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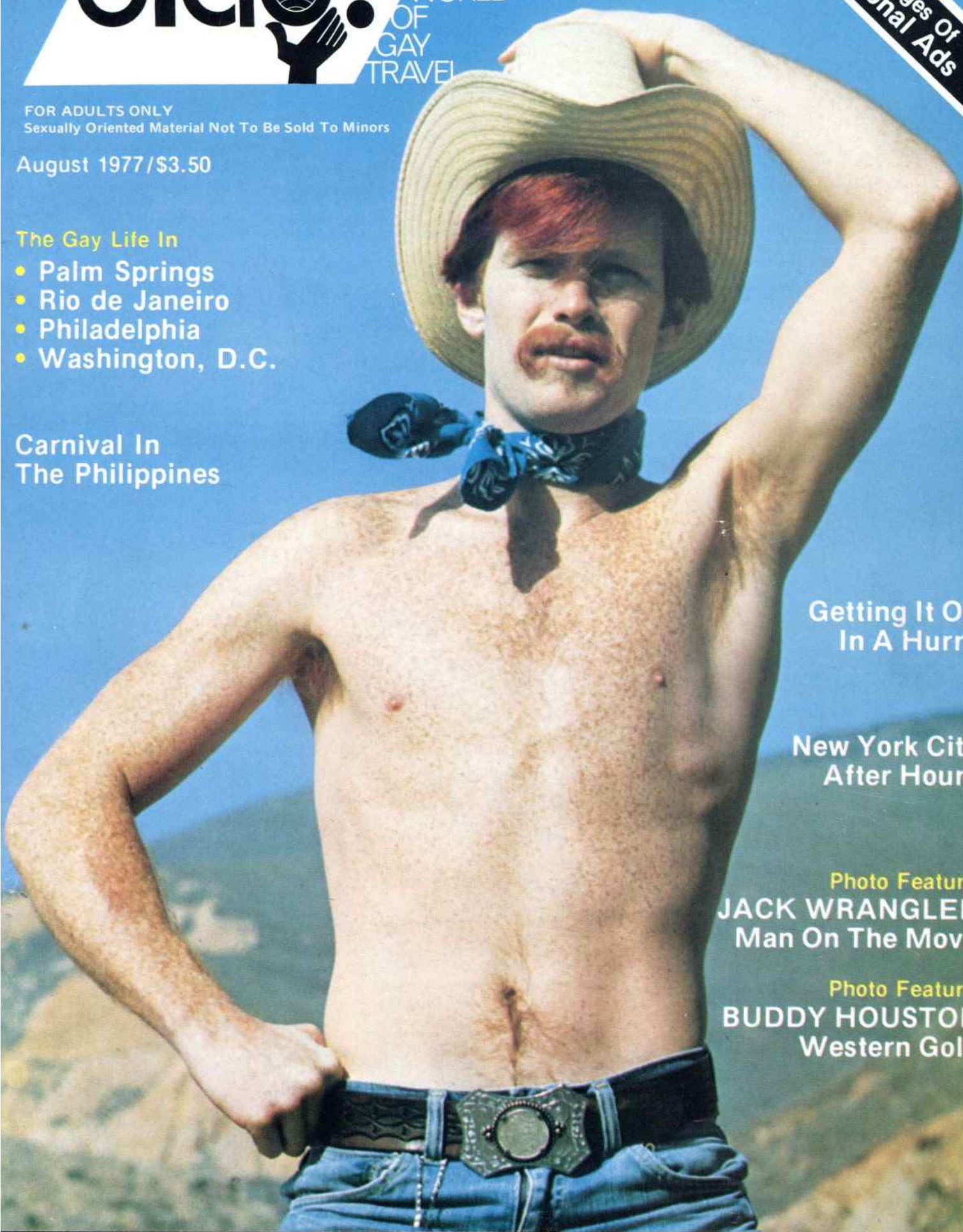
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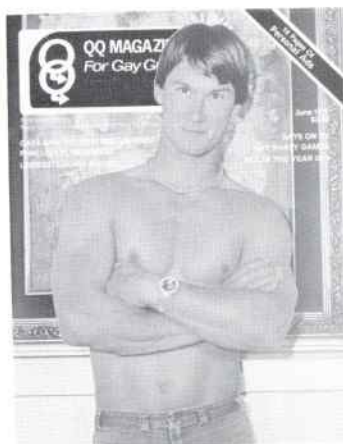
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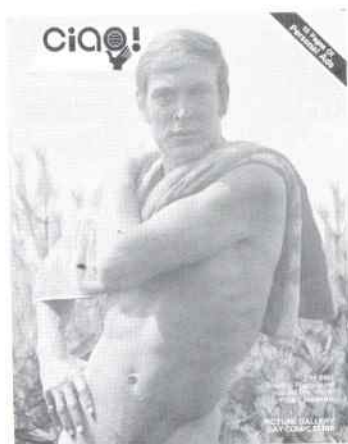
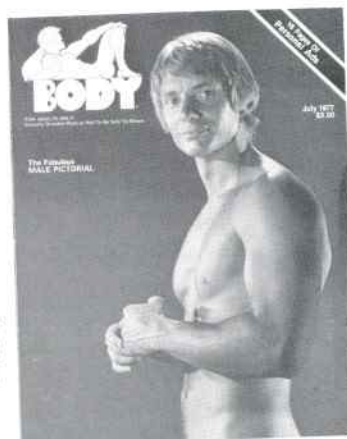


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Gay And Gray Holidays For Half!

By Jon Lorrimer

Whether you think of yourself as a spirited "third-ager," as the French say, or one of the "less young," as it is polite to say in London's Mayfair, your gray locks can be a real turn-on . . . specifically, they can turn that silver into gold when traveling abroad.

If you've thought wistfully of vacationing in Austria, Britain, Denmark, France, Holland, Norway, Spain, Sweden or West Germany (**ach** Munich!), but have had second thoughts that it might be wiser to stay at home and feed the piggy (bank) with your Social Security dollars, put him on a diet, call your travel agent, dust off your passport, and **go**—without a qualm—because that passport can do lots more than move you in and out of Europe. The date of your birth inscribed thereon, and certified by Pa Bell and the State Department can **halve the cost of your holiday abroad**, no matter that—like most gay guys—your teasy testes keep churning up such clouds of cum you look ten to twenty years younger than your calendar age.

You'll have to whip it out often (your passport, that is) just to prove you really **are** in the Sunny Sixties, or the Still-Smiling (although it may hurt a bit) Seventies. But how the angels sing when, for example, a tram-conductor in Vienna does a double-take when you ask for a half-fare ticket. "**Emporkömm-ling!**" ("Upstart!") he'll indignantly say (much to your delight) and demand proof of age. Show him your passport, then cream as he points ahead to a seat and says, still quite unconvinced, "**Du gehts.**" As heady as such incidents may be, travel abroad these days should be viewed from the point of economy as much as, or more than, an ego-trip. With travel costs at an all-time high it's easier to pocket your pride and save lots of senior dollars. Oddly, although many

discounts/benefits have long been extended to older **residents** of various countries, today—nearly everywhere—they are as cheerfully made available to visitors if one just takes the trouble to **ask**.

They crop up in so many places, and so unexpectedly (although so taken for granted by local residents there's no mention made of them), that one can save dollars daily by remembering to take along one's passport or ID card and inquiring **wherever an admission fee is charged** (theaters, museums, concerts, opera, athletic events, civic shows, culture-bus tours, circuses, art exhibitions, also at some baths . . . many others) and especially inquire **at ticket counters** of **all** train and bus stations, and at local (within the country) airline ticket counters. The good news is that so many older tourists have begun to ask everywhere about discounts that more vistas are being opened to them—not only in the countries we've mentioned, but in such grab-grab countries as Italy and Greece. They're all pitching for the **senior** Yankee dollah. So hang in . . . stay tuned . . . **ask**.

WHEN IS JUNIOR 'SENIOR'?

How old is "less young?" When does the "third age" begin? Or when does 'junior' become 'senior'? It's important to know at what age discounts become available because in some countries 'less' (years) can get you 'more' (earlier benefits), while in two countries the reverse is true. Generally, European countries consider 65 as the eligible age. Britain, however, makes discounts available at 60! The "third age" in Norway and Sweden doesn't begin until 67 (those blue-eyed, blond humpy-hungs just refuse to grow up!). So let's take a look at the countries individually to find out what travel economies can be yours—right now.

AUSTRIA

Vienna isn't everything in scenic Austria, which is why everyone travels from beauty to beauty, using anything/everything on wheels or wings. Al-

though you can buy an inexpensive \$3 ID card at any Austrian railroad station, which will give you an automatic 50% discount on any/as many ride(s) as you wish on the Austrian Federal Railway, on private railroads, and the Austrian postal-service buses, such trips can be made only on Monday through Thursday . . . never on weekends, nor during the high-season travel months of summer.

It's better to buy an \$11 ID card . . . ride anywhere you wish, on any of the carriers, as often as you like, breaking your trip wherever you please (picking up where you left off picnicking), at any time of day, on every day of the week—high-season months included! If you are into posh, however, and want certain seat locations, or to go on certain crack express trains (which are usually going beyond Austria), you might have to pay a minimal extra charge. But otherwise you are king of the road. Other than these exceptions you pay only 50% of the cost of every mile you ride. So all you need is a picnic basket and high spirits.

You can easily do the entire country of Austria, beginning with Vienna as your take-off point, going south to the plain country around Graz . . . back to Vienna . . . then another time over to Linz . . . back to your Viennese pad . . . then over to Mozart country—fantastic Salzburg . . . and then to Innsbruck, the capital of the Tyrol—seeing the Austrian countryside and the mountains (you go right through them) as you could not possibly see so easily any other way. And finally on to the Vorarlberg—and the skiing country that leads into Switzerland. Figuring 50% off all this train travel, you can come out at about \$40 to \$50 for all your side trips, and if that isn't doing Austria on the cheap, what is? Also, if you are a skiing buff, don't forget to ask about discounts on ski lifts. Some ski centers offer such discounts, others don't. Still, it's no skin off your nose to **ask**.

SWITZERLAND

An even better deal for the

"less young" is given by Switzerland. If your passport shows the Cinderella age of 65 you've got your glass slipper already! For \$28 this beautiful little country will issue you a Half-Fare Travel Card (you can also get it beforehand in the United States from the Swiss National Tourist Offices in New York, Chicago or San Francisco). You may also be able to get it from your travel agent. How's that for downright convenience? Save one of your passport photos for this Half-Fare Travel Card—they affix it so there's no mistake. It's good for a full year of travel, so if you want to make the trip in both summer and winter there's no fuss. It's still valid for a year from date of **first usage**.

This gives you a 50% discount on all trains (either first- or second-class)—including the renowned mountain railroads—and the always-on-time Swiss Postal Buses, as well as the steamers that ply Switzerland's beautiful lakes! Moreover, when presented to any of the several **hotels** on the list of the Swiss Hotel Association (also available from the Swiss National Tourist Offices, and perhaps from your travel agent), this entitles you to **reduced rates**. Some rates are even valid for the in-season; most, however, are for off-season. Still, write to the Swiss National Tourist Office, 608 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10020 for a copy of **A Vacation Offer for Older People: 1977**. Then you'll have the whole picture. And when you're in a bigger city, such as Zurich or Geneva, **check every place where an admission fee is charged** . . . you can be happily surprised.

FRANCE

In France, where the third age begins at 65, you can buy a **Carte Vermel** (Vermilion Card) for \$5.50 which will get you a 30% discount on first- and second-class train fares. They're a little chinchier about this than the Austrians and Swiss. This card is not valid for discounts on Paris commuter lines, nor on certain crack express trains. But if you

are with other third-agers you can get a 25% discount on Air Inter, the French domestic airline. Also, all museums in France give 50% discounts to third-agers.

BRITAIN

The magic age in Britain is 60, when all British subjects become entitled to reduced rates on transportation and many admissions. So try your American passport and see how it works. Generally great! Also when in London, contact the English Tourist Board, 4 Grosvenor Gardens, London SW1W ODU, which can brief you on many discount surprises. For further information write the British Tourist Authority, 680 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10019.

HOLLAND

The witching hour here is also 65. It's a little formal, though. You must go in person to any local town hall and for \$2.20 you can buy a pass that qualifies you for 50% discount on trains and most buses. You also discount half the admission fee to many museums and other public institutions. Contact: Netherlands National Tourist Office, 576 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10036.

SCANDINAVIA

In Norway and Sweden only "always-say-young" guys of 67 and up qualify for discounts. You get 50% off first- and second-class train tickets for rides longer than 32 miles (including round-trips). Also the same discount on coastal steamers and some buses. Swedish ferries are also discounted, as are domestic Norwegian airlines. In Denmark, however, you must be 65 to qualify, but the pickin's ain't all that good. Like 50% off **round-trip** train/bus fares (but since you can't go very far in Denmark—except sexually, of course—this may not be very important). For Norway contact: The Norwegian National Tourist Office. For Sweden: The Swedish National Tourist Office. For Denmark: The Danish National Tourist Office. The address of each is 75 Rockefeller

Plaza, New York, N.Y. 10019.

WEST GERMANY

Here the discount is 40% for those 65 and older on round-trip tickets in which the total distance covered must be more than 32 miles. And there are special reductions on round-trip flights between Berlin and other German cities . . . like Munich (**ach** Munich!). And if you've done everything/everybody in Munich and Bavaria, and you'd like to see Ludwig's fantastic castles, you also get discounts for admissions. (Don't miss . . . and if you should find Helmut Berger lolling about Neuschwanstein, don't let him get away . . . at least get his autograph!) Contact: The German National Tourist Office, 630 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10020.

SPAIN

If you're 65 or older, native or visitor, for 40 cents you can buy a ticket good for a year that allows a 50% discount on trains during the off-seasons of January 10/March 15 . . . April 15/June 15 . . . and October 1/December 20. Get it at any Spanish railroad station.

ARE YOU A JOINER?

Although it is neither a gay nor gay-oriented organization, the A.A.R.P. (American Association of Retired Persons), through its A.A.R.P. Travel Service, 555 Madison Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10022, offers a year's membership for those over 55 for \$2. This organization makes up discount tours all over the world. For example, for sun buffs a special 6-week holiday in Torremolinos (Costa del Sol), including round-trip air fare from New York; accommodation in a beachfront studio apartment for two—but no meals—costs only \$499 per person. It's a good thing to remember if you and your lover would like to make the sun scene here, or anywhere outside the U.S. of A. Get in touch.

Hasta la vista!

It pays to talk to your local travel agent . . . he might have some great low cost tours available.

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Gay D.C.

By Ralph W. Davis

During the recession when most people were cutting back on their spending, Washingtonians were still buying and traveling and partying as if everyone had his own sugar daddy. Of course, most Washingtonians do. It's the federal government who generously supports its employees with its income from over-taxed Americans. Some of these employees, especially senators and Congressmen, double, triple and even quadruple their incomes by killing important bills, intended to protect American citizens, when suitably bribed by lobbyists. It takes a little bit of corruption (the more the better) to succeed in Washington. Once you get the feel of corruption you are on your way to power and big money. That is what the scene is all about here.

Naturally, in such a morally relaxed atmosphere, sex is abundant; all kinds from straight to kinky. Gays do especially well here because there just seems to be more per capita than elsewhere. Many of those famous faces, posing with their families for the media, are really quite gay beneath their button-down smiles. My neighbor, who is attractive and young, is always picking up some married Congressman or senator or government official at the bars. I am always impressed by the names he drops; the friendships he makes. But his successes aren't unusual. Every active gay seems to know at least several famous faces intimately.

In Virginia, though, gay life is less carefree. Iwo Jima Memorial, long famous for nocturnal adventure, is a place to avoid. It all came to a tragic climax last fall when Ronald J. Pettine, Senator Morris K. Udall's campaign aide, was murdered in the woods. Although the woods by the Memorial have always been dangerous, it wasn't until 1976 that major assaults became regular. The Virginia police, whose reasoning has always been mo-

ronic, in order to reduce crime in the area have arrested more than 103 gays on sodomy charges in a 3-month period and ignored the muggers. Unfortunately, gays have always been subjected to such eccentricities of the law. In Virginia, unlike D.C., such eccentricities are still encouraged.

A few gays regard President Jimmy Carter with the same fondness they regard the Virginia police. Any man so dedicated to the old-time religion must have some repressive views on gay sex underneath that "Human Rights" chatter. At least gays knew how they stood with former President Gerald Ford. He (so the rumors go) had a son who liked to visit the gay discos. In the short time Ford was President bars began to open in the prosperous northwest where before they were primarily confined to the slums.

Confining activity to the slums, in my opinion, has always been an embarrassment to the gay movement in D.C. Gays had emerged from the closet in most major American cities. But in D.C., the capital of the country, gay life was still kept out of sight. Now, at last, this has changed. The bars are in better neighborhoods, and many are even prospering. What will happen in the next few years that President Carter is in office is only conjecture. He is wisely taking steps to establish communication with the gay community. Recently he had one of his White House aides confer with the National Gay Task Force in the White House. This, of course, is a significant breakthrough. But then, it could be nothing . . . just a gesture to maintain good public relations. The next few months, and the subsequent meetings with the gay community, will determine exactly how significant (if at all) this breakthrough is.

NORTHWEST

Washington is divided into four sections (northwest, northeast, southwest and southeast). The northwest is by far the most desirable and safest area for the average visitor. In the downtown



Hideaway



Louis / The Barn



Carroll's Tavern



Chesapeake House



D.C. Eagle



Eagle In Exile



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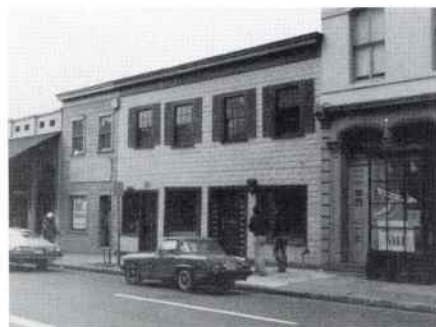
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Pier Nine

area, the bars are as follows:

Hideaway, Pennsylvania and Ninth. This is primarily for the young. Some older men come here, but usually after chicken. The hours are 4 p.m. to 2 a.m. (3 on weekends). It's in the basement of the Hickory House. Some gays eat at the restaurant, but it is usually mixed.

