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EXPLOITATION of the Gay Liberation Movement by criminal syndicates, embezzlers, pseudo-religious groups, and even politicians has in the past year become a major problem which must be faced if the movement is to become a major force in reshaping society, and if the corner is to be turned in the battle against sexism.

Probably the major problem we face at this time is, what seems to many of us, an obvious and concerted effort by the same "syndicates" which have controlled the only social institutions Gay people have been allowed in this country—the bars and baths, to co-opt Gay Liberation and turn it into an advertising and public relations gimmick to perpetuate their control over Gay bars and baths, thus perpetuating and increasing their economic stranglehold on the Gay community and "keeping us in our place."

To fully understand how this particular kind of exploitation is taking place, one would have to be an expert in state liquor laws, licensing procedures and understand how deep the collusion is between the syndicate and the police. This is usually done by using what is known as a "front". To illustrate, a Gay person appears on the records as the "owner" of a particular bar or baths or restaurant. As for outward appearances, the operation looks "clean"—while it is in fact being used as a syndicate dope-drop, or a front for prostitution, or a conduit for hijacked liquor, or blackmail, or you-name-it. If there's money in it, they're doing it!

There are a number of ways you can find out if a particular establishment is being controlled by the syndicate; ask yourself some of these questions: Do the people who claim to be the owners have sufficient finances of their own to have opened the place? What is the background of the apparent owners? Have they previously had a history of working in syndicate-controlled places? Is the landlord of the building the same as in other buildings where there are syndicate operations? If it's a bar and they have dancing, do they have a cabaret license?

A number of Gay Lib organizations throughout the country have had their treasuries stolen or funds embezzled in the past couple of years. When any movement starts to attract widespread attention, there are always a few people around who see an easy way to make some money. They get into an organization, talk big about "Gay unity" or "Off the pig!" and before you know it, they're in a position of leadership, and eventually it's discovered that hundreds or thousands of dollars are missing. The most conspicuous example of this is the recent discovery in one of the largest established Gay organizations that the head of it had embezzled thousands over a period of several years.

The only way to keep this type of exploitation in the movement to a minimum is to make sure that your organization has adequate bookkeeping procedures, issues regular financial statements showing income and expense to the members and again, looks into the background and history of people who appear out of the blue and present themselves for leadership positions in the group.

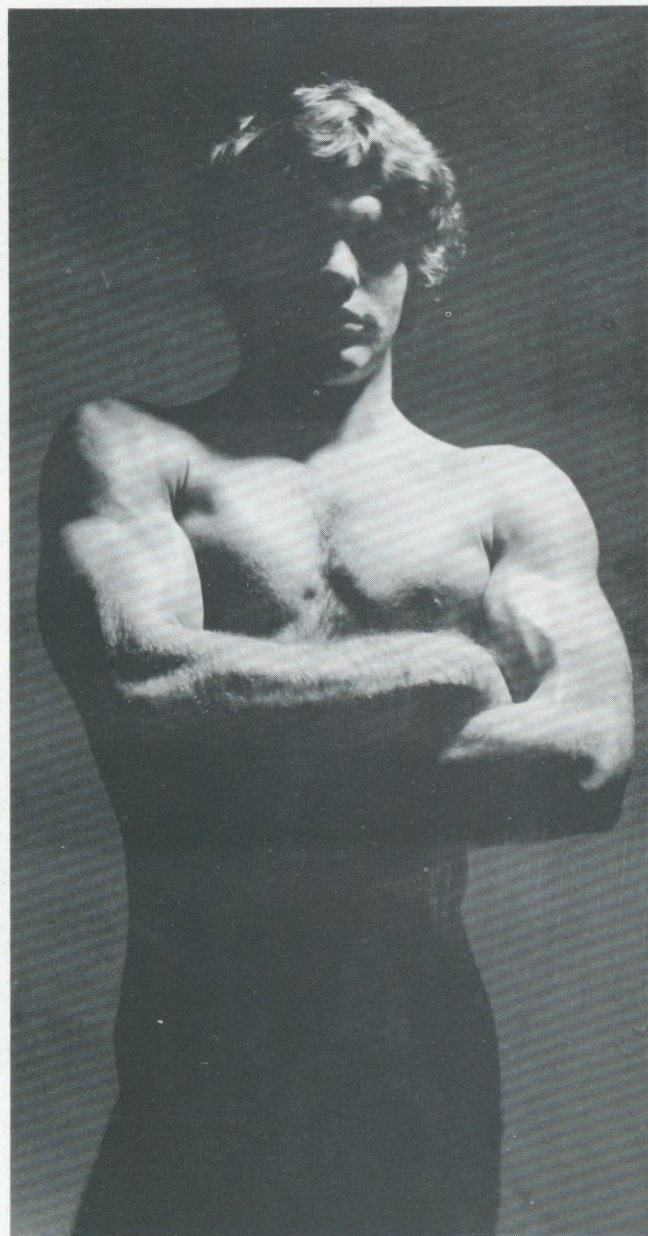
In the name of religion, a new kind of exploitation of Gay people is taking place in America. We now have the spectacle of people who last year were electrical engineers or bartenders, all of a sudden "finding religion" and becoming the pastor of a new Gay church, collecting fees for performing "marriage"

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Editorial

Exploitation & Gay Lib

By Craig Rodwell



METECUE

ing, so why waste time, motion and perfectly good spit? Smoothly 'cheek' it from these inner outlines to the center of the calves. You will find this a very sensitive area, and made even more so as he responds by flexing his *gastrocnemius* to signal his pleasure (which, of course, makes it all the more erotically inspirational for you!).

