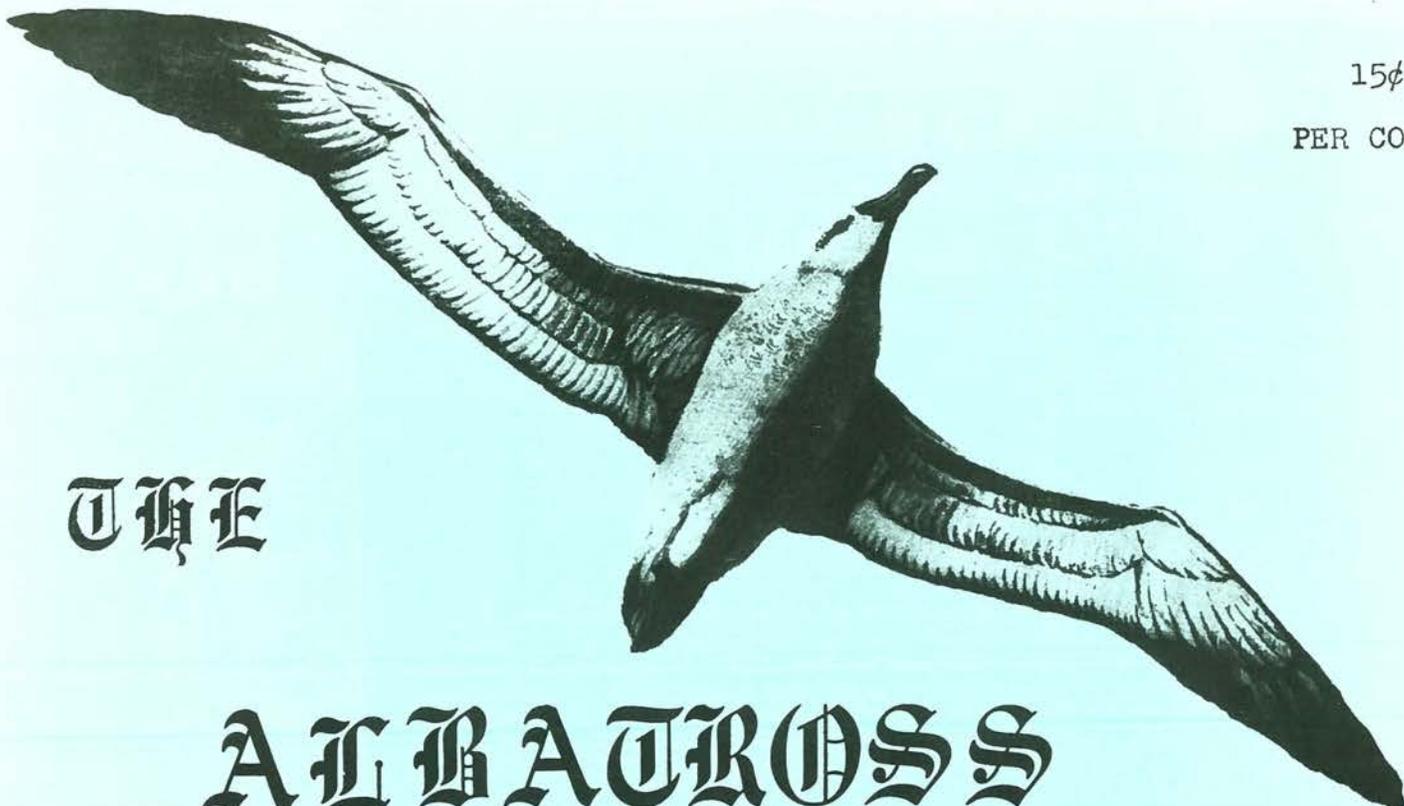


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FROM THE EDITOR:

Listen to the rhythm of the falling rain--ever listen to the rhythm from childhood to adulthood? What a comforting feeling to be inside where its warm and looking out through a big window watching the splatters upon the pavement. Remember Mom and Dad used to spin a tale that the rains came from heaven? This is true--because into every life some rain must fall. If we had sunshine every day .. day after day .. we would not experience the full measure of living. The greatest gift is variety and it actually balances "the scales". Whatever problems arise must be taped with the yardstick of living. For those who thrive on sorrow the mixture of rain and sunshine will be no cure. Go out and walk in the rain .. go out and walk in the sunshine, and your attitude toward a fullness of life within your shell will thrive. The rhythm of the rain as you peer outside will palpitate your heart .. Just listen listen, listen!

