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Read all about what's going on in the entertainment business in TWT's new feature section—"Popcorn" making its debut appearance on p. 17 of this issue. "Popcorn" is written by Richard Nelson and will be an *accurate* look at what we can expect from the movies, television, and theatre.



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of
The Briar Patch
and
Auntie Mame's

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news up front

COCS RESORTS TO CRIME

Houston's Committee on Community Standards (COCS), an ultra moralistic and self-righteous group campaigning to "clean up" the community, has now resorted to crime to prove that laws can be broken. Houston's KLOL Radio interviewed Geneva Brooks, prominent spokesperson for COCS and Citizens Against Pornography, Sunday, January 16, when she admitted to sending young children into stores to buy pornography to prove that it could be done. This admission immediately followed her statement that the mere exposure of children to such material would severely warp the course of their "normal" sexual development. TWT wonders whose child has been warped. . . . Ms. Brooks'?

EL GRANDE DE COCA COLA

Auditions will be held on Sunday, January 23 at 2pm and Monday, January 24 at 7:30pm for the Montrose Activities Center's production of *Coca Cola*. Jack Lampert will direct and audition at 711 Franklin.

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MOTHER

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SILVER BULLET ON THE MARK

The very butch Silver Bullet Saloon in Houston will open this coming Friday, January 28. For bar hawks, that's the location of the old Numbers Bar, 1005 California, right off Montrose and one block from the new Uncle Charlies Restaurant. Manager Paul Boeth advises TWT that the new bar has an outside patio bar complete with tree house. The Silver Bullet is accurately billed as a "Man's Club."

ALL THAT JAZZ

Charles Presley, owner of Ft. Worth's Bailey St. Warehouse, has announced the opening of a new fashion boutique on or about February 1. The store, which will be open daily from 10am til 6pm, will feature the finest in fashion denim including Wild Oats Jeans and Career Club Shirts.

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TEJAS MC's COLORS WELL HUNG

Last Sunday at Houston's Locker, the Tejas MC officially hung their colors, joining the American Leathermen and the Texas Riders, with the Locker as their headquarters.

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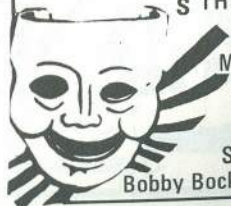
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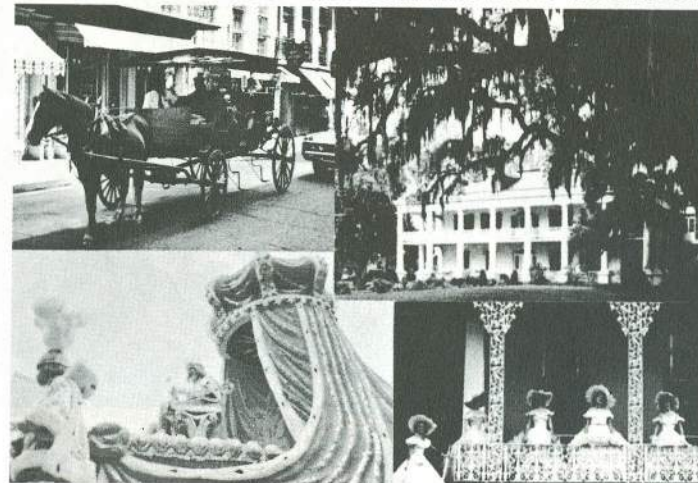
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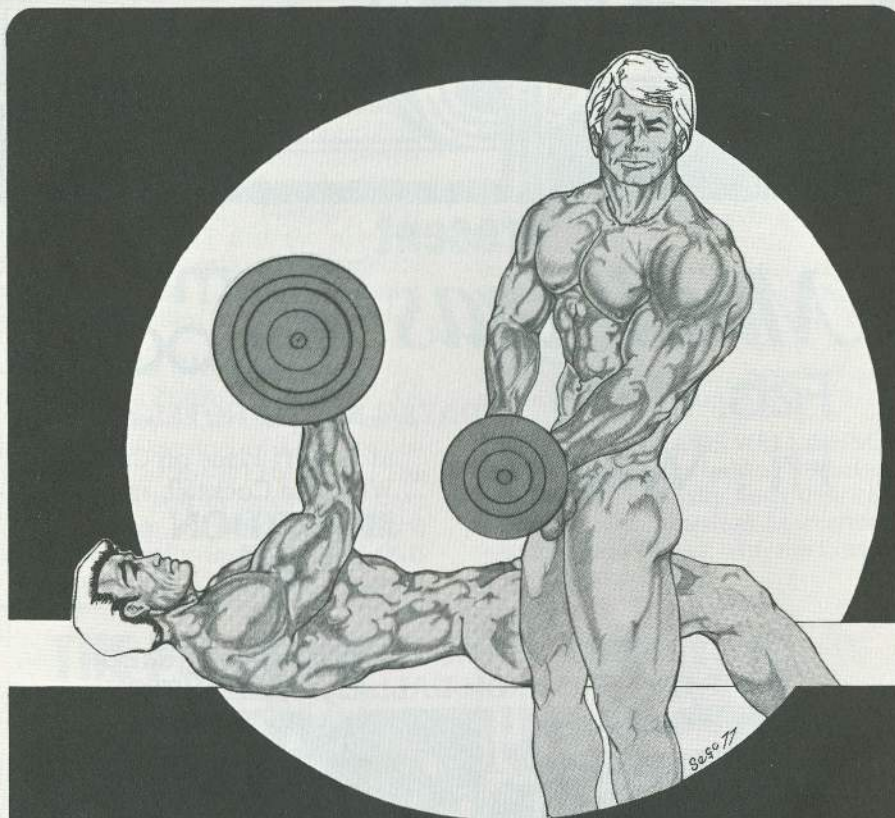
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DEPOSITORY RE-OPENING

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Ray and Jerry cordially invite you by next Wednesday to see the visual changes made in the remodeling.

