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**INSIDE PARIS**

**OOO! LA! LA!**

# HOW MANY OF THOSE



Here's famed transvestite of Paris, Coccinelle, doing a night club act that has won her a big boxoffice following and top pay.



# PARIS BELLES ARE REALLY PARIS BOYS?

Imagine your surprise  
when a lady of the  
night wakes up with  
a five o'clock shadow!

**A**N American in Paris was walking in Montmartre a few weeks ago when he noticed a gorgeous girl sipping an *aperitif* at a sidewalk cafe.

The Yank stopped in mid-stride, entered the cafe and parked at the table next to the doll. She ignored him at first, then their eyes met and when he leered at her she returned his smile. So he moved to her table and introduced herself.

He could tell at a glance that this was no ordinary Parisian pickup. She wore a costly gown and an elegant mink stole. Her gleaming black hair flowed in an unbroken stream to her shoulders. Fortunately, for he knew almost no French, she spoke English. And her low, husky voice sent shivers of delight up his spine.

Hours later, after dinner at the *Tour d'Argent* and drinks at the Lido, they wound up at the girl's apartment — a pink-and-white pad as feminine as lace lingerie.

Excusing herself, the brunette went into the bedroom and changed to a scarlet silk robe that clung to every curve of her body. Beneath the robe, her guest surmised, she was completely naked. But when he tried to find out if this assumption was correct, she gently pushed his hands away.

"You are impatient, *cherie*," she purred. "First we will have a nightcap."

When the nightcap was finished, they retired to her perfumed boudoir. Demurely, she switched off the bedside lamp and the Yank, trembling with anticipation, heard the soft rustle of silk slithering to the floor.

He undressed in the dark and groped his way to the queen-size bed, where the brunette lay snuggled beneath scented sheets and a satin coverlet. The evening's climax was at hand, but desire made



In a twist on men wearing women's clothes here are two young girls who got married when the one on the left pretended to be a man. When the hoax was discovered, both were jailed. This happened in France.

him clumsy. His exploring fingers reached out.

Then he recoiled as if he had seized a scorpion. Leaping out of bed, he turned on the light — and his eyes confirmed what his touch had discovered.

Thousands of red-blooded males seeking female companionship in Paris this year will make similar startling discoveries, for the *INSIDE STORY* is that *Gay Paree* has never been gayer.

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## Paris Belles

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The nightclubs, bistros and streets that once were the haunts of female prostitutes have become the parade grounds for an army of transvestites — male prostitutes garbed as girls. These wolves in *she's clothing* prey on unsuspecting tourists who are hunting girls, not guys. And they disguise themselves so well that it's sometimes impossible to tell the difference — at a glance, anyway.

Male prostitution has become so blatant all over the City of Lights, and especially in the Montmartre nightclub district, that a man cannot walk the streets alone after dark without being accosted.

Police are powerless to cope with this problem. For while there are laws against female prostitutes, there are no laws against either transvestites or male homosexuals.

In desperation, Police Chief Maurice Papon has asked French lawmakers to enact legislation barring transvestites from the streets. But the city fathers are dragging their feet for at least two reasons:

They don't want to call attention to this queer situation.

And they don't want to be accused of infringing on the sexual liberties of Frenchmen.

Perhaps, as the old saying goes, "50 million Frenchmen can't be wrong." But they can be abnormal, if they so desire.

Normal Frenchmen are both shocked and ashamed at the *gay goings-on* in the free-loving land that has produced such international sex symbols as Martine Carol, Simone Signoret and Brigitte Bardot.

Frenchmen have always worshipped the female form and boasted of their amours. The subject of homosexuality was dismissed contemptuously as *le malaise Anglais* — the English sickness. Like venereal disease, it was a topic seldom discussed in polite society.

This secret sickness has now become a public epidemic.

There are many theories that

attempt to explain the rise in homosexuality and male prostitution. But no two theories agree.

One widely-held belief is that the postwar anti-vice campaign closed the bordellos and put hundreds of prostitutes out of work was indirectly responsible for the switch to swishes.

The 1946 shutdown of Paris' world-famous brothels was followed, in 1960, by a decree inflicting heavy penalties on hotels and boarding houses which habitually accommodate female prostitutes. Police also launched a new offensive against streetwalkers, pimps, call girls, peddlers of pornographic pictures, obscene movies and "live shows" featuring male and female performers in orgiastic scenes.

Vice cops raided scores of side-street hotels off the *Champs Elysees*, *Place Pigalle* and other thoroughfares where the traffic in sex was heavy. Each night during the raiding season, police wagons rolled through the city with loads of V-dolls on their way to jail.

Continued harassment by *les flics* forced droves of love-for-sale ladies to find some less ancient but more honorable profession. And as the number of streetwalkers declined, Paris after dark took on a strange new look.

No longer was it the sex capital of the world. It was supplanted by such sinful cities as London, Rome, Hamburg, Copenhagen and even Amsterdam. One unhappy visitor noted that the Paris theme had changed from "eat, drink and be merry" to "early to bed and early to rise."

