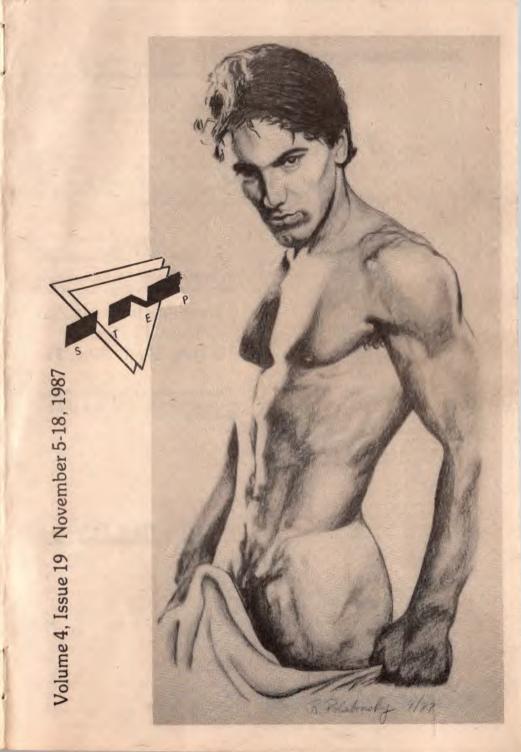


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Cover Story

Tom Polubinsky is another new artist to grace the pages of In Step with his talent. Tom claims he has no professional training, "it's just a hobby of mine," he said when asked. "I was in San Francisco and saw artwork hanging on the walls in the bars that was for sale, and thought to myself, "I can do that'", and indeed he can. The piece on the cover is for sale. Contact In Step if you're interested.

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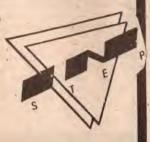
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State Crime Bill Targets Gay Bashing

Madison State Representative David Clarenbach introduced a bill Oct. 23rd that increases the penalities for gay bashing and other crimes motivated by bigotry.

Assembly Bill 599, which has over twenty legislative co-sponsors, hikes fines and jail sentences for crimes committed with the intention of intimidating members of a minority group.

Clarenbach said the state has an interest and a duty to protect minorities from harassment.

"Despite the gains in civil rights during the past few decades, violence and harassment toward members of minority groups still rears its ugly head. We see swastikas painted on synagogues, and other signs of race hatred, religious intolerance and gay bashing.

"This bill sends the message that in Wisconsin we consider crimes notivated by bigotry to be especially offensive," said Clarenbach. "It puts crimes intended to intimidate minorities in a special category and stiffens the penalties for those actions."

Minority groups covered by AB 599 are "protected classes" that are the subject of state law prohibiting discrimination. Crimes motivated in part by the victim's age, race, religion, creed, color, physical condition, developmental disability, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, political affiliation, ancestry, marital status or arrest or conviction record are included under the bill.

Fines for misdemeanors and for felonies under the bill would increase by up to \$10,000. Maximum jail sentences for misdemeanors under the bill would increase to one year. Prison sentences for felonies may increase by five years.

Editors Note: In Step urges you to contact your state legislators and ask them to support passage of this important bill.

Senate Votes Against Pro-Gay AIDS Education

Washington [Windy City Times]- The U.S. Senate voted Wednesday, Oct. 14, to deny federal funding for AIDS educational material that promotes homosexuality. The vote was 94-2 in favor of a measure promoted by right-wing Sen. Jesse Helms (R-N.C.), amending a \$129 billion appropriations bill for the Health and Human Services and Labor departments. The appropriation contains \$310 million for AIDS education efforts overseen by the Centers for Disease Control.

Helms launched an attack on a sexually explicit comic book distributed by Gay Men's Health Crisis in New York to promote safe sex. "We've got to call a spade a spade and a perverted human being a perverted human being a perverted human being." declared Helms. Only Sen. Lowell Weicker (R-Conn) and Sen. Daniel Moyniham (D-N.Y.) voted against the Helms amendment. The comic book was published with private funding.

Noting that the amendment could cut off CDC funds to gay and lesbian agencies that operate gay-affirmative AIDS education campaigns, Human Rights Campaign Fund director Vic Basile termed the Helms attack "a totally irrelevant issue... Education programs within the gay community are frontline weapons against the spread of AIDS. This education is essential if we are to see a limit to the deaths," Basile said.

The appropriations bill now moves to a joint House-Senate conference committee. Gay and lesbian community members are being urged to pressure their senators and representatives to remove the restrictive language.

Hate Crime Bill Passes Judiciary Committee

[NGLTF]- Intensive efforts by the National Gay & Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF), the American Psychological Association, the ACLU and other organizations, have resulted in the passage of a Hate Crimes

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Statistics Bill (H.R. 3193), mandating the federal collection of statistics on crimes motivated by sexual orientation, race, religion and ethnicity. The Judiciary Committee of the U.S. House of Representatives voted 21 to 13 in favor of the bill, which was sponsored by Rep. John Conyers (D-MI). Wisconsin Representative Robert Kastenmeer (D) voted in favor, however Jim Sensenbrenner (R) voted against the bill.

An amendment to remove the "sexual orientation" provision was introduced by Rep. George Gekas (R-PA), but failed by a 22 to 11 vote, with 2 members not voting. Arguing against the amendment, Judiciary Committee member Rep. Barney Frank (D-MA) said that removing the "sexual orientation" provision would send a message — even if unintended — that anti-gay violence is acceptable or less reprehensible than other crimes motivated by prejudice.

"Today's vote is a victory for all those concerned with ending crime motivated by bigotry," said Kevin Berrill, Director of the NGLTF Anti-Violence Project. "Bills addressing lesbian and gay concerns have not gotten far in Congress. In this context, it is very gatifying that the urgent problem of anti-gay/lesbian violence has moved so far in the legislative process. The vote recognizes that anti-gay violence is a serious problem which deserves to be addressed alongside other types of crimes notivated by prejudice."

All supporters of the Hate Crimes Statistics Bill are urged to contact their own representatives to support the measure: H.R. 3193.

