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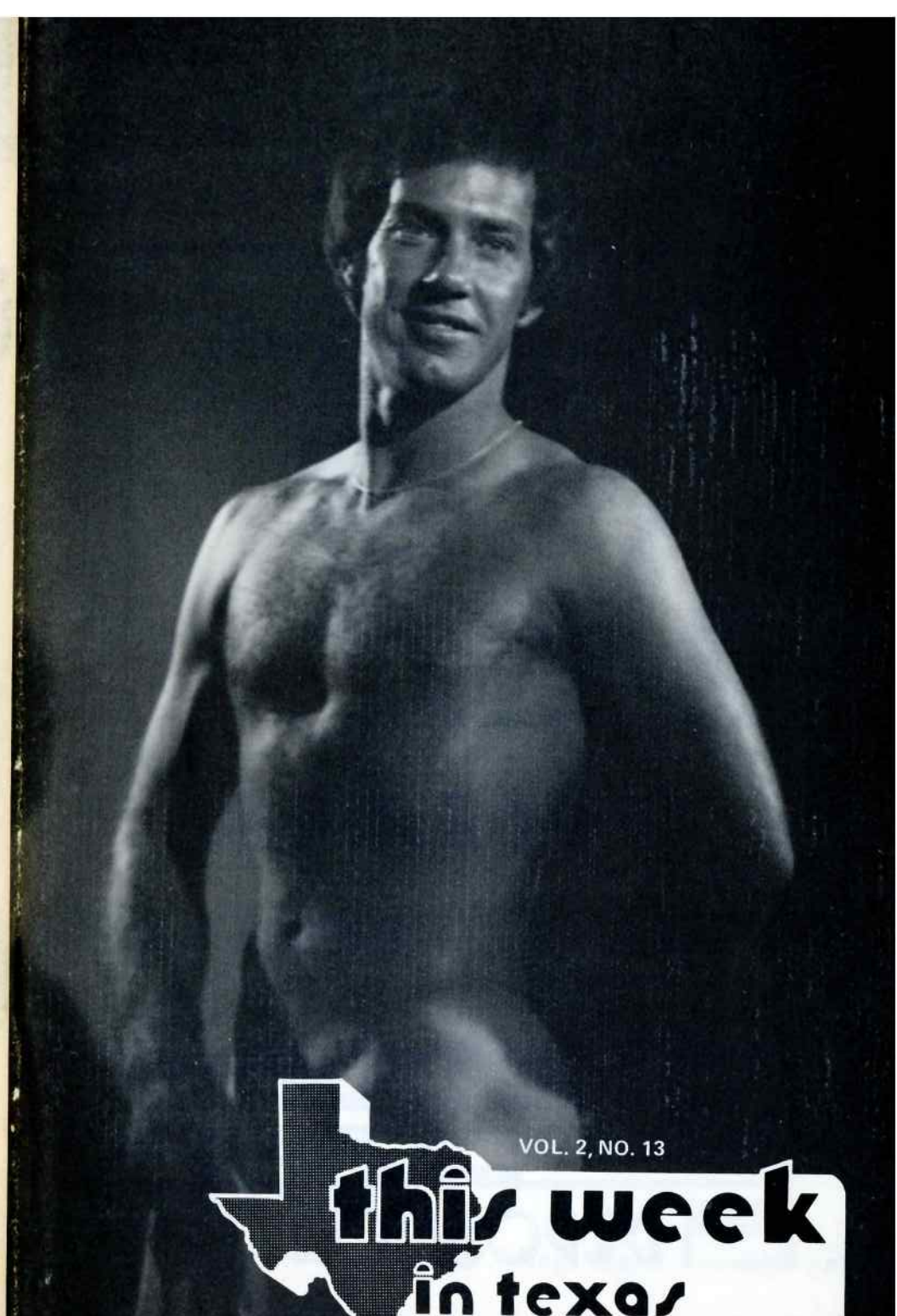
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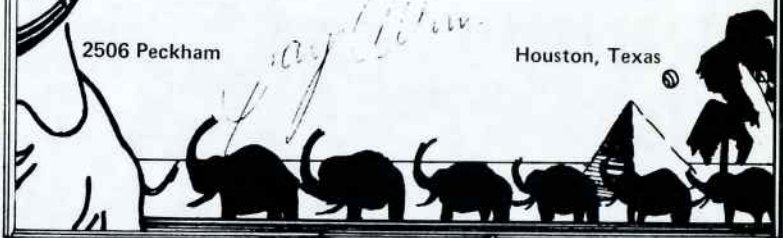
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Friday, June 25, Ft. Worth

Preliminaries for the Miss Gay Aub's, 9 p.m. Aub's. Winner will receive expense paid trip to Miss Gay America.

