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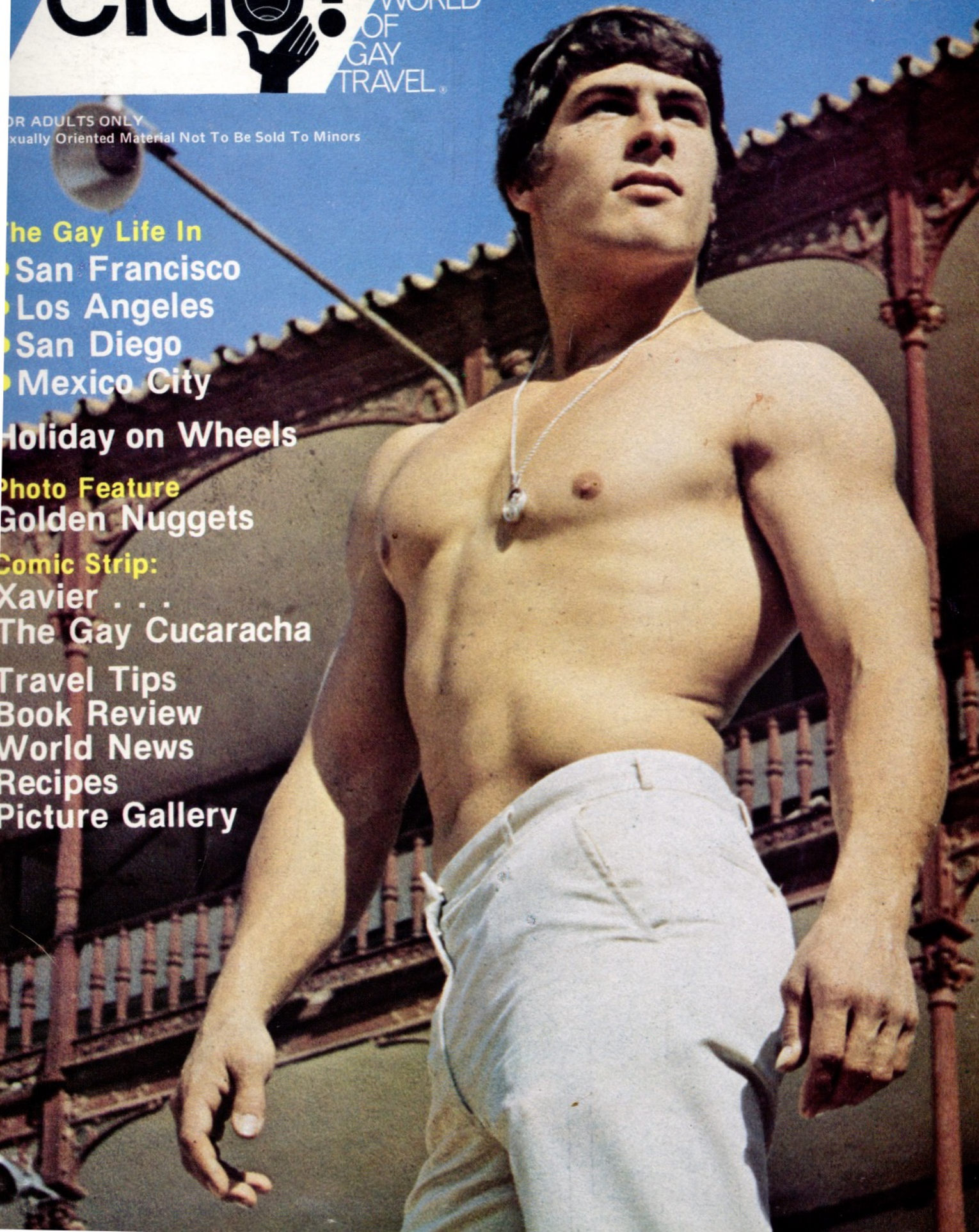
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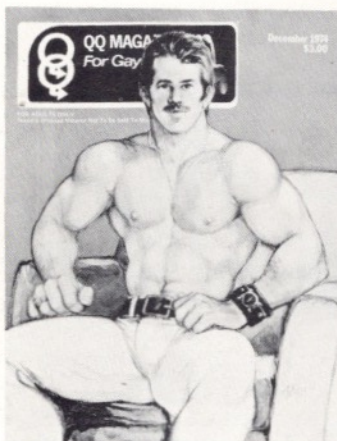
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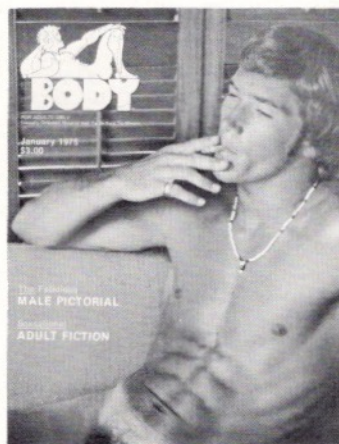


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Editorial

Westward Ho!

By Jon Lorrimer

With winter having zoned in on target **Ciao!** zooms in on three sunny California cities—with Mexico City joining in for a fabulous foursome.

For our report on **Los Angeles** we call on John Roberts; he lives there and knows what he is talking about. Most strangers find it difficult to get around and make connections because the city is so spread out and gay life is largely comprised of social cliques. John therefore provides us with a list of hot places accessible to anyone.

San Diego is a fabulous supermarket of sexy guys. Lots of **machismo** and gay denials but **everybody** sucks and fucks . . . provided you don't kiss on the lips! Native son Bill Josephs tells us where to make it.

Our own A. Jay, whose "Adventures of Harry Chess" in **QQ Magazine** are a delight, spends nearly a month out of every year visiting friends in **Mexico City**. He has lived there on and off and loves the place. Here is some good reporting; he tells us how to click in a city which is basically **un-gay**. Because he knows where to go for steamy action.

And what's ahead for **Ciao!** readers in 1975? Plenty. If we haven't yet covered a city in the U.S. in past issues we'll get there this year. Plus updates on important places like **New York City** (March-April issue, out in February) and **Chicago** (soon afterwards). In time for summer—a repeat feature on the gayest summer resort in the world, **Fire Island**. We also visit a lakeside vacation spot in Michigan that is often compared with Fire Island—**Saugatuck**. And we will visit perennial favorites abroad like **Paris**. Lots more. You know we won't disappoint you.

We also want to call your attention to the March-April 1975 **QQ Magazine** which will be released in January. In it you

will find a comprehensive article on **Puerto Rico**. Not only San Juan, but also Ponce and Mayaguez. Not only where to go, but also how to meet the boys. So if you're planning a winter vacation—don't pack until that issue comes out. You'll regret having gone without the latest scoop.



Ciao! readers will want to see the March-April 1975 **QQ Magazine** which comes out in January. In it is a big article on Puerto Rico. Not only San Juan but also Ponce and Mayaguez. Author Jerry Roberts also tells you how to go about getting the boys there. A preview of what you can expect to find appears above.

A final note. We are pleased to announce our new **1975 International Travel Directory**. Please read about it on page 47. It makes a perfect companion-piece for **Ciao!** We're very proud of it—and you will be too if you make it your traveling companion.

Happiness to you all for a wonderful holiday season!

Holiday On Wheels

By David Bartel

You catch your first glimpse of the Turquoise Room from a distance of perhaps a hundred feet, and the echo is Deco. As oddly pleased as you're oddly surprised, you decide you must explore this treasure trove in depth. Almost as if anticipating your thoughts, the electronic door swings wide to whisk you inside where you discover to your even greater delight that the entire club car of the Super Chief has been designed by someone with an eye for that popular art form of the 30s and 40s, now enjoying such a triumphal rediscovery in the art world.

The designer has obviously wanted everyone to feel relaxed and cozy, mellow and convivial, hence the use of huge Art Deco lamps that glow with friendly welcome. Right away you feel time out of mind . . . cut off from The Big Thrust . . . The Great Urgency. The soft, comfortable Deco lounge chairs invite you, but first you want to explore the Turquoise Room. This charming enclave is a private lounge generally filled with celebrities you'd never dreamed you'd come face-to-face with. If it's cocktail time you'll likely find such super stars as handsome Robert Wagner, or Barbara McNair, Pearl Bailey, or Joseph Cotten—all of whom prefer train to plane travel, and who have been Super-Chiefing it for years.



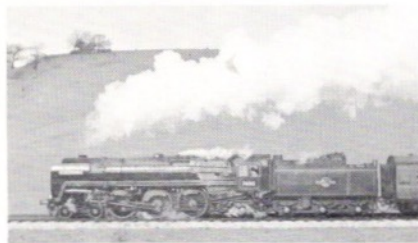
If it's sevenish you may be in for greater surprises and more delights because the Turquoise Room is frequently reserved for dinner parties of gay people on holiday the new Amtrak way, and who prefer the casual intimacy of this pleasant oasis to the elegant impersonality of the dining car proper. So if you look interesting—and interested—someone inside is sure to call out a "Hi . . . come in and have coffee with us!" You may suddenly have the giddy feeling that you're really in your pumpkin coach on the way to a ball, and that your holiday on wheels is already turning into a gay travelog.

Just a few years ago, no one—gay or straight—except perhaps those staunch railroad buffs; or elderly couples traveling on company passes; or those who are queasy about flying, would have given much thought to taking a train anywhere. But then the U.S. Government, with a hard look at the shape of things to come—specifically the need for mass transit—conceived the idea of coming to the rescue of the beleaguered railroads. Not by pouring millions into moribund single lines, but by first consolidating the many into the few, and then updating them in such a contemporaneous way that train travel would take on both urgency and the irresistibility of charm.



It's working beautifully, too. At first it was most noticeable in the upsurge of Metroliner business between such commutable cities as Washington, Philadelphia, New York and Boston. But as word got around that one could now

Amtrak it from Chicago to Los Angeles in 40 hours via the super-souped Super Chief with its new Amtrak luxury, business has zoomed for this line. And so has it for others, especially for those long-haul lines which originate from many other points, joining forces along the way and connecting so smoothly and unnoticeably that when you've reached the end of your journey 3,000 miles away you step off a whopper of a train, the length and like of which were never seen, even in the heyday of railroading!



It might be pointed out that this conjuncture of trains along the way has a distinct advantage for the gay individual who is taking his holiday on wheels. One might say that with each added segment the train lays in a supply of fresh meat. Thus as it lengthens and proliferates, so do gay opportunities increase with a greater variety of types. You just may be kept so busy throughout the two-day trip from Chicago to the West Coast, for example, that you may never see beyond your curtained bedroom window! And that would be a pity because you would miss some of the most beautiful of the

AMTRAK SCENIC ROUTES

Surely the most breathtaking of the Amtrak scenic routes is the northernmost—that taken by the Chicago-Seattle Empire Builder. In just the 90-minute ride bordering Glacier National Park you will be dazzled by a beauty of nature as magnificently panoramic as anything to be seen in the Swiss Alps. Because this is a very friendly train it stops accommodatingly at both ends of the park so that you can see it in greater amplitude, in different perspectives, and more accessibly than if you were driving a car or hiking/biking it. Also the North Coast Hiawatha takes you along the

southern route through Montana, giving you a glorious view of Yellowstone National Park that you could experience in no other way.



If very high scenic peaks thrill you, the Chicago-San Francisco Zephyr hits the highest one—the High Sierra. This is also a very friendly, accommodating train. In fact, it arranges its schedules so precisely that as you go westward you hit the High Sierra in the morning; and if coming eastward, in the late afternoon. These are the times when this great scenic wonder may be seen in its fullest grandeur. Moreover, although it is not an Amtrak project, the Denver & Rio Grande Western runs a spectacular day-long ride through the Rockies . . . of special interest to gay people who plan to do the Denver and/or Salt Lake City gay scene, since it runs between these cities.

WEST COAST AMTRAKS

Ciao! has covered the gay cities of Seattle, Portland, San Francisco, and all the way down through Los Angeles to San Diego, and gaggles of gay guys who have been reading us have also come up with the happy idea of visiting in and exploring the gay life of each other's towns. Happily the 'group 'n gropers' have discovered that Amtrak's Coast Daylight/Starlight (more familiarly called The Starlight), bound from San Diego through Los Angeles and on up to Oakland/San Francisco, Portland and Seattle, makes the going really great . . . more so in a luxurious Vistadome-type coach through which you can drink in all that heavenly scenery. If you are making the entire coastal trip you can make the going all the greater if there are enough of you to charter an entire sleeping car. With roomettes for two, and bedrooms for four or more, you can have an absolute gay-la going up

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and down (if you'll excuse the expression) the Coast.

This is undoubtedly the most popular Amtrak, and a virtual sellout on every run, a fact that may seem odd since Californians are so automobile-conscious that wheels are almost an extension of oneself. Even odder: the Starlight is giving the Los Angeles-San Francisco shuttle flights real competition. The reason is the unmatched scenery most Californians have never seen! They've discovered that they can see more of nature's wonders from a train window/Vistadome than from a bird's-eye view from a plane, or blinded by smog on a freeway.

Then, once you've sampled all the goodies of Portland and Seattle, your group can bus it, boat it, or plane it to Vancouver, that wildly-cruisy Canadian city we wrote at length about in the October 1973 issue of *Ciao!* Amtrak-ing, as you see, makes possible a host of delights one would find difficult-to-impossible to experience with the same ease and practicality if one used other forms of transportation. It's all **there** ... and just fingertips away!

THE EASTERN AMTRAKS

One Amtrak train that is usually very gay without even half trying is the Montrealer, running between Washington and Montreal, and which, sadly but (as you may find) gladly, passes through the splendor of Vermont's Green Mountains at night so that one misses the glory of this lavishness of nature. Countering this, however, is the lively club car named **Le Pub** ... manned by young guys. Lots of gay people aboard—especially lots of those Montreal gay guys who speak English but think French (but then, *zut alors!*—don't we all?).

So instead of pell-melling your way out of Washington to the airport, then waiting (because of the tightened fuel restrictions, not to mention any inclement weather that prevents takeoff) until your flight that has been postponed/rescheduled several times is finally ready to blast off ... then the trip itself ... then that long ride into Montreal from the airport ... why not pub it in Le Pub for

once? Lots of fun, and very cruisy. And what makes it nicer is that because your bedroom is just a step away from Le Pub you can keep it up and up and up ... all night long!



There are four Amtrak trains to Florida, serving East Coast and Gulf Coast. Luxury, and with even more extras and sextras. The Silver Meteor, for example, has movies and TV, as well as diversions of other kinds, such as fashion shows. But so far they haven't had any drag shows (although 'fashion' they undoubtedly are!), nor any physique contests (however you can stage a continuous 'physique show' in your bedroom) or belly-dancing extravaganzas. But then, who knows?

YOUR CAR RIDES PIGGY-BACK!

Although it is not Amtrak-operated, Auto-Train has a different kind of extra. You can drive your car to Lorton, Virginia (suburban Washington, D.C.) and they'll let it ride piggy-back on a special automobile car while you ride on the same train to Sanford, Florida ... either in coach or sleeping car. If you'd like to take your lover along, you can get two coach tickets for \$198 which includes your car's transportation; for \$45 more you can have a twin roomette. A very pleasant and often very cruisy trip that lasts just an overnight 15½ hours. Sanford is in East Central Florida, near Orlando (if you want to see Disneyland) and Daytona Beach. And since you'll have your car you can easily drive every day to beaches East and Gulf side ... and especially to that youngayguy city—Tampa. By traveling this way you save all those going-higher Hertz/Avis fees and cut your vacation cost by half.

The Northeastern Terminal of

Auto-Train is right off Interstate 95, just 15 miles south of Washington, D.C., which makes Lorton convenient for travelers coming from or going to anywhere in the northeastern United States.

Recently, another branch of Auto-Train was established. This one runs from Louisville, Kentucky, thus serving the midwest. Louisville's **Midwestern Terminal** is 5 miles south of the city, directly off Interstate 65.

When you arrive at either of the terminals a special Auto-Train greeter welcomes you and checks your tickets and gives you an automobile inspection form. You are taken to the point where your car is inspected and loaded.

