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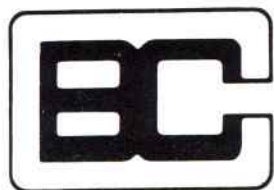
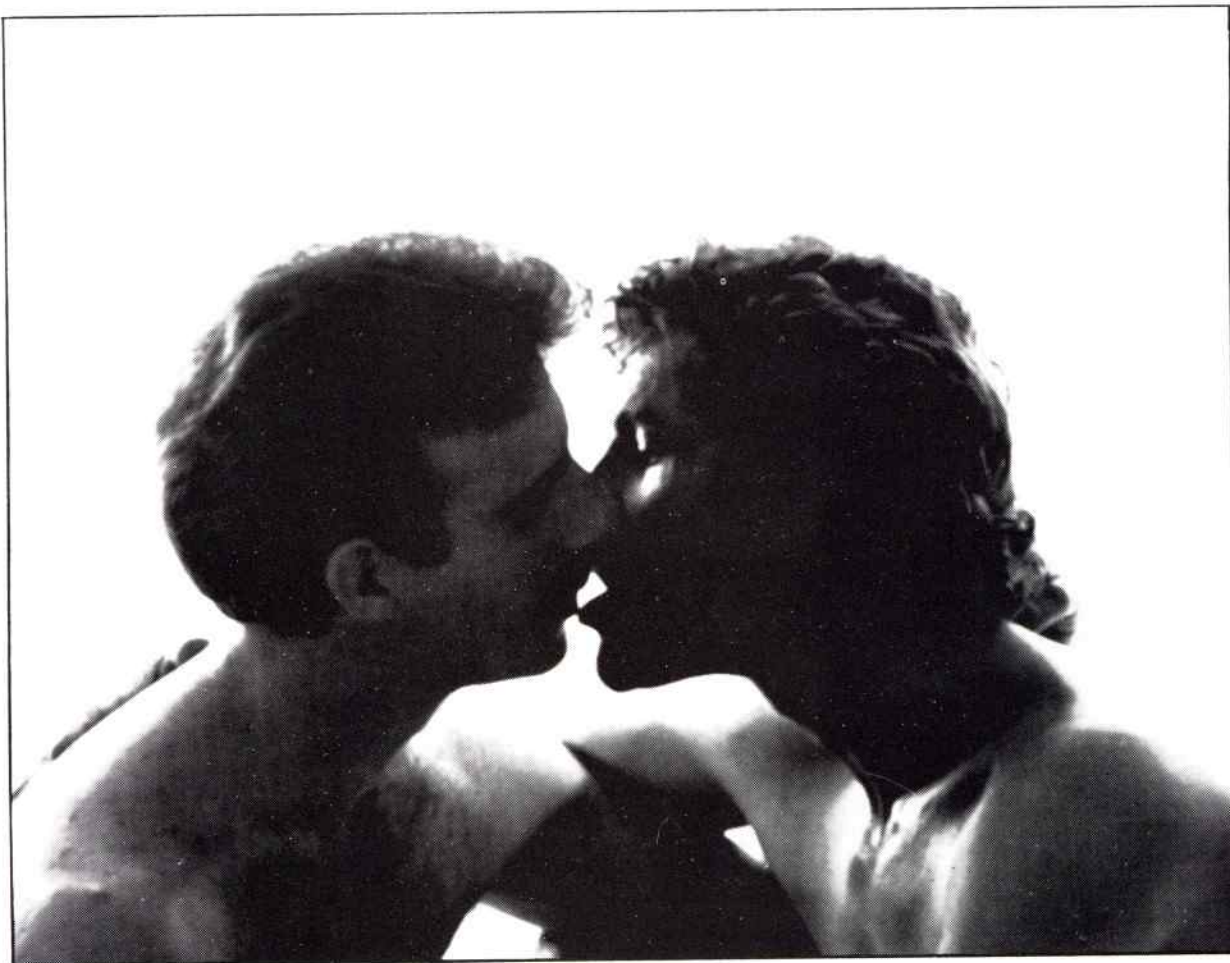
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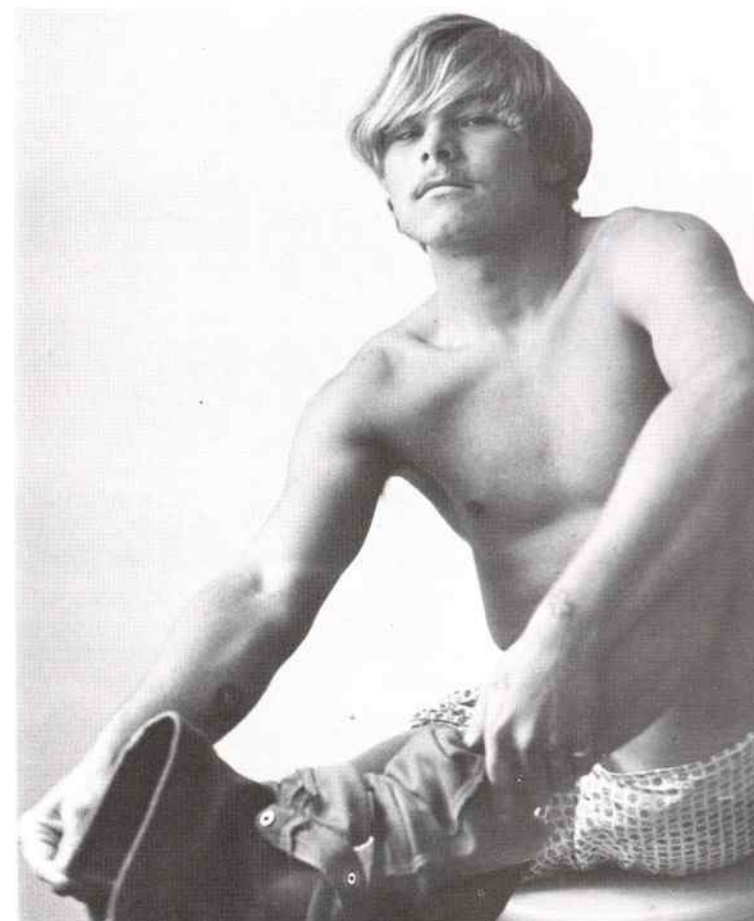
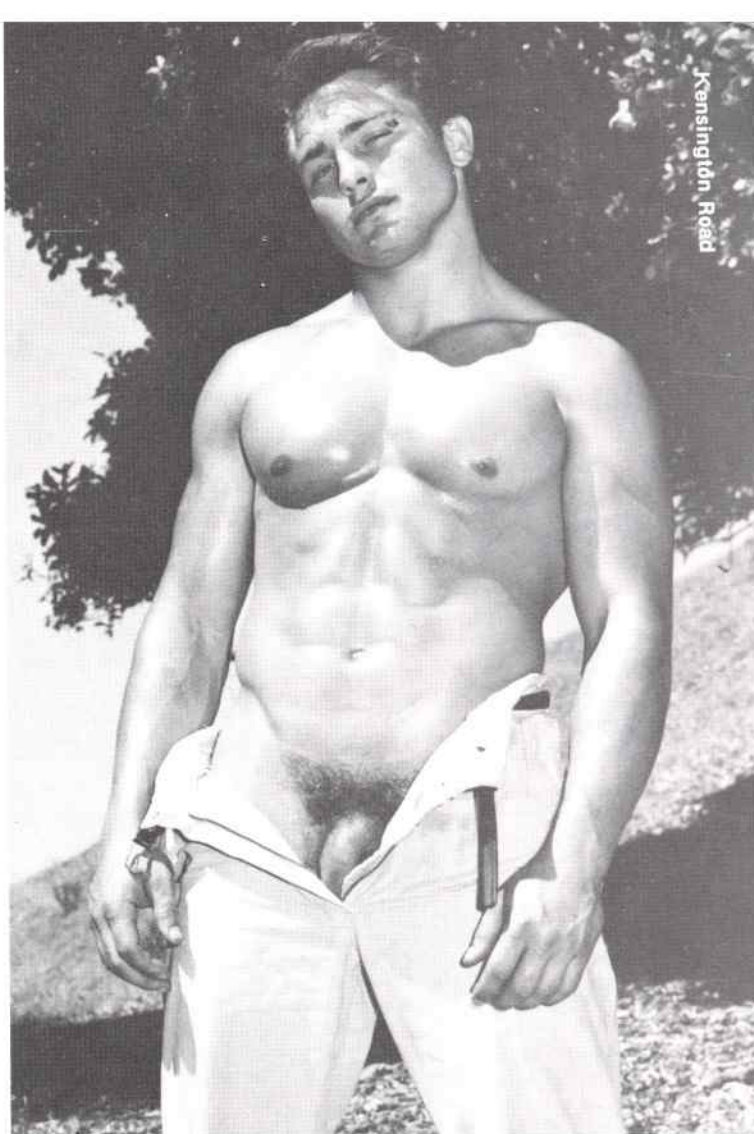
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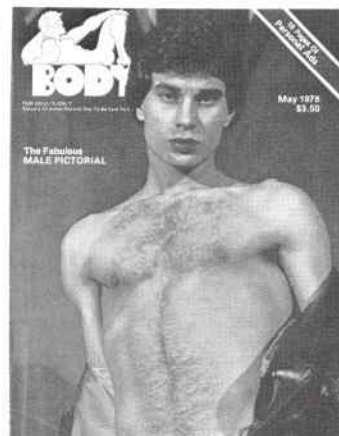
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# Islands

## An Introduction

### By The Editors

James A. Michener, famous for his book/movie "Hawaii," and an authority on world islands, tells us he has always suffered from **nessomania**. It is a word he has coined, meaning madness for islands—the Greek *nesso*, meaning island; and *mania*, madness. It is a disease so many of us gay guys suffer from—as we have shown by our love of tiny patches of land encapsulated by the sea.

An island is a thing set apart, a place where small things take on big meanings. It is a small place that is easy to comprehend. And in its isolation is where inhibitions are dispelled.

It is where we can be at peace with ourselves. Where life is sweet. Where love is sipped like good wine.

## Fire Island 1978

### Still The World's No. 1 Gay Paradise

### By Gregory McTigue

Throughout the world there are islands that are gay favorites . . . places like Capri, Mykonos, Sylt, Key West (yes, it's an island)—but none compares with Fire Island, and, specifically, the gay communities of Cherry Grove and The Pines. Here, as nowhere else in the world, from April thru October, and particularly between Memorial Day and Labor Day, thousands of gay residents, regular weekenders and vacationers from all over the world come together for a carefree time in the sun. It is here that gay people come to reaffirm their lifestyle in the presence of a homosexual majority.

Fire Island is about 32 miles

long and about two city blocks wide for most of its length. There are different communities for different people—the largest and straightest being Ocean Beach; it has lots of small beach cottages jammed up against one another, paved walks, a lot of stores and bars and restaurants—even a movie house . . . and lots of screaming kids. Most gay people who do the Island every summer have never been to Ocean Beach—and prefer to keep it that way.

The gayest community—Cherry Grove—is three miles east of Ocean Beach. It's about a mile long, or seems that way, and about a block wide. The ocean is on one side, the bay on the other. It's an old community, so most of the houses have a traditional look, though a few are quite modern. Here, as nowhere else on the Island, the houses have amusing names (i.e., Of Inhuman Bondage; Wounded Knees; Mary Hartman, Mary Hartman—many with a gay theme) and fly colorful flags. Here, as everywhere else on the Island, there are no automobiles; one gets from here to there on foot along narrow boardwalks. There are a few novelty and clothing shops; a general store that carries magazines and newspapers, as well as a laundry service; two flower shops; two liquor stores; an ice cream counter; a couple of deli counters; a grocery store; a post office; several restaurants; three bars and two discos; several hotels and inns and lots of guest houses.

You either come every weekend, or for a couple of weeks on your vacation if you don't live in the City; or for a season of four or five months if you rent a house. If you stay out of local politics and concern yourself with having fun—lying on the beach by day, strolling occasionally into the meatrack for quickies, or over to bayside for a quiet day of clamming; doing the discos at night and then spending an hour or two or all night in the meatrack doing numbers under the trees—you'll have the time of your gay life. If you allow yourself to get involved in

community hassles your time will be spent dishing him and bitching her, and you'll find yourself going to meetings and parties you'd be better off passing up. Some residents who really would prefer anonymous nights in the rack get so involved in politics and social activities that they actually end up feeling awkward about being seen by their friends in the rack—so they avoid it altogether and have a miserable time, or do the closet scene by tucking themselves away in very dark spots and even wear wigs to disguise themselves. It's all so sick.

Politics in Cherry Grove even carry over into the meatrack. A handful of resident cocksuckers who are too ugly, or old, or both, are forever badmouthing it—living only for moonless nights when they can sneak in and fill up until another new moon comes along. How fortunate it is that the majority want the rack; it gives purpose to the Grove and is endeared to many who lovingly call it "The Judy Garland Memorial Park." But it is being abused; every season sees broader and broader paths as the trampling hordes break more and more trees. Every morning sees tons of shitty tissues, crushed poppers, beer cans, cigarette butts, and even juicy condoms all over the place. And if you stroll through the rack on a sunny day right after a rain, you can smell human piss coming up through the sand. When a guy is hot he thinks not—flinging used poppers here and there and cluttering the area with paper towels he's used to wipe his shitty ass or cock after a fuck. It got so bad last year that groups of regulars got together and formed a sanitation squad—taking turns going in with baggies to clean up the mess on a daily basis (it was quite amusing to see some gingerly picking up the trash with gloved fingers—and others enjoying a vicarious orgasm with each found condom). There has always been an official sign at the entrance to the rack; the paths are actually considered highways on this Federal land (Fire Island is part of the National Seashore) and





Cherry Grove Dock



"Downtown Cherry Grove"



Typical Grove Houses



Carousel Guest House



The Beach

littering them can net you a fine of up to \$500. But the threat has always been ignored because it has never been enforced. Two seasons ago a new sign appeared, nailed on a tree by a benevolent queen—warning litterbugs who discarded their 'trick rags' that they'd get poison (misspelled 'poisen') ivy. The sign still gets a lot of laughs but doesn't solve the problem. Still others have littered the rack in another way, by painting white bands on the trees to help guide cruisers through on dark nights (banging up against trees is commonplace before your eyes get used to the dark). A nice gesture, and a helpful one too, but it doesn't do very much to preserve the natural woodsy setting of the rack.

The rack at the east end of Cherry Grove isn't only used by the Grovers; the gays in The Pines—the gay community a mile east of the Grove—help fill it every night. Just past this "nighttime rack" (which is used, to a limited extent, 24 hours a day) is the "daytime rack"—larger in area and a little closer to The Pines. Because it is so vast it is difficult to get around easily in the dark—so it is here that one goes for a wild afternoon of sex in the bushes. Guys are continually coming and going between stretches of sunning on the beach . . . and there's always a lot of cumming going on. It's busiest about 3 p.m. on Sundays when weekenders want to get in their last licks before returning to the City; it's not unusual to encounter several hundred different faces in any single weekend afternoon in July and August. The paths in the dunes beyond the daytime rack and The Pines are also active—mostly chance meetings by those going back and forth between the two communities during the day.

When you reach The Pines there is another meatrack—at its west end; it is used late at night only. Also at night, the beach itself—particularly the area in the vicinity of the condominiums—is cruised/used (though it is possible to make it anywhere along the beach between the

Grove and The Pines any night). The walks here, as in the Grove, also see action. At the east end of The Pines (which is a considerably larger community than the Grove) is another rack—in the bushes and along the paths flanking an old service "road" (actually a sandy path) referred to as "Burma Road." It's mostly used during the day.

The Pines is a relatively new community so there are lots of modern houses of the "House Beautiful" type. Many, but not all, of the homeowners are wealthy; the majority are at least financially comfortable. Wealth has always attracted beauty—so it is here that the cute showboys and other chorus beauties, who haven't got a pot to piss in, come. They shoot a load into their host—and in return get a nice place to stay and a weekend filled with disco dancing and fun on the beach—making cautious strolls into the meatracks possible. There are usually a lot of parties (the uglier the host, the more he wants to show off his latest "catch" to his peer of trolls)—and these draw not only gays of every description, but also hip straights who come to The Pines by the hundreds on the weekend. The Pines is a place for swingers, gay and straight alike, the Beautiful People—the Show Folk and their satellite No Folk. Their suitcases are filled with bikinis (if they wear anything at all; nude sunning/bathing is legal anywhere on Fire Island), uppers, downers, pot, coke, poppers—turn-on things of every description. Of course, what exists in The Pines is also true of Cherry Grove, but to a lesser extent. The people in The Grove are far less pretentious; they prefer the dungaree/bearded look—in contrast to The Pines where the groomier appearance is more appropriate. In terms of actual good/bad looks—stroll along the beach any busy afternoon and you will clearly see that, stripped down to their bathing suits, without the glamour of Gucci duds or the sizzle of leather gear, they all look alike.

If you weekend with a lover or a buddy, or vacation with a friend with whom you'll be

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spending most of your social time, then it doesn't matter which community you choose to settle in. The beach is all the same and in the meatracks it makes little difference who's staying where. But if you want to mingle with strangers and become part of their social scene you'll probably be happier in The Pines if you like to Gucci up—and in the Grove if you want to get into leather scenes. The Pines has a swinging disco and their Sunday afternoon Tea Dance is more popular than its counterpart in the Grove. The shops, the bars, etc., that exist in the Grove also exist in The Pines. The politics too—which you're advised to stay out of. On busy weekends in July and August (the best months to do the Island—because the weather is usually perfect) there are about 3,000 people in The Pines of which 80% are gay; in the Grove there are about 2,000 people, of which 95% are gay. Lesbians make up a small segment of the gay community on the Island, and you are likely to find them in the Grove.

Fire Island—more specifically, Cherry Grove and The Pines—is where gay people are a majority; gay life predominates and heterosexuals are misfits. We gay people dislike conformity—but, if only for its novelty, it certainly is comforting to be among one's own kind. If nothing else you will sense a free spirit you have never known elsewhere—for it is here that you can truly be yourself as nowhere else on earth. There are other gay communities—but they are pale by comparison with Cherry Grove and The Pines. If you are gay, this is your kind of place—something you will never match anywhere else at any time in your life.

