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NEWSLETTER EDITORS
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A NIGHT OUT:

A lovely night after two months vacation and a very good group came to meet with one another. Seven from New York State, two from Canada, two from Mass., two from Rhode Island, one from Conn., one from Mass. The group was 19 T.V.'s, 2 T.S.'s, and 4 Wives. We mingled in the kitchen, in the bedroom and out back. It seems when we have a large group we just have to keep moving around in order to talk to all.

Our vacation was a good rest for both Wilma and I. We were really glad to see all the girls again. Those who came were: Gale and Joan from Granville N. Y., Sue and Betty from Rochester, N. Y., Kathy and Jane from Syracuse, N.Y. Frances from Henrietta, N. Y., Joan from Peekskill, N. Y., Jean from Peru, N.Y. Elanda from Rome, N. Y., Joan from Colonie, N. Y., Andrea from Mt. Vernon, N.Y. Bill from Bronx, N. Y., JoAnn from Bronx, N. Y., Janice from Long Island, N.Y. Peggy and Lynn from Ontario, Canada., Kay from Newtonville, Mass., Areadne from Cambridge, Mass., Paula from Newport, R. I., Betsy from Providence, R.I., Cynthia from Norwalk, Conn., Germain from Poughkeepsie, N.Y. Wilma and I.

JoAnn was the only new face tonight, she came with Bill from the Bronx, who at one time was Wilma. Here's hoping that Bill finds the happiness he is seeking. He is trying it straight for awhile, so all best wishes from me to you Bill and JoAnn. He is a fine friend and deserves some happiness, they are always welcome in my Home. God Bless and Peace be with you.

It was beautiful to see Andrea all wound up last night as she kept us entertained and laughing as we haven't done in some time. She had Kay doing a strip (I mean a Partial strip) and she was fun, Elanda gave us a little of her dancing and Cynthia all decked out in her Cow Girl outfit gave us a little rendition of her strut. Lynn from Canada was pleased with the way we were entertained as she was happy to see her Wife Peggy laughing so good. I guess we all really had a good laugh, so Andrea , thanks to you and the girls for entertaining us for the evening.

For this group tonight I made them some Meat Loaf, Baked Macaroni, Cole slaw, Zucchini Parmesan, rye bread, butter, apple sauce, coffee and cake. It must have been good because they made a big dent in all of the food. This makes me happy because I feel I made a good choice for the menu.

Betty and Gale helped me out in the kitchen, getting the food out and then cleaning up.

Betty and Sue had spent ten days up in Canada with our Canadian Sisters who at one time or another been here at our meetings. Had an enjoyable vacation while in Canada and now in Albany, they are taking Wilma and I out for dinner on Sunday to celebrate our 29th. wedding Anniversary, then on Monday they will be going down to see our other sisters in Washington . (Hello Helen and Ann)

I'll take this time to tell you that next month on the 28th of Oct. your President Wilma will be 65 years young, and will also be retiring from her job of bus operator for 30 years. Soooo I guess I'll have her keep in shape by doing the house work, and the cooking. I cooked for her for 30 years so now it will be time for her to cook for me. Wilma is a good cook and bottle washer.

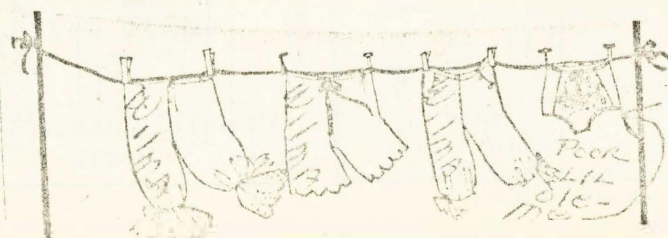
I'll take this time to say Hi to all the T.V.'s who are one of us but is hard for them to join us here in person. Some day we may be able to meet. Any of you going to the Fantasia Affair, relax and have a good time, and you will really enjoy living the life of a woman.