AIDS Commission: Musical Chairs

Washington [Chi. Outlines]- On Oct. 13
President Reagan's AIDS Commission
announced that Polly L. Gault,
formerly staff director of the Senate
Subcommittee on Education, Arts and
Humanities will replace Linda D. Shaeffer
as executive director of the panel, according to the New York Times News Service.
Retired Adm. James D. Watkins, recently
appointed chairman of the commission
after the resignation of former chairman

Dr. W. Eugene Mayberry and vicechairman Dr. Woodrow A. Myers, Jr. identified the appointment as marking "a new stage of heightened productivity" for the commission. Watkins reported that two new commission members will soon be elected to replace Mayberry and Myers, and said the commission also plans to add more members to its professional staff, currently numbering two in addition to Gault.

Dr. Frank Lilly, the only openly gay member of the commission, who is considering adding his resignation to Mayberry and Myers', told **The Washington Blade** that his decision will depend on who is appointed to fill out the 13 member panel.

The American Civil Liberties Union, Public Citizen, and four other groups active in working against AIDS have asked a federal court to place a legal hold on Pres. Reagan's AIDS commission, according to Associated Press. The suit alleges that the commission violates the Federal Advisory Committee Act, which states that advisory groups created to address a particular problem must be broad in constitution. The groups ask that a hold be maintained until members are appointed who have experience in dealing with the disease.

Ben-Shalom To Be Made A Sergeant

[Milw. Journal]- Miriam Ben-Shalom will be promoted to sergeant's rank, the Army Reserve agreed Oct. 26 in settling a dispute that followed the Milwaukee woman's court victory against the military's ban on homosexuals.

Federal lawyers informed Ben-Shalom that she would be moved up from "acting sergeant" to sergeant and given a small amount of back pay.

A Federal Appeals Court ruling in August made Ben-Shalom one of the first to win reinstatement to military service after being discharged under the Army's ban on homosexuals. The decision ended a decade-long battle that began with her 1976 discharge from the 84th Reserve unit in Milwaukee.

Lobby Days Termed a Huge Success

[NGLTF] More than 800 lesbians and gay men, and our supporters, met with members of Congress during two days of lobbying activity which preceded the National March on Washington for Lesbian & Gay Rights. On October 8th and 9th, 1987, 90 Senators and over 200 Representatives were lobbied by constituents on the demands of the March.

Organizers have declared the event a huge success. "We achieved just what we set out to accomplsih," explained NGLTF Lobbyist Peri Judge. "We articulated the demands of the March to members of Congress, we pushed key pieces of federal legislation, we built support for other bills, and we secured commitments for votes on legislation that is rapidly moving through Congress."

Additional copies of the lobby day briefing materials produced by NGLTF are still available. The packet can be obtained from the NGLTF, State Action Lobby, 1517 U Street NW, Washington, D.C. 20009.

NGLTF Releases Political Action Packets

[NGLTF]- Washington, D.C.- The National Gay and Lesbain Task Force announces the release of political action packets to inform, inflame and inspire gay and lesbian activists and organizers working on the state level.

Focused on five central issues — sodomy laws, AIDS, family issues, hate crimes and civil rights protection — the packets include fact sheets on legislative campaigns within the past year. Also included are resource materials to help activists develop effective statewide action networks and information on NGLTF organizing projects which deal with sodomy laws and hate crimes.

The packets are a part of NGLTF's on-going State Action Lobby, whose aims are to press the gay/lesbian agenda at the state level. packets may be obtained by writing the NGLTF State Action Lobby, 1517 U Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20009.

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Prisons Launch AIDS Program

Washington [Chi. Tribune]- The Bureau of Prisons immediately will begin segregating federal inmates displaying "predatory or promiscuous behavior" who test positive for the AIDS virus, the Justice Department announced Oct. 23.

The announcement was made simultaneously with the relase of statistics showing that nearly 500 prison inmates, about 3 percent of those tested under a pilot program in the federal prison system, have tested positive for the AIDS virus.

There currently are 31 cases of AIDS in the federal prison system, out of a population of more than 44,000.

The Justice Department said the government will launch a five-part mandatory AIDS-testing program effective immediately.

Among those who will be tested are those "who have exhibited predatory or promiscous behavior," the statement said.

Inmates in that category "who test

positive for the AIDS virus will be separated from the general inmate population," the statement added.

Inmates who are segregated will be housed in single-person cells and won't eat, work or have recreational activities with the prison's general population, said Patricia Sledge, a Bureau of Prisons spokeswoman.

Predatory behaviour would be attributed to someone who has been known to rape other inmates, she said.

The testing plan was questioned immediately by the ational Prison Project of the American Civil Liberties Union.

"There's no problem with isolating predatory inmates; we've been arguing in favor of that all along," said Urvashi Vaid, a spokeswoman for the prison project. But "the question of what is promiscous behavior is one that's open to interpretation. We think prisoners as adults ought to be able to engage in consensual sexual activity."

GROUP NOTES V

New Hope MCC Celebrates Anniversary

Kenwood United Methodist Church, 2319 E. Kenwood Blvd., will be the sight of New Hope's first anniversary service. The service, to be held on Sunday, November 29, 1987, at 6:30 P.M., will celebrate both the first anniversary of New Hope MCC and the growth which has taken place during the past year. When New Hope held its first service on November 30, 1986, it was a small parish extension of Good Shepherd Parish in Chicago. Since then,



the parish community has grown to 40 members. At a recent MCC Great Lakes District conference in Cincinnati, Ohio, New Hope was granted New Works status, which means that New Hope MCC is now an independent parish. Also at the District Conference New Hope's pastor, David Calentine, was named "Pastor of the Year."

In addition to the anniversary service, New Hope MCC is holding an Anniversary Banquet on November 21, 1987. The banquet is scheduled to be held at Jet's Place at 7:00 P.M. This banquet is open to at 7:00 P.M. This banquet is open to members and non-members. Further information on the banquet can be obtained from Don at 933-6931.

New Hope's weekly services are held on Sunday evenings, at 6:30 P.M., at Kenwood United Methodist Church. Further information about New Hope MCC can be obtained by calling 442-7300.

