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Jackson To Address Human Rights Fund

Rev. Jesse L. Jackson, national president of Operation PUSH, Inc., is the keynote speaker for a fundraising event for the Human Rights Campaign in New York City, Tuesday, September 27th.

and will present its second annual Livingston Human Rights Awards

Brook Leaves Met-Community Church

Rev. Jimmy Brock, pastor of the Metropolitan Community Church (MCC) of Atlanta for nearly three years, will soon be transferred to MCC Orlando.

According to MCC Orlando effective September 1st," Brock told *Cruise* Tuesday. "It's very difficult to leave people you have helped the silver-haired man with a gentle Southern drawl. For over 30 years Brock had been a Southern Baptist before "coming out" at MCC. He guided his Atlanta flock through a period of vandalism and harassment last year which culminated in a loss of spirit to endure and prosper.

Atlanta is currently making plans for relocation. "It will be terribly hard to leave the continued, "but it will be good for the church.

A wide search to fill the pulpit of the MCC has been initiated by the headquarters in Los Angeles. A "farewell dinner" for Rev. Brock will be held on September 26th (Monday, 8pm) at the MCC in Piedmont and Monroe near

to Bella Abzug, Congressman Henry A. Waxman, and the Gay Men's Health Crisis. Master of Ceremonies for the event will be Harvey Fierstein, who will be joined by his co-star from the Broadway hit "La Cage aux Folles," George Hearn. Additional surprise celebrity entertainment will be provided. Other guests include Midge Costanza, Martin Sheen and Congressman Bill Green. The Episcopal Bishop of New York will give the invocation and greetings will be given by the New York City Council President.

The dinner will be held in the Art Deco Grand Ballroom of the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel. Tickets for the black tie optional dinner include complimentary admission to a celebration at Studio 54 later that evening. Tickets for the dinner are \$150 each or \$1500 per table. Additional ticket information can be obtained from Ken Gault at 212 989-0385.

The Human Rights Campaign Fund is the first federally authorized Political Action Committee exclusively dedicated to advancing the cause of lesbian and gay rights. In 1982, its first year of operation, the Fund raised over a half million dollars, and made contributions to 119 candidates for Congress in 36 states. Over 80% of those candidates supported by the Fund were elected or re-elected. Not one single member of Congress who is a co-sponsor of gay rights legislation was defeated for re-election.

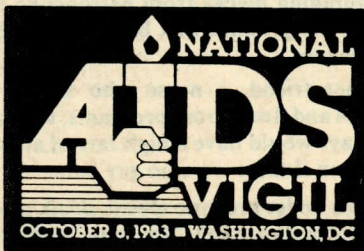
In the 1984 elections the Fund hopes to channel the resources of lesbians and gay men to vanquish bigotry, combat AIDS and win true equality and justice for gay men and lesbians everywhere in America.



The Rev. Jesse Jackson will address the Human Rights Campaign Fund.

Local Candlelight Vigil Coincides With National

A local AIDS Vigil, scheduled by AID Atlanta to coincide with the national event, is slated for 7:30pm on the evening of October 8th. Participants will gather in the parking lot of Crazy Ray's, 1492 Piedmont Ave., in Ansley Square, and will walk with lighted candles to Piedmont Park. The Atlanta Gay Men's Chorus and local speakers will be featured.



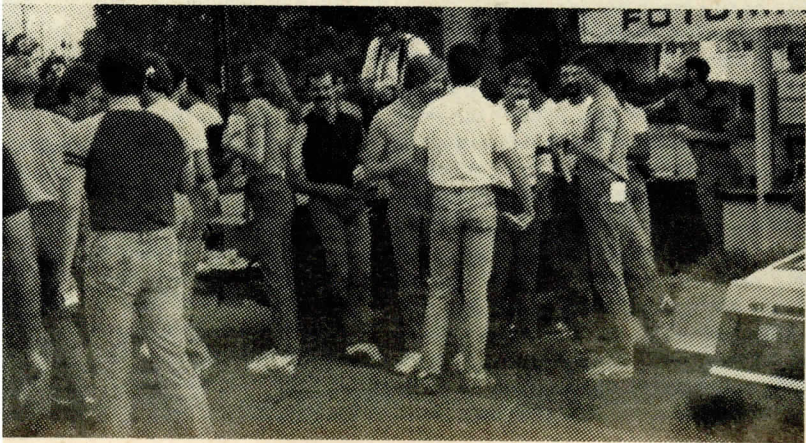
For additional information please contact AID Atlanta at 404 872-0600.

A National AIDS Candlelight Vigil scheduled for the evening of October 8th, 1983, in Washington, D.C., will serve to focus attention on discrimination against people with AIDS; to support the critical work of local and national AIDS organizations; and to demand crucial federal funds for AIDS research. AIDS is a disease which has attacked black and white alike, with no preference for a particular age group or sex. Women and infants have contracted AIDS. Increasingly, statistics indicate that

the previously narrow age groupings are beginning to broaden. Once considered a "gay plague," AIDS threatens heterosexuals as well.

Thousands of participants are expected to convene on Capitol Hill in this single issue action organized by the National AIDS Vigil Commission, a group formed solely to organize this event. Members of the commission include: the National Association of Social Workers, the American Psychological Association, the American Civil Liberties Union, the Haitian Refugee Project, Hon. Barbara Boxer, Hon. Bill Green, Hon. Henry Waxman, Senator Lowell Weicker, Senator Ted Kennedy, Mayor Marion Barry, the National Gay Task Force, the National Coalition of Black Gays, and the National Gay Health Education Foundation, among others.

The National AIDS Vigil Commission has called for local areas to send representatives, endorse the Vigil, send financial contributions, and sponsor local AIDS vigils. AID Atlanta, which is planning to send a delegation to the National AIDS Vigil, is currently organizing transportation, including round-trip bus fare at 57% and/or round-trip train fare at \$131. Plans are to leave Atlanta on Friday evening, October 7th, and to return on Sunday evening, October 9th. If you are interested in traveling with us to Washington, D.C., please contact us immediately to reserve a seat.



Marchers met at Crazy Ray's for a recent AIDS Candlelight March.

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Editorial by Gil Robison

Alcoholism is a problem that touches the lives of most gay men and lesbians. While only about ten percent of all Americans are estimated to be alcoholics, the rate among homosexuals is said to be 30 to 40 or even 50 percent.

