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NEWSLETTER EDITORS  
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and  
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Hi Folks:

A nice day for the monthly meeting, the weather was summer like for thi time of the year. The Girls were small in number but none the less they enjoyed the evening. Agnes was a new comer who has been visiting with Wilma for some timebut circumstances at home prevented him from coming untill thi Sat. Welcome aboard Agnes maybe some day soon you will be able to bring you wife along to share your happiness in your T.V. life.

Do hope all you girls that went to the Fantasia Shindig enjoyed yourself This month should give you girls a chance to get out for Halloween as there are a lot of the night spots having a Ball, and some of our groups are also having party's.

The girls here last night were: Michelle Ann and Dennie from Somerville, Mass., Kathy from Camulus, N.Y., Rachel from Camulus, N.Y., Crystal from Menands, N.Y., Elanda from Rome, N.Y., Karen from Clifton Park, N.Y., Eilee from Poughkeepsie, N.Y., Joan from Poughkeepsie, N.Y., Agnes from Colonie, N.Y., Johnie from Catskill, N.Y. Wilma and I.

The Menu for the girls was: Meat loaf, mashed potatoes, honey buttered carrits, corn, rye bread butter, custard pie pumpkin pie, coffee.

Miss all you girls that couldn't make it thistime. We will be planning for our Xmas party in Dec. All you girls can start planning on whether you will be comming to our Xmas party. We usually have a nice time what with our grab bag, singing and dancing. This is the night the girls really shine in their beautiful gowns. Something about Xmas seems to make the girls glow with happiness. This I enjoy seeing as I feel that by my understanding my T.V. Husband and his likes for dressing, I believe I have made a lot of the girls who come here more comfortable in having a place to go. I pray that some day more of the wives will be able to fully understand why their men are so interested in dressing in feminine clothes. The young the old all have the same thought in mind. To dress and enjoy the pleasures of being a woman for a short while. No harm done to anyone everything on the up & up. I have watched these girls when they came here as one of my rules was that they behave and act like a lady. I think if more of the wives came here to the meetings they would find that what goes on here is clean and above boar The T.V.'s are all types of men, engineers, lawyers, dr., camera men from all walks of life.

Crystal didn't do her letters this month as she wasn't feeling good. She was fighting a cold all week. She plans on doing her letters at our next meeting.

I want to thank all the girls who sent me a card when I was laid up with my leg. I am feeling fairly good now, but the Dr. says I will eventually have to have the operation. It makes me feel better just knowing that so many of you girls take time to think of me.

Will be taking Wilma out for her Birthday Sat. night to celebrate another year onto her age.

Had a visit from Gail and Joan last Sundayon the Island we were glad to see them. Joan as you know had to be put in the closet for a few years as t they had their son staying with them so Joan had to hide untill the time came that she again could come out. Wheather permitting they will try to make the Nov. meeting. Glad to be here for Joan to come out again and feel like her feminine self again. It must have been torture for Joan to be put away for that length of time. I am sure that all the girls welcome you back again as do Wilma and I.

Comes that time on the sheet when I have to say I enjoy being with all the girls when they come. Sure do miss some of the other regula:s who could not make the meeting.

May God Bless all of you and keep you healthy and happy untill we meet again. Hopefully we may have some new faces, I know that there are many more out there who have not come out of the closet maybe with a little help they can make it out.

Good night and Pease be with you

Love Helen

W I L M A ' S V I E W S

Transexualism is a much dramatized state in which a man - genetically, structurally, and hormonally male - persistently believes and behaves as though he were a woman. He remains more or less distressed until bodily structure and function have been rendered nearer to the heart's desire by appropriate surgery and medical treatment and he takes up life as a woman.

Homosexuality has been a recognized form of human behavior at least from the time of Socrates, who indeed praised it as the highest form of human love. It is now legally recognized in England and some parts of the United States as acceptable between consenting adults of both sexes.

Transvestism is unlike both transsexualism and homosexuality. Transvestism shares with transsexualism the compulsion to dress and appear like the other sex but in other respects it is quite different. Whereas the transsexual is firmly convinced that he is not a "he" at all but a "she" who has been given the wrong body, the transvestite finds that he is both a "he" and a "she" together - at the same time or alternating from one to the other when opportunity permits or desire compels.

Again, while the transsexual is either neutral or feminine in sexual behavior (real or imaginary) the transvestite usually remains entirely heterosexual. In this he is distinguished from both the transsexual and from the homosexuals who also enjoy "cross dressing",

apart from this periodic compulsive desire to wear female clothes and pass in public as a woman the typical transvestite suffers from two other causes of distress. One is the build up of anxiety and tension when the compulsion is thwarted and in this he is like any obsessive patient who cannot satisfy his drive. At times the anxiety and tension may be severe and prevent the sufferer from leading a normal life. At others they are more a nuisance and simply reduce his effectiveness.

The other major cause of distress is loneliness. Transvestism is essentially a solitary activity, needing no partner in its expression. Ignorance of the subject has until recently resulted in each transvestite thinking he must be unique.

Only in the entertainment field does anything like transvestism appear. But female impersonation is entirely different. The entertainer is always known and clearly seen to be a person of one sex "dressing up" to look like the other. The desire at the basis of the act is to earn more money by doing the job well.

To relieve the transvestite of his distress two conditions are necessary - the easy acquisition of the clothes, that he needs, and an increased freedom to wear them as and when he wishes. Public opinion and the law need changing to bring these about. While it is unlikely that public opinion will change much in the next few years the attitude of law enforcement could be changed rapidly.