To reach Cherry Grove and The Pines you ferry out of Sayville, a small town on Long Island about 60 miles from the heart of New York City. There is bus service to Sayville, but the best way is by Long Island Railroad. Service is good and fast, and taxis that run between the railroad station and ferry dock meet all trains. The train

ride takes a little over an hour; the taxi ride about two or three minutes; and the ferry about 20 minutes; count on a two-hour trip. About \$15 round-trip is what it costs. There is also plane service from New York City; small seaplanes touch down on the bay just yards away from your house. Service is expensive and unreliable in bad weather.

If you're planning to rent a house, by yourself or with friends in a share arrangement, count on spending about \$4,500 for the season (four or five months, beginning in May) though you can find places for much less . . . and much more. Some cute places are available for about \$200 a week—and they sleep two or more. We recommend the M. Keller Co. on the Island for rentals. They know what houses are available and can handle all the details free of charge (commission is paid by the landlord)—whether you want something for the full season, a month or a couple of weeks. Their number in Cherry Grove is (516) 597-6583. In early season it's best to call weekends. Ask for Peter or Don.

You can also book long-term rooms at the numerous hotels/inns/guest houses. For short stays, rooms are usually available, even on weekends—except holiday times, such as Independence Day and Labor Day. Belvedere Hotel in Cherry Grove is quite elegant; its rooftop dome is a landmark. The big house sits on a wooded plot at the east end of the community. For information and booking phone (516) 597-6448. If you prefer a small guest house that's cozy and homey we suggest you stay at the Carousel Guest House near the dock. Hosts Joe and Rainer will make you feel at ease—and you couldn't ask for a better place if you want to experience a private house without actually renting one. Carousel accommodates only 11 hungry guys—so get on it early by phoning (516) 597-6612. (We featured Carousel in the August 1977 *Ciao!*) And in The Pines we suggest the Botel, a pleasant dockside motel. Phone (516) 597-6500.



**Wooded Walkways**



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**Fire Island Sunset**



If you like a variety of amusements to fill your hours—sight-seeing and such—then Fire Island is probably not your kind of place. It's hell when it rains; when the sun shines—as it does most of July and August . . . and it can too in May, June and September—the beach is beautiful. You can walk its length in either direction and spend your afternoons doing the meatrack. Or hang around "town" eyeballing humpy numbers or gossiping. Walk down to the bay and dig for clams. If you have a rubber boat go out on the bay—perhaps "landing" at the daytime meatrack! Dinnertime can be pleasant at one of the restaurants—if you have a companion. The discos don't really get going until midnight (they swing until 4 a.m.)—and the night time meatrack starts jumping about 1 a.m.). Life here is lazy and sweet—with nothing to worry about except your next trick . . . and there's always enough for everybody. Everybody makes it here—even the ugly . . . especially if they have big cocks. And . . . that's really what it's all about.

## Doing The Gay Caribbean

By David Bartel

### General Comments

For each island we provide a source address for additional information. By writing you will be able to secure a descriptive list of hotels, etc. Also, the airlines servicing the islands are helpful concerning information and hotel bookings. Ditto for travel agencies. We provide the names of only a few hotels, when they are of special interest to the gay traveler.

In choosing a hotel avoid those in the luxury category, as well as small, intimate places; managers and owners are usually uptight about guests bringing in

locals who, in their opinion, pose a threat to the security of their establishment. Motel-type set-ups are good because you can get in and out without being noticed. Likewise for cottage colonies. To maneuver freely stay at a gay hotel if one exists. If you want the ultimate in privacy rent a small house or villa of your own. When several people share the rental the total per person usually comes to less than a superior hotel room. Once you know where you are going contact an appropriate realtor for information. Two good ones that specialize in Caribbean rentals are At Home Abroad, 136 E. 57th St., New York, N.Y. 10022, phone (212) HA1-9165; and Continental Villas, 227 E. 57th St., New York, N.Y. 10022. Phone (212) 593-0297.

No matter what your destination is in the Caribbean your days will be filled with sunshine and sweetness. The islands are flakes of heaven on earth—each with its own customs and traditions. But the purpose of **Ciao!** is to furnish information which cannot be found in ordinary travel books, so we will concentrate on those islands that are of special interest to gay guys.

No matter where you go in the Caribbean you will find that cruising comes easy. Most islands are Black and if you are White you will stand out in the crowds; if you are Black your manner and clothing will give you away. As a tourist you are fair game as a sex object. Homosexuality is illegal almost everywhere—but in the Caribbean the men have very few hangups about getting it on with you . . . especially if you pay them a few dollars or extend other favors such as dinner or a gift. Eyes meet easily, and a smile and hello are all that you need to get to it. And islands are small—which means that inhabitants tend to respect the law . . . because bad boys can't hide all that easily. Most hustlers throughout the Caribbean average \$5 a load.

Black guys everywhere like to fuck—so pack the douche and Vaseline. Give them some head, but don't get into rimming. The

feces—even in micro-doses—is a disease carrier and in the tropics the people are infected with parasites such as amebas and worms which their bodies can tolerate. Get a dose and you'll come home with problems. (Please read "The Joykillers" in this magazine.)

It is usually best not to let your new friends know too much about you, unless you want them showing up at your hotel the next day and trying to dominate your attention. They can be awfully possessive, and though they generally don't object to sharing, if you insist on twosomes and threesomes (which they will gladly provide in most cases) they simply will not step aside for others. Unless, of course, you're good at explaining things and pay generously the first time you meet—in compensation for your freedom for the remainder of your visit.

Best time to visit is in winter when the islands are filled with tourists and activity is at its peak. This is particularly true when celebrations are held; every island has its annual festivals. When the crowds leave prices drop and things get quiet. Some people like this—but it means less to do and even fewer prospects since many of the hustlers who come to the bigger cities when the tourists are there go back to the mountains when they leave.

For gay sex we suggest you concentrate on the following destinations.

## The 'Lesser-Gay' Caribbean Islands (Plus Bermuda)

### BARBADOS

Barbados is not a small island (166 square miles in the shape of a pear) and that means better than average chances of connecting—though there are no gay bars or established meeting places. The people, however, are among the friendliest anywhere, and that makes talking to strangers quite easy. This can be accomplished on any beach, in downtown Bridgetown, or in a

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discotheque.



**Bridgetown**

Many of the hotels are actual-ly clusters of cottages, or single-level units with private entrance. A typical example is a hotel that is considered one of the loveliest on the island—the Sandy Lane. It's a favorite of the British.

Consider staying at the Paradise Bay Beach Hotel. There are private cottages as well as ground-level hotel rooms, all situated under the swaying palms by the sea. The restaurant and locker rooms are open to the public and it is here that you should spend your beach time. Facing the water, walk right and you will find that cruising is easy. There's action in the bushes. A lot of the locals are available—and they aren't interested in money . . . only your good-time holes. They are also interested in making new friends . . . and that's nice if you have the time.

Pelican Village is a touristy shopping center not far from where the cruise ships dock. Consequently, afternoon cruising can net you a gay tourist or seaman.

If you go in late winter the air will be dense with the aroma of roasting corn—which, in fact, is not corn but sugar being refined. In June, when the sugar harvest ends, there is an annual celebration called "Crop Over Festival."



**Rural Barbados**

There isn't that much to see in Barbados, but you will certainly want to tour the island; its hilly areas are very picturesque. Most of your sun hours will be spent on a beach at your hotel or in front of your rented seaside villa. The public beach that is popular with young Bajans, as Barbadians call themselves, is directly to the left (facing the water) of the Accra Beach Hotel. The stretch of sand is covered with young studs—locals as well as tourists—and many are available. The hotel's "Witch's Hat" beach bar (daytime hours only) is popular with gays who like keeping a watchful eye on the outside john door; inside there is occasional action. For these reasons this hotel, which is set up like a motel, is frequented by gays—though their numbers are small by comparison with the straight guests. Because of its proximity to the port it is Accra Beach that sailors visit when their ship docks.



**Accra Beach**



**Harry's Nitery**

As far as night life is concerned, the swingiest disco in town (actually outside Bridgetown) is Alexandra's. Everybody goes—especially on Saturday night. Harry's Nitery is a landmark in Bridgetown. Shows nightly; the girls strip, the straights see what they want, and then rent the girls for sex upstairs. Occasional gays fre-

quent the place, but if you fail to connect with a tourist or local (expect to pay for the latter) the bartender will be happy to get you a boy, for a price. Harry's is on Bay Street and opens at 7 p.m.

If you can drive, by all means rent a car—and make certain it's small because the roads are narrow and driving is on the left. Taxis are readily available but things are spread around and it isn't easy going without wheels of your own. Temporary driving permits are secured at the airport for a few dollars on arrival. You'll find Avis here too.

For additional information, write to the Barbados Tourist Board, 801 Second Ave., New York, N.Y. 10017. In Canada, 150 Eglinton Ave., E., Toronto 5, Ont.

## BERMUDA

Though a lot of people associate Bermuda with the Caribbean, the island is in the Atlantic, about as far north as the Carolinas. This makes it ideal for a springtime or summertime vacation, but winters are cool and moist.

Bermuda is neat. The island is clean and ablaze with flowers. Getting around on motorbikes is easy and lots of fun, though you will probably rely on taxis at night.

Downtown Hamilton is colorful and fun to shop. St. George, the old town, is historic and affords leisurely and interesting browsing. There are enough sights to fill a couple of days; these include the famous underground caves.



**Hamilton's Harbor**

But, mainly, you will spend your daytime hours on a beach. A lot of young people like the Elbow Beach Surf Club. The



waiters there are very interesting. If the British fleet is in, bike it out to Ireland Island and find yourself a patch of deserted beach. Lots of times the sailors come down in available singles and groups and sunbathe and swim nude.



A bar and restaurant that's popular with gays during the day as well as evenings is the Horse & Buggy on Queen St. It's not gay but the bar can get pretty obvious. Ditto for evenings at the tiny Hog Penny Pub on Burnaby St. Servicemen and locals can kick up a gay storm here. Both places are in Hamilton.

In St. George try the Gun Powder Caverns, a bar in the old fort. It's popular with U.S. servicemen.

Back in Hamilton, late at night, you might find some cruising on Front St., and in the small, dark park behind the ferry station (actually the grounds of the Royal Bermuda Yacht Club). There's action in the bushes and darkened ferry station john . . . sometimes. But it's potentially dangerous and the cops patrol regularly.

For additional information, write to the Bermuda Department of Tourism, 610 Fifth Ave., New York, N.Y. 10020.

## DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

The trouble with Santo Domingo, the capital of the Dominican Republic, is that it has no beaches. No doubt you will want to spend most of your time in town, rather than isolate yourself at a distant beach resort, so you will have to be content with dips in your hotel pool.

The Dominican Republic occupies two-thirds of the island of Hispaniola (Haiti is the other third). Spanish is the language

and if you can't manage a few words you won't communicate freely. And like most Latins, the Dominicans have a low boiling point—so language difficulties could lead to squabbles, especially when dealing with hustlers. There's a lot of American industry there, and American workers, so you won't be a curiosity by any means.

There are good hotels. The food is beautifully prepared. Don't drink the tap water. If you like strong coffee it's great here.

Santo Domingo, like most Spanish strongholds, stays up late. It's a safe city at night—but the usual precautions are necessary with rented boys.

Gay life? Some say gays favor the bar and pool at the Hotel Hispaniola. Ditto for the Hotel Jaragua. But the best bar to get what you want is Nicolas, Felix E. Mejia 241 (near 32nd and Maximo Gomez). Young hustlers, but the place isn't rough. The Malecon (breakwater) is cruised at night, but in summer only. Be careful because it can be dangerous. Same for Parque Enriqueillo.

Sex is easy to find wherever you go. Stop in at any downtown bar, go to the men's room to take a leak . . . and suddenly Prince Charming is standing next to you with a big hog hanging out of his fly. Dominicans, whose heritage is Spanish, have the biggest non-Black cocks in the Caribbean.



Boca Chica Beach

The best place to meet and eat is at Boca Chica Beach, about a half hour by car (taxi is \$10) from downtown Santo Domingo. Just take the sun or walk the strand and you'll be approached—mainly by guys in small rowboats who offer to take you out to the nearby reef or tiny islands

that are almost swimming-distance away. They'll ask for about \$20 for their services once you're on your way—but it's negotiable. Spread those cheeks . . . and say "Ah-h . . . ohmygod!"

For a change of pace and skin color why not split your vacation time on Hispaniola between the Dominican Republic and Haiti? There are regular flights between the neighboring countries.

For tourist information write to the Dominican Government Tourist Office, 64 W. 50th St., New York, N.Y. 10020.

## HAITI

Haiti really is mysterious and exciting. Even if you don't believe in Black Magic you can sense it everywhere—especially at night when you can hear the voodoo drums in the distant hills.

The island is crowded and dirty—but it is fascinating. The people are beautiful; here you will encounter handsome studs who, by comparison, make their black brothers throughout the Caribbean look plain.

There are many good hotels, the most fascinating being the Grand Hotel Oloffson—a mad structure right out of a Charles Addams cartoon. It attracts a lot of gays in the arts and an evening around the informal bar can prove rewarding. The more comfortable hotels are in Petionville, the hilly suburb above teeming Port-au-Prince. Best is El Rancho. The deluxe Habitation LeClerc is situated in a very squalid section of Port-au-Prince and tucked away behind a stone wall topped with broken glass to guarantee that intruders stay out. There are private groupings of two suites, across from each other, that share a common mini swimming pool in the "front yard." The suites are quite beautiful but lack privacy; the bathrooms, for example, don't have walls—so your companion will hear every thunderous moment of your toilet. So will your neighbors across the way. In the main building there is a lounge, also a restaurant (for those who prefer not being served in their

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suite), and a huge swimming pool. It'll cost you at least \$150 a day for two. Most of these hotels do not permit outside guests.



Grand Hotel Oloffson



El Rancho Hotel

If you want more freedom, try the Panorama Guest House (contact Arthur Rouzier, Mgr., Box 1338, Port-au-Prince, Haiti). It's a modest establishment, but has a swimming pool and sun deck—and a lot of interesting boys. Rates are \$12 for a single, \$20 double. You make your own arrangements with the boys. In case you don't write beforehand, instruct your driver to take you to the Panorama that's in the Fontamara section of town, as there is another guest house that has the same name. The ride is about \$6.

There are a lot of small guest houses in town, and luxury beach resorts about an hour away—and you will find boys everywhere in Haiti. But never forget that for all Haitians, and particularly hustlers, the slogan is "faut payer"—"it is necessary to pay." Never "please pay."

You'll get double-takes everywhere you go, and some guys are so bold—especially in the country—that they'll take out their wicked hogs and shake them at you as a tempting prize. Use common sense in such situations and always exer-

cise caution; you have money and they don't.

Freda's is on the main Petionville road, opposite the Hotel Montana. It moves from time to time—so if it isn't there when you arrive, a taxi drive will take you to the gay bar that is in existence (offer him \$5 for services . . . in addition to cab fare). Lots of boys who really turn on to Americans. And though you must pay—Haitians do everything. No macho hang-ups here.

Be sure and come back with some Haitian paintings. The primitives are beautiful. Buy them from a reputable gallery, such as the National on the main Petionville road.

For general information write to the Haiti Government Tourist Bureau, 30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York, N.Y. 10020.

## JAMAICA

As popular as Jamaica is with most U.S. tourists, and as many people as there are on the island in winter, it has very little to offer the gay vacationer. Of course the climate is great, and the beaches are beautiful, but you'll find that you'll want to spend a lot of your time right around your hotel and its stretch of beach—so pick someplace good to stay. You can connect with hustlers on the main streets but don't ever trust them.



Doctor's Cave Beach

Most fun vacationers stay in or near Montego Bay. Here is where the good beaches are. The Half Moon Hotel is beautifully situated and boasts a big muscle contest winner as its poolside lifeguard. Your best bet for meeting gay locals and tourists, will be Doctor's Cave Beach, a

small stretch of sand that actually has a gay section; it's on the right (facing the water), near the trees. You can't do anything there, nor in the changing rooms, but this is where it's at as far as making contacts is concerned. When cruise ships dock, gay sailors head right out to Doctor's Cave Beach—and so should you. Fire Island it ain't, but it's the best gay gathering place on the island.

For tourist information write the Jamaican Tourist Board, 200 Park Ave., New York, N.Y. 10017.

## ST. KITTS

St. Kitts has many historical attractions and good beaches.

There is a small hotel in downtown Basseterre operated by C.E. Stevens (phone 2116). The rooms can be rented by the hour, day or week. Available boys frequent the establishment—and for under \$5 a boy you can keep them coming all night long. Visitors who are into numbers tell us they sometimes go down and rack up 20 in a single night. Please note that you make your own arrangement with the boys—though the hotel will help with advice should you have any problems. An honest, friendly establishment. And the boys, too, are honest . . . mostly gentle, country types—who carry a lot of weight push where it counts!



Basseterre: "The Circus"

For tourist information write to the Caribbean Travel Assn., 20 E. 46th St., New York, N.Y. 10017.

## ST. MARTIN/SINT MAARTEN

There are 32 beaches on the French-Dutch island of St.



Martin (the French half) and Sint Maarten (the Dutch half). The biggest town is Phillipsburg, on the Dutch side. Here you will find the Tamarinde Guest House (P.O. Box 247). The establishment advertises in gay publications and recently sent out a flyer to interested parties announcing that from now on only gay guests would be encouraged to stay at the hotel. It is here that you are likely to meet interesting tourists and available locals. Moreover, the information secured at the desk just might make your stay on the island a sexual hit.



St. Martin (Marigot)



Sint Maarten Beach

For general information write the Netherlands Antilles Windward Islands Tourist Information Office, 4 W. 58th St., New York, N.Y. 10019.

### ST. THOMAS

We refrain from recommending other Caribbean islands—not because they are not beautiful and worth visiting but because opportunities for sex are limited. Or because you're likely to encounter trouble as a consequence of your sex drive—as in St. Thomas. Regardless of what the travel brochures claim, and what the U.S. Virgin Islands tourist office says about its good people—the locals can get pretty rough. If you go we suggest you do the town in a single afternoon as an excursion when you vacation in nearby Puerto Rico. Skip the gay bars. Shop and taxi over

to Morningstar Beach for a swim. You're likely to meet a couple of gay tourists at the bar or on the beach, as Morningstar has always been a gay favorite (of minor importance, however), and they will answer your questions about gay life here. If you plan on spending a few days . . . then try Thatch Farm Cottages (P.O. Box 548, phone 774-2654), which encourages a gay clientele.



