ANN LANDERS "Sexual Fascist"

Ann Landers, in a recent column appearing in The Houston Chronicle, publishes a letter from a homosexual agitating over her description of us as a "sick" people. He claims Mrs. Landers has now "lost the right to go on with her vile activities" and he is surely distressed by it. Rubbish! Surely by now this sort of sexual fascism should no longer come as a surprise to anyone. Mrs. Landers is only expressing her conditioned response to a sexual morality utterly alien to her. Her religious and social training has firmly established in her own mind the inadmissibility of such human expressions of sexual and emotional realities. She does no more in defence of her sexual fascism than do other bigots when they appeal to some dubious biblical injunction construed to permit inhuman behavior against us when she calls up some medical practitioners whose bias supports her own. It is a typical avoidance of the real issue, and it gives considerable comfort to the sexual fascists who need to require obedience to their own sexual modalities.

While understanding the anguish and sense of frustration experienced by the author of the letter to Mrs. Landers, we do not sympathise that much with him. The reason is quite simple: we believe the time is long past when gay human beings should fall down before sexual fascists and beg them for acceptance and understanding. It is a frightful waste of time. And it is easy bigoted and exercise a tyranny only at our sufferance. We should get on with the business of building a sense of dignity and self-respect! This is something only we ourselves can do for ourselves; we must stop reacting to the rubbish promulgated by the sexual fascist. We must begin to act for our own well-being and ignore the attempts of the sexual fascist to exercise a tyranny of life-style over us. We must live our own lives in harmony with our own nature, not theirs.

The below is a reprint of the Ann Landers column in the Houston Chronicle, March 5, 1973.

You Have Turned On Us Like A Jungle Animal
BY ANN LANDERS

Ann Landers: I refuse to call you "dear" because you are an upright-headed, pretentious, meddlesome fool. For years I have read your column and believed you were a friend of homosexuals. A few days ago you turned on us like a jungle animal and exposed your hypocrisy and ignorance. I am shocked and enraged that you would call us "sick" and describe homosexual activity as "unnatural." How dare you? We already have many psychiatrists on our side. Some excellent papers have been written on the subject. They have given us a clean bill of health. They say we are NOT sick. We are only different. Why is it that you haven't read these papers? I think you should be fired for incompetence. — Former Reader

ANSWER

Dear Former: I have read them. I don't happen to agree with the authors. I am with the psychiatrists who believe homosexuals are sick and that sex between two men or two women is unnatural. I can listen to and respect opinions different from my own, however, without becoming angry, shocked, or outraged. Some highly reputable physicians are on the other side of this argument. Here are some samples of my mail:

From the British West Indies: Dear Ann Landers: May I congratulate you on your concise and perceptive answer to the homosexual who signed himself "One." Twenty-five years ago I was "one," and after six years of depth analysis my life was changed completely. You are right when you say homosexuals are sick and their sexual activity is unnatural. It is difficult to explain to a homosexual just how sick and unnatural it is. They refuse to believe it. But I know, because I've been there and back. — Always Straight

From Topeka: Kansas: Thank you for stating that homosexuality is an illness. I made the same statement on the Mary Griffin show not long ago and have had a great deal of angry mail because of it. You do a good job, Ann. Thank you. — Harold M. Volh, M.D., Meaning Foundation

Chicago, Illinois: I have worked with many homosexuals, and in my opinion, they are individuals whom emotional development was arrested at a preadolescent level. When a massive lack of development in the maturation process occurs in any area, it can be referred to as an illness in psychological terms. — Dr. Sara Charles, Assistant Professor of Psychology, University of Illinois

From Houston, Texas: Homosexuals in my opinion, is not normal or natural behavior. The original purpose of sexual activity was to perpetuate the species. Any deviation from the norm that... Continued on pg. 2

MR FRIZBY ROBBED

The many customers of Mr. Frizby's many customers were shocked to hear that Rocco, one of the doormen at this private club had split one AM early with the proceeds of the night.