SALLY'S SAND

If you've been paying close attention to Sally's advertising in TWT, you've noticed that the sand in the hourglass keeps trickling into the bottom of the time machine. This of course means that it won't be long until all the sand has shifted to the bottom and the popular bar in Houston has shifted locations over to 805 Westheimer, where AhMen's was located.

OLD WARRIOR: LORD OF THE SEA AND HIS

YOUNG WIFE: QUEEN OF THE AIR

Drop by and visit them at Houston's Pleasure Chest, 3205 Montrose. They are from the Erotic Macrame Collection of Paul Menard, New York artist. Don't miss Richard Etts' sculptures including a pair of bird-caged cocks. Also, there are beautiful sets of classical Chinese erotic art now available on rice-paper stationary.

GAY CATHOLICS MEET

Through the generosity of the good Fathers at Houston's Holy Rosary Church, Dignity (a national group for gay Catholics) has a new meeting place. The first meeting will be held January 20 at 8pm at 3600 Travis. The new facilities provide ample meeting and parking space. For further information about Dignity contact Father Barron at 713-528-0423. The meeting will be followed by a Liturgy service. It's good to have Dignity again.

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ARCADIA OPENS

A very ambitious remodeling job has been taking place the past several weeks in preparation for this Sunday's Grand Opening of Houston's Arcadia. The new club couldn't be in a more choice location as it is right across the street from Studz News at the corner of Mt. Vernon and West Alabama.

A large picture window foyer will provide Arcadia patrons with a panoramic view of the comings and goings at Studz and the Arcadia itself will provide a 24-hour round the clock atmosphere of a comfortable place to go relax, crash, and have a good time.

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CHANGE OF COMMAND CELEBRATION

The Tejas MC's Change of Command Celebration is to be held Saturday, January 22, with 10 clubs from all over Texas and 2 from New Orleans. Events planned include:

1. Registration and continental breakfast at the Grand Slam on Fairview at noon, plus Part I of the Poker Run.
2. Part II of the Poker Run at Levi's.
3. Part III of the Poker Run at Mary's.
4. Part IV of the Poker Run at the Inside/Outside Countryside, plus a scavenger hunt.
5. Part V of the Poker Run, plus Biking Events in the parking lot of the Locker.
6. Variety Show at 7pm at the Depository.

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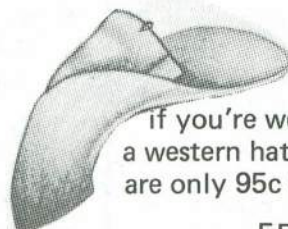


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by Richard Nelson

Most of you movie-goers are still scurrying around, trying to catch up with the deluge of holiday movies at local theatres. For the next few weeks, relatively few new movies will be arriving on the entertainment scene. Once the likes of *King Kong*, *Network*, and *A Star Is Born* leave us (and it will seem like forever before they do), the film industry, which experienced an upsurge in 1976, will have quite a few cinematic treats in store for us. Among them...the screen version of *A Little Night Music*, with Diana Rigg, Elizabeth Taylor, and Hermione Gingold...the long awaited *New York, New York*, starring Liza Minnelli and Robert DeNiro in a film about the big band era in the Big Apple...Bernardo Bertolucci's epic *1900*, also with DeNiro...Fitzgerald's *The Last Tycoon*, also with DeNiro, as well as

Jack Nicholson.

There'll be sequels to some of the past few year's more popular movies...*The Exorcist Part II—The Heretic* will include among its cast Richard Burton and Louise Fletcher, as well as Linda Blair...*Airport '77*, a sequel to *Airport '75*, which was a sequel to the original *Airport*...a sequel to *Bad News Bears*, to be filmed here in Texas, entitled *Making Friends*...and two sequels to *The Omen*, entitled *Omen II* and *Omen III*...This film was coincidentally the top box office draw of 1976.

For all you CB fans, C.W. McCall's popular song *Convoy* will be made into a movie with Kris Kristofferson slated for the lead role...Julie Christie will be raped by a computer in *Demon Seed*...Al Pacino will star in *Bobby Deerfield*, directed by Sid-

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ney Pollack.
While you wait for these movies' releases, you can keep yourself happy with the following offerings, due out in late January and February. . . . *Voyage of the Damned*, the story of Jews shipped off to Cuba by the Nazis as a propaganda ploy; among the passengers are Faye Dunaway, James Mason, Lee Grant, and Oskar Werner. . . . David Carradine will star as the late Woody Guthrie in *Bound for Glory*. . . and, Jane Fonda and George Segal will invite you for some *Fun with Dick and Jane*, the story of a very establishment couple who go broke and resort to crime to make ends meet.
If you're like me, nothing makes a movie so good as a couple of hunky numbers. If you agree, you may want to take note of the following films. . . . *Sudden Death*, due next month, star-

ring former Playgirl centerfold Don Stroud, and Robert Conrad of *Baa, Baa, Black Sheep* fame. . . . *The Deep*, a movie by Peter "Jaws" Benchley, with Nick Nolte, whom you must see to believe. . . . *Audrey Rose*, a film about reincarnation, featuring John Beck, the best part of *Rollerball*. . . . and finally, *Slap Shot*, a film about ice hockey. Its star will be Paul Newman, which qualifies it as hot already, but it also has some supposedly juicy locker room scenes, as well as one scene in which a hockey player circles the rink, clad only in a jock strap.
While all this movie madness ensues, The National Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences is busily preparing for its annual ceremony to honor the year's best achievement in film. . . . Oscar nominations will be announced February 11, with the televised ceremony to be on March 28. . . . William Friedkin, director of *The Exorcist* and *The French Connection*, will direct the show. . . . You may

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be interested to know that the National Society of Film Critics and The New York Film Critics Circle both picked *All the President's Men* as the best film of 1976.