Excessive drinking contributes to many of our health problems, such as prolonging recovery from hepatitis and the development of cirrhosis of the liver.

I have heard several reasons why we drink more than straights. A friend who is a recovering alcoholic tells me that gay men are more limited in the things that interest them than are straights.

Others say that our limitations are those that society places on us. Many, if not most, of us are not out to our families or are not on good terms with them, and don't get the emotional support from them that we would if we were heterosexual.

The depth of friendships that develop on the job or in social organizations is often limited, too. If we come out or "flaunt" our gayness, those relationships may be impaired or destroyed.

There is one institution, however, where we are always accepted; the gay bar. Gay bars are our walk-in closets, our turf, where our values reign. They are one of the few places where we can be ourselves, albeit at the price of being in an alcohol-saturated environment.

Bar owners and managers occupy a special position in our lifestyle that sometimes goes far beyond a business owner-customer relationship. They often help us in innumerable ways — finding us jobs or places to live, bailing us out of jail or making business referrals among their customers.

Some bar owners, however, seem more intent on profiting from drinking. Not too long ago I was told of a well-liked DJ who was fired by the popular disco where he worked. The reason given was that the management had found another DJ whose way of playing music for some reason caused an increase in the sale of drinks.

Recently in researching a news story on racial discrimination in gay bars, I interviewed a bar manager who justified his discouraging blacks from patronizing his bar on the grounds that blacks drink less than whites.

Another friend, a nurse who works in alcohol and drug abuse programs, tells me that gays would have a high rate of alcoholism even if there were no gay bars.

"People under pressure always drink more than those who aren't," she says, "and gays are under tremendous pressure — social as well as political.

What is available for those whose lives are affected by alcoholism?

For alcoholics, Alcoholics Anonymous has a program with a special outreach to gays. There is also an organization, Al-Anon, that offers support to gays whose lives have been deeply affected by another person's drinking. You can find out more about them by calling AA at 523-5650, or the Atlanta Gay Center at 892-0661.

News Analysis Cleaning Up Our A

by Richard Kavanaugh

The tragedy of AIDS has brought a sense of maturity and responsibility to the gay community that was previously lacking. One aspect of this can be seen in the concern now being expressed from many sides about our lack of sexual mores, a code of generally acceptable sexual conduct. As the media spotlight has focused on our lifestyle, this lack has become evident and although there seems to be no consensus of opinion, many of us have come to the conclusion that we must do something to "clean up our act."

Before going any further let me state plainly that the opinions which follow are strictly my own and are presented here primarily to expose the various questions to informed discussion. I think each person must make his own choices, but in the past we gays have too often done this automatically, with little or no thought, and later come to question our choices. The danger of contracting AIDS and our new visibility in the media are both good reasons for now examining them more closely and clarifying our thinking.

And we must remember that, whatever our choices, they affect us first but also affect others in an ever-widening circle — our sex partners, our friends and family, our acquaintances, and the public at large. We must take all of these into account.

At the moment the biggest debate seems to center around promiscuity. Is it morally wrong to sleep around, to engage in sexual acts with numerous partners just for the fun of it? On one hand we have people like long-time gay activist Frank Kameny who was quoted in *Newsweek* saying, "I have never looked upon 'promiscuity' as a dirty word. It is a natural and normal style of living, while monogamy is deeply entrenched cultural overlay." On the other hand Reverend Troy Perry of MCC has said that fornication, the using of another person where there is no love involved in the relationship, is wrong and sinful.

Personally I see nothing wrong with recreational sex providing both parties recognize it for what it is. Perhaps there is a danger that too many exotic encounters can lead to some kind of sexual burnout, a lessening of the pleasure of sex, but this is something we never know until it happens. Everyone's sex drive is different and what may be too much sex for one person may not be nearly enough for another. There is such a thing as ruining your health, both mental and physical, by becoming so preoccupied with sex you neglect the other important aspects of life, but few of us are in danger of this. And of course, as long as AIDS is a threat, we must consider the risk of infection when choosing our partners.

I agree with Reverend Perry that we should not "use" our sexual partners, that we should not pretend there is an emotional commitment there when it is only a physical craving, but I see no reason why we can't enjoy a sex act the same way we might

enjoy a good meal or a good movie — not let the AIDS scare force us to back the old taboos.

Then there is the question of "kinky" sex. Is it wrong? Should we limit ourselves to fellatio and anal intercourse? I think not. But again this is a private thing, and these acts, as all sexual acts should be done in private — at home, in private clubs. And while it is fine to be proud of being gay and say so, I don't see any need to call attention to one's sexual preferences in S&M, B&D or other erotic variations. There are a lot more kinky heterosexuals than there are kinky homosexuals, and they don't call attention to themselves; therefore you never hear about them. I don't think one should feel guilty about enjoying any kind of sexual activity. A propensity for kinky sex is not something that should be flaunted.

This brings me to the one thing that has been doing for years which should stop, and that is the performing of sexual acts in public places — restrooms, parks and the like. Many men have had their first encounters in public places because they don't know where else to find partners, but in this day and age, with gay clubs everywhere and gay bars in most major cities, it is not necessary to go to a rest stop to find a trick. As more gays come out of the closet, as gay communities grow I hope we will stop this practice of sex in public places entirely.

On the other hand I see nothing wrong with displaying affection in public. It is done in good taste. Walking in hand with one's lover or exchanging a kiss with a friend should not be objectionable. Heavy petting with someone of the same or opposite sex in public is good taste and should be avoided.

The question of sex with minors is another one I don't want to open here. Kinky sex, its ramifications are complex and understood by very few, and it is best kept out of sight. By going public the Boy Love Groups have done irreparable harm to the gay movement in recent years. Male prostitution is another subject best kept out of the public eye. Prostitution is the world's oldest profession and will be with us for a long time to come. It can't be completely ignored. But bars and call-boy services are preposterous to street walkers and should be recognized as such.

Finally there is the gay community's use of alcohol and drugs. In a way this problem is no different from that of the community at large, but in the past we have been more prone to use either to excess. Like the community at large we must recognize the danger of drug and alcohol and moderate our use of them. And those of us who have the ability to use them in small quantities

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Poppers Cleared By CDC As Causative For AIDS

Recently released test results seem most likely to rule out the theory that nitrite-based odorants, often called poppers, relate to AIDS. The announcement was made available after Dr. James Curran, assistant director of the Center for Disease Control (CDC) met in Atlanta with Joseph F. Miller, president of Great Lakes Products, the nation's largest manufacturer of odorants (Hardware, Quicksilver and Ram).

