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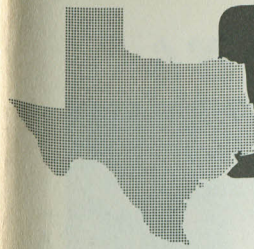


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CAROL CHANNING — CRAIG RUSSELL

AROUND THE STATE THIS WEEK

A SELECTIVE GUIDE TO ENTERTAINMENT AND EVENTS OF UNUSUAL INTEREST

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23

HOUSTON

Special appearance of Craig Russell at the **Depository**. Buffet at 8PM; Show at 9:30; Disco at 10:30; Beer bust til 2AM. Table reservation, \$4.00; Standing, \$3.00.

Brunch at the **Hi Kamp**, 11-12AM, for registered guests of the **Houston Motorcycle Leather Carnival**. Award presentations and Awards Show, **Hi Kamp**, 12-2PM, open to the public.

DALLAS

"Oldies But Goodies Day," **T.J.'s**, with D.J. playing records from the 50's and 60's. Dance contest. Twelve hours of 25 cent draft beer from 2PM-2AM.

SAN ANTONIO

Miss Hypothesis Contest for guys, 9PM, **Hypothesis**.

James H. Moore Art Show continued, **El Jardin**. A painting or portrait will be raffled off at \$1 per chance.

GALVESTON

Discotheque music starting at 1PM, **Kon Tiki**.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 24

FT. WORTH

AURA Regular Meeting at **T.J.'s Backdoor**, 7:30PM.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22

HOUSTON

Cocktails and brunch, **Inside Outside**, for registered guest of the **Houston Motorcycle Leather Carnival**. Non Biking Events, **Filling Station**, 12-3PM. The Enduro Run will be leaving the **Filling Station** at 3PM. Cocktail party given by the Dallas Wranglers at **Adam's Image**. Leather Carnival at 2710 Albany, 9-1PM. Public is invited, with a \$2.00 admission, with two free beers. Registered guest, free admission.

First Anniversary Party, **Lazy J**. Free buffet from 3-6PM.

SAN ANTONIO

Pre-Thanksgiving showing of paintings by James H. Moore, **El Jardin**, on the patio.

CORPUS CHRISTI

"Miss **Chez Paris**" Pageant, 10:30PM, **Chez Paris**. Trophies awarded. Admission, \$2.00.

GALVESTON

Bartender **Johnny's** Birthday party, 9PM, **Kon Tiki**. Cookie La Cook Revue, 10:30. Cover, \$1.00.

Jam Session, 10PM, **Kon Tiki Wahine**. Bring your own instrument.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25

HOUSTON

TAD's meet at the **Galleon**, 4:30PM.

Thanksgiving Buffet and Special Show, 8-10PM, **Hi-Kamp**.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 26

DALLAS

New Manager's Welcome Party, 9PM-2AM, **Old Plantation**, Well drinks, 1/2 price.

Gary Fields entertains at **Swamp Trash**, 9PM.

HOUSTON

Gay Political Caucus Meeting, 7:30PM, **Inside Outside**, upstairs.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27

HOUSTON

Gay Political Caucus Thanksgiving Feast at the **Silver Dollar**, 1-5:30PM. Tickets are \$2.50 and all proceeds go to GPC. Food prepared by Uncle Jim, Tessie and the Munchkin.

Free Thanksgiving Dinner, 4-7PM, **Club Houston**, with turkey and all the trimmings.

Thanksgiving Dinner, 3-7PM, **Detour**. Bring covered dish.

Special Thanksgiving Buffet Dinner, Turkey & Dressing with all the trimmings, plus 1 drink for \$3, **Adam's Image**, 4PM.

"Dinner with Sally" with gourmet James Harrison serving his famous Chicken & Dumplings, **Dirty Sally's**, \$1.50 per person.

Free Thanksgiving Buffet, 4-7PM, **Galleon**.

Buffet with smoked turkey and hors d'oeuvres, \$2.00, **Ursula's**.

DALLAS

Thanksgiving Party, 5-8PM, 2 for 1, **Chuck's**.

Free Thanksgiving Dinner, **Swamp Trash**, 4PM until ?.

Thanksgiving party, **Olive Branch**, 9PM until. New disco sound, plus door prizes.