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Phone: (512) 442-6898
Sunday Services: 408 West 23 Street, Austin
2:00 PM
Interim Pastor: Rev. Robert Bogard

FT. WORTH: Agape Metropolitan Community Church
P.O. Box 26063, Ft. Worth, TX 76116
Sunday Services: 2800 Purington, Ft. Worth
7:30 PM
Interim Pastor: Rev. David Garden

For information regarding other areas, contact the nearest MCC office.

ANN LANDERS (continued)

thrusts "the beat" cannot be considered normal or natural. Perhaps do not use my name since I am not a specialist in this field. - Beri Jurgen, Baylor University

From New York: I would not call homosexuality a "dysfunction" as you did in your column recently, because this means the inability to use sex organs adequately, which many homosexuals are able to do. Homosexuality, however, is a distortion of the choice of sex partner from the natural to the unnatural. This distortion comes from severe and early developmental problems caused by an inability to relate to significant adults. - Natalie Shainitz, M.D.

So there you have a small sampling, dear readers. And my thanks to all who wrote - even the angry and bitter readers. I appreciate all points of view, whether I agree with them or not.

- HAPPY BIRTHDAY - 69th - that is - TO MOTHER OF DALLAS - INA DORAN - THE VINTNERS - AND ALL ITS READERS WISH YOU ANOTHER 89 - Yr. Toosoon - and nightly - but - my merlot to everyone in Houston - and all over - come see us!!!

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Montrose Gaze
First Dance

The Montrose Gaze Community Center held its first dance of 73 February 24, 504 Fairview and Whitney, the centers location. The dance, which featured hop music from the Fifties era, drew in about thirty-five dance fanatics who entertained the 9-room center with antics uncommon to Gay dance styles. The dance was considered a minimal success and it is expected the "Beatles" dance to be held March 16th will be an even bigger success with lights and displays and featured music and some of the most popular recording artists of the decade - the Beatles.

- APPLICATION -

CIRCLE OF FRIENDS PARADE COMMITTEE
PO BOX 9944 - Phone (214) 824-9770 - DALLAS, TEXAS

I hereby give written notice of my intent to enter the GAY PARADE PARADE to be held Saturday, June 30, 1973 at 11:00 AM.

Name of Organization:

Address:

Phone:

Signature:

Remarks:

This is not required by law. Any entry fees are to be used by the Parade Committee for expenses incurred for the parade. Make Checks payable to THE CIRCLE OF FRIENDS PARADE COMMITTEE.
in the Old Testament can be translated as above.

The Hebrew gives a much more frank and open view:

... my moisture is turned into the drought of summer.

And the sad case of Lot and his daughters. In the nineteenth chapter of Genesis, the daughters say to one another:

Our father is old, and there is not a man in the earth to come into us (THAT phrase again!) after the manner of all the earth. Come, let us make our father drink wine, and we will lie with him, that we may preserve seed of our father.

And they did lay with him and conceived two children who became the progenitors of two of Israel’s greatest enemies, Moab and Ammon.

And how are we to judge the supposed author of the Pentateuch, Moses? Perhaps it would be good to consider the estimation given in Deuteronomy 34:7.

And Moses was an hundred and twenty years old when he died: his eyes were not dim nor his natural force abated.

Considering the correct version for the words translated “his natural force abated”, we come up with an entirely different picture of the man:

And Moses was one hundred-twenty years old when he died: his eyes were good and his waters were not dried up (Hebrew idiom which means he could still execute).

The great king of Israel, David, makes the same use of this idiom in Psalm 32:4.

... my moisture is turned into the drought of summer.

And and on and it goes. The affair between David and Bathsheba; the Song of Solomon, and even the method for referring to men slain in a battle; there was not left unto Nabai by the morning light any that pissed against the wall.

(1 Sam. 16:34)

But why point out all of these
FREE DRAWINGS

Wash basins are.

A Houston school teacher walked on February in Houston's Northline Shopping Center.