St. Thomas (Charlotte Amalie)



St. Thomas (Magen's Bay)

For more information write to the Virgin Islands Information Office, 16 W. 49th St., New York, N.Y. 10020.

## Puerto Rico 1978: Still No. 1 In The Gay Caribbean

Puerto Rico is still the gem of the Caribbean. It has what every other island has, ten times over . . . and a lot more. There are beaches and mountains. The luxury hotel strip on the ocean is unmatched anywhere else in the Caribbean. San Juan's old section, as well as many of the small towns throughout the island, rival ancient villages in Spain for Old World charm. There are modern residential sections and streamlined shopping centers. Big condominiums loom over the Atlantic. And, in the sections frequented by tourists at least, there is American cleanliness.

Some unrest concerning the

debate over independence and statehood does exist, and there are occasional bombings of U.S. businesses by radicals, but the people are friendly and have strong ties with the U.S. (Puerto Rico is a U.S. commonwealth); many travel between the island the mainland constantly. (Recent investigation by our government has shown that radical groups such as FALN, the elusive fanatics that bomb U.S. businesses here and in Puerto Rico, are not made up of Puerto Ricans but of Cubans whose task it is to further Communism by creating unrest and indecisiveness in Puerto Rico in an attempt to discourage the support of statehood.) Moreover, most of the people the average tourist is likely to encounter speak good English—and that in itself makes a vacation in Puerto Rico that much easier.

For the gay guy, opportunities for sex exist here as only in cities such as New York; it is abundant, rampant and wild. Moreover, it is enjoyed on a mutual level. That is to say, it is not commercial. Hustlers are available (among them are many young mainlanders who come down for the winter, blond humps right off 42nd St.) but unnecessary, unless buying happens to be your thing. In almost all other Caribbean ports, no matter how young and handsome you are yourself, sex must be purchased—and it is almost always trade. Not so in Puerto Rico. Even outside cosmopolitan San Juan, where you are likely to encounter trade, it is given willingly and freely by hot young studs who want to get it as much as you want to give it.

### THE WEATHER

In winter, in holiday season, it is great. Daytime temperatures are in the high 80's, and there's always a breeze; nighttime air is about 75 and quite pleasant. It sometimes rains in the fall, and summertime is hot but never uncomfortable. The most popular time of year is mid-December thru mid-March, the peak being around Feb. 15th. Winter holidays in Puerto Rico guarantee sunshine and warmth.

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## WHERE IN PUERTO RICO

One thinks San Juan when one thinks Puerto Rico. The island is quite large, and if you were to circle it by car you would need at least two days without making long sightseeing stops along the way, or crossing the mountainous interior. Most tourists prefer to remain in San Juan and vicinity and unwind from the burden of winter at a leisurely pace.

The airport is about 20 minutes by road (take a cab, or rent a compact from Avis or Hertz) from the Gold Coast—the luxury hotel strip in the section of San Juan called Condado. You touch down by the ocean, on the north side of the island, and go west, along the ocean, until you reach Condado. On the way you pass through such sections as Isle Verde (Isle Verde Beach is behind the airport; it is referred to later, for its beauty and hot locker-room action) and Ocean Park, a quiet residential area just this side of Condado (one of the pretty gay hotels is here; see later). The section of Condado most tourists limit themselves to is Ashford Ave., which runs parallel to the ocean in front of the big hotels, between the Sheraton at the east end and the Holiday Inn at its western extreme. Walking distance between these points is about 15 minutes, and here, among the hotels, are restaurants, shops, and gay bars.

When you come to the Holiday Inn you cross a bridge over an inlet that flows into a lagoon. Turn left and, eventually, left again and drive back in an easterly direction through the section known as Miramar, which is a shopping district (it is here that you'll find the Lorraine Theatre; see later). Over the bridge, bear right instead, and then go straight ahead and you'll be in Old San Juan in 5 minutes. This is the old part of town, filled with small shops, charming Old World buildings, churches, plazas, tiny parks, forts (El Morro, at its far end, is fascinating to wander through), small guest houses (there are two gay ones that are good), restaurants, and gay establishments. There

are cobblestone streets and ancient passageways, and always there is cruising.

## WHERE TO STAY

### Big Hotels

If you prefer a luxury hotel (average oceanfront room for two, \$75 a day without meals) I suggest the **Holiday Inn** (book by phoning Holiday Inn International Reservations at 800-238-5510, and specify Condado branch since there are two Inns in Puerto Rico). The hub of gay activity on Ashford Ave. is nearer the Sheraton, a walking distance away (as already noted), but the Holiday Inn is more relaxed than the other monster hotels and it's easy to be anonymous, no matter how many guys you bring in or how strange they look. The desk is more watchful at the nearby La Concha (you must pass it on your way to the elevator); curiously, its downstairs john, near the casino, is cruised and used to a limited extent in late afternoon. The Sheraton, near the hottest gay section of Ashford Ave., is downright hostile to gay guys—if they find you out. The desk is very watchful and the john across the lobby is constantly checked by security. The Holiday Inn has a good coffee shop that stays open into the early morning hours, a big casino (there are a lot of slot machines, too, and it opens at 1 P.M. when casual dress is acceptable), a big pool area and a small public beach outside its gates that is lightly cruised. There is also free parking in the underground garage. If you know Condado but can't imagine where this hotel might be, it is the old San Jeronimo Hilton.

If you are planning to stay several weeks you can save yourself a lot of money by staying off the ocean, at the start of the Miramar shopping district already mentioned. The **Borinquen**, on Fernandez Juncos, phone (809) 725-1212 or book through Suite 4315, 200 Park Ave. (Pan Am Bldg), New York, N.Y. (212) 661-0483, is about 15 minutes walking distance from the Holiday Inn (a half hour to the gay section of Condado beach, near the Sheraton, but



Condado Towards Old San Juan



Ashford Ave.



Convention Center on Ashford

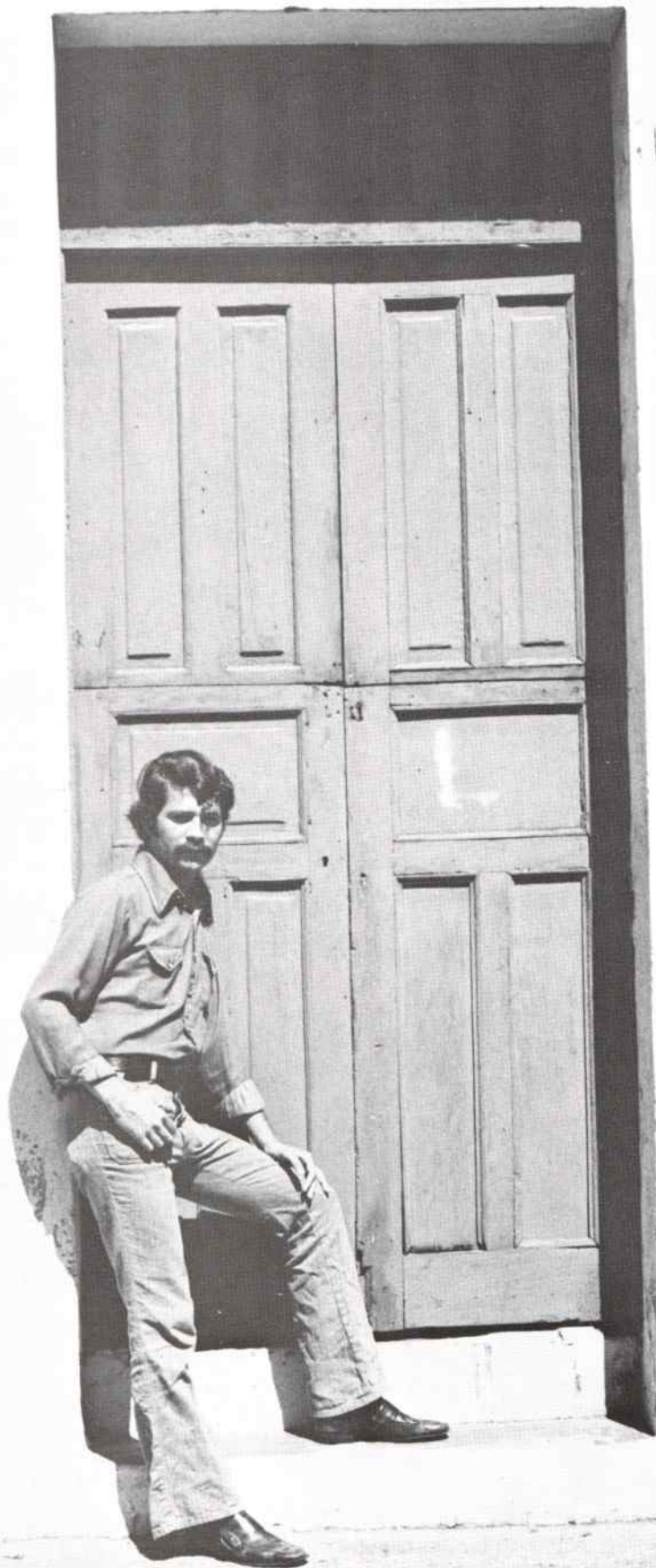


Condado Holiday Inn



Poolside at The Holiday





the hotel has free van service to Condado). It is the tallest hotel in Puerto Rico and its rooftop bar affords a commanding view of the city. Here, you can get a superior room for two for \$32 a day, and a lot less if you stay a month (I overheard one guest making a deal for \$350 for the month, in February). The hotel is huge and space is almost always available. Many rooms have kitchenettes (there's a small grocery store on the main floor), there's a pool, a casino, a lunch counter, and it is strictly casual (you'll see a lot of guys in dungarees). The john on the main floor, in the rear just behind the grocery store, is cruised and used—best late afternoons. It's not the busiest action spot in town, and you may not get exactly what you want, but in the daytime and, to repeat, in late afternoon you're bound to connect. This hotel is popular with young U.S. servicemen, because it is near the U.S. Naval Reservation—and it isn't unusual to find a hunky, macho "I don't kiss on the lips!" type cruising the john. The Borinquen, in case you haven't been to San Juan for a few years, used to be called the Darlington.

#### **Medium-Sized Hotels**

In old San Juan the charming **El Convento**, an old convent that is beautifully appointed. It is strictly Old World (the rooms are modern and comfortable, and air-conditioned). There's a pool, and the restaurants are excellent. A short walk to all the gay establishments in Old San Juan, but the El Convento is a class place and you will encounter problems getting in with obvious pickups. A superior room for two is \$65 a day. Call (809) 723-9020, or book through Ciga Hotel, Inc., 745 Fifth Ave., New York, N.Y. 10022, (212) 935-9540.

Back in Condado, you might like the **Dutch Inn**, just off Ashford Ave. near the Sheraton. It's a luxury-type establishment, not as big as the giant ocean-front hotels . . . and not as expensive (doubles average \$50 a day). And it's only about two blocks from the gay beach. Casual enough to get overnight

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tricks in with no problems. Call (809) 725-0810, or write Dutch Inn & Towers, Condado & Ashford Ave., San Juan, P.R. 00907.

The **Sands Hotel** is on the ocean, practically next to the Sheraton. It's old but comfortable. Very plain. There's a pool—but the attraction is its location; it is in front of the Sands, just to the right of it (facing the ocean) that gay guys gather . . . this is Condado's gay beach. Doubles here average \$33 a day (you can get a two-room corner suite for \$50 to \$70 a day). Strictly casual. Bring home a gorilla and nobody will ask questions.

#### A Small Hotel

Facing the ocean, just to the left of the Sands (they practically touch), is the newly-remodeled **Atlantic Beach Hotel**. Whereas the Sands is 'gayish', this one is gay—all the way, starting with the help. It's a nice place, handsome but simple, and small . . . so book early. Doubles average \$35 a day. Its main floor outdoor bar on a terrace just above the beach is famous **Rudy's**—a gay bar that is especially popular in the afternoon (especially weekends) and gets a flow of traffic all night long. The Atlantic Beach Hotel is at the foot of Calle Vendig (No. 1), San Juan, P.R. 00907, phone (809) 722-3089. Vendig is a short block that runs from Ashford Ave. to the ocean. There's a gay bar in this street (Shack Up; see below), and the corner of Vendig and Ashford is the hub of Condado's nighttime cruise area. Thanks to the two bars and the hotel—Vendig is a miniature Christopher St., a bit of Castro St. under the swaying palms. Lots of mainland gays in macho outfits, as well as young mainland blond and local hustlers who hang out at the Shack Up, where there are pinball machines and a small sex room. Guys staying at the ABH make Vendig their 'last mile' if they haven't scored elsewhere. Sometimes the far end of the street, on the ocean, or the sand itself, is used for a quickie. I personally consider the ABH a best bet. It's still a hotel, and not as intimate



The Borinquen



El Convento



Dutch Inn



Atlantic Beach Hotel



ABH/Rudy's (right) & The Sands



Calle Vendig Towards ABH



El Mar



Arcos Blancos



La Vista





San Francisco Inn (awning)



S.F. Inn Rooftop



Pinball Gallery opp. S.F. Inn



The YMCA



Mama's Little Italy

and nosy as a guest house; its location is ideal—not only ocean-front but right on top of the gay beach; its gay bar is very handy for pickups; it's in the heart of Condado, near the good restaurants and gay bars in this area; it's gay, so no worries about bringing in guests.

#### Guest Houses

The **El Mar**, 1 Calle Clemen-  
ceau, is in Condado about a  
block away from the ocean. It's  
quite plain, but adequate. Rates  
average \$25 for two.

In Ocean Park, about 10  
minutes walking distance from  
the Sheraton, is **Arcos Blancos**,  
10 Carrion's Ct., San Juan, P.R.  
00907, phone (809) 723-9825. Its  
pretty hacienda by the ocean  
(actually, one house away from  
the beach), in a quiet residential  
street. All white, within a white  
wall. The attractive pool and its  
bar are quite gay—and it gets an  
almost exclusively gay crowd,  
though one gets the impression  
from its ads and where they are  
placed that Arcos Blancos con-  
siders itself a chic, sophisticated  
place for the theatrical set. If you  
are a pretentious Fire Islands  
Pines type you'll probably be  
quite happy here. Naturally,  
local hustlers frequent the beach  
at the end of the street day and  
night. Please, no Vaseline on the  
walls!

A more relaxed, and quite  
pretty in an Old World way is **La  
Vista**, in Old San Juan. It's at  
151 Calle Tetuan, phone (809)  
722-2514. Newly remodeled and  
quite charming. Right in the  
action area too. Its rooftop bar  
(open to the public) is a pleasant  
place for quiet conversation, and  
pickups on your way to bed. The  
grill opens at noon and closes at  
2 A.M., and the bar opens at 9  
A.M. and closes before the sun  
comes up. Luncheon, dinner and  
late supper served (there are  
small tables near the bar, under  
lots of hanging flower pots—in  
the open air under a rooftop  
shelter. Very nice.

Nearby is the **San Francisco  
Inn**, 263 Calle San Francisco. It's  
just as convenient as the La  
Vista, but not as new or charm-  
ing. There is a rooftop bar and  
sundeck (for guests). The res-  
taurant, open to the public, gets

going at 6 P.M. (Convenient to  
the pinball gallery across the  
street, which is always crawling  
with hustlers.)

#### YMCA

There's only one, in old San  
Juan—just at its east end before  
you enter the compact old town.  
Low Y rates and typical shower/  
room action. Possible meetings  
in the john downstairs—because  
the restaurant is now open to  
outsiders. But to get into the  
building proper you must be a  
guest. It's on Ave. Ponce de  
Leon.

#### WHERE TO EAT

When you arrive pick up a  
copy of **Que Pasa**, a monthly  
tourist directory given free at all  
hotels. It contains a lot of useful  
sightseeing information, and  
restaurant ads. Along Ashford  
Ave. there are many good places  
you'll want to try. **Mama's Little  
Italy**, 1157 Ashford Ave., near  
Vendig, had an almost exclu-  
sively gay clientele years ago,  
but its success and advertising  
campaign has made it very  
straight. Nevertheless, a lot of  
gay guys still eat here; the place  
is relaxed, on an upstairs terrace  
covered over with an awning,  
and the food is good and  
reasonable.

For very informal meals you  
might like **Las Nereidas**, 1109  
Ashford Ave., opposite the La  
Concha. Nothing special, but  
very good if you get hungry at 4  
A.M. when almost everything  
else is closed.

In Old San Juan, **La Gallega**,  
309 Fortaleza, is still considered  
to be one of the best restau-  
rants in Puerto Rico for native  
dishes. Lunch and dinner are  
served. **El Patio de Sam**, 102 San  
Sebastian, is a casual restaurant  
that is very popular with gay  
guys and straight swingers. For  
snacks during the day, try **El  
Siglo XX, Inc.**, 355 Calle Forta-  
leza. It looks like a bakery with  
tables. Good for sandwiches and  
sweets. And it's clean.

#### GAY BEACH

As already mentioned, the gay  
strand in Condado is the patch of  
sand in front of the Sands Hotel,  
just to its right (facing the  
water). This is at the foot of

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Calle Earle. It's kind of a miniature Riis Park and is especially crowded on weekends. Here the tourists outnumber the locals—but they plop down too. Young hustlers (in street clothes) sit on the stone wall and steps at the foot of the street—eye-balling the prospective clients stretched out on the sand. (They get what they can, but average \$20.)

## BARS

### Condado

**Bachelor Club**, 112 Condado Ave. This is the avenue that is on the left of the Sheraton (facing the ocean). Walk away from the ocean a few blocks, go under the highway, and you will see the sign about a block away. Presently, it's the most popular disco in Puerto Rico. The decor is simple, almost Art Deco in feeling. The walls are gray and the lights are white—but those into discos say it's the greatest sound and light show going and the place is always packed. Minimum gets you two drinks. Discos aren't great for cruising—but the place gets so crowded that you are likely to meet someone who'd like you to "Take me away from all this!"