Thanksgiving Party, **Crews Inn**, 2-5PM, 2 for 1.

Thanksgiving Dinner, 5PM, **T.J.'s**. Proceeds to **MCC Church** Building Fund.

Bloody Mary Bash, **Old Plantation**. Well drinks, 60 cents; champagne, 50 cents all night.

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GALVESTON

Thanksgiving Dinner for all starting at 4PM, **Mary's II**.

AMARILLO

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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 28

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When it comes to holidays, this is the week of one of the "biggies" — Thanksgiving. Remember Thanksgiving? As children, we all made little cardboard turkeys in school, looked forward to pumpkin pies and knew it would soon be time to open those special Christmas surprise boxes. It's pretty much the same, even now that we're grown up. Except, we don't make cardboard turkeys anymore (most of us don't, anyway); we look forward to all the food, but worry about our diets; and as far as opening the "surprise boxes," we no longer have to wait until Christmas. It's a round the clock optimistic search. And with all the Thanksgiving doin's scheduled this week, the search for pleasant surprises is all the more exciting and frantic. The big "Do" in Houston this week is the Leather Carnival of the **Houston Motorcycle Club**. The actual carnival will be held at 2710 Albany, on Saturday, November 22nd from 9:00 p.m. till 1:00 a.m. General admission tickets cost \$2.00 and the public is invited. That fee allows you to participate in all the games, events and booths at the carnival site, plus a couple of free beers. Among the booths now scheduled is the tattoo booth, light show booth, jail booth, **Texas Riders** booth,

S&M ring toss, drop the barrel, food booths, two leather shops, the ear piercing booth, etc., etc. This is just a small sampling of all the things being offered. The list is endless and we can assure you it will be the most delightfully decadent spectacular to ever hit the Bayou City. And there's even more. There will be many, many cocktail parties and buffets and dinners all through the weekend in connection with the Houston M.C. Leather Carnival. To go to those events, however, you have to register. Registration is being held at the Civic Center Holiday Inn from 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Friday, November 21st. Persons from out of town will be given two free nights at the hotel. The cost for out-of-town registration is \$50.00. Houstonians who register will pay a \$40.00 fee (does not include nights at Holiday Inn). Registered guests of the **Houston M.C.** will attend the Leather Carnival free of charge, and be given all the free food and booze they can consume. Additionally, they will be included in the three-day festival of parties and dinners which stretch over the entire weekend, at bars and lounges all over town. At those parties, it's all you can consume (food, drink or whatever) free of charge.

In other Houston news, don't plan to spend your Thanksgiving at **Tooter's**. They will be closed, so make plans to get your turkey elsewhere. The employees of the restaurant are closing to allow their employees to spend the time with friends and families. And isn't that what Thanksgiving is all about? Belated birthday greetings go out this week to Bill (November 14th) and Jim (November 18th) of the **Venture-N** in Houston. Chalk up another one, kids. From **Just Marion & Lynn's** in Houston comes word that they will now be holding the AWG's meetings there on Tuesday thru Friday from 4:00 to 7:00

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p.m. Anybody want to caucus? In other schedule changes, **Ursula's** is now open for private parties on Mondays. (And a better place to hold such a confab would be hard to find.) **Dirty Sally's** has now joined the list of Houston bafs with weekly night specials. And finally, on the Houston scene, the **Detour** will be closed from November 24th to the 26th. Richard, who is becoming famous for his remodeling, says he needs the three days to finish up the floors and the restrooms. Rome wasn't built in a day, you know. And neither are bathrooms. Plumbing, ugh!

In San Antonio, things must be lively. Bars are extending their business hours. The **Habitat**, one of the hotter spots, will now be opening at noon, Saturdays and Sundays, remaining

open until 2:00 a.m. the next day. Those new hours go into effect on November 21st. Over at the **El Jardin**, an alteration of a slightly different sort will be in effect on Thanksgiving Day only. On that day, the **El Jardin** will open at 6:00 p.m., to allow employees to spend the afternoon with friends, loved ones, etc. Thanksgiving events and specials will be in abundance in Dallas this week. Check 'em out. In other notes, the TADS meeting in Dallas will now be held on Tuesdays at **Chuck's**. And in Fort Worth, the **Regency** is under new ownership. The ownership of Richard Montgomery, to be exact. Didn't we use to see you at the **Entre Nuit**, Chuck? My, my, my.