About 4:30 p.m. on a weekday, a Houston school teacher walked into the public restroom at the Northline Shopping Center. Inside one of the toilet stalls sat a man exposing himself and being obvious about it. Another of the toilet stalls sat a man exposing himself and being obvious about it. Another of the toilet stalls sat a man exposing himself and being obvious about it. Another of the toilet stalls sat a man exposing himself and being obvious about it. The principal of the school where he teaches reported the arrest to the military personnel placement director who in turn inquired of the teacher about the circumstances surrounding his arrest.

It seems in the mind of the general public "Loitering" is wrongly considered strictly a homosexual charge. The military personnel director stated to the subject that the information he had would go no further than his desk. The word of this individual to keep to himself what he had "been told" is yet to be seen and will not be known until this coming August when it is time for renewal of the teaching contracts for the coming school year.

Are the arresting officers fully doing their jobs. Loitering is a misdemeanor, so is a traffic ticket yet you are not taken to jail in all instances and we have yet to hear of an employer being informed of an employee getting a traffic citation.

The four men entered the facilities making it four. There was some playing around and indication that perhaps there might be something about to happen when the door burst open and the vice officer came in announcing that all were under arrest.

The four men were first taken to the security office of the shopping center where the police were called to take them to the jail. Several hours later they were charged with Loitering although the threat of sodomy charges had been made. After the Loitering charge had been made the four posted bond and were released about midnight.

Not being satisfied with having made their arrests, filed their charges, received the fines and bonds, embarrassed and harassed their prisoners, the Houston Police Department then directed calls to inform the principal of the school of the teachers entrapment. The information given to the principal or the affect it will have on the teacher is not known at this time. The teacher is, however, employing legal council in the event any action is taken by the Houston Independent School District as a result of his arrest and the subsequent information related by the Police Department.

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One of the four persons arrested owned his own florist business - he posted the cash bond of $27.50 same as the others and has heard nothing from our "qualified guardian judges" in the Houston Police Department.

The forfeiture of the "cash bond" posted for the release of a person charged with "Loitering" is not a plea of guilt, yet, unless in this instance, the teacher in question contests the charge - the assumption of the informed persons with whom he works will be the same as if the charge were "sodomy."

The teacher has a family, fortunately when told in detail by the police of her husbands arrest -- she questioned the honesty of the informant -- she believes in circumstantial happenings and knows her husband from years and years of marriage. Her intention is to forget the happening as an unfortunate incident -- yet can she -- at the possible cost of thousands and thousands of dollars to her family.

Contesting this misdemeanor will be costly to the defendant which cannot be recovered from the state upon winning the case. Having the charge dismissed or thrown out "just might" to some extent erase the stigma homosexual drawn by the people informed of the arrest. Regardless of the action deemed necessary by this individual -- a complete win is impossible -- thanks to the vice officer who

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HOUStON P.D. ENTRAPMENT

Four persons were arrested by vice officers the last week of February in Houston's Northline Shopping Center.

About 4:30 p.m. on a weekday, a Houston school teacher walked into the public restroom at the Northline Shopping Center. Inside one of the toilet stalls sat a man exposing himself and being obvious about it. Another of the stalls was occupied and a man stood in the open area where the lavoreens and wash basins are.

"The teacher" entered one of the booths and shortly thereafter the man was obviously exposing himself outside, only to return twice more in a very short period of time. Meanwhile another man had entered the facilities making it four. There was some playing around and indication that perhaps there might be something about to happen when the door burst open and the vice officer came in announcing that all were under arrest.

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NOTE: We must be informed regarding the number of cars and floats to be entered in the parade. This information is required on the permit application. Please indicate your intention to enter cars or floats as soon as possible.

FEES:
Fees will be assessed from all organizations participating in the parade, including the sponsoring group. The Circle of Friends. Fees will not be assessed for individuals participating in the parade. The fees are as follows:

$15.00 - Fee to enter a float.
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This money will be used to pay advertising, posters, mimes, graphing, postage, and all other related expenses for the parade. The money will be returned as the final decision for commercial enterprises by name cannot be permitted in the parade unless a fee of $50.00 is paid in advance through The Circle of Friends prior to the permit application. Commercial enterprises may share this expense if they desire. No other entry charge will then be charged to them. This is a result of the new Dallas City Ordinance passed since last year’s parade.