Question of the week: To show how quickly we forget, what film won the Best Film Oscar last year?.

On the local scene: Houston's own Theatre Under the Stars Cabaret Theatre has announced the rest of their productions for this season: *Sweet Charity*, *Where's Charley*, the Houston premiere of *How Now, Dow Jones*, and *Man of La Mancha*. . . . Shirley Maclaine will play the Music Hall February 5-6. . . .and the Montrose Activities Center is busily preparing their production of *El Grande de Coca Cola*.

Next time: More on the Oscars . . . a review of television '77. . . and a look at the problems behind the film production of *Superman*.

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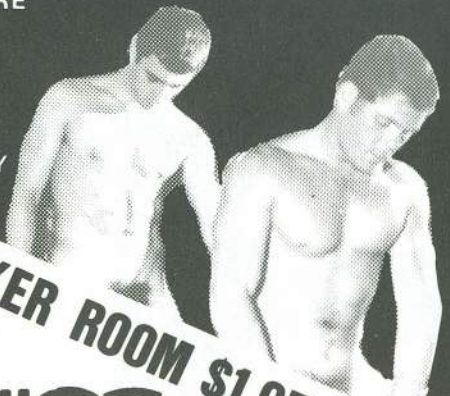
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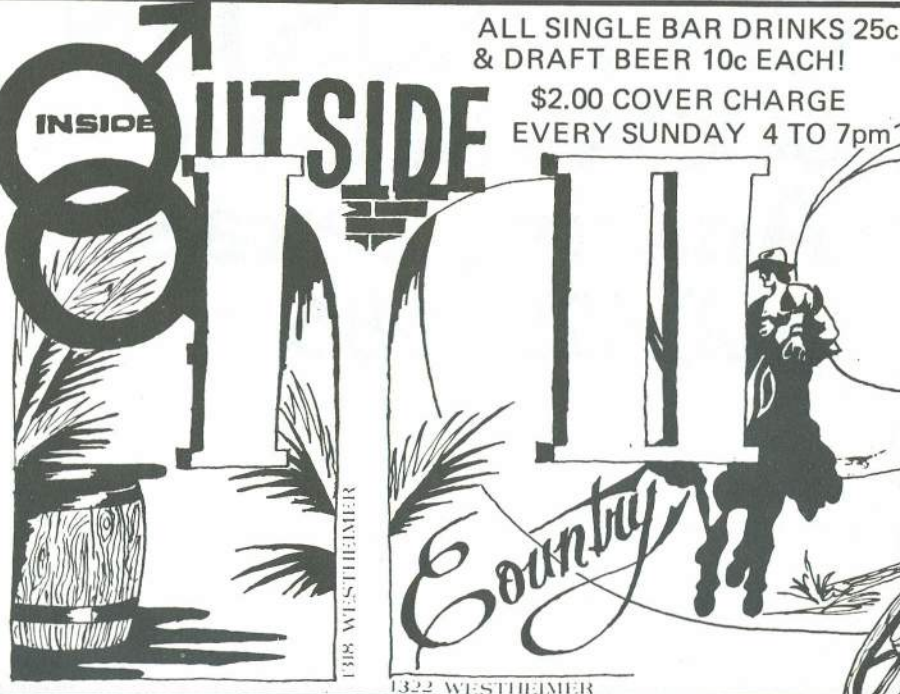
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FOR ALL SIGNS: Times should be easier, people in better moods, and projects meeting less resistance with four of the major planets having u-turned in the sky and now going forward. Additionally, a favorable New Moon occurred on Wednesday, January 19.

AQUARIUS (January 20-February 19): You could have a serious argument with your loved one this weekend so it would be best to stay at home, perhaps by yourself, as you will meet with odds if you become socially involved.

PISCES (February 20-March 20): The Moon this weekend is in your sign. It would be a good time to write letters and make phone calls. Continue to protect your health.

AIRES (March 21-April 20): This Sunday night, the Moon moves into Aires for its monthly 2½-day stay. Monday will be your best day this month for any personal moves you want to push.

TAURUS (April 21-May 20): The friendly bull should have a good midweek as the Moon will be in Taurus from Wednesday morning til Friday night. If you've been waiting for the right time, it's here, so move ahead.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21): Sunday would be best spent taking a trip and not talking of heavy subjects especially with the one you love as their reaction will not be what you want to hear. Cool it this weekend.

CANCER (June 22-July 23): Moon children need time alone to recharge their metabolism and this weekend is one of those times when you should not be around a lot of abrasive people. Relax with music and a book...or a loving companion.

LEO (July 24-August 23): Perhaps a dream you have this weekend will give you insight into what's

ahead during these unsettled times for Leo the Lion. Monday, January 24, will take your 100% effort to keep your career together.

VIRGO (August 24-September 23): What you want to do and what others are involving you in are two opposing goal posts. You'd be best advised to attend to self-pursuits rather than let others run your life. Your new career responsibilities occupy your time heavily.

LIBRA (September 24-October 23): This is an excellent time for Librans because you feel good and healthy, your job rolls along smoothly, and your love life still contains admirers who say, "I love you." Just don't let it all go to your head. Remain nice.

SCORPIO (October 24-November 22): The old song, "Mixed Emotions" pertains much to your sign as you are both happy and discontented at the same time. You are under a planetary strain causing you not to know what makes you happy and what displeases you.