MG/LCN Announces Cablecast of Forum

Milwaukee Gay/Lesbian Cable is excited to annouce the upcoming dates for cablecast of the "Milwaukee Mayoral Candidate Forum for the Gay & Lesbian Community." The 104 minute. program on Milwaukee Cable Channel 14 (MATA public access) is scheduled for: Friday, Movember 27, 9 pm; Sunday, December 27, 8 pm; and Monday, January 18, 8 pm.

The program was cosponsored by Lambda Rights Network, Cream City Business Association, Black & White Men Together, and In Step Magazine. The program featues audience questions asked by moderator Dave Begel of WISN TV Channel 12 to six of the mayoral candidates: Dennis Conta, who has since withdrawn from the race, Lee Holloway, Donna Horowitz-Richards, John Norquist, Kevin Robinson, and Martin Schreiber. The Forum also featured comments from Julia Kleppin and Ralph Navarro, of Lambda Rights, Karen Gotzler of Cream City Business, and Michael Lisowski, of BWMT.

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(MAP). All the prizes, etc. were donated by the club, and the packed crowd at the Boot Camp managed to raise \$616 for MAP. The grand raffle prize that night, a round trip air ticket on Northwest Airlines for anywhere in the continental U.S., certainly helped to spur the crowds generosity; it was won by John Condon of the Castaways M.C.

Saturday, October 24th the Beer Town Badgers hosted an appreciation night for all those that helped make their Club Nite's such a huge success. Held from 4-7 PM, there was free beer and complimentary lunch for those in attendance. As usual the Beer Town Badgers did an excellent job on this fundraiser; the club, its officers, and the Boot Camp are to be congratulated on a job well done!

"We Don't Have Homos Here, We Shoot 'Em'

Des Moines, IA [New Works News]-When Dr. Laverne Wintermeyer, head of the Iowa Health Department's Bureau of Contagious Diseases was asked why the state has a relatively low number of AIDS cases, his response was enough to send local gay people running for their bulletproof jackets. Wintermever stated that it was "difficult to practice" homosexuality or IV drug use in the state because of "social pressures" there. "I don't know what they'd (local residents) do, whether they go in your room and shoot you or what, but they're not going to allow it," he said. The Gay Coalition of Des Moines has asked for an apology from Wintermeyer for "life-threatening statements" made about gay people and for implying that Iowans are inclined to murder. Wintermeyer has stated he was quoted out of context, but when invited to explain what the context of his statements were, he withheld comment.

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GLC-UWM Update

The Gay and Lesbian Community at UW-Milwaukee will hold a general meeting on Monday, November 16, 1987 at 5PM to 7pm in the 8th Note Coffee House (Union ground floor). Thre will be a guest speaker present from the American Civil Liberties Union to discuss the rights of gay people.

This meeting is open to the community at large, as well as students, for more information contact GLC-UWM at 229-6566.

GLC-UWM will also be presenting "Video Sunday." Sunday, Nov. 15 from 1 to 7 pm in the Union's 8th Note Coffee House. There will be no admission and the general public is once again cordially invited to attend. They will be screening 3 to 4 films. Call for details.

The Gay & Lesbian Community at UWM would like to extend a special thank you to the management and staff of Fannies and C'est LaVie. Both bars supported GLC in their University Night fundraisers that were held on C'est LaVie on Sept. 25 and October 2, and at Fannies on Oct. 16

GLC TO SEND BUS TO MADISON HARVEST BALL

The Ten Percent Society at UW-Madison will hold its annual Harvest Ball on Saturday, November 21, in the Great Hall of the Memorial Union. The Gay & Lesbian Community at UWM will be sending a deluxe motorcoach to the dance in Madison. The cost will be \$10 per person, which includes round trip transportation, munchies on the bus, and admission to the dance (B.Y.O.B. on the bus). The bus will leave the UWM Union at 7:00p.m. and will leave Madison to return to Milwaukee at 1:30 a.m.

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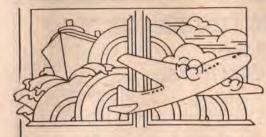
separate carol-singing tour of a MAP hospice, nursing homes, a children's hospital, and possibly a mall, according to Bob Kozminski, the Singers' General Manager.

"In the spirit of sharing the meaning of the holidays, we invite all those interested to join us in this 'Seasonal Goodwill Tour' as we go a-caroling." Please phone 476-SING for full information.

Beer Town Badgers Hold MAP Fund Raiser

Friday, October 16th the Beer Town Badgers, held their annual Club Nite to benefit the Milwaukee AIDS Project Continued on page 41

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In addition to special programming such as the Mayoral Candidate Forum, Milwaukee Gay/Lesbian Cable Network also produces TRI-CABLE Tonight, the monthly half hour magazine-style format program about the community. The Network has produced ten programs on the Gay/Lesbian community since the group's formation. October 1986, and serves as a committee of the Cream City Foundation, Milwaukee's non-profit charitable Gay/Lesbian philantrophy. For additional information please write to MGLCN, c/o Cream City Foundation, P.O. Box 204, Milwaukee, WI 53202 or call executive producers Bruce Clark (271-7812) or Mark Behar (277-7671).

Laws Hit Porn Shops In Kenosha

[Chicago Tribune]- Two ordinances to regulate adult bookstores and theaters in Kenosha County, have been passed unanimously by the Kenosha County Board.

One ordinace would impose fines ranging from \$500 to \$10,000 for anyone

convicted of engaging in sexual acts in the stores and theaters. The other alters requirements for the construction of the stores' 25-cent "peep show" booths.

Kenosha County District Atty. Robert Zapf said the sexual conduct ordinance is designed to "protect the health, safety and morals of citizens of Kenosha County and control sexually transmitted diesease which have been found to occur in adult entertainment centers."

Both ordinances were passed unanimously by the 25 members present at the Board of Supervisors meeting Oct. 20.

The action follows the recent arrests on charges of lewd sexual conduct of 10 persons in the bookstores, most of which are located along Hwy. 94 near the Illinois border. Those arrests were made by undercover Kenosha County sheriff's deputies.