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NO VIOLENCE:
No violence of any kind will be permitted. This is a demonstration for the entire gay community with hard work and sacrifice by many people. Violence has no part in this parade.

DATE:
The parade will be held, Saturday, June 30, 1973, at 11:00 a.m. It will begin at the corner of Market and Main Streets, proceed up Main Street to Harwood, over one block to Young Street and go back down Elm Street, ending at the starting point.

GAY PICNIC:
Immediately following the parade, a picnic is scheduled at Flag Pole Hill at White Rock Lake Park. Bring your own food and beverage. The picnic is open to all Gay community in celebration of Gay Pride Week. Last year there were 500 people attending the picnic. This year, let’s make it a thousand!!

RULES AND REGULATIONS:
The following must be agreed to by all who participate in this parade:

1. The laws of the United States, Texas, and all Dallas City Ordinances will be strictly followed.
2. No firearms, liquor, or illegal drugs will be carried or used during this parade.

The Circle of Friends’ attorney has informed us that it is illegal for anyone to march in the parade with a bag or a mask covering their face. If a person needs to hide his or her face, he or she must walk under our long “Indicent Exposure” -- do your fend yourself against the charge or lack of evidence -- in not dressing rooms -- it’s safer.

The parade will be the Parade Committee’s. Remember, public verbal obscenity is illegal.

NEWS MEDIA:
You may carry signs, however, no obscene or overly sexual works, symbols, or objects are to be used. If there is any question concerning this, check with the Parade Chairman.

DRAG:
Drag is not against the law to wear drag in Dallas.

You are solely responsible for the expense and decorating of your entry in the parade. You may make it as simple or elaborate as you wish. You may provide either live or canned music with your floats, but let the Parade Committee be aware of your intentions so that your music does not interfere with the other sound systems being used. The final decision as to the actual placement of floats in the parade will be the Parade Committee’s.

PARADE COMMITTEE:
Any ideas or questions you may have should be made to the Circle of Friends Parade Committee. The committee meetings are open to anyone in the gay community. If you have suggestions or criticisms, come join us.

CIERESS MCKEE
PARADE CHAIRMAN

REDEFINING HOMOSEXUALITY’S LABEL

In most societies homosexuals have had to fight for the freedom of their feelings or hide for fear of condemnation. A major factor in society’s censure of homosexuals has been that sexual desires outside the heterosexual realm are often viewed as mental aberrations. But to most homosexuals these desires are real, no matter what their basis. Accordingly, members of the Gay Activists Alliance have requested that the American Psychological Association remove homosexuality from its official catalogue of mental disorders. The Gay activists charged that such labeling (sexual deviancy) results in discrimination in the workplace, schools, business and government. They presented medical findings showing that homosexuals are as well adjusted as most heterosexuals. The APA manual of mental disorders is not reviewed until 1978, but an AP group intends to draw up a statement disavowing the old classification. They hope to have it ready for federal consideration when the APA meets this May.
MAUGHAM ON THE MAUGHAMS

"Overshadowed, queer, alcoholic, failure. To this day I am still England, and the shadow of his his father, Lord Chancellor of various countries would seem to suggest that I am a success. But I am not a success in my own eyes for reasons which this book will certainly reveal."

The book is Escape From The Shadows - The Maughams (McGraw-Hill, $8.95). Its frank outspoken, bitter and immensely autobiographical, it reveals that he was stricken with guilt by his homosexual desires and tried to make himself normal -- and at times succeeded.

The war years made Maugham realize that he was predominantly homosexual, he further reveals, and "the guilt of that realization turned me to drink . . . . My life has been a struggle to cope with my homosexual passions, a struggle to deal with my desire to drink myself into oblivion."