You ride either in a luxurious glass-domed coach lounge with almost bed-like reclining seats with fold-out leg and foot rests (pillows and blankets are provided); or in a private compartment that converts into a bedroom. The dinner is buffet-style. On the longer Louisville run lunch is also served. Continental breakfast on both.

For more complete information you may write to Auto-Train Corporation, 1801 K Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20006.

If you'll refer to our Gay Florida issue of *Ciao!* (April 1973) you'll appreciate even more how having your own wheels piggy-backed to the Sunshine State can help you cover gay territory you'd otherwise miss. Big and little places that are swingaying all the time. Drive to a different one each day, flip the pages of *Ciao!* to get the right addresses and just the special ambience you are seeking, and dig in! We covered Gainesville, Jacksonville, Cocoa Beach, Tallahassee, Fort Lauderdale (very gay!), Sarasota, West Palm Beach and the big one ... Miami Beach. You should take that issue along for ready reference.



PETS, TOO!

As any pet owner knows, going away and leaving Rover at home, even in the care of someone you trust, is a wrench. He's in your mind so much of the time. Amtrak makes it possible for you to take your pet along and keep him in your room/roomette. The conductor will brief you on durations of stops along the way, and so you can take your pet out for a few minutes and let him get a smell of new-mown hay or whatever, lift a leg, and enjoy his Amtrak ride as much as you. The problem of taking pets by plane often has tragic consequences. Too often, due to carelessness of flight personnel, or to structural flaws, or many other things—pressure changes in the plane's bay are sometimes so sudden that your animal dies of the bends, or the temperature falls so low he freezes to death, or sustains some affliction that makes you rue the day you ever thought of bringing him along. Also, one might note, if you have a very small pet it is often quite all right to keep it in an Amtrak coach. Check with the railroad about this.

AMTRAK EQUIPMENT

Speaking generally, as service is restored to railroads it is with the best equipment possible. For example there's new Amtrak service from St. Louis through Little Rock, Dallas, Fort Worth and Laredo where you can switch to the Aztec Eagle for Mexico City. Also California is adding new Amtrak routes almost every month, and the lure of all that luxury on wheels is selling out train after train.

On all trains there are some Vistadome coaches, as well as comfortable bedrooms that have both upper and lower berths plus shower, lavatory and toilet; also Amtraks have double-occupancy roomettes with similar facilities, except that the space is smaller. Such archaic accommodations as those Pullman upper/lower-berth cars with the green baize curtains are gone forever. You might say that what Amtrak is trying for is a kind of Holiday Inn on wheels. There are, of course, club cars (like the one on the Santa Fe with

the Turquoise Room), and snack cars and pub cars and other lounge cars added for all possible comfort and diversion.



AMTRAKRUISING

There are exceptional opportunities for cruising in the domed coaches, and here's the layout:

In the men's lounge of every coach there are two cubicles. Each cubicle, however, will hold only one—namely you—and the only way to get a trick inside is to spoon him in with a Vaseline shoe-horn. But that isn't very wise even if each of you weighs but 90 pounds when orgasmically wet. However, just outside the cubicles are (a) a lavatory with a cruising "I'm a'lookin' at you!" mirror into-and-from which all kinds of sexual semaphoring can be carried on; and (b) a comfortable lounging bench. So go in and sit a spell. Anyone interesting you may have passed along your way to the lounge is sure to stop in and investigate. With the 'sexual shorthand' we all know by heart, it is then simply a reflex action for him to follow you back to your car, or you to his.

This can go on and on, and on some more. Of course, the coach passengers will marvel at the urgency of your kidneys that seems to make you head for the john . . . or they may assume that Montezuma is really taking his revenge, and so they'll nod sympathetically—and forget.

In your own sleeping car, leave your door open . . . have a welcoming smile for any likely trick who passes by. Go into the club car every whipstitch and see what gay guy looks tempting. Cruising the entire length of the train will not seem odd. Quite the contra-

ry, one needs exercise, and about the only way to get it on a train is to stroll along the aisles of all the cars from engine to rear patio, ticking off the estimated number of miles this may represent. An Amtrak 'constitutional', one may call it. Of course the *really* best way to get plenty of exercise to keep the old juices flowing (oops!) is to tame a succession of wild tricks in your bedroom.

AMTRAK FOOD

In the August 1974 issue of *Ciao!*, the article on Gay Dining touched upon some of the fantastic changes in railroad cuisine, since the advent of Amtrak. In that article we dealt principally with those very special dishes one may enjoy that relate to the particular area of Amtrak origination. For example, the Santa Fe Railroad's famous Little Thin Orange Pancakes and the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad's Shrimp Bisque with Wine, and other such mouth-watering good things as Kebabs 'Forty-niners' and Sour-dough Bread.

Although every Amtrak will have some delicious local recipes to tempt you with, all will have certain standard meals that are well prepared, such as lake trout (about \$5 for the complete dinner on most trains); roast eye of beef for \$6; lamb chops for about \$5.75; or a charcoal-broiled steak for \$7. The meal includes potato, a vegetable, a salad, roll, dessert, and coffee. And if, in the light of today's restaurant prices in big cities, these prices seem low, it must be remembered that food is not high everywhere. You will find that Amtrak dinners are really no higher than those of fine restaurants anywhere except in New York, Philadelphia, Boston, Washington and Chicago. And what makes each meal an even greater pleasure is the fact that you can dine while looking out the dining car windows . . . seeing the world fly by.

Give some thought to this 'new' type of vacation travel. In view of gas crunch and higher prices all around, railroad travel—especially such luxurious train travel—is sure to become the 'in' way to go. And for gay people particularly,

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all that great 'Amtrikking' makes Amtrakking really super!

California's "Big Three"

San Francisco

By Ralph W. Davis

Pleasure is the major industry in San Francisco, and the gays who visit greedily pursue it to the point of fatigue. They come from everywhere in thick waves that wash over the hills and flow with force through all the gay bars and baths, then unexpectedly recede like the tide into the expanse of land to the east. Life here has become a rush and a retreat of people, with hardly a brief pause from the madness of movement to give the city rest. Yet it is this movement, this insatiable greed for pleasure that energizes San Francisco and keeps it alive and vital.

It is very difficult to meet a San Franciscan. Everyone seems to be a visitor. Some stay for years, others for months. But for most, San Francisco is just another stop on a long and frivolous journey through life.

FOLSOM STREET

Gay life in San Francisco is everywhere. But there are certain areas which have a larger deposit than others. One of these areas is Folsom Street (sometimes called the Miracle Mile). Folsom runs three blocks below and parallel to Market Street, and stretches (for gay interest) from Third Street to about 17th Street. At night, when the bars are overflowing, this industrial warehouse area is uncomfortably dangerous (or maybe it just seems that way because of the extremely butch numbers that parade from bar to bar). Nevertheless, I would urge caution because of the serious games played by the western and leather set who frequent the area. Yet most bars here are very popular

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and do a very good business. An occasional beating seems to encourage rather than discourage traffic. These assaults are like an advertisement for the S&M games played in the area. There are so many bars on Folsom or near it . . . here are the main ones:

Fe-be's at 1501 Folsom, is a popular bar with older men. Nick, who runs the upstairs A Taste of Leather Shop, sometimes comes down the stairs into the bar and camps it up for the customers. This bar, like most of the bars in the area, has a strong, masculine look and is most popular from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. daily, and on Sundays and holidays, all the time. Saturday afternoon on Folsom Street can be slow, because many of the gays work.



Fe-be's



Boot Camp

The Boot Camp, 1010 Bryant, is very popular with gays who are deep into leather. (Bryant is several blocks below Folsom.) The Boot Camp, unlike Fe-be's, is very popular with a younger,

rougher crowd.

527 Club (Off The Levee) at 527 Bryant is a popular restaurant-bar. Every Monday they have a "Steak and Date Night" when two can eat for \$8. On weekends and holidays they have a great brunch. There is plenty of parking in the area. A branch of the A Taste of Leather Shop is in the building. Like The Boot Camp, a young crowd goes here.



527 Club

Round-Up, 298 Sixth Street, is a friendly bar where it's easy to make contacts—thanks to an older crowd that encourages a down-to-earth approach to making out. It is claimed by some of the regular customers that the men who go here are supposed to be the most masculine in the area.



Round-Up

Ramrod, 1225 Folsom, is a nice place to catch a popular film. It is a good idea to check with the bar to find out what they are going to show. Sometimes they rent major flicks, and since they are shown free it can save you money if you were planning to see



Ramrod



Cissy Saloon



No-Name Bar



The Covered Wagon



End-Up



The Stud



Folsom Prison



Quarry



Red Star Saloon



Folsom Street Barracks

the same film downtown. This bar, like the Round-Up, has a reputation for being a good cruise bar.

No-Name Bar, 1347 Folsom, is as the name indicates . . . a no-name bar. It is very difficult to spot this one, but it is located on the corner and painted a blue-grey. This bar, like the Round-Up, is known as a good cruise bar.

End-Up at 6th and Harrison is quite a favorite spot . . . a very popular dance bar where all the young, groovy numbers come to dance under the computerized lights. Most everyone comes here to dance, thus it cannot be considered a cruise bar. A clean-cut, college type heads here, unlike other bars in the area.

Folsom Prison, 1898 Folsom, is "strictly S&M." On Mondays at 11 p.m. they have a slave-and-master auction which is very popular and gays come from everywhere to participate. The bar is open daily from 5 p.m. and at 2 p.m. on weekends and holidays. Incidentally, all bars close at 2 a.m. in San Francisco.

Red Star Saloon, at the corner of Folsom and Hallam is also popular with the younger crowd. Inside the bar is a leather shop selling the usual leather and gadgets popular with the Folsom Street gays.

Cissy Saloon, 1590 Folsom, is a popular bar, rustically decorated. A block away, at 278 11th Street, is **The Covered Wagon**. There's a rooftop pool here and open to the night sky. It is available only to members, but if you go to the bar you may meet a member who will invite you upstairs. San Francisco evenings are a little too cool for me to swim outside, but if you are more rugged this may be a great place to visit. It opens after 10 p.m.

The Stud, 1535 Folsom, is popular with heads. The crowd is very groovy, and the music is soft and mellow.

Quarry at 2742 17th Street, like Cissy, is in a charming building. This one, however, is an old red brick building on the corner of Florida and 17th by the railroad tracks.

Hamburger Mary's at 1582 Folsom Street has great ham-

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burgers. It attracts all types—gays and straights—during the day, but at night it is popular with the gays who want something to eat before or after drinking.

There are three busy baths in the area, the best two being the **Folsom Street Barracks**, 1147 Folsom; and the **Ritch Street Health Club** at 330 Ritch Street. The **Red Star Inn** is in the same building as the Barracks, and joins it from inside the baths. Gays staying in the Barracks can wander freely into the Red Star Inn for drinks, then return to the Barracks for the usual bathhouse fun. The Barracks attracts the outdoor and western types. The Ritch Street Health Club is very popular with local beauties (no leather or S&M here). When these beauties aren't standing around looking beautiful, they are usually in their rooms making themselves beautiful. Lots of cruising, but very little action. The third is **The Slot**, at Folsom and 6th. It has a bizarre S&M ambience.

Harrison House, 995 Harrison Street and the **Bunkhouse Hotel**, 38 Washburn, are the two guest houses in the area. The Harrison is above the End-Up and is very popular with the under-thirty crowd. It is a nice, clean place to stay. The rooms are rented by the week only (from \$21 to \$25) or by the month (from \$88 to \$102). Each room has a refrigerator. The Bunkhouse also attracts a young crowd, but they tend to be hippies or heads. It is an uncomfortably strange hotel inside, and I don't recommend it unless you are an adventurer who has nothing to lose. The rates are \$5 per night; \$18 per week; and \$80 per month.

VALENCIA VALLEY

Valencia begins at about 12th and Market Streets and extends southward. It isn't a very good area, in my opinion, and can be hazardous at night because of the black and Mexican settlement here. But many closet queens who avoid other areas prefer it because they won't be seen by their friends.

Rainbow Cattle Co. at 199 Valencia is a typical hippie bar January/February 1975

with the usual assortment of heads and longhairs. There is a country/western atmosphere with that modern 'Nashville' sound. Sometimes there is a live show, but usually there are tapes. Evenings are best from 10 o'clock on.

The Patch at 3481 18th Street is a bar which attracts the usual feminine type gays, some in drag, most semi-drag with jewelry and makeup. If you like your men a little straight-looking, this isn't your bar.

Fickle Fox at 842 Valencia is a very well-known restaurant. The home cooking is excellent (roasts, chops and the like), and it is served in a pleasant, informal atmosphere. The service is excellent and the gays who visit are nice.

Sutro Bath House, 312 Valencia, is a new baths which is trying very hard to please. It is now renting its facilities from noon to 8 p.m. to gay groups for \$150. It is clean, small and and intelligently managed. Rates are low: \$2.50 from 4 p.m. to 4 a.m. on Monday and Tuesday nights; any member of any gay club in good standing can enter for \$1.50.

The Baths, 3244 21st Street, is also located in the Valencia area. This baths is a little more popular than the Sutro with rates from \$2.50 during the weekdays—\$3 at night—to \$3.50 during the day on weekends, and \$4.50 at night. Unlike the Sutro, it is open 24 hours.

THE STRIP AND CASTRO VILLAGE

This is a nice neighborhood, far enough away from the downtown Market Street area to be comfortable. It's a mixture of hippies, professionals and middle-class workers in a sort of Greenwich Village atmosphere. Castro Street seems to be the center for the hippies and heads, and the bars have the usual loud sound.

U.S. Mint at 1942 Market Street is a nice bar which is losing some of its following to the Club (see below). Nevertheless, it still attracts some nice people, a good mixture of gay men and women. The food here is very good—the



Bunkhouse Hotel



Rainbow Cattle Co.



Fickle Fox



Sutro Bath House



The Baths



Naked Grape



The Club



Truck Stop



Purple Pickle



Missouri Mule

waiters very congenial. Food prices are from \$3.45 to \$8.25. Hours: Monday through Friday 5 p.m. to 2 a.m. Saturday, Sunday and holidays from 11:30 a.m. to 2 a.m.

Naked Grape, 2097 Market, is a cruisy bar popular with young cruisy men. Sort of leather, but only quietly so. Nothing like the Folsom Street bars. The dance floor has mirrors and revolving lights, and dancing is fantastic. Hours: 11 a.m. to 2 a.m. daily, and from 6 a.m. to 2 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday.

The Club at 718 14th Street has been gaining in popularity in the past months. There is a sign in front of the bar which reads 718. All types go here, from young to old; a nice professional crowd that dresses quietly without any trace of their profession. Dinner is served from \$5 to \$7. Hours: 11 a.m. to 2 a.m. daily.

Truck Stop, corner of Church and 14th, across from the Club, is a busy, mixed, gay/straight restaurant open 24 hours. Gays come here when the bars close. The food is not particularly good. The **Rear End** is the gay bar in the rear of the restaurant.

Purple Pickle, 2223 Market, is a piano bar. When Bob's at the piano the crowd is thick. It is a charming paneled bar, warmly and subtly decorated. A restaurant is being built and should be ready by the time this article is published.

Missouri Mule, 2348 Market, is popular with the 30-to-40 age group. The food here is average—\$2.95 to \$4.50 Monday through Friday. Brunches on Saturday and Sunday from noon to 4 p.m. are \$1.75 to \$2.75. The bar opens at 4 p.m. daily, and on Saturday and Sunday at 11 a.m.

Twin Peaks at Market and Castro is the most popular and crowded bar in the area. All types mingle here; it's rather like a New York Upper East Side bar. Elegant, but sport-shirt-and-slacks elegant. Open daily from noon to 2 a.m.

Nothing Special at 469 Castro is, as the name indicates, nothing special. There is a nice bunch of friendly men who visit here. Open daily from 6 a.m. to 2 a.m.