A. D.

HOT WIRE

Fraulein: Will you dance with me? Yes, try me! A real McCoy Fraulein from Germany Helga and hubby Brad dancing up a storm on her birthday..what a night..and many, many returns .. birthday child!

From the Ponderosa (outside of S. A.) came the wonderful Nashs' who sprinkled some sunshine and good will of their own making. Whenever in the area. go out Hiway 81 and stop at Ponderosa Club. On Sundays they feature delicious vittles and spread cheer, what do you think? Why do their customers keep coming back? Bill E. at Fiesta surely treated this fine couple royally!

Breezed into Conroe as the crow (i. e., The Albatross) flies. Circled over, Shef High Hope Hay Farm, but there were too many fancy peacocks strutting around and cruising the area. Flew backwards to save fuel and collided with Ronnie's BAMBOO ROOM. Congenial Ronnie was there to greet the sojourners with a warm hand. Mighty fine people live in this section of the state. Investigate for yourself. (Continued on p. 4

GO	GD
<i>WITH GRACE AND DON</i>	

lovely people, lovely time. The house warming was a happy one, and hope it remains that way.

NOW HEAR THIS, Mistress Mary, IT ISN'T TRUE, Business booming TAFT STREET cleaned up, Congrats H. G. Here's to the TEASING GAME, MR. BOB K. and a good show. The Hairdressers tip their hats with best wishes for success. Watching the door of the ROMAN, business is fine, why not with such "divine barbers."

WHO IS "MISS STELLA?"

The HOUSE OF STEWART welcomes back a familiar face from New York..A Houston welcome and Hello to Mr. John...see you in New York.

DEAR TIZ: "Has anyone seen the GREEN BABY?"

Houston MY HOME TOWN, your writer goes to N. Y.... Mr. Don Mac carries on...thanks and I LOVE YOU for it.

TO ALL THE SAD YOUNG MEN... It was love. My Heart's broken but I take it with me. G.P.F., we thank you for your loyalty... hope to send you business. WHO said it wasn't open season on GRANDMOTHERS, have you had a drink around town lately?

A WORD TO THE WISE: The more mature you get, the more childish the rest of the world becomes.

To the MOUSE THAT ROARED: congrats on your decision NO TO it leaves hope for a certain party with plans.

I'm here there everywhere. If you don't want it printed .

DON'T DO IT... "YOU" may be next.

Good Night,

RONNIE

THE	IN	CROWD

POTPOURRI AND PEOPLE Who was the lonely DADDY that was wandering around town a few weeks ago looking for his "Child"? Seeking the WORD from Europe about that one is useless, in fact, there is doubt in mind that the ship SAILED? How is the weather in Florida, BABY? Why is it that Mr. P and Mr. A can't

drive home from the 'ATHENS without almost hitting a telephone pole at Westheimer and Waugh Drive ?

What happened "Vern", is "Baby" on the prowl again? And speaking of prowling: Houston's Grand Dame was seen all around town with a large assortment of attenders after a temporary absence of "B" but a recent visit to the NUGGET, smiles and drinks were both evident. Who said that ABSENCE doesn't make the heart grow fonder? Met a new face called by the simple name of SONNY, and what a face! Watch out, the competition is getting a little stiff, how about the intros Miss JANICE? Miss Alice has finally reached the rank of motherly ROYALTY. (continued on p. 11)

Merrily, WE roll along and for what a QUARTER is worth, we got a touch of New Orleans, the hustling is a little too-o- a toast to the Nugget.