Saturday, June 26, Dallas

Rally for Gay Pride Week in Dallas, Exol Park (corner of Live Oak and Hall). Free beer, live band, and special guest speakers, 2 p.m.

Saturday, June 26, Houston

Gay Pride Day Blood Donation Drive, 11:30 a.m. til 8 p.m., Metropolitan Community church of the Resurrection. Donor will be registered with the Blood Assurance Program... "GAA Saturday Night" (Comedy Show) at the U. of H. For information contact GAA at 749-3489 or Rusty at 527-8126.

Saturday, June 26, San Antonio
Academy Awards, Spanish Harlem, 11:30 p.m.

Sunday, June 27, Houston

Bi-Centennial Appreciation Old Fashion Picnic at Hermann Park across from the Miller Theatre, noon til 6 p.m. Happy hour prices at both the Briar Patch and the Hi-Lite Ranch from 6 p.m. til 10 p.m., following the picnic...Lamp Post vs. The Loft, 1 p.m., at Fairview and Yupon...Lady Vic will host Dallas' top entertainment, Lamp Post, 9 p.m. Guests include Erica Lane, Miss Old Plantation Dallas, Casey Starr, Miss Congeniality of Dallas, plus others.

Sunday, June 27, San Antonio

The Gay Community Center rummage sale, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. at 1249 E. Sunshine. Proceeds to the Together Gay Bulletin. Call Bay Switchboard, 733-7300, for more information...Miss Dee Dee presents a 15-minute revue every 45 minutes at the Hypothesis. Guests include Miss Tisha St. James, Lady Donnell, Sashay, and Paulletta Leigh.

Sunday, June, 27, Dallas

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Monday, June 28, Ft. Worth

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Wednesday, June 30, San Antonio

Amateur night finals at the Hypothesis.

Wednesday, June 30, Dallas

Birthday Party for John and Larry 8 p.m., Service Station...Pool tournament at the Jugs, 7 p.m.

Thursday, July 1, Houston

Slave Auction at the Locker, 10 p.m...."Duck Soup" plays for your entertainment at Just Marion and Lynn's.

Thursday, July 1, Dallas

Grand Opening of the Tool Box (across from the Old Plantation). Free drinks from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Friday, July 2, Galveston

The movie "A Very Natural Thing" to be shown at the Fruit Jar, 8 p.m. and 10 p.m. The event is sponsored by the Galveston Gay Society.