Press on. Now you're at the backs of his knees. They react beautifully to kiss 'n blowing. Plant three or four good smooches or licks here (it's a large area). Then 'cheek' it on up to the buttocks where you can take more time. However, don't delve into the mysteries of his anus or you may never get out. Besides, that's for something even more fascinating!

The midway point of your upward kiss-and-blow journey should be the base of his spine. Now change your technique to something more dramatic because you have a vaster area to sensitize. Lick, not kiss, the spine from its base right up to the middle of the shoulder blades. A big, juicy *swoosh!* This will drive him up the wall. But *don't blow dry*. Don't lose a second. After getting in your licks (if you'll forgive the expression) on his spine, while he's still shuddering with ecstasy flop him over like a hot griddle cake and begin the downward trip to the pubic area. (The sheet will absorb the moisture.)

STRICTLY FROM 'NIPPLESVILLE'

Having earlier sensitized his neck you might now begin a longer dalliance with his pectorals and nipples, commencing at the outer sector of the pectoral and kiss-and-blowing over to the nipple. There's so much more you can do nipple-wise by practicing the 'raisin trick' beforehand. In this you work with both the harder, sun-dried raisin (Sun Maid) and the softer, juicier sultana (even with a full-sized grape since nipples come in all sizes and shapes).

Place a raisin between teeth and tongue. Rotate it sensuously with your tongue (improvising wild patterns) then slide it from side to side with your teeth. Knead/press it with your lips but don't break the skin. Remember: this would be equally abrasive to a real, live nipple since the texture of the raisin and the skin of a nipple are amazingly similar. Gently does it! Whatever you can do with a raisin is easily transferable to a nipple.

A NIPPLE-NIPPING VARIATION

In actual nipple-sensitization you can add variety to this by pressing your slightly-parted teeth against the nipple, leaving a space for the tip of your tongue to emerge and moisten the nipple. Then, as the moisture is applied, *inhale* through your teeth (making some sexy sounds if you like) to effect evaporation of moisture. Don't chew or bite unless you have determined that he desires this, otherwise you may find yourself stone cold on the floor hours later with lover long gone! Continue to cheek-massage/kiss-and-blow/lick-and-blow your way down to his navel where you will want to tarry a bit since this is a vast erogenous zone that can take a lot of sensitizing. Pull out all the stops! Then begin the final leg of your journey to his pubic paradise where you can improvise as madly as you are driven to . . . secure in the knowledge
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that he is now totally eroticized!

THIS ONE'S A REAL 'ORGASS'!

However overpowering any of these erotic sensitizers may prove, the effect of them can be heightened to an almost unbearable poignancy with a pair of *sleek fur gloves* (mink, sable, seal, pony, fawn, even Guernsey . . . but never synthetic because of the static electricity they generate). While you work the sensual miracles of kiss-and-blow give your lover a *fur massage*. There is no need to describe a particular technique because once you've put on the gloves you just do what comes naturally, freely, animalistically.

A fur massage under the testicles during *fellatio* can blast him into such an orgasm it'll come out your ears. Better have some sponges handy . . . it's a real 'orgass'! (Also this is a good ploy for a lover who is difficult to bring to orgasm—or slow. No lallygagging here!)

Be sure that only the fur comes in contact with his body. Inasmuch as the palm-sides of gloves are usually of leather or some cold, stiff material, simply wear the left glove on your right hand and the right glove on your left, inside out, and you'll have no problem.

The effect on your lover—especially in the dark—is absolutely phantasmagorical . . . as if he were being raped by a *minotaur*. This astounding sensation you will equally share because the moment you put on your gloves you are transported in time backward 2000 years to the plains of Crete . . . half man, half bull with pawing hooves (fur-gloved hands), and phallus at the ready! It is the ultimate sensuality.

Please don't miss this experience lest, as T. S. Eliot says, "Footfalls echo in the memory down the passage which we did not take . . ."

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EXPLOITATION & GAY LIB

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ceremonies which are poor imitations of hetero marriage rites, not to mention a very subtle way of telling Gay people that they should be like heteros by aping their institutions—such as marriage, church-sponsored skin flick festivals, bingo, and collecting large sums for "missionary" work. Don't be misled . . . there's big money in religion.

