They are practicing psychology all over the country. Their entire effort is within a humanistic framework which excludes God and spiritual values from the healing process.

The other major approach to counseling is the one which recognizes God at the center of the universe and which approaches human problems in terms of man's relationship, or lack of relationship, with the Creator.

This Godly approach to counseling believes that the basic ingredient in healing a person is the establishment and maintenance of a proper relationship with God Himself.

This approach distinguishes two major life systems. First, the "delusion system" which entraps millions.

It is a way of living without facing up to the truth. The key words are deception, delusion, and defeat.

The other major life system is called the "truth system." The basic feature of this system is that to the very degree that truth displaces and replaces deception, the individual will enjoy healing and ultimate wholeness.

The Anita Bryant Ministries Counseling Center which is being established in the Miami area is based on the God-centered approach to counseling and healing. It will present a truth system as the pathway to abundant living.

God is the source of all truth and, realistically speaking, the best life, now and hereafter, is for those who align themselves with His truth.

New Director Outlines Counseling Program

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"In so doing our primary goal is to help an individual isolate and identify root problems. Then, in a meaningful manner, we will attempt to introduce to them the reality of the Person of Jesus Christ as the One who can resolve the deepest perplexities of life and bring about permanent change and new life patterns.

"The Word of God will be used in our ministry not in a superficial 'band-aid' manner, but as the living power and ultimate principle in re-making the new man in Christ Jesus.

"The counseling center will provide a ministry that recognizes the preeminence of Jesus Christ and the proper application of the inviolable Word of God to man's deepest needs.

"Pray for this ministry, for me as the new Director, for the entire Anita Bryant Ministries staff, and particularly for those who are going to come to us with their special needs."

Reverend Renfroe has worked as a group counselor and Director in detention homes; as a Juvenile Probation Officer; as a youth minister and family counselor; and as a caseworker with juveniles.

In 1965 he graduated from Southeastern Bible College in Birmingham,

Alabama with a B.A. degree. In 1971 he received the Master of Theology degree from Dallas Theological Seminary in Dallas, Texas, and he is currently working on his Doctor of Ministry degree at Western Conservative Baptist Seminary.

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Some "gay rights" protesters claim Anita Bryant is "a New Hitler" and yet, socialist and Marxist philosophy and literature is presented at a majority of their rallies.

the PRIDE of phoenix Anita – The Clear and Present Threat

**"Name Withheld..." I thought they were supposed
to be proud they'd been saved...!**



"Gay" protesters resort to name-calling when faced with the Biblical truth and love Anita Bryant represents!

Ex-Homosexual Pastor Writes Anita...

Dear Anita & Bob,

While pastoring a liberal gay church in rural Pennsylvania, I had the occasion to read "The Anita Bryant Story." I must admit that my original intention was to discredit what was written in the book in order to justify not just the homosexual lifestyles of my congregation, but my own gay lifestyle as well.

I had been ordained a Christian minister in 1976, and had indeed been born again, accepting Jesus Christ as my Savior, but was led by the doctrines of liberal and homosexual churches rather than by God's Word. I had been a homosexual for a number of years, involved with all aspects of "the gay scene," including the bars, baths, liberation movement, and so on, and it seemed easy at the time to "bend the truth" contained in the Bible in order to justify the many things I was into.

In the days following the Dade County Referendum, homosexuals were so conditioned by what the gay press was saying, that it was all too easy to justify the existence of anti-Anita Bryant tee-shirts and buttons, anti-Anita Bryant rallies, etc. as well.

My original intention in reading "The Anita Bryant Story" was not a righteous one, but as I read your book, the Lord began to tell me, "You know what? She's right."

Remembering the old saying that you can use the Bible to prove *anything*, I attempted to find the Scriptures that would discredit your words,

as well as verses which would conflict with those that were telling me that homosexuality was a sin. As difficult as it was, I had to admit that it couldn't be done!

Through your book, Anita, I was convicted into receiving Jesus as *Lord* of my life, knowing now that when He calls us to accept Him as Savior, we are also called to come under His loving *Lordship* as well.

In following Jesus and accepting His Word as being totally inspired, I can no longer pretend that I Corinthians 6:9-11, Romans Chapter 1, Leviticus 18:22, and other verses which express God's view toward homosexuality do not exist, for if we accept all Scripture as being inspired (2 Tim. 3:16), we can't conveniently ignore verses which we find difficult or contrary to our lifestyles; commitment to Jesus Christ means that we are to accept Him on *His* terms, not ours.