Toad Hall, 482 Castro, is a busy, freaky bar. Lots of heads—the kind who have conversations with walls. If this excites you, then this is your bar. There are some beautiful numbers here, and although they behave a little strange at times, their looks and bodies make up for it. Same crowd goes to the **Midnight Sun** at 506 Castro, and **The Pendulum** at 4146 18th Street. Hours: 10 a.m. to 2 a.m.

The Badlands at 4121 18th Street; **Fanny's Restaurant and Bar**, 4320 18th Street, and the **Mind Shaft**, 2141 Market, are some of the other gay bars in the area.

Castro Baths, 582 Castro, attracts the neighborhood crowd. All types can be found here—from those who visit Toad Hall to those who go to Twin Peaks. Rates are \$2 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., and \$3 from 4 p.m. to 8 a.m. On weekends/holidays—\$4.50.

The playground at **Collingwood off 18th Street** is where the gays go for action among the swings. Anything can happen here when the children who attend the public school are safely home in bed. Also popular for outdoor cruising is **Castro Street from 18th to Market**. There is the usual up-the-street, down-the-street activity. When the local gays want a rest, then they stop at **Andy's Donut** at 460 Castro. Andy's is a depressing, greasy-looking place usually filled with hippies, heads and drunks.

DOWNTOWN

Around Turk and Eddy Streets in downtown San Francisco is the tenderloin. Anything can be had here from rough trade to screaming queens. It is the most uncomfortable gay area in San Francisco and should be approached at night with caution and good sense. There are the usual whores, drag queens, pushers and heads here. The worst types.

Ho's Landmark at 45 Turk Street is popular with an older crowd. There is a heavy sprinkling of drag queens and rough trade. This bar isn't as popular as it once was, but it still gets a loyal crowd. Dinner is terrible, but if you're hungry, you can give it a

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try. Prices: \$2.75 to \$5.75; brunches are \$1.50 to \$3.50. Open every day from 10 a.m. to 2 a.m.

Trapp, 72 Eddy Street, is a no-dancing, no-food bar—very rough. A black crowd, and always very busy.

Score II at 147 Mason is probably the most popular downtown bar. Some very butch guys who sell or give it away. It's usually filled with a young crowd, and a more masculine type of male. Hours: 6 a.m. to 2 a.m. daily. It's busiest from 9 p.m. on, especially on weekends.

Kokpit, 301 Turk Street. The bar is very busy during the cocktail hour, and afterward it dies and doesn't come alive until the following evening.

Blue and Gold, 136 Turk. Like the Kokpit, it attracts an older crowd. It's too slow, but busier than the Kokpit. The Kokpit is a little out of the way for the heavy downtown traffic.

Gangway, 841 Larkin, is also popular with the older crowd. Lots of retired seamen come here, and it gets a good following. Hours: 6 a.m. to 2 a.m. **The Red Lantern**, 180 Golden Gate, and **ResErection** at 567 Sutter Street are two other gay downtown bars.

Club Baths, 132 Turk Street, is very busy on weekends. The rates then are \$5 (\$4 on weekdays) for rooms. This baths has been here for years, and while it is not as popular as once, it still has good action. Most people come here for sex and seldom waste their time acting beautiful and cool. There are three floors to explore.

Market Street from 7th to Powell is still a popular cruise area at night, but it is rough. I have seen some wild types here (both night and day), and unless you can defend yourself well I don't recommend it at night. The street has improved now that BART (Bay Area Rapid Transit) is completed and it looks less raunchy than before. But don't let that fool you!

Union Square is still the best place downtown to pick up hustlers. Some very hunky types hang out here—day and night. Cruising is more obvious at night, and the



Twin Peaks



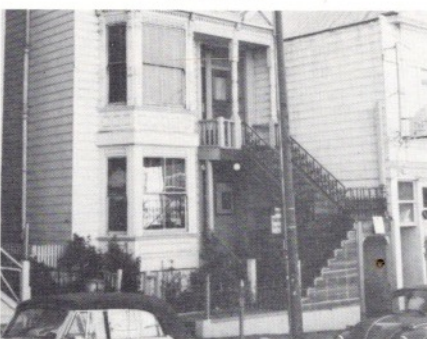
Ho's Landmark



Toad Hall



Score II



Castro Baths



Gangway



Playground at Collingwood & 18th



Club Baths



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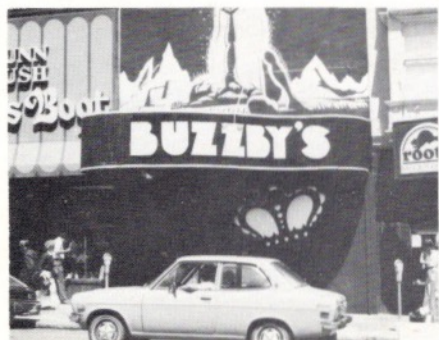
Polk Street



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Polk Gulch Saloon



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hustlers tend to be more direct then.

POLK STREET

This is a fascinating street of shops and restaurants and bars, and is heavily cruised all the time. Polk Street has been popular with San Franciscans for years—a nice stop-and-shop area for antique collectors and diners. It isn't elegant, but charmingly plain, with some fine places to visit. The gays call this strip Polkstrasse, and it shouldn't be missed. Most of the bars and restaurants are gay, and the rest attract enough gays to qualify as mixed. The main places are:

P.S. at 1121 Polk Street is a very popular, handsomely elegant bar-restaurant. Very nice crowd. The food isn't great, but satisfactory and the waiters can be smug about their beauty sometimes. Dinners: \$3.95 to \$7.95; lunches are inexpensive—\$1.50 to \$3.25. Brunches run from \$1.50 to \$5. Evenings are very busy, especially from 8 p.m. on. Sometimes customers wear coats and ties, but usually slacks and sport shirts.

New Bell Saloon, 1203 Polk, is a very nice bar also. The crowd may not be as elegant as at P.S., but some nice people go here nevertheless. Larry Vincent plays the organ and piano, and when he's here the crowd thickens. Some dancing. Older crowd.

Buzzby's at 1436 Polk is probably the most popular gay bar on the street. Mostly young and groovy guys. All types come here—straights and gays—men and women. The decor is of Busby Berkeley vintage. Good dancing/loud sound. Open daily from 11 a.m. to 2 a.m., and from 8 o'clock to closing it's jammed—especially on Saturday and Sunday.

Bo Jangles at Larkin and Ellis is a lively disco-niteclub that gets a lot of blacks. It's open daily from 6 p.m.; from 2 p.m. on Saturday; and from 10:30 on Sunday.

Polk Gulch Saloon, Polk at Post, gets a seedier Polk Street crowd. Since Polk Street is nicer than the tenderloin this isn't a really raunchy place. Open daily from 6 a.m. and seems to have a good crowd all the time.

Cloud 7 at 2360 Polk Street is a nice, popular dance bar. It has been going strong for years and gets a young, attractive crowd. Most are clean-cut and friendly. After 8 p.m. it gets so busy that moving around is difficult.

Yacht Club, 2155 Polk Street. Although this is a small bar/restaurant, the food is probably the best.

Miz Brown's, 1356 Polk, and **Bob's Coffee Shop**, 1601 Polk, get the usual hamburger-and-coffee, bacon-and-eggs trade. They have both been very popular with local gays over the years. The food is good enough for the price.

Some of the other bars in the Polk Street area are the **House of Harmony**, 1312 Polk; the **Male Box**, 990 Post; **Torties**, 743 Larkin; **The Horny Owl**, 741 O'Farrell; and the **Early Bird** at 1723 Polk.

Le Salon, 1118 Polk, is the best book store in town for cruising and buying. **QQ**, **Ciao!** and **Body** magazines are available here. Also the usual toys and other things. At night especially, it can be very cruisy inside with some very hunky types studying the magazines or other hunky types nearby. Another great bookstore is **The Magazine**, 839 Larkin Street. A good selection of gay magazines and it's cruisy too.

Laurel Theatre, 2211 Polk Street, has the usual gay flicks. Admission \$4 Monday through Friday, with special matinees and midnight shows for \$3. The first show starts at 11 a.m. Other movie houses showing gay flicks are the **Nob Hill**, 729 Bush Street; **Adam Theatre**, 72 Sixth Street; the **Tom Kat** at 181 Ellis, and the **Powell Cinema**, 39 Powell Street.

Jack's Turkish Baths at 1143 Post Street is still very popular. Mostly older men go here. It's in the Polk Street area.

HERE AND THERE

Baj at 131 Bay Street is an excellent restaurant in the Fisherman's Wharf area. Food costs range from \$3.75 to \$9. A block away is the fabulous **Cost Plus** where anything from dishes to furniture can be bought at low prices.

Jackson's, 2237 Powell Street, January/February 1975

is another popular, near-the-wharf restaurant/bar. So-so food—sometimes good, sometimes bad . . . depending on the chef. But it is popular and both the **Baj** and **Jackson's** attract a nice crowd. Show bar also.



Jackson's

Cabaret at 936 Montgomery Street is a big, brassy bar and restaurant/nightclub. Some fabulous acts are seen here, and for this reason everyone—gay and straight—comes here. The dance bar upstairs is great; the sound is deafening at times. Those who like their music loud shouldn't miss this one. Since this isn't a cruise bar it's a nice place to go with a date. There's no admission charge for the shows, but a slight increase in the price of drinks in the show area. Bar opens at 6 p.m. and dinner is served from 7 to 11, ranging from \$2.95 to \$7.50. Shows at 9:30 and 12:30 nightly. Reservations recommended.



Cabaret

Brighton Express is across from the Little Fox Theatre where some excellent plays are put on. The food at Brighton Express is good, and its location at 580 Pacific places it practically in the Broadway strip where all the nightclubs (girlie strip joints) are. The restaurant is small and mixed, and lunches are \$1.65 to \$2.95; dinners \$3.50 to \$6.50. Open from 11:30 a.m. to 11 p.m. and it's closed on Sunday and Mon-

day. Since it is small, it is best to go early.

Gold Street, 56 Gold Street, is a very plush old San Francisco bar/restaurant. Very popular. Also the **Savoy Tivoli** at 1438 Grant Street is a very popular North Beach area restaurant and bar. The food at both is good.

The **Wilde Oscar** is at 59 Second Street. It is a popular place that is a primarily straight bar during the day, but gay during the cocktail hour. It closes at 8 p.m. and is popular with the Montgomery Street businessmen.

Dave's Baths, 100 Broadway, is a huge warehouse that is very nice inside. Thick carpeting and wide corridors, and a "Neli-Deli" that serves excellent sandwiches. Room prices are \$3 during the day and \$4 evenings. Weekends are \$4 days and \$5 evenings. Dave's gets the elegant Montgomery Street businessmen, as a rule, and it is probably the nicest baths in San Francisco.



Dave's Baths

Some other places of interest are the **YMCA** at the Embarcadero, the **john** at the **Transbay Transit Terminal** at Mission and Fremont, the **john** on the beach in front of **Ghirardelli Square** on Jackson Street. Also **Golden Gate Park** in the hills to the left of **Arguello Boulevard** at the **Fulton Street** entrance; and **Land's End** in the wooded area near the **Cliff House Restaurant** (the latter two for outdoor action).

For those who don't care to leave their hotel room there is a **Dial-a-Model Service**. Established clients may call (415) 863-8228, and non-established clients should write for information, sending 34¢ postage to P.O. Box 14121, San Francisco, California 94114. They have some very hunky and attractive men who promise to

please. I have never used the service but I have heard a lot of positive talk in the Bay Area about it.

San Francisco is always changing; to be comprehensive would require a newsletter every month. But I'm sure if you visit all the places mentioned you will have enough to delight you for the duration of your stay. So go to San Francisco. It is the only city where pleasure is the main industry, and where satisfaction is guaranteed.

Los Angeles

By John Roberts

There are only two things that can be counted on to change with the seasons in Los Angeles—the calendar and the gay scene. Here, more than in any other city in the nation, gay guys are constantly seeking new diversions and watering holes, shifting loyalties to favorite hangouts, packing up and moving from one end of this sprawling metropolis to the other.

As a result of all this continual reshuffling, visitors to the City of Angels would be wise to take along **Ciao!**s annual updates on Los Angeles nightlife if they really want to keep up with where the action is—currently. A visit one year would hardly educate an out-of-towner for a return visit the following year. For example, a year and a half ago, Dude City was the most popular spot in Hollywood. Now it no longer exists. Up until this year, After Dark was the largest and busiest dance spot in the city. Now fire has reduced it to rubble. And so on until more than a half dozen gay establishments have disappeared entirely from the scene and a dozen more have sprung up around L.A. as the gay population grows.

Before we get into an update of the city's gay life, we should mention one other thing which does not change with the sea-

sons here. It is the police. Unlike L.A.'s sister city up north (San Francisco) the official attitude here is that gays will continue to be the target of vice officer harassment and entrapment on the streets and in the parks, and visitors to L.A. are advised to be cautious when out in public and toying with a possible violation of the law. If you're driving, drive carefully. If you're cruising, do it in the bars and baths, not on the streets and in public johns. If you're smoking pot, do it at home. If you're drinking, don't drive. If you follow those guidelines, you'll not be bothered.

NO-DANCE BARS

Falcon's Lair, 742 N. Highland (Hollywood), is still popular after several years and especially busy weekends. Leather and levis primarily, but all types drop in. Heavy cruising, but you'd better be aggressive. Pool, beer, and movies on the outdoor patio most nights.

Hub, 7864 Santa Monica Blvd. (Hollywood), remains one of the busiest, friendliest bars where you can score, particularly if you are a new face and attracted to young typical Hollywood gays (most are passive in bed). Packed weekend nights like sardines and much groping. Good Sunday afternoons late.

Jaguar, 7511 Santa Monica Blvd., used to be the place to go Sunday afternoons and still gets a good crowd. Dark, active, and lots of cruising. All types. Admission at the door Sunday gets you a drink. Pool too.

Bunkhouse, 4519 Santa Monica Blvd., is a western/leather themed bar which has spotty cruising from regulars who drop in for beer and a game of pool.

Woody's Hyperion, 2810 Hyperion Ave., near Rowena (Silverlake) is a good place to go if you want a relaxed, friendly neighborhood bar with healthy drinks. Small, cozy, packed weekends. Primarily over-30 crowd, but not exclusively.

Stud, 4216 Melrose Ave., at Vermont, is new but has a good crowd weekend nights. Levi-leather types, but more mature

than similar bars.

Griff's, 5574 Melrose Ave., across from Paramount Studios, is a very popular bar with the motorcycle crowd, but attracts all types and is very crowded weekend nights. Good drinks, pool, much cruising. Dress butch. Some S&M.

Larry's, 5414 Melrose, two blocks east of Griff's, used to be the in place for the levi-leather crowd, but business has dropped off. Still it has good drinks, pool and spotty cruising, which is often more productive than a crowded bar.

1170, 1170 Western Ave., near the Hollywood Freeway, is currently the in place for the levi-leather crowd. Packed most of the time and heavy cruising—scores for those who are aggressive enough. Some S&M, but all types. Pool, beer. Enter in the rear.

Spotlight, 1601 N. Cahuenga Blvd., in the heart of Hollywood, is an old favorite watering hole for hustlers, rough trade and those who like them. Often crowded.

Hayloft, 11818 Ventura Blvd., in Studio City (Valley), is one of the oldest and most popular beer bars. Western-oriented decor, but attracts every type and age. Full-length feature films most nights, especially on Sundays when it's jammed. Difficult to cruise when the film is on, but wait till the film's over! Also packed after-hours most nights.

DANCE BARS

Studio One, 652 La Peer, West Hollywood, off Santa Monica Blvd., is currently the largest, most popular dance hall in town. Packed most nights—jammed weekends, with admission at the door. Fantastic music, several bars, a restaurant, game room, etc. A must-see for out-of-towners. You won't believe it! It's difficult to make out, though, with all that dancing.

Paradise Ballroom, 836 N. Highland Ave., in what used to be Dude City, is also very popular with the dance crowd. A couple of bars; admission fee at the door; good sounds.

Rendezvous, 7746 Santa Mon-

ica Blvd., is about the only dance bar catering to blacks. A few blocks down from the Hub.