In closing, everyone associated with *This Week in Texas* (me), and my staff (me), wish you a very happy holiday. We're sure you've earned it. Take care, gang. Happy Thanksgiving.

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Wed., Nov. 26 - 'Club Color Nite' 8 to 12.

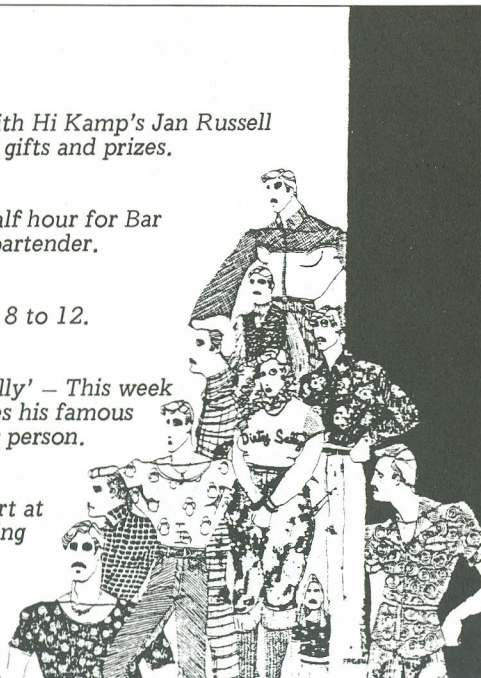
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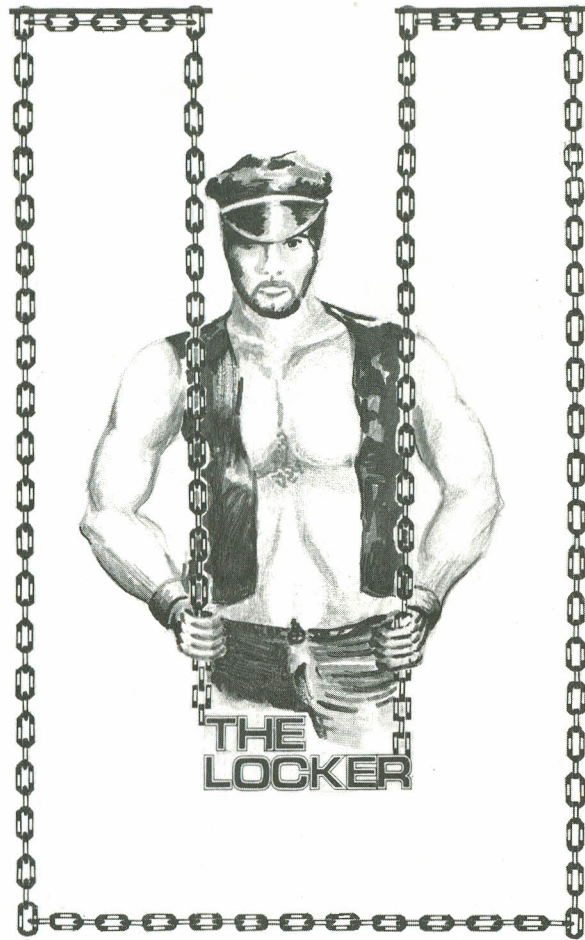
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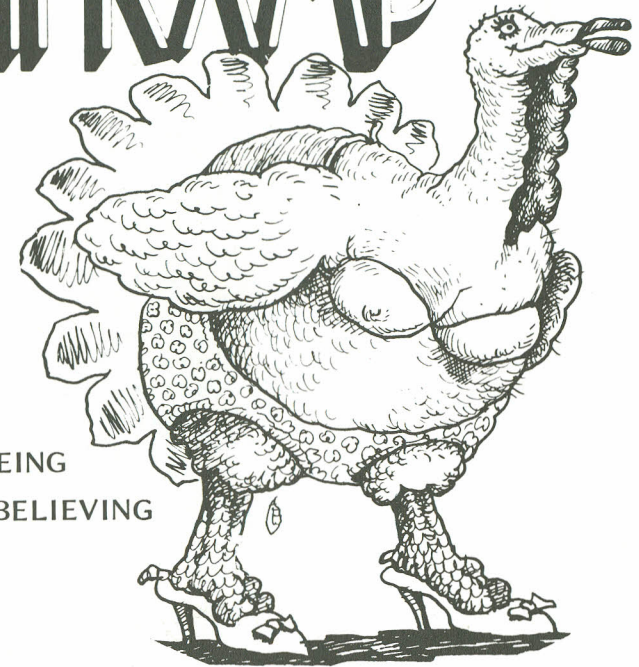