Louis' at 305 Ninth Street. Practically next door is a bar which gets mixed types of gays. Most tend to be leathery, and some of the Druid M.C. (local motorcyclists) make it their home. Hours: 8 p.m. to 2 a.m. (3 on weekends). On Sundays it opens at 5 p.m.

On the second floor of Louis' is **The Barn**. This bar gets a cross-section of types (leather included). On weekends there is a drag show (a \$1 cover charge then). Open only on Fridays and Saturdays from 10 p.m. to 3 a.m. Dancing.

On the third floor of Louis' is the **Oscar's Eye**. This is a private theater used by the Washington Academy (a local drag group) for shows and meetings. Sometimes it is open to the public; other times it isn't.

A few blocks from Louis' is another bar—**Carroll's Tavern** at 510 Ninth Street. This is a dive for older hustlers and johns. Nothing much can be said about it. At 74 Ninth Street is the **Chesapeake House**. On weekends from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. they have go-go boys. During the early hours it's mixed (mostly straight), but at night it gets a strong gay crowd. Short orders are served from \$1.95 to \$2.95.

Further up the street at 904 Ninth is the **D.C. Eagle**. Wednesday is leather night here. Generally the men who come here consider themselves very masculine. Of course, I leave this for you to decide. The food is very good. Prices: \$2.95 to \$16.95. Lunch from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.; dinner 5 to 11 p.m. Hours: 11 a.m. to 2 a.m. (3 a.m. weekends).

Just a short distance from the Eagle is the **Eagle In Exile** at 953 Ninth Street. This is the big disco bar. The first floor has a bar and game room; upstairs is the disco. This is a popular place

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to dance. Hours: 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. weekdays (to 5:30 a.m. on weekends). On Sunday—2 p.m. to 2 a.m.

There are two very popular dives near the bus station: the **Brass Rail**, 809 Thirteenth Street, and **Cafe Naples**, 1227 New York Avenue. The Naples, which has been remodeled, still hasn't lost its tacky look. There is a mixture of types from the limp-wrist to the love-'em-and-roll-'em set. It's a very hard place to classify. Anything can be found here. Like the Brass Rail—if you aren't careful . . . it is usually trouble.

At 1519 Seventeenth Street is the **Paramount Steak House**. It's an inexpensive restaurant specializing in chewy meat, served in so many different flavors that it's almost tasty. Nevertheless, it attracts crowds. Watch yourself in the neighborhood. It can be rough at night.

In the DuPont Circle area there are two new and popular cruise bars, **The Fraternity House** (2123 Twining Court) and **Mr. P's** (2147 P Street). The Fraternity House is in the alley by 2122 P Street—and it attracts a young crowd from about 21 to 30, and it has two dining rooms and two bars. Hours are from 11 a.m. to 2 a.m. weekdays; 6:30 p.m. to 3 a.m. Saturdays; noon to 2 a.m. Sunday. Sunday brunch from \$2.95 to \$4.95; dinners from \$4.95 to \$9.95.

A short distance away on P Street is Mr. P's. This is a very friendly bar that attracts a large age/type mix. The bar is decorated in Art Deco motif (grey and black, mirrors and glass). Hours: noon to 2 a.m. weekdays, and to 3 a.m. weekends. Dinner from 7 to 11 p.m., with prices ranging from \$5 to \$9. The restaurant usually becomes the dance floor after 11 p.m.

The **Georgetown Grill** at 1329 Wisconsin is probably the best known of the gay bars in the area. It has been in this prime location for years, and few people (gay or straight) don't know about it. Just recently it has changed ownership, and from all reports the new management doesn't know if it wants gay or straight business. Check

it out. By the time this article appears, management should have made up its mind.

Mr. Henry's at 1225 Wisconsin is a mixed bar and restaurant. Although I am reluctant to say that it is strongly gay, at the rate it is attracting gays it shouldn't be long before it is strictly gay. Already it has a gay reputation among the straights. Nevertheless, it is a very nice place to go, especially around cocktail hour.

Further up Wisconsin at 2321 is **The Court Jester**. This new bar has really caught on and is doing quite well. There is a disco and a full-service restaurant. Meals run about \$2.50 to \$7.95. Hours: 4 p.m. to 2 a.m. weekdays, and to 3 a.m. on weekends. Brunch from 1 p.m. at \$3.25 to \$6.25. There is talk of opening several gay bars nearby. Ask about them when you're in the area.

On upper Connecticut Avenue at 3333A is **Art's**. This is the popular bar for the upper Connecticut area. Although it attracts a mixture of gays from all over the city, most are from the neighborhood. Food prices run from \$1.50 to \$5.50. Hours: 4 p.m. to 2 a.m. weekdays, and to 5 a.m. on weekends. Saturday and Sunday it opens at noon. Disco. Other bars are planned for the area.

SOUTHEAST

This is perhaps the least desirable area of the city. Yet for many years bars have flourished here. Some still do very well. They are:

Lost & Found at 56 L Street. Management can be very rude here. Gay guys, nevertheless, still flock to this enormous super-bar. Food runs from \$4.95 to \$13.95. Sunday brunch: \$2.75 to \$3.25 (noon to 4 p.m.). There are four bars and a disco. It opens on weekdays at 7 p.m. and weekends at noon. The Waaay-Off Broadway Theatre is no longer open. No one seems to know its future. It just wasn't profitable enough to make it, I guess.

Pier 9 at 1824 Half Street, is another popular bar. But unlike the Lost and Found it gets many



Towne House



La Zambra



Club House



Chapter II



Regency Social Club



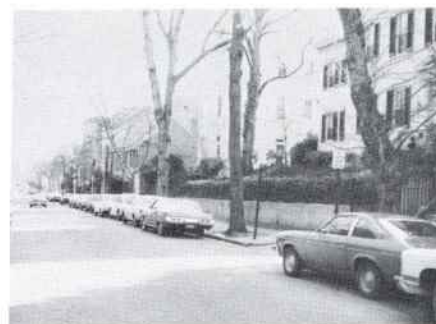
Cinema Follies



Movies at 1418 I St.



Movies on Columbia Rd.



Dumbarton St.



P Street Beach

straights who visit for amusement. There is a \$3 minimum on weekends toward drinks. You will usually find a young crowd here. This is the city's liveliest disco.

In the Capitol Hill area is the **Towne House**, 506 Eighth Street. This restaurant has a very diverse menu, and ordinary food. Many local gays head here. The crowd is generally mixed (gay and straight). Dinner from \$3.95 to \$7.50. Lunch from 80 cents to \$3.25. It opens at noon and serves until 11 p.m. In the area are two bars which get gay business: **Club Madame** at 500 Eighth Street, and **Phase One** at 528 Eighth Street. Both attract women, primarily, but some men come to both.

BLACK BARS

There are four black bars in the city: **La Zambra** at 1406 Fourteenth Street N.W.; **Delta Elite**, Tenth and Michigan Streets N.E.; the **Club House** at 1296 Upshur Street, N.W.; and **Chapter II** at 900 First Street, S.E.

La Zambra is for older drinkers who like to sit and talk. No dancing. Very popular. Most gays refer to it as Lucy's.

Delta Elite attracts mostly gay men at night. On Thursday, though, it's mostly female. Age is usually between 20 to 35.

The Club House is for the very young crowd (17 up). It attracts gays only on Saturday night, and most of them go to enjoy its "bad" sound system. No liquor. Most arrive high. Admission is \$3 for members and \$4 for non-members. Everyone welcome.

Chapter II attracts a gay crowd (white and black), and it has a very good sound system. Age is anywhere from 25 up. On alternating weekends there is live entertainment. A \$3.50 buffet (all you can eat) is available. Also "all you can eat" applies to brunch on Sundays. Hours are from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m.

BATHS

There are two baths: the **Club Washington**, 20 "O" Street, S.E. and the **Regency Social Club** at 413 "L" Street, N.W. A third baths is rumored about to

open at 1325 Half Street, S.E. in the building which was once the Washington Square.

The Club Baths, like many of the others throughout the country, is popular and private and open 24 hours. On Tuesday there is half-price admission for anyone wearing levis and leather. All other nights lockers are \$5 and rooms \$7.

Regency Social Club is more of a tacky club than a baths, though there is still some action here. Private, of course. Membership is \$15 yearly, and this payment may be made in installments. Everyone gay is welcome after a brief interview with management. Weekends are all right (about 20 to 25 people then). Sundays are catching on.

MOVIES

The place for gay flicks and finger play is the **Cinema Follies Club** at 37 L street, S.E. Hours from 10 a.m. to 5 a.m. weekdays; 24 hours on weekends. It's private, and out-of-towners are welcome when they present two identifications (not necessarily from gay establishments). Entrance fee \$5, and \$2 yearly membership. There is a social room for bumping and grinding.

Those who like the 25-cent movie arcades should head for those on Ninth between F and Pennsylvania; those near the bus station on New York Avenue; and the one at 1418 "I" Street. Blacks usually go to one at 1972 Columbia Road (best action), and the nearby one at 1812 Adams Mill Road, and the movie arcades by the bus station. All are on the northwest side of the city.

OUTSIDE CRUISING

If bars don't interest you and you want some outdoor activity, the most popular area is in Georgetown. Walking or riding you usually can't miss if you start at Dumbarton and Wisconsin and head to 30th, then down to N and back to Wisconsin, and finally up to Dumbarton. The busiest location for cruising is on 30th between Dumbarton and N. Of course, the area is best on summer nights after the bars close. During the day it's quiet.

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At this location most of the cruisers are white.

Another cruise area is the P Street Beach (not a beach, just an open clearing) at P and 23 Streets, N.W. During the summer many gays sun on the grass, and when they grow bored, walk the woods by the creek toward M and 26th. For years the wooded area was the setting for some great orgies, but unfortunately, when its fame spread, it became a haven for muggers and other dangerous types. I don't recommend this area at night. During the day it's safer. But it isn't so safe that you should abandon common sense. The police usually keep an eye on activity here. There is a good mix of blacks and whites in all shapes and types.

Meridian Park between 15th and 16th and Euclid and W Street N.W. is another popular cruise area, but primarily with blacks. At night it can be **very** rough. During the daytime it's safer, but be very selective about whom you pick up. There are some angry young men here. The two johns at the park are good, but a walk around the park is better.



Meridian Park

John cruisers will enjoy those at DuPont Circle (mostly raunchy whites and blacks); Harrington Hotel basement (some vice); Martin Luther King Library (all johns, but especially the basement location); Greyhound and Trailways (hustlers and the like); Woodward and Lothrop Department Store (Chevy Chase and downtown); Sears on Wisconsin (be careful here; store detectives); Statler Hilton and Mayflower Hotels (try the bars here also); Howard University library (mostly blacks); and Georgetown

and George Washington Universities. I don't know exactly where the action is here. One friend said the library of George Washington and the graduate building at Georgetown. Check them out to be sure. But be careful. The campus police are alert to cruising and will interrogate you.



John at Dupont Circle

BOOK STORE

Gays interested in reading material should visit **Lambda Rising**, 2012 S Street N.W. The store moved from its previous location in April and gave their space to Earth Works. (Earth Works is the place to go if you want drug-related gadgets and materials.) The new facility of Lambda Rising is much larger than its old one, and the selection of books will be more impressive. There aren't any porno materials, though, mostly serious fiction and non-fiction slanted for gay men and women.

MASSAGE PARLOR

Finally, gays who like to have their aches and pains rubbed away should go to the **Magic Touch** at 819 Thirteenth Street N.W. Phone is 638-8119. Four types of massages are offered. Hours are from 10 a.m. to 2 a.m. (3 a.m. on weekends). They will only quote prices in person. One masseur on duty for the man, and a masseuse on duty for women. No appointment necessary.

Washington has come a long way in the past years and is becoming freer. Gays are now more visible than before. Many don't even hide their sexual interest from their bosses anymore. Although a friend from Chicago still thinks the city is in the Dark Ages, I disagree

and find it a very lively and open city with few of the problems found in other, freer American cities. Perhaps you'll agree with me on your next visit and will like Washington enough to even want to move here. I certainly hope so. The city always has enough room for another gay brother.

Palm Springs The Gay Getaway

By Jerry Daniels

Mixing with the rich and famous is part of the thrill of vacationing in Palm Springs. Ever since Charles Farrell and Ralph Bellamy founded the exclusive Racquet Club there has been a celebrity migration to Palm Springs which, to date, hasn't stopped. Scattered in the desert, and surrounding Palm Springs, are some of the most splendid homes in the state. Many of these secluded mansions make the center-city homes look like dreary shoeboxes by comparison.

Naturally, like all such celebrity-studded resort areas, Palm Springs is expensive. Dining and sunning can be costly, and those who are budgeting may be more comfortable in less expensive settings. Yet this doesn't mean that only the rich come here. Many middle-class Americans come regularly because Palm Springs is a wonderful place to forget the dull routine of city life. Like so many expensive resorts, jammed with the best shops, restaurants, hotels and clothiers, Palm Springs is a delight to the eye. An elegant mood settles over the visitor and plays magic with his senses. Even at night the magic continues as the city quietly lights up the desert night.

Although money and status are important to those in the inner social circle, there is a tendency not to flaunt either. In general, there is a low-key



Desert Paradise



Harlow Haven



Ulysses Motel



Rendez-Vous Inn



El Mirasol Villas



An Old Friend



Desert Palms



Dave's Villa Caprice



The Hideaway



Gunter's Chalet

elegance and simplicity to the life style. Levis are common, as are Gucci shoes, and the dress is generally one of informal good taste. Many gays who visit or live in Palm Springs are with the movie industry. For this reason, gay life is open without being flashy or obvious. The general attitude seems to be: So you're gay. So what?

At the present count there are ten motels and hotels in the Palm Springs area that welcome gays. But some are scattered a distance from center-city Palm Springs and are more easily reached by car. The main resorts in the center of Palm Springs are:

Desert Paradise Hotel, 772 Prescott Drive (zip 92262; telephone: 714-325-0229). This 16-unit resort is off Palm Canyon Drive in the 700 block on the mountainside, one block away. Like the other center-city hotels it is conservative. It doesn't have the hot and wild action some may want. Weekend rates: \$25 to \$35 per night; during the weekdays \$10 is deducted from the room price. Extended stays are also discounted. BankAmericard and Master Charge are honored. Specify room with or without full kitchen. Pool.

Harlow Haven, 175 E. El Alameda (zip 92262; telephone: 714-325-9093). Harlow Haven, like the Desert Paradise, is a charming and pleasant hotel to visit. Harlow gets its name from its earlier owner, Jean Harlow, who built this lovely house and cottage for her mother. There are 14 units and the ambience is one of sophisticated informality. During the week the prices run from \$19.50 to \$35; on weekends it jumps to \$22.50 to \$40. Nude bathing. Pool. Mixed—men and women, gay and straight. A nice blend of sophisticated types. Master Charge is honored.

Ulysses Motel, 486 Mel Avenue (zip 92262; telephone: 714-325-2833). Ulysses is off Indian Avenue four or five blocks south of the Riviera Hotel. It has 18 units and one 5-room cottage. Rooms: \$25 per night (for one or two) to \$35 per night for a bedroom apartment. The cottage runs \$1,000 per month; less by

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the day or week, of course. There is a mixture of gays and straights here, but all manage to blend as easily as they do at Harlow, with little concern about sexual habits. Steam, sauna, large pool, and a Jacuzzi (for 30 people). A continental breakfast is served at poolside in the morning, and in the evening there is a poolside wine bar. Both the wine and breakfast are included in room charges. BankAmericard and Master Charge. Special weekly/monthly rates.

On the south side of Palm Springs are two motels, the *Rendez-Vous* and *El Mirasol Villa*. The **Rendez-Vous** is at 221 Sonora Rd. (zip 92262; phone: 714-325-1483). (Sonora Rd. is at the 1300 block on Palm Canyon Drive.) There are 11 units here and prices range from \$27 to \$55, depending on the size of the group. For the security of the guests there is an electrically locked gate. The atmosphere is more relaxed and carefree here, and there is nude bathing by the pool. Most of the people are easy to meet, and clubby.

El Mirasol Villas, 525 Warm Sands Drive (zip 92262; phone: 714-327-5913). This is a charming walled-in resort with 10 independent, walled-in villas within. Each individually decorated room has a garden, patio, kitchen, and color TV. To reach *El Mirasol*, take Palm Canyon Drive to Ramon Drive and follow Ramon (desert side) seven or eight blocks to Warm Sands Drive. Prices during the season are from \$35 to \$60; off season prices drop to \$25 to \$50. The off-season months are June, July and August. Swimming pool and reserved parking.

On the north side of town there is **An Old Friend** at 1830 Racquet Club Drive (zip 92262; phone: 714-327-1812). Take Indian Avenue a few blocks north of the Riviera Hotel, then turn right on Racquet Club Drive and follow it to the 1800 block. Mostly bikers and western types head here. Cookouts and barbecues are occasionally planned. There is a waterbed outside and a security system to protect the guests from intruders. Prices are only \$10 for bunkhouse bed, and

\$25 for a suite. Swimming pool, TV, lounge and pool table.

Bordering Palm Springs and Cathedral City are the *Desert Palms Inn* and *Dave's Villa Caprice*. They are next to each other, and both are as popular as the *Rendez-Vous* with those who like action and fun and a minimum of conversation. The **Desert Palms Inn** is at 67-580 Highway 111 (zip 92262; phone: 714-328-9000). This is a large 40-unit resort. At night the sauna is **very** busy and non-guests (as well as guests) jam into it free of charge for get-togethers. Seasonal rates are from \$24 to \$29 (Labor day to July 5th); from \$20 to \$25 (July 5th to Labor Day). Special rates available by the week. BankAmericard and Master Charge. Swimming pool, private patios, balconies, Jacuzzi and airport pickup service. Bars in the Cathedral City area are only a short walk away. Young crowd.