Then, within the past two years, streetwalkers began returning to the *Champs Elysees*, Montmartre and all the other flesh markets. The nights once more were full of the musical taps of spiked heels on sidewalks.

Things seemed the same as they had always been, and yet somehow different. The girls looked more elegant, better groomed, more like mannequins than common prostitutes. They wore *haute couture* gowns, furs, expensive jewelry.

Many of them cruised the streets in sleek sports cars. Their makeup was unusually heavy, their voices unusually deep, their hairdos unusually neat.

One night, six expensive-looking hustlers were seized by plainclothes police while soliciting customers along *Place Pigalle* — the notorious sin street known to

many American visitors as Pig Alley.

Screaming, kicking and clawing, they were tossed into a paddy wagon and hauled to the nearest police station with accommodations for female guests. There they were turned over one by one, to a police matron for the customary search.

Seconds after she took one of the dolls into a private room to make sure she wasn't packing a pistol in her bra, the red-faced matron rushed out hollering: "This is no woman!"

The other five floozies wouldn't say whether they were the genuine article or not, which created a rather delicate situation for the cops. The dilemma finally was solved by a burly inspector who grabbed each of the streetwalkers in turn by the hair. The two who squealed in pain were real females. The other three wore wigs that came off in the inspector's fist.

After this experiment, hairpulls became the standard police test for suspected transvestites. But now that wigs have become fashionable for women as well as lavender lads, it's harder than ever to tell the boys from the girls.

No one knows exactly how many homos are parading around Paris in false hair, falsies and feminine finery. Police estimate at least 5000 of them are engaged in the world's oldest profession — once considered a female monopoly.

And not all their customers are disappointed when they discover Gigi's real name is George. Many men deliberately seek out male prostitutes either as a sexual novelty or because these customers are also homosexuals.

Most Frenchmen believe they are the most virile race on earth. However, statistics prove otherwise. Despite government efforts to encourage production of more and better babies, France had one of the lowest birth rates in Europe.

The French have a "womb to the tomb" social security system that includes pregnancy pay and baby bonuses. Unmarried mothers receive the same benefits.

While other governments are worrying about the population explosion, President DeGaulle is urging his people to keep the stork working overtime. And yet, for all the inducements, the French birth rate is lagging far behind that of Germany, Italy and the other Common Market countries.

The obvious conclusion is that Frenchmen aren't as interested in the mating game as they pretend to be. Or perhaps they aren't as interested in women.

"The trouble with women," says one jaded boulevardier, "is that they are losing their femininity."

French women are still the world's best dressed. They spend much more on perfume, cosmetics and other feminine allures than do their American counterparts. But the *courtesans* and *coquettes* have been replaced by modern women who hold equal jobs with men and demand complete social equality.

Before World War II, almost every Frenchman who could afford one had a mistress. His wife usually knew all about the "other woman" and if she didn't exactly approve, at least she accepted the situation.

Today, the mistress is being threatened with extinction like those other great Paris institutions — the brothel and the sidewalk John (or Jacques). There are so few *kept women* left in Paris that conservationists are thinking of forming a *Society for the Preservation of Mistresses*.

A survey of Parisian housewives disclosed, among other things, that the average woman no longer is willing to forgive and forget her husband's infidelities.

"If he had the slightest, even the briefest love affair, I would divorce him," said Simone.

Ginette declared: "If I know someone has used my toothbrush, I throw it out. This also applies to a husband."

And Colette snapped: "If my husband cheated on me, I would do the same to him. An eye for an eye."

This new air of independence is what most Frenchmen really mean when they complain that their women aren't feminine anymore. But if Parisian girls are losing their femininity, the opposite sex also is becoming less masculine.

"A woman in Paris faces some of the world's stiffest competition — not from other women, but from her male escorts," reports attractive journalist China Altman.

"Parisian men are the peacocks of Europe . . . and probably the most conceited men in the world.

China offers this advice to American girls planning on torrid nights in France.

"When your date arrives, never tell him you've spent the whole afternoon getting dressed. He'll reply: 'So have I.' If you stroll past a shop window, don't count on taking a fast peek to check on your coiffure. Your escort will be walking on the inside to keep tabs on his own prozle."

China found Frenchmen far more interested in themselves than *L'amour*. Concluding their dates are more apt to be bored to death than sexually assaulted, she added: "Take a paperback novel in your evening bag."

These observations seem to support the theory that Frenchmen who claim they invented love, are growing tired of their once-favorite sport. And their jaded, faded sexual appetites might explain the new wave of homosexuality.

But whatever the reasons behind the switch from V-dolls to powdered, perfumed and padded pansies, visitors to the French capital this year will probably come home singing:

"The last time I saw Paris, her heart was young — and gay." ■■■



## Red Hot Daddy

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Tina Louise, English starlet Jackie Lane and Hungarian sexot Eva Bartok.

None of these romances amounted to much, but they gave him better newspaper coverage than many Presidents enjoy. His whirlwind, round-the-world courtship of Linda Christian transformed him from a bush-league playboy to a big-time romeo. Thanks to her, he became a contender for the playboy championship held by such heavyweight heartthrobs as Porfirio Rubirosa and Aly Khan.

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