Friday, July 2, Ft. Worth

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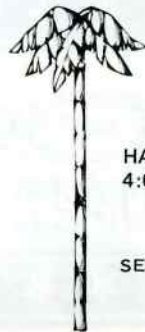
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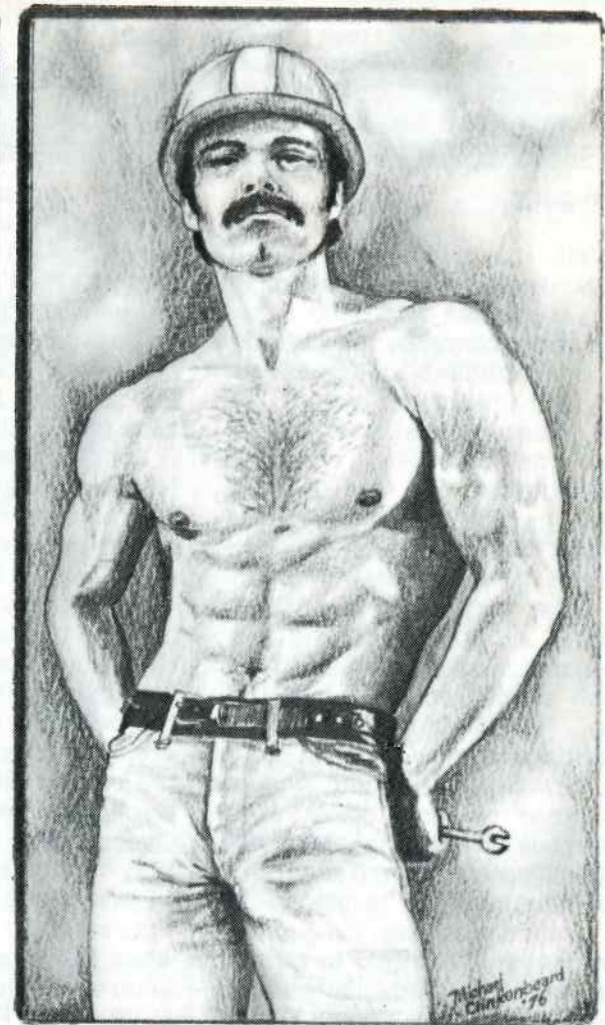
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In Houston, the Club Baths is finally getting that much-needed facelift. (Pooh-pooh on you who thought it would never happen). At this very minute, they're digging a big hole behind Club Houston for a new swimming pool which should open in mid-July. Also, the Club will have new carpeting, a new interior paint job, new air conditioning systems (no more of those jokes about ClubHouston being "really hot") and new entertainment programs. The Houston tubs is also doing the ground work for the big Mr. Club Houston contest, to be held this year at the Old Plantation on the night of July 27th...In Dallas, the Mr. Club Dallas contest is slated for July 29th, at the Bayou Landing. The winners of the Houston and Dallas contests will then go on to compete in the Mr. Club Bath International Contest later this year in Chicago! Strut your stuff, boys! (Incidentally, Club Dallas will be having two contests in the month of July. In addition to the annual Mr. Club

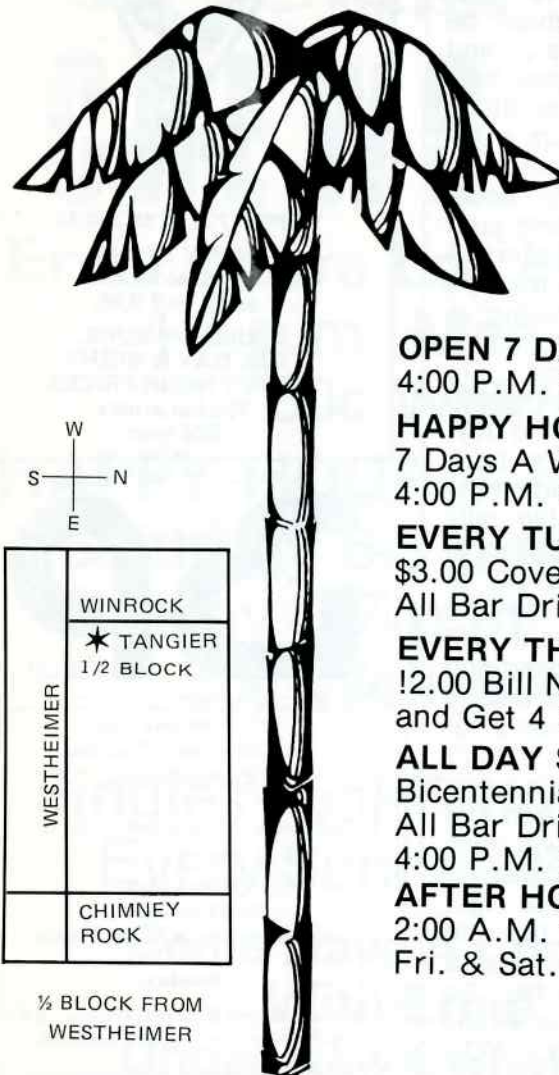
Dallas contest, the series of monthly contests will continue on July 4th, with the crowning of Mr. Cancer. That's the brainstorm of Dallas Club manager Larry Woe-lich, who is staging a contest each month in honor of each astro-logical sign(. So much for towels, tubs and bodies.