Pharaoh's, 6314 Santa Monica Blvd., near Vine St., is one of the newest bars that advertises the biggest dance floor in Hollywood. Hasn't gotten a good regular clientele yet.

Handle Bar, 5925 Franklin Ave., is a neighborhood bar for the heavily-populated Hollywood Hills area. Very crowded weekend nights when there's a \$1 admission charge (good for one drink). Not many butch numbers.

Oil Can Harry's, 11502 Ventura Blvd., Studio City (Valley), has remained popular with the young collegiate/beach type crowd. Fantastic music, but cruising is difficult here. Admission on weekends.

The Office, 13817 Ventura Blvd., in Sherman Oaks (Valley) is another popular spot on weekend nights. Attracts a somewhat older crowd than the other dance spots.

River Club, 3152 Riverside Dr., (Silverlake), is a fairly large dance hall that attracts locals including many Orientals and Chicanos.

Outer Limits, 12458 Magnolia Blvd., North Hollywood, has dancing for 18 year-olds and over. Hence, no liquor, but lots of chicken from the Valley. Open Wednesday thru Sunday; there is admission. Also after-hours.

Gino's, 8452 W. Melrose Ave., is the longtime after-hours spot for the young 18-over crowd. If you prefer the young stuff, this is one of the few places you can find it. No booze.

AFTER-HOURS BARS

Those already mentioned which are open after bars close at 2 a.m. are **Hayloft**, **Outer Limits**, **Gino's**. There are three other spots worth mentioning.

Tradesman, 7505 Melrose Ave., is just about the only bar in the city offering fuck films, nude dancers, and sex in the darkened portion of the place. This is permitted because it's a private club with a membership fee and **you must prove you're gay to enter** (or be with a

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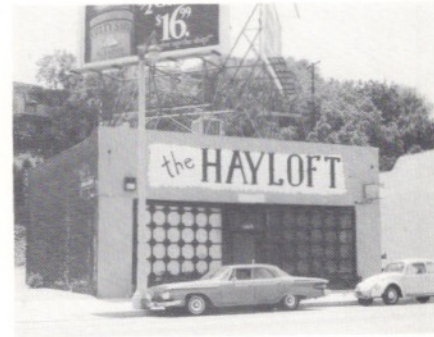
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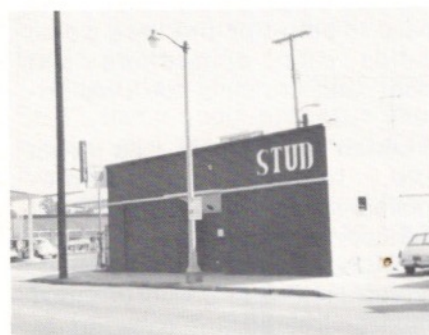
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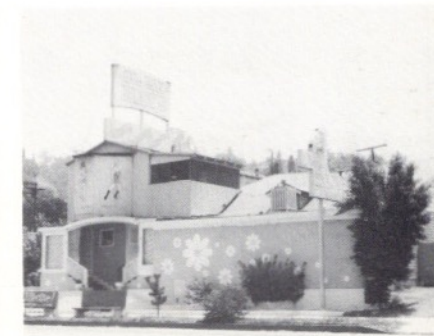
Griff's



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Gallery Inn



Valli Haus



Casita del Campo

member). No booze. Trashy, trashy sex, but there's no doubt you'll make out.

Outcast, 4223 Santa Monica Blvd. (Silverlake), is very popular after hours, packed on weekends when an admission is charged. No booze. This place gets the levi-leather crowd that hasn't made out earlier in the evening—they're hot and horny—but not many of them are aggressive enough to approach you. Make a move and you've got it made.

M/B Club, 4550 Melrose Ave., near the Hollywood Freeway, is a private club and you must go with a member or be able to prove you're gay with cards from other clubs. This is a sex club and very private.

RESTAURANTS

Arthur J's, Highland Ave., at Santa Monica Blvd., is still the place to eat after the bars close. Coffee shop atmosphere and food, but cruising too. Notorious!

Lillian's, 1149 N. La Brea Ave., features good home-cooked meals. No booze. Small and cozy and popular.

El Chavo, 4441 Sunset Blvd. (Silverlake), is a very good Mexican restaurant catering to gays. Where Sunset and Hollywood Blvds. meet.

Carriage Trade, 8077 Beverly Blvd., one of the oldest drinking and dining spots, is still popular with a regular crowd over-30. Enter from the side on Crescent Heights Blvd.

The Gallery Room, 8100 Santa Monica Blvd., is still going strong with the show biz crowd. Small, cozy, active bar. Enter from the rear.

David's, 7013 Melrose Ave., is a large dining place and bar which attracts a loyal older clientele.

Four Star, 8857 Santa Monica Blvd., is one of the oldest gay bar-restaurants. Gets an older crowd from the heavily-populated West Hollywood area.

Por Favor, 8944 Santa Monica Blvd., across the street from the Four Star, has very good Mexican dinners and a bar, but not known for cruising. Straights

too. Closed Mondays.

Garden District, 757 La Cienega Blvd., small, but popular dining spot with outdoor patio.

DePaul's, 1729 N. Ivar, attracts an older, regular clientele from the heart of Hollywood. This is one of the oldest established gay bar-restaurants.

Gallery Inn, 11934 Ventura Blvd. (Studio City), has good food, a busy bar, and a somewhat older clientele.

Keith's, 18801 Ventura Blvd., across from the Hayloft, is one of the oldest eateries in L.A. With a bar too.

Valli Haus, 11012 Ventura Blvd., also in the Studio City area, has long been a popular eating and drinking spot. Gets an older crowd, but not exclusively so.

Casita del Campo, 1920 Hyperion Ave. (Silverlake), gets a good number of the gays living in the Silverlake Hills and the management doesn't mind a bit. A good, cozy atmosphere, an outdoor patio in summer, and great Mexican cuisine.

Lloyd, 739 N. La Brea (north of Melrose Ave.), attracts the Latin crowd and especially lesbians. Live entertainment.

See also **Studio One** listing under dance bars.

SHOW PLACES

Queen Mary, 12449 Ventura Blvd. (Valley), is the oldest and best known show-bar in L.A. featuring female impersonators.

Bla-Bla Cafe, 11059 Ventura Blvd. (Valley), has performers (singers) most nights as well as food. Open till 4 a.m.

Redwood Room, 3372 W. 8th St., is the oldest drag queen showroom in L.A. Most of the action has moved away from this end of town, but if you're looking for a show it might be worth the trip.

BATHS

Corral Club, 3747 Cahuenga Blvd. (Valley), is still the most popular and busiest of the baths. Tuesday and Thursday are \$2 nites (for members) and those nights are as crowded as weekends. Also good afternoons. All types, many groovy, but it's

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often difficult to find a vacant room. Private membership, but out-of-town visitors can buy a special membership.

YMAC, 7661 Melrose Ave., (Young Men's Athletic Club) isn't as popular as the Corral Club, but busy weekend nights late. Also private membership, but referral cards are easy to get.

Hollywood Spa, 1769 N. Cahuenga Blvd., just north of Hollywood Blvd., is new and should interest visitors because there is no membership requirement. Discount prices after hours and on Sundays.

American Continental, 5729 Cahuenga Blvd. (North Hollywood), formerly Regency Club, is a long-time popular bathhouse catering to the older crowd. Also by membership.

Serpent 8, 4109 Burbank Blvd. (Valley), is one of the largest, cleanest spas with an ever-growing membership.

The number of baths in L.A. seems to keep growing and complete listings would take too much space, but they include: **L.A. Tubs**, 4424 Melrose Ave.; **Orlando**, 309 S. Orlando Ave. in West Hollywood; **Cypress**, 5291 Fountain Ave.; **Roman Holiday**, 14435 Victory (Valley) and 12814 Venice Blvd. (West L.A.); **Glen's**, 4550 Brooklyn Ave. (L.A.) and 4653 Lankershim (No. Hollywood); **Midtowne Spa**, 615 So. Kohler St. (downtown L.A.); **Melrose Social Club**, 7269 Melrose Ave. (Hollywood); **Turkish Bath**, 5524 Santa Monica Blvd.; **Boulevard Baths**, 11948 Ventura Blvd. (Studio City).

In addition, **Selma's** at 5859 Melrose Ave. is one of the few male massage parlors around. But visitors to this city can find a wide array of models and masseurs listed in the classified sections of the **Advocate** and the **Free Press** and those listings are subject to change from week to week.

GAY MOVIES

Paris, 8163 Santa Monica Blvd., is the best known and the largest, with much cruising during and between features.

Ivar, 1605 Ivar Ave. (one block

south of Hollywood Blvd. near Vine St.) is newly gone gay. Formerly a legit theatre where "The Boys in the Band" once played.

Century, 5115 Hollywood Blvd. (at Normandie) also features full-length sound features.

Vista, corner of Sunset and Hollywood Blvds., has shorts and features.

Quickie Male, 8253 Santa Monica Blvd., is a small hole in the wall which has several hard-core shorts rather than features.

BOOK STORES

Those with large gay selections are listed below and most have a 50-cent token charge which allows you to browse until your heart's content, and is good toward purchases.

Jason's, 1702 N. Western Ave. (just north of Hollywood Blvd.), has a good selection of books, films, toys.

Woody's, 5659 Hollywood Blvd., has a good and large gay section and the management is friendly

Book Circus, 8230 Santa Monica Blvd., claims it has the biggest selection of gay mags in town and it just might have.

Two others definitely worth visiting are **Adam & Ave**, 1251 N. Vine St., and **Boulevard**, 5224 Hollywood Blvd.

CRUISING AREAS

Griffith Park, on two sides. On Fern Dell Ave., as it begins uphill, near the last john. Trails lead into the bushes and you'll see the gays, but be careful! This is hot and the vice are there. All types. All the time. It's best to meet and go somewhere else. Closes at 10 p.m. but don't stay after dark. On the opposite side of the park, where Commonwealth and Vermont avenues meet near the golf course and tennis courts, you'll find much action and cruising in cars. Particularly crowded on weekends and during the summer, but busy all day year 'round. Closes at dusk. A road winds from Commonwealth all the way to the top of the park and all you have to do is follow the guys.



Queen Mary



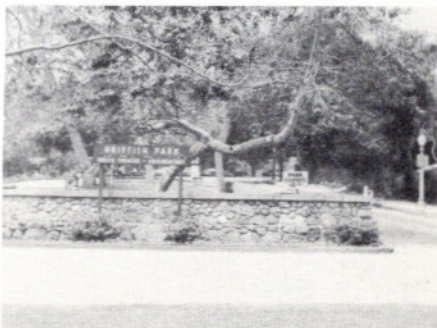
Corral Club



American Continental



Serpent 8



Griffith Park

Selma Avenue, just south of Hollywood Blvd., and off Las Palmas, is hustler haven and if that's your bag, this is the spot. You can find them on the street corners or sitting on the steps of the big white church. Watch for vice. The going rate is \$10 or \$15 depending on what you want. Absolutely unbelievable.



Selma Avenue

Robertson Blvd., south of Melrose, is decorator row by day and cruisy by night. Much driving in circles and the possibility of a passing police car.



Robertson Boulevard

Hilldale Ave., north of Santa Monica Blvd., in what is known as Boy's Town. So thickly gay-populated that all you have to do is walk up the street. Traffic jams on the little cross and side streets at times, but keep on the move.



Hilldale Ave. at Dicks

If you're coming to town and need a place to stay, forget about finding really groovy gay motels. Those that are gay

owned and operated are pretty sleazy with a possible exception of the **Bon Air**, 1727 N. Western Ave., just north of Hollywood Blvd. It's clean at least.

See you here.

San Diego

By Bill Josephs

No other American city has as many ravishing young men as San Diego. They come from everywhere in a wide variety of shapes, sizes and backgrounds; packaged handsomely in the latest fads; bursting at the seams from physical fitness exercises. For the most part, these young men are unpolished and vulnerable, easy prey for anyone who, while deflowering them, can reinforce their heterosexual self-image.

Many older gays live here, who satiate themselves gluttonously with college students, servicemen and surfers. These residents are easy to spot. They drive about the city conspicuously in sports and luxury cars, and cruise the streets, parks and beaches with heated restlessness. Most of them are retired, and come from everywhere to spend their golden years in this gay Garden of Eden.

To succeed in San Diego, one doesn't need to be gorgeous or wealthy . . . just aggressive. Here there is such an abundance of available men that it would take a fleet of women to service them successfully, and there would still be enough left over for the gay population. Although these young studs may do everything in bed, except perhaps kiss, there is still one rule a gay must never forget. These youths cling tenaciously to their heterosexual self-image. It may be a **faux pas** if a gay dares to laugh when one of them says after sex: "I'm not really gay!" Perhaps they aren't; who can tell? To make sure no one doubts it, they will remind their partner

right after sex. It is wiser, and more sophisticated, therefore, to accept this with an understanding smile or a "You know, I thought so!" than to try to probe their psyche with some Freudian wisecrack.

Physically, San Diego is beautiful, with an even Mediterranean climate that makes life lazy and luxurious. Trapped between sea and mountains, the city stretches to the edges of both and gleams spic-and-span like no other American city. It is a fairytale city, both modern and quaintly old, and from almost any angle it is picturesque. The homes are anything from middle-class nice to upper-class palatial. There is a ghetto, but it is out of sight so that the city isn't defaced.

INDOOR/OUTDOOR CRUISING AREAS

Balboa Park is the major outdoor cruise area in San Diego. It is only one and a quarter miles from downtown, and easy to reach by foot or car. Beautiful, wooded, it is the fun spot . . . night or day! Although crime isn't a major problem in San Diego, the police can be a nuisance. Like Los Angeles, they seem to have nothing better to do than to bring petty charges against people for minor infractions of the law. So be alert!



Balboa Park

The **three johns on Sixth Avenue in the park** are busy, like the area around them. Also the **john by the Ford Building across from the Starlight Theatre**. The latter has a wooded area which descends behind it into a wilderness of ecstasy. At night the panting and pleasure screams can be heard across the way in the Starlight Theatre. Most anyone, incidentally, who parks at

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night along Sixth Avenue is usually interested in fun and frolics in nature's embrace. **Other johns of interest include that by the Bahia Hotel (after dark, though); the one at the Mission Bay inlet at El Carmel Street off 3350 Mission Boulevard (next to the Yacht Club). The Physics Building and the old Arts and Science Building at San Diego State University (watch out for the fuzz here!); and finally the john in the White Front Discount Store (San Diego).**



Johns in Balboa Park

"Cannibal Square," a name some gays give to the plaza at 4th and Broadway, has a heavy amount of cruising. This is the spot to visit if young and rough-looking servicemen are preferred. All types congregate here, from winos and heads to sweet little farm boys looking for a pad for the night. The john in the Plaza should not be overlooked. It is usually open all the time and it attracts the usual onlookers and feelers. Also, the **Greyhound Bus Station** gets about the same variety of types as the Plaza.



"Cannibal Square"

Perhaps the nicest area to cruise at night is the **La Jolla "Fruit Bowl"** on Coast Boulevard in front of the Casa de Mañana apartment complex. It is interesting that this small beach area got its name because it is shaped like a fruit bowl. At night

the gays walk the area and ogle each other with an audacity that would shame a prostitute. Since it is such a beautiful spot, many will want to visit here during the day for a swim. The john by the beach gets very busy when the sun goes down.



"Fruit Bowl"

There are several places besides the Fruit Bowl to visit for swimming. Perhaps the **most popular beach is at Mission Bay by the amusement park.** Located in front of the parking lot at Ventura Street, many gays place their towels here, then walk the area gazing charmingly at anyone who catches their fancy. The changing room nearby can be cruisy, but the majority seem to go to the beach to look and to sun. **"Bare-ass beach"** is very difficult to find. It is a half-hour walk from the Torrey Pines State Park parking lot, and located at the base of the golf course. Both straights and gays go here for complete sunning. There was some question when I was here about the legality of nude sunning in public, so before you start stripping it would be better to find out for sure. Bare-ass beach is actually called Black's Beach.