"We were pleased to have had the opportunity to meet with officials of the CDC," said Miller. "We were briefed in several areas, including recent and current animal studies, and the data clearly shows that no association exists between nitrite-based odorants and AIDS."

Miller's and the CDC's position was reinforced by an article in the medical journal, *Medical World News*, which printed the following paragraph as part of a significant article on AIDS published in its December 6th, 1982 issue: "But one etiologic possibility does seem to have been ruled out. CDC case-control finding along with preliminary results of animal studies have apparently acquitted nitrites."

Simultaneously, an extensive article on the subject of AIDS in the November 16th, 1982 issue of the Canadian journal *The Medical Post*, quoted CDC officials that there had been a "small association with nitrites but we don't think it is important."

In the same article, Dr. Paul Volberding, chief of oncology at San Francisco General, said that he does not think that the nitrites have much involvement in AIDS and, if they do have an immunosuppressive action, it's not very profound.

"I feel that there is a significant need to educate the gay community in the areas of overall health issues," Miller stated.

J. Lovell Named To AGC's Directorship

The Board of Directors of the Atlanta Gay Center (AGC) has selected James Lovell, a 32-year-old Atlanta resident to fill the paid staff position of executive director of the non-profit community service organization.

AGC Board Chair Bill Gripp announced the decision Wednesday morning. "Lovell has lots of executive management experience," Gripp said. "The calibre of all the applicants was exceedingly high, and a decision was difficult, but we feel that we made a good choice."

The AGC Board picked Lovell from a field of 13 applicants Tuesday evening. Lovell will begin his administrative responsibilities at the Center, September 15th. A more comprehensive look at the new executive director of the AGC will appear here next week.

Death Of Hollywood Millionaire Gets LA Hustler 25 Years To Life

Laos "Ronnie" Chuman struck it big as a hustler. He was picked up by one of Hollywood's more famous off-screen millionaires, Robert E. Gottschalk, the inventor of the Panaflex camera system that revolutionized the movie industry, a man who had won two Academy Awards for his scientific and technical achievements. Recently Chuman was sentenced to 25 years to life for the murder of 64 year-old Gottschalk. In June of 1982, Chuman stabbed him 19 times while asleep in the bedroom they shared in Gottschalk's Bel-Air mansion above Beverly Hills.

Another life-long companion of Gottschalk had moved out to the guest house when Chuman moved in to become Gottschalk's lover. For Gottschalk, it was the worst way to come out of the closet in Hollywood, dead.

Gottschalk did not get the young actor into movies, but he did give him a responsible position within his company, Panavision, Inc., now a subsidiary of Warner Communications.

In his defense Chuman presented a love triangle story involving actor Tab Hunter, which Hunter's attorney completely denied. Chuman claimed Gottschalk attacked him first with the knife because he became upset when Chuman announced he was leaving the older man for Hunter. Tab Hunter, now 51, was a top box office star in the 50's and 60's. Through a press spokesman, Hunter denied being on a Kentucky film location with Chuman, as the

convicted killer had claimed in a probation report.

The irony of the murder was pointed out by Santa Monica Superior Court Judge Laurence J. Rittenband who said, "Gottschalk may have signed his own death warrant three weeks before his stabbing." What he signed was a new will leaving ten percent of his \$5.6 million estate to the young hustler turned lover. "He wanted to keep you near him," the Judge Rittenband told Chuman. "No doubt he told you. But you were too impatient. You couldn't wait until he died."

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OPTIONS '83

The Atlanta Gay Center (AGC) is offering the gay/lesbian community an exciting symposium of workshops on gay issues entitled "Options '83" from 9am to 4pm Saturday, October 8th, at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 1911 Cliff Valley Way, Atlanta.

The symposium is funded in part by a grant the AGC received from the Georgia Department of Human Resources. Lunches for the symposium will be provided by the management of the International House of

Pancakes, North Avenue. Registration begins at 9am, followed by an opening session at 10am. Participants may then choose from eight morning sessions and twelve afternoon sessions.

Registration for the symposium is \$15 for AGC members and \$20 for non-members (includes lunch). Payment should be sent to the AGC at 848 Peachtree St. NE, Third Floor, Atlanta, GA 30308; early registration is advised. May checks payable to The Atlanta Gay Center.

Please choose your first, second, and third choices of workshops to attend from each group below.

Morning Informational Workshops

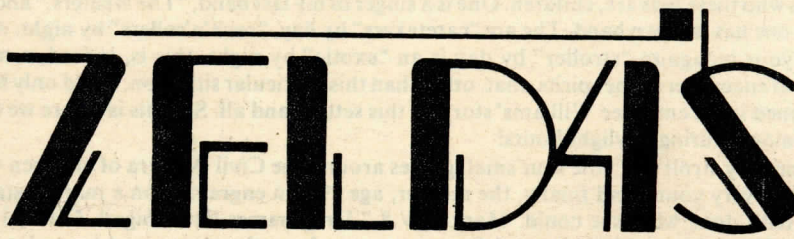
- ☐ The AA Approach to Recovery
- ☐ Black and Gay: A Minority Within A Minority
- ☐ Dialogue Between Men and Women: Crossing the Great Divide
- ☐ Evaluating Your Drug and Alcohol Use
- ☐ Growing Old With Style: Aging In the Gay/Lesbian Community
- ☐ Health Risk Appraisal
- ☐ Thinking Ahead: You and the Law (Legal Rights, Property Agreements, DUIs, Wills, Arrest Issues, etc.)

Afternoon Experiential Sessions

- ☐ Beyond Trick and Treating: How to Date
- ☐ Coming Out and Moving On: The Act and the Process
- ☐ For Couples Only
- ☐ Gay Parenting
- ☐ Group Skills: How to Work and Play Well With Others
- ☐ How to Help a Friend with a Problem
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DIAMOND LIL!

by Diamond Lil

A week or two ago in the embroilment of it all, a dear playmate of mine had suggested a tour of Oakland Cemetery. Well, an actress between gigs or on a Sabbatical (whichever term makes you feel better) needs something constructive to do to occupy her time. What the heck, so what, it's hot inside; it's hot outside; *comme ci, comme ça* — a jaunt to Oakland appears to be the order of the day. Besides, I hadn't been over there in a coon's age and certainly not since I had heard on the news a while back about some of its destruction by vandals.