Looking at the non-bath news in Houston, we see that on July 23rd, the Levi will have a bartenders show, as a benefit for the M.C.C.... By the way, at the Levi, "shit kickers" and "red bandanas are the names of bar brinks. We inform you of this just in case you thought those screams across the bar were displays of anger or prejudice. Those great doubles at the Levi go for \$1.50, not \$1.25 as erroneously reported earlier ... Over at Just Marion and Lynn's, they've got a great band named "Duck Soup" which plays on Thursdays ... The big flood of last week in Houston forced cancellation of the Tuesday tricycle races at the Old Plantation, but now that all the contestants have pulled their "wheels" out of the mud, the races will resume on their regular Tuesday schedule ... The Tangier has made it a bit easier to purchase your favorite drink by installing another bar ... Keep savin' that Locker "money" but you better save fast. The Locker Slave sale has been moved from July 3rd to July 1st. Who

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says "money". won't buy happiness ... And let's not forget the big upcoming "UP Yours III" event by the Houston Motorcycle Club. Don't miss out on all the passionate fun by failing to register. That registration must be done on Friday at Mary's ... and finally for Houston, please take note that the ever-popular Studz News is now open 24 hours a day for your convenience. No more of that waiting outside the doors until opening time, rubbing your crotch and braying at the sunrise!

In Dallas info, we find that the Emporium will be opening a boutique shop at the Old Plantation. Should be promising ... In case you wondered what-the-hell happened to the scheduled Mr. Gay Texas Pageant, it's been postponed a bit, but should hit the boards in August ... A big rally for Gay Pride Week is slated in Dallas at 2:00 p.m. Saturday at Exol Park, at the corner of Live Oak and Hall. The event will feature free beer, a live band and guest speakers. This could be one of the sunny-Saturday events for which Dallas is famous. Don't miss it, fool! ... And there's a new face on the Dallas bar horizon. It's called the Tool Box and will open July 1st under the guidance of David Eves. It'll be located right across the street from the Old Plantation and should serve as a popular afternoon cruise bar. Go there and check it out (And let the other customers "check" YOU out).

A lot of bar news makes its way from San Antonio this week, not



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the least of which is the new "events" and "specials" at the Hypothesis. Wednesday's are big at the Hypo, with free beer and tamales as a special treat for the \$1.00 cover charge. Also, the popular amateur talents contests are staged on Wednesday evenings. Pool is still big on that front, with doubles tourneys on Tuesdays and singles tourneys on Thursdays. ... Tidbits, tidbits: Which customer at the El Jardin is receiving "dozens of red roses with babies breath" from a secret admirer. (I never knew a rose could have bad breath, much less babies' breath) ... And at the Habitat, there's a new bartender for you to check out — his name is Diz. Let's see what you've got, Diz. Trot it out! ... The Zoo Club is soon to feature Ms. Sam, who sings and plays guitar on Thursdays. Everything from 15th Century Madrigal to folk music to country to popular...etc....etc. ... and at Mary Ellen's, there's live music to be had on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

And for all of you who have not yet seen the gay movie "A Very Natural Thing," I suggest you get your fanny down to Galveston. The Galveston Gay Society will be presenting the film numerous times during July 2nd through July 4th, at the Fruit Jar. It's GREAT!

And that's about it for now. You stay GREAT yourself, ya hear! And stay tuned for our big 4th of July issue next week. It's chock-full of "big-ee events" just for you.

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Dear Chuck,

C'mon, who are you trying to fool? First, let's not sit up nights waiting for you to change! Your type never does. Nobody "accidentally" leads someone on for three months! You knew what you were doing. And you know what you're doing now. And shame on you! It's not very polite to hurt other people's feelings by leading them on — and then dumping them — to feed your own ego. Your statement is incorrect: He's not treating you the way you like to be treated — You're treating him the way you like to treat others. And you've lead this poor sucker into a position where he's headed for a big fall. A fall you secretly enjoy. You'll get yours, someday, buster! And it couldn't happen to a nicer guy.

Dear Adam,

All the bullshit aside, is there REALLY any way you know of to

make the penis bigger?
Little Louis, San Antonio, Texas.