Dave's Villa Caprice is tucked away on a side road next to *Desert Palms Inn* at 67-670 Carey Road (zip 92262; phone: 714-328-2018). This is a private resort and spa, but gays from out-of-town are welcome with gay identification. If you live in the area, you will need to become a member to use the facilities. Membership: \$15 a year. Non-residents pay only for the room charges which are from \$28.62 to \$36.04. Each room has a kitchen. Bunkhouse runs \$11.66 (for a locker and bed). There is also a very popular sauna which costs \$2.75 to \$5.25. Lunches and breakfasts are served from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., from about \$1.50 to \$3. BankAmericard, Master Charge, and American Express are honored. If you should call for a reservation and a woman answers, ask to talk to the manager. The phone operator has a reputation for being rude to callers.

In Rancho Mirage, a short distance from Cathedral City, is the **Hideaway Motel and Apartments** at 71-472 Culver Drive (zip 92270; phone: 714-346-4720). To find it, take Highway 111 to the House of Bamboo Restaurant, 71-265 Highway 111, and make a left on the

curving Culver Drive. Then follow Culver to the end of the road. There are 18 units here, all very nice. Most are studios with bath and kitchen. Color TV, Jacuzzi, pool and volleyball court. No food or liquor served. Mixed ages/types here. Prices are from \$25.50 to \$27.50 weekends; \$6 less on weekdays. Special rates for long stays.

A nice budget motel in Desert Hot Springs (about 15 minutes from Palm Springs) is **Gunter's Chalet**, 13063 Palm Drive (zip 92240; phone: 714-329-8878). This immaculate nine-unit motel is run with German efficiency and it is a perfect place to stay for those who don't need expensive surroundings. There's a pool, of course, and a workout room. The crowd is mixed, but gays are always welcome. Gunter will be happy to answer your questions of where to go and what to do in the area. Free continental breakfast on weekends and holidays. Rates are \$15 for a room; \$18 for a room with kitchen. Walking distance to Desert Hot Springs restaurants and shops. Special rates for long stays.

BARS AND RESTAURANTS

Most of the bars and restaurants visited by the gays are in the Cathedral City area. **Aunt Hattie's** at 68-891 Broadway (Cathedral City) is the nicest and has the most beautiful men's room anywhere. If you haven't seen it, it's worth the visit. Although Aunt Hattie's attracts all types, most of the regulars are elegant. Hours are usually from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. daily.



Aunt Hattie's

The **Party Room** is nearby at 67-977 Highway 111, and it's a funky and fun beer-and-wine bar

that attracts lots of locals. Sunday afternoons are especially good. Some very masculine types who don't like discos come here. Hours: 4 p.m. to 2 a.m. daily.



Party Room

At 67-800 Highway 111 is **Dorothy Arnold Restaurant and Bar** (usually just called Charcoal Charley's). The food is high priced for what you get. So if you don't want to spend you can just come and sit around the piano bar. The pianist is very good. Most of the men are older and usually come with their young lovers. Closed Monday and Tuesday. After 10 p.m. the crowd really thickens.



Dorothy Arnold's

Finally, away from everything is the **Gaf** at 68-555 Ramon Road (Cathedral City address). This is a good dance bar about seven miles from Palm Springs. No cover. Hours: 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. daily.



Gaf

There isn't much outside cruising in the area. **Ruth Hardy Park** though, has a few busy johns. But it's best to be cautious here. The police want to keep a straight image to the world. Palm Springs, nevertheless, is a great place for a gay holiday. What it lacks in outside cruise areas it makes up in resorts and motels, welcoming gays. So treat yourself to a vacation you'll never forget.

Gay Philadelphia

By Ralph W. Davis

Philadelphia, in my opinion, ranks in charm with San Francisco and New Orleans. As many times as I've visited the city, I always leave praising its virtues. In just a few short years the city has emerged from neglect and decay into one of the most pleasant and comfortable in America. You don't think about crime in center city (though I'm sure it exists) because people are out enjoying themselves, moving through the streets in droves, protecting each other from others by their numbers.

Furthermore, tourists love the city because there is so much to see and to do. West of Broad Street near Rittenhouse Square there are charming restaurants and shops and hotels, not unlike those of New York's Upper East Side. On John F. Kennedy Boulevard and West Market Street there are modern complexes as slick and striking as those in Atlanta, New York and Chicago. Most of Broad Street, by the Delaware River, there are colonial homes and even streets like Elfret's Alley which have not changed significantly for 200 years. What makes this all so wonderful is that it's right in center city within easy walking distance of most hotels. In brief, Philadelphia is a beautifully blended potpourri of the old and new in the very crossroads of America's fascinating past.

Gay-wise, the city ranks high

in my opinion also. It has enough bars and cruise areas to appeal to diverse tastes. Whether it is tough and raunchy, leather and western, or just elegant and private, Philadelphia has it . . . in just the right numbers. Since Philadelphia is so close to New York, men wise up fast here. Yet it's far enough away from the Big Apple so that they aren't hardened and jaded by maturity. On top of this, Philadelphians are friendly . . . a truly brotherly love city.

WEST OF BROAD

To meet those loving gay Philadelphians one needn't search for long. Most are found in clusters east or west of Broad Street. The places of primary interest west of Broad are as follows:

Allegro at 1412 Spruce Street has been at this location for years. It still is as popular as ever. Most of the customers are young and white, though some are black. On Tuesday, to pack the crowd in, they charge only 75 cents for drinks. There is usually a feature film on Tuesday and Wednesday. The third floor of this big old house is where everyone dances to loud sound from 11 p.m. Hours are from 4 p.m. to 2 a.m. weekdays. On Saturdays from noon until 2 a.m.

Penrose Club at 1415 Locust Street also attracts a young crowd. Occasionally there are go-go boys who shimmy for the guests of this long-established private club. In the back bar the crowd is western (wide-brim hats, boots, levis, etc.). Hours: 11 p.m. to 3 a.m. Membership is \$3. If a non-member wants to enter he should stand outside and wait for a member to invite him inside as a guest. (This applies to all private clubs in the city.) The club is in the Baer Insurance Building on the second floor, above Bananna's Restaurant.

Cyrano's, between Market and Chestnut Streets on 16th Street, is a mixed black bar that gets gays and straights. Some dancing. Food served Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

The Post at 1705 Chancellor

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Street is on a narrow street and gets the S&M crowd in the back bar on Wednesday, Friday and Saturday after 11 p.m. Most of the men who come here are in their twenties and thirties. The hours are from 4 p.m. to 2 a.m., Monday to Friday; noon to 2 a.m. on Saturday.

Roscoe's, 1511 Spruce Street, is a lively, friendly, small bar which is home for the with-it, anything-goes crowd. The age is mixed. Anyone from 20 to 50 can be seen here. Hours are 10 a.m. to 2 a.m., Monday to Saturday; 1 p.m. to 2 a.m. on Sunday. Sandwiches and pizza.

Miss P's, 418 S. 18th Street, attracts a mixed-age crowd also. Many drags head here on Friday and Saturday. At 11:15 p.m. there is usually a show. To enter you must turn the combination lock to 1V, then 111, then push the door open. Hours are 7:30 p.m. to 2 a.m., Monday through Saturday. Some dancing.

Astral Plane, at 1708 Lombard Street, is an interesting restaurant, well-liked and nice with the most fascinating menu you've ever seen. Lots of odd things that are tasty and fattening. The crowd is mixed gay and straight.

Day's Deli Restaurant at the corner of 18th and Spruce Streets is another place for good food. It seems to be open all the time and is favored by the gay crowd after the bars close. There is a big variety of desserts and cakes and other fattening foods.

At 1526 Delancey Street (between Pine and Spruce Streets, near 16th Street) is **The Steps**. This bar caters to a young disco crowd. There is a restaurant on the second floor which is well-liked by the local gourmets. Hours, Monday to Saturday, are from 4 p.m. to 2 a.m., and on Sunday from 1 p.m. to 2 a.m. Food is usually served Monday to Saturday from 6 to 9 p.m., and Sunday from noon to 2 a.m.

247 Bar at 247 South 17th Street, like the Post, gets the S&M crowd. There is no dress code, though you'll be more comfortable in levis and western. Food in the Grub Steak upstairs on Monday through Saturday from 11:30 a.m. to 11 p.m., and on Sunday from 1



Allegro



Penrose Club



The Post



Roscoe's



Miss P's



Day's Deli



The Steps



247 Club



Westbury



The Back Room



Camp Williamsburg Inn (foreground)
Venture Inn (white bldg.)



Maxine's



Comeback



Drury Lane (left, awning)



Flippo's

p.m. to 1 a.m. Hours for the bar are 11:30 a.m. to 2 a.m., Monday to Friday; noon to 2 a.m. Saturday, and 1 p.m. to 2 a.m. Sunday.

Letters, 22nd and South Streets, is a mixed bar of primarily men of all colors and types. On the second floor there is a comfortable area to sit and talk and get away from the loud sound system below. For non-drinkers there are many non-alcoholic drinks. Hours are 7 p.m. to 2 a.m. Tuesday to Sunday.

Westbury is a friendly and nice bar at 271 S. 15th Street. Don't enter through the apartment hotel, but instead use the entrance under the sign. There are mixed ages (from 25 up) and types here. Hours: Monday to Friday from 11 a.m., to 2 a.m.; Saturday from noon to 2 a.m. The bartender makes great sandwiches, incidentally.

EAST OF BROAD

At 301 S. Quince Street is **The Back Room** (in the alley and the rear of the Washington Square Tavern). The Back Room gets an older, neighborhood crowd and is usually quiet. Open Monday to Saturday from 5 p.m. to 2 a.m.

Camp Williamsburg Inn, 251 South Camac Street, is a private club for older men, and serves excellent food at reasonable prices. Membership is \$3 yearly. Each dining room in this charming old building has a distinct atmosphere. Food served Wednesday to Saturday from 6 p.m. to 10:45 p.m., and on Sunday from noon to 2 p.m. Bar is open from 5 p.m. to 3 a.m., Monday to Saturday.

Maxine's, 243 S. Camac Street, is practically next door to the Inn, and it also attracts an older crowd. There is a piano bar, and the food is quite good. Like the Inn it is also very elegant and pleasant. Hours from 5 p.m. to 2 a.m., Monday to Saturday; 1 p.m. to 2 a.m. Sunday.

Ventura Inn at 255 S. Camac Street is also popular with the older and elegant crowd, and it also has a quiet and charming atmosphere. Hours are 4 p.m. to

2 a.m., Monday to Saturday; 1 p.m. to 2 a.m. Sunday. Food served Monday to Saturday from 5:30 p.m. to 11 p.m., and on Sunday from 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Comeback at 1308 Drury Lane is still another place to go for good food. Prices average about \$7 per meal. The men who go here are usually older. There are three floors. Bar is on the first; dancing on the second; restaurant on the third. Dinner from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Hours for the bar are 11 a.m. to 2 a.m., Monday to Saturday.

At Drury Lane is the **Drury Lane**. This bar/restaurant, like its neighbor, the Comeback, gets an older crowd. The restaurant upstairs is called Cafe Lafitte. Cocktail hours: 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. weekdays, and all drinks are 75 cents then. Tuesday, though, they are 85 cents. Hours are 4 p.m. to midnight Monday and Tuesday; 4 p.m. to 2 a.m. Wednesday through Saturday. Dancing.

Flippo's, 211 South Quince Street. This is a popular restaurant with a nice clientele and decor. There are three bars, a pianist and dancing. Bar open from noon to 2 a.m. Dinner from 5:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. nightly.

There are four black bars in center city: **Mommy's**, 16 N. 13th Street; the **Ritz**, 14 N. 13th Street; **Track 7**, 1226 Filbert Street, and the **Terminal Bar** at 23rd and Filbert Streets. All four attract gays and straights; all four can be rough. It is best to use common sense when picking up tricks.

Harmony Club, 216 S. 13 Street (at Locust) is on the second floor and is private. Membership is \$2 with gay identification and age card. If you wear a Harmony T-shirt sold for \$3 each, on Monday to Thursday, you don't have to pay cover charge on Friday night. Cover charge on Friday and Saturday nights is \$3 toward two drinks. All drinks are 75 cents on Sunday. Hours: 11 p.m. to 4 a.m., Monday to Saturday; 2 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Sunday. You will find a young crowd here usually.

At 1127 Walnut Street in an

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old, interesting-looking office building is the **Second Story**. This disco bar is private and membership runs \$10. Music is very loud; the bass quite heavy. It has the largest dance floor in the area, often referred to as the ballroom. Lighting is superb and there's a loft upstairs. But to reach it you should ascend these stairs carefully. On Sunday there is a buffet at 6 p.m. Hours: 5 p.m. to 4 a.m. Sunday through Friday; 10:30 p.m. to 4 a.m. Saturday. Dance floor opens about 10:30 p.m. nightly. Wednesday after midnight, and on Friday, Saturday and all day Sunday there's a \$4 cover toward two drinks.

The **Gay Community Center**, 328 Kater Street (behind South Street at 4th and South Streets) is the place to go if you are a teenager or want to meet teenagers. Friday evening is best. (Donations are requested for admission.) Saturday from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Dancing, entertainment, soft drinks and refreshments.

HERE AND THERE

Ariel's Nest, 1213 N. 52nd Street (at Gerard Street) is a private club which gets mostly black men and women. There's dancing, and the crowd tends to be dressy. Membership is \$5 yearly and there's a small cover on Thursday through Sunday. Open Wednesday to Sunday only.

Other black bars are: the **Attic** at 5708 Germantown Avenue (food served). The **Back Door** at 3535 N. 13th Street. (No liquor. Dancing and refreshments.) Open Friday and Saturday from midnight to 6 a.m. There is a \$2 cover. The **51 Club**, 58th and Baltimore Streets. (Open midnight to 6 a.m. Mixed gay and straight. Disco dancing.) And the **Olympia Ballroom**, 5210 Broomall Street near 52nd and Baltimore Streets. (Mixed. The hours are from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. on Monday and from 1 a.m. to 6 a.m. on Saturday.)

At 6405 Market Street in Upper Darby is the **CR Club**. This is a mostly-white bar which gets mixed ages. Hours are 8 p.m. to 2 a.m. Monday to

Saturday. Dancing.

BATHS

There are two baths in Philadelphia, the **Club** at 120 S. 13th Street (east of Broad) and the **Barracks** at 1813 Sansom Street (west of Broad). Both are private.

The Club is part of the national chain. There is a second Club in nearby Camden, N.J. but unlike the Philadelphia Club it isn't open 24 hours. Membership is \$5 yearly. Lockers \$5; rooms \$7. On weekdays from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. rates are \$3 for a locker; \$5 for a room. Thursday is leather night and anyone in proper attire can get in at half price from 3 p.m. to 11 p.m. On Wednesday at 8 p.m. a free pizza is served.

The Barracks attracts a more masculine crowd (leather and such) while the Club gets a little of everything. On weekends, there are usually movies at the Barracks. Membership is \$10 yearly. Lockers run \$6 and rooms \$8. On Sunday to Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. the prices are \$3 for a locker and \$5 for a room. On Tuesday and Thursday during the same hours the lockers are \$2.

MOVIES

The two movie theaters are the **Sackett Screening Room** at 2026 Sansom Street (west of Broad) and the **Sansom Cinema**, 120 S. 13th Street. Both show gay movies. The Sackett is open from 11:15 a.m. to midnight (last show 10 p.m.) and costs \$4 to enter. The Sansom is open from 10 a.m. to 1 a.m. (last show is at 10:30 p.m.) and costs \$5. Both have some action.

BOOK STORES

If you like to mix action with your movies, the 25-cent arcades on Filbert, 13th and Arch Streets are where you should head. There's a mixture of types (many straights) and color. It is wise to drop your pants with caution. The book stores are sometimes cruised by the police. Also, a few of the local toughs who loiter here sometimes want more than a little ass.

The **Tom Kat Bookstore**, 120



DCA Disco/DCA Cell Block



Hasty-Tasty Deli



PBL Club/After Dark



Track 7



Second Story



Barracks Baths



Sansom Cinema



Merry-Go-Round



Broad & Spruce Sts.



Rittenhouse Sq. Park

S. 13th St. is popular. A wide selection of publications and movie booths big enough for two. Also visit **Together Books**, 233 S. 13th St., and **Giovanni's Room**, 1426 Spruce St. The latter carries mostly serious reading materials for gays and is the oldest book store in Philadelphia.

OUTSIDE CRUISING & JOHNS

The most popular outdoor cruise area is the "**Merry-Go-Round**" (sometimes called "The Promenade") which goes from 20th and Spruce to 21st and Spruce to Delancey and 21st to Delancey and 20th to Spruce and 20th. On summer evenings there is very much car cruising or strolling in this area. This is also true of the stretch from 12th to 20th Streets on Spruce Street (winters too). At **Broad and Spruce Streets** in front of the Atlantic Building is the favored location for hustlers.

Rittenhouse Square Park between Walnut and Locust and 18th and 19th Streets also has good cruising on summer nights, and the area by the **Penn Center Skating Rink** can be busy summer or winter, during the day or early evening. But at the latter particularly, watch for cops. For those who like their men a little rough and in uniform you should try the **League Island Park** by the Philadelphia Navy Yard. Be careful, though.

The toilets to visit are in the University of Pennsylvania Library; Strawbridge & Clothier Department Store (basement, 4th and 6th floors); and the Penn Center toilet (suburban station). Both the Penn Center and Strawbridge & Clothier have attractive cops who are quick to make arrests.

There are more places to visit than those mentioned. But if you stay in center city and just visit some of the aforementioned, you won't miss much. As I said earlier, the majority of the gays head to the action spots east and west of Broad Street. So do like most Philadelphians and stay in the center city. If you do, you'll enjoy your cruising in this beautiful and charming city that much more.

That's a promise.

To The Point Getting It On

By David Bartel

Getting right to it is a sign of the times—and how great it is to get it on without wasteful preliminaries.