All too often we find that "people won't listen to the truth, but will go around looking for teachers who will tell them just what they want to hear" (2 Tim. 4:3 TLB). This, unfortunately, is being propagated in the homosexual church today. If, indeed, we *truly* accept Jesus as so many homosexuals profess to do, then we must admit that *He* knows what's good for us better than we know what's good for us.

Anita, I had been searching for a long time to find "gay liberation." Through "The Anita Bryant Story," I found that the only true gay liberation

which exists is liberation in *Christ*, for "if the Son sets you free, you shall be free indeed." As much as the gay church quotes this verse from John Chapter 8, they seem to ignore the rest of the words in the chapter, which tell us that we *can't* go on living in sin and yet claim to be committed Christians. We can only find *true* liberation by following Jesus' commandment to abide in *Him*, by repenting of our sins, and trusting Him to lead us in the paths that are right.

After reading your book, my eyes were opened up to see that the gay scene is *not* gay; those looking for love will only experience lust and rejection; those yearning to be free will only end up trapped in their own sins.

The sad thing is that those who are trapped by a gay lifestyle have deceived themselves into believing that they are happy and that what they are doing is pleasing to the Lord. With our prayers and efforts to bring the Word to homosexuals, however, there is still the chance of reaching those who are now only fooling themselves.

I have been blessed with the opportunity to reach gay people with the true Gospel of Jesus Christ, and have seen that as Corrie Ten Boom once wrote, "there is no pit so deep that God isn't deeper still." No matter how low a person might go or how involved in the homosexual lifestyle people might get, the Lord can *always* reach down and pull them out if only they'll give Him a chance. The important thing is that if a gay person chooses to accept Jesus, it must be done on *His* terms.

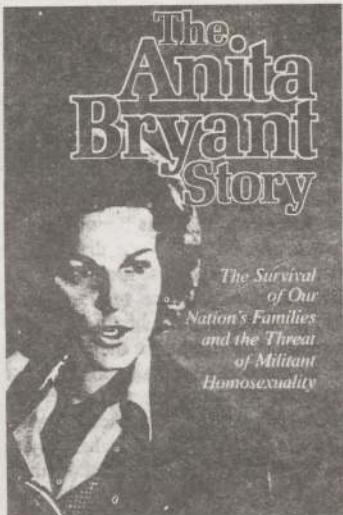
In these days when too few people have the courage to speak out in defense of God's Word and His righteousness, I am thankful that the Lord has led you to take the stand you have taken in His name. Sometimes, when gay people hear the truth, it can really hurt them at first, but in the end, we can know that it is the truth that will set us free.

Know that despite any tee-shirts, buttons, rallies, articles or anything else which have taken the "anti-Anita Bryant" stand, there are many of us who were in the gay scene that you *have* reached. For that, I'm grateful, and my prayers are with you as you continue in this ministry.

Yours in Christ,
Name withheld at request of writer

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Anita's Latest Book Reviewed



(This article by Darlene Sims reviews "The Anita Bryant Story" by Anita Bryant. Reprinted from Howard E. Kershner's *Answers to Economic Problems*)

Here is the complete and heartwarming account of Anita's thoughts and actions as she became the focal point in the campaign to repeal the so-called "gay rights" ordinance in Miami. This ordinance, among other things, would have allowed known practicing homosexuals to teach in private and religious schools. This homosexual license would not have applied to the large public school population of the county, only to private and religious schools.

Anita, who had never before been known to raise her voice in anything but song, stepped out in opposition to this ordinance, thereby incurring the wrath of militant homosexuals across the nation. Her livelihood has been threatened by boycotts and criticism. Bumperstickers and T-shirts assail her. Protest marches and demonstrations against her have been staged from coast to coast. She has been made the brunt of jokes on radio and television. She and her family have received death threats, crank phone calls, bomb scares, and hate mail. Yet she presses on. God bless you, Anita Bryant.

New Director

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He has also done graduate work in Criminal Justice, Contemporary Corrections and Behavioral Sciences.

Mr. Renfroe has been affiliated with the National College of Juvenile Justice, the National Council of Juvenile Court Judges, Alabama Probation and Parole Officers Association, and the Child Advocacy Council. In 1975-76 he was listed in *Who's Who in Religion*.

During his professional career, Mr. Renfroe was deeply involved in different ministries in several churches. These ministries provided him with extensive counseling experiences with runaways, drug abusers, felons, homosexuals, cases of incest, parent abuse/neglect, and several other problem areas.