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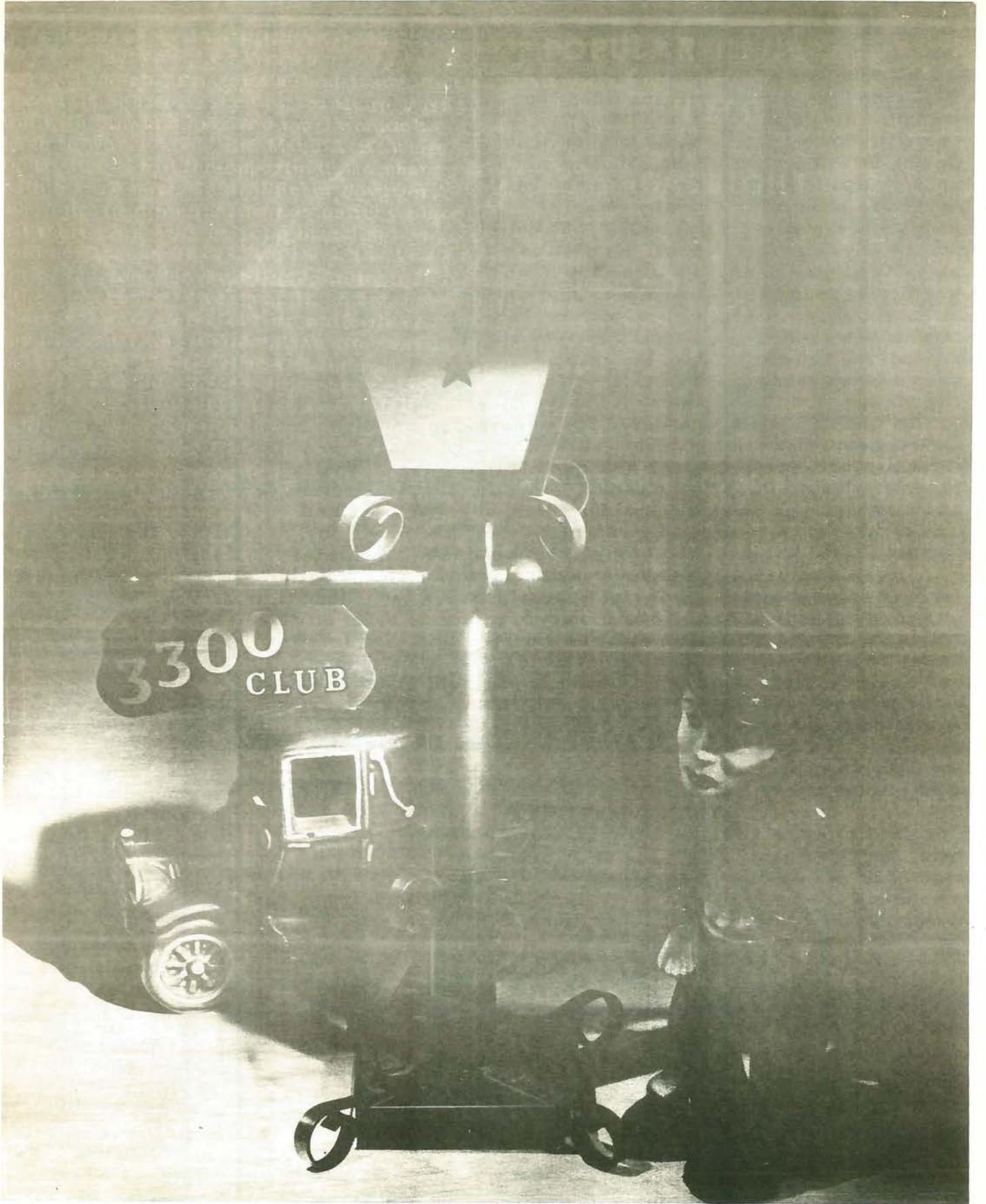
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THE TOPICS

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PREVUE: On the opening of a new spot in Houston the 3300 Club just sparkles (bright, shiny glasses and all). Bowing into this issue is our new sponsor and friends--just close enough for comfy and tasty drinks. The atmosphere is elegant and worthy of the fittest! Hosting and service is what you expect. . so visit the newest and do bring your friends too.

Unbeknowing of the treat in store the reporter flashed in and caught the TOPICS in action on the band stand at the STADIUM. Randy & Co. are terrific and on departing, recalled the echoes of an ol' Louis Prima and Keely Smith arrangement - Old Black Magic. Oo-la-la to Dale T. becuz the TOPICS truly EXOTIC his nitery.