Travelling by way of Boulevard Avenue, one observes the Fulton County Alcoholism Treatment Center, a street called "Old Wheat," a run-down housing project, some cottonwood trees, an old, faded mill on the left where Cabbagetown begins, and Oakland Cemetery with its rich cinnamon-colored brick wall on the right. We turn at the light on Memorial Drive and at the end of the cemetery, established in 1950, we are on Oakland Avenue, which leads to its main entrance at Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive.

This certainly appears to be the place for meditation, solitude, regrouping, and getting away from it all, provided one is not stricken with a heat stroke first. We find a place underneath a rustic, gnarled magnolia to park and begin our trek on the weathered, cracked pavement, where the original bricks are still visible in gullies on either side. Now, folks, one's thoughts can really do a "Time Machine" number on you and carry you back into the 19th century, if you're not careful. But, I'm enjoying these sacred grounds that have, somehow, relieved all of the tensions, frustrations, and anxieties of the big city. ala, I am not known here and have found the ultra-supreme seclusion!

Beautiful, ornamental, broken, iron garden seats are scattered about where I picture Victorian ladies weeping and mourning their loved ones and "Our Confederate Dear," who are laid to rest around the obelisk erected in 1870. Elaborate stone and marble mausoleums are so magnificent that it's almost impossible to choose a favorite. I do suppose, however, I would have to select the one with the foreboding gargoyles that are watching as Atlanta changes her skyline everyday. On the Q.T., I do hope the MARTA rail that runs to the North of the graveyard doesn't disturb those who are resting.

The silence is broken by a work truck with three bare-chested cemetery caretakers, equipped with power tools, sling blads, and lawnmowers. I duck my head to avoid being "dished," but hear one bellow out something toward my chubby friend who seems to be discovered. Oh, woe is me! I hate this interruption in solitude. More woe. Now they have recognized me, despite my "butch" guise — all courtesy of my unmistakable cohort. Guess who these lads are, children. One is a singer in my last band, "The Heaters," and the other one has his own band. The are "caretakers" by day, "rock'n'rollers" by night. And, since your incognito "stroller" by day is an "exotic" by night, this is, indeed, a most unusual encounter of the spirits, that, other than this particular situation, could only have happened in a Tennessee Williams' story — this setting and all. So, this is where we find entertainers during daylight hours!

I resume my stroll and note four small graves around the Civil War era of children who had died very young and finally, the mother, age 29. An engraving on a marker states: "She hath done what she could. Mark XIV.8." Drag names like Abigail, Clara, Josephine, Chloe, Myrtis, Isabelle, and Octavia pop up from the stones; and I wonder why some of the newer stars haven't picked up on these for camp. After all, Englebert made it on an historical name!

To one side is Margaret (Gone With the Wind) Mitchell's grave, and I stop to rest on the granite steps leading to stately bronze doors, decorated with massive, festooned lions' heads. I wipe my brow and seem to simmer in the steam. Then, out of nowhere, a thumping sound is heard. I gasp, "What could it be?" From the haze comes a mighty, headbanded jogger, right out of Colt Studios, clad only in tight running shorts and shoes — another total misfit for this seemingly forgotten plot in time. Suddenly, skeletal arms claw out, pulling, groping. Old, Confederate soldiers, bandaged and in tattered uniforms, emerge from behind the oak trees in the valley, with outstretched limbs. He runs faster, darting to and fro, his buttocks gnawing greedily at his green shorts. I feel dizzy and faint and drink some tepid water from an ancient water faucet.

Children, I do believe the heat has caused your actress to have hallucinations; or my imagination is working heavy on the overtime. I think it's time to bid farewell to Oakland, of this I'm quiet clear.

Exiting the cemetery, I glimpse Jasper Newton Smith's statue atop the entrance of his mausoleum staring at me in perpetuity. I believe he wants me to visit again. Then, as we drive through the railyards below, I remember the haunting inscription on Mrs. Ida Gray Woodward's headstone: "To live in hearts we leave behind, is not to die." Atlanta must never let Oakland Cemetery die. It should remain in our hearts forever as part of our heritage eternal!

CRUISING THE STARS

For September 17th - September 23rd

by Mike Voss

VIRGO

(Aug. 22 - Sept. 22)

Confusion in the area of romance and career issues exist all week. Not a time to lay cards on the table just yet. On the 17th best love aspects involve secrecy. What are you up to?? Insights into future career moves may be blown out of proportion on the 19th. Don't leap on any offers. Friends are more of a hindrance on the 20th and 21st than they mean to be. Follow what your heart is trying to tell you. They don't know what they're talking about anyway. Finances on the 22nd should receive a welcomed boost. Domestic issues are favored. Financial snag on the 23rd may stem from your doing too many favors for people that don't deserve it.

LIBRA

(Sept. 23 - Oct. 22)

Confusion in friendship matters stems from strong sexual attraction. Get your priorities straight. This is not a week when you can have both.

SCORPIO

(Oct. 23 - Nov. 21)

Co-workers become allies this week instead of open opponents. Career matters should run much smoother. On the 19th romance may be in your head alone. Don't make a fool of yourself. It's just an illusion. Take time on the 20th and 21st to make sure friends understand your motives clearly. Others appear temperamental and ready to fight. Play all financial cards on the 22nd and win big. Relatives could require some attention you're not willing to give on the 23rd. Count to ten — ten times.

SAGITTARIUS

(Nov. 22 - Dec. 21)

Lucky financial breaks could fall in your lap this weekend. People in position or authority seem to favor you this week. If you need to change jobs don't be afraid to do so. On the 19th enjoy praise for any creative endeavors. Tricky financial problems might crop up on the 20th and 21st. Forgotten debts may need to be paid. Fall in love on the 22nd when chances for success in this area are high. Tedious delays and snags can be expected in career matters on the 23rd. Call in sick and save yourself some grief.

CAPRICORN

(Dec. 22 - Jan. 20)

Most people met this weekend affect your pocketbook. Be extra amiable and charming. On the 18th enjoy great sexual aspects. Since you're the only one that's got them that day, I suggest going out and finding another Capricorn to play with or some poppers and a good mirror. Avoid legalities on the 19th unless you're a masochist. On the 20th and 21st someone may enter into your life that could destroy the serenity of good friends. Get into it. Domestic secrets look profitable on the 22nd. Changes may occur there. Expect friends to be a pain in the ass on the 23rd. Again this may be due to your choice in playmates.