Mission Bay Beach

There are several movie theatres that are especially cruisy in the balcony: the **Broadway Playhouse** at 815 East Broadway, and the **Aztec Theatre**, 665 Fifth

Avenue. Admission is \$2. Near the downtown area, on Broadway and some of the side streets are the usual 25-cent arcades. But they are very "hot" and not recommended.



Broadway Playhouse

BATHS

San Diego has five baths. Rates are about \$5 for a 24-hour period. There are also specials at \$3.50 for the military and students. The newest baths, and perhaps the nicest, is the **Vulcan** at 805 W. Cedar Street. It is clean and carpeted and a short distance from downtown. On Monday and Wednesday there is a \$2.50 special for everyone. Since it is so new it is difficult to identify its crowd or its success now.



Vulcan Baths



Glen's Turkish Baths

Another clean and well-kept baths is **Glen's**, 867 Fourth Avenue. Although it isn't particularly popular (except on the weekends) it is a baths that tries to be gracious. Thank you signs



Gent's Turkish Baths



Atlas Baths



The Club



Riff Raff



Bee Jay's

and other such statements are posted everywhere. The help is nice and the facilities are adequate. Since it is a downtown baths it attracts all types, even some **wise** straights. There are no specials here, but there is free coffee and tea. Food.

Still another downtown baths is **Gent's** at 540 F Street. This is supposed to be the largest in San Diego, and it's open to all types, and all types it gets. It isn't necessarily gay because a lot of people walk in off the street; yet it is fun for those who like challenges.

The **Atlas Baths**, 743 Columbia is the fourth baths. This one is near the downtown area and across the small park from Bee Jay's (see bar section below). It is considered a hell-hole by local gays because of its reputation for being filthy. Yet this hasn't deterred many from rushing over there. It is probably the busiest of the downtown baths, although there is talk that its business has fallen off. On Wednesday nights there are beer and hot-dogs for guests.

And finally there is **Dave's (Coast Security) Baths** at 4969 Santa Monica in Ocean Beach. Like the Vulcan and Gent's, it is very clean and comfortable. Since this is a private club, a membership or an introductory card is necessary for admission. Membership is \$12.50 a year. Out-of-towners can enter for \$5.50. Plans are under way for building a swimming pool which should be completed by spring.

BARS

There are only three bars in San Diego which attract a leather crowd or western crowd. Although they sometimes have a "masculine" atmosphere, their customers are usually a little limp-wristed. San Diego doesn't really have any "rough" leather and western bars. The few gays who are really into leather are usually visitors from Los Angeles, and they will head for **The Club**, 2501 Kettner. The Club can be very noisy, and since it's packed it's usually very uncomfortable. The hours are from 10 a.m. to 2 a.m. daily; on Saturday

and Sunday it opens at 6 a.m. Young crowd usually.

The **Riff Raff**, 1005 Kettner is right around the corner from the Armed Services Y, and is the newest of the "masculine" bars. This bar is so small though, it will be interesting to see how they will get enough customers in it to survive. Unlike The Club, the Riff Raff is for an older crowd, more intimate and supposedly easier to cruise. Beer only.

Bee Jay's at 750 India is another "masculine" bar. When I was there, though, all I saw were queens in levis and jewelry. Its Sunday brunch—very inexpensive—is quite popular and draws all types. For about \$1.50, both here and at the Club, you get a steak-and-egg breakfast. The Club, though, adds a drink for that price.

Besides The Club, the other popular bars are the Barbary Coast, the Swing, the Brass Rail, the Outrigger and the Show Biz. The **Outrigger** is at 844 W. Mission Bay Drive in Mission Bay. It is very close to the gay beach area and many gays, especially on weekends, head here after sunning or cruising the beach. On Sunday afternoon it is **the** place to cruise young, humpy guys. There is dancing. Beer only.

The **Brass Rail** at 3802 Fifth Avenue is in the Hillcrest area. This is the newest and nicest bar, and very popular for this reason. A young, elegant crowd (not necessarily coat and tie) comes here, and at night it gets so packed it's difficult to move.

At 3175 India is a small but very successful bar called the **Swing**. As the name implies, this bar really swings, especially from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m., with an attractive, pleasant group of men. There are go-go boys, and no cover charge.

The **Barbary Coast** at 2431 Pacific Highway is the biggest gay bar in San Diego. Because it is a very popular dance bar, few go here to cruise, but instead head to The Club a few blocks away for that. A cover charge of \$1 is collected at the door, and the crowd is usually young.

In the Hillcrest area at 1421 University is the **Show Biz Supper Club**. On Wednesday through Saturday, shows are presented at 9:15 p.m. Although they are amateurish, they are fresh and funny. This is a tourist bar, very much like Finocchio's in San Francisco. Many straights (and in this case, gays) will visit here because of the good reputation of the shows. The **Chez T. Cabaret** at 4629 Cass Street also has shows, but they're not as popular or as good as those at the Show Biz.

For the under-twenty-one gay, there are two bars to visit: **Jerry's Hole** and the **Hungry Horse**. Since there has been police harassment at Jerry's Hole because of drugs, it would be wise to stay alert here. **Jerry's Hole** is at 1858 San Diego in Mission Hills (old San Diego). It opens at 4 p.m. and serves beer only. Being near the Marine and Naval Base, some of that crowd will drift here. **The Hungry Horse**, 5520 La Jolla Boulevard in La Jolla attracts lots of young surfers.

Some of the older gays go downtown to the **Chee-Chee Club** at 929 East Broadway, but this bar has lost a lot of its following. Now it gets a limited amount of business, which is usually pretty seedy.

Bradley's at 303 Plaza is another seedy bar, but unlike the Chee-Chee, it is mixed and busy. All types can be found here—straights and gays, blacks and whites, hustlers and servicemen. **Everything!** They have had problems here with dope, and like Jerry's Hole, it is carefully watched by the police.

Some of the other places of gay interest include:

The **Club 540**, at 540 West C Street. This is a beer-and-wine, no-dancing bar that attracts a conservative, not-obviously-gay crowd. It is a bar that 'went straight' for many years, and has only recently gone gay. Many of the straights still visit. During the day it gets an older crowd, but at night the crowd is younger. It is a few blocks behind the Armed Forces Y.

Skipper's Twin Palms (popu-



Outrigger



Brass Rail



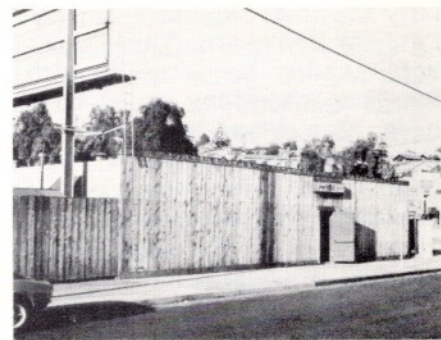
Swing



Barbary Coast



Show Biz



Jerry's Hole



Chee-Chee



Bradley's



Club 540



Skipper's Twin Palms

larly known as Skipper's) at 6737 La Jolla Boulevard (La Jolla) is very popular with the elegant San Diegans. Many young gays head here when they want to make a "good" contact with an older man. The restaurant is popular with local straights and of course local gays. The bar, though, is usually mostly gay. They have a Sunday brunch which attracts a lot of gays.

The **B & W Restaurant**, 2930 Addison is mixed, and the food is good. There's a piano bar that is popular with gays. Another mixed bar is the **Sky Room** at the El Cortez Hotel.

HOTELS

Now that I have listed the places to go, the next thing is to mention where to stay. Perhaps the best place, for obvious reasons, is the **Armed Forces YMCA** at 500 West Broadway. The rates start at \$4, and rooms are rented to anyone, in or out of uniform. There is some good action in this building. A block away from the Y is the **Hotel San Diego** at 339 West Broadway. The rates for a single are \$10 and \$12; and for a double, \$13 and \$15. The San Diego, like the YMCA, is very popular with servicemen. You can bring visitors to your room here without any hassle from the desk, and the rooms are comfortable and nice without appearing fussy or elegant.



Hotel San Diego

In closing I would like to pass on several telephone numbers. They may come in handy during your visit. One is for the Gay Information Center (232-7528); another is for the Gay Crises Center (239-0325); and the third is for the Gay Alcoholics Together (298-9656). Although San Diego isn't a large city, it is a fun

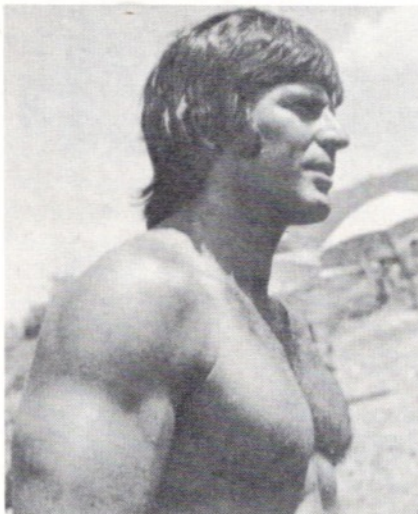
city, and it's probably the closest America can come to a truly gay Garden of Eden.

Mexico City

By A. Jay

Mexico City is not very gay . . . at least not on the surface. It's an uptight Catholic town like Rome, Madrid and Vienna—permeated with the heavy Latin/Super Macho Syndrome; very penis prone, but in a feudal, heterosexual way. In the Mexican scheme of things, the male is king-of-the-pile . . . one-of-the-boys; yet homosexuality is a thing of scorn and ridicule. Very paradoxical!

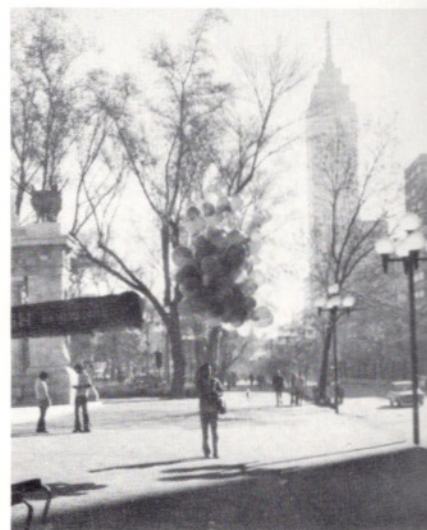
Because of this repression, gay life in Mexico City is an underground society. It functions on all social levels. One can break into these magic circles quite easily—usually through an introduction from an 'active' member. Once admitted and accepted, an outsider is quickly absorbed into the private parties/dinners circuit which substitutes for the bar scene. If you are planning a longish stay it is advisable to dig out all your ol' address books and check out friends for some names and addresses in town.



Although the Mexican middle class is expanding at an incred-

ible rate, the young, working, educated gay Mexican hardly makes enough pesos to strike out on his own and set up private housekeeping. High-rise apartments and condominiums in Mexico City are going up everywhere and their prices are steep. Only the affluent, older gay with a healthy savings account can afford them. A young Mexican male is expected to live at home and contribute toward the household until he goes out and starts his own family. If he happens to be the oldest son and his father dies he automatically assumes the responsibilities as the head of the house.

The bar scene is a very mixed bag; there are no 100 percent true-blue gay bars as such. Very strange for a pulsating city of seven million plus, what? There have been attempts in the past to open discreet gay watering holes . . . like the ol' Safari in the Zona Rosa. It is now a parking lot. More recently the Piccolo Mondo on Calle Abraham Gonzalez was THE place. But the anti-gay pressures came to bear . . . the police moved in and seals were glued over the locks. One should also keep in mind that many Mexicans are reluctant (rightfully so) to patronize gay bars since police surveillance and blackmail are known to exist.



The Mexican government—at all levels of municipal, state, and federal—is governed by the basic rule: "What-have-you-done-for-me-recently?" Con-

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quently, corruption is everywhere regardless what party is in power at the moment and police entrapment is prevalent. Beware! If approached by a questionable gentleman (English-speaking) who offers to drive you to his house some mysterious distance away—and that small voice inside says "NO"—just move on! Prostitution exists and the main streets are **HUSTLED**, especially the Reforma, Alameda Park, the Zona Rosa. So play it cool.

I would strongly advise caution in the dark balconies of the larger cinemas too! They're the favorite haunts of the vice squad on the lookout for some easy American dollars! And finally, watch your valuables if you find a super trick and slip back to your hotel room.

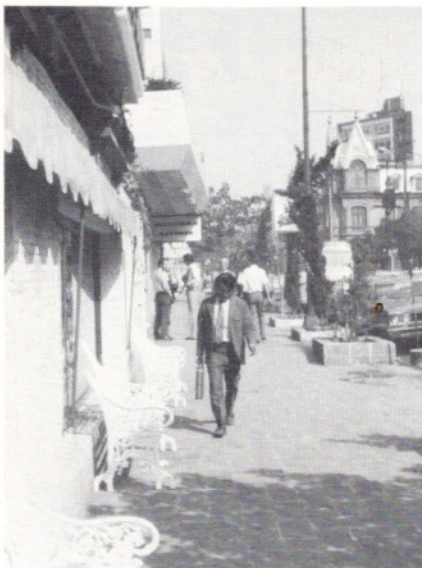
Naturally, there are many exceptions in the straight/gay confrontation in Mexico. Almost anyone in the world of the arts and sports is given special "consideration." The actor/son of a very famous Mexican film actress; a world renowned matador; a sexy, hairy soccer star; a very popular composer/entertainer of pop songs; and a tough, cigar-smoking, whiskey-voiced, lesbian song stylist (just to name a few) are all known to be gay. And they are accepted.

A former mayor of Mexico City was known to take over one of the town's more infamous baths one specific day each week while his burly bodyguards stood outside and ran interference. Also a few years back, a notorious house of boys . . . all super beauties, was reputed to flourish discreetly (natch!) in the Colonial Cuauhtemoc for the erotic tastes of the wealthy and famous.

By the by—if you do travel to other cities within Mexico, you'll discover another amazing paradox. These smaller cities are much gayer, much freer and in their way, much more swinging. Merida, that jewel of a city up in the Yucatan, is reported to be Mexico's gayest metropolis . . . with Acapulco, Veracruz and Puerto Vallarta coming in a hot second!

ZONA ROSA

The Zona Rosa (Pink Zone) was originally named by the city fathers years back after many small buildings in the area had their stucco painted a vivid pink. Well, the pink stucco has been replaced by whitewash . . . but the gay connotation remains! This is where the gay action is, baby! The area itself is not terribly large considering the size and scope of the whole city. The Zona Rosa is in the Colonial Juarez—off the Paseo de la Reforma to the left as you walk toward Chapultepec Park. The area roughly forms a triangle with Insurgentes (its base), the Reforma (one side), Avenida Chapultepec (the other side of the triangle), and Chapultepec Park (the tip).



Zona Rosa

Its streets, usually alive with tourists are mostly named after world cities . . . Hamburgo, Londres, Niza, Tokio, etc. The traffic is murder here . . . morning, noon, and nite—especially nite. Parking is at a premium at the heat of the day. The Zona Rosa is the chic-est, most sophisticated, most glamorous, most cosmopolitan of any area in town. The streets are lined with the best the city has to offer . . . smart shops, boutiques, nite-clubs, restaurants, galleries, cafes, coffee houses, hotels, apartment houses and private residences. Its charming, twisting alleyways are very reminis-

cent of London.

Now to the nitty-gritty. Where to find the action in all this posh. A good starting point would be **Sanborn's** at the intersection of Niza/Hamburgo. And what is Sanborn's? It's an institution in Mexico City—a combination restaurant, snack bar, coffee shop, gift shop, drugstore, stationery, tobacco, bakery, and candy shop. It's owned by Walgreen's of the States and there are several spread out over town. They all are very popular because of the variety and high quality of the food at moderate prices. Sanborn's are quite cruisy—especially the ones on the Reforma, the one out in San Angel, and the one in the Zona Rosa. All their johns have seen some action—particularly at nite when there is no attendant. The corners of Niza Hamburgo are main thoroughfares in the area—so boy-watching can be fun 'n sometimes profitable.