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By Christopher Savitch

Give 'Em Hell, Harry is an experience. Hardly what is now known as a "film experience" these days, but an experience using film, nevertheless. For **Give 'Em Hell, Harry** is not a creation from the filmmaker's dictionary of effects, but the special magic of stage performance which uses celluloid as its reporter.

Give 'Em Hell, Harry is a one-man show starring James Whitmore as former President Harry Truman, performed before a live-audience non-stop. What you see on your local movie screen is simply the product of placing cameras in the theater and capturing the performance exactly as it occurred onstage. I say "simply" only as it refers to the filmmaker. For, while the men behind the cameras would have an easy night of it, and the film editors weren't needed at all, the man on whose shoulders the burden of "creation" would come to rest faced an awesome task. And defeated it handily.

You probably recall that **Oh, Calcutta**, the film, was also a stage production which only employed film to record its presence. But there was no unique creation there, except perhaps to those titillated few who consider mere nudity arty. But **Give 'Em Hell, Harry** is quite a bird of a different sort. The eagle, the sparrow and the rooster all rolled into one.

James Whitmore's performance in **Give 'Em Hell, Harry** will probably reward Mr. Whitmore with the highest compliment the stage can bestow — total oblivion. To be overlooked in a performance because you're bad is the supreme degradation; but to be over-

looked because you're so good is a blessing for art, although not necessarily the artist. For the first time in a long time, the old cliché about so-and-so actor BEING so-and-so character is true. James Whitmore IS Harry Truman. His performance demonstrates the absurd gall of the advertising men who once tried to convince us that Barbra WAS Fanny Brice or Diana Ross WAS Mahogany. Art, ultimately, levels all imposters.

The ease with which Whitman moves from Harry Truman the county commissioner to Harry Truman the Senator to Harry Truman the President, all the while interlaced with Harry Truman the father and Harry Truman the husband is spellbinding. This is no actor in a role we watch, but the voyeuristic condensation of a man's life.

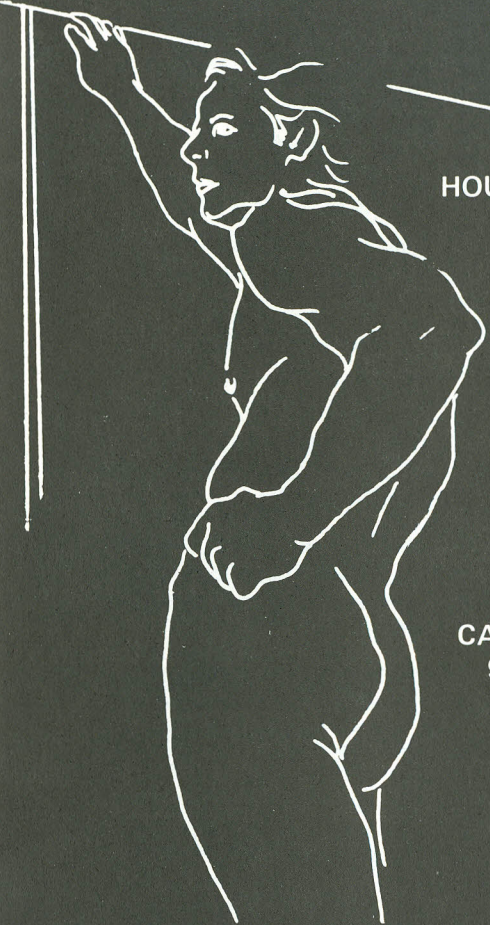
A man who, as President of the United States, wrote a personally scathing letter to the Washington Post drama critic for lambasting his daughter's stage performance, while remarking at the conclusion, "I was a father before I became President, and after I've left this job, I'll go back to being a father again. First things first."

A man who recalls that Winston Churchill, after being told by the pompous Lady Astor that he had had a bit too much to drink replied, "You're right, Lady Astor, I am drunk. But your face is very ugly. But in the morning when I wake up, I'll be sober. And no one can deny it."