SAGITTARIUS (November 23-December 22): It's best to just play the weekend by ear as any preconceived game plan will have to be changed at the last minute. In fact you need to always follow your intuition. These times require self-flexibility.

CAPRICORN (December 23-January 19): There could be some clashes of personality this weekend but this will pass by Sunday allowing the new week to kick off with more cordiality. The New Moon continues to favor new projects.

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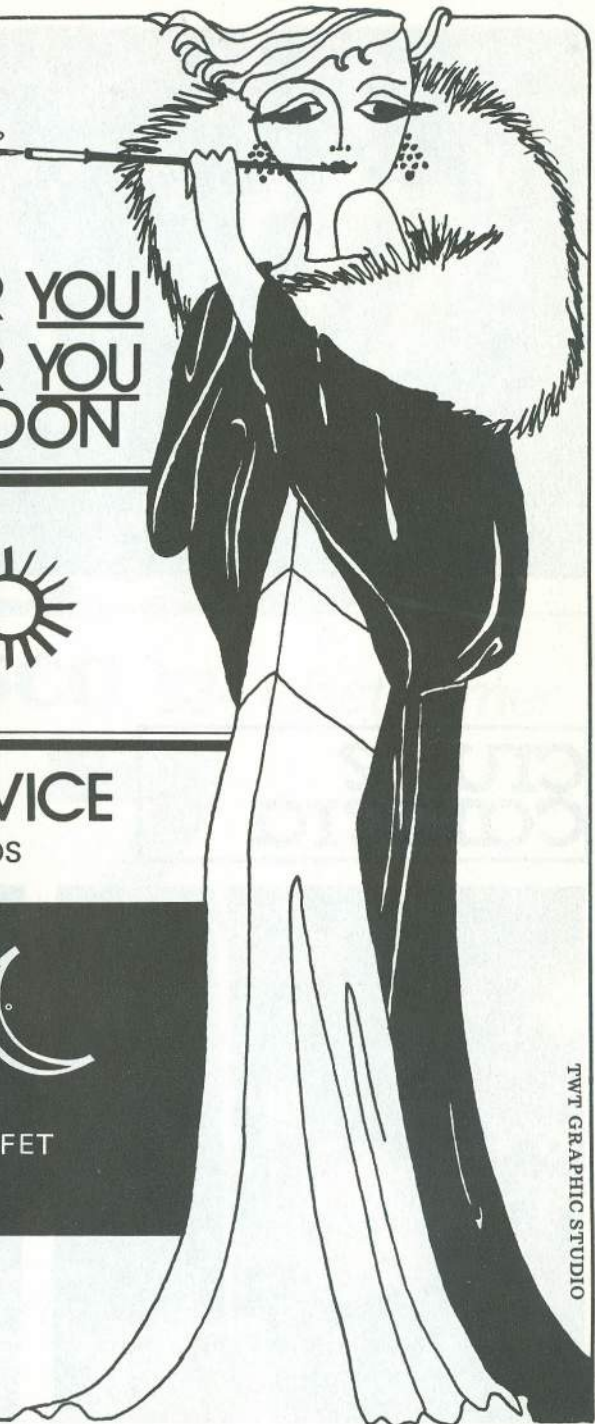
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Grand Opening Night at the MIDNITE SUN was a packed disco success as these photos show. Houston has fallen in love with the Westheimer bar! The club opens at 7am and is a busy cruise bar by day and a disco by night. Proprietor Louis Garcia (bottom left) with disc jockey Terry Patterson as the crowd dances on the lighted Sun Rays emanating from under the dance floor while a dynamite light show flashes above. Search the pictures for your friends dancing at the MIDNITE SUN.

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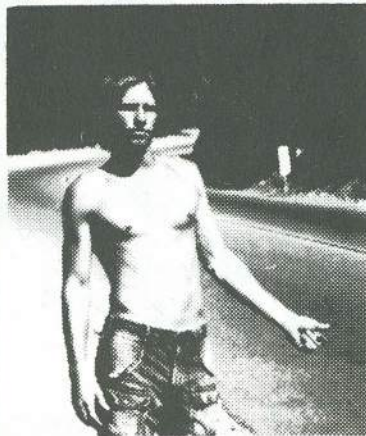
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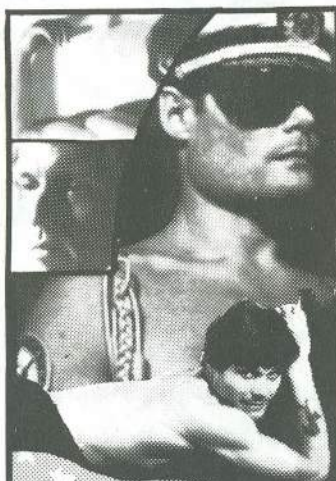
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Dear diary,

I was watching President Ford's State-of-the-Union speech on television last week, and suddenly realized I was past due on my State-of-Vera message to you. My once-a-year accounting of my life. My analysis of where I stand in space and time. My beloved reflections of days gone by. My dirt.

I could begin, diary, by telling you what condition my body is in, but lately, my body seems to be more for ENDING conversations than BEGINNING them, so let's skip on down to other matters.

Besides, the hottest thing going right now is behind my back. (Which, as we both know, is getting to be a larger and larger stage.) It involves Burt and his new lover, Zachary. That's right, diary, Burt now has a lover. Although to all outward appearances you would never know it. Burt persists in keeping the whole thing under wraps. Much more of this and we're going to change her name to Saran!