The form of exploitation of our people which upsets me most is when politicians solicit our votes with big promises; but when they get elected, they forget about us and their promises. The most outstanding example of this is U.S. Rep. Bella Abzug (D-Manhattan) who, during her campaign for the House in 1970, appeared before Gay organizations in New York City promising to submit bills in Congress to guarantee to Gay people nationally equal opportunity in employment and housing. It is generally agreed in her Congressional District that the margin of her victory was attributed to her heavy support from Gay people. But, of course, since her election a year and a half ago, she has done nothing for Gay people that she promised.

At a Candidates Night meeting in Greenwich House shortly before the election,

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Bella was asked in front of 400 people if she would pledge to march with her Gay constituents in the June 1971 Christopher Street Liberation Day march. She stood, placed her hand over her heart and promised to do so. This promise elicited the only standing ovation received by any of the candidates that evening. And yet, when Christopher Street Liberation Day rolled around and 20,000 Gay people were marching, Congresswoman Abzug was sitting at home. She didn't even bother to make excuses or apologies—just silence. Needless to say, she will not receive the same wide support from Gay people in her re-election campaign.

The most offensive form of political exploitation of Gay Liberation recently has come from the so-called Socialist Workers Party (SWP). Until about a year ago, Gay people who were discovered in the SWP were unceremoniously kicked out of the party. But when Gay Liberation started to become a mass movement, all of a sudden, virtually overnight, SWP began to heavily exploit Gay Lib in New York, Houston, Washington, Los Angeles, Chicago and other cities. Almost every issue of their party newspaper, *The Militant*, contained articles on Gay Liberation and gave the impression that SWP not only supported the movement but was a founder of it.

Most of the mass peace marches in the past few years have been organized by SWP members and front groups such as the New York Peace Action Coalition. You may have seen some of their full-page ads in New York papers advertising these marches and listing names of people who supported them; and in the past year, those lists have included the same 4 or 5 individuals in the Gay Liberation movement who like to present themselves as the "leaders and spokesmen of the Homosexual Community." I should add here that I, too, was approached by SWP to have my name included in these ads; and to the best of my knowledge, I was the only person who declined and I told them why. Namely, by having these endorsements by the same 4 or 5 individuals as representing Gay Liberation, the movement tends to be defined nationally and locally by the views and personalities of these people; thus SWP is attempting to define the Gay Liberation movement. (Incidentally, SWP is controlled and run by honky hetero men.)

The Gay movement is a diverse and constantly evolving and changing organism; and we must resist attempts by media or syndicates or clergy or political parties to pigeonhole us, to label us, to define us, or to tell us who our leaders are, if, indeed, we need "movement stars." John Kyper of Boston's Gay Male Liberation, summed it up well in his recent article in *WIN Magazine*, on "Will Success Spoil Gay Lib?":

"To date, the movement's openness has been its greatest strength. No one voice can speak as the spokesman for gay liberation. There is a healthy, if at times trying, interplay of ideas; and a variety of organizations now exists to fulfill different needs. The purpose of gay liberation is to give homosexuals an outlet from the paranoia that society forces upon us. Not only do we want to create

alternatives to the bars and the urban meat racks; we must also challenge the Social Lie through political action. We must encourage an atmosphere where gay people can trust each other."

And we will build this common trust in many ways, one of which is by becoming more sophisticated both socially and politically by being aware of the exploiters in our ranks and by judging our movement friends not by what they say but by what they do. Actions *do* speak louder than words.

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ALFRED REDL (Continued from page 33)

had plenty of both.

In the army he discovered the real reason why he had not liked girls in his adolescence, and learned why the prostitutes the other cadets consorted with were so repulsive to him. He was gay, and his first affair, with another cadet, soon led to a succession of affairs. Redl was an ardent lover, and as he got into his thirties and moved toward his forties, his preference was for men considerably younger than himself, and he liked to shower them with gifts.

But that presented a problem, for Redl was already living beyond his means, and his career was threatened by a tower of debts. Russian agents found out about his homosexuality and made him an offer he could not refuse. They were willing to pay for information about Austria's defense plans which Redl had ready access to as deputy chief of intelligence. The alternative? Exposure of Redl's homosexuality to his army superiors.

It was sexual blackmail, but Redl had little choice but to accept. Disgrace, court-martial, and dismissal from the army was the alternative. So Redl stole secrets, for which he was handsomely paid. He lived more and more luxuriously, explaining away his fine apartment and its splendid appointments as the proceeds of a legacy. His was a gay life in many ways, but with a Damocles sword hanging over him at all times. He got in deeper and deeper, and was in the midst of an expensive love affair with a beautiful young officer when his treason was discovered. He was allowed to take his own life because the army wanted to avoid the scandal of an open trial, although there was scandal enough anyway, and the Redl affair rocked chancelleries all over Europe. The colonel's young lover, who had been unaware of Redl's treason, was drummed out of the service. It was 1913, the eve of the beginning of the first World War.

Alfred Redl was forty-nine when he pulled the trigger that ended his life. Ten years later his remains were removed from their resting place because no one came forward to pay the next decade's grave rent.

His remains vanished forever, but the effect of his life on history still has not. The Redl case has been cited time and again in attempts to argue that homosexuals are security risks in positions involving confidential information useful to an enemy.

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