It's about that time that I'm at the end of my sheet, I had a ball tonight and hope that those of you that were here enjoyed yourselves too. Untill till we meet again next month God Bless you all and keep you healthy and Happy.

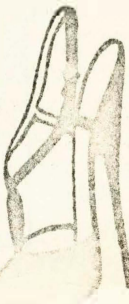
From Wilma and I

Goodnight and keep smiling Helen.

I'll be with you as soon as I shave and throw a wig on



Kay - Can you Top This Heel



NEWS FROM HERE AND THERE

LEGAL PROGRESS.

Three years ago we were pleased to report that 15 states granted change of birth certificates of postoperative transexuals, most of them issuing new certificates. The number now has increased to 33 states. Up to now 40 states have issued drivers liceness with change of name and gender on presentation of required documentation. (reported by the Erickson Ed. Foundation. EEF)

NEW JERSEY NEWS:

Until recently the Bureau of Vital Statistics has been adamant in refusing any requests concerning revised birth certificates for postoperative transexuals. N.Y. attorney R. Levidow has advised us, however, that a decision was made to issue a birth certificate in the clients new name with the original sex theron crossed off and the new sex added. While this is not wholly desirable, it is a toe in a door formerly completely locked. (rep. by EEF)

HISTORY:

One of the first known transexuals was Hatshepsut (also known as Hatasu and Hapshepsowe), one of Egypt's earlier rulers. Born female, Hatshepsut assumed the clothing, title and power of a male pharaoh, wore a false beard, and forced all of Egypt to refer to him as a male. After his death, outraged male successors attempted to obliterate all trace of his existence, but his immaculate temple at Dier el-Bahri remains as one of ancient Egypt's most outstanding accomplishments.

FASHION: (reported by Hose and Heel)

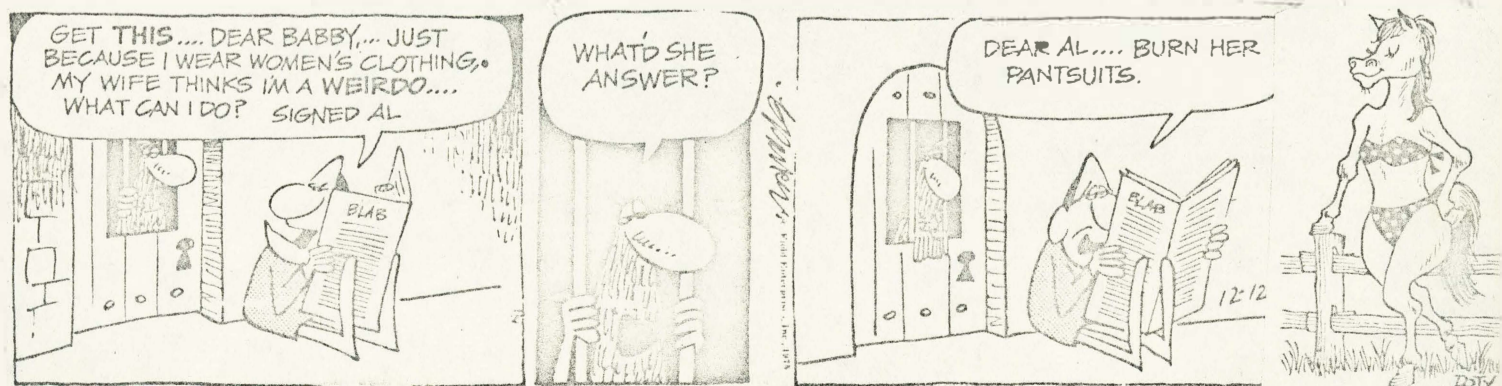
Recent fashion notes indicate that women are ready for more feminine clothes. Anne Fogarty, a leading designer says, "Clothes have gone too masculine, too butch." She plans to revive the plaid taffetta skirt with the 12 feet at the hem that she made famous in the 50's. Although waist cinchers (or the merry wisow) may not be available because they are too confininf, the sales in strapless bras will be booming. They will be a necessity for the new sundresses and strapless evening clothes. The rigid stays are gone and current versions resemble the soft jersey designs that are popular on bras with straps. Skirts and petticoats will be softer, so the effect will be less fullness.