AQUARIUS

(Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)

Partnership financial aspects look great. If you're married, your 'honey' should really be

bringing home the bacon at this time. Indecision may still exist as far as what you want in a relationship. Avoid discussion in this area on the 19th unless you enjoy playing sudden death. Financial losses on the 20th are due to carelessness. Consider yourself forewarned. Excesses of all kinds are dangerous. Best financial days are on the 21st and 22nd when friends offer unique advantages. Love aspects look disappointing on the 23rd. You've had better weeks.

PISCES

(Feb. 20 - March 20)

Secret affairs are favored over this weekend. Taking someone hostage could be successful for a change. Go ahead and smother this one to death — they'll love it. On the 19th expect delays and disappointments in love. Don't panic it should only be temporary. Tremendous career strides can be made after the 20th for those of you who are not afraid to try something new. This is not time to be shy. Career and money on the 22nd may make friends somewhat envious. Include them in your plans and they could push you even higher up the ladder. Great week.

ARIES

(March 21 - April 19)

Romance, pleasure and friends blend well this weekend to bring most satisfaction. Enjoy the harmony for a nice change. On the 19th expect problems from co-workers. Don't believe everything you hear that day. You may be being set up. Use the 20th and 21st to lay ground rules for all loved ones. After the 22nd expect very positive domestic changes. finances may be a sore spot on the 23rd. Please don't take it out on the rest of us. OK??

TAURUS

(April 20 - May 20)

Others may seem pretty damn uncooperative this weekend. Ignore them like you usually do and get your own way anyway. On the 19th sex and romance may be highly satisfying but temporary. You might be attracting waifs and strays until the 21st. Enjoy it for what it's worth and record the experience in that boring diary of yours. Best financial aspects occur on the 22nd when secrecy is profitable. On the 23rd travel may be postponed or disappointing to say the least.

GEMINI

(May 21 - June 21)

Financial advantages come from loved ones at this time. On the 17th creativity and the public could mean extra dollars. You're more than eloquent that day. On the 19th don't get yourself caught in what you thought was a harmless white lie. No one's buying at that time. Adjustments made on the homefront on the 20th and 21st are to your ultimate advantage. Stop bitching. Friends mean money on the 22nd. Career may seem temporarily snagged on the 23rd. No need to go over the edge.

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MUSIC

**SCATTERLINGS
JULUKA
Warner Brothers
Records**

by Steve Pierce

There is hope in music. At a time when S. Marines are being killed in Beirut, there are U.S. "Advisors" in Nicaragua and El Salvador; when we are economically, socially and psychologically Reaganized, and the Russians are shooting down passenger jets; it is encouraging to see the world's music community produce the first bi-racial and from South Africa.

"Juluka" means "Sweat" in Zulu, and there have been fourteen years of just that to bring their music to the attention of the American market.

The band's first release in South Africa was "Universal Men" which was concerned with the struggles of the contemporary Zulu man and his relationship to the growth of the world. Their second release "American Lifting" had a gold single titled "Impi" which caught the attention of Hilton Rosenthal who made possible the production of Scatterlings.

"Scatterlings" is a term that refers to the theory that Africa is the birthplace of man, and therefore all mankind can trace his heritage to the continent of Africa. The band focuses on this concept and celebrates the unity of mankind through its origin.

Juluka's music is strongly influenced by

Zulu tribal beat and chant. Some of their lyrics are in Zulu, a Bantu language of South Africa. Unfortunately, there are no translations on the sleeve or cover, and this lack makes interpretation of these songs difficult or impossible.

One such song is "Siyayilanda." The lyrics are sung by the British accented Johnny Clegg and are driven by a R & B/Funk bass line, Zulu percussion, a flute, and chanting voices that remind one of the point of origin. It is certainly a unique combination of sounds that call up an awareness of diversities; past and present together.

"Two Humans on the Run" has very much this same texture but emphasizes its danceability. It is being played on 88FM and in some of the more progressive discos.

"Scatterlings of Africa" is the best cut on the album as well as being the title cut. It conveys their truly significant message in a danceable chant of celebration.

I feel that this release is only the first of many very good works by a group that has a special relationship with their audience: And I love the scatterlings of Africa — each and every one.

Steve Pierce.

Cruising the Stars

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CANCER

(June 22 - July 21)

Credit issues over the weekend could be your only minor annoyance. There may be enough money but might resent the attitude of nosey sisters. On the 19th work conditions look pretty tricky. Keep your own nose clean that day. Love and travel aspects are excellent but career and money have you earth bound right now. Pay attention to new comers in to your life on the 21st. Meaningful relationships can be formed with this individual later. Best career day is on the 22nd and is accompanied also with extra dollars. Rejection in love on the 23rd is only temporary.

LEO

(July 22 - Aug. 21)

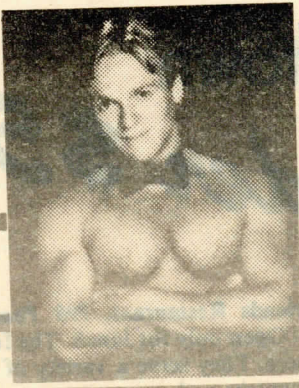
Work and domestic credit issues look cumbersome this week. Everything else has a green light, especially love, pleasure and romance. Sex appeal run very high. Maybe you should capture someone that can solve your financial difficulties and retrieve the throne. Best day for financial bliss is on the 22nd. On the 23rd expect no cooperation from 'royal subjects' at all!

Cleaning Up Our Act

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enhance the pleasures of life must recognize that there are some who cannot do this and reach out to help those people. Like prostitution, alcohol and drugs are not going to go away, but we can be more mature and responsible in our handling of them than we have in the past.

Many of the subjects discussed here are so deep and opinion is so divided that the debate will continue for years. For the present I think we should take the attitude that what we do in private is our business and ask to be judged only on our public persona. In his first interview since coming out before the U.S. House of Representatives, gay Congressman Gerry Studds said, "One way to elicit respect for one's lifestyle ... is to show respect for other people's by not flaunting one's own. That's true for gay and non-gay people." If we are to enlist the sympathy and understanding of mainstream America in our demands to be treated with fairness and respect, we can do no less.



MAKING IT HARD FOR YOU

by Dwayne C. Turner

What is the best cooking method for preserving the vitamins in food?