**Penthouse**, 1119 Ashford Ave., not far from the Holiday Inn. A very small bar all right for a drink with a friend or light cruising. Not worth an effort.

**Rudy's**, Atlantic Beach Hotel, already discussed above.

**Shack Up**, on Calle Vendig just off Ashford Ave. Nice afternoons for a quiet drink, since the front wall is taken down and it's open-air. There are pinball machines in the rear and a small, dark room used for quickies. But very unbusy day and night. Some dancing on the small dance floor, and there are always hustlers hanging around. They and cruisers in general sit on the stoop out front.

**Ten-Twenty**, 1020 Ashford Ave. A quiet, pleasant bar that's good for an after-the-beach pick-up and light neighborhood cruising at night—when you don't feel like doing the Bachelor or trekking to Old San Juan.

### Old San Juan

**The Abbey**, 251 Calle Cruz.

Still the most attractive disco in town. Rich wood and colorful stained glass everywhere. Popular and always packed. Good cruising too. Minimum gets you a couple of drinks.

**Lion's Den**, 205 Calle Luna. Still the hottest bar in town. Porno movies at the bar, a small dance floor (never used), and a large, dark, hot sex room in the rear. Minimum gets you a couple of drinks and all the loads you can take.

**Lion's Disco**, 205 Calle Luna. Right next door. A multi-level disco with two bars. Good vibes. Special events, such as dance contests, pack them in on Sunday afternoons—when most other gay establishments are closed. Minimum gets you a couple of drinks.

**Main Street**, 259 Calle San Jose. Very small, near the La Vista. All right for a quiet drink in the afternoon.

**Ray's**, 161 Calle San Jose. Nothing special.

**Small World**, 248 Calle San Jose. It's been there for years, and regular tourists seldom fail to stop in for at least one afternoon drink. Pleasant.

**Tommy's**, 254 Calle San Justo. Nothing special.

And, to repeat, don't forget the bars in the **La Vista** and **San Francisco Inn** guesthouses.

## HOT MOVIE HOUSES

At the corner of Calle San Francisco and Calle Tanca, in Old San Juan, is the **Rialto Theatre**. Straight porno, gay cruising. There's a little play in the men's room (behind the ticket booth), but most of the action is in the rear of the balcony. Some great local studs—but the old New York sharks that work the place get in the way of everything. Worth checking out in the late afternoon if you're tired of shopping.

**Lorraine Theatre**, about 1055 Ave. Ponce de Leon in Miramar. Straight porno and female strippers (when the girls go on, the action in the theatre stops). Best hot spot in town, especially on Sunday in the late afternoon and early evening. If the crowd is good there are gang orgies in the rear of the balcony. Almost



El Patio de Sam



Condado's Gay Beach



Gay Beach Wall

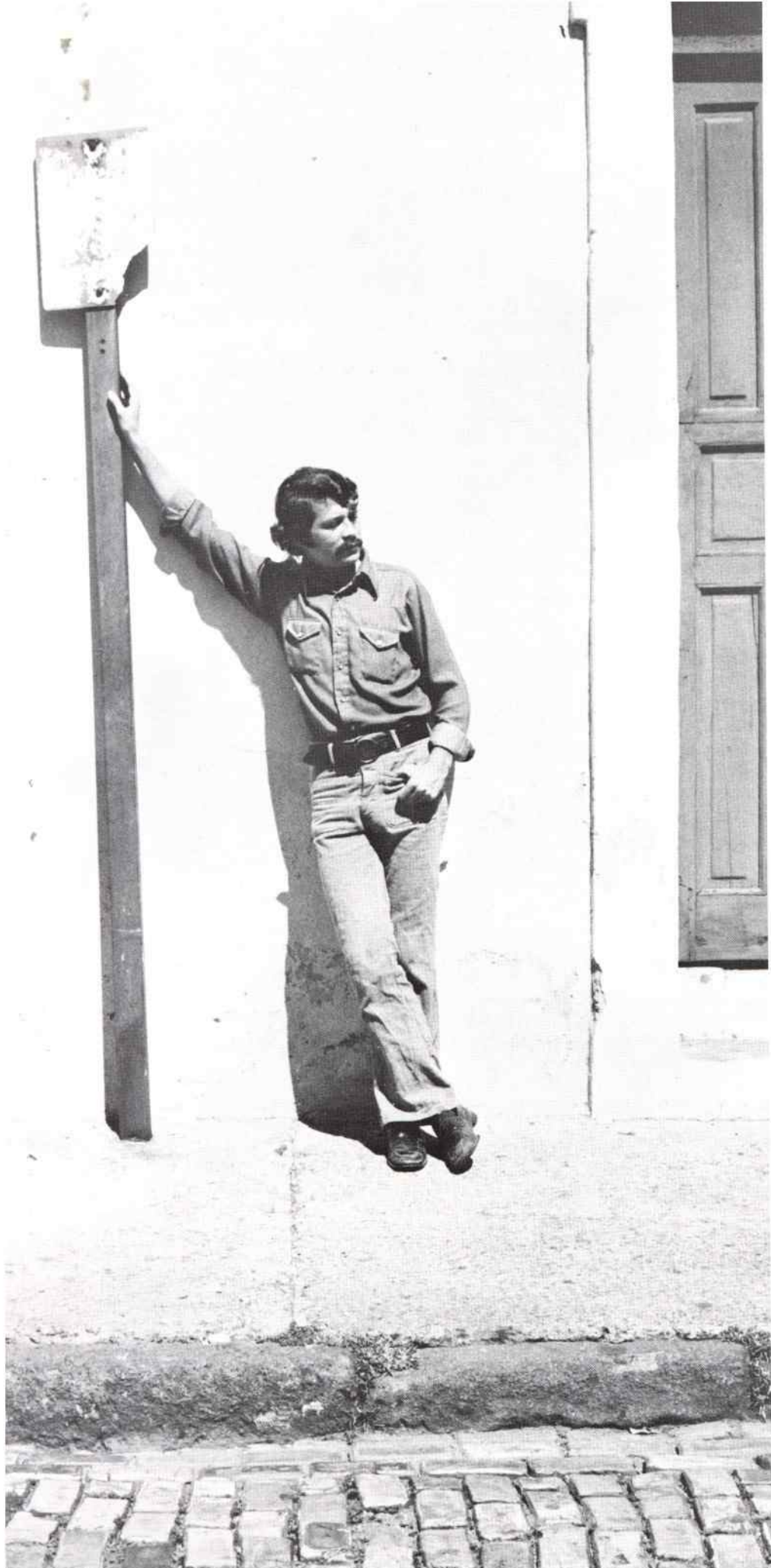


Bachelor Club



Penthouse





always there is something going on upstairs. There's also some action in the men's room downstairs. Almost exclusively locals.

**Cinema 70**, Stop 26 on Ave. Fernandez Juncos, at its east end, before you turn off and enter the Santurce section on your way to Rio Piedras (see later). Straight porno, subtle cruising in the rear of the theatre, behind the partition. If you walk down the side aisles (especially on the right) you'll see a lot of studs beating their meat, but they are either too dense or too straight to do anything else. Those who want to do more go to the rear, or cruise the john. Very little happens. If you're bold you'll have a better chance of sucking the place dry.

#### THE BATHS

**Lion of St. Marks**, 205 Calle Luna. It's part of the Lion complex, upstairs in an old townhouse. Very large. However, don't expect the polish of a Club Baths. The place is never packed but does get a turnover, especially on weekends (open at 8 P.M. and closes around 5 A.M.). The small rooms are clean, adequate, and the place is very comfortable to be in. There are two darkened group areas, and these seem to be the most popular action spots—but there also seems to be very little discrimination on the part of the participants (everybody makes out). An even mixture of locals and tourists, and always a few U.S. Blacks. Join for \$1, pay about \$7 for a private room, considerably less for a locker.

#### OTHER ACTION SPOTS

If you take the time to drive about 20 minutes or so to the **University of Puerto Rico** in Rio Piedras (Bus No. 1 goes there) you'll be rewarded with a full afternoon of hot action in the Main Library johns. There's one on the ground floor, as you enter (it's sometimes closed). Right above it, on the 2nd floor, is another. These are constantly cruised, with some action by the bold right there. Some meet and leave. Others use the john at the other end of the 2nd floor, and

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the one above that on the 3rd floor, for action. Mostly students, locals (most speak English but you might miss out on an occasional hump who does not, because you are unable to get past the preliminary notes). You'll also see a few familiar faces you know from the johns in New York. A very hot place. Goodlooking stuff too, and big cocks (mostly uncut, if that's of concern). Anything goes, and the guys usually do everything—but Puerto Ricans are especially big on fucking (you!). Definitely worth the trip. Reasonably safe for wandering tourists because the University invites visitors to come and see the school.

On your way to Rio Piedras, or on your way back if it is early enough, stop at the **El Norte Shopping Center** (it's on the main route off Ave. Munoz Rivera, which you take to the University; it's one-way, so you take the parallel Ave. Ponce de Leon on the way back). The upstairs john next to Grand Union is cruised and used, but cautiously (the door is left open). If you go when school is out (after 3 P.M.) you're likely to meet a young hump. (I'm sure it indicates nothing, but the two biggest cocks I ever encountered in Puerto Rico were here, on two separate vacations . . . and I've only been to El Norte twice, for about 10 minutes each time!)

**Isle Verde Beach** is behind the airport, as already mentioned. In my opinion, it's as pretty as famous Luquillo Beach—and a lot closer to town. I especially like spending the day there after checking out of my hotel on the last day; its proximity to the airport permits me to enjoy the weather right up until the last minute, when, in 10 minutes, I can return the car and get checked in. The beach is quiet during the week, but almost every afternoon there are at least a half dozen guys cruising the upstairs locker room. You pay a dime for a locker key and that gives you access to the room. Most of the cruisers are locals; some come over on their afternoon work breaks. If you haven't been to Puerto Rico for a

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Rudy's (Atlantic Beach Hotel)



Towards Gay Section From Rudy's



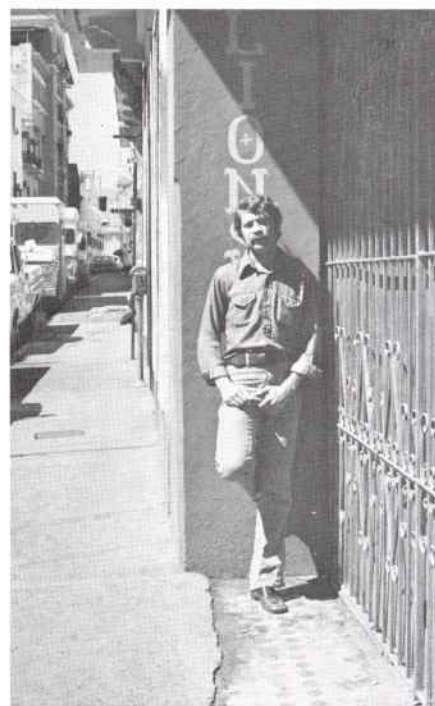
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1020 Club



The Abbey



Outside the Lion's Den



Lion Bars/Baths Complex

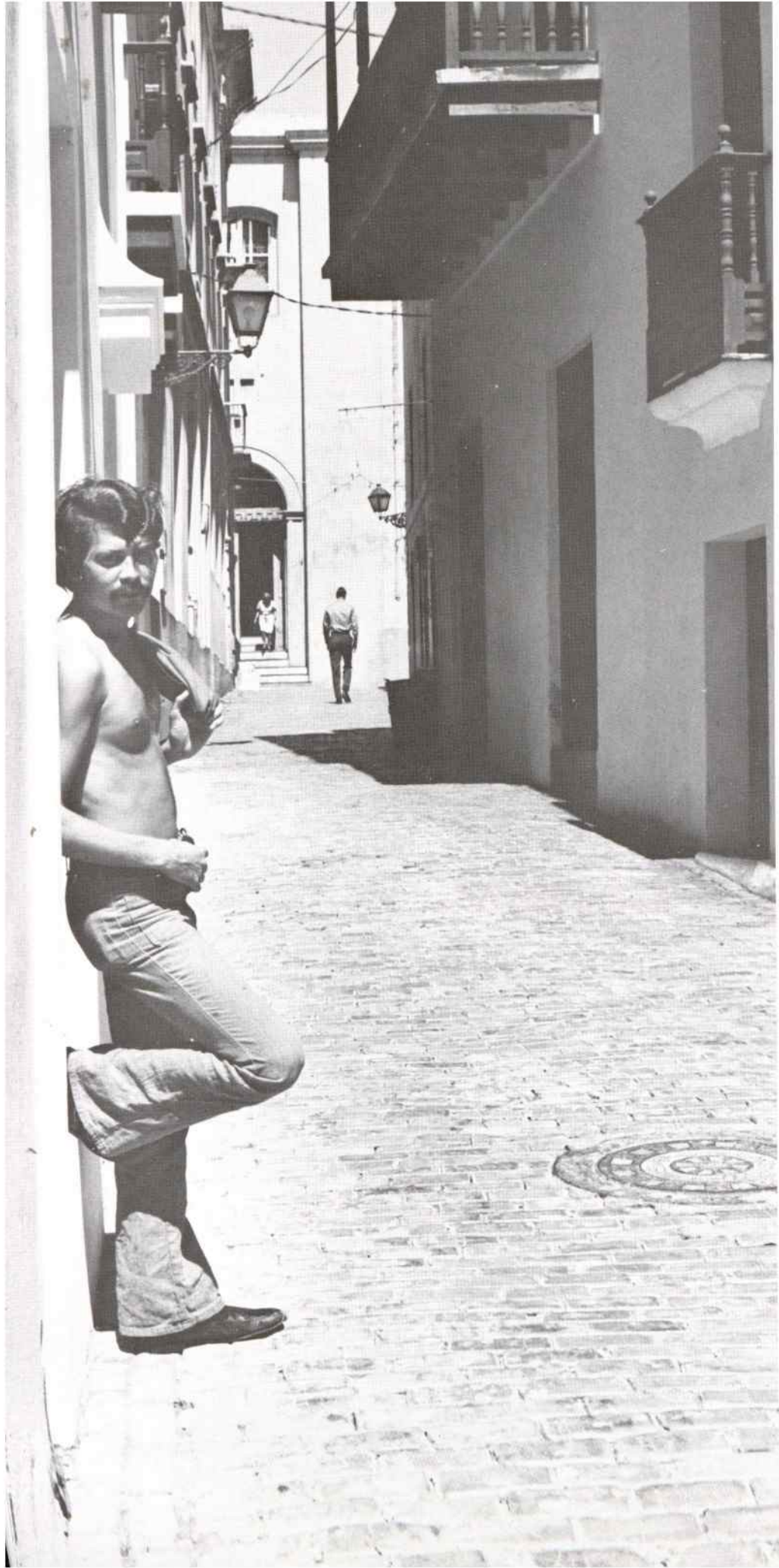


Ray's



Small World





few years you will be shocked by the blatant, constant cruising by locals everywhere—who will even catch your eye as you drive past them on the street. This new sexual freedom is obvious in the Isle Verde Beach locker room—where they stand around with their hard cocks hanging out, unconcerned about straight bathers who come in to change and go about their legitimate business. Sucking and fucking (mostly mutual) in the tiny change booths, toilet stalls, and behind the lockers. On weekends the crowds get heavy so you've got to be more watchful if children are around—but nothing gets in the way of these hot studs!

Other hot spots already mentioned and repeated here are the johns in the Borinquen and La Concha hotels.

### EXCURSIONS

If I were you I'd limit my stay to the San Juan area. Here, there is always plenty to do, at a leisurely pace. However, if it's your first time you might want to visit **Luquillo Beach**, a little over an hour's drive away. It's a beautiful beach and worth seeing. There is some cruising and action in the bushes at the far ends, especially the left (facing the water). But the woods are frequented by tough locals who charge, and they can get mean. This past winter a tourist from New York who visited the area every year and who got too chummy with the local hustlers, did something to turn them off and was stabbed to death. Be careful. Go with a friend, and if you must make it with a hustler in the woods, then tuck a \$5 bill in your bathing suit and pay him without a fuss. By the way . . . avoid stepping in fresh water streams which you'll find in the bushes here; they contain a parasite that enters the body through the skin which can cause liver disease.

Near Luquillo, and a definite must to do the same day, is **El Yunque**, the rain forest. You drive up a mountain through a primeval forest. Very pretty.

Farther on, at the east end of the island, you can take a ferry



out of the town of Fajardo, to the small offshore island of **Culebra**. There's a small hotel in the harbor that is not that popular but which has special appeal for gay visitors who want to do something different for a few days. Workers go over from the big island on Monday morning and remain there (they live in barracks) until the week's work is done on Friday evening; Culebra is where buttons are made. Most of them are young and get very horny towards the middle of the week—and look to the hungry mouths/asses that are on the island. If numbers is your game and you dig appreciative trade this may be your Shangri-La. There's also a pretty beach—Flamenco—on Culebra.

On the west side of Puerto Rico is the town of Mayaguez. Here you will find **Arturo's**, a male brothel that has been in existence for years. A big chunk of the property was sold a few years ago, so the accommodations are limited—but the boys are still there to serve your needs. It's at 105 Limon Rd. Ask locally for directions. A stay will probably cost you about \$35 to \$50 a night, for room, meals and a boy.

The **San Vicente Theatre** in town shows X-rated movies and has a cruised/used balcony. Lots of local students frequent the place.

### OTHER THOUGHTS

If your vacation stretches out you may want to fly over (20 minutes, once you're on the plane) to St. Thomas (U.S. Virgin Islands) for some shopping. See comments elsewhere in this magazine.

If you're a TV freak you're in for a disappointment unless you stay at one of the big hotels that has cable. Otherwise, even if your room does have a television set (most hotels do not furnish them) programming is poor and mostly Spanish.