PHOENIX ARIZONA:

I have been informed by the "Crime Stop" Dept. of the police that there was no law against going "dressed in public". There would be no problem unless someone registered a complanit and a misdemeanor was committed.

WASHINGTON D C :

The National Park Service is jarred by a sudden change of sex on the part of a male employee. It's an unprecedented experience for the agency, as well as the NEW woman -- and it's pure trauma for both. In a mountain of paperwork as high as the Rockies, the Park Service does not have one form to fit this crisis. Does "she" get a new Social Security number? What about her retirement credit? How do you reissue an ID to the same person with a new name and face? The chief of personnel at the Park Service threw up his hands to the director of legislation who told him--"Don't just stand there. Go see the Civil Service Commission." The former man was A GS 12 with a salary range up to \$24,000. He was married and has children. But now "he" is returning to the same desk, with a female name and wearing a dress, reportedly after hormones and an operation. Only one thing is certain now, according to Park officials. The new "she will not lose any employment rights and benefits wich belonged to the former "he". Meanwhile, all this is happening in plain sight at the Park Service here, and tongues are unhinged.



EDITORIAL:

When does a TV reach the TV stage. I believe a TV reaches the TV stage of development when he accepts his femmeself as an integral part of himself. When you can free yourself of guilt to the extent of achieving peace of mind and when you begin to develop a personality for your femmeself---then you become a TV whether or not she ever "goes out" is immaterial. Going out is nice, like the frosting on a cake, but it is the cake that really counts. Being a TV is a state of mind and personalty, and if one is additionally blessed with enough authenticity to "pass" in public---well good and fine. Getting to know and accept the girl within and letting her share your life, in partnership and accord wiyh yourboysself, is what really matters. We may still be lonely having not yet met others of our kind.

This obstacle passed, you find that both your boysself and your femmeself havegrown a matured and to-day complement each ogher (but as the French say, Vive la Difference!) Each should share the existance and I think this is the way it should be. It is dangerous to concentrate on either to the extent that the other is neglected. There are advantages to both and although we often wish we could give our femmeselves more of our time, lets not forget that it is our male self that must face the world and make a name for himself in his chosen field of endeavor. More important, it is the male self that attracted and won our lovely wives (if we are married) and a wife may enjoy the company of her ~~husband~~ "femminine" roommate, but she loves the company of her husband. Again compromise is the key and each individual must seek out his own succesful formula. By working toward improving or perfecting both sidws of the personalty. I firmlt beleive a TV can ~~find~~ find happiness. I have.

This is the first newaletter since our june issue, having taken two months off for a vacation. We had a lovely summer and above all Helen and I hope that yours were the best. We also hope that you have all missed the TVIC Journal even for such a brief time. Its good to be back. TVIC is like rowing a boat,,, to get the most out of it everyone has to pull together.

We are still gettinh courtesy copies of various Tv Publications and newsletters which are available for members to read.

If you have news notes to share with the TVIC membership, get them to us so we can tell others for you.

OCTOBER GATHERING:

Our next TVIC gathering will be OCTOBER 23rd. The November TVIC gathering will be on NOVEMBER 20th. It is very important that we know hew many to plan dinner for. DO PLEASE HAVE YOUR RESERVATION in at least THREE DAYS before meetings.

MEMBERSHIPS:

I am very pleased to announce the enrollment of these eight new members.
 JOANS FASHIONS, POUGHKEEPSIE, N.Y. -- LYNN K., NEW BRUNSWICK, N.J.
 ROSEMARIE E., WASHBOUGAL, WASH. --- LEE S., Hopewell, VA.
 GREER T., OTTAWA, CANADA. ----- JACK G., ATLANTA, GA.
 MARIANNE J., WOODWARD, OKL. ----- VD S., ALLEBRO, MASS.