Anyway, this Zachary person, in addition to having a name that makes you want to vomit a mouthful of John Denvers, is disgustingly gorgeous. A Super-Hunk! One of those educated minds with the Student Body. I could just barf. Not only can he talk intelligently about art, I'm sure he could fingerprint up a storm while doing bench presses. Just thinking about it makes me depressed. I hate perfect people. And you could put Zachary's chest in the window at Sloan's! Disgusting!

But here's the intriguing part, diary. For some reason, Burt doesn't want me to meet Zachary. I don't know why. I wouldn't even know what he looks like if Phoebe and I hadn't accidentally discovered his identity while having lunch at Avalon Drugs. Zachary and his niece, who lives with him, came in and sat down beside me and Phoebe. Talk about Quirk of Fate! He didn't know who we were. And we didn't know who he was until he started talking to the little girl. Then the cat was let out of

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the bag. Catbag DeSlit, as it were. Fortunately, I was too shocked to reveal my identity and Phoebe, as usual, had her mouth too full of food to breathe deeply, much less talk. So Burt's "secret" is safe, for now. He thinks.

On the professional front, things are going okay at the Final Fling Funeral Shoppe. I wouldn't exactly say we're packing 'em in, but we are getting customers. Unfortunately, they're not the kind of customers I had hoped for. As you know, diary, my whole purpose in opening the Final Fling Funeral Shoppe was to provide gay, festive funerals for gay, festive people. But I guess some people just don't know when to have fun. I've been forced to take a contract from the county. I was the lowest bidder in

offering funeral services for people who die and don't have any money. Which, as you might expect, puts a real crimp in the "Fling" part of "Final Fling." But I'z doin' the bes' I can.

Last week we had to give the last rites to a dude who keeled over in the county jail, either from old age or severe beatings. You never can tell on that wrinkled skin, ya know. Anyway, after studying the situation, I decided if the county wouldn't put up enough money so this dude could go out in style then I'd at least see that he went out looking decent. I gave him the Vera Special Five Dollar Face Lift. That's where you pull all the skin down from the face and then play nip 'n tuck behind the neck. Looks great! Especially if you use a clothes pin! One nice thing about corpses, they're so easy to please. Bitchin' is kept to a delightful minimum. And while all this is going on, I'm still determined to get a

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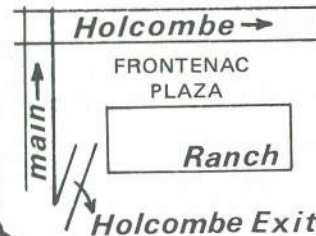
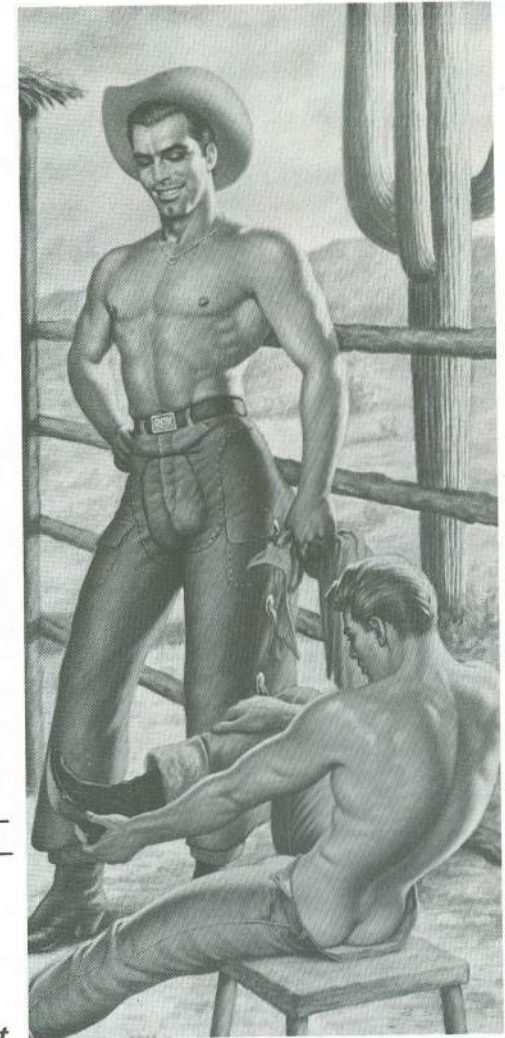
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major "Final Fling" production mounted. The girls have finished rehearsing the "Gone With The Wind Funeral" and are now working on the "King Kong Special." We put the casket in a giant furry hand and then all gather around and have a bitch fight to see who plays Jessica Lange. I haven't won a round yet. But then, I haven't started using knives, either.

On the domestic scene, I'm still not. Yeah, diary, I'm still single. God knows I've tried! But I still haven't met the right man at the right time. Or even the right man at the wrong time. Or any man for that matter. Maybe I need to change colognes. Of course, there's Walter. But I still haven't managed to summon up the courage to tell him how wonderful I think he really is. I just sit there in the chair, praying to Jesus

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that his hand will slip off the comb and he will accidentally touch me below the ear! And it's getting worse. He's beginning to think I'm weird. Last week, I made appointments and had my hair cut four times! And showed up twice without an appointment! He said I was the most "well-groomed" person he had ever met. I stammered something silly and then floated down Yoakum to hurry and get home and start pulling on my hair again.

Phoebe is still unmarried, too, diary. But she's trying. Poor dear, she went on the Save Your Life Diet and the Last Chance Diet. At the same time! Sure, she lost some weight, but it made her so light-headed we all made her go back to eating. The absence of food makes Phoebe too dizzy for words. Before we tied her down and dragged her to House of Pies, she had been sitting on top of the television set because she said it was "warm up here" and she felt secure between the rabbit ears. Well, that was the last straw. When we got her to House of Pies, we tied her down on that long, tacky table in the back and force-fed her two slices of all the pies that cost less than 75 cents a slice! That brought her back to her senses. And she ate a chicken-fried steak dinner and Eggs Benedict on her own. But I still don't think she'll ever be able to get Channel 13.