The creditors are re-posing the equipment from THE JOKER but new is gradually moving in the door. Forward is the word for new sparkle and establishmentwise. It boosts everything that revolves the JOKER.

HENRY CUNDIFF
EXPERT
PIANO TUNING
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WHAT'S YOUR NAME?

Sitting across a luncheon table from a person whom I had met on occasion, he said, "You have a beautiful name!" My name is anonymous, but yours is important. Your name is as good as gold so I was told many years ago--not by poets--not by authors--but by a simple, plain individual who believed in just about everyone. He used to sit on an old apple box, whittling away, and waiting for his evening paper. And whenever I came by..he sensed my presence..and would exclaim. "About time you got here." "Yes, sir, " was the response. "And do you think it will rain?" Then he would say, "Don't worry it always does." Walking away, I pondered his remark..so whirling around quickly I asked what he meant? In a firm tone, he explosively pointed, "What's your name?" By inflection of question, he had challenged his boy who loved and fondly respected him..the paper boy.. who brought the local news. Whatever could one say to a veteran who had attained 91 ripe years. That's a long, long time for one's heart to pantheth. A lot of wisdom must be stored within. and he spreads it generously. So--"what's your name?" Identify yourself.. I did.. besides. HE was... BLIND!

HOT WIRE

On The Ponderosa: Going back to S. A. S. A. --say our roving reporters who went hither and yon and were graced b hosts THE NASHS'. who are two of the finest in club biz!

WHOEVER slings hash at FIESTA CLUB is just about all of the B-owners on the local circuit. Take your turn--is the code! Short ribs & all. Your reporter was pestered the full time over a cup of B-java. May never come back for that obstacle course (treatment) "Won't to bet?"

Happy Birthday anniv' to luscious RICCI & RITA who were champagning that day at The Boat with Tex & Bob. Many more well wishes to our November chile!

Also, on THE BOAT, John Burke "back on board" charming the patrons with his excellent singing, playing, and personality. Ever thrill to his SHAD-RACK and the flowing operatic melodies that substantiate his wide repertoire.

QUIP: "Come here and let me smell your perfume like you always wore. Sniff-ff: Yes, Saddle Soap."

WANT ADS

NOW, I don't want to sell my 'lil Red Wagon, cobwebs and all, still ready to roll, cuz no buyers called. 'Sides I can't afford a sled and may ride in it come Christmas.

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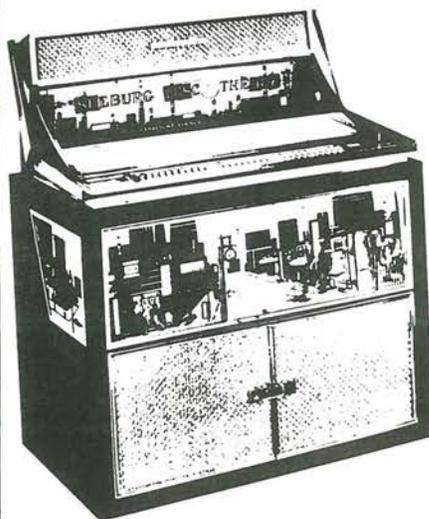
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SPECIAL NOTE:
 The reason this edition is late is because... this paper is growing... we want it to grow... across the nation... and we think that you do, too. One of the greatest assets to this issue has been the expert accurate typing of "N" Kee whose ad also appears in the paper.

NOTE FROM TEX:
 Your editor insisted that THE TORCH be printed without any advertising around it. We have had numerous requests for copies of this poem and as a result. The Albatross prints it now that you may keep it as a souvenir edition suitable for framing.

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KNOWN AS "CADILLAC LYNN"

Small in stature, short in speech, big as a person. This was a man that most know as "Cadillac Lynn". His heart was as big as this wide world. His personality was reserved, warm, and sincere. His love for friends music, and a social party excelled. He liked smart clothes and kept up with the young 'uns on color, too. His mother was a great concern in his life... because he loved and cared dearly. In conversation once, he said, "If anything should happen to you, I would weep at your death." I was startled but pleased. Proud of his feeling. He was a hard, conscientious worker on his job and enjoyed the benefits that were reaped. Sharing was his motto and that he did. Unfortunately, he lost his life on November 4 in Houston. But most of all, his friends... those who knew... lost him. Did I respond in that personal conversation... how much I would cherish his friendship and memory? No, I didn't but I should have. I will miss him and recall the tie that bound him to others. Just caring enough. Whenever the door opens, I will miss his entering and whenever the door closes, I will miss his farewell. Tender moments of caring and knowing was our friend, Cadillac Lynn and we do weep at his final goodbye.