Whitmore also allows us to see the firing of General Douglas McArthur by Truman, as well as a vicious attack on the Klan and Senator Joseph McCarthy. And we shall not overlook Truman's delightful, yet stern reference to Richard Nixon as a "No good, lying, general son-of-a-bitch." Truman knew how to use words, and Whitmore provides him the vocal chords.

The magic aura never breaks. Even at the conclusion of the performance, it is not James Whitmore the actor who

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Billy Duncan 's

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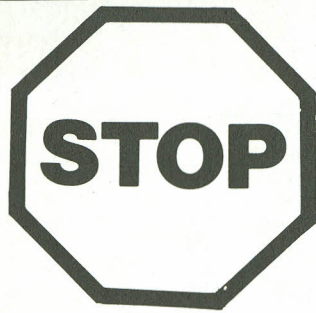
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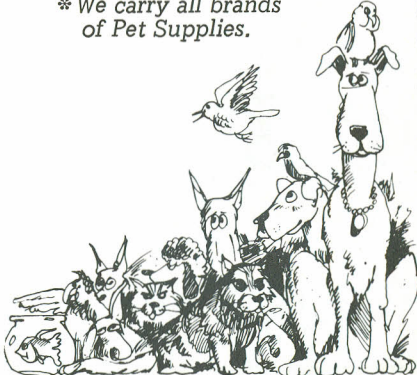
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ANSWERS

BY EVE

There are quite a few good looking girls on campus that I have found attractive, however, there is no definite way to know if they are gay. I've heard about the "kindred eye" bit, but that is really a bit vague for me. Others I can recognize with a certain amount of certainty, but they are the obvious. Men use various verbal and visual signals — do women?

N.W.


Dear N.W.,

That is a very good question and a problem probably shared by most gays. Unfortunately, I do not have the answer. After asking around the only positive answer I got was about a visual sign that used to be popular among women of the Fifties. Perhaps someone reading this could help or maybe come up with a new one. Please write!

Eve

Dear Eve,

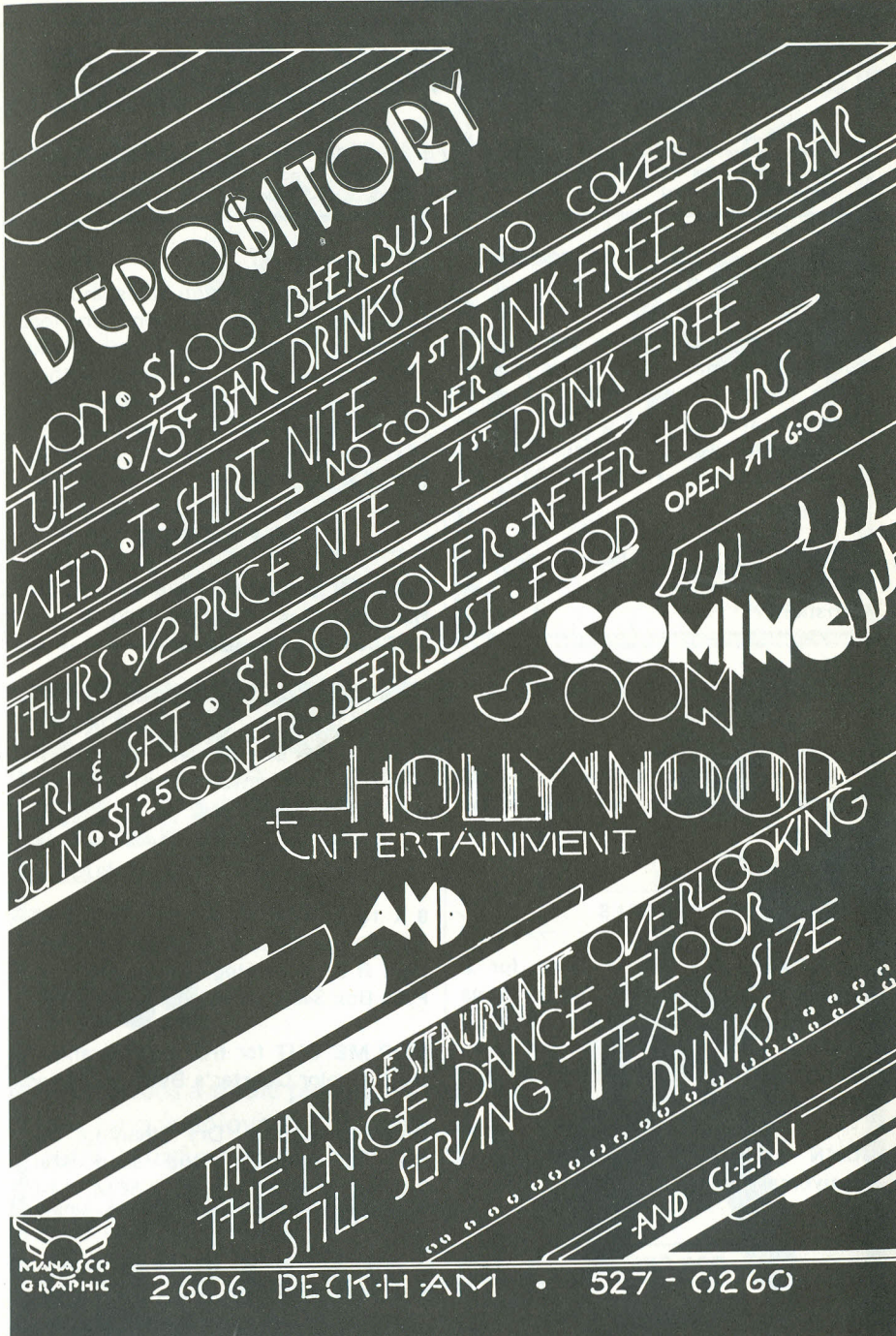
I am a college coed at a West Texas campus. In general, I enjoy the friendliness of the people but, being gay, it's hard to tell how "friendly" the girls mean. I know quite a few gay women here, mostly from the local bars, but none really interest me beyond friends.