And that's about all for now, diary. Will keep you informed of future events as they unfurl in '77.

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SATURDAY, JANUARY 22

- *Austin Country: After hours 2-4am
- *Friends & Lovers: After hours 2-4am
- *Hollywood: Special surprise night

SUNDAY, JANUARY 23

- *Private Cellar: Happy hr. all day, 45c beer, 95c well
- *New Apartment: Happy hour all day with 1/2 price drinks
- *Volleyball game: 3pm Ramsey Park, on clear days, W 44th & Rosedale, sponsored by GCS
- *Austin Country: Beer bust & food, 7-9pm

MONDAY, JANUARY 24

- *New Apartment: Happy hour Monday-Saturday, 5-9pm, 1/2 price drinks
- *Private Cellar: Happy hour Monday-Saturday, 2-7pm, beer 45c, well 95c
- *Friends & Lovers: Piano bar 6-9 daily
- *Austin Country: Big screen TV Monday-Saturday 8-10pm, 1/2 price drinks

TUESDAY, JANUARY 25

- *Austin Country: Free movie night 8pm
- *Friends & Lovers: Happy hour 6pm-2am-\$1 cover after 9pm

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26

- *Private Cellar: Free beer call 9:30-11:30pm
- *Austin Country: Special drink night 8pm-2am, 1/2 price drinks: beer 40c, well 80c
- *Hollywood: 25c beer, 75c highballs

THURSDAY, JANUARY 27

- *Austin Country: The Grease Sisters with Annetta, Rickie & Guest Stars, 10pm
- *Friends & Lovers: Drag show, 10pm

FRIDAY, JANUARY 28

- *Austin Country: After hours 2-4am
- *Friends & Lovers: After hours 2-4am
- *Hollywood: Customer appreciation night
- *Gay Community Services Men's Rap Session 7:45pm, call 477-6699

BEAUMONT

SUNDAY, JANUARY 16

- *Club Taboo: Happy hour 1-7:30pm
- *Club Taboo: Disco Wednesday thru Sunday, no cover

FORT WORTH

SATURDAY, JANUARY 22

- *Aubs: Patricia Wyatt's review, 10pm
- *TJ's Back Door: Daddy's Girls, 10pm

SUNDAY, JANUARY 23

- *Aubs: Alice Phallus' "Fur Burger Follies" at 10pm. Happy hour prices after the show
- *Bailey St.: Show at 10pm starring Michael Andrews, Miss Gay America, 1976
- *500 Club: Show, Georgia Bailey MC, 9:30pm
- *MCC: Services 11am and 7pm

MONDAY, JANUARY 24

- *Bailey St.: Free beer, 9-10pm

TUESDAY, JANUARY 25

- *Other Place: Free beer, 10-11pm

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26

- *Bailey St.: Drag show, 10pm
- *500 Club: Drag show, 9:30pm

THURSDAY, JANUARY 27

- *Aubs: Tanya Lee Drag show 10pm

FRIDAY, JANUARY 28

- *Aubs: All country western drag show 10pm starring everybody's Aunt Bea

DALLAS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 22

- *Jugs: 1st Anniversary party-free draft 8pm
- *OP: After hours 2-4am

SUNDAY, JANUARY 23

- *Boot Camp: Surprise buffet 5-8pm
- *Tool Box: Buffet & draft beer, 6pm, \$1.
- *Sundance Kid: Free draft beer 7pm til ?
- *Crews Inn II: Pool tourney 7pm
- *One Way N: 50c Greys, Bloodys, Screws 2-7p
- *OP: Beer bust & buffet, 7-9pm followed by "That was Burlesque" with Jann Russell

MONDAY, JANUARY 24

- *Service Station: Pool tourney 7:30pm
- *Dimension III: 1/2 price bar drinks
- *OP: 15c draft beer, no cover

TUESDAY, JANUARY 25

- *Bachelor Quarters: \$1. all day
- *Club Dallas: 2-for-1 buddy night 6pm-2am
- *OP: 90c margaritas
- *Dimension III: 40c canned beer
- *Tool Box: 2-for-1 night, 7pm-2am

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26

- *Sundance Kid: Free draft, 50c can, 9-11pm
- *Club Dallas: Discount card day-buy a discount card and get a locker free
- *Tool Box: 2-for-1 night, 7pm-2am

THURSDAY, JANUARY 27

- *OP: Tequila sunrises, 75c
- *Jugs: Surprise buffet, 6:30pm
- *Tool Box: Pool tourney 8pm with trophies

FRIDAY, JANUARY 28

- *OP: After hours, 2-4am
- *Chucks: After hours, 2-4am

HOUSTON

SATURDAY, JANUARY 22

- *Loft: Hot Lips Revue, 9pm-1am
- *Venture N: Babbs & Baldy, 9-2am, no cover
- *Levis: \$1 beer bust 3-6pm
- *Detour: Bartenders special 75c, 10am-4pm
- *Fribzys: \$2 12am-10pm, free do-nuts, 7-9pm
- *Now or Never: Happy hour 5-7pm; "The Other Side" live band, \$1 cover.
- *Inside Outside: Bloodys & Screws 60c singles, \$1.20 doubles
- *Depository: Tiffany & Co., 11pm, \$1 cover, \$1.10 bar drinks
- *Locker: 25c draft beer, 3-8pm
- *After hours 2-4am at the Depository, Old Plantation, Hi-Lite Ranch