The "peep show" ordinance requires that the small, coin-operated movie booths be open to public view, be occupied by only one person at a time and have adequate lighting.

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sible," he said. "I have wondered many a time if some of the children we saw in the 1970's with various other infectuous diseases might really have had AIDS."

The AIDS epidemic may be less than a decade old, but according to the Tribune, most virologists agree that there is no such thing as a truly new disease — only diseases that have been newly discovered. The AIDS virus, they say, surely did not spring to life full blown in this decade or even this century, and probably not in this millenium.

To the question of when AIDS was first identified there are a number of answers. Blood samples of gay men from N.Y.C. and San Francisco taken in 1977 and 1978 and kept frozen since then show that some of these men had already been exposed to HIV. But HIV wasn't identified until 1983, and those sample weren't tested until two years ago.

The first case of what public health officials now officially recognize as AIDS was in a gay black security guard who checked into a New York hospital in April of

1979 and died of PCP a year later. That case was followed by a score of similar ones over the next 18 months in New York, S.F. and Los Angeles, most of them gay white men, heroin addicts or both, all of them with either PCP or KS.

As researchers test even older frozen blood samples, the possibility is there that even earlier cases of HIV antibody positive results will be discovered. What does all this mean? Researchers still don't know when the disease arrived in this country, or where it came from.

The cases outlined raise more questions than they answer.

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Three of the five contestants, one was disqualified and another didn't want his picture to appear on these pages.





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YOUR HEALTH

AIDS Lab At County Hospital

[Milw. Sentinel]- A special isolated laboratory to grow and study the virus that causes AIDS is being set up at Milwaukee County Medical Complex in Wauwatosa.

Paul Turner, an expert in infectious diseases, said Oct. 28 that the lab would be used to try to learn how the human immuno-deficiency virus, or HIV, develops once it has invaded a person. Virus for study would be grown in the lab, where precautions would be used in handling and working with the fatal virus.

No existing lab in Wisconsin is equipped to grow and study the virus. The lab at the county hospital also will be used to learn better ways to treat AIDS patients, Turner said.

Turner, an assistant professor of medicine at the Medical College of Wisconsin, said research will attempt to determine the "natural history" of the virus, which is easy to grow in the lab.

He plans to study the effectiveness of blood tests used to determine whether a patient has been infected with HIV. Research will also look into antiviral medicines used to fight the virus directly, as well as medicines to fight the infections AIDS patients suffer.

EARLY CASES SHATTER AIDS THEORIES

Blood serum samples dating back to 1959 have tested positive for the antibody to the Human Innunodeficiency Virus (HIV), the antibody associated with AIDS, according to an investigative story in the Oct. 25 issue of the Chicago Tribune.

An anonymous resident of Kinshasa, Zaire, whose blood was drawn for a sample, and preserved for later testing, now tests positive for the antibody to HIV.

Also in 1959, a British sailor presented himself at the Royal Infirmary in Manchester, England. For nearly two years the

young sailor said he had suffered from strange purplish lesions on his back and shoulders. Then just before Christmas of 1958 his condition took a turn for the worse. The slighest exertion left him breathless, and he had a bad case of night sweats. He lost weight at an alarming rate, experienced unremitting fatigue and developed a spiking fever. After growing steadily weaker, he died in August of 1959. An autopsy showed evidence of pneumocystis carinii penumonia (PCP). Until then the dozen or so cases of PCP on record around the world has occured only after a drug or disease had dealt some obvious blow to the patients immune system. But the sailor's doctors could find no apparent immune

Again in 1959, a 48 year old shipping clerk, who had come to New York City from his native Haiti three decades before, was having a strange illness. The clerk developed many of the same symptions as the sailor — shortness of breath, loss of weight, headache, sore throat and malaise, continuous fatigue and night sweats. he too died and PCP proved to be the cause of death and no underlying disease or immune deficiency could be found.

According to the Tribune, the pathologist who performed the man's autopsy, Dr. Gordon R. Hennigar, when asked if he believed, in retrospect, that the man might have had AIDS, the doctor replied, "You bet." He continued "it was so unusual at the time, Lord knows how many cases of AIDS have been autopsied that we didn't even know had AIDS."

Dr. Hennigar and doctors in Manchester, England are not alone. A number of other physicians interviewed by the Tribune had the conclusion that AIDS may have been responsible for otherwise inexplicable deaths going back 30 years or more.

In 1966, a 50-year-old black woman died in Miami after three months of chills, fever, weakness, weightloss. An autopsy found extensive Kaposi's Sarcoma (KS), but no apparent immune deficiency. That same year a black man, 54, was admitted to a hospital in Columbus, Ohio, with KS. KS was thought by American physicians to be exotic and quite rare. Of 13,700 cancers recorded at the University of Chicago's

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tumor registry between 1946 and 1960, only 8 were identified as KS.

The Tribune articles next delve into the case of Robert R., a St. Louis black teenager who falls ill in Feb. 1967. For nearly two years his lower legs and genitals had been swollen. He had grown thin and pale, fatigued and short of breath. His bloodstream swarmed with the microbe called Chlamydia. Over the next two years he would stabalize, then fall ill, again. Then in early '69 his breathing became more labored, and his white blood cell count plummeted. He developed a fever, went into convulsions and died in May. Blood samples taken during his autopsy later tested postivie for HIV. Also at autopsy Robert was found to have KS of the rectum and anus, which is an unusual place for KS to be.

If those test results are correct, and if HIV is truly associated with AIDS, it means that the AIDS virus has existed in this country for at least 10 years before the first two cases of AIDS-related KS began showing up in white gay males in New York City.

The implications of such a conclusion are profound, for the length of time the AIDS virus has been present may not only determine how many Americans have been exposed to it but reveal much that so far is unknow about the past and future course of the disease.

However Robert acquired the virus, he must have gotten it from someone, since no viruses can exist for long outside the human body. And whether he passed it on or not, the presence of HIV in this country as early as 1968 raises important questions about the current thinking on the genesis of AIDS.