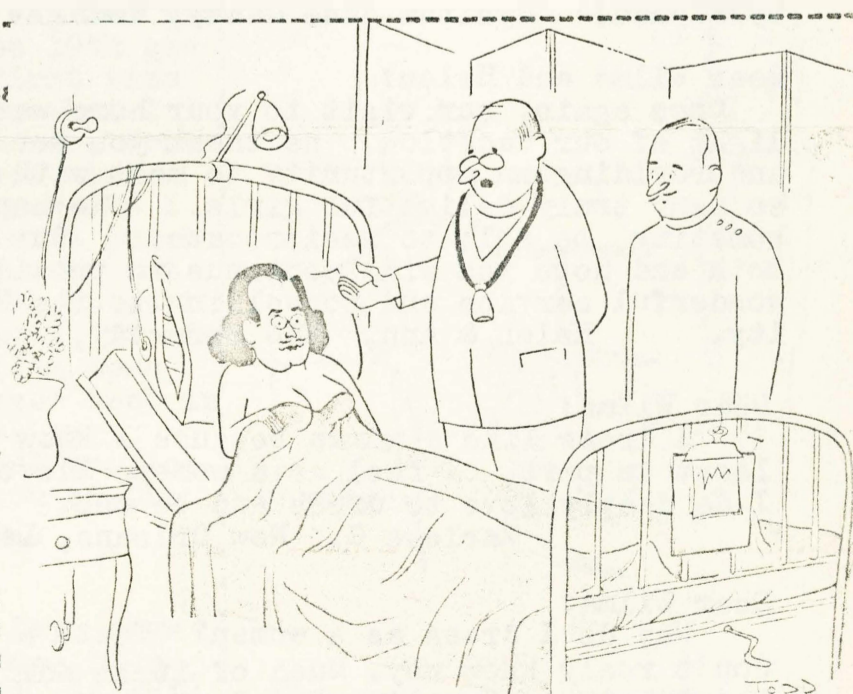
Every one hopes to see all you new members in the coming months in person. And may you all finf many friends among us.

TO ALL MEMBERS:

If at any time you wish to contact any member of our group or if you wish to write to any one of our guest writers or feature coluns, please address your letters, seal it, stamp it and write the name of the person to whom you would like it sent to on the envelope and send to WILMA- address On first page of this journal. Your letter will be forwarded unopened

CIRCUMSTANCES may prevent you from building a fortune, but they have no power to prevent you frome building character.

YOU too, can find sucess. Simply build a better mouth trap.



"I realize there's been a mistake. Mr. Williams, and we'd like to help you, but the doctor who operated went back to Denmark this morning."

letters to the editor



Dear Wilma:

The following is a brief discription of the most winderful time Betty and I (SUE) had on our recent visit with our Canadian sisters.

Betty my wife and I left on the 19th of Aug. and arrived in Toronto at our dear friend Laurette's home that evening, we did arrive a bit before Leo Laurettes brother got home from work, but this gave us a chance to get unpacked and move in, as we were staying for the next ten days, and believe me these were the nicest ten days that I have spent x in a long time, thanks to our dear friends, Laurette and Madge. Laurette is the TV and Madge is the GG and one wounderful lady whom has a gift shop in Toronto.