SUNDAY, JANUARY 23

- *Inside Outside & Country: Liquor bust 4-7pm
- *OP: Buffet and beer bust, 6-9pm, followed by the "Follies" with Jennifer, Naomi, Jessica, Carmelita, and Ernestine, 9:30pm
- *Levis: \$1 beer bust 3-7pm, only 75c with western hat
- *Dave's Arcadia: Grand opening with free beer bust beginning at noon
- *Locker: Beer bust, 7-10pm, \$1
- *Sally's: Survivors party, 9-12pm, cocktail hour prices
- *Club Houston: Lockers \$2 each, 8am-4pm
- *BrairPatch: Bloodys, Screws, beer 50c, 2-7
- *Venture N: Babbs & Baldy, 7pm-midnite
- *Loft: Hot Lips Revue, 4-8pm
- *Depository: \$1 cover, 5c draft beer, with Tiffany & Co., 10pm
- *Detour: Beer bust noon til 6pm
- *Now or Never: 25c draft beer
- *The Barn: Janbalaya Noon til 2pm
- *Hi-Lite Ranch: Happy hour 7 days, 12-4pm, 85c bar. Happier hour 4-7pm, 50c bar, 50c beer. Sunday buffet 5pm-?

MONDAY, JANUARY 24

- *OP: Special drink nite, \$1 cover, 35c beer & well Monday-Thursdays
- *Mr. Peepers Glory Hole: Leather nite, 50c admission with membership
- *LampPost: Pool tourney 9pm
- *Sally's: Happy hour 7am-noon & 5pm-8pm, Mon, Wed, Fri? all day Tues & Thurs
- *Venture N: Happy hour 10am-6pm, Mon-Fri
- *Now or Never: Chili night, 10pm
- *Detour: Bingo 8:30-10:30pm
- *Barn: Happy hour Mon-Fri, 10-7, 50c beer
- *Inside Outside: Happy hour weekdays 4-7pm 50c singles, \$1.20 doubles; draft beer 35c every day from 7am-7pm
- *Club Houston: 1/2 price lockers 8am-4pm, M-F
- *LampPost: Happy hour Mon-Fri, 5-7pm, 50c beer, 75c bar
- *Now or Never: Happy hour daily 5-7pm
- *Depository: No cover, 50c bar drinks
- *Locker: Happy hour M-F, 4-7pm, 50c beer, \$1.25 doubles
- *Midnite Sun: Happy hours 7am-7pm, 75c bar, 50c beer, Mon-Fri

TUESDAY, JANUARY 25

- *Frizby's: In after 10am, out by 2am, \$1. Under 26 with ID, 4pm-midnite, \$1
- *Mr. Peepers Glory Hole: Western nite
- *Locker: 25c beer bust 9pm 'til closing
- *Inside Outside: Pool tourney 8pm
- *Depository: \$1 cover, 35c bar drinks
- *Now or Never: Butch's nite out 25c draft beer all night
- *Detour: Happy hour 10am-noon, 5-7pm
- *Club Houston: But a discount card & get a free locker all day
- *Levis: Dinner 6-10pm

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26

- *Locker: Hat & color nite: 50c beer, \$1.25 doubles if wearing hat or colors
- *Now or Never: "The Other Side" live band, no cover

- *Depository: Grand Re-Opening. Tiffany & Co Talent Nite with amateur guests, 10:30pm
- *Frizby's: In after 10am out by 2pm, \$1
- *Levis: Steak nite 7pm, potatoes & salad free
- *Hi-Lite Ranch: Pool tourney 9pm
- *"Wilde 'n Stein" KPFT-FM after evening news approximately 9-midnight
- *Club Houston: Buddy nite, 2 lockers for the price of 1, 4pm-midnite
- *Mr. Peepers Glory Hole: Bare chest nite, 50c admission with membership
- *Detour: Spaghetti Nite, 7-10pm
- *Barn: Pot luck dinner 8pm on

THURSDAY, JANUARY 27

- *Detour: 2 well drinks for the price of 1, 10am-12pm
- *Levis: Dinner 6-10pm
- *Now or Never: Ladies nite out, 25c draft
- *Locker: 5c draft 10-11pm
- *Frizbys: In after 10am out by 2pm, \$1
- *Detour: Happy hour 10-noon, 5-7pm
- *Depository: \$1 cover, 35c bar drinks

FRIDAY, JANUARY 28

- *After hours 2-4am at OP, Depository, Hi-lite
- *Exile: Laverne & Co., 9-1am
- *Depository: Tiffany & Co., 11pm, with Donna Day, Jerry Vanover, Eartha Kit
- *Barn: Bridge party 7:30pm til ? Bring your friends and cards
- *Now or Never: Drawing for case of beer 1am
- *Frizbys: In after 10am out by 2pm, \$1
- *Loft: Hot Lips Revue 9pm-1am
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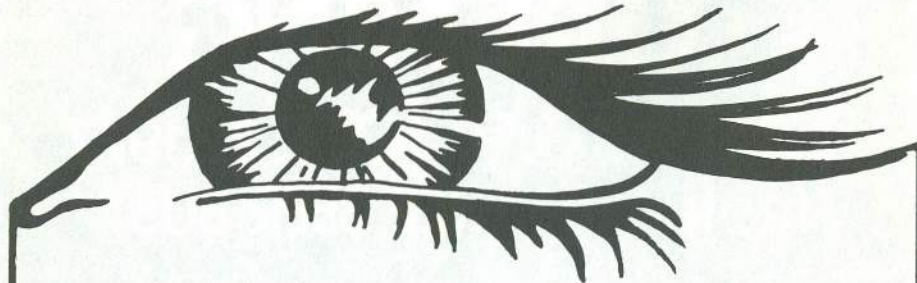
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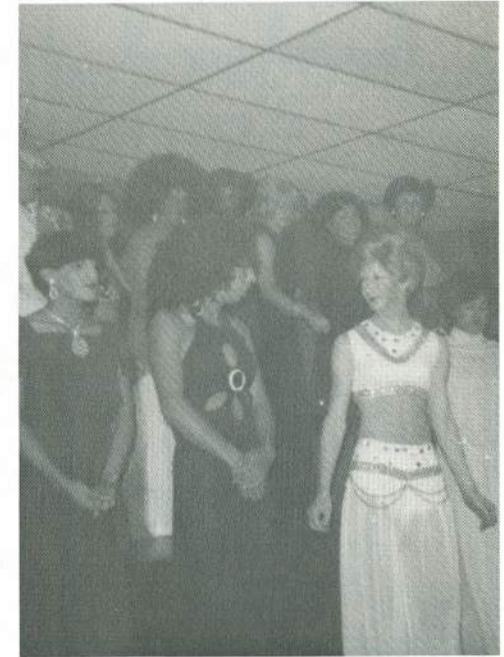