Dear Little,

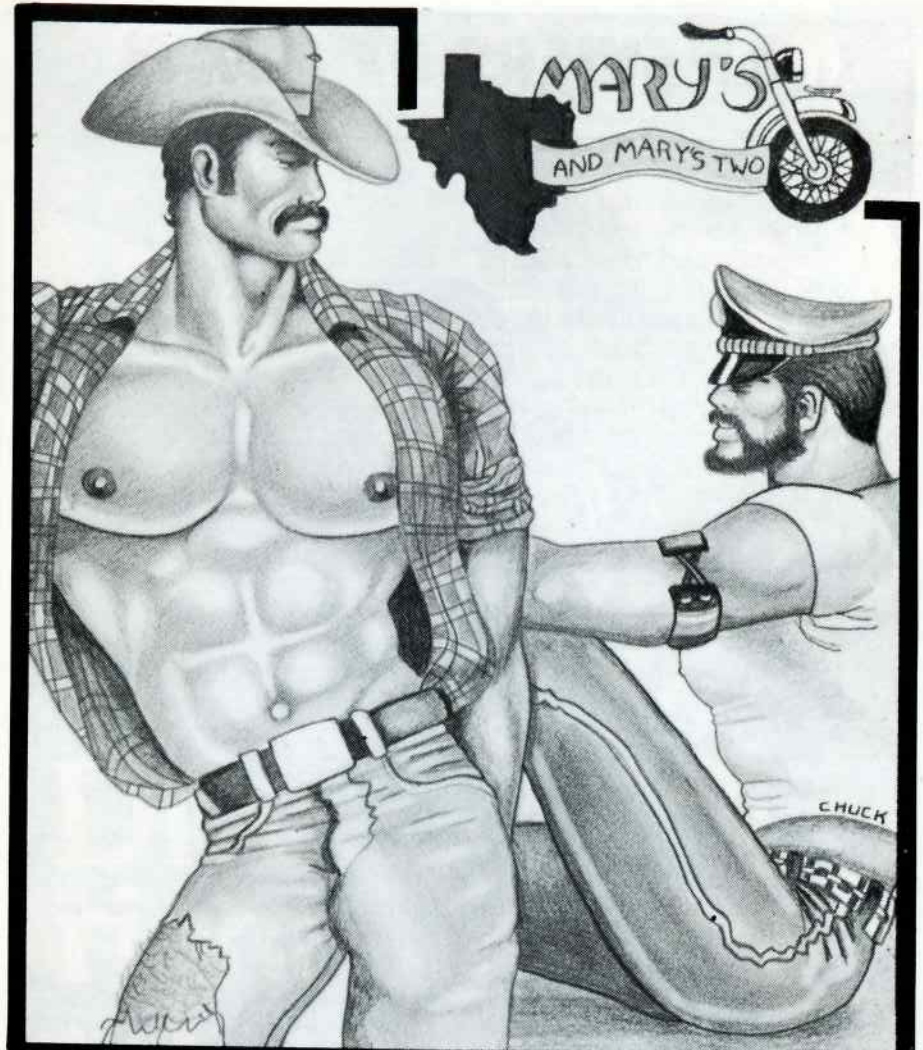
If there were, do you think I'd be wasting my time writing an advice column. Seriously, there is no way, to my knowledge, to make the penis larger. However, you can make it look larger by reducing the size of your legs. Start reducing those upper thighs, toots. Even a small tree stands out if you can make the "forest" more attractive!

Dear Adam,

What are the kinds of laws that often get gay people arrested for sexual activities in public places?
John R., Dallas, Texas