It has also been, of course, much more: the Cambridge student, the Libyan Desert tank battle hero who was mentioned in dispatches for gallantry under fire, the writer who abandoned the Bar to devote himself to literature also emerge from these pages.

Dallas Girls Form D.O.B.

The oldest Lesbian organization Nationwide has come to Dallas with the formation of a local chapter this year, The Daughters Of Bilitis meets the multi-faceted needs of Lesbians through workshops, unity front action, counseling, social opportunities, a library, etc. The need for such an organization is very apparent by the response evidenced at the first meetings. Outreach and activities will develop as the women involved express their needs and then work together to meet them.

Although a Lesbian organization by definition, the Dallas' chapter has established an open door policy for any woman defining herself as such regardless of sexual orientation. The group is presently operating under a loosely structured format which allows all women to participate and share leadership roles.

Members presently meet twice a month on first and third Fridays. First Friday meetings are defined more as action sessions where various projects and business are discussed and worked upon. These meetings are held at 8 p.m. in the MCC Community Center at 3834 Ross. The third Fridays are given over to various consciousness-raising and rap sessions, speakers, exchanges with other groups, etc. and the meetings are held at 2001 Bryan, Bryan Towers, Suite 229, 8 p.m. Women attending these sessions may park free across from the Federal Street entrance (the only one unlocked at night) and sign in under any name they wish to use at the guard station, indicating that they are going to the Women For Change (WFC, a straight women's lib group) offices.

Contrary to the misconceptions of many, Dallas DOB is not anti-male. The concern is to meet the needs of women in a free atmosphere and where inequities are existent to bring these to light and dispel them where possible. For further information call (214) 924-0770 or write Box 5944, Dallas.

Teen Friend Is Not Psychiatrist

(Dallas Morning News Feb. 20, Jean Adams' Teen Forum) FEAR OF DEVIATION: Q. I am 17 and have never felt anything for a girl. I kissed one, but felt nothing. I have felt something for one of my best friends, who is a boy. Every time I am near him I get this wonderful feeling. When I don't see him I am sad. But I have not had any physical contact with him. I told one of my other friends about him and he said I might be half boy and half girl. When I was little I loved dolls. I still love stuffed animals. I have two. Please help me. I can't afford a psychiatrist, so please don't recommend one. -- Mixed Up in Mississippi.

A. Ignore what your other friend told you. He has no qualifications for judging or advising you. It is not unusual for a boy to think highly of a male friend and to miss him when he is absent. Love is a beautiful thing and it is possible for boys or men to love each other in ways that have nothing to do with sex. Also many teen-age boys like stuffed animals--some even collect them. You will probably find a girl later who will appeal to you. Don't consider yourself a homosexual until and unless you have more evidence. Why not have an intimate conversation with your school counselor or minister? Either, if you seem to need help and really cannot afford it, can refer you to a community agency for counseling.

Sex Reform Argued

Bonn, Germany -- West German lawmakers are debating a package of legal reforms that would liberalize outdated sex laws but crack down on television violence to protect minors.

Provisions of the bill include lowering the permissible age limit for homosexual acts between consenting males from 21 to 18, permitting the now restricted sale of pornography and lifting an outright ban on such activities as wife-swapping.

The amendment would still permit prosecution of pimps and brothel owners.

Another provision would permit pornography to be published and sold to anyone over 18, with the exception of films and literature with sadism, bestiality and child molesting.
MARILYN MICHALES CROWNED
“MISS HOUSTON”

MARILYN MICHALES IS "MISS HOUSTON 1973"

FARMHOUSE HOSTS
MISS HOUSTON CONTEST

The night of February 28, found the Farmhouse at 3535 Westheimer filled to overflowing with anxious contestants and customers to see who Miss Houston '73-'74 would be.

All who attended were warmly greeted at the door by Lynn or Gene, the club operators. Upon leaving the same two were at their stations to wish all a safe and happy "good night."