That's what it's all about at **South of the Market** (a.k.a. **Glory Hole**), 225 Sixth St., in San Francisco. First time in is \$2, thereafter \$1—and after you go through the turnstile you find yourself in a warehouse-size room filled with outhouse-size booths (with doors) side-by-side in double rows. Every room has three large glory holes—connecting with adjoining booths. No wasteful preliminaries . . . you get it on in a hurry.

Similar establishments are springing up around the country—all a notch above the bar-with-a-back-room where drinking comes first. In New York City right in Times Square the latest entry in the Getting It On category is the **Paradise Room**; you enter via the back staircase in the popular Male Box gay bookstore—which occupies a section of a straight bookstore called Black Jack at 210 W. 42nd St. Admission to heaven is nominal (single admission is \$3; less for members) and it lies just the other side of a turnstile at the top of the stairs.

Get it on in the porno movie stalls with or without a friend; 25 cents gets you in. Or walk on back to the movie room for the group scene where good hardcore flicks complement the action in the comfortable chairs and cushions that line the walls. Hot and delicious.

Rest periods can be spent in the game room over the pool table or at the pinball machines or electronic TV games. If that's not your speed—relax in the main lounge over a wide selection of gay magazines in comfortable leather chairs that provide a homey atmosphere. There's soda, coffee and Danish to help you work up a second and third and fourth burst of energy for another session . . . right up

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until 2 A.M.

The Paradise Room is part of a new breed of gay establishments where Getting It On is The Thing.

Inside Gay Rio de Janeiro

By Vincent Synge

Back in the late 1950s and early 1960s, this most beautiful city in the world had some of the hottest outdoor scenes on the continent. The business section, left deserted and unattended at night, featured sex orgies in the narrow dark alleys and building courtyards equal only to New York City's old trucks near the waterfront. The Rio waterfront alongside the Air Force barracks and local airport was also a choice night-sex area.

But since the "revolution" which marks when the military took over in the latter 1960s, the military police have toned things down. Oddly enough, it was not done on purpose. The Generals, so afraid that Castro, or Russia, or China, would attack and overthrow their government, posted patrols throughout the town at night, which naturally uncovered all the wonderful nocturnal activities down on Flamengo beach and in the large park near the railroad station.

Now most of Rio's gay sex life takes place indoors. Although there is much eye-cruising everywhere, and many American gays swear that Brazilian men would fuck anything, Rio's sex scene is really part of the city's natural life—a life filled with going to the beach, to bars (**boites**), dances and just chewing the fat (**bate pat**) with friends.

Everyone goes to the beaches during summer months, December to March, which is vacation time from school and work. Cruising on the beaches is usually done during the day. You park somewhere near some-

one you like and go through the "I'm an American who can't speak a word of Portuguese" pantomime. Then when your number is hooked, you hurl him a quick "My-what-a-nice-basket/ass-you-have" look. This should net you a good friend or a good lay, or both if the number is not a hustler and also cruising. As in any city with poverty and breathtakingly beautiful men, there are many hustlers. They come in all shapes, colors and sizes. As a rich American (they think all Americans are rich), you will have to be wary of them. Don't take anything valuable (watch, money, travelers checks) down to the beach. It will be stolen, in all likelihood, despite the handsome bathing-suit-clad policemen who patrol about.

Most tourists go to **Copacabana beach** because they live in this area in one of the numerous tourist hotels along the beachfront. This section is Waikiki, Miami Beach and Puerto Rico's Condado all wrapped up in one. The most intense cruising goes on in the **section Posto 6 and in front of the Copacabana Palace Hotel and Othon Palace Hotel**. Maybe that is because hustlers know that these are the high-priced luxury hotels. Usually there is no cruising on the beaches at night, although I understand that late in the morning some of the "girls" have been known to do their number right out on the beach rather than bring him back to the hotel. This, for a newcomer, is definitely not advisable.

Ipanema beach is a class higher than Copacabana. There are fewer hustlers, fewer families and fewer tourists. During the weekends, especially on Sunday, this beach is exceptionally good. The boys from the suburbs come to town and go to the beach; the nicer ones favor Ipanema. By nicer ones I mean those who are generally housebroken and are not rough trade.

The rough trade seems to favor **Flamengo beach**, near downtown (Centro), on weekends. Maybe it is because they can make a dollar or two up in the **reedy section where the local johns and gays do wild scenes in**



Copacabana Beach



Galaria Alaska



Galaria Alaska: A Cafe



Cinelandia Cafe Amarelinha



The Club

the tall reeds to the extreme left side of the beach near downtown. There are some rocks at the same end of Flamengo that are the hangout of those cruising rough trade. The police are quite wise to the reed scene and, depending on what mood they're in during any given week, raid the place with the local pickup truck, carrying away irate revelers in one form of nudity or another. So one has to be fully aware that this is dangerous (albeit tempting) territory.

Botafogo beach is used mainly by people living in this part of the city. The water, since it is in a deep bay-like alcove, has become polluted. Signs warn one not to wade into the water. Generally people just tan themselves on the beach. Few go there to cruise, so if you actually want to meet someone who is not out officially cruising (the safest type), Botafogo is the place.

Vermelha beach is even more local than Botafogo. It is near Sugar Loaf, which is a bit out from the main thoroughfare. I mention it only because there is a large Army and Marine barracks near the beach. Friendly young soldiers (18 to 24) use the beach during the day, usually until about 2 p.m.

Oddly enough, beaches are generally not cruised at night. The **outdoor cruising at night in Copacabana** happens all along the streets, especially along **Avenida Copacabana** and **Avenida Atlantica**, which parallels the beach. **Galeria Alaska**, near the right end of Copacabana beach (facing the beach), is this area's equivalent of Times Square. It is a short arcade from one of the main avenues to another. Some gay bars, cruising cafes and good movies are located in this arcade, but so are all the worst hustlers in Rio.

Cinelandia is the Times Square area of downtown (Centro) Rio. It also features the same sexual varieties. The sidewalk cafe **Amarelinha** is a good place to sit and watch the passing throngs.

The bar scene is a late one in Rio. That is, things generally do not get underway until around 11 p.m., even during weekdays.

Weekends usually find the places jammed, with the crowds furiously trying to have a good time (or whatever) before heading back to that horrible job Monday. It's the same everywhere, I guess. Some friends of mine prefer Wednesdays and Thursdays at the gay bars because these are days when you can actually meet someone without the surge and fury of the weekend crowd.

If you cannot wait until 11 p.m. to start your bar hopping, there is a quiet, subdued place just around the corner from the La Cueva, the wildest and gayest bar in town. **The Club** at Rua Cristiano Lacorte 54, has some good atmosphere and people (not all gay) as early as 8 p.m.

La Cueva, Rua Miguel Lemos 51, is "where the girls are." It's the screamiest, especially on weekends when everyone is out to show his latest fabulous outfit and a few disco steps learned fresh from America. This is gay-bar-everywhere, and you should feel at home here if you are into this type of carrying-on.

Zig Zag, Avenida Bartolomeu Mitre 666, in Leblon, is the bar-disco that people who look down on La Cueva go to. Here they charge a bit more at the door—about \$7—and expect people to act fairly decent even when they are stone drunk. The most conservative gays in Rio frequent this place. Hustlers are not a part of the scene. You will also see real girls who are likely to be our lesbian sisters who like to mix with the happening crowd. The best numbers in town come here too, but there are also lots of older types seeking.



Zig Zag

Tabu, Avenida Raul Pompeia 102, Copacabana, is the new

name for the bar once known as Ricardo's. It was then Rio's best, but time has pushed it closer to the other side of necessity. It's now a disco that charges entrance to gays but allows the "boys" to come in free. That also gives you an idea of what goes on inside the place too. It is, however, the best of its type.

Sotao, located in the arcade of Galeria Alaska in Copacabana, is a swinging bar-disco—a favorite of the masses. It's a step below Tabu on the social ladder and that must be where everyone's taste lies because the place is generally busier than all the others. As in the case with the places that use "boys" as an attraction—you pay, they don't.

Casa Nova, Avenida Mem de Sa 25, in downtown Rio's Lapa section (Centro), is a wild place straight out of the city's bawdy past. It's an old, dilapidated trap that has all kinds of international "in" people visiting to see the drag shows that generally do not begin until 3 a.m. You'll see lots of chauffeur-driven limousines parked outside this unbelievable place. Many of the people who go there are not gay. They are seekers and bohemians who like the wild, gutsy ambience of this club. After the show there is dancing. Men dance with women first. Then men with men. Then, nobody cares. This is not a cruisy place, but it's fun if the night's show is good.

Club Elite, Rua Frei Caneca 4, Centro, is the samba club for the gay crowd. The club opens only on weekend nights during the Carnival season, December to February. For a small fee you can dance (samba only) your ass off with some of the most beautiful and the happiest gay people in town. Yes, there is also lots of cruising and groping. You can also hear the music and noise of this upstairs ballroom a mile away.

Cine Sao Jose, located in cruisy Praca Tiradentes (Centro) features drag balls on weekends during the same Carnival season. The "girls" arrive in cabs and part of their thing is walking the distance from cab to entrance which is barriered like

a Hollywood opening night with hordes of curious onlookers, sometimes cheering (sometimes jeering). Inside is another thing. Most of the queens just drink and dance and think how fabulous it was to be cheered as they walked in. There is not too much cruising, and if you are not a transvestite this may not be your thing. But do see it once; it's a bit unreal.



Cine Sao Jose

All the movie theatres in Copacabana are cruised because that's the section where most of the gay crowd lives. Downtown (Centro), it's the **Iris Theatre**, Rua da Carioca 51, where they do wild camping inside and outside, especially on weekends after 8 p.m. The **Marocos Theatre** just off Praca Tiradentes, around the corner from the Cine Sao Jose, has some action also, but everyone here seems to be at least 80 years old and over. You might do better just dropping into the tearoom at the **Cafe Thalia** on the corner in Praca Tiradentes. Here there is busy cruising, especially during the day.



Cafe Thalia

Believe it or not, there are Turkish baths in Rio. Most are good, with safe action. **Turma Ipanema**, Rua Joana Angelica 134, is gay only upstairs. **The most active baths are in the Flamengo section of town on Rua**

Correia Dutra just off the beach expressway. The season for the baths is during the cooler winter months—May through September.

In a nutshell, this gives you an idea of some of the places in this very beautiful city. The gay life here is very active, due to a large gay community. With these places as starters, just go and enjoy!

Ati Atihan Carnival In The Philippines

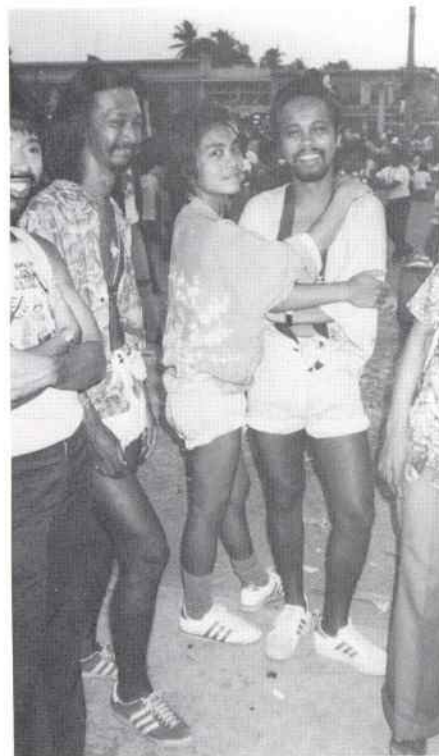
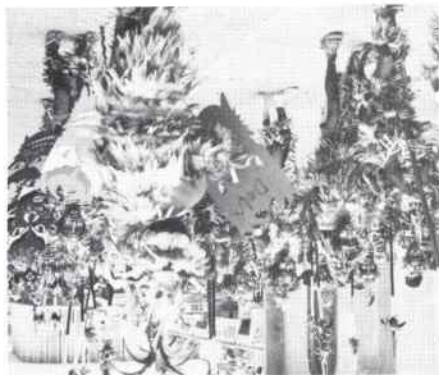
By "Bill"

I was spending the Christmas and New Year holidays in the Philippines and got a telegram regarding my work schedule for February. What a blow . . . I wouldn't be able to make the trip to the Rio Carnival I had been looking forward to for so long. The Filipinos are always sympathetic and my friends suggested that I stay a few days longer and go to their carnival in Kalibo.

I had heard about the Ati Atihan Festival in the Philippines, but frankly, I hadn't thought too much about it. Since it was only a few days away (I'll use any excuse to stay longer there!) I made up my mind to fly to Kalibo, a small city in a rural area some 50 minutes by plane from Manila. Still more friends at the Tourist Office helped me find a room . . . something almost impossible at that late date, and before I knew it I was joining the flocks of people from Manila who were making a mass exodus for this once-a-year event.

When I checked in at the airport I started to realize how popular Ati Atihan was. Philippine Airlines, which usually has one-a-day flights to Kalibo, had sixteen flights daily scheduled during the carnival period. In addition, many of the major ship





lines were running special tours to Kalibo from Manila, and still others were going by private plane. Later I learned that almost everyone in a 300-mile radius of Kalibo loaded themselves in buses, cars, Jeeps and trucks, and came to the carnival.

The minute we landed I knew I had made the right decision. Airport personnel were wearing bright-colored costumes; there was a wildly-costumed group there dancing and playing drums, and everyone was in a "let your hair down" holiday mood.

We took the hotel bus to Hotel Ati Atihan, which is about the best hotel in this area. Bungalows with toilet and shower run about \$25 a day. The hotel has a dining room, nightclub, disco and swimming pool. The staff are just great and go all out to make your stay there one to remember.

We had coffee with the son of the owner of the hotel and he gave us a brief background on just what Ati Atihan is. The three-day folk festival which celebrates the Golden Harvest and St. Nino's Feast, dates back to the 13th century. At that time there was a peaceful settlement of a feud between the Ati's, a kinky-haired little black people who lived there, and the homeless Malays who sought to settle there. The Festival has taken place every year since then, but in recent years has grown in scale, and attracts not only Filipinos, but many foreign tourists as well.

The erotic vitality of the Festival takes over and turns what is normally a quiet little town into a kaleidoscope of color, music and movement.

The first afternoon we went down to the town square, which is the center of most of the happenings. Throughout the town there were small groups marching, playing drums and dancing—all practicing for the evening festivities. It seemed everyone from the youngest child to the oldest women were caught up in the exhilarating mood of the Carnival. The Filipinos are easy to meet, and during the course of the after-

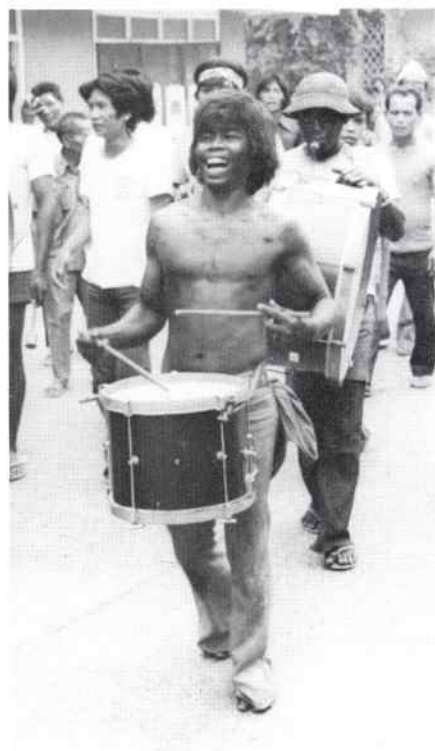
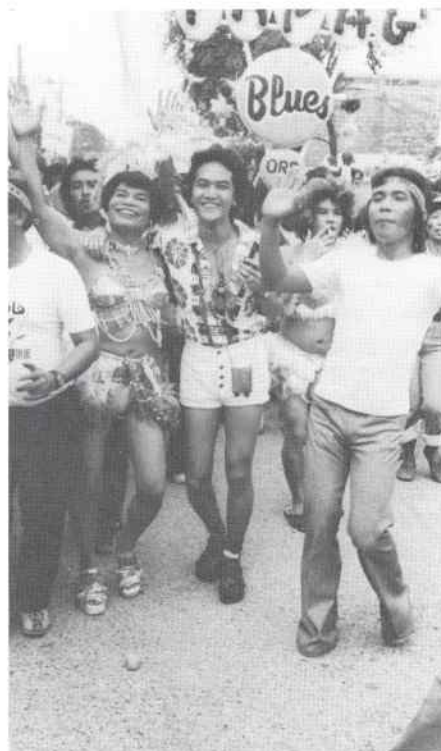
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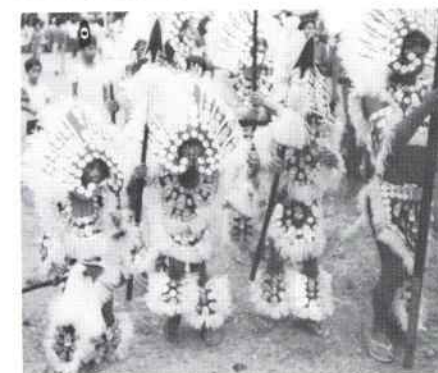
noon and early evening I made friends with some really beautiful people down from Manila and from Kalibo.

That evening and the next two days the town, from morning until late at night, was host to one of the most interesting, colorful and exciting festivals I've ever seen. There was an incessant beat of drums; rattle of capiz bells, and blowing of horns. Groups ranging from 50 elaborately costumed men and boys, to smaller groups of 5 or 6 high school boys, danced and paraded through the town square, and up and down the side streets. The larger groups had big sponsors, such as Philippine Airlines, or a newspaper, while the smaller groups were sponsored by a local disco or shop. Scattered among the crowd were the Ati people doing the ethnic dance steps their ancestors did so many years ago.

The Filipinos, especially those in rural areas, are a poor people, but it seemed they all had done their best to wear something fun or unusual for the festival. Some of the costumes were made of crepe paper or patchwork fabric, but the feeling and spirit were certainly there. Additional color was added by rubbing their bodies and faces (yours too, if you weren't wearing anything) with charcoal soot, red almagne, blue aniel or white chalk. The local drag queens and some who had come down from Manila were in all their glory. They really let it all hang out, as they led many of the groups through the streets—dancing, posing, and having a ball. Some were dressed in Polynesian costumes, others in funny drag, and still others trying to look ultra chic in mini skirts, boots and long chiffon scarves.