*Cross the stile of self-denial, over
 the hill of Benevolence, cross the
 stream of purity, and just beyond
 the rock of resignation the nugget
 comes in view.*



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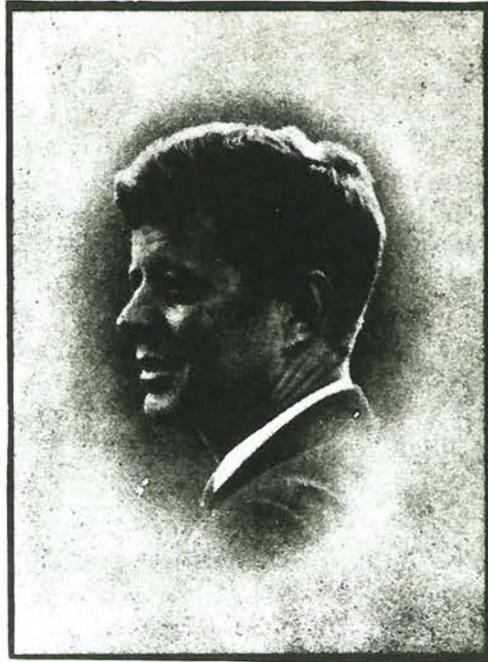
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JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY
1917 -- 1963

THE TORCH

That November Twenty-Second,
Nineteen Hundred, Sixty-Three,
Was just a day like other days,
'Til noon -- then history.

Through the Dallas cement canyons,
Our gallant leader rode;
His smiling face and up-raised hand
Showed nothing to forbode.

He was pleased with his reception;
The crowds had stayed his fears
That he wasn't loved in Dallas,
With warm, responsive cheers.

So on he rode down Main Street
To keep that awful date
With a man he didn't even know;
A man filled full with hate.

From a fifth floor window high above
The cheering throngs below
Two bullets took away the man
We'd come to love and know.

The news went out across the land
Like some gigantic blot,
The People heard those fateful words,
"THE PRESIDENT WAS SHOT!"

All traffic ebbed and working ceased,
A Nation knelt in prayer
To ask the Lord to spare the man,
Who lay in Dallas there.

The wait was short; the word came out:
"THE PRESIDENT IS DEAD
Shot by an ASSASSIN'S bullets
Through the NECK and in the HEAD."

"Oh NO! It CAN'T BE!" -- came the cries,
" Oh No -- Not J. F. K. ---
Such things don't Happen over HERE!
Not in the U. S. A. !

Then a ghostly calm descended
Over all the world, it seemed,
And people tried to wake themselves
From this Nightmare they had "dreamed".

"He can't be dead -- not J. F. K.,
So filled with Life and Youth",
But a Black-Draped bier in a rounded room
Made the Doubters look at Truth.

All through the night, the Mourners came,
Their eyes filled with despair;
The Rich rubbed elbows with the Poor
To view the Coffin there.

Next day - the muffled Drums began,
And the beat of marching feet,
As horses pulled the Caisson through
The solemn, crowd-banked street....

To Arlington -- where he found his Rest
On a grassy, wind-swept knoll,
While the bells of Churches round the world
Began their mournful toll.

Those clanging bells brought a knowledge,
To those people not yet Free,
That there still burns a torrid Hope
In the Hearts of men that Be

That the Torch he lit many months ago
For a fearful globe to see,
May, one day, Truly, Light the World,
At Peace in reality.