Among other suspect victims are a number of children. Dr. Senih Fikrig, director of pediatric immunology at the State University of New York's Health Sciences Center, recalled seeing a previously healthy seven month old black infact with PCP in 1975. "If we had seen the same child today, our first thought would have been AIDS," Dr. Fikrig said. Dr. Mado Rao, a colleague who consulted on the case agreed. "It's certainly pos-

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The Great March Letters Project

Dear Editor:

I was so emotionally moved by the March on Washington for love and life, October 10-11, that I must thank you, my gay and lesbian brothers and sisters, our friends and relatives, for coming to my home and making my city so beautiful with your love and solidarity. I will carry the experience with me always and it will nourish me in a million situations.

I want to honor and enhance the love and communion we created in Washington by keeping the spirit of the March alive. I want to do this by publishing a compilation of letters expressing the feelings, thoughts and experiences of those of you who came to Washington and participated in the March.

The March was a unique experience in all of our lives and it will make our community stronger if we know how the other hundreds of thousands of gay and lesbian people, their friends and relatives felt about the March. It will be more than a souvenir, it will be a tangible reminder of individual and collective aspirations. Therefore, I call it the Great March Letters Project.

I am sending this letter to gay and lesbian newspapers and bookstores across the country to reach as many as I can that came to the March. You can help me tell others about the Letters Project if you will and contribute a valuable page to our history.

As a practical matter, I ask you to write Legibly on White paper, using typewriter or Dark Ink. Please include where you live, your age, and whether you are a gay man, a lesbian or a friend or relative. Include only your initials on the letter if you do not want your name published. I will photocopy your letter; I cannot transcribe it or decipher it. If you have other correspondence, please include it on a separate sheet. I do not have the resources to respond to inquiries but I will place an announcement in this paper or bookstore when the Great March Letters

Project is available. Please send your letters to: Stephen Westfall, P.O. Box 11509, Cleveland Park Station, Washington, D.C. 20008.

Stephen Westfall Washington, D.C.

To In Step and Milwaukee:

First, I would like to thank Ron Geiman on behalf of myself and Paul Mancuso's friends to inserting the small memoriam, at the last minute, in the last issue of In Step. THANK YOU.

Secondly, I would like to express heartfelt thanks to those persons, whose names I don't know, for their immediate response on Saturday evening, October 17th, in coming to Paul's aid. You gave your all in trying to help him. GOD BLESS YOU.

Thirdly, thanks to all of Paul's friends for their continued support to each other. We all loved Paul and we all know he loved us.

Fourthly, I have heard of recent criticism of me, because I elected to close the YP for 4½ hours on Tuesday, October 20th, out of respect for Paul. To those critics, Paul may have ONLY been a part-time bartender at YP, but, that part-time work was over a period of six years, and he was loved by all who worked with him and all who know him and he deserved a measure of respect at his death. If what my critics are looking for is an apology for my actions, I'm sorry, I don't feel an apology is in order. It's just too bad that there are still people who evidently haven't learned what sympathy, respect or sensitivity is about.

Again, to all of Paul's friends, THANK YOU for caring.

—Uncle Al, Y.P. Manager Jack R. Shulz Jeffrey Clark, YP Bartender

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JOCK SHORTS ♥

by Ken Kurtz

H.I.T. Hits Milw. Nov. 25th

What? The Holiday Invitational Tournament (H.I.T.). Milwaukee's national gay bowling tournament. It's the first one in the country and is celebrating it's ninth year this year.

When? Thanksgiving weekend. Starting on Wednesday night before thanksgiving and going on through Sunday, bowlers from across the U.S. and Canada descend on our city for a weekend of bowling and partying. There are bowling shifts on Thursday night, Friday during the day and early evening, and Saturday morning; to accomodate those with even the busiest of schedules.

Where? Registration will be at the Marc Plaza Hotel on Wednesday and Thursday. Bowling is held at Red Carpet South Park Lanes in South Milwaukee. The host hotel is also the Marc Plaza and the banquet is held there on Sunday night.

Who? The tournament is organized by a committee of about 20 people, mostly bowlers. It is strictly a volunteer organization. It is open to participation to anyone interested, preferably individuals that have an established average within a league. If you would like more information on how to participate in the tournament, or to volunteer your help in providing housing for out-of-towners, or to help with scorekeeping, contact the tournament's director, Bob Gliniecki at 414-278-8686 (business hours).

Why? To show off our city! To promote friendship and communication between bowlers in gay league's throughout the nation. To promote unity between men and women in our gay/lesbian community.

More on H.I.T., and the activities going on during it, in our next issue!

"Strike Against AIDS" To Be Held December 3

Chicago- The "Strike Against AIDS" committee announced its "Celebrity Bowl" which will take place Saturday, December

5, 1987 at Marigold Arcade, 828 W. Grace, in Chicago. Bars, businesses and organizations are asked to sponsor their "celebrity" to raise money for the bowl. To register your bowlers or for further information call Back Door Promotions, (312) 787-5357.

All proceeds from the "Strike Against AIDS" Raffle and Celebrity Bowl, sponsored by Anheuser-Busch, Inc., go towards helping to "Strike" out and treats AIDS through research, education, housing and treatment. This year's beneficiaries are Howard Brown Memorial Clinic and other AIDS service organizations.

Note: Milwaukee has been asked to sponsor one celebrity bowler from each of their four leagues. The leagues themselves will decide who their celebrity bowler will be. At press time I was not able to contact the above number to determine the percentage of money that will come back to our AIDS project, MAP.

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THE ARTS ♥

by Kevin Michael

"Noises Off"

by Kevin Michael

Theatre Tesseract chose to open its 1987-88 season with the highly demanding work "Noises Off" by Michael Frayn, This play directed very well by Jennifer Lerner (a stellar actress with Tesseract) deals with a company of actors and directors working on a play "Nothing On." The three acts of the play take us through the last rehearsal before opening, a matinee performance one month later, and another performance two months later. The show is interestingly presented with the scene for the play within the play in both acts one and three. Act two on the other hand, is presented with the stage set pivoted 180 degrees so that we can view what's going on "behind the scenes" as the play is performed.