On Sunday we drove to the 1000 Islands and took the Canadien tour boat around the Islands, wich we injoyed very much. The following week, Betty and I did some shopping, we were escorted about by Madge whenever she could take the time off from her gift shop. The biggest theill of all came on Sunday, when Madge, Betty and I (as Sue) started out the day by going to one of the better hotels in Totonto where they held a Sunday Brunch. Sue drove (me), On ariving at the Hotel parking lot the attendent instructed me where to park the car and then to come to the booth to pay him. I wanted either Betty or Madge to pay the attendent, however they said that this would be a good ex-perience for me and walked away leavihg me to pay the attendent. All the attendent said was "thank you Mam, here is your receipt. The Hotel dinning ~~rm~~ room was quite crowed at this time. A long gowned Hostessgreeted us and said we would have to wait a few minutes. till there was a table available. After about 5 min. she led us into the dinning room, held the chair for all the ladies and helped us to sit at the table. We gave our orders and then were told to go to this long steam table. Waiters were ther to help ~~us~~ serve us. As I approached each table, or section, I was askrd if I wanted what ever they had at that station and always refered to me as Mam. After the meal Betty and Madge made me go to the cashier to pay the bill. The cashier said thank you Mam. By now I had forgotten any fears and was convinced of your and my thoery that we have nothing to fear, but fear itself. I then met the two ladies in the gift shop wich was a bit conjested, but did buy a bracelet and chatted with a couple of the clerks. I was out more that afternoon and stoped to get gas. I found that by taking very low my voice was satisfactorf, as we all know there are many deep voiced girls. This I think will be the most ~~mem~~ memerable day of my life, and I am sure that I will not have any fears of venturing out in the future. Love Sue B. [redacted], Rochester, N.Y.

Dear Wilma;

The Saturday of the March meeting my twin brother Dick had to go to a boat- ing conference in New Platz, N.Y. After the meeting he drove to the bodget Motel in Albany, and as he pulled in to the motel office, he saw Eland walk- ing towards the car. Still wearing his uniform of the boating group, (blue suit with lots of gold braid, white officers cap, etc.) Dick got out of the car, waited for Elanda, and said, "Hello, Elanda". Elanda looked startled, and then I realized that she had probably never seen my twin brother and did not know who I was. I did not want to worry her, so I told her my femme name, at which point she relaxed. After a conversation she went on and I went to get a room and dress. (The rest of the story should be by Elanda!) Cynitha jane [redacted], Conn.

Dear Wilma and Helen:

Once again, our visit to your home was the high- light of our vacation. We thank you for having us and providing an opportunity to meet with and enjoy so many truly delightful girls. We hope we may, sometime, be able to reciprocate. Our best to you both and hope you will continue to provide such wonderful service and conselling to the TV commu- nity. Helen & Ann, RHO Sorority, Washington D.C.

Dear Wilma:

I dress like a woman because I know I am one at least in part. I feel as a women, Llove as one and I do deeply love to dress and be one.

Marlene G. New Orleans, La.

Dear Wilma:

Why do I dress as a woman? Thats a Question I don't realy know why. Much of it is admiration for the female. Caroline J. Boston, Mass.



It isn't easy being a sex symbol. I'm SUE.

Dear Wilma,

I feel compelled to comment on Pamela [redacted]'s guest editorial in the June issue, in which she extolled the virtues of taking hormones. Although she mentioned risks involved, I felt she gave a blank endorsement of hormones which should be refuted. If she has been on hormones four or five years with no ill effects, whether or not on advice of a physician (she did not make that clear), then perhaps she is just lucky. It may be some health problem is lurking around the corner for her. The point is that hormones are not for everyone and if a TV/TS feels she must take them, it should be under the direction of a physician.

Although Pamela accuses the "psuedo-experts" who condemn the use of hormones of knowing very little about it, she herself offers no proof, nor does she list sources for her strong statements in favor of estrogen. Such statements should be backed up by documented facts. She asks: "Do you think three million users are wrong?" I would remind her great numbers of women were proved "wrong" some years ago when they took the the drug, Thalilomide! The three million "guinea pigs" who are taking Premarin could well be setting themselves up for unforeseen medical problems. Three of my TV friends have run into serious problems as a direct result of taking hormones: One died of Leukemia and two suffer from liver and kidney ailments. I have another TV friend who is a medical doctor. He says he would not touch hormones with a 10-foot pole.