... "Tex" Kennedy
(Nov. - 1963)

HOT WIRE

For those of you who haven't heard, Harry B. and Jim W. have merged into what we hope will be a lasting partnership. The merger occurred on October 10th. Tally-ho, to two fine persons. THE EXILE with its exhilarating "Go-Go" keeps the hips in motion and the beer flowing faster. The way everybody was swavin I thought anybody could just get up and "go-go" but I was reminded of my size and invited back to my beer at the bar. Mr. Bobby B. and Mr. Frank sure keep it lively. Even the lights jumped after my sixth libation. At PIZZA OVEN on W. Gray who asked for a child'e plate and then asked for a beer? WHO could it be that has written to Tizzie about "Charlie" in this issue of Tizzie's column? Rehearsals of "Carnival Time" at the Boat are really looking up with Tex Kennedy and company. The show is scheduled for one performance only Sunday, Nov. 28 on the patio if weather permits. otherwise the event will be inside. Patterned after a real carnival side show with variety acts you will thrill to the style again so nostalgic of times gone by.

**TELL IT TO
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write TIZZIE for advice
c/o THE ALBATROSS



Dear TIZZIE: I'm 63 years old, and have been dating a girl 22 years of age. She recently asked me to marry her and when I kissed her, I found out that she had a beard. Do you think I should do some checking on this girl before I give her my answer? She also wears a 10 1/2 shoe.

IN LOVE

Dear In Love: Even the most beautiful rose has thorns, and.. have you ever seen the roots on a 22 yr. old rose?

Dear TIZZIE: While shopping in a downtown store for a turkey platter for Thanksgiving, the saleslady also sold me a stuffing spoon. What I want to know is.. where am I supposed to stuff this spoon?

CURIOUS

Dear Curious: Did you get the saleslady's name and address? Need I say more?

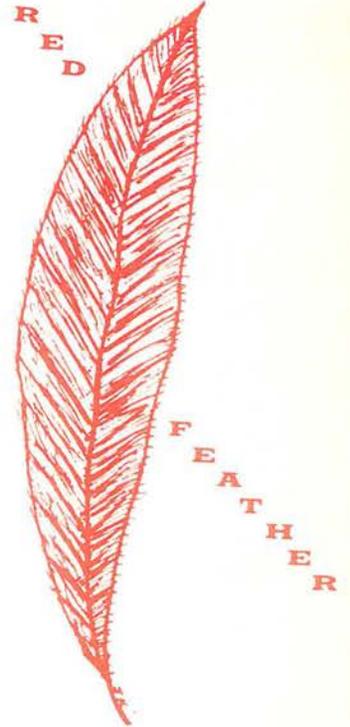
Dear TIZZIE: I had a dear friend, and now he is gone, and I can't find him. Please help me find him, 'cause I'm going crazy. He may be as far away as Pasadena. He is 5'6", weighs 130 lbs., has short black hair, and big beautiful brown eyes.

TROUBLED.

Dear Troubled: Tizzie took your problem to heart: Check with the Pasadena Dog Pount. They have six Great Danes that fit your description.

Dear TIZZIE: Dialing the phone, my dime stuck in the hole. I jiggled the receiver and when the operator answered, I explained that on trying to reach my number, my dime stuck in the hole. She retorted, "What Hole?" and I answered, "Your Hole, Ma'm!" Well, she hung up on me. Was this really polite?

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Dear Befuddled:
No, it was not
polite. Forget
the dime you lost
and just thank God
that it wasn't your
finger. . . .

Dear TIZZIE:

When my new
husband and I go
"out", he is mobbed by friends. I spend
most of the evening at a table alone. I
know my husband loves me, but he also
loves PEOPLE. How can I be alone with
my husband and PEOPLE?

STREISAND....

Dear Streisand: Have him sing "People"
at home.



**beyond
the wall**

Passing this beautiful
home day after day on my
way, I would wonder what
was beyond that wall?
One day, the broad gates
opened, on approaching,
I chanced to peer inside.
It was a PARADISE, all
green, flowery, and ec-
static! No souls a-
round so I wandered in
unnoticed. The grass
was a carpet beneath my
feet...so soft...so bouncy
Steadily I walked toward
the large white pillars
of the structure. Stand-
ing as high as I could
see was a Temple. In-
scribed on the precipice
is "Dedicated to the true
the good, and the beauti-
ful." Treading softly
toward the door, I sud-
denly noticed the crest
above. It symbolized..
history..geneology..of
forefathers..whom may
not have been yours or
mine. On touching that
large door, I entered
the most spacious, warm,
atmosphere one could ex-
perience. Within was a
kindly lady seated upon
a tufted sofa, smiling
with a welcome hand and
face. My heart melted
as I stood there. I had
not been home in years.
SHE was my mother!