This work is definitely a challenge for a company to mount and Tesseract did an adequate job. The split-second timing necessary for the actors has to be right on in order for the play to work. If not, the show is less than satisfying for the

audience. On the particular Saturday evening on which I viewed the show. I saw the second of two scheduled performances. I'm not

sure that it was wise for the company to present such a taxing play for two performances on a single evening. What I saw was much less satisfying to me because the actors seemed tired and tended to "walk through" their roles. The crispness of the timing in scenes seemed severely lacking and thus the humor of such a farce. I believe, was definitely sacrified. What I had expected from a company of this caliber was not delivered sufficiently in peformance. Was this company capable? Definitely. Did they fully deliver? No, unfortunately.

Marie Kohler, was wonderful in her characterization of Dolly, the maid, Garry Lejeune, the actor portrayed by Richard Perloff, who could never finish a sentence without a gesture which he couldn't control

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Carvers performed their artistry on the rotund squash at the Wreck Room's pumpkin carving contest.

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was most entertaining. Tom Marks, as the director of the piece, gave a full performance and proved himself most able for the task at hand.

Many of the others were just "stock" characters and were sufficient to the challenge of their roles.

However, it seemed most clear to me that because the cast seemed tired the timing was slightly off. Also, the interaction necessary for the play to be fully credible and to work completely was not there.

I salute Theatre Tesseract for taking the challenge of such a piece. It seems to me that as long as the reach exceeds the grasp of the company is striving to grow and develop. This production was not up to the caliber of previous presentations. Too bad. It could have been marvelous but it was only at best merely acceptable.

Theatre X Presents Beckett's Happy Days

Theatre X has announed that its new home is a reality. During the renovation of

its newly-acquired space the company will present Samuel Beckett's Happy Days at the Milwaukee Institute of Art and Design (MAID), 342 N. Water Street, Milwaukee, 7th floor. This production, directed by David Schweizer, makes extensive use of constantly changing visual and audio imagery — redefining the customary context of an "abstract setting" when performing Beckett's work.

"Happy Days" opens Thursday, November 5 at 8:00 p.m. and will run Wednesdays through Sundays trhough November 29. For reservations and information call 278-0555.

David Schweiser is currently based in Los Angeles where he has been generating experimental theater works through his nonprofit company "Modern Artists" which specializes in interdisciplinary collaborative projects. As guest director, Schweizer brings his interpretations of this Beckett piece to bear upon Theatre X ensemble members Flora Coker (who plays Winnie, the middle aged, woman-survivor) and John Schneider (as Wille, her "husband," a ghostly-image).

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IN MEMORIUM...

Paul Mancuso

Paul Mancuso, 31, known to his friends as Muffy, passed away on Sunday, October 18, 1987. The cause of death was a cardiac arrest due to an enlarged heart. He is survived by his parents and one sister.

A Milwaukee native, and a graduate of MATC with a degree in restaurant management, Paul had been employed at a local dairy laboratory. He was best known however, as one of Milwaukee's premier bartenders.

Paul was one of the original Finale bartenders and had worked for the past six years at the Y.P. and the Wreck Room. His lovable style and the music he provided, known as Muffy-Mixes, made for an enjoyable evening at the Y.P. Back Bar. Paul always seemed to be where the party was, so it is fitting that he had spent his last moments with his friends.

We will all remember "our sister" for his active support of gay sports and social functions, for his willingness to lend a hand and for his concern and friendship.

His greatest quality though was his ability to enjoy live to its fullest. We can't help but smile as we remember all the times he made us laugh at his "Muffyisms."

With all of our hearts Paul, we'll miss you and none of us will ever stop thinking of you.

-Your Friends

Richard Williamson

Richard Williamson, 39, known to most of his friends as "Little Ricky," died in his home Saturday, Oct. 24, apparently of a stroke.

Mr. Williamson and his lover, Joe Esposito, owned Rick's Retreat on N. Halsted St. in Chicago for nearly the past two years. Prior to this, Mr. Williamson bartended for more than eight years at Little Jim's, just a few doors away from Rick's Retreat. He also was employed as a bartender at the old Carol's Coming Out Pub, Carol's in Exile, the Vaudville Lounge





and in New Orleans at Lafitte's in Exile.

He grew up and was educated in the state of Oregon.

Survivors include his parents, Virginia and Paul; his stepfather, Jim; three brothers, Rodney, Roger and Ron; his grandmother, Margaret Alexander; his great-aunt Florence Ekin, and his lover, Joe Esposito.

His body was cremated and the remains returned to his native Oregon.



The crowd obviously was having a great time at the M&M while dancing and partying to the sounds of polka music.

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"Happy Days" melds the talents of James Matson, set design; Francis Ford, projections; and John Kishline, lighting design. The collaboration of thse artists is further enchanced by an original music score.

Beckett's celebrated setting for "Happy Days" is a mound of earth on a bleak landscape in which, Winnie is embedded, unable to move. In this production the audio amplification, a sound score and a projection scheme will be used to develop further variations and implications in the notion of an "abstract setting."

Winnie as a character is one of the most moving and life affirming of Beckett's creations. She refused to accept the existential bleakness of her condition, instead search, as she speaks her thoughts aloud, for the feeling of "another happy day."

As with much of Theatre X's work, this production of "Happy Days" aims to both present the play itself in an enlightened and vivid way and to stimulate, by the theatrical means of the production, new perceptions about the theater itself as a communicative medium.

"Happy Days" will run November 5 through Ovember 29, with all performances at 8:00 p.m. For information and ticket reservations call 278-0555.

Theatre X will tour Sweden and Germany this winter with its wildly successful production A History of Sexuality, which opened on tour in Seattle this fall. Upon its arrival home in early spring, it will mount A History of Sexuality at its renovated home in the World Performance Exchange, 158 North Broadway.

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There are stories I have to tell about closeted gays and lesbians who were compelled to come to Washington and others who used the trip to come out to family and employers and others who hitchhiked across the country to be there who arrived not knowing where they would spend the night but not caring.