Sanborn's at Niza/Hamburgo



VIPS

Another phenomenon is the mushrooming of the fast-food chains all over Mexico City. Yes, the Zona Rosa has its share. **Denny's** and **VIPS** are popular, fancy hamburger havens that are open all night. The action varies . . . but the johns can be busy here too. I was cruised at a

Denny's off Chapultepec Park on a bright Sunday afternoon when the place was busy with family trade.

At lunch definitely check out the **arcade near Geneve 74** between Londres and Liverpool. The main entrance is next to Green's Pancake House—with an entrance on Londres also. The arcade is lined with smart gift shops, a private club, a record shop, a gallery or two and a kosher deli. There are also six or so restaurants . . . all having tables with colorful table cloths and umbrellas set outside—patio style. Head for the one in the very middle called **Latrec**. This popular indoor/outdoor eatery attracts all types of beautiful young people . . . the wealthy jet-setters, tourists, clerks and students. It can be a mob scene at lunchtime, but a very friendly mob scene . . . with barely enough room for a grope! Moderate prices prevail, by the way.



Latrec

The streets are the big thing here and cruising the area can be lucrative. Those humpy, beautiful guys who man the many swank shops and boutiques in the Zona Rosa might also be persuaded to have a drink with you after office hours.

There are mixed watering holes where one can meet other gay tourists, airline personnel, business-types and the like. Some U.S. guys turn their noses up at this, wanting only to partake of the local flesh. But in many cases a gay brother from Europe or the States can be much humpier and much more satisfying. If you're of this persuasion, try the stag bars in the larger hotels (Arestos, Maria Isabel Sheraton, Camino Real, etc.). The Belvedere Room at

the top of the Hilton on the intersection of Insurgentes/Reforma was known world-wide as a hot spot to meet 'n mix. The Hilton was sold and is now called Chateau Royal. The bars at the top and the ground floor are still busy. Also try Chipp's, a piano bar on Genova 59. Lhardy's at Lopez and Independencia is a rough bar. Visit it only with Mexican friends. The Tenempa Bar on the Plaza Garibaldi is fun, wild, loud and mixed . . . but don't venture there alone. The Plaza Garibaldi, by the way, is where most of the mariachis make their headquarters. Very colorful and lively. (The Baños Ecuador is nearby.)



Tenempa Bar

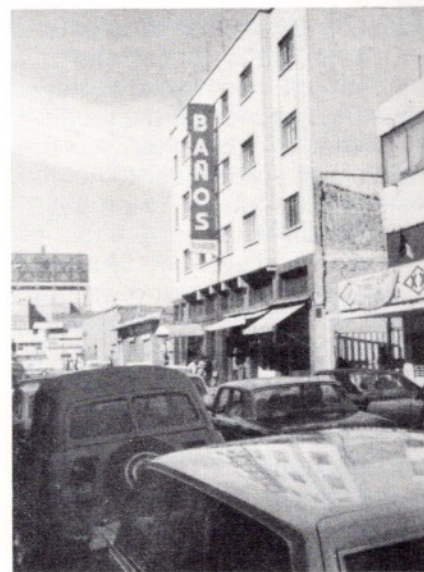


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THE BATHS

Most gay guys heading toward Mexico have heard fantastic, erotic tales about its baths. They are indeed a gay fixture there . . . but pale when compared to their counterparts north of the border—especially New York, L.A. and San Fran-

cisco. Still, the baths in Mexico can have mystery, romance, adventure (not necessarily in that order!). They're usually immune from police harassment unless the action and the notoriety get way out of hand. The baths are a sexual steam valve for the local gays there who need an outlet for all that tension and suppression. Although most of the tubs are mixed, one does have a choice of "services": (1) getting a private room with a private masseur of your choice (\$5 and up); or (2) ask for entrada general—and try sucking/fucking in the public steam room, sauna, showers (the lite bulbs are mysteriously gone), johns, and lockers. It can be exciting! Here's a list of the more popular banos. **Baños Finisterre**, M.M. Contreras 11 (a personal favorite); **Baños Mina**, Mina 100 (an oldie); **La Torre**, Calle Dr. Duran 11; **Baños Ecuador**, Ecuador 10 (a current favorite; gang-fucking a specialty!); **Baños Rio**, Calle Tlaloc.



Baños Ecuador

One last note: For you body-builders who must squeeze in a workout or two, head down Insurgentes Sur until you see a large Sears on the left. Behind it is a large gym called York located on the second floor of a large office building. Good spot to uncover another gay body-builder. Spanish helpful.

Also, wrestling matches are held each Friday at 8:30 p.m. at

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the Arena Colises on Republica de Peru 73. Kinky!

WHERE TO STAY

Most guidebooks on Mexico will list the luxury hotels in town and if you want to spend that kind of bread, any one of the top ten named will be more than adequate. But you needn't spend much for a good 1st class hotel. A double runs about \$12-\$16. I would suggest one in or near the Zona Rosa only because of the convenience. Reservations are necessary at Xmas and Easter. Here is a list of a few favorites: Maria Cristina, Calle Lerma 31. A personal favorite. Many gay guides for years listed this hotel as gay. It isn't. It's very mixed. The Maria Cristina is a comfortable, quiet place—one short block off the Reforma, very near the Maria Isabel Sheraton. Its most charming feature is its garden. It has recently added a new wing.



Hotel Maria Cristina

Geneva, Londres 130, in the heart of the Zona Rosa.

Hotel Vasco de Quiroga, Londres 15. Ditto!

Hotel Montejo, Paseo de la Reforma 240.

Monte Casino Hotel, Genova 56, also in the Zona Rosa.

The Meurice, Marsella 28.

RESTAURANTS

When I hit Mexico, I try to visit (at least once) the great restaurants that I name below. I've found that their quality and service have remained high, price more or less steady (although inflation has struck here too).

Prendes at 16 de Septiembre. Great seafood! Very busy at lunch. English and Spanish menus. Noon to nine-ish.

Muralto on the 40th floor of the Latin American Building at the intersection of Juarez and Ruizde Alarcon. The view is breathtaking . . . especially at nite and especially at Xmas with the city alive with lights. If nothing else, treat yourself to a drink in its dark, small bar to see this fab vista. The food is very good, but expensive (\$10-\$20 per) and jackets are necessary. Ask for a table near the window when phoning for reservations.

San Angel Inn—my VERY favorite restaurant! It's located in the Colonial San Angel at Palmas 50. Any taxi driver will know of it! It's housed in an old, sprawling, colonial hacienda complete with gardens and fountains. You can have drinks in the garden before being ushered to your table inside. The extensive menu and ambience are unbelievably fine. Expensive (\$20-\$50 for two). Jacket, tie and reservations necessary for dinner.



San Angel Inn

Mauna Loa at Ave. San Jeronimo 240. Taxi is needed here too. This beautiful Hawaiian/Polynesian is the second edition. The first burned to the ground a few years back. This huge, new version has an enormous menu that goes on forever. Hula girls entertain. Cover. Moderately expensive but great fun.

Chalet Suizo at Niza 37 in the Zona Rosa. A moderately-priced and charming Swiss/German style restaurant. The menu is extensive and very good for the price. Try the fondue!

Kineret at the corner of Hamburgo and Genova also in the Zona Rosa. My favorite spot for breakfast. It has a kosher touch (lox, bagels, borscht, etc.) but its menu covers a lot of ground. Large windows for eye-balling! Bar in the back. Moderate.

Restaurant del Lago, New Chapultepec Park. One of the most beautiful restaurants in the world. Fabulous food. Cover, expensive, reservations.

La Sopa on Hamburgo in the Zona Rosa. A great place for a soup-salad lunch. New and small with tabs running \$2 to \$4. Very helpful waiters.



La Sopa

Los Comales on Revillagigedo off Alameda Park. It looks like an ordinary Mexican restaurant, but they serve an incredible soup—'sopa de medula'—a spicy vegetable marrow soup. My hunger pangs jump when I think of it!

Hacienda de los Morales at J. Vasquez de Mella 525 in the Colonial of Polanco. Taxi needed. This fine restaurant is housed in a 300-year old mansion. Expensive, dressy and reservations needed.

La Mansion on Insurgentes Sur near the new monstrous Hotel Mexico. Wonderful Argentinian cuisine specializing in mixed grill. An outdoor patio in warm weather. Moderate and informal.

In Cuernavaca don't miss Las Mañanitas on Linares 107.

SHOPPING

Mexico is one of the richest countries—if not the richest—in arts and crafts. To list them all would take a very fat book, but the real fun is shopping and discovering them for yourself. The city's shops have a very good sampling—so get your best walking shoes on and head for: Museo Nacional de Artes e Industrias Populares at Juarez 44. This is a combo trade exhibit, bazaar and sales office for some of Mexico's best handicrafts. Head up Juarez to the





Mexican Government Tourist Office of Populares Artes. This is another showroom/sales office offering the best in crafts. Then hit the new, colorful government-sponsored shop called Populares Artes of Guerrero at the intersection of Bucareli and Reforma. The Salon de la Arte Sania Mexicana is still another super craft shop—government sponsored, located behind the hotel Fiesta Palace. The Zona Rosa is loaded with fine shops showing crafts. Two of my favorites are Los Castillo at Amberes 41 and Golden Aztec on Hamburgo, specializing in leather.

On Saturday DO NOT MISS the Bazaar Sabado in San Angel. It's a Saturday-only fair for arts and handicrafts that has spread from its original building (a 300-year-old house with a patio-restaurant) to the surrounding Plaza de San Jacinto. Many of the best Mexican artisans show here. It's wonderful fun!



Bazaar Sabado



Thieves' Market

Not very far away is Sanborn's of San Angel located on Insurgentes Sur. Underneath it you'll discover a massive arcade loaded with shops showing an extensive array of fine handicrafts.

On Sunday, it's the Thieves' Market which adjoins Lagunilla Market, a short walk from Plaza

Garibaldi. It's a sprawling, outdoor affair that lasts into late afternoon. One can find ANYTHING there (yes . . . 'that' too, since it became somewhat cruisy!), from antiques to zithers. It's mobbed with tourists and locals. A great way to spend a lazy Sunday.

ETC.

I would suggest a prescription of paregoric from your doctor before heading for Mexico. The Aztec Trots, Montezuma's Revenge or just plain 'runs' can spoil a vacation. So if you're suddenly caught and don't have any medication, try to make it to the nearest Sanborn's that has a pharmacy. Explain the problem and they'll come to the rescue—as they have with many a tourist!

Eat sensibly, drink moderately, do the bottled water bit, and don't overdo the first few days (that altitude, baby!) and you'll come out ahead.

Mexico City is a marvelous walking town so don't forget to pack your favorite walking shoes. The town also boasts a new, ultra-modern subway with three working lines and more in construction. When your feet give out, just find the nearest subway entrance and ride back in grand comfort to your hotel.

¡Adios . . . feliz viaje!

Gay Dining This Month: Fauchon of Paris By The Editors

If you should spend your vacation in Paris, and one lovely day decided to stroll along the Place de la Madeleine and the beautiful church that seems to be almost a replica of the Parthenon, your eye may be beguiled by what seems to be an exotic flower shop. Come closer . . . look again . . . and you'll

make the surprising discovery that what looks like all Paris in bloom are artistically designed displays of the choicest viands . . . food of such gourmet inspiration and exhibition that you cannot resist the urge to lunge inside **Fauchon, Magasin Alimentation de Luxe**, to give this—the world's most prestigious food shop—the full treatment of its name. Deluxe the food is . . . and expensive: it's not for penny-pinchers or the purse-poor.

Americans who live in New York, San Francisco, Kansas City, Washington and Chicago may already have gourmandised on some of the exportable Fauchon creations, but what one gets is limited to a few things available in department-store food shops, and nothing at all like coming head-on into the shop of Fauchon where everything is fresh, and of such variety that the temptation to get something of everything is almost too much to bear.

It may sound odd to say that one is welcome to **browse** in a **food** shop—as in a bookstore—but at Fauchon browsing is encouraged. Or at least the browser is regarded with affection because the management knows full well that an hour of browsing and breast-beating, and finally selling one's soul to the Devil will result in the celestial sound of bells ringing (as in cash register . . . not from the Madeleine). They are ver-r-y franc-conscious at Fauchon.

You will probably enter the shop from the direction of the church, and so you will grip your throat at once before it flies away. You have come in on the delicatessen side (though if you should be expecting pastrami maybe, Fauchon just may rescind your browsing card . . . delis are heavenly in the United States but delicatessen is too ignoble a word to describe what you have found yourself in the midst of). Succulent hams, done according to the cuisine of all the French provinces—each different, and so aromatically heavenly one simply clutches the throat and **points**. And sausages

of every 'provinciality' . . . then **pâtés** of a hundred recipes that range from peasant coarse, to what becomes elegantly **terrines** of this or that—fine-grained and beginning at something like 45 francs per pound (\$9). Buy a few thin slices of this and that, and note the exciting variance in **les pâtés** and/or **les terrines**. If this hasn't thrown your wallet for a loop, press on . . . have courage.



Cross a small corridor and you come into the main store, and here you may be bewildered by jars, cans and packages in equally artistic displays. Next, if you continue straight ahead, are fruits and vegetables—not just from France, but flown in from countries all over the world. Your senses reel . . . the whole shop seems to be a gigantic aphrodisiac! Chillies hang from the ceiling . . . opened jars of mustards of more categories that one thought ever existed (and all the time you've been plodding along with Gulden's), such as **orange** mustard, **mint** mustard, or **sherry vinegar** mustard, not to mention horseradish mustard that comes on like a fire engine. Oddly, you may feel right at home with the just-flown-in American sweet corn that was picked the day before in Iowa, and such home-like condiments as picallilli and corn chowder, and relishes of New England origin . . . even good old New England maple syrup sending

up its divine aroma from open kegs. It may sound like 'carrying coals to Newcastle', but wealthy Orientals of India, China, Japan and other Far East countries cable to Fauchon for **spices**! Everything here is authentic, and fresh ("Picked for Fauchon this morning!") is a small sign that appears in several fresh produce counters.)

On to the prepared-foods department to such gourmet-inspired extravaganzas as **canard pistache en casserole**—a hand-sized earthen dish containing one-half of a duck with pistachio nuts cooked in a special Fauchon sauce (\$10.95 per pound) . . . or that delicious combination of eggplant, tomatoes, onions and peppers stewed in oil. There are many ways of producing a ratatouille, but this one—**Ratatouille Niçoise**—is simply incredibly delicious at an equally **incroyable** \$5 per pound. You may come to **les quiches** and take instantly to your heart the small, individual **Quiche Deauvillaise** (\$1.50 each). Or how about **pisserie lardière**? Now, now! It doesn't mean what you think. **Pisserie lardière** are small bite-sized pizzas that have little bow-knots of cooked bacon in the center. These little pasta tartlets go for about 90 cents a bite. They are quite salty and you may indeed find it necessary to **pisserie**, although, hopefully, not in the larder.

Across the street (if you are able to make it that far) is the Fauchon **pâtisserie** where the featheriest **croissants**, plumpest **brioches** and butter cookies of a hundred kinds tempt the taste-buds; not to mention cakes so alcohol-drenched that you can get on a royal toot by just letting the nostrils flutter like a butterfly. Their Negrita rum cake, for example, is unlike any other in the world. It is a Chantilly cake spiked with Negrita rum, and a tiny slice can send your waistline on a journey without a return ticket! So can their passion-fruit ice cream (a specialty of Fauchon).

Originally the founder of Fauchon—Fauchon himself . . . who else?—was so staunchly French

he would sell nothing that was not French in origin, manufacture, processing or condimentation. But that was in 1886. Today Edmond Jean-Marie Bory is **mâitre** of this establishment. It is because of his farsightedness in bringing Fauchon into the twentieth-century that all these foods from all over the world now feel they have a second home here. Just to visit this place—even if you don't buy anything but **pisserie lardière**—is itself a gastronomic marathon. Before your plane flies you back to the United States of McDonald's, come here and feast your eyes and your senses of taste and smell. You won't ever be quite the same.