For me, some of the most exciting groups were the 17- and 18 year-old kids who formed into small groups, played drums and marched or almost danced around the plaza from morning to night. There was a lot of drinking, and everyone is always offering you a drink. The happy part of it all was that during my three days there I never saw a fight or heard about





any violence or trouble. Ati Atihan is a place to have fun, to be with people and do your own things . . . whatever it might be. The wonderful part of it all is that everyone accepts it as just that. It doesn't take long to get in the spirit of the carnival, and before you know it, you've joined one of the groups marching or snake-dancing their way to the streets.

In the evening much of the activity takes place in the Town Square. Groups are still parading and a few fire-eaters add color and excitement to the affair. Groups break off and eat at one of the small restaurants scattered throughout the town, or shop at the souvenir stands around the square. Popcorn carts have moved into the park area and some of the university students sell jewelry and other handcrafts they make. Later on almost everyone ends up at one of the local discos.

On Saturday night there is a costume ball in an enclosed area in front of City Hall. There's a live band, and the Filipinos who are great dancers do everything from a fox-trot to old Glen Miller standards, to the latest Salsa and Hustle steps. It's a wild party and one of the easiest situations imaginable to meet people and make new friends.

I left Kalibo Sunday evening and went back to Manila with a head full of great memories, and a mind already thinking about next year's Ati Atihan. The elements of the old and the new, the blending of pagan and Christian customs, and the all-out open hospitality and friendliness of the Filipinos have to make this one of the most enjoyable festivals and experiences anyone could possibly find anywhere.

N.Y. After Hours Score After 4:00!

By Scott Young

Out-of-town gay guys some-

times lament that New York City, for all its 8 million people, rolls up the rug at 4:00 a.m. Arriving with our international gay travel guidebook "Private Stock" tucked in a pocket, plus underlined reprints of **Ciao!** and **QQ Magazine** articles dealing with certain aspects of New York's gay life that appeal especially to them . . . plus great expectations . . . they're on top of everything, and lose not a precious moment stalking the well-known cruising areas; making the gay bar scene; doing the discos; while adding their own considerable charm (for which, many thanks!) to making heavenly 'applesauce' of The Big Apple.

But there's so much of it, and it's all so great, they lose track of time, and so when the liquor spigot is turned off at 4:00 it comes as a terrible wrench . . . like "Where's to go, **now?**" "What's to do, **now?**" And (having busily sucked/fucked their way through lunchtime/dinnertime) "Where's to **eat?**" With this sad plight in mind we thought it might be of help to mention New York's **other** gay side—the 'after-hours' side—because the hours after 4:00 can be the brightest and most productive of all after one gets the hang of cruising those places where the gay curtain is either just going up, or is going up on another act.

After-hours is a very special time, particularly in Greenwich Village. Come down and watch a miracle taking place! Whole streets seem to change their complexion . . . the ambience is wholly different. For example, Christopher Street. By day this is a casually gay promenade . . . all serene . . . no one hurries. You may spot an interesting trick at the intersection of Greenwich Avenue and Christopher (where Christopher begins) . . . or amble along, perhaps attracted to someone less than a hundred paces farther up the street . . . or cruise a subway john (the Sheridan Square station is in the heart of this area) . . . or stop in at a gay bar . . . or in a film cubicle in a gay bookstore . . . or continue

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towards the river and over two blocks west to Eleventh Street and the half burned-out warehouse pier—always action. (But don't hit the pier at night; it's very dangerous.)

But now it's 4:00 a.m., and time to shut off the flow of booze. Under ordinary circumstances, if you hadn't connected—no one to take home to beddybye—you might resign yourself to fleshing out the remaining wee hours with a hand job. But not if you know your Greenwich Village! Christopher street becomes alive with walkers hot to make a connection on the way home. The best section is west of Bleecker Street.

AFTER-HOURS SPOTS

Why not see still another side of gay life—part of this unique, kaleidoscopic transformation that occurs just before each dawn? For examples, take the relatively-new scat bar, **The Toilet**, 400 West 14th Street; and **The Anvil**, 14th Street and 11th Avenue, literally in pissin' distance of each other. Both are in the heart of New York's wholesale meat district which, by day, is about as stiffly-straight as a cadaver (bars and luncheonettes with topless gals to amuse the hard-hat meatcutters) but which by night becomes the arena of kinky sex—the like of which you may never see anywhere else.

The less-kinky—**The Anvil**—has such talented attractions as an accomplished nude male dancer who sits/writhes on a giant dildo until he has 'swallowed' it (you expect to see it coming out of his mouth, or an ear!); plus a basement dark and steamy for do-it-yourselfers. The Toilet, with fronds of yellowed toilet tissue as 'design/motif', is all golden shower and shitzkrieg. If you go, wear leather/Western gear (Gucci/Pucci it ain't), otherwise the doorman may head you off at the pass with "Sorry, but this is a **private club** (it really is), for members only." In this way it operates all night, within the law. Moreover, no urgent call need be put in for St. Vincent's ambulance to carry off someone knocked cold by a

low-flying turd . . . or who may have sustained a heart attack from scatological shock. There are also flung-dung rooms for patron sex.

If you are not turned on by such places as **The Anvil** or **The Toilet**, but are into leather, you will find such after-hours places as the jammed leather bars/clubs along the waterfront to your liking. Many are in Chelsea, a few streets north and west of Greenwich Village. Try **The Strap** at 18th Street and 10th Avenue for action!

THE BATHS

Actually the baths 'invented' after-hours scoring. Even when they were essentially straight 'Turkish' baths they were in-the-night and through-the-night places to meet humpy others. Now, for the most part, all baths are gay, and we have them with notable variations—from the elegant tubs that feature name entertainment by long-time stars (often trying a comeback routine)—such as the popular-with-the-young **Club**, 24 First Avenue . . . to the avowedly leather of that long favorite, the **Everard**, on West 28th Street near Broadway . . . to the Black/ethnic baths, such as the **Mt. Morris Baths** at 1944 Madison Avenue at 125th Street. "Private Stock" lists nearly a dozen of them.

As a switch, this has led to the establishment of New York's "first gay leisure spa"—the **Odyssey**, 198 East 58th Street, where, as the flak says, "Odyssey Men will be on hand to heighten your enjoyment every evening." The Odyssey had its grand opening on February 11, and there will be an after-hours club session three days a week: Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, when the hours will be extended to 8:00 a.m. Otherwise it plans to be open from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 a.m.

AN ALL-NIGHT 'EVERYTHING'

You certainly won't want to pass up **Big Top**, 1604 Broadway at 49th Street, in the heart of town. This fantastic place stays open 24 hours a day, and is not only a showcase for first-run

male films, but has special cruising rooms, a bar, Go-Go boys, a buffet brunch, and as if that weren't enough, it has a disco as well! Artfully decorated/lighted, **Big Top** has become an important gay attraction in New York.

OTHER DISCOS

The **Disco Pegasus** at 1230 Second Avenue, between 64th and 65th Streets on New York's Upper East Side, stays open through 6 a.m., making it a 'keep-in-mind' place to while away those 'in-between' hours. Back in Greenwich Village, the disco **Infinity** has just declared every Wednesday for men only. Keep it in mind. Discos, unlike gay bars, can stay open longer. With accent on dance rather than liquor, the State Liquor Authority doesn't ride herd on them. **Infinity** is at 653 Broadway, between 3rd and Bleecker Streets—near New York University's Washington Square campus.

Of course, not everyone is so strapped to the gay saddle that he doesn't relish a chance to do something different for a few hours. If you're a chess and/or checker enthusiast you can find lively competition 24 yours a day at **The Chess and Checker Club of New York**, 212 West 42nd Street, in the heart of Times Square. There are games of backgammon, bridge, scrabble and rummy going as well. And if you're alone, the Club will find you a match—and he may turn out to be quite interesting!

If you're a tennis buff, and don't want to lose your form while cruising Our Town, head for the **Stadium Tennis Center** on Jerome Avenue at 162nd Street in the Bronx . . . just a short ride by express subway. Open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

What about bowling? Okay, try **Whitestone Lanes**, 30-05 Whitestone Parkway at Linden Place in Flushing, Queens. Again, a short express ride by subway. Some of their 48 alleys are always open on weekends.

AFTER-HOURS SERVICES

If you bring faithful Rover

with you and he becomes ill (New York can be as traumatic for animals as for humans), and you feel it necessary to have skilled veterinarian attention, whisk him over to the **Animal Medical Center**, an impressive modern building at 150 East 62nd Street, at York Avenue. This amazing institution stays open 24 hours for emergencies. Qualified vet personnel man this hospital, certainly a relief to your mind when, in a strange town, you don't have your trusted vet to turn to.

If you need a prescription filled—and you failed to do so earlier in the day—and now drugstores are closed . . . or if you need a packet of condoms . . . or even special makeup if you expect to be the belle of a costume ball . . . Manhattan has two all-night drugstores. Keep them in mind. One is the **Garden Pharmacy** on the midtown West Side at 50th and Broadway; the other is on the East Side at 50th and Lexington Avenue—the **Kaufman Pharmacy**. The Garden Pharmacy is the busiest drugstore you'll ever see—lots of show people, TV performers, as well as the headquarters for makeup for every drag queen in town.

How about that super hair-style that so handsomely complements your features? Did you forget to have it trimmed before you left home? Fear not! Drop into **Larry Mathews 24-Hour Beauty Salon** on Madison Avenue at 55th Street. It's open all night, just like it says, and serves both men and women. Not only do you get a beautiful hairstyling, or an artistic trim of the particular style you now have, but you can sip a complimentary cocktail, or play some backgammon, or be otherwise pleasantly diverted until the attendant is ready for you.

Also, if you need to send back home some important papers, or perhaps a perishable package—like immejeetly—the **United States Postal Service** is most accommodating in New York. An emergency window at the Main Station, Eighth Avenue between 32nd/33rd Streets, is kept open 24 hours. Your priority mail will

be sped on its way.

DINING AFTER HOURS

As noted earlier, sex in New York can be so much, and so great, that one may easily lose track of time and forget to eat—until hunger pangs strike. Moreover, there are gay guys who are virtual night owls, more in tune with sex at night than day, and who really prefer to eat at 3:00 and 4:00 or later in the ayem. Depending on whether you want to dine elegantly, or snack it, bagel 'n lox-it, or ham 'n egg-it, here are some recommended places.

True, the **grand luxe** restaurants will have shut up shop at around 11:00 p.m., or—in some special cases—at 1:00 a.m. But you'll certainly not want for gourmet food even afterward. Probably the best restaurant from every gourmet point of view is the always-popular **Brasserie**, 100 East 53rd Street. For all its down-to-earthiness the Brasserie is one of New York's most sophisticated restaurants, and certainly its menus are imaginative. Whether you want a full meal, or something light, you can't do better. Try their **choucroute garnie**—their very special way with stuffed cabbage . . . no better in the world.

If you're holed up in Greenwich Village why not cab it down a short distance further to Chinatown. You can have a full Cantonese meal at almost any Chinatown spot at any time of day or night (the Chinese, of course, never count the hours!). Especially good are **Lin's Garden Restaurant** at 53 Bayard Street, and **Ban Hung Inn** at 68 Mott Street. Showbiz people flock here after their stint on Broadway or TV.

A special joy is the relatively-new **Empire Diner**, 10th Avenue and 22nd Street, in the heart of Chelsea, just north of Greenwich Village. This ingenious place, once just a workmen's diner, has been taken over by with-it young people who have transformed it into an authentic Art Deco establishment. Open 24 hours . . . breakfast, lunch, dinner and/or snacks. Dinner is **prix fixe** at

about \$8.50 (cocktails at \$2) . . . and they give you lots—all excellent. Because the Empire Diner is so close to the many leather bars on the West Side (especially convenient) it is quite usual to find gay leather mingling with gay everything-else at breakfast time here. It has become a popular rendezvous for Chelsea/Village dwellers. Well worth a visit.

If you are in the Village, or making the Times Square scene, you'll find a **Nathan's Famous** at either end. For the best hotdogs in the world (that's how Nathan's Famous got to be 'famous'), and other Jewish goodies—stuffed derma, corned beef, burgers of course, as well as a variety of fresh salads and other foods, you can't do better than Nathan's for fast food. One is at 8th Street and Avenue of the Americas in Greenwich Village; the midtown location is at 43rd Street and Broadway.

Also midtown is that fabled Jewish deli-heaven **The Stage**, at 54th Street and Seventh Avenue. Way, way into the 'wee, wee' it's packed with celebrities. Stop in. If you don't mind waiting for a table for one of their hot pastrami or corned beef sandwiches Warren Beatty may have kept your seat warm for you!

A rather recent food enterprise is the 'bagel chainery' . . . small shops which bake fresh bagels of many kinds (pumpernickel, plain, salted, onion, poppyseed, and so on), which you may take out piping hot from the oven, or eat in the establishment along with some special filling such as cream cheese, lox, tuna, or whatever. In the Village there's one on Avenue of the Americas near Eighth Street; in the area of the Upper West Side there's the **BagelNoshery** at 72nd Street and Broadway. On the East Side just north of Bloomingdale's on Third Avenue near 60th Street is the **Bagel Chateau**—a favorite with Saturday's gay Bloomie's crowd.

And, of course, there are all kinds of small eating places serving a variety of ethnic foods, many of which stay open 24 hours.

Welcome To Fire Island!

By The Editors

The twin communities of Cherry Grove and The Pines on Fire Island continue to be the world's greatest gay summer resorts—and, as such, assure a rich vacation experience. There is a sense of total freedom—for perhaps here, as nowhere else in the world, gay is truly good; we are in control—in the Grove where better than 90% of the residents and tourists are gay, and in The Pines, where at least 80% are brothers.

But this article is not about Fire Island per se; the April 1977 **Ciao!** discussed Cherry Grove and The Pines at great length. If you are planning to visit now or later on we urge you to read that article.



A house is certainly a home when you stay at the **Carousel**, about a half block from the ocean.

We want to tell you about a small guest house in Cherry Grove that's as close as you can get to having your own beach cottage, without actually renting one. The **Carousel** is run by Joe and Rainer—two guys who do everything they can to help make their home your home. It's small; there are only six bedrooms, five of which are doubles; all private with their own doors and locks, built around a central living room that has an open kitchen. Maximum capacity is eleven—a nice little group that in the course of a weekend, with Joe and Rainer (and their pooch, Scott, and pet dildo 'The Hunk'), will be like family—whether you make it with them or not, for that is hardly necessary in the Grove, where on a warm weekend there are well

over 1,000 gay guys right outside—stomping the discos and trekking through the vast meat rack where sex happens 24 hours a day. Abundance . . . "Abbondanza!" as Mama Celeste would say.

Joe (who happens to be an Italian mama himself) and buddy Rainer pamper their guests without interfering—for here, as everywhere in the Grove, personal freedom is respected. Your own room is yours to use as you wish (within reason!) and whomever you drag in for the night. There's free Danish and coffee from 10 A.M. until the last guest gets up, and then instantans are put out for sippers all day. Use of the kitchen permits you to take advantage of the little grocery store near the dock and cook your own meals—if you're on a budget or prefer not to eat out. The bathroom has two shower stalls; they frequently see action. If you prefer to douche in solitude simply close the door and your privacy will be respected. There is no laundry service but the guys do the house laundry regularly and will gladly rinse out your jock if you need a fresh change.

Rates are reasonable—\$18 per person per night weekdays; \$23 weekend nights. Holiday weekends are \$90 per person (double) and \$105 (single) for the three nights (minimum stay). Rates go down in September. The **Carousel** is open until late October (Indian Summer can be beautiful). Write or call ahead for reservations: P.O. Box 1, Cherry Grove, N.Y. 11782; phone (516) 597-6612.

We recommend the **Carousel Guest House** because we know you'll be in the good hands of Joe and Rainer. The house is comfortable—but most of all it has a family atmosphere that makes you feel at ease. For first-timers the **Carousel** will provide a beautiful introduction to Fire Island—and lasting memories that are warm. The discos, the beach, the bushes are all great fun—but so are down-home comfort and good friends, and Joe and Rainer have the welcome mat out . . . for you!



Your hosts, Joe (left) and Rainer, on the front deck—perfect for quiet sunning.



There's a snack bar and kitchen at one end of the living room; guests may cook their own meals.



The living room is comfortable and homey; there's TV between 6 P.M. and Mary Hartman.



Joe and Rainer, preparing complimentary Danish and coffee; the bathroom is behind them.

Joe and Rainer out back, where there's another sun deck and the house washing machine.





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NEW YORK: 37, 5'11", 180 lbs., white, sincere, discreet, wishes to meet gay males 21-45 (your place). Enjoys nudity, j/o, wants to save water and shower with you. M-24

L.I., N.Y. B/M, 6'5", 185 lbs., 38, professional, athletic versatile. Desires B/Puerto Rican 20-?, versatile, mature, wants a good home life with honesty. No fats, feds, S&M or heavy drugs. F-18

INDIANAPOLIS: Interested in getting together with those who are turned-on by excellent photography and models of Sierra Domino. S-84

NEW YORKER can relocate for right guy. Affectionate, considerate, educated. Likes nudity, travel, classical music, books, photography. Sexually uninhibited; not promiscuous. Prefer to share total personality and sex including scat and w/s with one person. Am white, 5'8", 155 lbs., age 58. H-48

TEXAS: Muscular, slim, smooth body, Leo, coll. grad, 5'11", 170, 40, dark hair/eyes, mustache. Loyal, sincere, discreet, affectionate, non-smoker. Uninhibited active/passive togetherness. No feds, drugs, drunks. Nice home. Love, peace! B-53

GWM ENGINEER interested in music, opera, photography, horticulture (especially roses), and men. Prefer quiet masculine types 30-55 interested in mutual love and esteem. Travel limited. Answer all. H-15

WHITE ST. LOUISIAN, 35, into leather/rubber, SM/BD/W/S, travel. Let's discuss interests and get together in detailed letters and/or cassette tapes. All answered, photos get same. E-1

KANSAS CITY, w/m, 30, 5'6", 140, mustache, butch, a loner, dig buttonfly levis, cowboy boots and hats, leather, light S/M, versatile. Looking for same anywhere. Letter and photo. T-5

SAN DIEGO J/O. Middle-aged guy seeks other buddies in area who enjoy the manual exercise scene. Share our mirrors, pix, slides, films, stories, jocks and uninhibited mutual handwork. S-88

WOULD LIKE TO MEET people and make new friends. Enjoy music, reading, movies, people, etc. Ed, 174 Jean St., Sudbury, Ont., Canada P3C 2S1.