The March on Washington made history. It made history for the gay community, showing that we can work together, we can organize, we can put aside personal considerations. It made history as one of the biggest marches in Washington's history. The message that we sent to the world from Washington will have an effect on the future of us all.

We made history by stating our message loud and clear and matter-of-fact: "For love and for life, we are not going back." And the personal became the political.

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A WOMAN'S VIEW by Linda Hendersen

The Personal Is The Political

I wear many hats in my life. I am Linda Henderson, the advertising manager of Chicago's Windy City Times. I am Linda Henderson, a writer. I am Linda Henderson, an appointee to the Mayor's Committee on Gay and Lesbian Issues. I am Linda Henderson, a woman struggling to let go of a co-dependent relationship. I am Linda Henderson, a woman who enjoys life but sometimes feels sad; a woman who is mostly sensitive but sometimes insensitive; a woman who can be kind but has been cruel; a woman who is brave but sometimes feels afraid; a woman who is intense but sometimes feels apathetic; a woman who laughs a lot but sometimes cries. I am Linda Henderson, a lesbian.

I went to the March on Washington Columbus Day weekend - along with 500,000 other lesbians and gay men.

I didn't go to Washington because I needed a vacation - although I did. I didn't go to Washington because I wanted to party with 500,000 gueers - although I did. I didn't go to Washington because I was on assignment for Windy City Times - although I was. I didn't go to Washington because I feel a responsibility to the gay civil rights movement although I do.

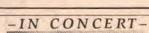
I went to Washington because I had to be there. I needed to stand up and be counted. I needed to show myself to my community. I needed to remind myself that I am not alone. I needed to remember why I do what I do. I needed to remember why I am who I am. I needed to remember that the personal is always the political.

And I did.

There were over 100 events scheduled in Washington over the five-day period from Oct. 9 (National Lobby Day) through Oct. 13 (Civil Disobedience Day). The individual events represented the diversity of the social, political, and religious organizations we have created. The march was the one single event that bound 500,000 individual I's into a collective "We" - a we that will make a two-fold demand: gay civil rights and increased government attention to the AIDS crisis. Five hundred thousand people moved toward a common goal - 500,000 people with differing personal and political agendas suspended their differences and recognized our common bond.

The bands played and played and played, the majorettes threw their batons higher and higher, the women's rhythm group Sistah Boom beat their drums louder and louder, college students chanted more and more defiant messages, the New Alliance Party became more and more

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Back again — with the latest poop. You'll get this issue after the Halloween/Pageant Weekend, but our deadline was Oct. 29th, so you'll have to wait until next issue for all the Mr. & Miss Gay Wisconsin Pageant photos. As far as Halloween goes — we have photos in this issue up through the 29th, giving us coverage of the early parties & contests.

To refresh your failing memories — I'll travel back to Oct. 16th & bring you all up to date. That night The Beer Town Badgers held their annual MAP Benefit & raised \$616 at their special club nite at the Boot Camp. On top of that they gave away prizes, and the grandest prize of round trip airfare went to John Condon of the Castaways M.C. Congrats to the Badgers on a very successful fundraiser.

Oct. 17th brought us "Sweetest Day" & a few parties to celebrate, including Jet's which offered free beer & snacks. The Station 2 was supposed to have one, however they weren't open at their new location. (They did manage to open in time for Halloween, though.) That night the Wreck Room crowned their "sweetest" at their Mr." contest. With 8 contestants-competition was tough. Congrats to winner Roger, 1st runner-up Christopher & 2nd Runner-up Bryan.

That weekend was rounded-out with Fannies benefit dance for the Task Force on Battered Women. This worthwhile charity received \$500 from the dance & lucky patrons were awarded prizes including a Tv & VCR. Meanwhile up in Green Bay, The Napalese Lounge hosted "Sweet Dream" — their 2nd annual all-male lip sync revue. Fannies brought in the musical talents of Krystalmoon the following weekend to an appreciative crowd.

The Ballgame held their Miss & Mr. contests (Oct. 20 & 22nd respectively) before appreciative audiences. There were 5 contestants for the Miss title, and Boui walked off with the crown. Mandi was 1st runner-up & Goldi was 2nd R.U. Three men competed for the Mr. title. Luis was the winner, Randy 1st runner-up & Tim was 2nd runner-up. Congrats to all—especially Bouji & Luis.



Mr and Miss Ballgame Luis and Bouil

M & M imported the talents of Lynn
Lavner — a New Yorker with strong
comedy & musical talents, on Oct. 23rd.
But the place really went wild over Barbara
& The Karousels on Oct. 25th. The "Polka
till you Puke" music brought the house
down & the dancers to their feet.

Bingo at **The New Bar** along with their computer dating socials are pulling in the crowds in the Mad City. (With my luck I'd win a date with Kraig.) **Who's** in Green Bay have instituted their "fall line", and I don't mean fashion. Their nightly fall specials should keep any alcoholic happy.

Back East (Madison) hosted a week of Bud Light Fright Night events from Oct. 25th thru the 1st. Starting things off was "A Night with the Boys" production of "Fright Night at The Bates Motel". The show was a nice kickoff to the week's events. On Wed. the 28th- the bar hosted the first in a new series of "Jock Strap" contests, with 5 cheeky contestants. That

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15

GLC-UWM [Milw.]- Video Sunday, from 1 to 7. UWN Union 8th Note Coffee House (1st floor), no admission, all welcome. Call 229-6555 for info.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16

M.A.S.N. [Madison]-Benefit Roast, Roasting Cheri Becker (Back East) J.J O'Conner (Shamrock) Rodney (Rod's & New Bar) Ricardo (Cardinal). At The Avenue Bar, cocktails at 5, dinner at 6, Roast at 8, \$12 per person. For tickets, call (608)255-1711 or see Madison bartenders.

GLC-UWM [Milw]- General Meeting, 5 to 7, UWM Union 8th Note Coffee House. Guest speaker from ACLU discusses rights of gay people, entire community welcome, call 229-6555 for info.