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the guide

Listed here are bars, bookstores, baths, retail shops, and services which THIS WEEK IN TEXAS recommends to our readers. Each week we are in touch with each of these establishments, so our listing is both accurate and dependable. If you are travelling in Texas, we think you'll find that these merchants welcome your business and will give you the best value for your money.

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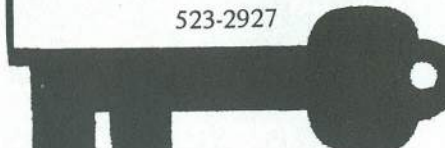
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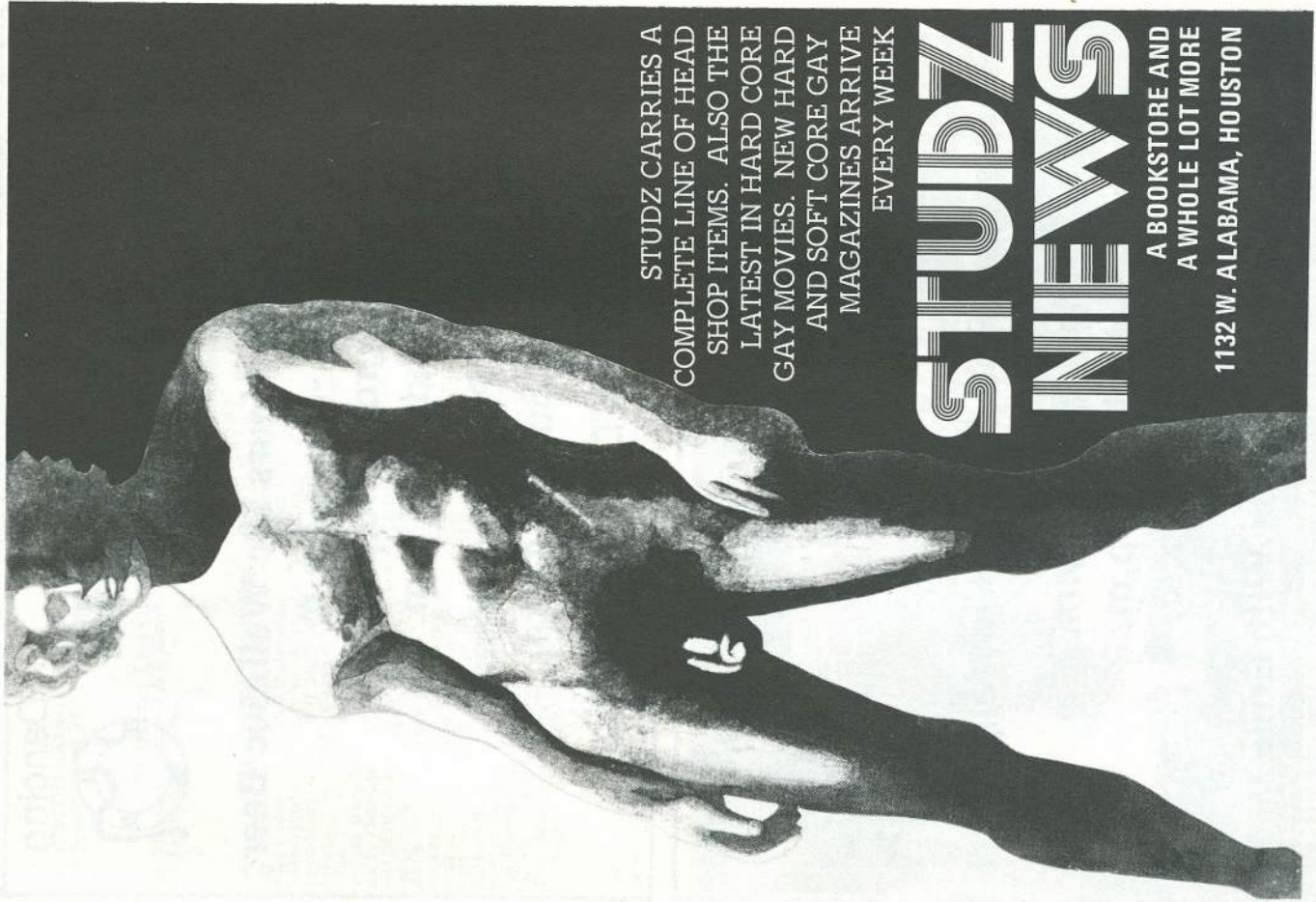
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