Dear John,

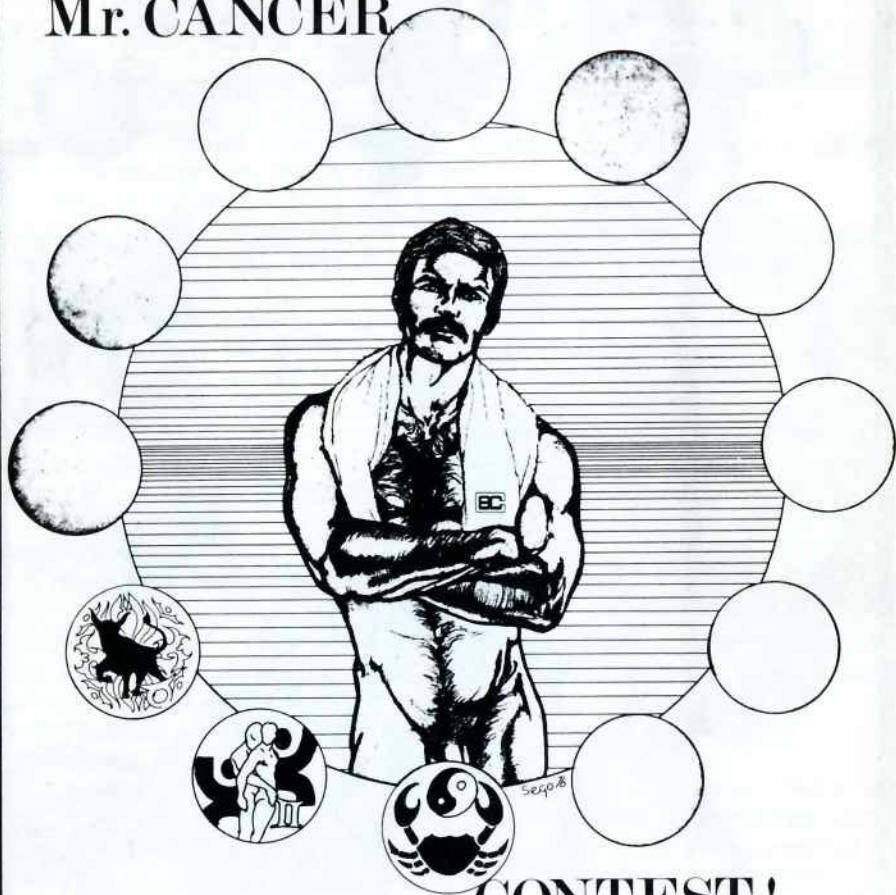
Short and simple, there are three classes of statutes under which gay people are arrested for activities in public: sodomy statutes; statutes prohibiting solicitation for illegal sexual conduct; and loitering or disorderly conduct statutes. Sexual conduct in public, whether between gays or straights, is illegal. While straights who are apprehended engaging in sexual activity in public will often be charged with disorderly conduct or lewd behavior, and many frequently escape with just a warning, gays are more likely to be charged with the sodomy statutes, in addition to the disorderly conduct charge.



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TEXAS GAY CONFERENCE III

Activists from as far away as Pensacola, Florida, were attracted to the University of Houston campus for the third annual Texas Gay Conference, June 18-20. In its first appearance in Houston, the perennial event was keynoted by Jean O'Leary, Executive Co-Director of the National Gay Task Force, and Vito Russo, New York writer and film critic. The conference was jointly sponsored by the Texas Gay Task Force and the Gay Academic Union.

O'Leary, a PhD candidate, is also the first publicly identified homosexual to be elected a delegate to the 1976 Democrat National Convention. She represents Bella Abzug's Greenwich Village Congressional District. Having spent most of the previous month lobbying in Washington, D.C., she presented a discouraging picture for gay rights in the 1976 presidential campaign. Although considerable support was mustered in the Democrat Platform Committee, including the Texas member of the Draft Committee, the planks supporting decriminalization of consensual adult homosexual acts and the extension of civil rights protections to gay

people became casualties of the Jimmy Carter forces. O'Leary emphasized that these planks were not defeated because they pertained to homosexuals, per se, but because they are controversial and Carter wants a low key campaign. Planks strongly supporting women's rights and abortion were also casualties. She professed ambivalence about Carter himself. She has a long list of seemingly pro-gay quotes by Carter, but all contain escape clauses. For example, he has stated that laws should not be applied unequally to gays, but has also said that homosexual acts constitute fornication and should be penalized as such. He has pledged himself as president to sign the National Gay Rights Bill, fully aware of the unlikelihood of its passing Congress soon. Although O'Leary feels the Democrats have shortchanged gay citizens, she feels a Democrat victory in November at least holds some promise in the turnover of 20,000 appointive federal posts. She believes our best hope is to continue to generate grassroots momentum by enacting local and state legislation.

A conference highlight was Vito Russo's ninety minute film of



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The Texas Gay Task Force presented State Representative Craig Washington with a resolution proclaiming his Outstanding Legislator Of The Year for his efforts to repeal the state sodomy statute. In an eloquent and moving acceptance speech, Washington said that "effort is its own reward" and mentioned that several legislators who have voted against repeal privately support it.