The MC's for the evening were Kitty Key and Miss Farmhouse '73. Kitty is known to many as one of Houston and Dallas' favorite female impersonators. She has appeared professionally in Dallas at Ronsue's and The Bayou Landing, in Houston, the Farmhouse, Hill Kamp, Glass Stein, Bayou Landing and for almost two years was one of the "Fabulous Four" at the Red Room.

The numbers by Liza - Nova, the outgoing Miss Houston and Kitty Key along with Gene were enjoyed by the awaiting crowd for the contest to commence. Liza received notice when the sound-man put on the wrong record - being a quality entertainer - the show did not stop and she was great. The audience fully understood her plight and were very polite.

Each of the contestants were escorted around the stage by Mr. Farmhouse 1971 - John and Mr. Farmhouse 1972 - Mark. None seemed to mind except one of the "ladies" who brought her own with her and they made a very fine looking couple.

Winners were:
Miss Houston 1973 - Marilyn Michaels
Miss Houston 1972-’73 - Marilyn Michaels
1st Runner Up - Friday Foster
2nd Runner Up - Prissy

All contestants are eagerly looking forward to the coveted title next year which promises to be bigger and better. Until that time, the jewelry, pasties and eyelash glue are all still very much in use for the various upcoming Halloween Balls, the event of the year.

SCOTTY HARBORS LEAVES POST AT NUNTIUS

THE NUNTIUS and City Art Studio announce with regret the departure of Scotty Harbors from his association with us. Scotty handled some advertising for us and occasionally worked as a reporter for The NUNTIUS. Scotty also served as an assistant editor of the newspaper.

Scotty Harbors always enlivened the office with his wit and active imagination and he will be missed by us all. We wish him the best in his new endeavors.

FRIDAY FOSTER, 1ST RUNNER-UP TO MISS HOUSTON
PRISSY, 2ND RUNNER-UP TO MISS HOUSTON

OFFICERS AT S.I.R.

Frank Fitch, 29, is the new President of the Society For Individual Rights, the nation's largest Gay liberation organization. Mr. Fitch, who served as Public relations Committee Chairperson during much of the last year, succeeds Bill Plath, President for the last 2 1/2 years. Mr. Plath did not seek re-election. Don Scott, who campaigned with Mr. Fitch as a team, was elected Vice President.

Also elected at the annual membership meeting were Duke Smith as Secretary, and Roger Hayden as Treasurer. The five new Board members are Jim Foster (of Democratic National Convention fame), Gary Miller, Doug DeYoung, Deno Thomas and Devin Norton.

After the election results were announced, Mr. Fitch addressed the membership briefly. "Thank you for the vote of confidence you have given me, as President, and Don, as Vice President, and to the program of change we advocate. For those that ran for a position and were not elected, be assured that the membership is grateful for the dedication you have demonstrated by the commitment and would want you to remain a valuable resource of the Society. One way you can do this is to apply for Director of one of the twelve standing committees." He asked that any persons in the community who may have felt that their suggestions for improvement of the Society had not been given proper consideration in the past, to step forward now. He reminded members that Officers and Board members would be installed on Wednesday, February 14th at 8 PM. At that time the new President will make his first major policy statement, that will help to set the tone and direction of S.I.R. for the next year. Also, at that time, the committee Directorships will be decided upon. This meeting is held at the S.I.R. Community Center at 83 6th Street and the meeting will be open to public press.

The membership was also reminded of the forthcoming 1st Annual Presentation Banquet on Saturday, February 17th at 7 PM. At this time the outgoing Officers and Board members will be presented with a commemoration for their service and the newly elected Officers and Board will be introduced. Following the sit-down dinner, there will be a dance and two shows by entertainer Lori Shannon.

Tickets for this gala event can be reserved by calling 781-1570 and may be purchased for five dollars at the S.I.R. office at 67 6th Street in San Francisco. This event is also open to any person who wishes to demonstrate their support or interest in the work of the Society.