Pamela's editorial, while not intending to deceive, does not emphasize strongly enough the correct and ONLY procedure to follow if a TV/TS feels he cannot live without "the pills." All Gender Identity clinics in the U.S. require a thorough physical exam and tests before prescribing hormones. Every person's body chemistry is different and constantly changing. Different tolerance levels exist in each individual. Only a qualified medical doctor can determine these, and it must be done on a continuing basis. The problem for TV's and TS's is in finding a sympathetic physician. If you do not know of one, and if you must take hormones, contact the Erikson Educational Foundation, Moreland Ave., Baton Rouge, La. for the name of your nearest Gender Identity clinic or physician who is knowledgable on the subject. I myself have followed this procedure after doing much research on hormones.

Hormones do give many of the benefits listed by Pamela (smoother skin, femme characteristics, etc.) but there is medical evidence that risks are present. My fear is that some TV's, after reading Pamela's editorial, will latch onto her enthusiastic endorsement of hormones without going through the appropriate safeguards.

Kathy - Chicago

(Ed. note:- This editorial is substantiated by literature published by Johns Hopkins, Univ., Univ. of Nebraska Medical Center, Univ. of Michigan, UCLA and Gender Identity Clinics in Baltimore, Jacksonville, Omaha and San Francisco, as well as by notable authorities such as Dr. Richard Green, Dr. John Money, and Dr. Harry Benjamin.)



There is a difference

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Dear Helen & Wilma:

I Just had to drop you a line to say how ~~nice~~ nice you both made me feel at the June 19th gathering. As you both knew it was my first time out of the closet. Helen I do not know what I would have done without your help, you were wonderful to me in making me up. The girls were very lady like and also the GG girls were as I talked with two of them. They were just a bunch of real people. I know there are many more out there like myself who are still in the closet & I would like to see them come out like I did after so many years of hideing. I know I'm more at ease with myself now than I have ever been in my life. It will take a lot to keep me away from another gathering. Well wonderful people have a good vacation and I will see you at the next gathering. the meal was wonderful.

Joanne R. Glens Falls, N.Y.

Higgelty-piggelty, my black hen, she lays eggs for TV men--sometimes pink and sometimes blue AND sometimes polka dot: So what's new. (KATHY)

THIS IS THE END. SEE YOU ALL NEXT MONTH. WILMA



"When you said you were going to do your thing", I had no idea you meant this, Son!"

He Wanted to Know What It Felt Like

by JACK BELL

It was a normal day in the south German city of Munich. People were crowding the streets and business in the shops and marketplaces was brisk.

Suddenly a scream was heard in Linzerstrasse and hundreds of eyes followed the pointing finger upwards. And they saw, high up, and balanced precariously on a strip of guttering, the outline of a woman.

"She's going to jump," yelled one stout burger. He was mistaken on one point. She was a he! The death of a transvestite was imminent.

"As soon as I saw what was happening I called the fire brigade," said shop-



Chief Gunter Lowenbrau thought the 'jumper' was a woman

keeper Hans Offenbaum. "The woman was teetering about on the edge and I thought that there might be time to get a safety net underneath her."

Soon a bevy of determined Munich firemen were rushing from the beer house to man the fire engine. They roared down the street and reached the Linzerstrasse in double-quick time.

"I shouted to the woman to keep calm through my megaphone," said Fire Chief Gunter Lowenbrau. "She waved her handbag at me in a most insulting manner. I suppose she must have been overwrought."

But the 'woman' on the roof wasn't overwrought

to Die as a Woman

at all. 'She' was in fact transvestite Fritz Kläbel who was annoyed because his suicide was being interfered with against his will.

"I was absolutely disgusted with the behavior of the Munich fire department," said Fritz after his rescue. "All I wanted to do was to peaceably throw myself off the roof. And what happens? They have to interfere."