The conference concluded with a Sunday afternoon Gay Pride Parade organized by the Gay Activists Alliance. About 300 persons participated in the march down Main and Fannin streets.

Next year's conference will be held in Austin.

By Hugh Crell

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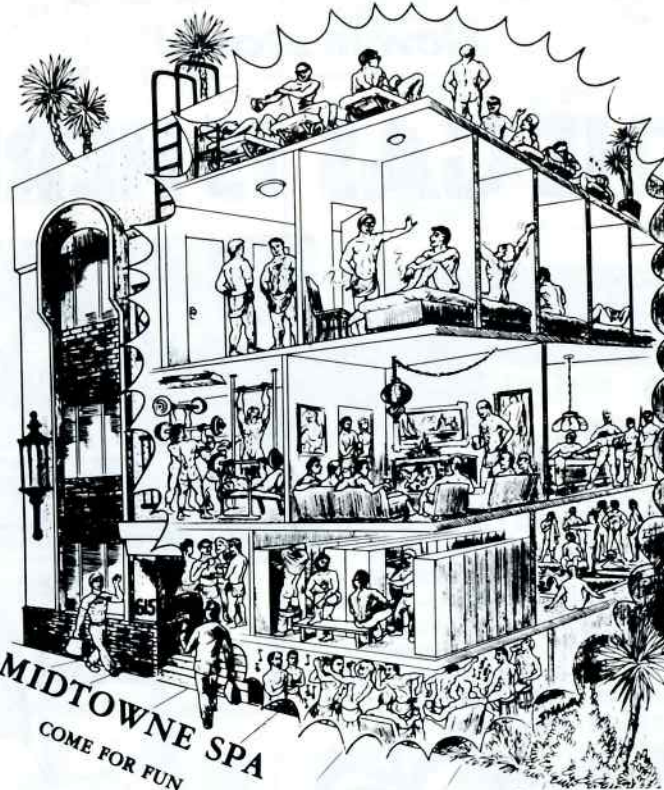
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Vera didn't normally attend funerals. They put him on such a downer. But he had gotten roped into this one. He had just gotten back to his house in West University Place, following that now-famous California vacation, when he learned that Uncle Ed had died. In Houston. Which was rather strange, since Uncle Ed lived in Galveston. But since the wreck had occurred in Houston, and Vera was Uncle Ed's only relative in the city, Vera got roped into working on the funeral arrangements. Besides, Aunt Bessie had told the family, in no uncertain terms, that "if they wanted that cocksucker Ed put in the ground" they have to do it without her help. Vera didn't know why Aunt Bessie was paying Uncle Ed compli-

ments, since she said she hated him, but Vera didn't have time to contemplate it at length.

Aunt Bessie was not normally a cross person, but under the circumstance, her feathers were understandably ruffled. Not only had Uncle Ed died in Houston, but he wasn't even supposed to BE in Houston. At the scene of the accident, there were three clues to the reason that Uncle Ed wasn't in Galveston, like he should have been. Clue number one was the sterling silver lipstick holder they found amid the wreckage. And it didn't belong to Bessie. Clue number two was the pair of high-heel shoes that were also to be found. These two clues gave a strong hint that Uncle Ed was seeing a woman in Houston and being unfaithful to Aunt Bessie. But it was clue number three that really cinched the case. Clue number three was the pair of feet that were found inside the high-heels. A pair of feet attached to a shapely blond who, except for a few reshuffled bits of hair that eluded the hairspray, looked like a slightly aging fashion model. You would never have guessed that she was an "easy" woman of the evening. Nor would you have guessed that she was dead. But like Uncle Ed, she had breathed her last. And Aunt Bessie wasn't happy. So it was up to the rest of the family to come up with a few tears for poor Ed at the gravesite.