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This week I am reviewing the very best porn film ever made, so superior to others that it defies comparison. The movie hits the all-time best score of 100% on the Peter-Meter, not only for its rating, but for its wit, humor, finetacting and hilarious story. In fact, this is the most ludicrous story I have written for any exploitation film since I inaugurated this column in SCREW on November 4, 1968. The film was supposed to be called The Sword Swallower but the distributors realized that it would be impossible to advertise that title in the sterile newspapers so they opted for the equally buttng title of Deep Throat. It opens March 20th at the Cinema West, 5241 West Alabama, 626-0279, Houston.

At the time of this writing, the distributors were not sure whether their film would be booked on the 20th for sure but you can verify this by calling the theatre. If the film opens on the 20th as scheduled then I still recommend hiking down to the Cinema West to see the 46-second trailer for Deep Throat. That's almost worth the price of admission alone: hard rock soundtrack, fine animation and some choice glimpses of the film not only what the appetite but the as well.

The finely photographed film was shot in Miami and contains many new boids for the discerning audience. The excellent color, high calibre lighting and good sound all contribute to make this exemplary dirty-film making. The star of the film has fine legs, firm tits, a not and these attributes which a not a perfectionest make. It takes until nothing remains. It seems

with exploitation flicks and can respond more to the passions provoked by a photo of a chocolate malted. Yet I was seized with yearning by the greatest on-screen fellatio since the birth of Christ performed before my very eyes. The wholly ingenious plot of Deep Throat concerns the lady with the endless throat, and her strange inability to have an orgasm. Her delicious roommate helpfully arranges for two guys to pound her into oblivion. They do, but our searching queen still cannot achieve a climax, so she goes to a doctor and his examination reveals that she doesn't have all the equipment... or at least not in the orthodox place. Rather, her sliver is located deep down her cavernous throat.

Remember the 20th is the day and the place is Cinema West - 5241 West Alabama. (Paris of the review taken from SCREW at the request of the advertiser.)

"THE HOMOSEXUAL IN LITERATURE"

COURSE OFFERED

New York City's Barnard College will offer an experimental course on the homosexual in literature next spring as part of its humanities program. The faculty-approved course will be founded by a special grant from the Andrew Mellon Foundation made to the women's college.

Readings will include selections from the Bible, Sappho, Plato, Tetrionius, Michaelangelo, Shakespeare, Marlowe, Balzac, Whitman, Wilde, Proust, Gide, Diana Barber, and William Burroughs. Another course being offered by the college this spring is "Determinants of Sexuality."
Gays Seek Powwow With Webs

The Gay Activists Alliance has written a letter to the three network standards and practices heads requesting a meeting to discuss, with reference to web practices codes, the "recent rash of anti-homosexual remarks, jokes and characterizations" on the networks.

Signed by the Alliance prez Bruce Voeller, the letter charges that the practices chieftains have not been ensuring that web shows "contain no slurring or offensive references to minority groups."

Says the letter, "We have no objections... to humorous remarks or skits dealing with homosexuality and depiction of homosexual characters on television... But sniggering 'fag' and 'dyke' jokes won't do, nor will the suggestion that the mere fact of homosexuality is hilarious. In short, we do not object to jokes that deal with our lives—but our lives themselves are not a joke!"

An Alliance spokesman has cited as acceptable the sketches on the Burns and Schreiber comedy specials (ABC) dealing with a homosexual son and his father, and a homosexual drunk at a bar asking a heterosexual couple what they do sexually. Also, a bit on a Mary Tyler Moore segment in which two women are after the same man who, it turns out to the great relief of one of the smitten, turns out to be gay.

On the home scene radio station KIKK has an announcer of the news that seems to have the habit of adding to any news item happening in the Montrose Area of Houston, you know "that strange section". It is not only in poor taste but embarrassing to businessmen and old established families of this section. We might, as a group, with the numbers of us in advertising and media of this sort avoid any contact with this station until something is done to correct this "odd person" from his method of commenting on legitimate news.