Recipes From Around The World

Gathered by The Editors

Paraphrasing the cynical observation that "all of us are created equal but some are more equal than others," it may seem a **propos** the year's end to note that while gay guys always have fun at New Year's parties, in New York, San Francisco and Vancouver they have **more** of it.

That's because each of these cities has a large Chinese population, and so the New Year is celebrated twice: on January 1, and again on the advent of the Chinese New Year which begins—varyingly—in January or February. In 1974 the two celebrations occurred only two weeks apart, and so lucky gay guys in NY, SF and V went still further . . . parlaying (if you'll forgive the expression) the '**boyserie**' of the first into the **chinoiserie** of the second, with marathons or 'unmasked balls' lasting a fortnight, just to get the New Year off to a sizzling sexual start.

Part of the fun of celebrating the Chinese New Year is that the

animal kingdom comes into its own and celebrations center around the 'animal of the year'. Thus 1971 was The Year of the Pig, while 1974 was The Year of the Tiger. Since this motif extends to the hospitality of cocktails as well, what may be served as a simple Daiquiri on the occidental New Year's Eve may—with the addition of a dash of Cointreau—become a 'hare-y' Chinese affair, since 1975 will be The Year of the Hare. Here then is the recipe for our

HARE SPECIAL

Shake 2 ounces light rum, plus ½ ounce Cointreau and the juice of half a lime, and strain into an iced cocktail glass. Here are some other recipes that should make your gay Chinese New Year's party a success. Like how about a

RABBIT PUNCH

Although this recipe is for one, you can make it for many by increasing the ingredients proportionately.

Mix the following in a shaker with cracked ice: 1½ ounces gin, ½ ounce kummel, ½ ounce green creme de menthe, 4 dashes orange bitters and the juice of ¼ lemon. Shake and strain into a stemmed glass.

HONG KONG HARE

Shake with ice: 1½ ounces Jamaica rum, ½ ounce grenadine, 1 teaspoon Maraschino liqueur, 1 teaspoon curacao and a dash of bitters. Serve in a stemmed glass with ice and club soda.

Here's one left over from The Year of the Tiger, and it's really 'tiger-might'.

TIGER LILY

Into your shaker of cracked ice put 1½ ounces light rum, ¾ ounce curacao, ¾ ounce brandy, and the juice of ½ lemon. Shake, and strain into an Old-Fashioned glass.

THE ORIENTAL

Shake with cracked ice 1 ounce rye or bourbon, ½ ounce sweet vermuth, ½ ounce curacao, and the juice of ½ lime. Serve in a cocktail glass.

Inasmuch as the theme of The Year of the Hare is physical activity and mental alertness—being bright-eyed and bushy-tailed—we take this opportunity to wish all our readers a briskly cruisy New Year . . . taking a tip from the symbolism of the New Year and never miss a trick. And to you lucky guys who have two holidays to celebrate—well, **hare's** to you!

Book Review

By The Editors



It may surprise our readers, as it did us, to learn that presently there are more than 200 organized, 'legalized' nudist camps in the United States and Canada, ranging from the primitively rustic to the near-posh 'nudist park' resort. Names, addresses and easy-to-scan detail maps showing how to get to each area from its nearest town of size—as well as other fascinating information for the nudist-who-would-like-to-be—form the basis of a new book called **Dare To Go Bare**, published by The American Sunbathing Association, Inc., 810 North Mills Avenue, Orlando, Florida. It is a paperback—long and narrow so that mapping details of most of these

200 areas can be shown individually in simple, clear blowups, and sells for \$3. It definitely belongs in your travel library.

It should be needless to point out that none of these camps is expressly or even admittedly gay, nor to philosophize about the nude/gay ethic that wherever people gather there is a substantial gay contingent, and that in nudist groups there are many, many more. Therefore, the charm of this book is to intersperse a kind of down-to-earthiness about the why of going nude, and the joy of going nude in the togetherness of group life, with the factual 'ticking off' of each camp's statistics about its accommodations, recreational areas, sports and—of particular interest to gay guys—whether singles are welcomed. This latter is of more than passing interest because for many years only male/female couples were permitted. But in the **Yes** and **No** question/answer boxes only a very few 'no' blocks are filled in. Moreover, gay people with pets will be glad to learn that, with very few exceptions, pets are also welcomed.

In the few little homilies interspersed among the basics, one discovers, for example, that while all first-time nudists have the jitters about taking it **all** off in public, it's really like jumping into a pool—shocking for about 30 seconds, after which it's comfortable and soothing; and that once bare, one tends to feel actually **invisible** . . . and it is the just-arriving nudist-to-be who, clothed, gets the stares! Or how quickly and easily we revert to nature!

Dare To Go Bare debunks two nudist myths. One, that nudist camps are a playground for young Greek gods and goddesses—or a wooded glen where only the beautiful lounge around a pool or under a shady oak tree. Two, that they are like what the nudist magazines of years ago made them seem . . . rude-cabined areas generally peopled by a lot of middle-aged D.O.M. with skinny, flabby bodies and long-ago retracted phal-

luses, getting their kicks by ogling equally lecherous D.O.W. with ponderous abdomens and breasts way down to **there**. Today's nudist camps are intensely vital outdoor arenas enjoyed by those with bodies good and not-so-good . . . the young and not-so-young. People of many physique contrasts: great bodybuilders vs lithe tennis players and/or smooth swimmers. Also those with disparities of taste: those who prefer a game of bridge or backgammon to more active sports. Something for everyone. In essence, what the ASA is saying is that the nudist camp is a **people** place . . . that we have all been natural nudists since birth and that the nudist camp is merely a forum in which we can express our nudity more fully.

All camps/resorts/parks listed in **Dare To Go Bare** are operated as private clubs. Some are owned by individual proprietors; others by cooperative groups. You will find how easy it is to join, and that once you have your membership card it will gain you entrance to any other nudist area, without question. Also, if you expect to travel abroad, your membership in the ASA enables you to purchase an International Nudist Passport which will admit you to nudist facilities almost everywhere in the world.

Every statistic—except rates—about every camp is clearly given. That must be determined individually by writing to the camp of your choice. This fine book clears away all the hocus-pocus we've long associated with nudist groups, and it makes it so easy to get into the spirit of group nudity . . . like right now!

Gay World News & Notes

By The Editors

New York . . . Passage of the January/February 1975

"Gay Rights Bill" (Intro 554) may be closer at hand now that its fiercest opponent, Councilman Matthew Troy of the borough of Queens, has been voted out of office. He continually pressured fellow councilmen to vote against the bill in the past and carried his fight to TV talk shows. No doubt he helped stir up the Catholic Church and NYC Fire Department against the bill in order to aid his fight. Troy voiced his fears that if gays were permitted to gain employment as teachers they might wrongly influence children, or that if employed as firemen they'd be more apt to concentrate on sodomizing their buddies and ignore fire alarms. The bill, if passed early next year when it comes up for another vote, would guarantee civil rights for all citizens regardless of sexual orientation. Troy is an Archie Bunker-like character who has gone out of his way to fight gay rights and has even traveled to places like Chicago to give officials there "lessons" on how they might act to defeat similar bills in their cities.

Harrisburg . . . A recent study by the Governor's Committee on V.D. Control found that the disease has reached real epidemic proportions among the young people in Pennsylvania. Director Joseph A. Chiappa stated that the gay community did not participate in the study because of prejudices among the straights who worked as researchers. He feels this is regrettable because cooperation is needed from all quarters to fight the disease.

TV-land . . . Gay groups everywhere are exerting more and more pressure on what local TV stations air. Right now there is a fight going on to stop NBC from showing a particular episode of **Police Woman** in which three lesbians who manage a rest home are portrayed as unsavory characters. It's called "Flowers of Evil"—in case it gets shown in your area. The move to stop ABC from showing the **Marcus Welby** episode called "The Outrage" wasn't too successful. In spite of gay pressures the show

was aired in many localities. How much damage it did is at best questionable—but it was obvious to anyone who saw it that gay writers must have had some part in the language used. Much of it was tongue-in-cheek double-meaning humor. Like the mother of the molested boy talking to the guy who fucked the kid before she knew it was him. On asking the kid's teacher/fucker why her boy was having trouble in school and particularly with his course, he replies, ". . . because he just can't carry the **load**." That's just one example. Listen and you'll find more than a dozen such quips throughout. And if you have a sense of humor you'll laugh.

Truro . . . For forty years nobody has disturbed the summertime sun worshippers on the nude beach. Now, because of the harsh national publicity "free beaches" everywhere have received, along with a drowning this past summer and complaints that parked cars were blocking the road, the Truro Neighborhood Association is fighting to force beach supervision and clothing. That fight is being strengthened in behalf of those who want to shoo nudists, by testimony that gays are having sex in plain view on their blankets. Which is probable—and so unfortunate that a handful of tasteless people can spoil the fun for everybody else. After all, fellas—there are dunes and bushes a short distance away!

Berkeley . . . A physiologist at the University of California's Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory, Dr. Lester Packer, recently reported that Vitamin E may help people survive in polluted environments. Studies have shown that the vitamin can "stop the normal aging process in laboratory-cultured human cells." Human lung cells, which normally die after reproducing themselves 50 times, were kept alive until they had reproduced themselves 120 times with Vitamin E—and they still seemed young, a laboratory announcement said. But Vitamin E cannot reverse the aging process, Dr.

Packer said. He added that the ability of a cell to survive depends on its capacity to correct and eliminate the buildup of environmental pollutants. We already know the possible miracles Vitamin E can do to improve sexual potency. Dr. Packer's findings contribute to making the vitamin essential to good health.

New York . . . The publishers of **Encyclopedia Britannica** have promised to add positive information on homosexuality in their next edition. This could be a major breakthrough in helping young people better understand themselves through providing a source to turn to which is readily accessible as soon as their curiosity is aroused.

Wellington . . . The laws regulating the behavior of homosexuals are stiff in New Zealand; in many respects it is a backward country as far as civil rights are concerned. But there are rumblings in Parliament that passage of a bill which would decriminalize homosexual acts between consenting adults is not far off. It will "free" the thousands of homosexuals living there in fear. At present even the mildest homosexual literature being sent in is confiscated on arrival. We have received warnings by the government not to send in any of our publications—much to our regret since we have friends there.

Seattle . . . More than 275 signatures have been secured in a petition to eliminate the red tape involved in getting a "free beach" established. The nudists here want their place in the sun.

Los Angeles . . . John Roberts points out in his article on this city that the visitor should avoid cruising public places. There is much police harassment and frequently brutality as well. A good example was a small garage at the eastern end of Santa Monica Blvd., at Myra St. As soon as it got dark gays filled the little building and went at it hot 'n heavy. The vice watched from a nearby hill and then swooped in to beat and bust. The **Outcast**, a nearby bar (see the Los Angeles article in this

issue), drew the crowd to the area, and the cops took over from there. Street lights have been installed and the garage is presently not in use.

San Francisco . . . The city is a wonderland of delights for gay guys—as Ralph W. Davis tells you in this issue. It is unfortunate that like all other cities it also has its share of crazies. Stay clear of tough types wherever you cruise. And keep a safe distance away from young Jesus Freaks who are religious fanatics and believe that they are serving God by beating gays. The presence of muggers in town was too clearly stated by the knife attack on Peter Taylor, 27, last August. It happened on Polk St., near Hemlock Alley. He and Brian Bullis, 21, were making the bars when they were mugged by three men, two parolees from Oregon State Pen. Taylor was killed but Bullis was saved because he was wearing a heavy leather jacket. Taylor's father, by the way, wrote the 1930's musical **Top Hat**, and the film **The Gay Divorcee**.

That's all this month . . . more gay news in our next issue.

Gay World Travel Tips

By The Editors

- The New York Botanical Garden has an interesting tour coming up February 7th (thru 27th). Phil Clark, former editor of a horticulture magazine, is taking a group to South America to view ruins and wildflowers and such. If you dig sniffing sweet petunias write for information: Flowers/Arts of the Andes Tour, New York Botanical Garden, Bronx, N.Y. 10458.

- Gay tours are fun—but don't plunk your money down unless you know the people you're dealing with. Find out how long they've been in business and if they're bona fide

travel agents. Too many unscrupulous people are getting into the tour business for a fast buck; unless you choose wisely you could be out of money and in for a bad time. In many instances you'd be far better off doing it yourself—by arranging your flights and hotels through the airlines and taking along a copy of our 1975 Gay Travel Directory which lists the hottest gay spots in the U.S. and throughout the world. And all it costs is \$5. It could save you hundreds.

- Starting January 1st, Amtrak and Greyhound are getting together by combining routes. You go so far by train and switch to bus to reach those small out-of-the-way places. And your trip can be arranged by either company.

Letters From Our Malebag

HAITIAN HOLIDAY

Dear Mr. Desantis:

After reading your article on Haiti in the August 1974 **Ciao!** (which was outstanding in all respects) I flew to Port-au-Prince for a week and I must say it is just as you say it is.

I contacted Peter Paul on the second day and he squired me around for the rest of the time. On our visit to **Chez Guy** I learned that more rooms are being added to accommodate more overnights and short-time trickers.

Freda's has moved up to the Petion-Ville road just opposite the Montana Hotel. The place was very active.

Spent a day at Ibo Beach. Real great! Also, the trip to Sand Cay was quite worthwhile.

Thanks again for a real fine article.

Most sincerely,
C.F.
Chicago, Ill.

XAVIER[®] THE GAY CUCARACHA!

TACKY!

BY SPREADEAGLE STUDIO

THE QUESTION THIS GAY STORY ASKS: CAN AN ACAPULCO CUCARACHA FROM THE WRONG SIDE OF THE DONKEY TRACKS FIND LUV 'N HAPPINESS WITH PISSPOT PINCUS... ONE OF SAN FRANCISCO'S HOTTEST HUSTLERS?

CHAPTER 5: XAVIER'S WET DREAM!

LATE ONE OCTOBER
AFTERNOON...

IT'S GOTTEN
AWFUL QUIET.
HEY... WHERE
DA' FUCK IZ
EVERYONE?

HEY...
FANNY FOO-
IZ YOU IN
DER?

SHIT MAN... DIS
IZ SPOOKY!
MAYBE PISSPOT
(SIGH!) IZ DOIN'
HIS THING...!

DA' BIG MOTHER
IZ OUT- PROBABLY
FUCKIN' AWAY IN
DA' TUBS... SIGH!

CRISCO

MAN, I IZ ALONE N' DEE-
PRESSED! WHAT CHANCE
DOES A DUMB BUG LIKE
ME EVER HAVE OF MAKIN'
IT WITH PISSPOT... DAT
SUPER HUNK!

GLOOM

ALL I EVER DO IZ
WHACK OFF THINKIN'
ABOUT P.P.'S GROOVY
BOD! AND WHAT
DUZ I GET FOR IT...
CALLUSES !!!
SHEET!

SOB... DIS CUCARACHA
HAS A HEAVY MEXICAN
CROSS TA' SCHLEP!
OYE VEY... I'Z GIVE
ANYTHIN' TA BE A
HUMPY HUMAN! I'Z
THINK I'LL GET STONED!
IT WILL HELP!

LUCKY... PISSPOT IZ A
SLOB... N' LEAVES HIS
GRASS OUT...

CHOMP...CHOMP.
NOT BAD...JUST
LIKE DA' SHIT
WE GREW
BACK HOME!

5 MINS. LATER-

WOW... I'Z
STONED!

OYE
CHIHUAHUA-
WHO DA' FUCK
ARE YOU?

I'M THE BLUE
COCKROACH
FAIRY OF THE
SOUTH TO GIVE
YA' YOUR WISH,
YA ALL!

BOING

HOT
CHICHIS...
I'Z BEEN
HUMANIZED!

I'LL JUST LAY
HERE N' PLAY
WITH MYSELF
UNTIL RR GETS
BACK!

HOLY TEQUILA...
MY COCK IZ
GETTIN' HARD!
PISSPOT... WHERE
IZ YOU?