The casinos are now more relaxed concerning dress code. A few years ago formal dress or a dark suit was required. Now that attitudes are different, and because the addition of slot machines brings in a lot of



Tommy's



Rialto Theatre



Lorraine Theatre



University of Puerto Rico



El Norte Shopping Center



Isle Verde Beach



Luquillo Beach



Galleria La Caleta



Plaza in Mayaguez



San Vicente Theatre (Mayaguez)



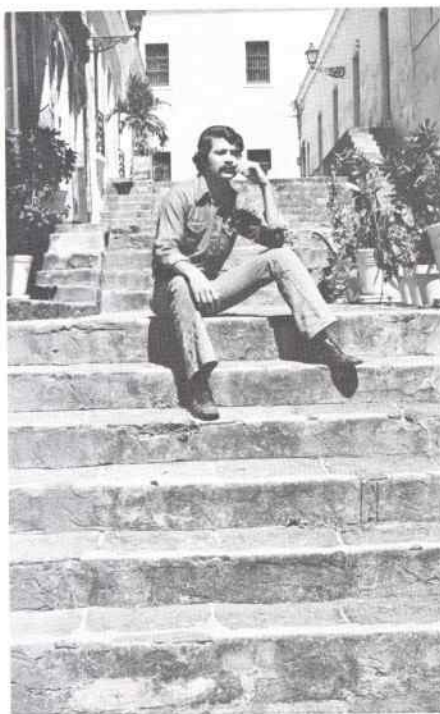
## VIEWS OF OLD SAN JUAN



Looking Towards Condado



Typical Street



"Street of Steps"



San Juan Gate

casual gamblers, sloppy attire (not bathing suits, however) is permitted until 7 P.M. At night you must wear a jacket to get in (many casinos provide them free at the door, so you can just throw it over your jeans and t-shirt.)

**Galleria La Caleta**, 70 Caleta de San Juan, near the El Convento in Old San Juan, is a good place to buy local art. Note the work of Luis G. Cajigas.

This past winter saw a lot of tourists coming down with dengue fever, a flu-like condition causing fever and aches for several weeks, caused by a mosquito bite (according to the U.S. Bureau of Disease Control, by a certain mosquito that makes its home indoors). There is no cure; the fever runs its course in a few weeks. If you stay outside the San Juan area, and particularly if it is in the country, get bug spray for yourself and your room. It is very unlikely that you'll be bitten in San Juan. The mosquitoes were active in December of 1977 and disappeared as quickly as they appeared.

I urge you to start thinking about next winter now. The 1977-78 season brought bad weather to the U.S.—and Florida had a lot of cold days. Many gay guys who did Key West this year and braved the chilly air are looking to Puerto Rico for their next winter holiday. Be wise and don't miss out on the good times this coming winter. Plan now and book in early fall if at all possible. If you fail to do so, rest assured that you will be able to get something even if you wait until January to make a February reservation—but as time passes you risk getting exactly what you want. So act early.

## Getting There . . . Is Half The Fun!

Most people fly to the Islands. The major airlines go to the most popular places and there are always connecting flights available if you want to continue on to a smaller island.

For people with time, cruise ships offer an alternative means

of getting there—but your time in each port will be limited to a few hours or a couple of days at most. This is ideal for those travelers who want to "sample" the islands before spending more time later on.

If you go by ship, choose one that makes stops at desirable ports, and, because most of your time will be spent on board (even when you're in port, since the ship serves as your restaurant and hotel), don't settle for less than the best you can afford. A lot of ships stop at banana ports because there are no docking fees (the shipping company gets a greater share of your money that way) and they are usually dull and very unclean. So choose a ship first by ports of call—and then by equipment and service. Modern ships are best, for obvious reasons. Seasoned travelers and such expert professional travelers as Fielding swear by the Norwegian American Line cruisers, Sagafjord and Vistafjord—if you are lucky enough to book them.

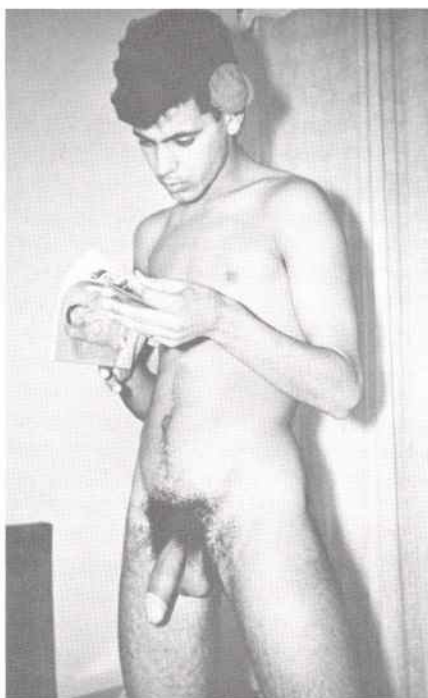
Most cruise ships are loaded with straights (especially during Christmas week, when there are a lot of undisciplined children on board), but there are usually enough gay tourists to make life interesting, and almost always a good chunk of the staff—especially the entertainers—is available. They're hungry for action too, and in a crowd of straights you'll have great pickings—certainly enough to keep you busy the entire vacation. Until you get to know the guys you want, stay near the pool during the day and go down to the sauna about 4 p.m. You'll score—and competition is almost nil.

But what about gay cruises? There are a few (but please don't write us for details since their ads will be found in various gay newspapers and magazines) and they are ideal for people who simply must be in gay company all the time to be happy. Competition is stiff and choice numbers won't experience difficulty scoring—but those past their prime had better make up their minds to settle for less than the best unless they want a lesson in frustration. If you want

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quiet, forget it since gay cruises generally are noisy parties from beginning to end—and even in the sanctity of your own room you will probably hear the thump, thump, thumping of somebody who's being bull-fucked against the wall in the room next to yours at five in the morning. If this excitement is for you, great. Do it. But if you do, a word of caution about health: All it takes is one guy who wants to prove his one-upmanship by screwing numbers in port—regardless of health factors—and then coming back to the ship in the late afternoon for a sauna session before showering, at which time the microscopic organisms he has picked up are doled out to his companions. Please, please read the article on health dangers in the Caribbean, in this issue, before you throw caution to the winds on a gay cruise—where unusual health factors do exist.



What about gay tours? There are all kinds these days, and they're advertised in the gay press all the time. Again, they are great if you must be in gay company all the time. But a little advice is in order: Select your trip according to stops, making certain a few big cities are included. In this way, in case you end up with freaky companions, or if you tire of them

before the end of the first day, you will be able to strike out on your own at night. It can be dreadful if you get stuck with a bad bunch of guys in an isolated mountain resort for a week—just to suggest one possibility. It can be doubly upsetting if there's one great looker in the group whom everybody wants and ends up fighting over.

Of course, no matter how you go, there's always the danger of the Bermuda Triangle. But that is another story tailored to make you stay at home.

## The Joykillers

### 'Germ Warfare' In The Caribbean

By Roger Watson

Travel guidebook authors are sometimes so entranced by the view of a Caribbean island from its paradise perspective they forget that every Eden has its snake, however in Caribbean countries this is usually a worm of many rascally ancestors and progeny. And for the gay guy, especially, who comes to this area for sex that throbs day and night like a jungle drum, there is the additional hazard of an almanac of germs that thrive best where hygiene is worst. How to recognize these joykillers and how to prevent, circumvent or overcome them is the reason for this article.

We shall not discuss such sex-related diseases as syphilis, gonorrhea and hepatitis—sinister though they are—since they are more or less familiar to any active sexist. We should like, instead, to limit our discussion to those health hazards that are common to Caribbean, or any other topical or sub-tropical countries—especially to Mexico.

It may be true that right here in the United States some of our readers in particular localities are already familiar with a few of these health hazards inasmuch

as many Haitians, Jamaicans, Mexicans and others have entered this country illegally, without the required United States Public Health Service checkups, and have settled down in enclaves to a life as nearly tribal as that of their homeland. And because they are so extravagantly handsome and hung and humpy and horny, it isn't long before they begin to distribute their 'gifts' freely among us.

Some find work in the kitchens of metropolitan restaurants as **sous-chefs** (second, or assistant chefs) and handle food; others as dishwashers; so if we don't fall victim to such health hazards through sex we can do so through salad. **Employees Must Wash Hands Thoroughly Before Leaving Toilet** is a sign required by law to be posted conspicuously in every metropolitan restaurant restroom. Yet this has little or no meaning for most of them. It is alien to their way of life and is written in a language they have not yet learned to read.

Still others arrive legitimately, as tourists, and therefore are bound by no hygienic admonitions. So you may pick them up, and their indigenous germs, in baths or other cruisy places. So what we have to say about the 'nativity' of germs, worms and amebas when you fly off to the Caribbean can have considerable importance to you even before you get to the airport!

### WORMS

Those who come in contact with the soil, or children who play outdoors in southern states where the ground is always moist, may have had disagreeable experiences with **pinworms**. Others may have contracted **trichinosis** from the ingested **trichina worm** in undercooked pork or sausage-type meats—even sausage pizza—and **tape-worm**. Being familiar with these native species and dealing with them effectively with across-the-drug-counter medications formulated for that purpose, there is no need to discuss them in detail here. But in tropical countries/climates the plot begins to thicken. One of the special nemeses of such areas is



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**Threadworm.** This is a very common tropical worm the visitor to Mexico or the Yucatan Peninsula may pick up. It may be difficult for a general practitioner to recognize and treat this species of worm. But it will be quickly recognized and eliminated by a specialist in tropical diseases. The specific drug now believed most quickly effective is **Mentizol**—a liquid vermicide that must be administered according to one's bodyweight. Because it is actually a poison it must be taken only in the minimal and accurately-spaced doses which the physician specifies. Elimination of this parasite with Mentizol is usually accomplished in about three days. The threadworm may be mistaken for the pinworm—a strong resemblance to the untrained eye—but you will quickly discover the vast difference. **Pinworms** are mildly toxic, but mainly an annoyance and a nuisance—and sexually embarrassing when detected by your lover. **Threadworms** are **highly toxic**. The toxins they release in the human gut will cause severe abdominal cramps, as well as a host of assorted muscular pains. A particularly trying symptom is extreme weakness of the leg muscles. One simply 'gives out' in performing the simplest tasks . . . often walking just a few blocks is very fatiguing. Other symptoms are nausea and diarrhea. The threadworm takes up residence in the intestine via ingestion of contaminated drinking water and food, and through the contaminated fecal matter picked up by the tongue during rimming tours of the anus.

**Flukes.** Of all the species of worms the fluke is the greatest threat to man. This is because—somewhat like the octopus—its standard gear includes a suction mechanism that allows it to cling to the intestinal wall and nibble and suck to its heart's content. And its heart is never very 'content'. Because it is typical of the lifestyles/cycles of all worms other than pinworms to effect a preliminary pass-through of intermediate hosts—cattle, dogs, pigs (in the case of trichino-

sis), crabs, insects and so on, before parasitizing the human body, the intermediate host of the fluke is the snail. Thus in tropical and sub-tropical countries particularly, snails are plentiful and one generally picks up flukes by swimming in polluted waters where the fluke eggs have been deposited by snails.

**Don't swim in some serene 'this is God's country' mountain stream or paradisiacal lake.** However pure such waters appear to be, they are often polluted and the hazard of flukes must be considered omnipresent. Swim only in pools where the water is regularly treated, or in the ocean/sea areas declared safe by the local health authorities. **A special warning to Puerto Rican vacationers: Don't walk in fresh-water streams in the country away from San Juan.** Flukey! There is not the remotest possibility of treading on a batch of fluke eggs in chlorinated pool water or in the mighty, ever-moving sea. The fluke likes quieter places.

The simpler vermifuges that work effectively in **expelling** the nuisance worms such as those we find at home—worms that don't invade tissues or organs, but frolic in the intestine and emerge at the anus—will not work on the organ-threatening flukes and other roundworms that penetrate vital organs. The concern of the tropical-disease specialist is to administer worm **killers** (vermicides and anthelmintics) of sufficient strength to destroy the parasites without inflicting too much damage on host tissues (the gut and invaded organs). Corticosteroids that will work effectively on other worms (such as **thiabendazole** on the trichina) are futile in a battle against flukes. A strong poison is the only resort. Understandably this is something the physician must prescribe—both the agent and the frequency of use.

As clinically classified, the worms we have discussed are **metazoa** or **helminthes**. The condition of having them is called **helminthiasis**. On the other hand, the traveler in tropical or other exotic countries

may develop **some** of the same symptoms of helminthiasis (notably diarrhea) which may be caused by a **protozoon** or **ameba**. A lesser protozoon—**Escherichia coli**—or E-coli, as it is called for short, and a stronger and more destructive one called **entameba histolytica**, bring on amebic dysentery and the dread

## AMEBIASIS

The E-coli ameba is a single-celled organism with tongue-like projections that allow him to almost literally 'throw his weight around'. He progresses through the gut in helter-skelter fashion, in much the same way a raindrop moves down a windowpane . . . sliding here . . . holding on . . . plopping down . . . rolling . . . enjoying his tour through the entire length of your intestine until he finally passes out with the last drop of liquid feces and your strength returns. Along with diarrhea you will likely have some fever. This, too, abates as he begins to 'see the light at the end of the tunnel'.

The palliatives most often prescribed are **paregoric** (which contains opium and is therefore available only by prescription, and which more or less 'drugs' or 'stupefies' the gut and makes what is real and discomforting seem less so), or **Lomotil** which, as its name implies, **lowers motility** of the intestine and causes you to be less anxious and more comfortable by slowing peristaltic action so that you don't have to 'go' so frequently. The body's white blood cells also come to the rescue—building up in considerable force to overcome the invader—and if the dysentery is severe and protracted there are certain antibiotics that also assist.

Amebic dysentery is usually caused by ingesting contaminated food or water. And **please put this down in your little black 'no-no' book.** The head of the Tropical Diseases Clinic of New York Hospital is reported as saying that the ameba which causes **turista** or the 'trots'—amebic dysentery—may be easily picked up **from handling money in the tropics**. In fact, the

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University of Louisville School of Medicine ran numerous tests on Mexican/Yucatan and Caribbean currencies and found a very high amebic count!

So this special word of warning. When in the tropics or Mexico, make a point of washing your hands frequently—always after handling money. You can't 'launder the money' (as the Watergate plotters did), but **you can refrain from touching your lips with your fingers after handling money**—until you can wash and dry them—and thus be on the safe side. It is ironic that one may take all possible **other** precautions: drinking only bottled, distilled or boiled water . . . foregoing fresh salads and fruits, as well as uncooked or undercooked foods . . . yet when the waiter brings you the check and the change from your bill he also brings along a gift of amebas! Although he may have washed his hands several times during serving hours, the money he passes on to you may have been touched by the unclean hands of many others, thus causing him to be an unwitting carrier of the disease.

Many travelers who love the tropics so much that they go year after year, **turista** notwithstanding, may not know until they read this that the trouble may be caused not by the drinking water, the food, or the street-vendor's oranges, but the **pesos!** Truly 'filthy lucre'. It will be of much help to take along with you in a convenient pocket—wherever you go—a little packet of moist towelettes. Immediately after having paid your bill, cleanse your fingers and hands (not forgetting to also swab the packet!). By doing so you may save yourself a lot of trotting time that could be put to better use cruising, and bowel discomfort.

The more destructive ameba is the **entameba histolytica**. This evil ameba establishes a beach-head in the intestine, penetrating the bowel wall, and thence passes on via the bloodstream to the vital organs, particularly the liver—causing a general hepatic condition and sometimes an abscess that can result in death

if untreated.

The first symptom of this may also be diarrhea. But as symptoms grow more diverse and severe, such as abdominal pain, cramps, or excessive muscular tiredness/soreness/weariness—and as your anxiety increases apace, you may be sure that you have the more dangerous amebiasis. This calls for the tropical-disease specialist. Don't even bother with a general practitioner. He'll only send you on to the specialist anyway.



Athletic Model Guild

The specialist will have his lab technicians perform some tests (stool specimens under a microscope; blood tests; several others) and only when the tests are completed will he know **precisely** what to treat you for—and how. There are about 150 'normal' or 'beneficial' strains of amebas in the digestive system. Your specialist must know how to detect the culprit among all the others. The current, and most effective drug used to destroy *entameba histolytica* is a real killer itself—Flagyl. This is taken orally in 250-mg. tablets three or four times a day for ten days. Then about two weeks following this treatment another stool specimen will be taken and other tests repeated to rule out the possibility that the strain is still active.

It should be firmly understood that **sex is out during amebiasis**. Only a monster would risk infecting another at such a time. Moreover, the infected individual should not prepare food or handle objects that another may use. The danger of contagion is too great.

Amebas are picked up not

alone from food and water, but from fecal traces during analingus. Obviously, rimming is risky in any country where standards of personal hygiene are lax. But consider this: even if you **never** rim, but only suck someone who has just fucked another who may have had only borderline amebiasis, amebic trace feces are certain to be present on his phallus, and so you can contract amebiasis, even having taken every reasonable precaution, and never know from whence it came.

Or you may fuck someone who has amebiasis, and in doing so, handle, fondle, or adjust your cock, and without thinking touch your fingers to your lips. Same thing. The dangerous/insidious possibilities are limitless, although far less so at home. But even here it often happens that the most careful gay guy wipes, then touches his phallus accidentally with the toilet tissue. He's a carrier without knowing it! The far greater hazard, however, is in the tropics where if you fuck someone with a payload of amebas in his anus/rectum, the phallus sucks them in almost greedily during the passion of plunging.

## OTHER TROPICAL HAZARDS

**Colon bacilli.** Tropical disease specialists say that at times rogue bands of colon bacilli commit acts of aggression against us—their hosts. They are most discourteous . . . invading the gall bladder and its ducts (cholecystitis and cholangitis); kidneys and bladder (pyelitis and cystitis); and even the blood (colon bacillemia and urinary sepsis). On gaining entrance to the bladder such bacilli enjoy the 'golden shower'. They thrive on urine! Thus tropical medical centers often treat as many patients for any one of these ailments caused by bacilli as they do amebiasis. Sick kidneys are common in the tropics. And urinary-tract infection is almost as common. You can avoid these by taking all the precautions mentioned. And, of course, as we so often remind gay guys . . . be sure to have a shot of gamma globulin before leaving on your



vacation, plus a checkup and possibly another shot on your return. It's just good clinical advice. Gamma globulin doesn't work on every tropical ailment, but it does work on anything concerning the liver, and acts as a 'lineback' in other diseases.