CENTRAL NEW YORK: Young, trim, horny w/m digs levis, leather, amyl, uniforms, all scenes from gentle to rough. Send photo, frank letter. Include phone number for phone j/o. S-12

AUSTRALIA: Leather guy, 32, "S", seeks frank dirty correspondence with well-hung muscular guys. Interested in boots, uniforms, denim, dirty briefs, B/D, W/S, humiliation, depilation, FF, enemas, scatology and all way-out scenes. Photo appreciated. G-40-F

VISITORS TO NEW ORLEANS, 18-25, welcomed as my guests. Especially foreign students. Write beforehand. E-5

FORESKIN PROBLEM: Circumcision is not the only answer. Foreskin is an important sexual asset. Do not dispose of yours until you talk to me. Write giving full details. Nelson Medd, Box 874 Stn. A, Scarborough, Ont. M1K 5C8, Canada.

TULSA, OKLA. Mature w/m turns on to attractive guys. No fats, feds or weirdos. Tired of one-nighters. Would love a roommate in the 30's. Answer all. N-2

ROBERTO OF PUERTO RICO. Remember Nov. 1975? Met you at 21st Twin Cinema, Miami Beach, Fla. Like to hear from you. Paul Ray, 10681 Wesch Rd., Brooklyn, Mich. 49230.

AM WELL HUNG. Would like to exchange revealing photos of yourself for mine, for my collection of nudes. P-19

COLUMBUS, OHIO: White male, 44, butch, seeks gay contacts 150-mile radius Columbus. Any race and age to 45. French and Greek active and passive. No hangups. Write! E-8

COLUMBUS, OHIO w/m, 50, 5'5", 140, likes better things in life, esp. opera, travel, nature, nice home. Seeks similar for friendship, etc. Photo appreciated. Nial Kent, where are you? M-18

SAN FRANCISCO, North Coast counties; would like to meet others in area who like quiet times on weekend. Write Larry, Box 99082, San Francisco, Calif. 94109.

MASCULINE DIVORCED W/M, 45, 165 lbs., 6' good body, hairy chest and abdomen, well-hung, low-hanging balls, uncut. Digs getting head from masculine men by the hour, smoke, amyl, dirty talk, movies, travel, making friends, hearing from dudes along routes 40 to Memphis from L.A., 59 to New Orleans, 10-45 to Houston/Dallas, 20-10 to L.A. In L.A. call (213) 652-9798 anytime and leave message on machine if not in or write to: T-12

ANTIQUE BUFFS or not, Pa./Md./N.J./N.Y./Del. area. YWM antique dealer, Greek active, into Gay Erotica, etc. Write me. Will contact you when doing shows in your area. F-21

ATLANTA: 30's, lovers, seek came for threesomes and foursomes. Enjoy music, nudity, clean & enjoyable sex & general good times. All with photos answered first, but all answered. Boxholder, P.O. Box 77174, Atlanta, Ga. 30309.

HORNY AND READY for a good time? So am I! Attractive New Jersey 30-year-old looking for same and plenty of action. Also threesomes. Very versatile. W-6

5'9", 160, BLOND/BLUE wants slender guys, 18-35 for permanent relationship with masculine, mature male. Likes music, dancing, swimming, football, baseball. Race, endowments, looks unimportant. All answered. Jack, Box 346, Mt. Vernon, Ind. 47620. Tel. (812) 838-2983.

HII! LITTLE ROCK, ARK. Like to meet friendly guys with sense of humor. Professional, 30 yrs old, 5'10", 140 lbs., good-looking. Interested in similar type. Send photo. K-15

N.Y. CLEANCUT, young looking, down to earth, discreet w/m, 50, 6', 150, red/br hair, gray eyes, seeks average guy for get-togethers. No wilds. M-32

CENTRAL N.Y. professional w/m, 38, 6'1", 200, blue eyes, blond hair & mustache. If into fun & mutual Fr. and/or Gk.-passive, let's get together, if between 21/45. Phone & photo a must, if you want an answer. Most discreet. L-51

UPSTATE NEW YORK: Hunky Italian grad student seeks friends 18-40. Prefer slim, well-educated types into film, photography, friendship, and sex. No feds or weird scenes. L-48

CENTRAL NEW JERSEY: Handsome w/m 6', 165, bearded, wants to meet others for group sex & 3-somes. I like men's games with men. Photograph helpful. Box 236, Kingston, N.J. 08528.

PENNA. GWM, 27, 5'11", 155, into Greek/French, J/O. Want to get into W/S, learn more about S/M. Looking for good poppers. W-28

LONG ISLAND male, 31, likes: baseball, APBA games, Greek-passive/French-active. Seeks local area guys teens-40 for friendship and sex. Penpals welcome. All replies answered. Write: Dennis Monroe, Box 193, Franklin Square, N.Y. 11010.

SAN FRANCISCO AREA. W/M, early forties, 5'11", 165, seeks top man. Am recent arrival here, looking for new associations, especially people who enjoy arts, theater, opera, literature. S-86

SUBURBAN BALTIMORE. Late 40's, foxy, stocky, warm guy who likes kissing, embracing, body contact. Dislike bar scene. Like literature, arts, am French active/passive, Greek passive. Live alone. S-8

NEW YORK. W/M, 43, blond, 5'8", seeks meeting leather/levis guys, no hangups, wrestler, bodybuilder. Photo and number gets immediate reply. C-49

R.U. OVER 50, retired, healthy, honest and need to share mature affection, quiet living, country summers, possibly winters south? I've an Oregon home and heart to welcome you. B-18

WASHINGTON, D.C. AREA. Mature GWM, 6', 160, uncut, masculine, personable, orally oriented, seeks another discreet, adjusted guy for occasional relaxed evenings of togetherness, torrid Fr., J/O, and whatever develops. D-50

NEAR ERIE, PA. Personable, affectionate, dependable fellow, 35, average looks, 5'5", 120 lbs., desires young, trustworthy, sexy friends—especially muscular or tall, any race. Mostly oral but versatile. B-67

N.E. OHIO, 30'S. Sagit. Versatile. Seek real men. Into travel, photography, sports, cycles, rock/jazz. Permanent relationship or friendship. Close I-76 and Ohio Pike. Photo, will reciprocate. 55 Fir Hill - 12A1, Akron, Ohio 44304.

NEW YORK CITY: Horny, attractive white professional—40, 5'6", 135 lbs. Seek others 18-60 for blazing sex. Active/passive French and Greek. Own pad. Phone (212) 643-1222 or write P-9.

BLACK MASTER aggressive, desired w/s, scat (licking) hunted policemen erred. Dr. Berg-2011. Tel. (212)

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MANHATTAN: Virile and versatile Paul Newman type seeks singles/couples for M/S (Master/Slave rather than S/M). Send desires and details for Fantasy/Reality. Travel possibilities. B-39

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STRAIGHT teen wants to someday be writer. Deals with all subjects, but does not know enough about homosexuality to express in detail. Need complete, patient explanation. Edwin, P.O. Box 388, Bronx, N.Y. 10472.

WASHINGTON, D.C. Husky, attractive Black professional, 27, 6'3", 215 with football player's build. Not well-endowed. Wants to meet congenial men for friendship and casual and discreet sex. P.O. Box 50286, Washington, D.C. 20004.

PHILADELPHIA AREA: Gentleman in 50's desires friends for companionship & sex, age or race no barrier. Photo appreciated but not necessary. John, P.O. Box 133, Horsham, Pa. 19044.

NEW YORK CITY: Older professional man, slender, active, seeks friendship congenial guys, any age, race, who'd like lying together, caressing, making love—realizing, hopefully, a sense of both physical and spiritual communion. L-34

VERY HORNY ORIENTAL guy wishes to exchange hot letters and photos, especially with well-hung studs. Enjoy hairy chests and enormous endowments. Will answer all replies. Q-1

TORONTO LOVERS, 20's, seek guys for three-way, or just a meaningful friendship. All scenes, no extremes. Both attractive, easy-going. Pen pals welcomed. Will travel or accommodate. Sincere. B-33

SO. CALIF. COAST, Santa Barbara to Oxnard, traveled by horny salesman, 6'1", 180 lbs., 40's. Like music, art, nude beaches, studs between 30 and 60. Am into whatever turns YOU on. B-29

HORNY GAY WHITE male, 47; like to meet other guys in the area. Henry L. Land, Box 1143, Daytona Beach, Fla. 32015.

GOODLOOKING PA. COUPLE: Seek other couples, singles 21-to-? for friendship and adult fun. Pa., N.J./N.Y. or Europe. It., Sp., Fr. spoken. Welcome Spanish, Italians and Blacks. We're uncut, not into S/M or drugs. Photo and sincerity a must. Tired of bars and phonies, many interests. Pen-pals welcome. All answered. D-30

YOUNG BLACK DUDES with size who dig Active Greek action call Jac in Chelsea (NYC)—(212) 924-1912 weekends after 1 A.M. 5'7", 35, 150.

CHICAGO AREA w/m, 26, 6', 185 lbs., brown hair and blue eyes, easy to get along with. And straight looking. Would like to hear from anyone up to 30. Experienced or not. For friendship. Will send photo with first letter. But want photo of you first. B-65

ST. LOUIS W/M, 37, 5'11", 175. Intelligent, sensitive, cool, lean muscular, athletic. Interested similar masculine 25-45. S-78

EASTERN CANADA. W/M, 45, 140, brown hair, discreet professional wishes to hear from other masculine guys. Interests: travel, theatre, outdoors, etc. No S/M, fems. Photo appreciated. D-43

5'11", 190 LBS., 29 yrs., br/bl, professional, wants friends in area under 30. Write Box 629, Downstairs, 167 W. 21st St., New York, N.Y. 10011.

BLOND BACHELOR, 57, 5'11", 155, uncut, likes classical music, painting, photography, sewing, floriculture, travel; wants 35-50 slim, refined, aesthetic, gentle, financially independent guy to share home, life, love, happiness. Let's not keep going alone. Revealing photo, please. "Al" in Tarpon Springs. (813) 937-0147. Or write W-30.

WASHINGTON, D.C. AREA: Well-hung, w/m, 29, Colt type, Libra, particularly interested in relationship with similar Leo, Sag., or Aries. Letter w/photo to P.O. B. 1954, Wheaton, Md. 20902, or phone (301) 942-7825.

OLDER GAY, 66, seeks others any age for mutual French and perm. relationship. Clergy welcome, no drugs or rough stuff. Be my house guest for a weekend or a few days. Schenectady, N.Y. area. M-14

C.B. FREAK would like to know how to contact gay guys and recognize them on mobile citizen-band radio. Any good suggestions? Write me. All answered. H-31

DETROIT: Front and rear receiver to age 35 wanted by slim, muscular GWM, hung and hairy. I like long, deep French sessions by knowledgeable giver. No fats, fems or blacks. Prefer macho and muscular. C-40

OTTAWA JEW, 5'9", 25, 160, brown hair, eyes, moustache. Looking for slender 18-35. I live alone and can accommodate. No fems, drugs, S/M. Ready, willing, able. C-28

CORDUROY FAN, mid-40's, 5'11", 155, desires corduroyed, masculine-acting guys 21-45, slender to muscular, with curvaceous buttocks for Greek and other anal activities. Photo appreciated with horny letter. Illinois. A-29

NEW YORK CITY: White European, 42, Virgo, 5'9", blue eyes, young looking, slender, versatile, Greek passive, non-smoker/drinker, likes tall 6' or over Blacks, masculine, slender, versatile, hairless body, no beard, Greek active, compatible Zodiac sign. D-26

FREE 5,000-WORD S/M STORY exchanged for ideas for S/M-based stories; your true experiences or wildest dreams. Ideas must be accompanied by sender's photo. Perhaps continued sharing? C-7

NEW JERSEY-MANHATTAN area 40-year-old man, 6'2", would like to meet or correspond with man same age or younger. H-5

SEEK YOUNG LAD with slim, smooth body, long mod hair, who is interested in learning electronics. Offer home with fatherly love and mutual French fun. Send photo. L-7

CANCER: W/M, 21, 5'9", 185 lbs., br/bl, likes music, outdoors (camping, biking, etc.). Write Bill at G-33.

COPENHAGEN: Two butch guys, 36/37, well-endowed, amateur photographers with great collection of pornophotos and drawings seek leather and bodybuilding guys for correspondence and meeting. J-12-F

COWBOY TRUCKDRIVERS and others traveling through Montana stop and visit John. Phone (406) 335-2631. Sweetgrass.

YOUNG, REBELLIOUS B/D SLAVE WANTED: To be Collared, Shackled, Spread-eagled, Shaved and Trained to obey a tall, slim, St. Louis Leatherman. G-10

VICTORIA, B.C. Mid-30's, good-looking, interesting mind. P.O. Box 166, Brentwood Bay, B.C., Canada, V0S 1A0. Tel. (604) 382-9869.

SONOMA/MENDOCINO/LAKE counties, California. Like to meet others in area. Interested write: Larry, Box 383, Cloverdale, Calif. 95425.

BOSTON: 29, white, blond, 5'8", 144, attractive professional, athlete, travels widely (esp. south and midwest), seeks GWM's with similar description for correspondence, etc. Picture appreciated. W-48

WHITE MALE COUPLE, 40's, seek friends for 3-way or group sex. Philadelphia-Bucks County-Trenton area. Discretion and privacy assured and expected in return. Write with photo. K-12

CENTRAL PA. Gay bachelor, w/m, 61, 5'10½", 180 lbs. Live alone. Likes French, kissing, etc. Wishes to correspond with men 21-50. Photo desired. Sincere and discreet. B-61

DC/MD AREA: I drink recycled beer from well-hung studs with trim, firm bodies. Call JR (301) 322-2733 and give me a golden shower!

STUDS WANTED by best ass in NYC. If you are w/m, gd/lkg, well hung, well built, and like to fuck, send photo/details for thrill of your life. P.O. Box 833, NYC 10009.