WOW... I'Z
GETTIN' MUCHO
HOT... OH I
CAN'T HOLD
IT...

ANYMORE!

WAKE UP, HONEY...
YOU'Z DONE HAD A
JUICY DREAM... HEE
HEE! DIDN'T YOUR
MAMA TELLS YA' ABOUT
GOIN' LOCO IF A
DIDDED WITCH YOUR-
SELF!

NOBODY LIKES
A SMART-ASS,
YOU BUGGY
DRAG QUEEN!

NEXT...
THE
ENEMY
RETURNS
!



**Photo Feature
Of the Month**

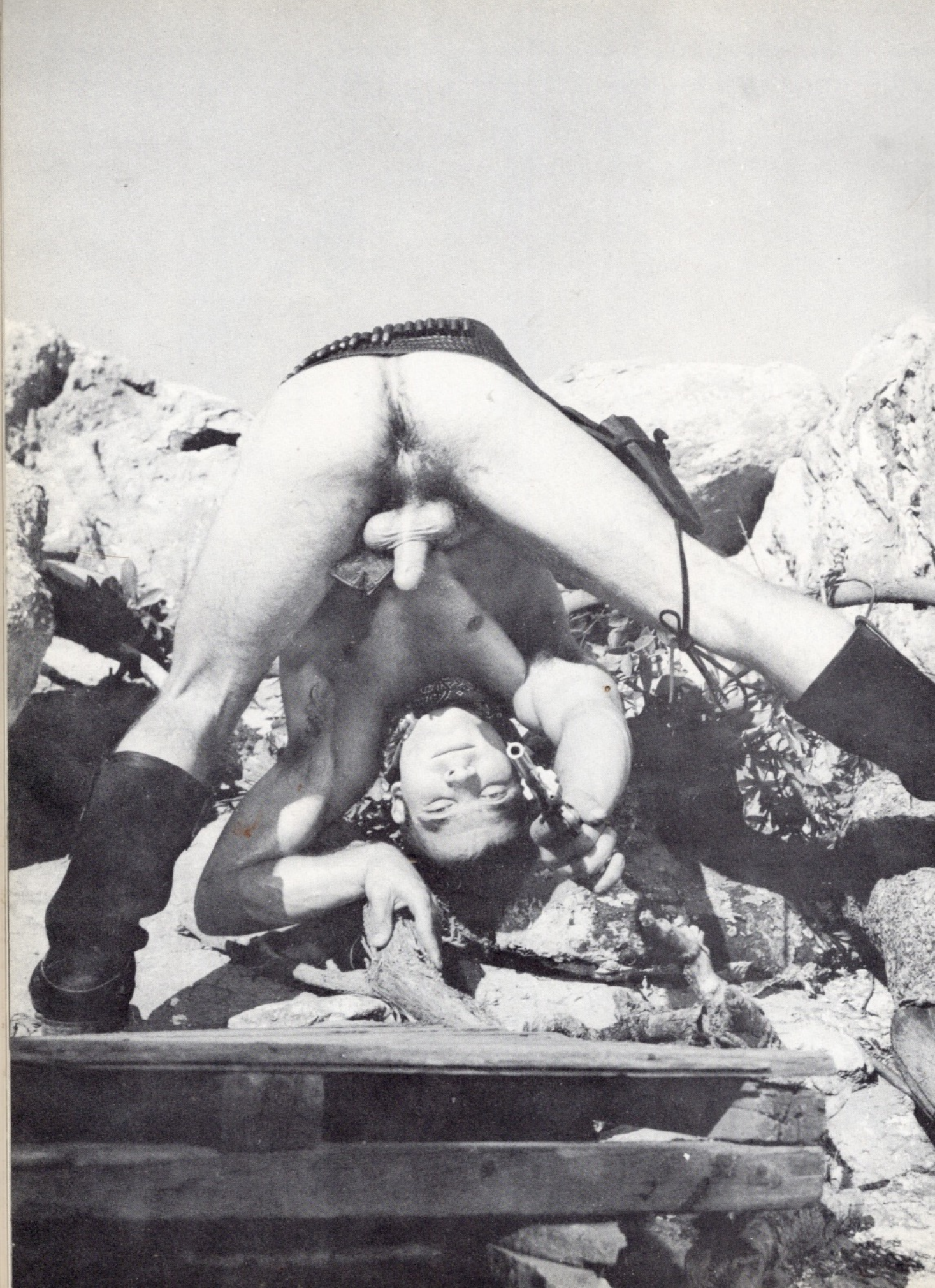
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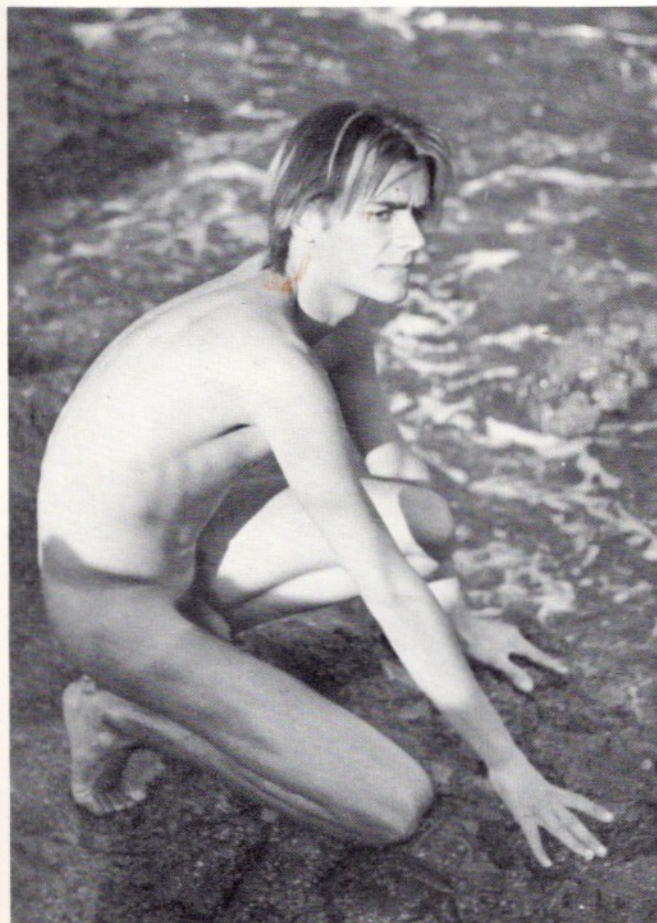
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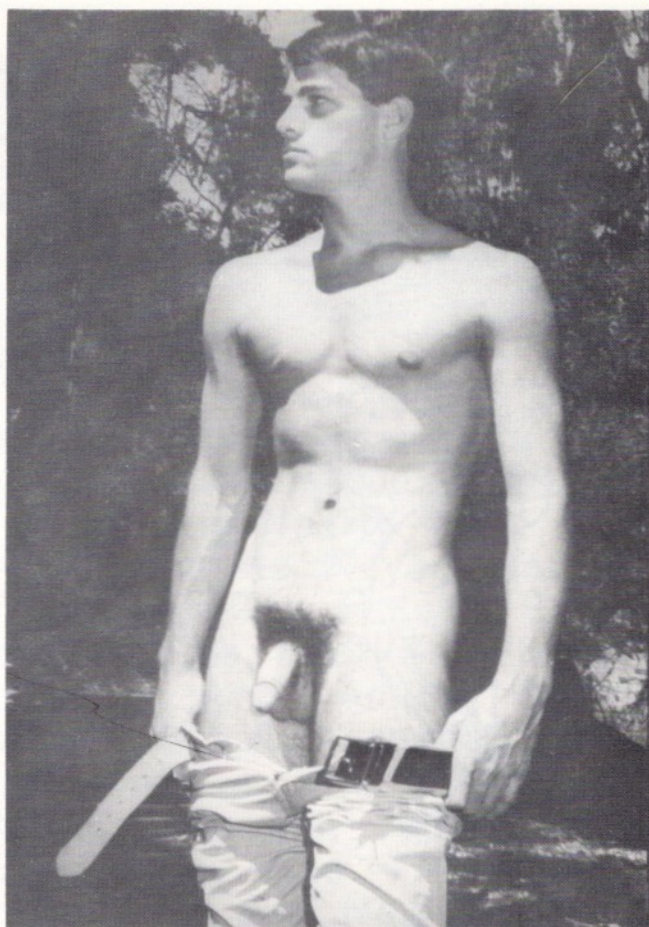


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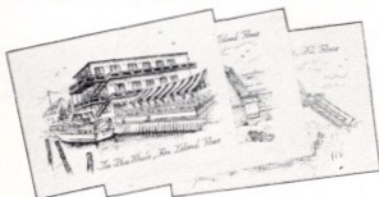
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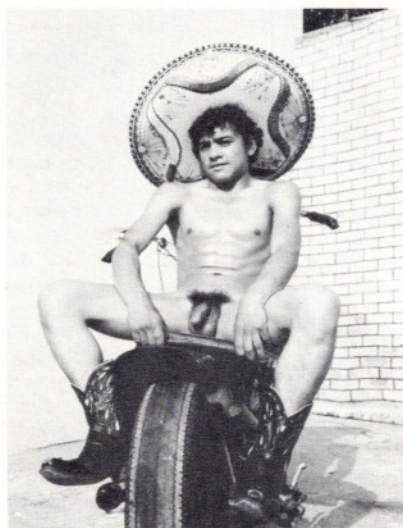


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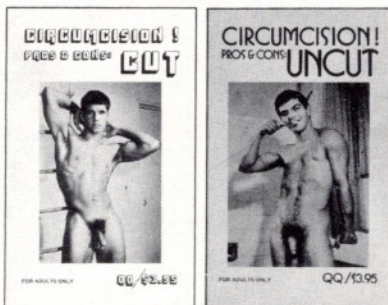


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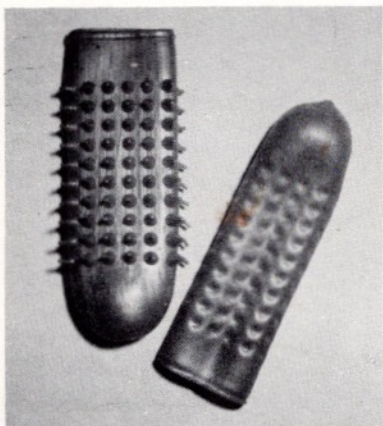


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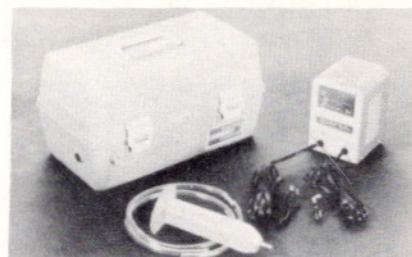


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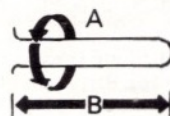
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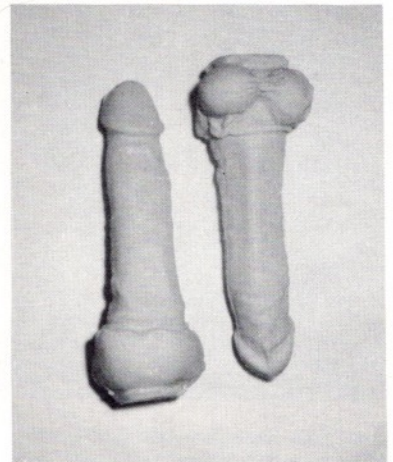


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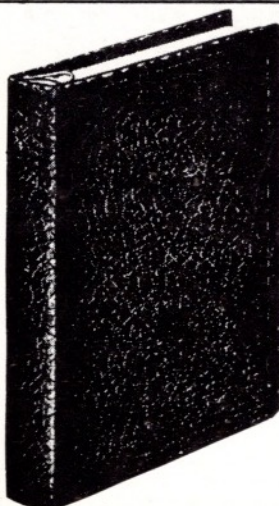
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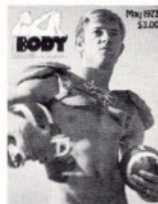
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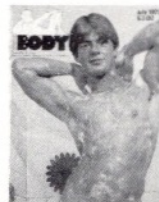
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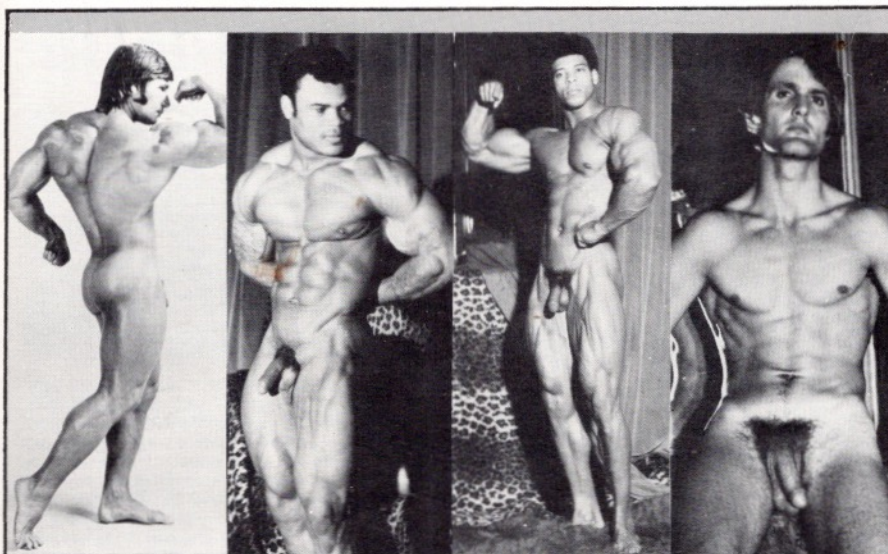
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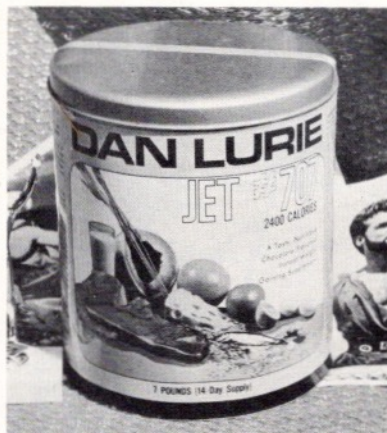
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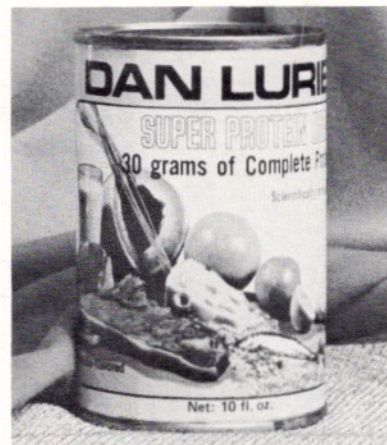
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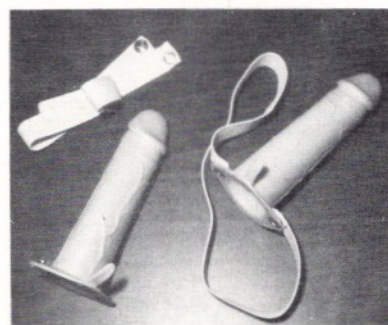


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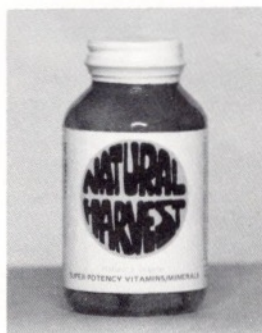
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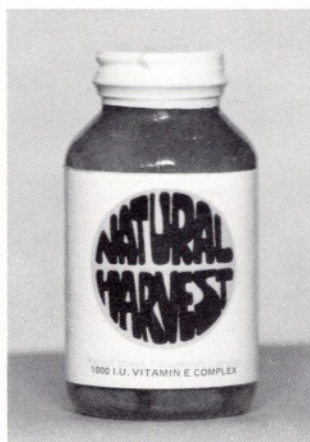
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