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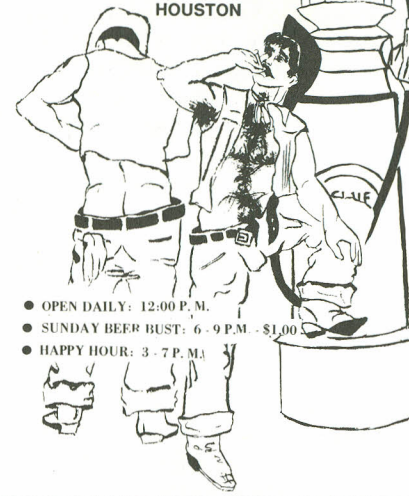
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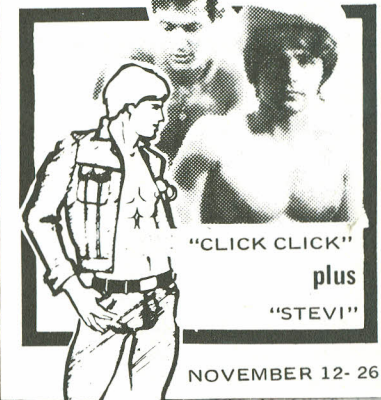


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By Adam Dennis

Dear Adam,

My first inclination is to start this letter by telling you I am not crazy, but I must admit that recently I've started to wonder. I recently moved into an apartment. The apartment is one of four apartments that were created from an old house. When the house was cut up to make apartments, my bedroom was placed right next to the bedroom of the apartment next door. When the place used to be a house, the two bedrooms obviously shared a single closet, because the back wall of what is now my closet was once a door to the next bedroom. When I was going to bed one night, I turned out the lights. But I had left the closet door open. I noticed a stream of light coming into my room from the closet. I discovered that although the back wall of my closet had been nailed shut, a bit of light came in over the top of the door from the apartment next door. Well, I couldn't resist. I crawled through my clothes, got up on a stool and looked through the little slit. I could see the guy in the apartment next door lying on the bed reading. That didn't turn me on, but the thought of what I might be able to see him do at some future time really got to me. Sure enough, everytime I hear him coming up the stairs with a trick, I hide in the closet and watch the show. Which

I suppose is just normal curiosity with a touch of lust. But lately, it's gotten worse. I'm afraid to go out at night myself for fear I will "miss" something. I haven't been out in weeks. My friends are abandoning me as a "snob" and I'm becoming a hermit. What's more, I keep wrinkling all my shirts. Buy try as I may, I can't tear myself away from the "show" or the possibilities of a "show." Am I crazy?