A. D.

A TOUCH OF TEX

THE GREATEST GIFTS

If someone sent a lovely gift;
A thing of sheer delight,
We'd want to praise his thoughtfulness
In a "thank you" note we'd write.

We seldom think of things we have
Except in terms of wealth
But can we purchase eyesight, speech,
Loved ones, new friends, good health?

For only God can give These Gifts;
This fact we can't deny.
This year, give thanks for all you have
That money cannot buy.

"Tex" Kennedy

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BUBBLES, BANGLES AND ME

by Vivacious Vivian

Sorry I wasn't here for the last issue, but a certain senator asked me to fly to Boston with him and assured me I wouldn't have to worry about the Mann Act. While in Boston. I had the opportunity to chat with a very socially prominent dowager, who informed me that in Boston they place all their emphasis on good breeding. I told her that in Texas, we think that's a lot of fun, too, but we manage to foster other interests. Everyone is so outspoken there. I went to the doctor while there for the usual wasserman, and afterwards he asked me the usual run of the mill questions about childhood diseases, he asked me if I had ever been bedridden. I told him "Sure, Dr. Honey, but don't put that in your report."

I decided to call some friends in New York while I was close, after I finished I asked the operator for the charges. She said, "Madam, the charges for that call will be five dollars." I said, "Five Dollars? Why, in Texas I could call Hell for five dollars." She said, "Yes, Mam, but remember in Texas that's a local call."

I went into a pub near the park
Where it was very dark;
What is often blamed on the stork,
Should be blamed on a Lark.

(A La "Touch of Tex")

I know I promised to tell you "How To Be Subtle With A Sailor On A Six Hour Pass", but I'm still doing research. As a matter of fact, it caused me to catch a terrible cold. I slept all of one night with just a thin Sailor over me. Frankly to date, I find it's better to just take them as they come!

Toddle,

Vivian



A BIT OF THE RUBAIYAT

And, lately, by the Tavern Door agape,
Came shining through the Dusk an Angel
shape
Bearing a Vessel on his Shoulder and
He bid me taste of it; and 'twas - the
grape!

POPULAR



JANICE, a University of Houston graduate, who majored in Dramatic Arts and is ambitious to continue in theatre work. Trul famous for her facial expressions and fancy footwork.



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THE IN CROWD

What about the annointment of the R. R. courtesy of H. B. ? Green, Green was the color of a True Love's Hart especially at the drivein window of the Westmont. NEWS IN THE NAMES:"Bootsie" at the R. R. at a table alone.. Mr. Hack.. "what was that mouse you were looking at? The check was only \$1.07. Hello TAFT, the only place in town that you can get a ham-

burger and stay up for 24 hours... Hamburger stuffed with WHAT It's season for rings but the newest appeared at a certain Sat. morning "re-fill" station... What about it, Jerry? Whatever happened to SKIP? For it is hello Kansas City and hats off to the Jewel Box and the brighter new jewel of the season. From one Paul to another has the Army gotten under your skin or is Galvez the answer? "Chuck" seen on a rare occasion without his Friend by-the-by did the BLUE ever come out of your slacks? Who is Jimmy?... Hello, Harry, do you miss the San Antonio scene? Did anyone see "Tom" when he was flying around the San Jacinto Monument a few Sundays ago, and without his broom, too. Welcome back, Neil, we have missed you. This writer hosted New York visitor over the local circuit--hope you had a good time, Eddie. The House Across the Bay loses a "star" from the "N" crowd, we wish you the best, Cal. Flash, flash: Keep your eye on the mysterious lady that has been seen around town carrying her "slander box" for all to listen to. The most noticeable description: She wears monkey tails and parrot feathers! From One Ear Ring to Another: The new European decor has set the eyes and ears of Houston aflame. A Goldfinger salute to the plush atmosphere of this exciting renovation. HATTIE, you have done it again..and a great big welcome to Mr. Lee. Let's turn the "E" into another New Orleans... Houston isn't ready for it but make it a Premiere. The brightest new star in the sky is the "Zodiac" and we love it. Quote:Alice was walking down the street when a man walked up and snatched her bra. but Mary Ann wasn't worried because she knew that she carried her money in her purse. This edition I will sign out, Hush, Hush, Sweeter "J".