Another tropical disease that may at first lead you to believe you have hepatitis (because of jaundicing, and for which gamma globulin is of much help) is **leptospirosis**. This is not caused by amebas, worms or bacilli, but by rat-hosted **spirochetes**. We mention this here because so often open cruising areas are near local sewer systems where rats proliferate. One may say that leptospirochetes are to rat feces what amebas are to human. Avoid stepping in puddles of water, or cruising in damp areas where water trickles down walls or runs across walkways.

There was an intense epidemic of leptospirosis in Barbados last season. Queen Elizabeth Hospital in Georgetown had to set up a special clinic to treat it. Here, however, the disease was picked up by the bare feet of sugar-cane workers in the rat-infested wet fields, and then carried home to their wives who—working as domestics in Barbadian condominiums, private homes, rented guest houses and hotels—spread it to unsuspecting visitors. Although by no means a gay disease, we mention it here so that you may take all necessary precautions as to personal hygiene if you wish to visit this otherwise beautiful and heavenly place.

Of course pet-owners at home have long been familiar with leptospirosis as a non-human disease and have their dogs inoculated each year. Dogs, you see, being just as horny as we, get leptospirosis from licking contaminated urine off hydrants—not to mention the genitals of other 'gay dogs'.

We have not intended to paint a gloomy picture of the tropics. But not to warn our readers of those dangers/diseases which they might not know about otherwise would be a disservice. We hope we have been of help in alerting you to such health

hazards and thus make your tropical vacation one you'll long remember—**joyfully!**

## Youthifying Spas Abroad

### Eastern Europe's Unique Baths

By Jon Lorrimer

If annual vacations abroad have made Western Europe so turn-on-a-dime predictable that you as easily turn the same tricks at home, why not try a switch next time and extend your vacation by a couple of weeks at one of eastern Europe's health resorts? Long treasured by Europeans for their rejuvenating effect—both visually and systemically—these amazing spas are less well known to us than Baden-Baden or other popular German/Swiss/French watering places.

There are many of these—almost literally—fountains of youth in Roumania and Czechoslovakia, and the claims made for them are by no means overblown. They've been working rejuvenating wonders for Europeans since the time of Charlemagne. No claim is made that they will turn you into an instant Tadzio, but you will be delighted with how much younger they can make you **look**, as well as feel, and this is due in part to the discovery of Gerovital H3 by Professor Ana Aslan, M.D., of the National Institute of Gerontology in Bucharest.

Roumania is rich in mineral springs and thermal waters, and at least 160 spas have been built around them. Several are licensed to give both Gerovital H3 (not to be confused with Geritol) and Aslanvital courses of treatments—particularly those in Felix, Herculane, Eforie Nord and Caciulata-Calimanesti.

This is fortunate inasmuch as Bucharest was heavily damaged

by a violent earthquake in 1976, and although the Bucharesti have been getting it all together again, this is perhaps not the time to visit their once-beautiful city except for urgent reason. The spa cities mentioned are all within easy traveling distance of Bucharest, so you may deplane at the Bucharest airport and quickly board a local plane, or other transportation to your destination.

All of these spa cities are of very modern design, and actually have better hotel accommodations than Bucharest did before the quake. Most have a 'Florida' kind of look . . . big rooms; lots of wide windows; beautifully manicured grounds. The food is deliciously different, and there are many ways of spending leisure hours away from the treatment center and baths.

No specifics can be made about gay life in any of them—understandably none is archetypically gay 'anything'. Wherever there are gay guys, of course, there'll be gay gigs. Anyway, you'll be adding a couple of weeks to whatever gay place(s) you'll have just come from, so think of Roumania and your spa as both a rejuvenating 'wind-down' from recent hectic activity, and a 'wind-up' for the hectic activity of the gay season ahead back home—a 'prelude to pinwheels', one might say.

### GEROVITAL H3/ASLANVITAL

What are they? Gerovital H3 is described scientifically as an "original biotrophic drug developed by Professor Aslan." What's 'biotrophic'? Literally 'life' (bio) 'nourishing' (trophic). The basis of it is the drug **procaine**, and it is acknowledged to be superior in its clinical effect of rejuvenating the body and skin than such classic substances as tissue extracts and hormones—and safer. Professor Aslan's newer discovery, Aslanvital, is another biotrophic drug reputed to be very effective in overcoming/staving-off sclerotic conditions, and thus is of value in the treatment of arteriosclerosis, as well as the effects of time on the cardiovascular

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apparatus and central nervous system.

Gerovital H3 is not only administered via treatment, but appears in certain skin creams developed by the Institute for use on the skin—to diminish wrinkles, lines and bags under the eyes and—for the older individual—tell-tale aging spots. A stay of at least two weeks is recommended for older people—less for gay guys on the prowl all the time, and who can't bear the thought of two 'Meatless Tuesdays' in a row, anyway.

These treatments are given only after a complete diagnosis; this is why the in-spa stay of up to two weeks (three in some unusual cases) is recommended.

Once the initial period of treatment is undergone, instructions and materials for continuing the cure at home are given. Coupled with a course of delightful baths in the thermal waters (among other possible delights) you may return home to bravos, simply bursting with health and looking younger than spring-time—and if not exactly a Tadzio at least a 'tad so'.

Courses in Gerovital H3/Aslanvital, plus the courses in baths, plus hotel accommodations, meals airfare and other major expenses of the trip to Roumania—whether from the United States or from some point in Europe, and return—are based on seasonal rates and may be obtained as a complete package deal. If you'll write to **Health & Pleasure Tours, Inc.**, 165 West 46th Street, New York, N.Y. 10036 and ask for the brochure **Health Resorts of Roumania**, you'll have all the necessary information at hand—and with pictures—and can then make your plans. This fascinating brochure also gives fuller information about Gerovital H3 and Aslanvital.

### CZECH SPAS

In spite of the hated Communist occupation, Czechoslovakia swings—particularly Prague—as more gay guys are discovering each year. Where Roumania is largely plains, Czechoslovakia is a land of majestic mountains, with some of the most breath-

taking scenery in the world, and has a bracing climate. Its people are among the most hospitable in Europe. "Getting to know you," is the name of the game.



As in Roumania, spas abound in this country—60 or more—the largest and best known of which is Carlsbad, or Karlovy Vary in Czech. Situated 1248 feet above sea level, it is within commuting distance of Prague, about 78 miles away, so if you'd like to spend your entire vacation gussied up in natural hot mineral mudpacks by day, so that you'll look absolutely smashing to those Prague tricks by night, fine—Carlsbad is for you. But it's also for anyone who has been in a more-or-less continual stress situation and needs an opportunity to revitalize and retune the body and nerves. In this case the Carlsbad directors will recommend that you stay in Carlsbad at one of the main

sanatoria, or 'cure' hotels—the Hotel Sanssouci, the Hotel Richmond, or Svycarsky Dvur (Swiss Manor). There is good reason for this because the course of treatments will be more involved and time-tabled, including strict adherence to the famous Carlsbad diet; bathing in the highly-mineralized thermal waters (also swimming from one pool to another, meeting someone interesting along the way!); drinking the digestive waters, and being blanketed from head to toe in the youthifying/beautifying peloid hot mineral mudpacks.

The cure-hotels are all quite modern. Elegant, too. The Hotel Sanssouci, for example, has 12 double-room apartments; 30 double rooms, and 101 single rooms. All have TV, radio, telephone—every hotel comfort. As in the other sanatoria, there are consulting rooms, social rooms, dietetic dining room, gymnastics hall, many laboratories, and all kinds of electrotherapy equipment. It is not an exaggeration to say that you can barely get to the tinkle bucket and back without having your blood 'pressured' or your heart EKG'd. They take really great care of you!

By day you have a wide variety of diversion . . . movies, plays, concerts, fishing, riding, golfing, tennis. It's a very social place, and, by the way, it is in Carlsbad that the International Film Festival is held. Carlsbad is as much for the lively (and who want to stay that way) as for the physically distressed.

### PRAGUE'S 'BOTELS'

If you prefer to make Prague your base of operations, you may be interested in staying at a 'botel' instead of one of the rather conservative old-world hotels. Three are of interest to gay guys, not because they make any particular pitch for us, but because they're favorites with young guys—so many gay—who make the Prague scene.

These botels are actually old barges renovated into sprawling, comfortable hotels anchored along the Vltava River. Each has a good restaurant, a lively bar,







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**EASY-GOING,** fun-loving Texan wants to correspond with others 18-30 east of Mississippi River. I'm 6', 160 lbs., and interested in history and movies. Photo appreciated. K-2

**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

**HORNY MANHATTAN GWM,** 5'8", 135 lbs., 9", big nipples, wears leather/levis, seeks big, hairy top men for regular servicing whenever their endowment says "Now!" No bullshit, just sex. H-66

**W/M, 38, 6'3", 195,** masculine, hairy, discreet, act./pass. French, active Greek. Seek masculine, husky, hairy men over 40. Like sports, music, photography, other sexual interests. Travel most of U.S. on business. Photo appreciated. M-71

**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) 643-1212 or write P-9.

**MIAMI, FLA.** w/m, masc. bottom man early 40's. Educated, 6', 160, brn/brn. Requires: Strong in-depth action by masc. hairy top man over 35 mentally and emotionally. Guarantee photo exchange. Chuck (305) 538-6521, eves/weekends, or T-17.

**TEXAS,** white male wants to meet hung, good-looking studs 16-? Likes to have sex with straight, bi, athletes, students, bodybuilders, servicemen, married or single. Photo, phone to H-50.

**LOS ANGELES/ORANGE COUNTY** area leather/levis blond (37 yrs., 6', 158 lbs.) bottom turns onto deep ass play with large endowed studs. Take one or more at the same time, gang bangs, FF/WS, rubber/leather toys, hot wax, you name it! Letter, photo to Jerry G., 113 Orange Hill, Anaheim, Calif. 92807.

**YOUNG, HUNG, HANDSOME** white bi-male, 170, 6', brown hair, hazel eyes, built, seeks companionship and stimulation of mind and body by similar in area. P.O. Box 624, Pontiac, Mich. 48056.

**WANTED: CHUBBY CHASERS.** Goodlooking heavy-set w/m, 33, 5'3", 230 lbs., wants to meet chasers for sex. Chasers must be between 18 and 45 and have good body. D-53

**ABILENE OR BROWNWOOD AREA.** Weekend water-skiier, white male, seeks others with same sports interest. Lake Brownwood location. O-3

**BIG BISEXUAL,** W/M, 27, masculine, 6', blue eyes, clean-cut, 260 lbs., student, desires white male/female couple into levi's. Will experiment in S&M, wrestling. Photo, phone to Box 371, New York, N.Y. 10016.

**TULSA, SWM,** 42, 5' 10", 180 lbs., bwn hair/eyes, ave. endow. Enjoy outdoors, camping, nudism, boating, waterskiing, studio physique photography. Wish to meet area GWM, 20-35, butch and enjoy the above. M-35

**TEENS!** I'm tired of the hustler scene. A warm, gentle, giving guy, very generous to the right teenager from NYC area, slender, smooth bodied. Send photo and info. I-4

**PITTSBURGH AREA** male duo seeks single/couple gays for friendship and pleasure get-togethers. Whites over 40 only for French love. Can travel anywhere, anytime. Write then visit. H-9

**SENSITIVE SLIM BLACK** sought by white Virgo, 6', 170, 39 (but look younger). You must be able to love and need love. Prefer very black, smooth, 8-plus, versatile. No reply w/o photo. Robert, Box 9511, Midtown, Rochester, N.Y. 14604.

**L.A. BLOND** European nudist, 35, 6', 155 lbs., horny, versatile. Has movies and Polaroid. Seeks exhibitionistic, well-endowed men for modeling and fun. Letters with revealing photo, phone get mine first. B-76

**WANTED: BLACK LOVER** with huge endowment who enjoys hot buns, etc. No youngsters. Photo appreciated. Frank letter or phone number. K-38

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**W/M 30, 6'1", 165 lbs.,** blue eyes, fair. Enjoy outdoors. Like to meet or correspond with pen friends from all over up to late 40's. Will answer all letters. Ray Massie, Box 4201, Calgary, Alta., Canada.

**CHICAGO W/M,** mid-30's, 5'11", 170 lbs., masculine build, versatile. Meet same for fun and games. Travel midwestern states. No fats or feds. Frank letters with photos answered. B-23

**NEW YORK CITY:** Together bro., shaved head; hung, can dig small hairy dudes who pick up on getting stoned-down for days! Picture from you gets it on. B-10

**HOW ABOUT IT,** all you mature studs? Don't just read these ads; contact us. We're mid-forties, into photography, travel, sincere friendships, sex and occasional bar scenes. Vancouver, Canada. S-76

**SAGITTARIUS:** 25 yrs., handsome, dancer's physique, will travel. Love outdoors and nature. Seeking companion for exciting romp in the Wild Blue. Let's get together soon. Call Stephen Kincaid at (704) 872-0085.

**NYC W/M, 5'6", 145 lbs.,** weight-lifter, attractive, quiet, well-educated; interests include films, theater, travel; wants to meet similar straight-looking men 18 and up; photos exchanged. A-32

**I AM INTERESTED** (in gay) travel to all parts of the world. Would like to correspond with those of similar interest, for exchange of ideas and information. A-3

**MALE/WHITE/37, 6', 178 lbs.,** dirty blond, with great sense of humor, wishes to correspond and/or get together with other males. Photo appreciated. Yes, love sex, life and people interest me. I have a beautiful soul; do you? Maryland area. A-1

**VANCOUVER GUY MID-20'S.** The world is fascinating. You and I might be friends. I'd like to find out. I can spare the stamp, how about you? D-3

**YOUNG CALIFORNIA GUY,** passive Greek, interested in hot J/O letters and horny photo exchanges with thick, hung studs to 40. Meeting possible. Dig guys in uniform, levis, and truckers. H-19

**COMING TO MIAMI?** Hunky, well-built Miamian eager to show you where to let it all hang out. Guarantee no disappointments. L-5

**WOULD LIKE** to meet gay males, under 25, any race, Washington, D.C. area. Enjoy nude photos, masturbation, and oral sex. No S&M or drugs. Please write, photo appreciated. I'm 40 and white. S-30

**MUSCLE GUY, 6'2",** black hair, brown eyes, hairy chest, 180 lbs., 35, well-endowed, wants to meet other muscle studs in the Pacific Northwest area. Send photo. R-4







but only **double** rooms. They are not inexpensive, but cost much less than the 'A' or 'B' hotels (as the Czech Government rates them). These botels are the **Admiral**, Horejsi nabrezi (phone 60067); the **Albatros**, nabrezi Kyjevski brigady (phone 60067); and the **Racek** (rah-chk), Dvor-ecka louka (phone 436654). These popular botels are great meeting places, so what extra space there may be in your double will undoubtedly not be wasted!

#### **Other cruised meeting places:**

At present there are four beer halls that are very cruisy. Again, they're not essentially gay, but the crowd is so eagerly young and with-it you'll have your best chances of making out in them, along with those places listed in our gay travel guidebook "Private Stock." So 'Czech' it out! Together they can put you quickly into the Prague gay picture.

**U Fleku**, Kremencova 11. A huge, milling-around, dark, barnlike place. It's best around 11 p.m. and on weekends, when there's a cabaret of sorts, and/or much guitar playing and sad-song singing by impromptu entertainers. Strong 14% dark beer. Opens at 9 p.m. and the tap runs dry at 11:30. So belly up to the bar for an extra beer to sustain you for the rest of the twangin' and a'singin'. This is a young-Czech place . . . they love it, and no doubt you will also.

**U Sv. Tomase**, Letenska 12. Crowded, raucous; this is the interior of an old Prague brewery . . . attractive . . . much atmosphere. Lots of very young guys come here, so if you have a predilection for 'Czech' (or even a predilicktion), it's for you. By day (11 a.m. to 3 p.m.) it's just a busy 'everybody' beer hall; by night (6 to 11 p.m.) it gets on the wild side.

**U Glaubicu**, Malostranske nam 5; another favorite with the younger Czechs. A wild beer hall that gets moreso on weekends.

**U Schnellu**, Tomasska 2, just off Malostranske nam (near the Glaubicu). A more relaxed beer hall, favored by both Czechs and visitors who, perhaps like you, may be taking the waters at

Carlsbad by day and Avisbirding it here by night.

### **OTHER SPAS**

So far we've given you a brief sketch of Prague and the Carlsbad spa. Equidistant, in another direction, is Marianske Lazne or Marienbad, perhaps better known to us by that name since it was the locale for the film **Last Year in Marienbad**. Many believe this to be even more beautiful than Carlsbad. It lies in a valley facing south, surrounded by beautifully-kept parks and gardens . . . flowers everywhere . . . totally free from even the suggestion of industry.

Marienbad has a different kind of youthifying/healthifying therapy which uses not only thermal waters from alkaline/saline springs, but **earth gas**—that's right . . . a constant flow of natural gases from the mineralized earth that work with great effectiveness in 'carbonating' the body and making it zing.

Mud packs here, too, but the mud also is of a different kind than that of Carlsbad. Where Carlsbad deals more effectively with circulatory problems and nerve stress, Marienbad treats obesity and many kinds of skin troubles—such as psoriasis and dermal afflictions—that do not respond to the usual therapies.

Marienbad has a busy social side—all kinds of sporting facilities, even yachting on Regent Pond; hunting, fishing, skiing and riding. This may be your thing more than Carlsbad. You might give both a whirl to see which you prefer.

### **CZECH COSMETIC SURGERY**

While Roumania has Professor Aslan and her Gerovital H3, in Czechoslovakia cosmetic surgery is recommended with the baths to make you look younger. Cosmetic surgery has made the same giant modern strides here as in the United States. The great difference is that a complete facial lift and correction of whatever else you think may be less than attractive—and which would cost \$5000 in New York with a leading surgeon—costs less than half that here! So if you've been thinking of making

such a surgical move you might consider holding it in abeyance until you can work it in with your vacation, and a course of baths, in Czechoslovakia.

The spa where this is performed with such excellent results is in Piestany, in the province of Slovakia, about 48 miles from its principal city, Bratislava. Like all Czech spas, it is completely modern, with both the thermal treatments and the surgery done in a beautiful cure-hotel—the Balnea Palace. Even if you're not interested in having surgery done, you'll love this picturesque, clean city. Its thermal waters are a different kind . . . and so is its unique Piestany mineral mud, and other therapeutic modalities. And you will feel just as healthfully young as you would in Carlsbad or Marienbad.