Jerry A., Austin, Texas

Dear Jerry,

I wouldn't say you're crazy, but are just enjoying a current "fad." I think just about everyone would enjoy having the type of "stage" door you've got. But you are, indeed, going a bit overboard. You shall probably bore of the whole thing soon, and return to the search for the "real thing." What you didn't say in your letter is how you feel toward the guy who lives in the apartment. Would you like to be participating in the things you are watching? Or do you just enjoy it as a spectator. These things are important in trying to advise you in this specific situation. As it stands now, though, I think you will soon begin to taper off viewing as the show becomes more routine. However, if you haven't seen the light of day by a year from today, I suggest you seek professional help. Meanwhile, back to the popcorn.

Dear Adam,

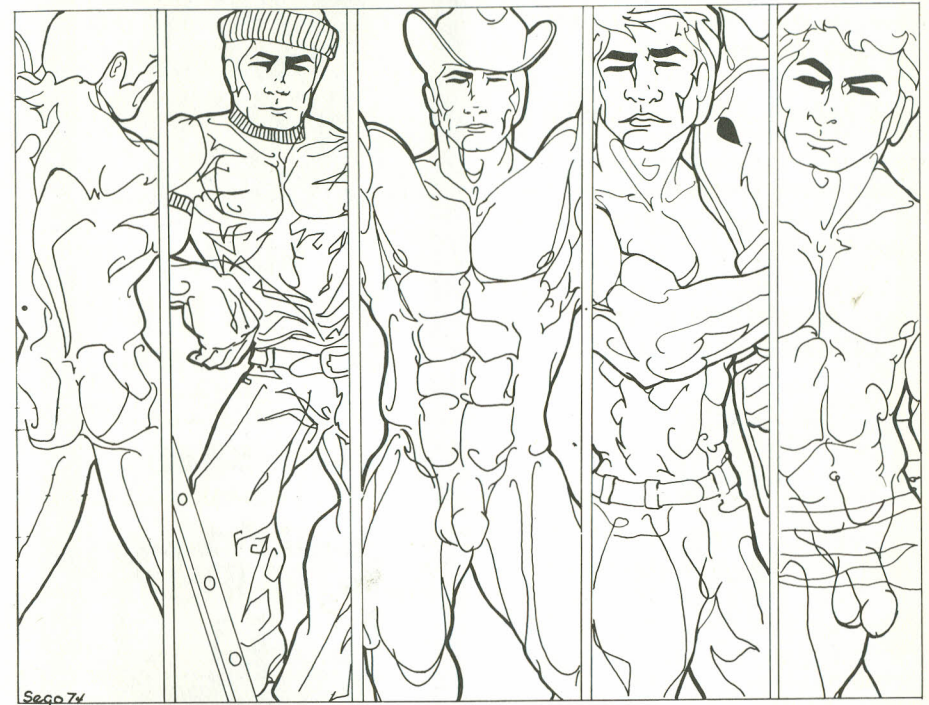
I recently voted in the Houston city elections. In some of the races a runoff is required. My roommate did not vote in the first election, but wants to vote in the runoff. Is that okay?

Rich N., Houston, Texas

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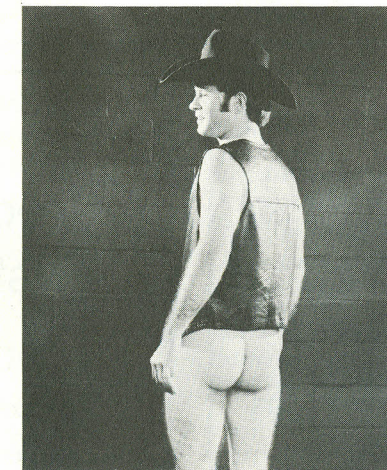
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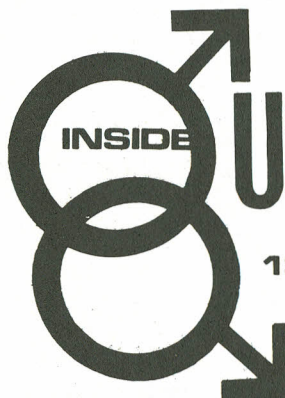
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