CARTOONIST SAYS THAILAND NOTORIOUS GAY CENTER

Bangkok—Thailand has become one of the world's most notorious "gay centers," where homosexual businessmen from all over the world come "to spend their secret life at the various gay joints," a famous Thai cartoonist told a panel discussion on "sexual morality" here.

Prayoon Chanyawong, a 1971 winner of the Ramon Magsaysay Award, revealed that "I have received more than 100 letters from transvestites transvestites telling me about their secret life.

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MOVIE REVIEW
"THE EXPERIMENT"

The Experiment, an excellent new film from Jaguar Productions, explores the trauma of a teenager's homosexual awakening and how he comes to grips with these inclinations.

Billy Joe lives in one of those southwestern desert hamlets whose population can be numbered in two digits, where activity revolves around the local gas station-cafe-general store. His father, Herm, is the proprietor of this business complex, and Billy Joe helps out pumping gas—-that is, when he and his buddy, Gary, aren't sneaking off into the desert to drink beer swiped from the cafe. The two also have a secret hideaway, a shack, and it is here they decide one night to "experiment" and have a sexual experience together.

It is an intensely emotional experience for Billy Joe, but Gary is rather indifferent to its implications. Thinking himself rejected, Billy Joe runs away, hoping time and distance will settle his sexual confusion, but in his flight, he is picked up and used by a salesman, a motorist and his hitchhiker, and finally, in Hollywood, meets a jaded rich boy and experiences his first orgy.

In the interim, Gary is having second thoughts about his own sexuality and does not resist when picked up by a tourist. The casual sex act by itself is meaningless to him, though, and he begins to realize that his relationship with Billy Joe can be both emotional and physical.

Billy Joe confronts his homosexuality and returns to tell his father, who was aware of the problem all along and was waiting for his son to discover himself. The two boys are reunited, praised on the threshold of a newly found sexual maturity.
Producer Barry Knight and writer-director Gorton Hall are to be commended for their courage in tackling the subject of a boy's homosexual awakening, exploring it in depth, and not letting the material get out of hand. It's a dangerous topic, and if treated superficially can spell cinematic disaster, something that more than one major studio has learned the hard way. Perhaps the reason The Experiment succeeds where other films have failed is because it was not bound by the restrictions of the MPAA code and depicts the sexual encounters as graphically as necessary, particularly Billy Joe's first hesitant approach to homosexuality.

In addition to having a solid and mature script, The Experiment has very substantial production values. Filmed on location near Palm Springs and Indio, Barry Knight's photography captures the scenic beauty of the area as well as the intimate dramatic scenes with skill and sensitivity, making full use of every sophisticated camera movement audiences are accustomed to in general release films. Mike Stevens plays Billy Joe, bringing the character to life in a very real and understated performance. He has been competition from Joel Daniels, in the role of Gary. Daniels almost steals the picture with a natural and offhand portrayal, capturing exactly the right mood and communicating it to the audience with small gestures and facial inflections.

The Experiment was directed by Gorton Hall from his original screenplay, and he also plays Billy Joe's father. Hall dominates his few brief scenes with such a commanding screen presence that he almost bursts the seams of the small role. This is not be be confused with overacting. On the contrary, it is an obvious abundance of talent being squeezed into the confines of a small character. Fortunately his writing and directing capacities allow him full vent, and he makes the most of the opportunity.

Jimmy Hughes is seen as the salesman and Robert Weaver as the tourist, with David Blair, Tony Ross, Dave Craig, Peter Thomas, and Eva Faye completing the cast.

The Experiment is the first major production of 1973, and if it is any indication, this year may prove to be the most exciting yet for gay filmmakers and audiences alike.
GOLDEN BOY
"SUPPER CLUB"

A new establishment opened in Houston February 2nd: the GOLDEN BOY, at 2613 Milam. This is designed as a "Supper Club" type establishment, featuring quality food, fine wines and drinks.

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The Gaze offers pool, dancing, rap sessions and will go along with suggestions for activities from the members or the community.

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This young organization needs all the help and support the community can give — have you in any small way done your part???