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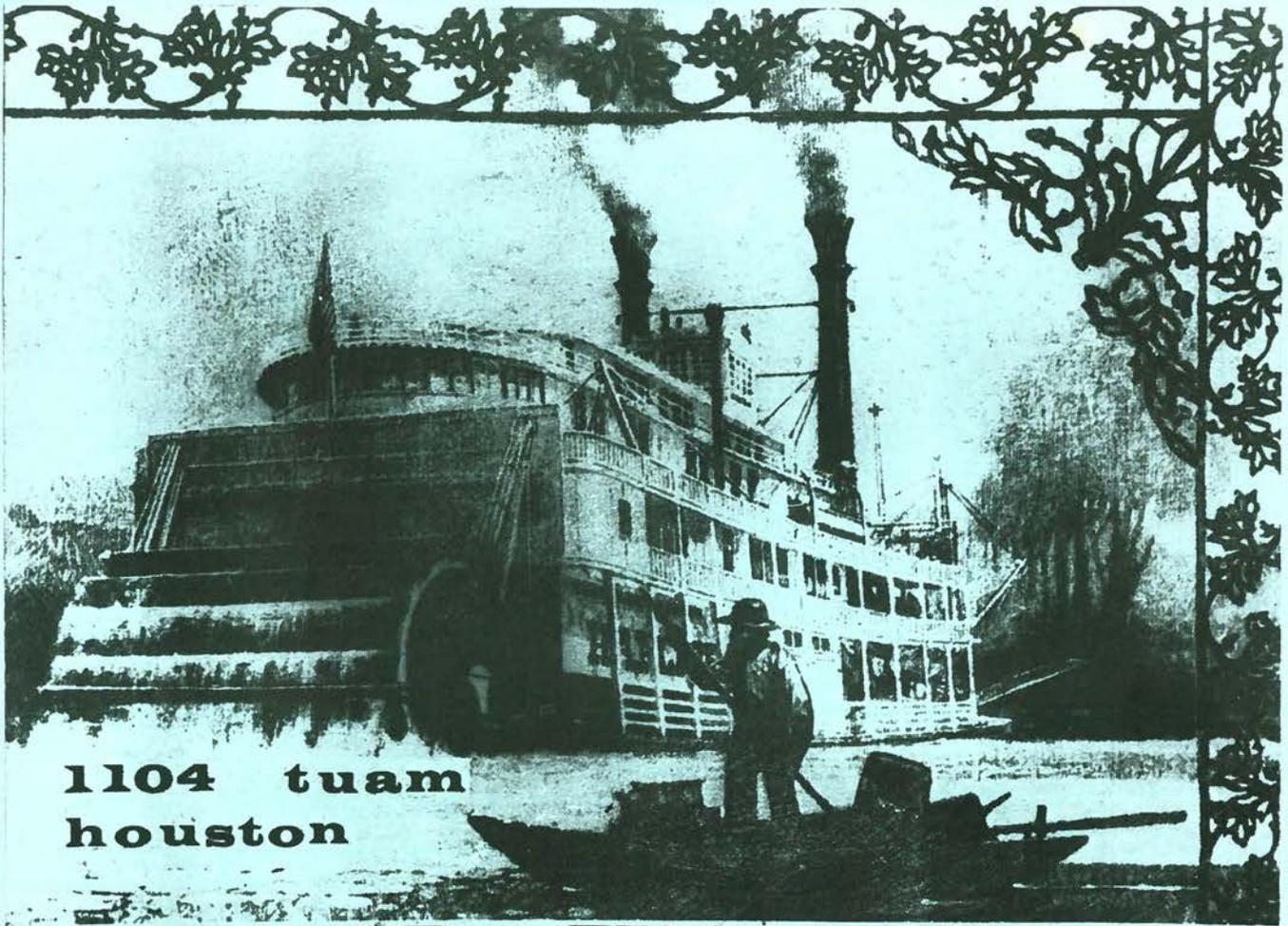
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- Chapel Bells. E. F.
- The Race Is On. B. S.
- Steam Heat. W and G
- Treat Her Right. J. V.
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