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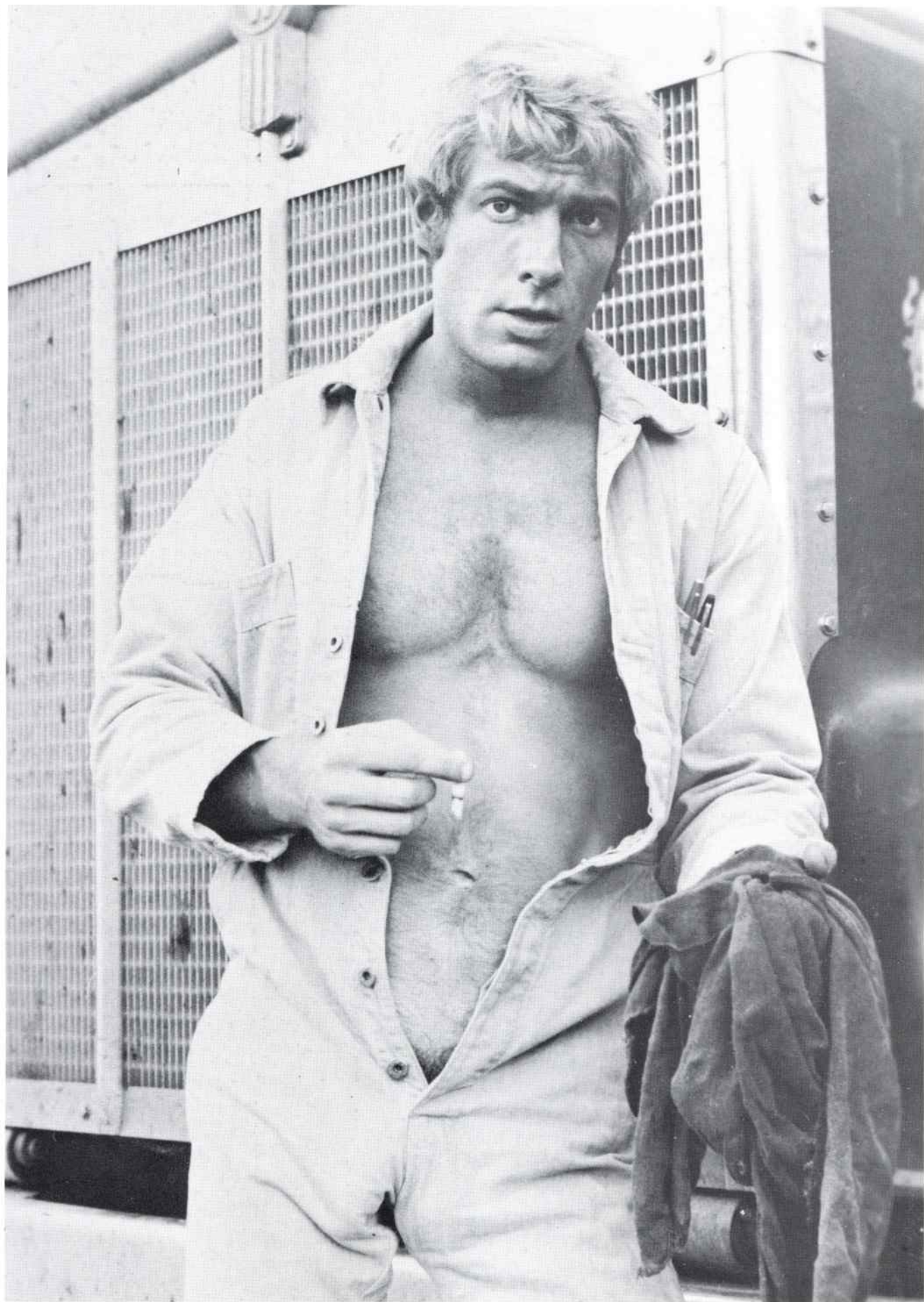
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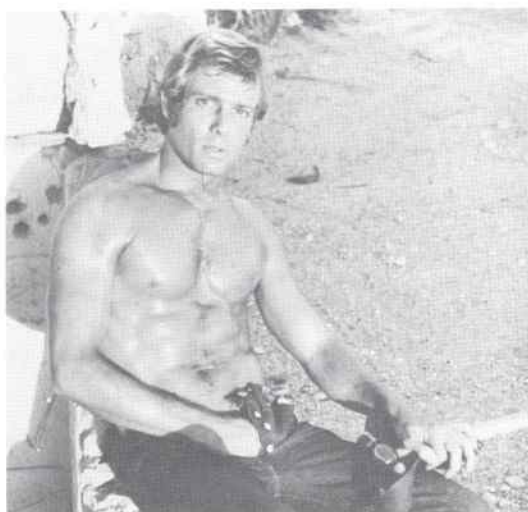
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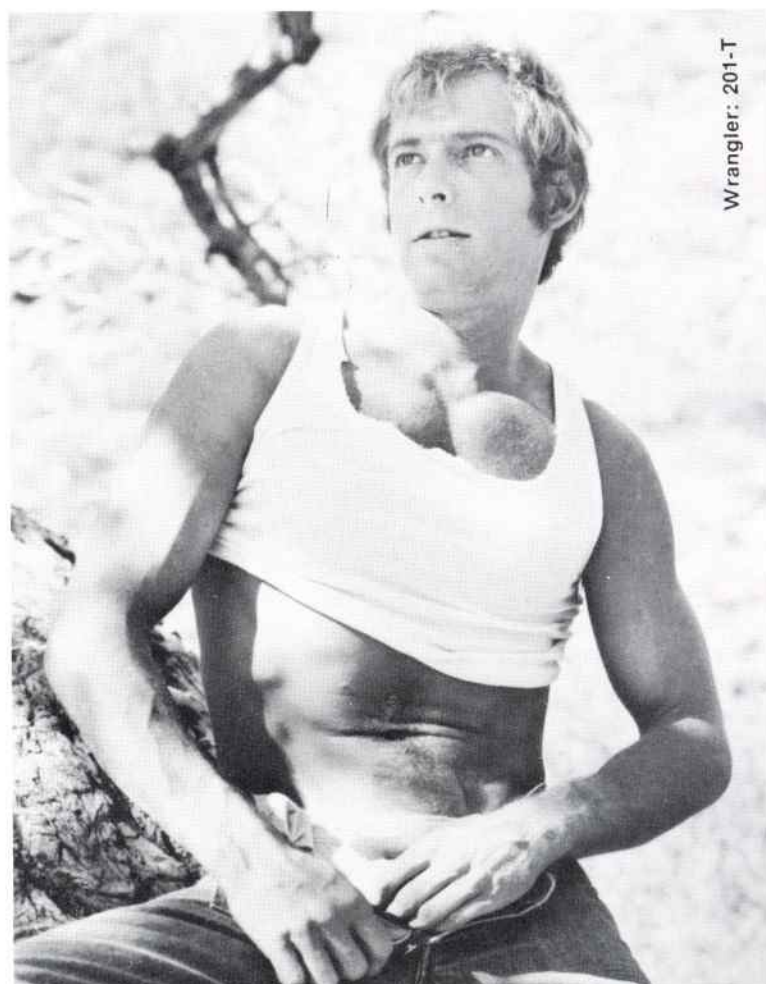
By The Editors

It's always great having Jack Wrangler in our magazines—and at present he appears in all three: the current August **QQ Magazine** not only features his impressive photos but an exclusive story written by Jack himself on the follies and foibles of a porno superstar; a great little picture story on Jack is in the current September **BODY Magazine**; and in this issue of **Ciao! Magazine** we present still other pictures of Jack borrowed from his photo sets—which are only a sampling of our man on the move.

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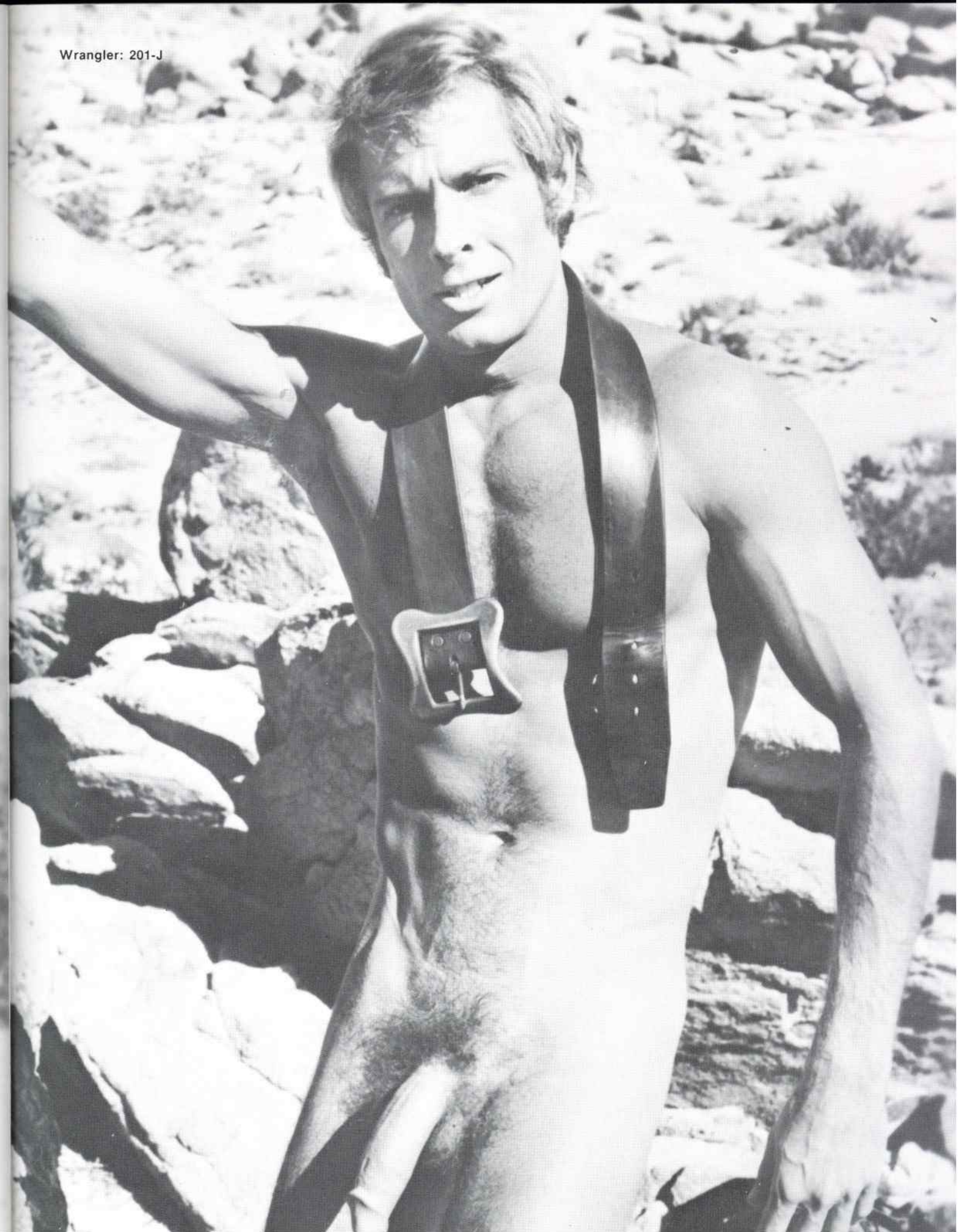


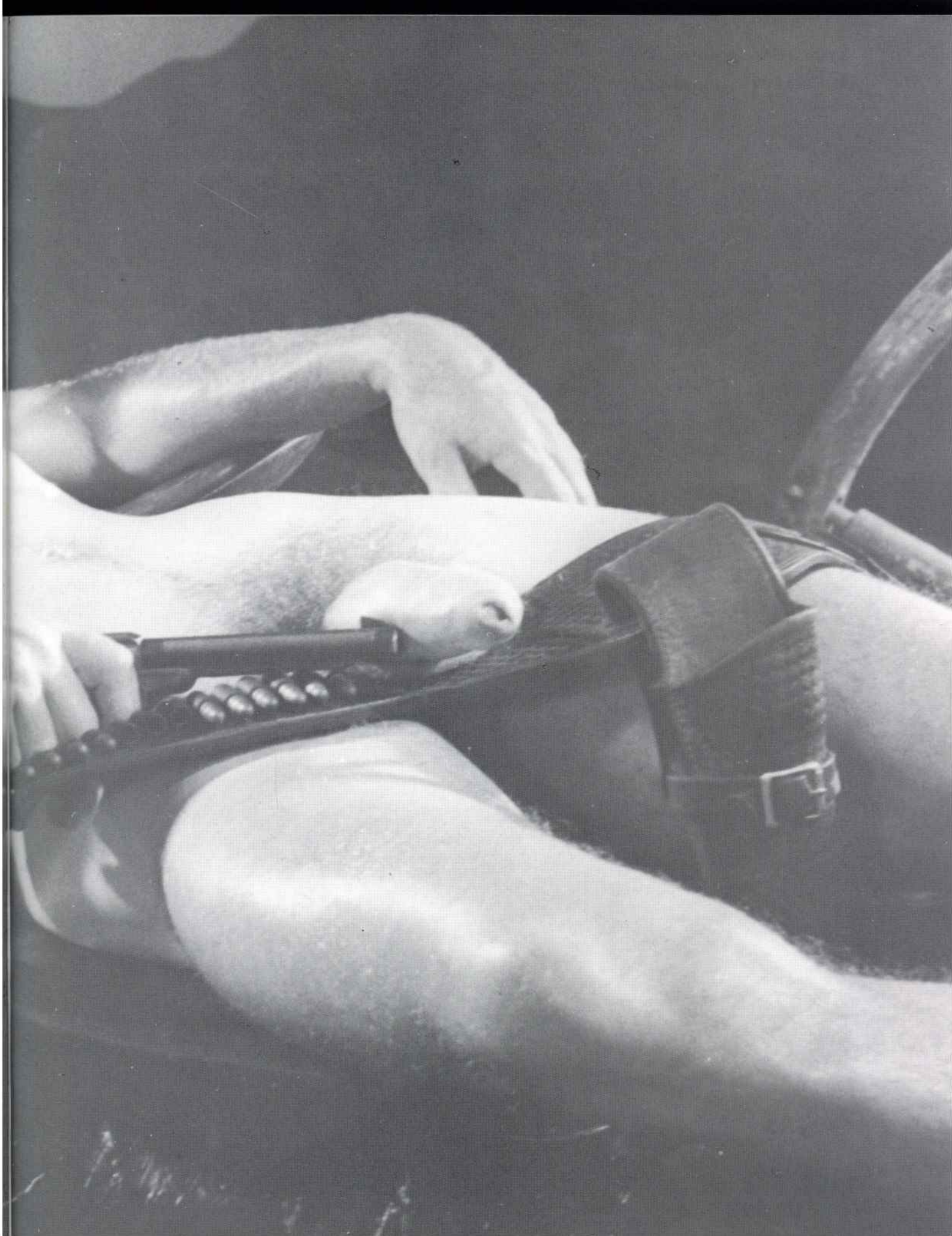
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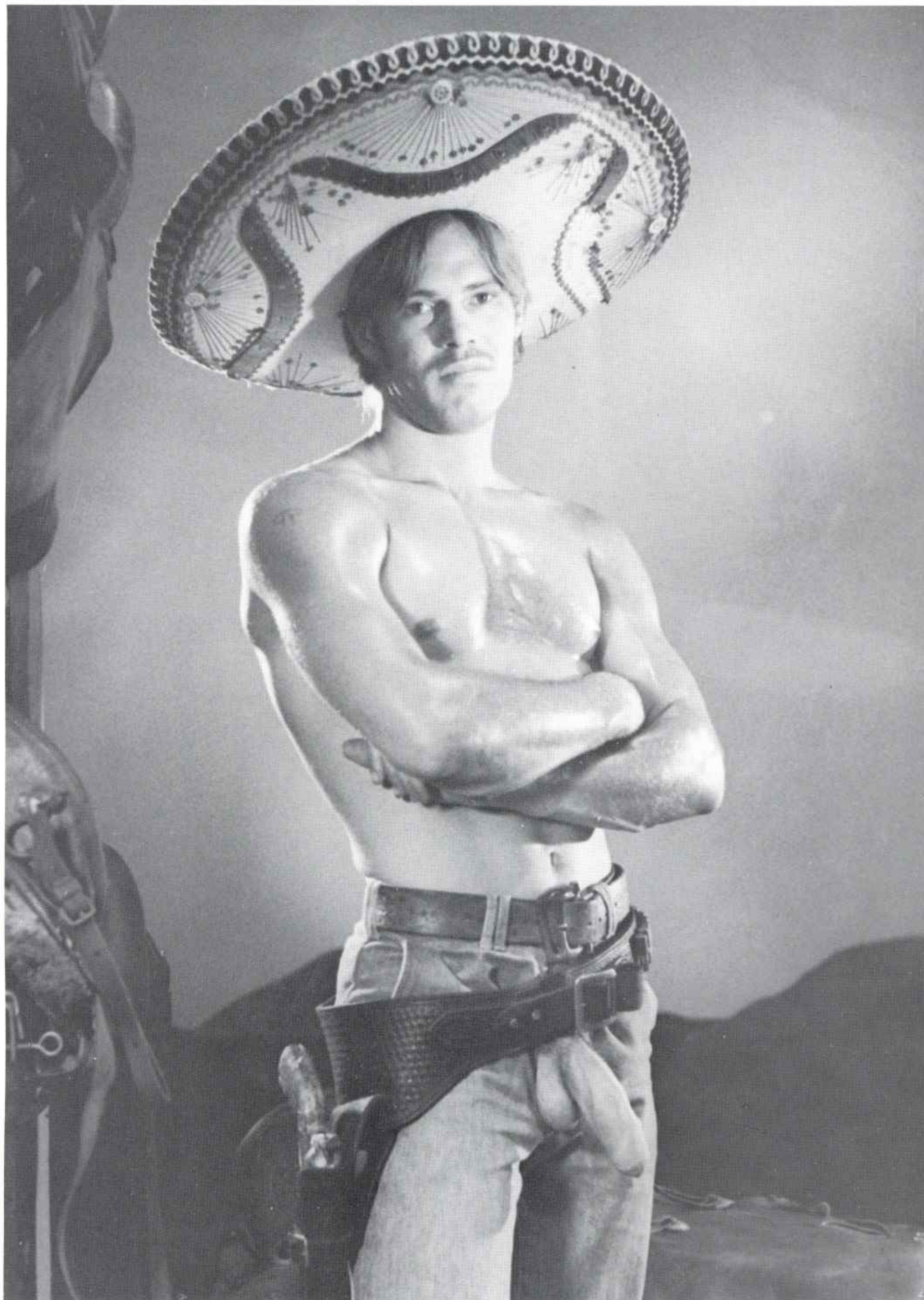
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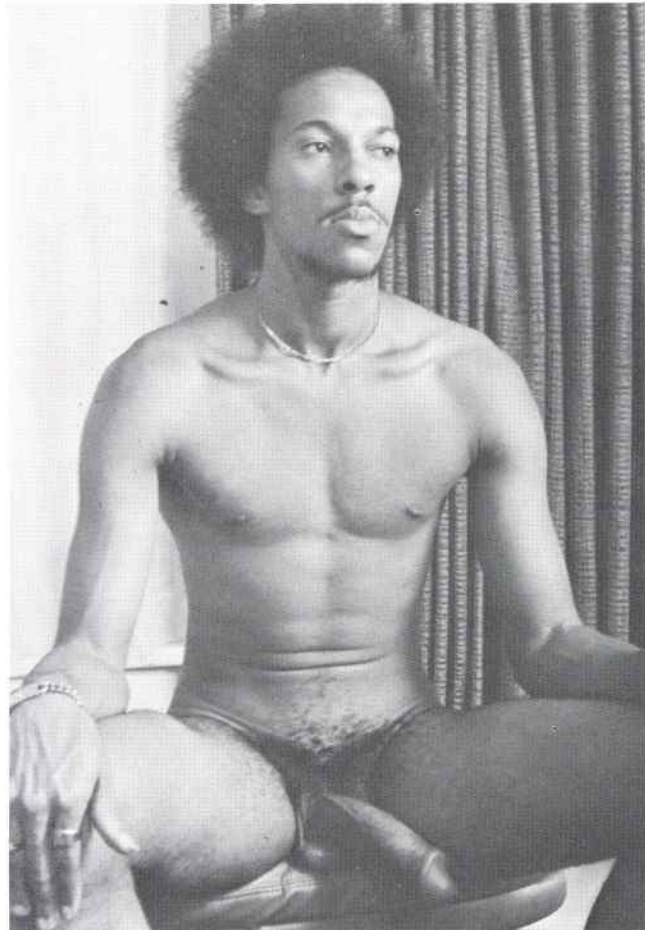