Use a minimum amount of water in the kitchen. Vegetables that are cooked in rapidly boiling water eliminate fifty percent of their vitamin content. If you are a true southern belle, your household cook boiled all vegetables to a delectable mush. You should steam vegetables over medium heat, and don't be in such a flutter. Five extra minutes will not coast you into a state of malnutrition. Convenience is marvelous, but not necessarily in your best interest. Canned foods lose about two-thirds of their vitamins in processing, and frozen food lose about half. Once you have finished burning dinner, then you are eating the equivalent nutritional value of the container. Cardboard and tin are hell to floss. Follow the above instructions for correct nutritional food preparation, and I guess you can nip on the cooking sherry occasionally.

My energy level is a constant low. Can vitamins really give me zest?

Unless you are just a lazy queen, they can. If your diet is high caloric with rich sugars and white flour, your body has plenty of fuel sources; but you have a problem. Your vitamin intake is low, so your system cannot process these calories into energy. All those wonderful twinkies and candy bars are magically transformed into — you guessed it — extra notches on your belt and wrap around skirts. If you must indulge, supplement your diet with vitamins. They will add some pizzazz to your swish.

What is dual resistance exercise?

Whatever you want it to be. Just joking. These exercises require two people, so snatch a partner and let's go. One individual must strain against the resistance of the other partner. Similar to what some of you do on a Saturday night verbally, but this at least accomplishes something. The partner acts as a weight being pushed or pulled. If the partner allows a small amount of movement, the exertions become isometric. Just think of it. There is no expensive equipment to buy, no large amount of space required, no gym membership necessary. I'm sorry. I just crushed all your procrastinating excuses for not exercising.

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For Under \$5

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Popular waitress, Peggy, gets your food fast at The Silver Grill.

Goodfriends Restaurant, 798 Peachtree Street - Open only for lunch. The food is good here. They serve a variety of sandwiches, quiche and soup.

Korea House, 831 Peachtree Street - Luncheon specials Monday - Friday. Tasty, spicy fare. Not your usual oriental menu. Try the Korean barbecue.

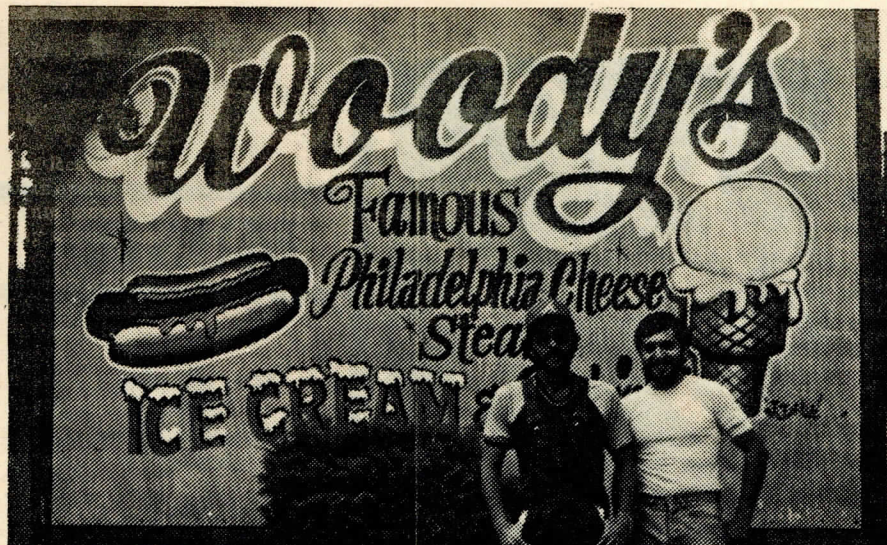
Steak and Egg Kitchen, 816 Peachtree Street - If you've got a desperate craving for eggs, can cope with street trash, appreciate surly waitresses, and are not in the least bit picky about your food — this is your place. You can have it.

Gina's, in the Howell House - Nice little Italian restaurant. Pizza is not the best, but not bad. Tasty, inexpensive lasagna. They also serve a variety of sandwiches. Friendly service.

Krystal, 428 Ponce de Leon - If you have a taste for it, Krystal is wonderful. Hamburgers steamed in onions and tasty fried chicken.

Krystal, 867 Peachtree - If you like Krystal food, go to their store on Ponce de Leon. This place is the pits.

Peach Streeter, 884 Peachtree - Best place in Midtown for early breakfast. Good homemade soups (try the Brunswick Stew).



Bill Becker, manager, and Jim Mace at Woody's, the restaurant that made Philly Cheese famous in Atlanta.

Deli sandwiches that are huge. Best desserts in Midtown.

Stein Club, 929 Peachtree - They may be the only straight pub in Midtown, but their chili is delicious.

Matthews, 1068 Peachtree - If you don't mind take-out, Matthews serves an entree with 3 veggies meal for lunch on weekdays. Lower priced than Silver Grill and just as good.

Magic, Peachtree and 12th - Chicken and Burgers. The chicken is nothing to crow about, but the hamburgers are. They are grilled and actually taste like real beef. If you like chicken livers, get them here — so many you'll never be able to eat them all.

Steve's, 1172 Peachtree - You won't get stuffed, but their sandwiches are good. Try the chicken salad. Interesting variety of homemade ice creams.

Varsity, 61 North Avenue - The World's Largest Drive-In Restaurant has it's detractors, but plenty of others love it. Famous for their chili dogs and onion rings. The food does tend to be a bit greasy.

have an extensive menu so it can get boring if you eat there regularly. Average food. Excellent fruit cobbles. Excellent service.

Mary Mac's, 224 Ponce de Leon - You not-quite-as-basic entree and three veggie diner. Generally considered one of the best southern style restaurants in Atlanta. Extensive selections that vary daily. Just open Monday through Friday.

Savannah Sea Foods, 463 Ponce de Leon - Take out only. Average food, but it's the only place in Midtown for inexpensive seafood.

Cha Gio, 970 Peachtree - The atmosphere is dismal but the food makes up for it. Everything on the menu doesn't fit our price but there is plenty that does. Soups are excellent. Try the fish or chicken and five spices. For that matter try anything — it's all good.

Touch of India, 970 Peachtree - This is a new place so we haven't tried everything. Warning: Indian cooks tend to use curry like we use salt. Good going in, but you will feel it later. Daily specials are your best bets.

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Woody's, 981 Monroe Drive - Fantastic Philadelphia Cheese Steak Sandwich. They also serve subs, hot dogs, and smoked sausage. The place is generally packed, but the service is fast.