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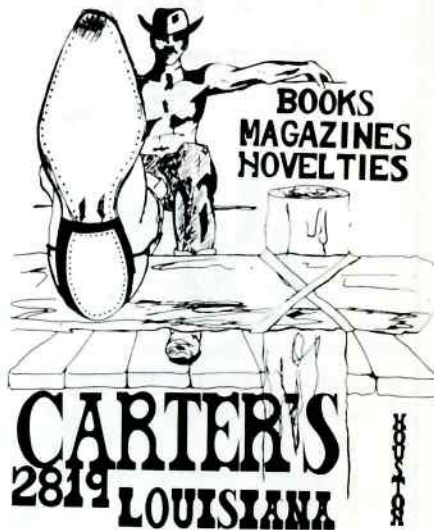
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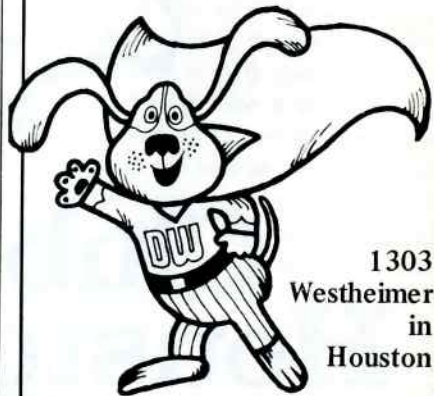
Aunt Louise was certainly doing her part! It was getting so bad that the minister was having to sneak in portions of the last rites during the few moments that Aunt Louise wasn't screaming her head off. It was weepin' and wailin' in Sensurround! Aunt Louise was a born crier. She was famous for it. She got invited to all the funerals where there were few friends and relatives. When Aunt Louise came to a funeral, it sounded like the entire world, including China, was there at the service. Aunt Louise prided herself on her heavy tears. By the time a funeral was over - Louise had filled her shoes with mascara-tinted water,

Vera didn't know Uncle Ed well. He had only visited Uncle Ed and Aunt Bessie a few times as a child. His recollection of Ed consisted of a man who could shovel down chicken fried steak and watch two baseball games on TV at the same time. And cover the carpet with cream gravy. Vera often thought that Uncle Ed's greatest contribution to the world was the fathering of Tommy. Ed's son Tommy, Vera's cousin, was a very famous person. Not to the world, just to Vera. It was many years ago, when Vera and Tommy were hiding in Ginger's doghouse, that Tommy taught Vera how to masturbate. They were nine years old at the time. And what a discovery it was! Vera was having a wonderful time - until Ginger, the family Cocker Spaniel, insisted that the two boys get out of her house if they were going to do such "evil" things. It took Vera the better part of two hours to get Ginger's well-placed

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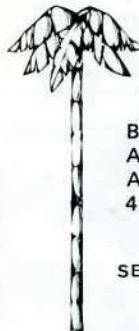
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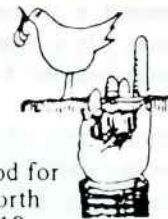


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"number two" off his legs. And don't think it's easy explaining to your parents how you got dog "do-do" inside your pants legs. Yes sir, Vera had learned a lot on that night. Thinking back, Vera wished that Tommy had explained that the joys of masturbation apply only to the penis. All day long at school, the next day, Vera has spent endless hours with his hands under his desk — trying to "jack-off" his thumb. For two weeks, Vera feared his thumb was impotent, but then Tommy finally explained that masturbation only works on the penis.

Tommy wasn't at the funeral. He had passed away a few years earlier. Ironically, like Ed, Tommy had died in a car accident. But unlike his father, Tommy was alone at the time of the accident. Like his father, when they found Tommy's body, there was a big smile on Tommy's face. Vera could guess why. Especially given the position in which Tommy's body was found. The police said if Tommy had had as strong a hold on the steering wheel as he had on his penis, he might have been able to have avoided the two cows crossing the road!

As the funeral drew to a quiet conclusion, Vera prepared to head back to Houston. The family was going to the lawyers office for the reading of the will. Vera felt there was no need for him to attend that, since he was sure there was nothing in the will for him. If Vera had only known! In four hours, his life would never be the same again!

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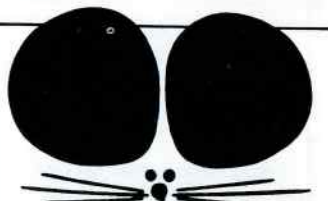
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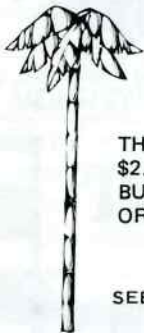
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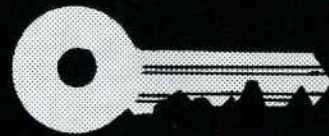
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