BEST Clinic HIV Tests at Club 219-8pm-midnight, free, anonymous, convenient.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19

Back East [Madison]- 1st Annual Bartenders Contest- \$100 1st place, those interested call bar for info.

1101 West [Appleton]- The return of the Chippendale Dancers! \$5 advance, \$8 at the door. Now featuring 6 dancers.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20

Boot Camp- Beer Town Badgers Club Nite. Prizes & drawings 10-close.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21

10% Society [Madison]- UW Madison Gay/Lesbian group presents "Harvest Ball". GLC-UWM (Milw) will be taking a bus to Madison for the event. Call 10% at 608-262-7365 for more info.

New Hope MCC [Milw.]- 1st Anniversary Banquet at Jet's Place, 7 pm. Banquet is open to members and non-members. For more info call Don at 933-6931.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22

Tri-Cable Tonight- Premiere Show, Milw's Warner Cable, MATA, Channel 14, 7pm. New monthly G/L television program. Station 2- Jeff Stoll singing live.



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Odessa Brown and friends performed in a Halloween show at Club 219.



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contest served to introduce my two new photographers to Mad Town- Ken Kurtz (he's been shooting for us for about a month) and Doug Sorrels. I'd like to publickly welcome both aboard.

I hope you caught the premier of the Milwaukee Gay /Lesbian Cble Network's [MG/LCN] presentation of "Tri-Cable Tonite". Tri Cable Tonite is their new monthly "magazine" style show. This first half hour show was an interesting mix of news, sports, music, & gay history. I joined over 50 others for the premiere party at Warner Amex - Milw.'s cable company. The evening featured introduction of the show's producers, actors & staff. The audience was unanimous in their excitment over the show & the potential. There are some bugs to be worked out, but overall an excellent first effort. The first show will be aired again Nov. 10th and 22nd. Be sure to catch it!

The Wreck Room's Pumpkin carving contest was a great way to set the Halloween mood. Steve Strand (Edie) was the prize winner for his uniquely carved work of art. La Cage staffers Michael and Dennis came in 2nd and 3rd.

This column is being written Thursday afternoon, so I can't write about last Thursday night's Halloween events, but look for photos elsewhere in this issue. However, I do know the bars were all looking in the Halloween spirit & it should've been a fun weekend.

The State Senate approved "uniform tavern closing hours" at deadline time & sent the bill to the Governor. If & when he signs it, the bill would become effective as soon as it is published. The new hours, statewide, will be 2am weeknites & 2:30 am on Sat. & Sun. The bill will stop late night bar hopping from the suburbs into Milw.

What's Matthew Gorden up to now? He's the owner of the building that housed the now-closed Hot Legs. He & a partner are rumoured to be fixing up the place & plan on reopening near Dec. 1st. I hear plans are to call it Shadows II- The Top Shelf & plans are to make it an elegant cocktail lounge.

I'd like to make apologies to James, the

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Dennis, Steve and Michael, were (L to R) 2nd winner up, winner and 1st r.u. respectively at the Wreck Room's annual pumpkin carving contest.

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CALENDAR

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6

Who's [Green Bay]- Ms. Who's, Alicia, presents her first show of the season.

Angel of Hope MCC [Green Bay]- AIDS Prayer Vigil Weekend. Opening worship service 7pm at Good Shepard Parish, 2736 Glendale Avenue on Howard. MCC Midnite communion service.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7

The Station 2- Octoberfest Party, 75 cent Lowenbrau, Door Prizes, food.

Angel of Hope MCC [Green Bay]- AIDS Prayer Vigil Weekend, 7pm worship at Good Shepard Parish, Midnight communion service.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8

Pivot Club [Appleton]- The return of Jim & Cassie, singing live, showtime 10pm.

Angel of Hope MCC [Green Bay]- AIDS Prayer Vigil Weekend, 6am-noon, attend church of your choice. Noon-3: Vigil at Catholic Diocesan Chapel, 1825 Riverside Drive, Public Mass at 2, 3-7: Prayer Vigil moves to Pilgrim Congregational Church. 991 Pilgrim Way 7pm- closing service with 5 ministers.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10

Tri-Cable Tonight- Premier show, Milw' Warner Cable, MATA, Channel 14, 7pm. New monthly G/L television program.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11

Back East [Madison]- Special guest bartender, Rodney "Maxie" Scheel, puts in his 4 hours of slave duty.

Rod's [Madison]- Wear your best Army outfit in honor of Veterans Day & let Rod's nurses fill you with shots.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12

Rod's [Madison]- Birthday party for Libras. BEST Clinic- HIV Tests at M&M- 8pm. 12pm-free, anonymous, convenient.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13

Castaways M.C. [Milw.]- Club Night at the W.R. from 10pm to 1:30am. Prizes given away every 20 minutes. Grand Prize- Paid run fee to the Castaways Anniversary run.

Rod's [Madison]- Lucky Night, show us your "Lucky Charm" & receive a free shot.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14

Grand Avenue Pub- 1st Annual Alumni Reunion party for all previous employees and valued customers. 8pm-on. Hors

Diedre McCalla in Concert- 8pm, UWM Union Wisconsin Room, with Kitty Barber opening. Tickets \$9.00 at the door. Presented by Hurricane Productions.

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winner of the Mr. Y.P. contest. I got his name right in my column last issue, but identified him as Joe in the photos of the

"The Front Runner" after 10 years of haggling is finally headed for the screen under the directorship of Marshall Mason. According to Mason, the film's production company gave him an extra million dollars to "buy a star". They are in negotiations with actors to play the roles of the college track star & the coach he has an affair with.

Gav roles make the stars, and their agents more then a little nervous.

That wraps things up for this issue give me a break - I've got writers cramp. Until next issue - play, but play safe!

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I am the diamond glints on snow.
I am the sunlight on ripened grain;
I am the gentle autumn rain.
When you awaken in the morning's hush,
I am the swift uplifting rush
Of quiet birds in circled flight.
I am the soft star that shines at night.
Do not stand at my grave and cry.
I am not there, I did not die.

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