Silver Grill, 900 Monroe - Your basic entree and three veggies diner. They don't

Taco Max, 1027 Peachtree - Tasty Mexican fare. Enchiladas and burritos are excellent. The tacos are just tacos. Definitely worth the trip. Largest selection of beer (foreign or domestic) in Midtown.

Hong Kong Kitchen, Spring Street (across from the Varsity) - All You Can Eat. If you want to pig out on Chinese this is the place. Cantonese cuisine. Average quality.

All the places we have reviewed do not require reservation. Casual attire is all that is required. Believe it or not, you can eat on a budget and enjoy your food.

PRESENTATION ON AIDS

Mike Gorman, an AIDS field researcher and immunologist for the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta, will give a presentation on AIDS at the next meeting of Dignity Atlanta, Sunday, September 18th.

The presentation was arranged by Dignity Atlanta chair David O'Shields as part of their monthly information programs. "We have made contact with Integrity, Lutherans and Unitarians; all of our sister organizations are invited," O'Shields said.

The program will be free and open to the public. In addition to a slide presentation and an information update, Gorman will answer all questions from the public.

The programs are scheduled for Dignity Atlanta's regular meeting place at Saint Anthony's Church at 928 Gordon St. near the intersection of Gordon and Ashby, just off of I-20 West. For more information call 874-1694.

MEN WANTED

Although some women's and men's "Life Assessment Groups" have already reached their limit of twelve participants, males are still being sought to fill the Wednesday night and Thursday night groups which meet at the Atlanta Gay Center.

Participants in the groups discuss such important life issues as coming out, employment, discrimination, substance use, lovers and sex partners, AIDS and family relationships. The format of the groups includes experienced "group leaders" who help focus and direct the discussion.

The cost of joining one of the Center's "Life Assessment Groups" is \$3 per session for AGC members; \$4 per session for nonmembers. Reservations and more information is available from the AGC Helpline between 6 and 11pm at 892-0661 or from 876-5372.

ORTON ALIVE & WELL

Alan Orton says the reports of his death are greatly exaggerated.

The award-winning Atlanta DJ became the object of tearful rumors last week because he had suddenly dropped out of sight. Orton says he is "alive and well and gaining weight" while visiting his Mom and Dad at their home near Seattle, Washington.

ATLANTA CHRISTIAN COUNCIL

members and representatives of Atlanta's lesbian/gay religious community have been invited to meet with the Board of Directors of the Atlanta Christian Council.

The meeting, scheduled for noon Wednesday, September 21st, is at the request of Dr. Don Newby, executive director of the Christian Council. Dr. Newby hopes that the meeting will provide a forum for the discussion of lesbian/gay issues from both a local and national perspective. The meeting is part of a continuing dialogue based on a growing concern for direct communication between lesbian/gay religious organizations and their mainstream counterparts. The Atlanta Christian Council is located at 848 Peachtree St., second floor, directly below the Atlanta Gay Center.

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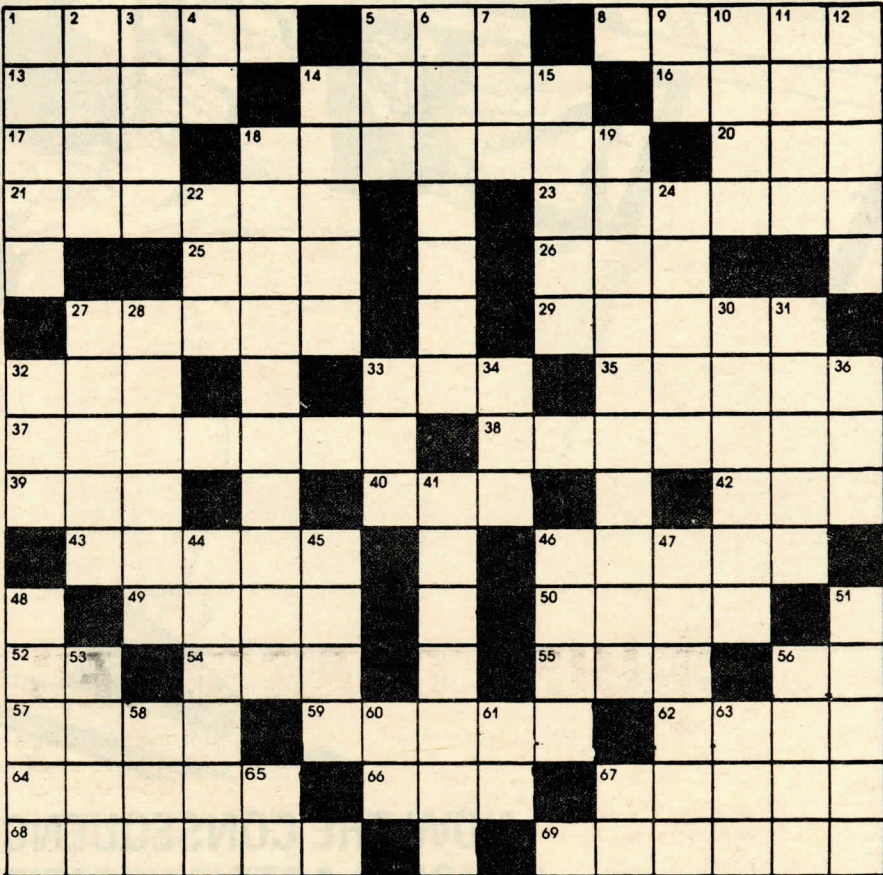
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14. Patron Saint of France
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17. Auto
18. Goofs
20. With maid or man
21. Goes in
23. Seward's Folly
25. Perch
26. River inlet
27. Rocky
32. Consumed
33. Exclamation
35. In control
37. Polifical bear
38. With eyes or fly
39. Urge, Scot.
40. German exclamation
42. ___ gratias
43. Join
46. Peace symbols
49. German poss. art.
50. Citizens
52. Thanks, British coll.
54. Picnic pest
55. Males
56. Street, abb.
57. Hails
59. Corpulent
62. Palm fruit
64. Nourished with
66. Part of i.e.