For a comprehensive brochure—**Health Resorts of Czechoslovakia**—which describes more fully the spas mentioned, as well as dozens of others, plus views of each and prices for every category of accommodations, write to **Health & Pleasure Tours, Inc.**, at the address given in the Roumanian section. Why not ask for both brochures at the same time?

In addition to making you feel super super, and looking super younger, each spa treats a specific disease or condition in a special way with its own unique hot mineral-water therapies and hot muds. These physical complaints are also listed, so first check your symptoms against the listing for the spa that treats that condition. Try as we would, we couldn't find any spa that treats 'lost lover-itis', but then, nothing's perfect.

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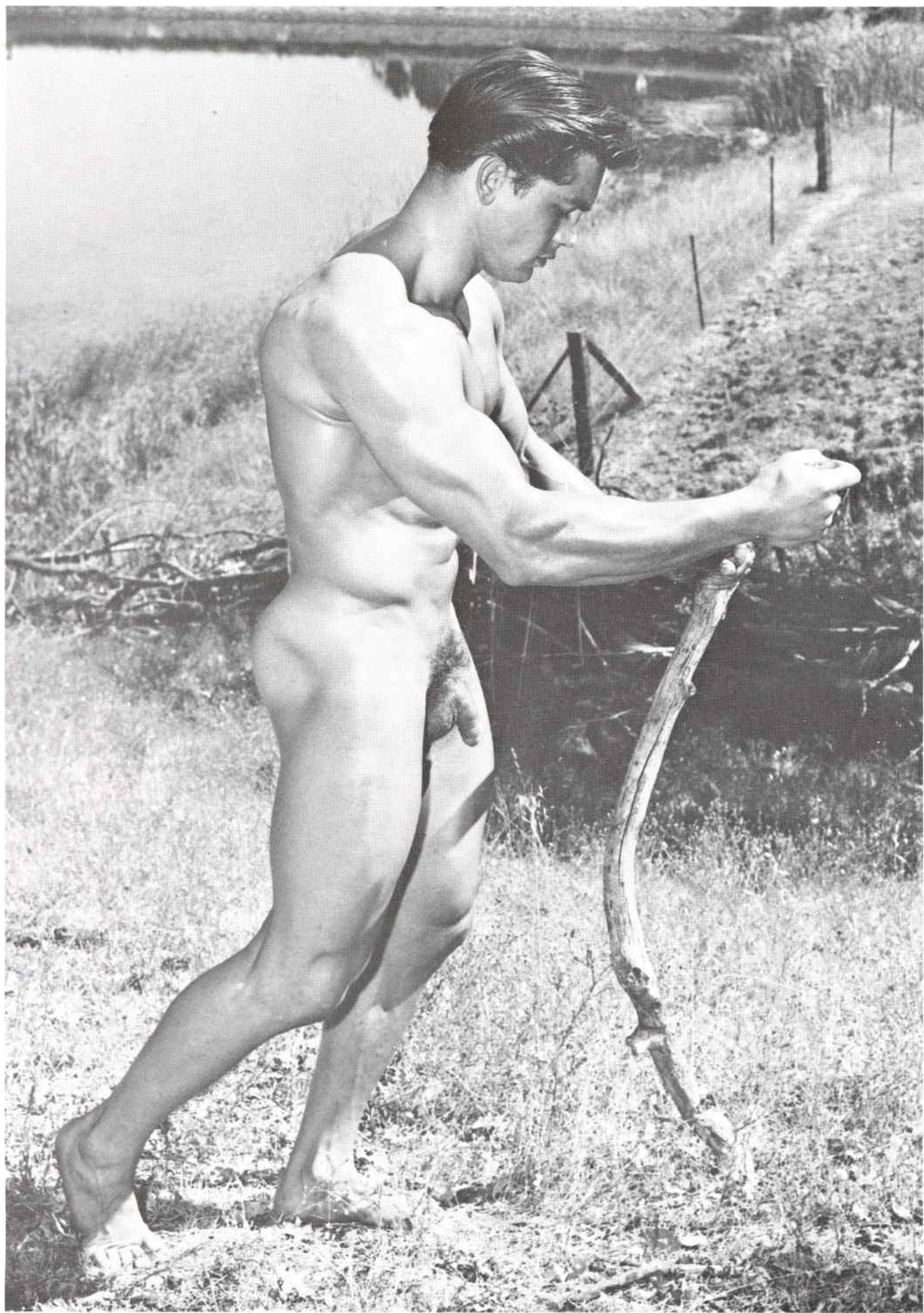
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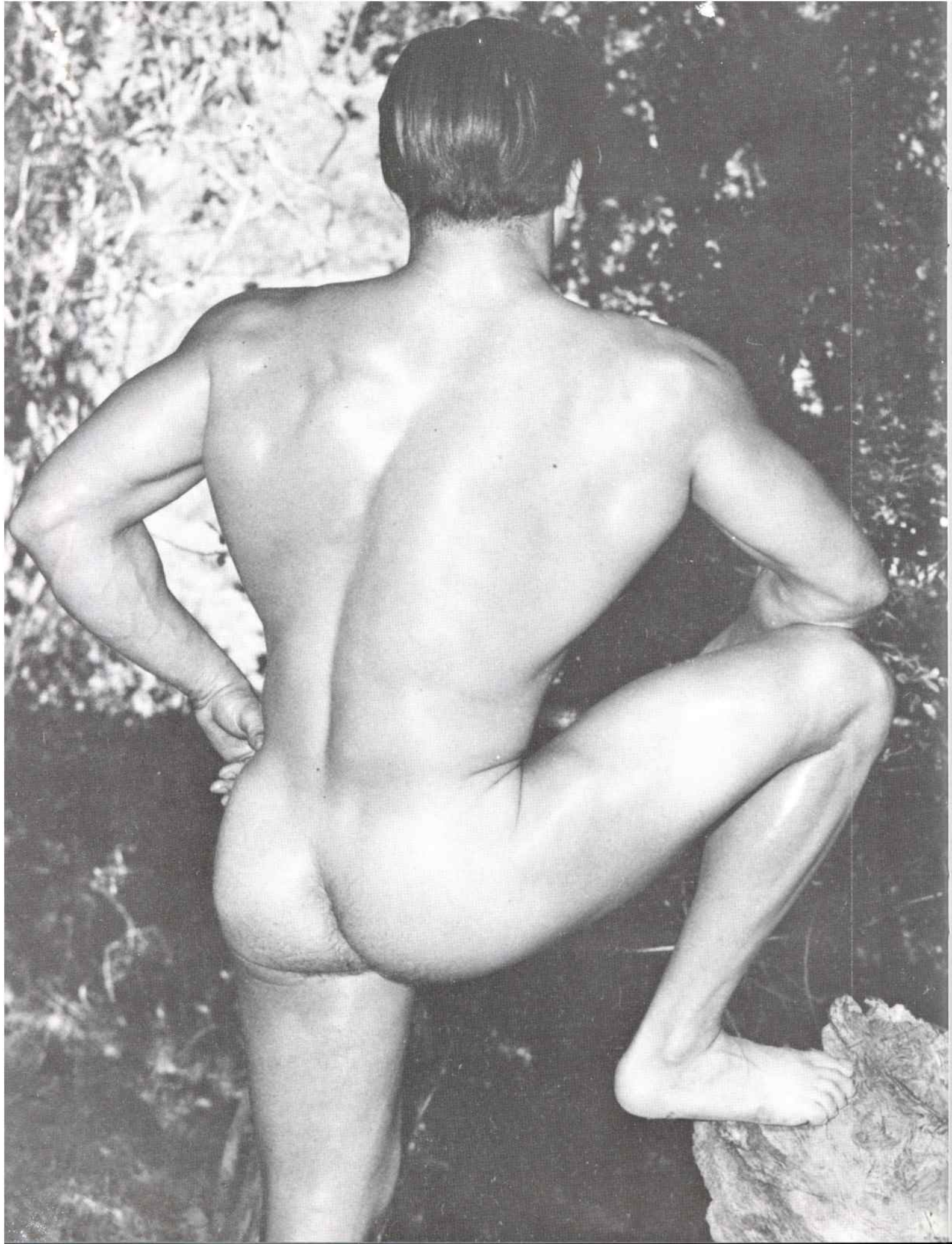
















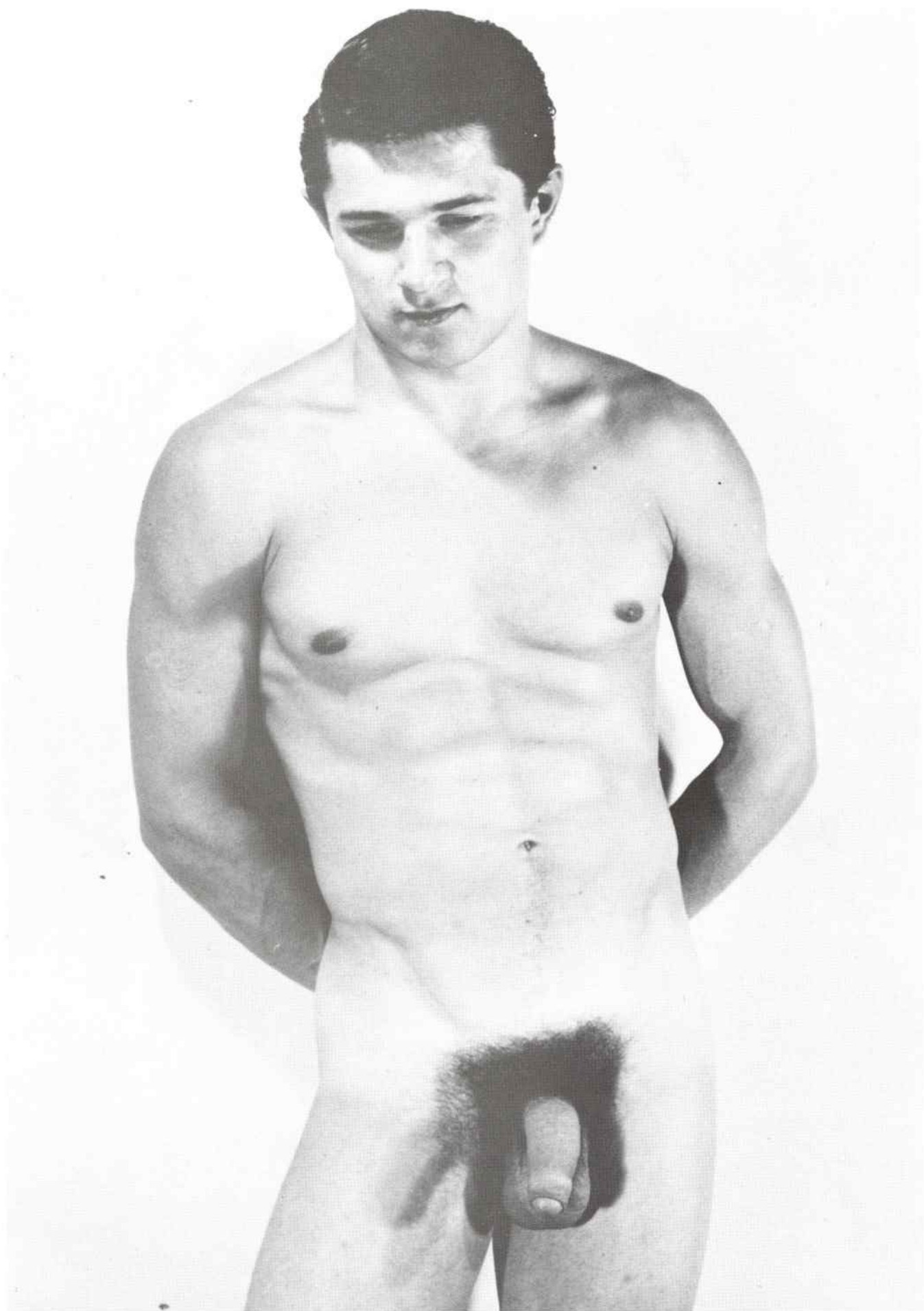














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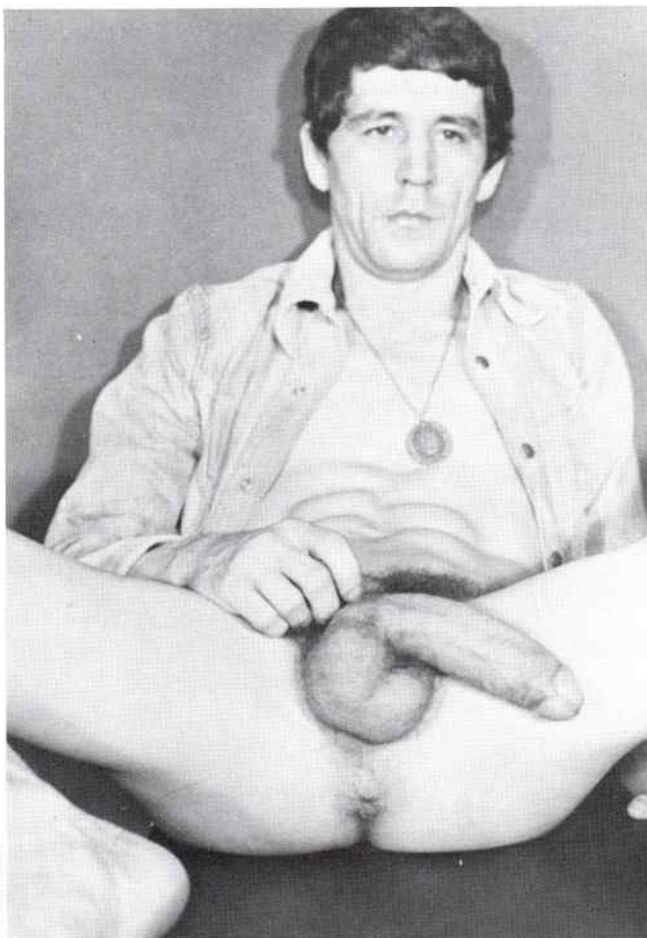


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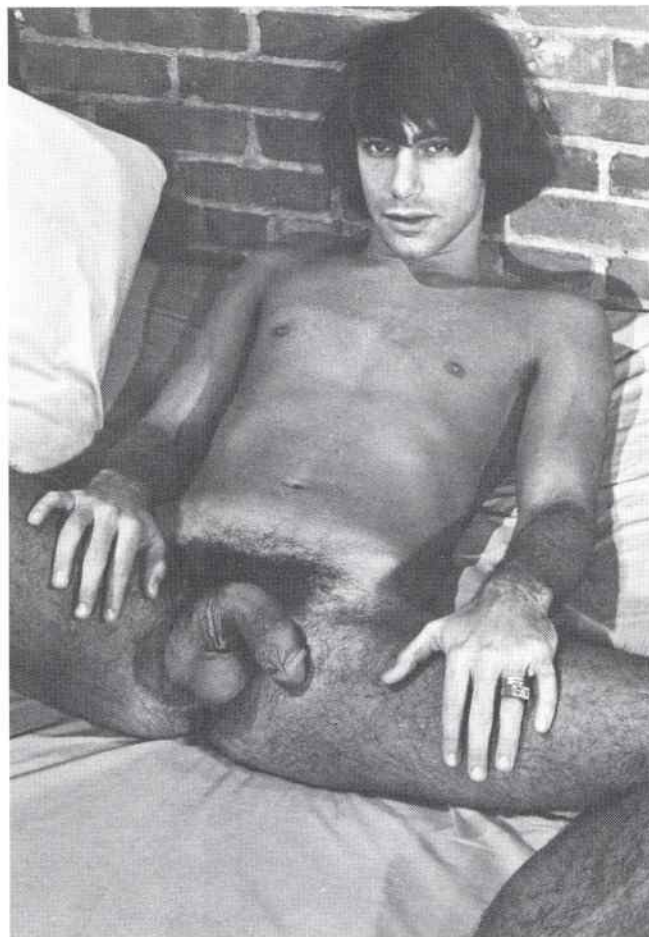
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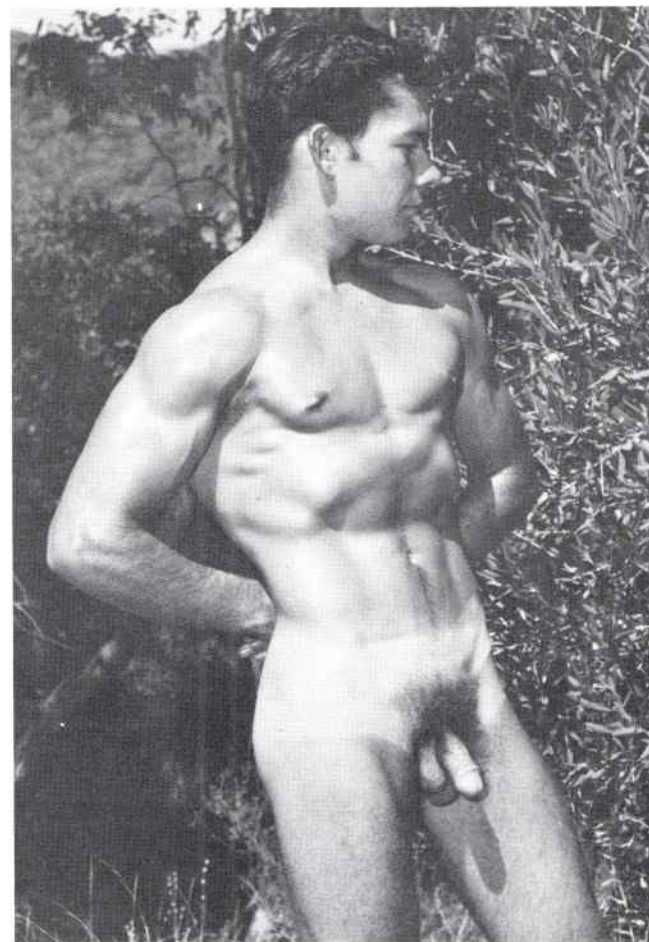
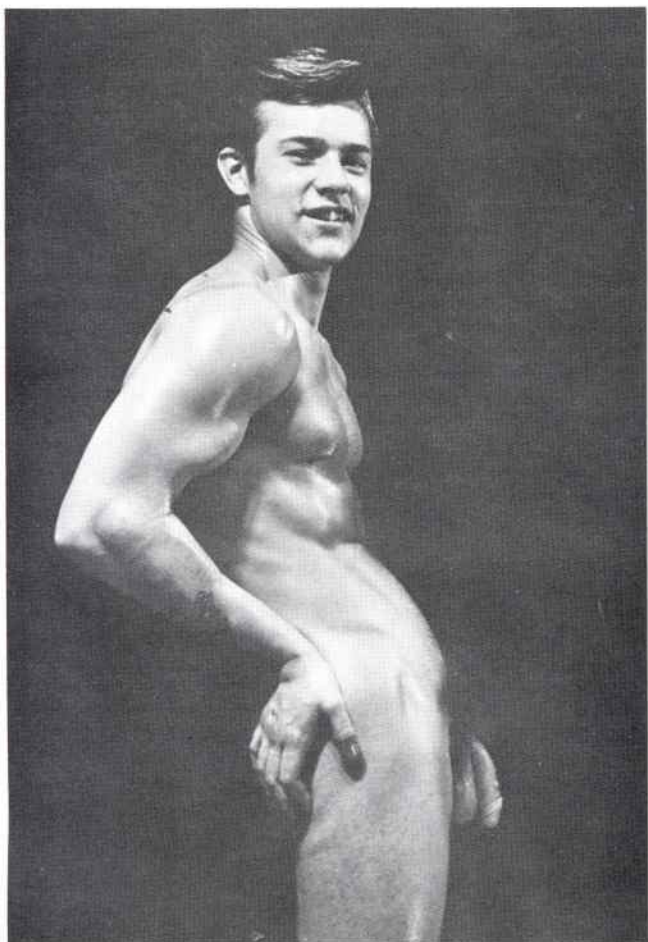