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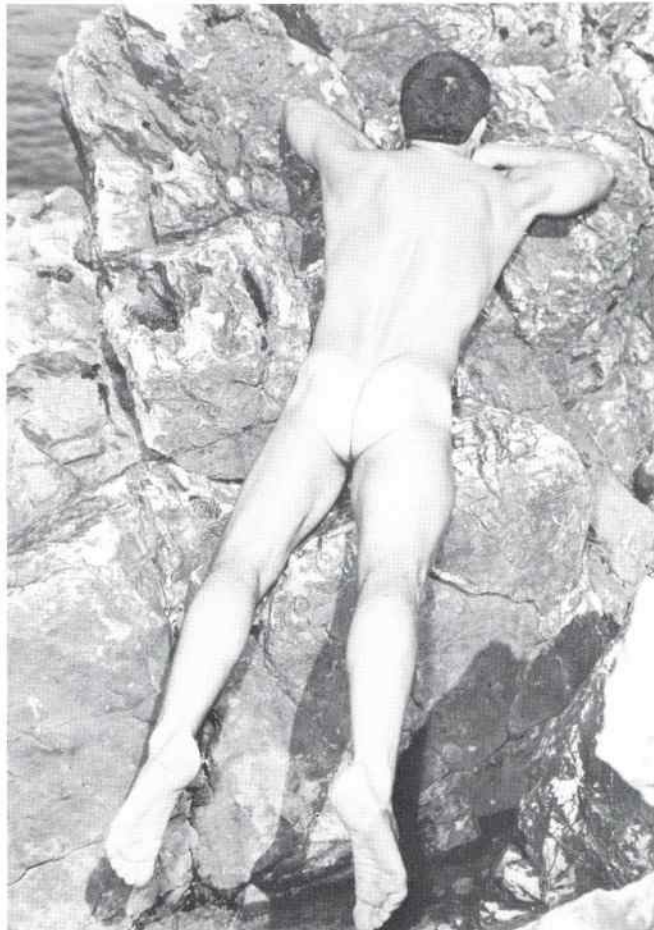
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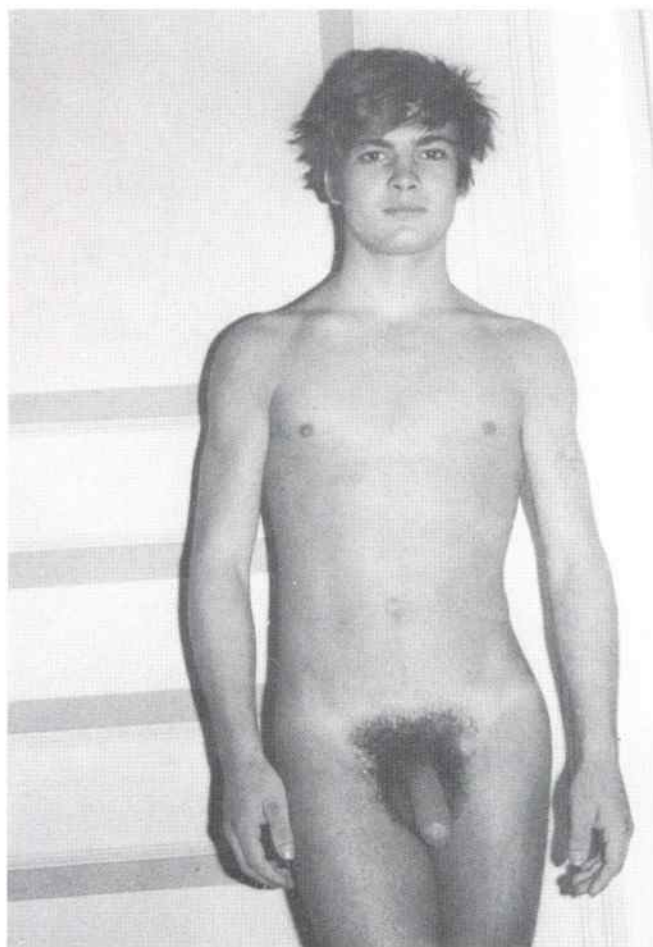




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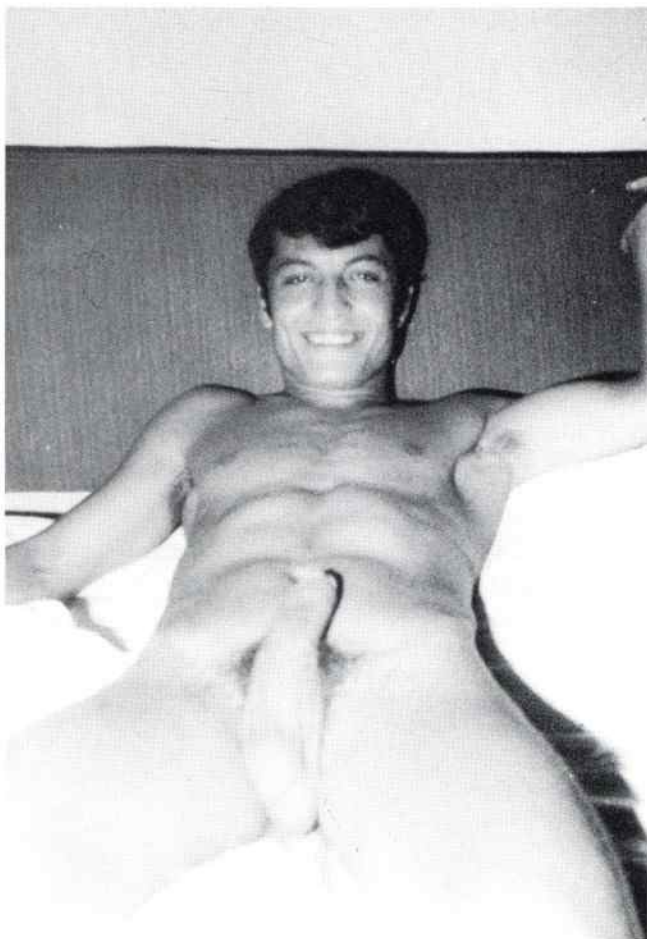
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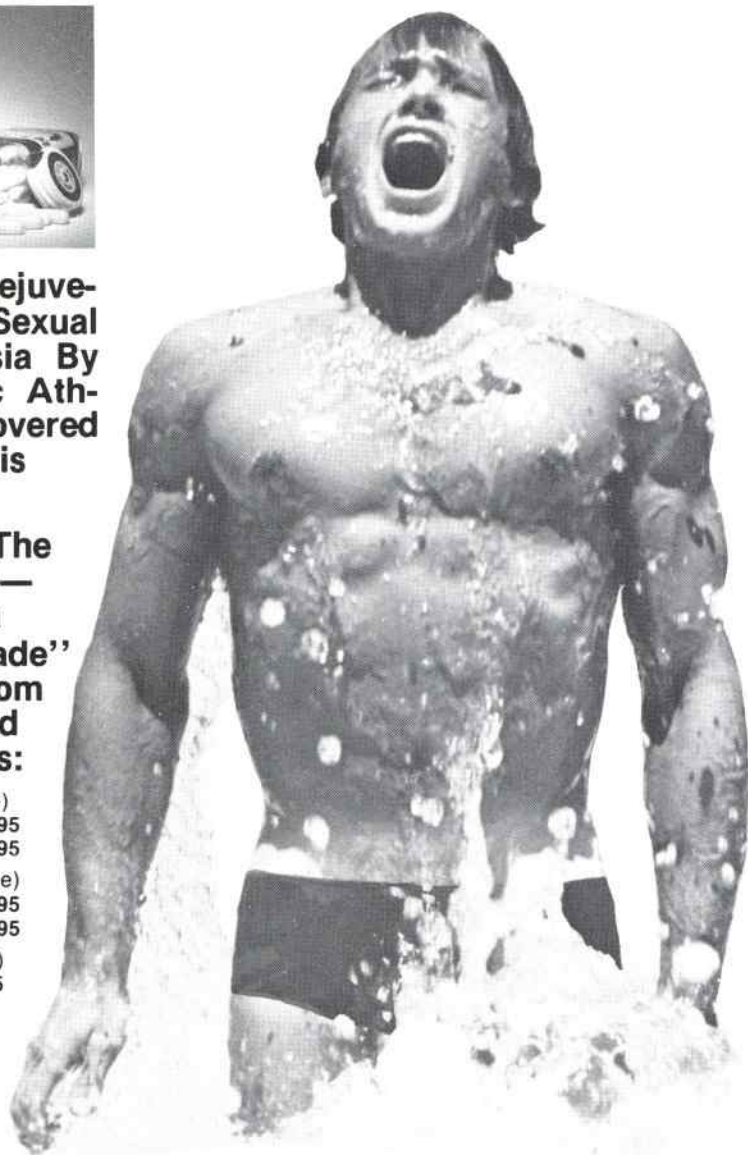
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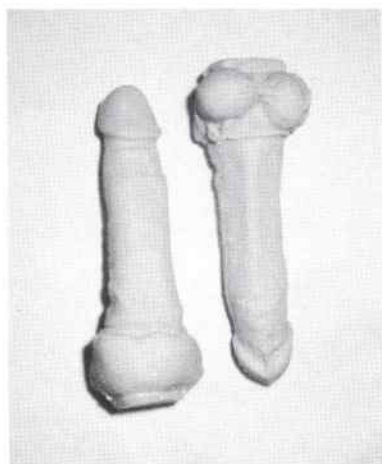
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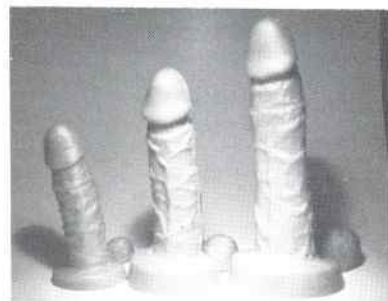


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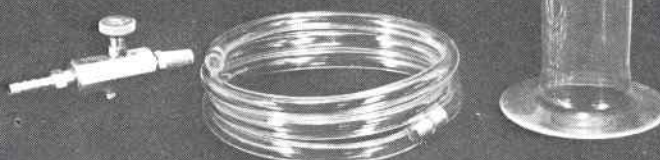
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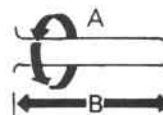
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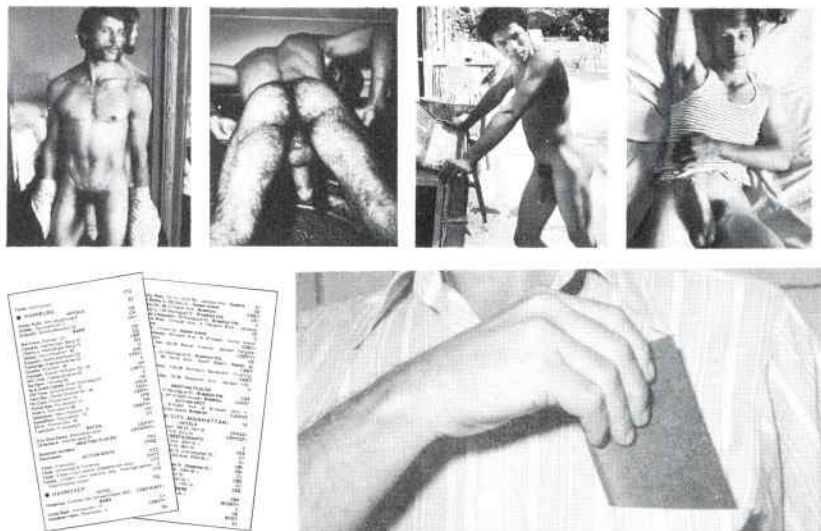
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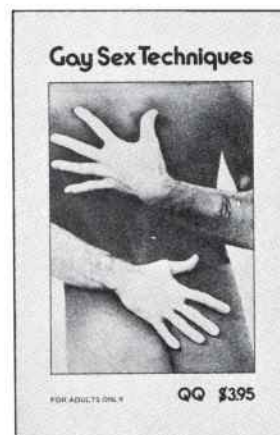
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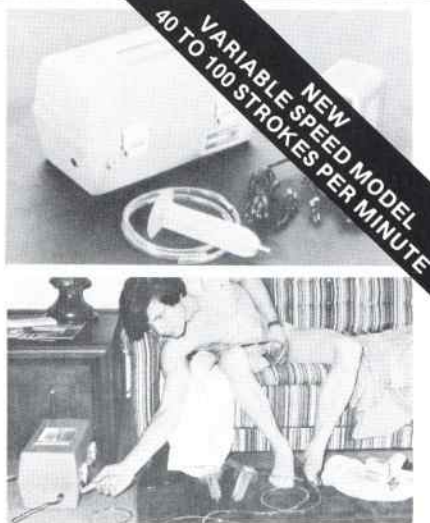
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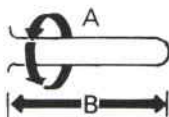
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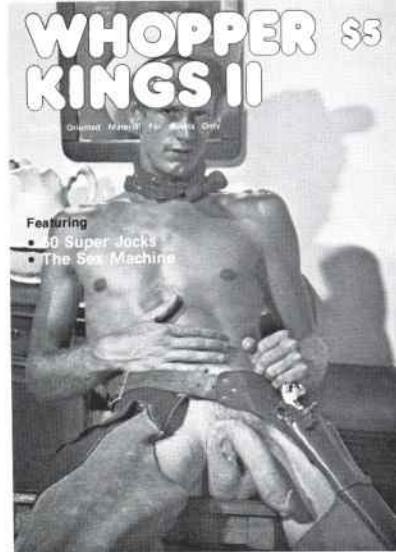


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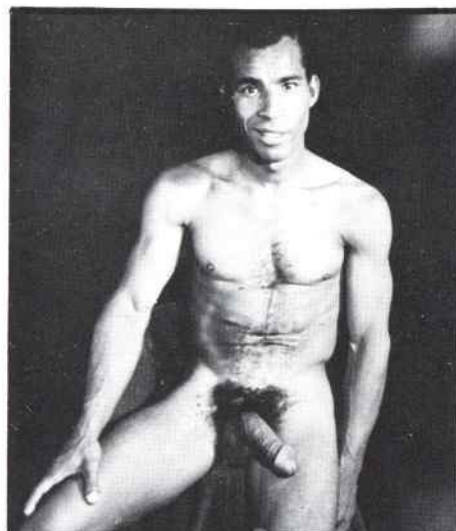
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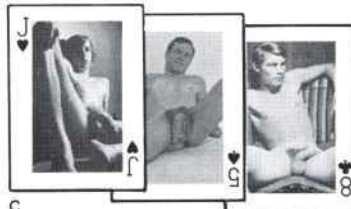
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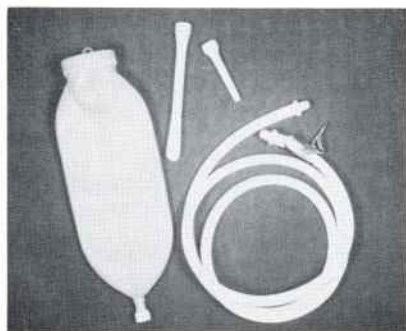
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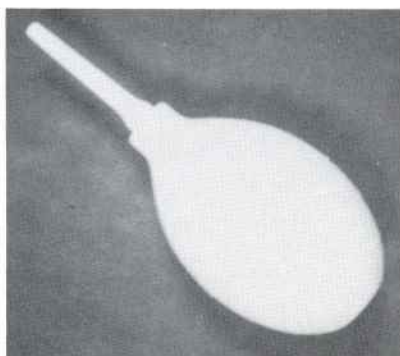
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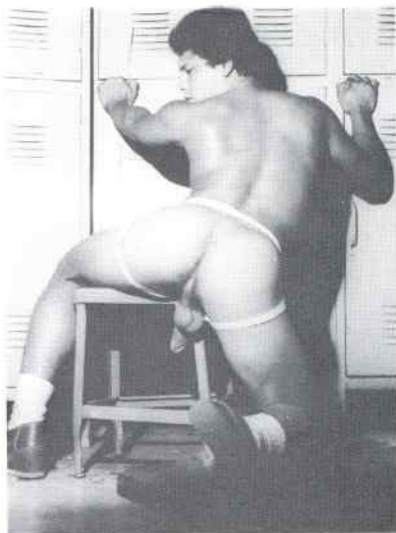
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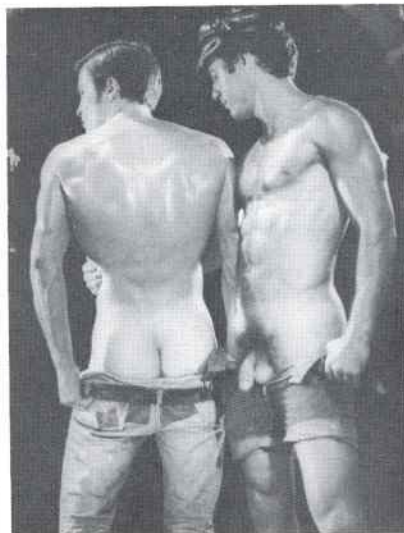
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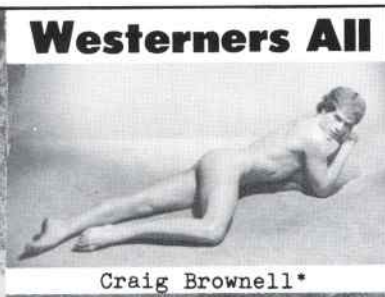
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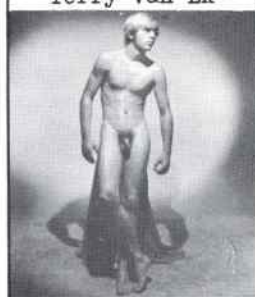
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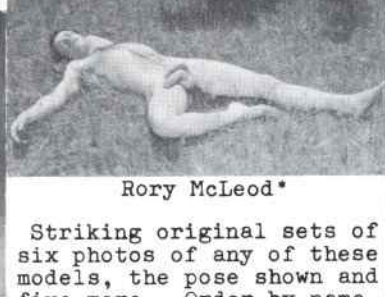
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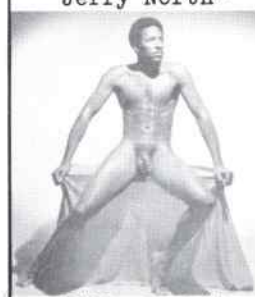
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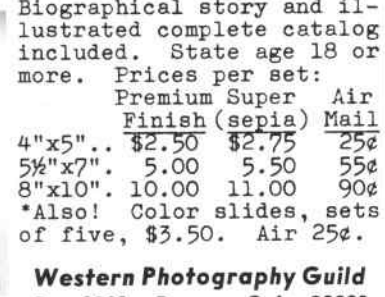
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