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68. With vanilla or champagne
69. With Potato salad or shepherd

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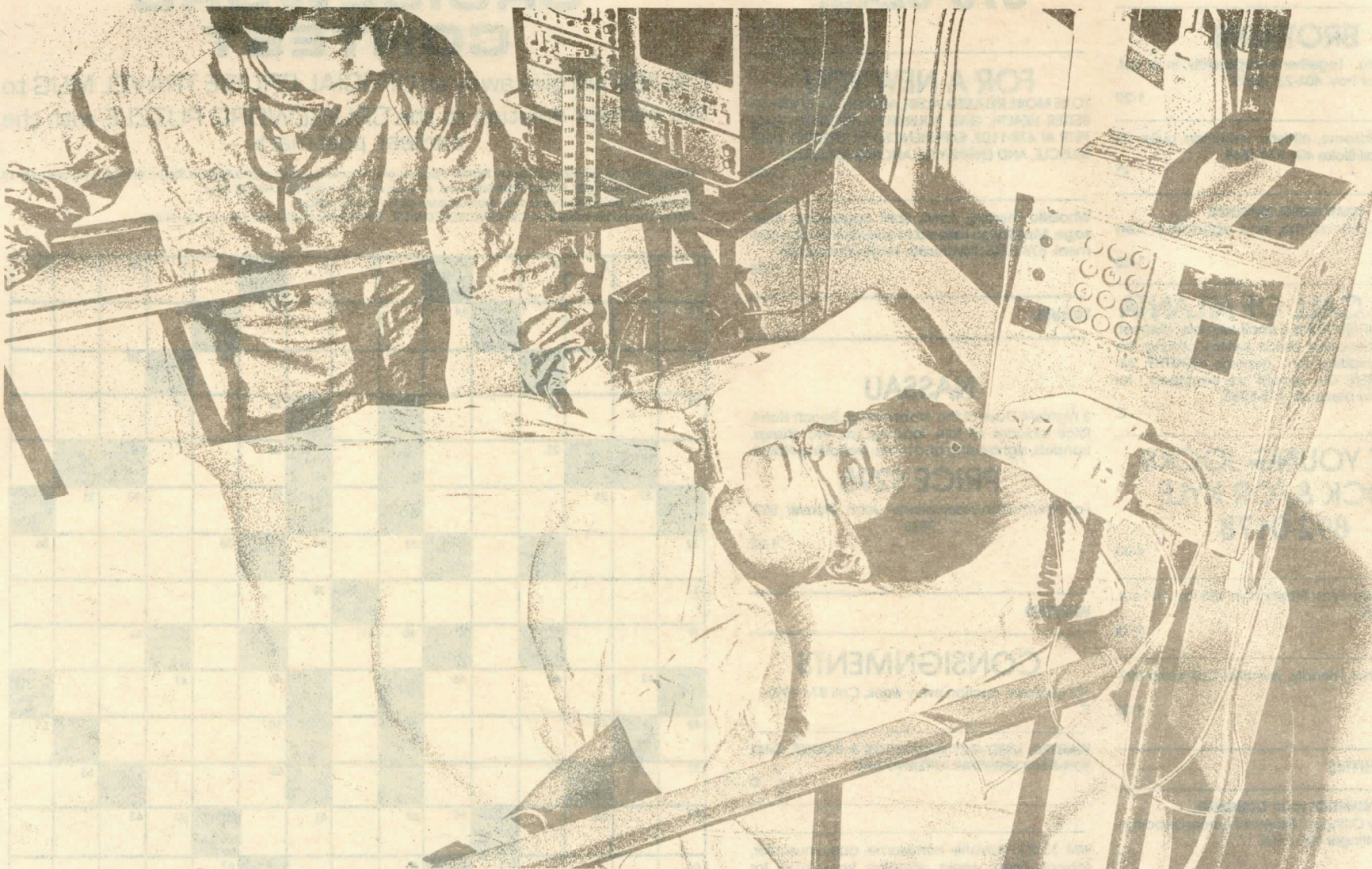
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2. Boy's name
3. Breach of contract
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5. Franklin or Johnson
6. Spin, in billiards
7. Nothing
9. Concerning
10. Stately trees
11. Biblical Well
12. Jewel weight
14. Powdery
15. Chars
18. ___ the Sheaves
19. Sends message schoolboy style
22. Prefix meaning inner
24. Moses brother
27. ___ und Drang
28. Tried
30. Dwells
31. Affirms
32. Exist
33. Fragments
34. Incendiary debris
36. Greek letter
41. With laundry or porcelain
44. Purpose

45. Prefix meaning within
46. 10 cents
47. Seller
48. Employees
51. Rear
53. Imply
56. Greek portico
58. Netherlands city
60. Exist
61. Abb. with Petersburg or Lawrence
63. Donation
65. GA neighbor
67. Cesium, chem. sym.

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DON'T TAKE A CHANCE— CONTACT YOUR DOCTOR OR CLINIC AND ASK ABOUT THE HEPATITIS B VACCINE.

It is highly effective in those who receive all three shots. Do it today because you never know where or when you'll make contact with a carrier.

If you'd like more information about hepatitis B and the vaccine, call The American Liver Foundation at (201) 857-2626.

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Studies showed that the vaccine protected against infection caused by hepatitis B virus in 85% to 96% of those who received the required three shots.

Hepatitis B virus is an important cause of viral hepatitis, a disease mainly of the liver. Even mild forms of this disease may lead to serious complications and aftereffects, including liver cancer. There is no specific treatment for viral hepatitis.

Vaccination is recommended for persons who have a higher risk of becoming infected with hepatitis B virus because of frequent, close contact with infected people or exposure to body fluids from such people. It will not protect against hepatitis caused by viruses other than hepatitis B virus.

Because of the long incubation period for hepatitis B, it is possible for unrecognized infection to be present at the time the vaccine is given. The vaccine may not prevent hepatitis B in such patients.

In three studies involving 3,350 persons, the overall rate of adverse reactions did not differ significantly in those given vaccine and those given placebo (an inactive substance). As with any vaccine, broad use often reveals rare adverse reactions not observed during clinical trials.

Over 200,000 people are estimated to have received the vaccine since its release, and the vaccine continues to be generally well tolerated. Hepatitis B has a long incubation period, and unrecognized infection may already be present at the time the vaccine is given. Thus, reported cases of hepatitis are to be expected and do not appear to be caused by the vaccine. Reactions such as fever, nausea, vomiting, headache, and local pain have occurred. Joint pain has been reported; rash has been reported rarely. Serious illnesses affecting the nervous system—including Guillain-Barré syndrome—have been reported rarely, but no cause and effect relationship has been established.