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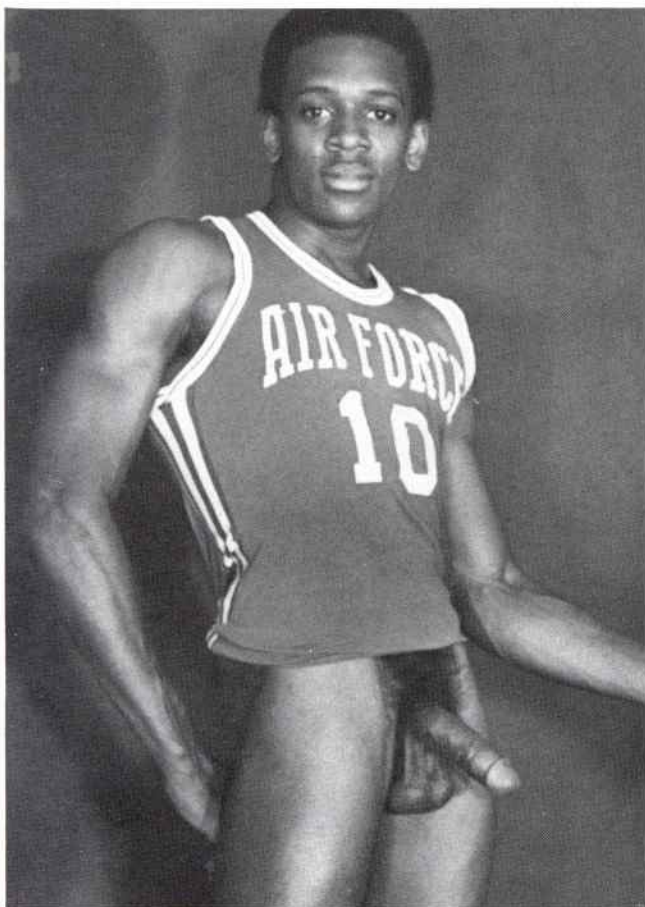
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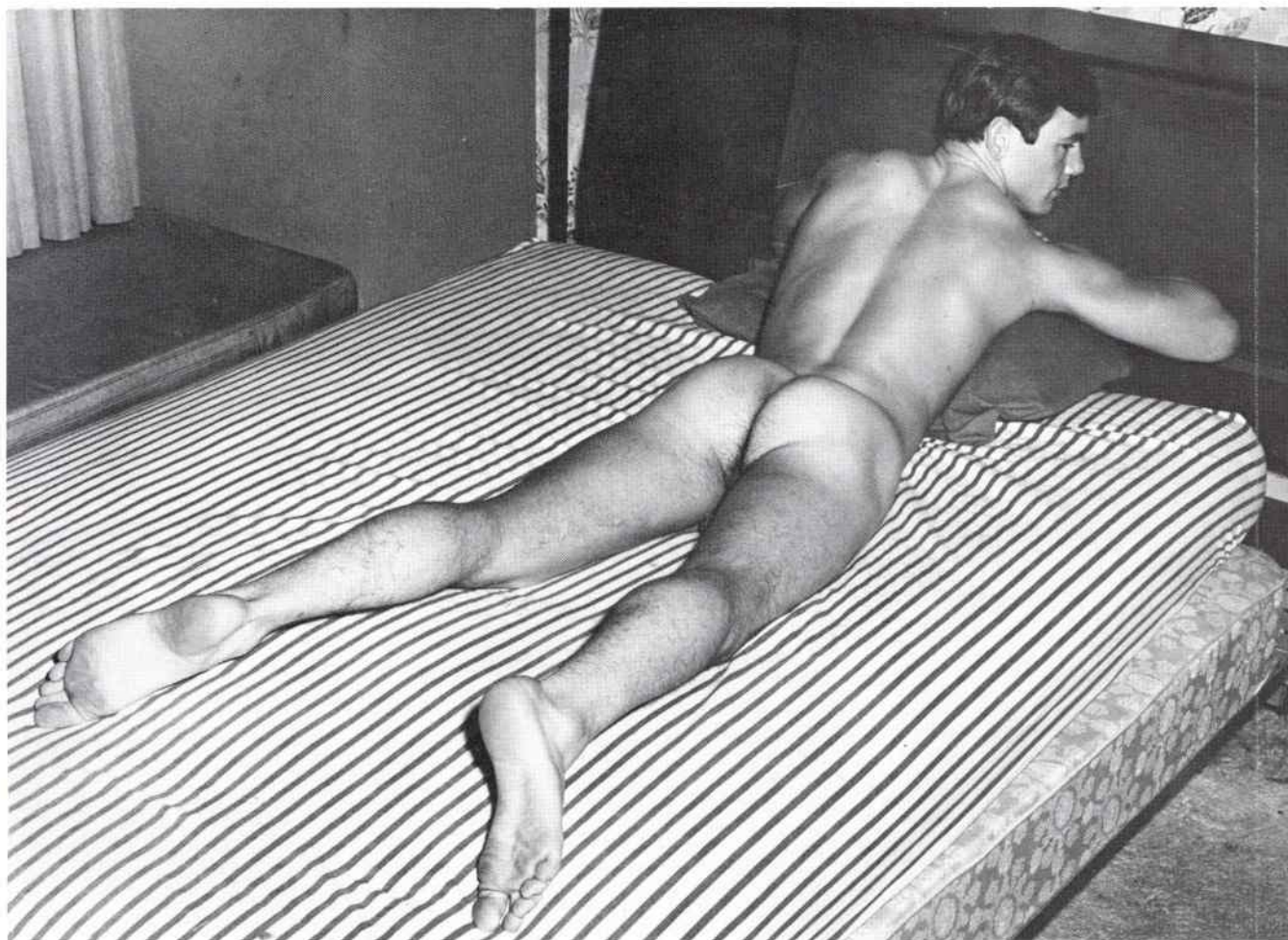


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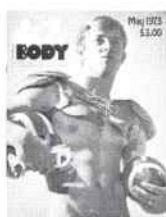
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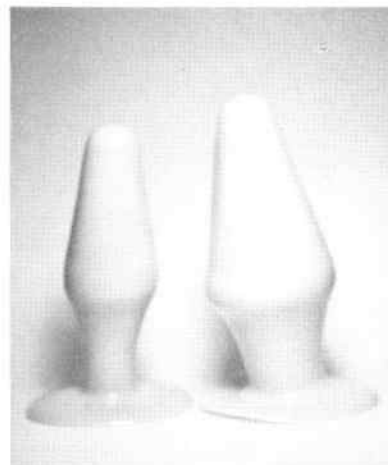
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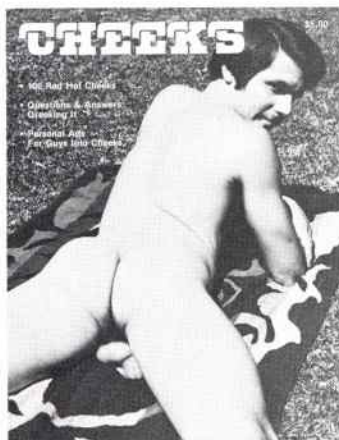
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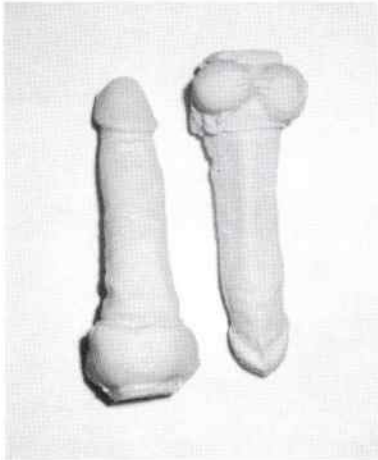
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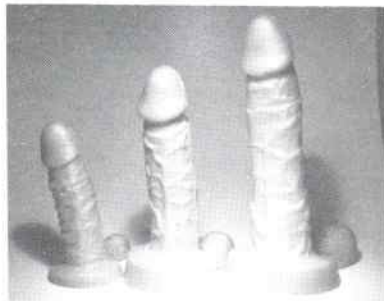


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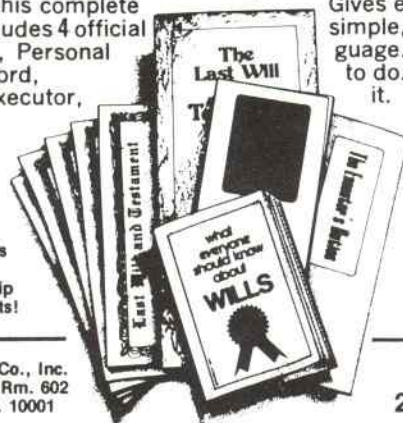
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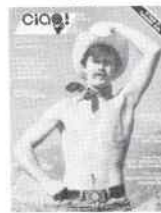
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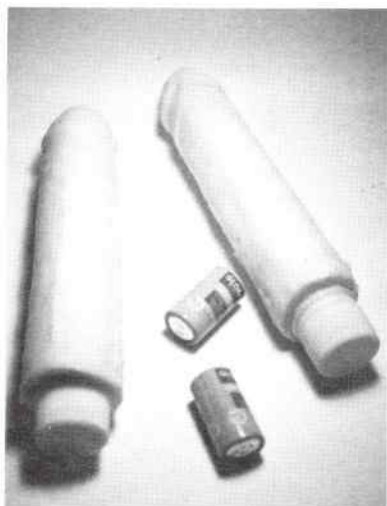


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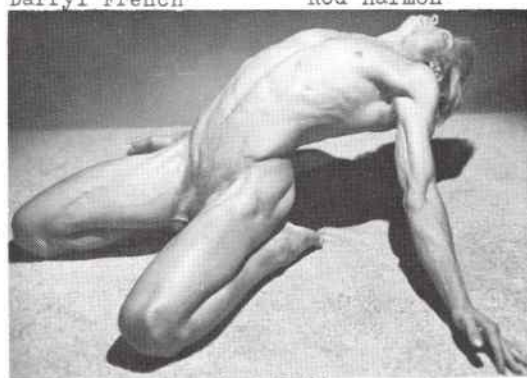
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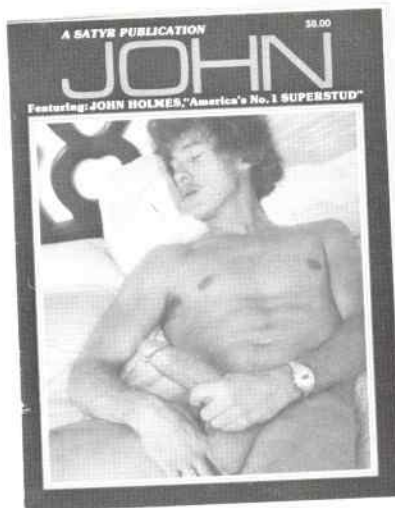
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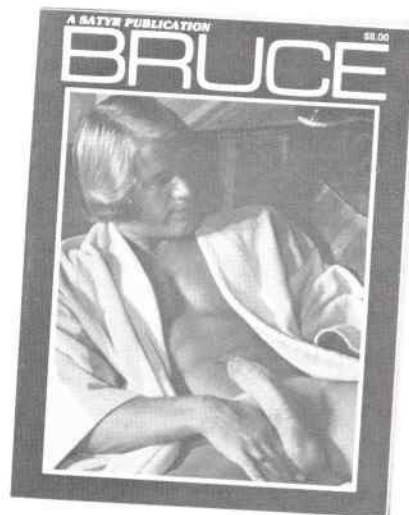
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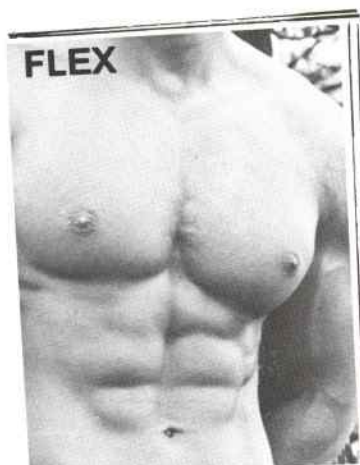
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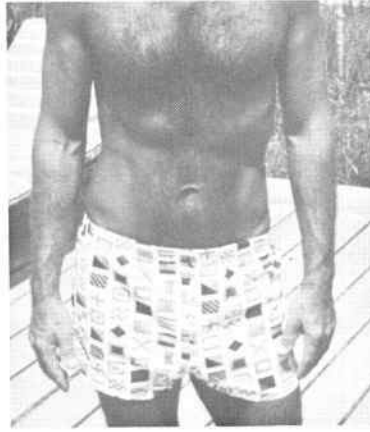
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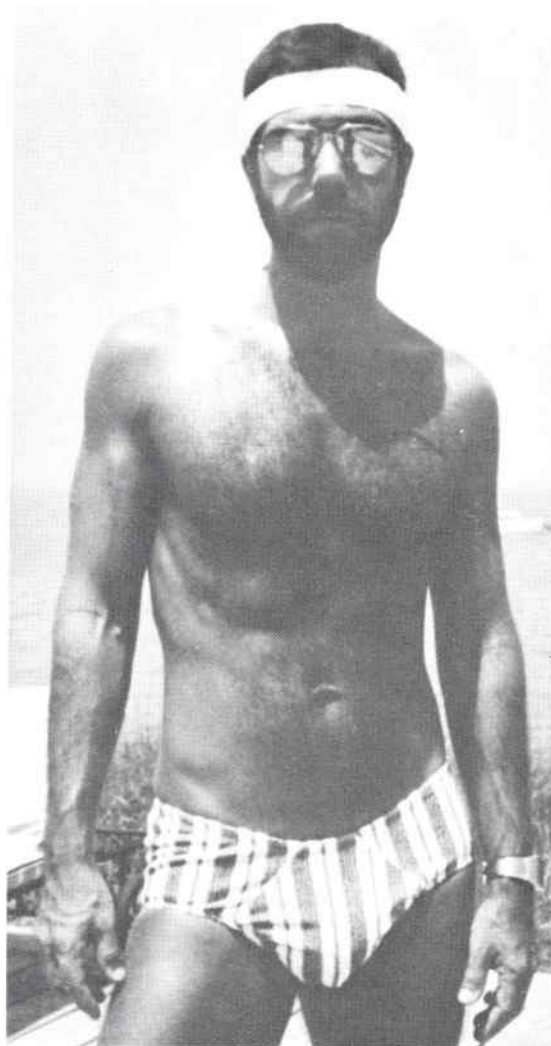
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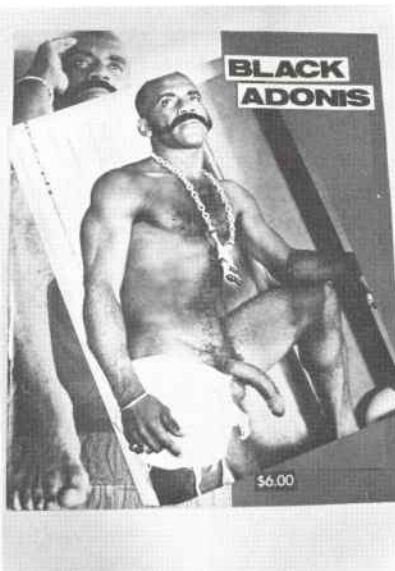
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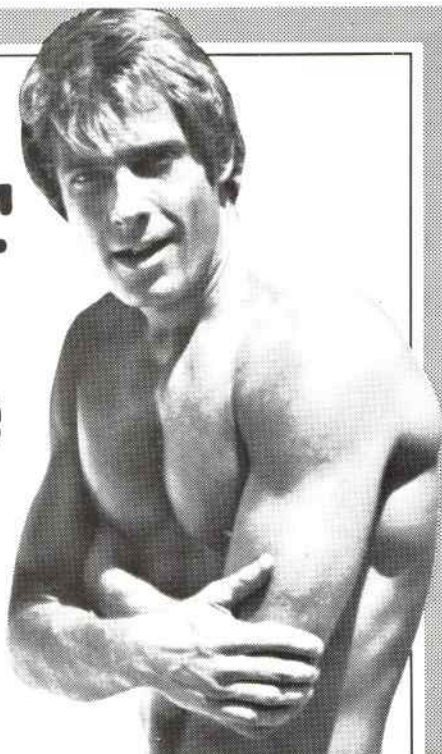
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