As the crowd gathered in the street below, the firemen pulled out two safety nets and held them under the spot where the woman was tottering.

"Jump," shouted Lowenbrau.

"Go away," shouted back Fritz, but his words were lost in the wind.

"She says she's frightened," Lowenbrau told the crowd.

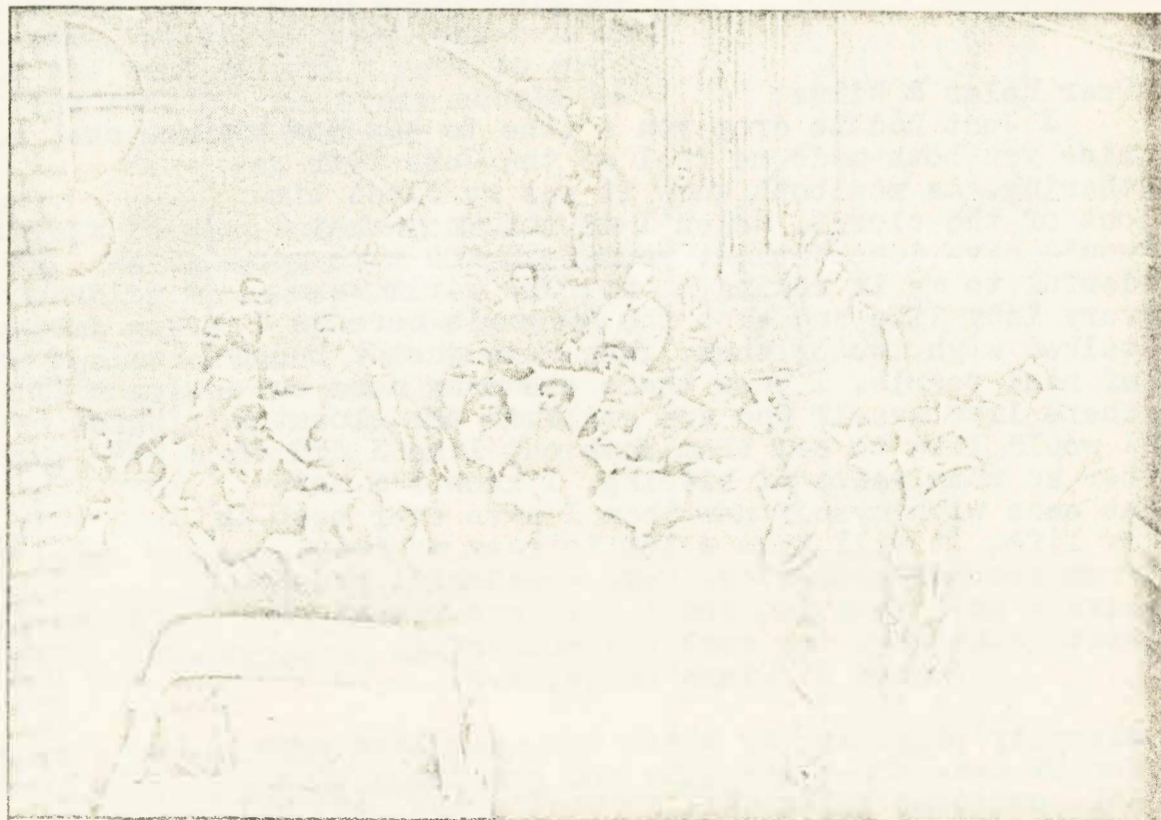
Fritz wasn't sure exactly what to do, but found himself getting increasingly cold and tired on the high roof. He was just trying to decide what to do next, when the guttering gave way and he fell.

"I was going to try and



Spectators witnessed many exciting and tense moments before Kläbel decided to jump

get back in the building," said Fritz, "but the gutter broke and I slipped into space. I remember the pale upturned faces of the crowd rushing towards me as I fell." As he hit the net a



Quick work by firemen saved Kläbel from killing himself