In the church, Mr. Renfroe has also worked at many different levels including Sunday School Teacher, Superintendent, Teacher's Trainer, Family and Marriage Counselor, and Supply Minister. He has also conducted Christian Home Life Seminars.

In addition, he has been involved with camp work, street evangelism, radio broadcasting, writing, and discipleship training. He has served as full-time Pastor of two churches.

Mr. Renfroe and his wife, Nancy, are the parents of three children.



When the militant "gays" parade...



...and their parents support their lifestyles, surely this is a sad sign of the times we're facing. Please pray for these lost people!

God And Homosexuality

The following question was sent to the Anita Bryant Ministry office: "Could you please identify the Scripture passages referring to God's objection to homosexuality? Unsigned." Since there was no name or address, we decided to print the answers for our readers and whoever sent it in.

The most outspoken passage is Romans 1:18-32, which says in part, "Because they do this, God has given them over to shameful passions. Even the women pervert the natural use of their sex by unnatural acts. In the same way the men give up natural sexual relations with women and burn with passion for each other. Men do shameful things with each other, and as a result they bring upon themselves the punishment they deserve for their wrong-doing. Because those people refuse to keep in mind the true knowledge about God, he has given them over to corrupted minds, so that they do the things that they should not do."

Other passages include: Genesis 19:1-11 (especially verse 5); Leviticus 18:22; Leviticus 20:13; Deuteronomy 23:17; I Kings 14:21-24 (especially verse 24); I Kings 15:9-12 (especially verse 12); I Kings 22:41-46 (especially verse 46); II Kings 23:1-7 (especially verse 7), and II Peter 2:1-6 (especially verse 6).

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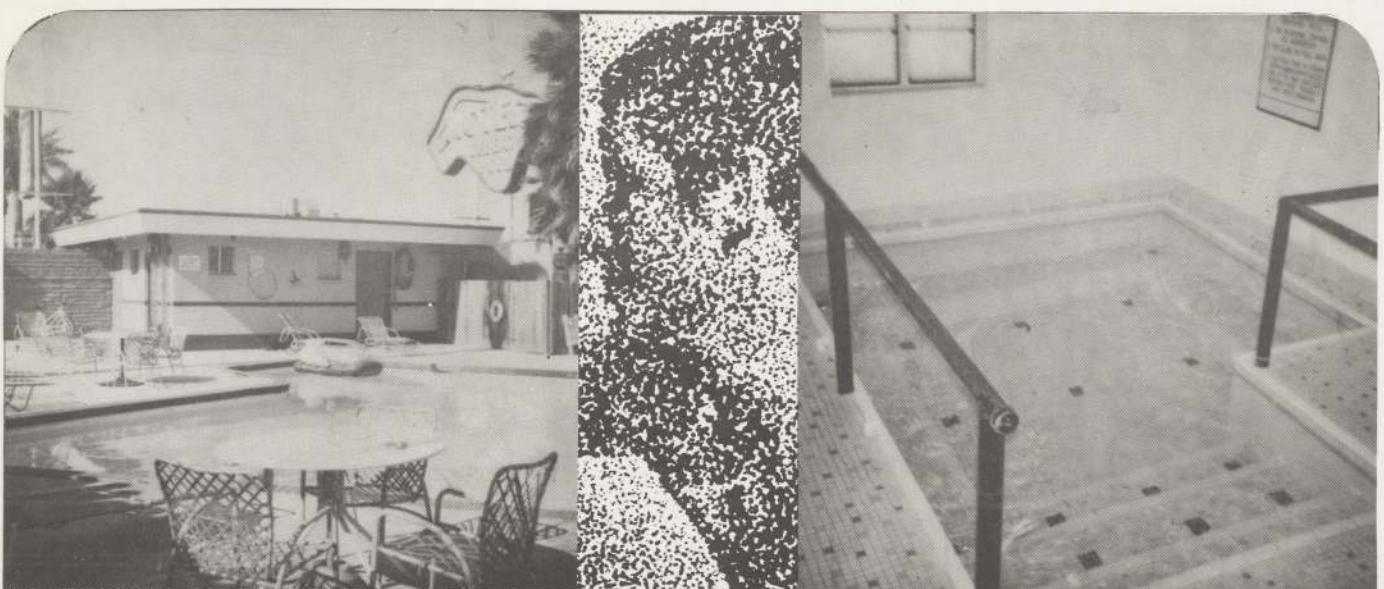
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