A transvestite is not technically committing an offence when he goes into public places "dressed".

However, his appearance immediately rouses in the official mind suspicions about other forms of behavior which are illegal and transvestites who are detected in public may be subjected to harsh cross-examination about their habits and also be ridiculed and publicly disgraced.

Is there any such thing as the "typical" transvestite - someone who can be clearly recognized as such and so placed in appropriate pigeonhole? In several ways the answer is no. Perhaps the only thing transvestites have in common is their transvestism. They come from all walks of life and are of all physical types.

The typical transvestite is married or divorced and has children. He becomes aware of his transvestism either in early childhood or at puberty. He hopes that marriage or at least regular normal sexual intercourse, would cause his transvestism to vanish. This never happens and in many cases the compulsion becomes progressively more severe as life goes on.

The tension it causes may lead to marital breakdown. Inevitably the transvestite has to face the problem of telling the family, or of their discovering his state by accident.

What, then, is it to be the place of the transvestite in society? Just as we accept the transsexual who found life unendurable before "he" became changed by surgical and medical skill into a "she" so, perhaps we will have to accept the way of life of the transvestite who has his compulsive desire to become a woman in appearance from time to time.

For every transsexual who hits the newspaper headlines there are probably 100 transvestites. They manage to lead reasonably normal lives in obscurity for most of the time - apparently well adjusted, beer drinking and football playing men. Nevertheless they are perpetually nagged by their compulsion, and have to give way to it from time to time if they are to avoid unbearable tension and anxiety. Let society, then, grant little tolerance to such sufferers who only wish to live out their compulsion on their own, involving no other, happily normal, members of the public.

(ED NOTE: I would like to hear some comments on this. So send in your letters so that our members may read them.)

PARTY DATES

TVIC holds its parties on the third Saturday of every month... The next three dates are NOV. 15th-- Dec. 20th-- and JAN. 17th... Dec. 20th will be our 9th Christmas Party. This is always a great affair and we always have a good attendance... So please let us know at least 6 days in advance of your coming. Reference to the grab bag game which takes around 2 hours to play... One brings a feminine gift between 5 & 10 dollars... This is not compulsory - those who bring a gift get to play the game and the others just watch... Its just as much to watch as to play... Reference to the gift... Please bring a gift that you would be happy to receive yourself within that price range.

NEW MEMBERS

I am pleased to announce the enrollment of 5 new members this month.

LISA..... OAKLAND GARDENS..N.Y... KARREN G...CLIFTON PARK...N.Y....  
BRENDA N... DORVAL..CANADA..... VINCENT L... WARSAW...N.Y.....  
CARROL S...RICHMOND HILL..N.Y.....

We all here at TVIC welcome you nice people and we hope that you will be able to attend some of our parties and get to meet a real nice bunch of people.

BIRTHDAYS

Oct.27 MILTON E [REDACTED] NOV. 10 PAULA D [REDACTED]  
" 28 WILLIAM [REDACTED] NOV. 17 HELEN F [REDACTED]  
" 28 WILLIAM H [REDACTED] NOV. 17 HOWARD R [REDACTED]  
" 29 EBEN E [REDACTED] NOV. 22 Michelle Ann [REDACTED]  
NOV. 2 ARLENE A [REDACTED] NOV. 24 LISLIE QU [REDACTED]  
" 6 MICHELINE JO [REDACTED] NOV. 27 DENNIE B [REDACTED] (a lovely wife)  
" 8 JACK G [REDACTED]

Helen and I wish you all a very happy and lovely birthday and that you stay young forever.

ANNEVERSERY

Helen And I wish Mr. & Mrs Janette Mac C [REDACTED] a very happy anniversary on NOV. 22.

SPECIAL THANKS

TO CYNTHIA M... JEANETT M...KATHY G... and RACHEL A... for the news clippings  
TO MICHELL ANN B...PATRICA G...and RENNEE C.. for the lovely pictures they sent in for the club album.

\*A PERSONAL COLUMN

I have been asked by over 10 members to run a personal column in the TVIC Journal to help pay the cost of this paper that is now costing us over \$1,200 a year to print and mail.

IF I get enough request. This will be the set up...\$5 per add--No limit on the amount of words--to be run in 3 additions or \$10 for a full years run. If you have a printable picture I will run it with your add...Also I will try and get some outside advertisers that would be interested in putting an add in our monthly Journal...If you know of anyone have them contact me.

NEW 1980 DIRECTORY

The new 1980 directory is now ready...Members who would like to receive it please send 30¢ in stamps or cash to cover postage.

QUESTION OF THE MONTH

WHY are you a Transvestite or a Transsexual? In other words, give the factors which you feel have caused your cross-dressing?

I will publish a Question every month that has been sent in by a member. It will be a great help to our readers to know the best answers to these questions. So send in your replies and also send in a question you would like the members to answer.

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Dr. Nancy Ledins--6155 Fulton Ave.-- Suit 207--Van Nuys--Calif.--91401 is making a study on the pre operative and post operative transsexual. If you are a pre-op or post-op transsexual it would be to your advantage to contact Dr. Ledins... Also let her know you were referred by TVIC. Albany..  
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TIFFANY club of MASS. will hold its Birthday party on Dec. 6th.(3yrs old and off the bottle) Best of luck on the coming party(TVIC.)  
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CROSSROADS CHAPTER of Flint, Mich. will hold its next meeting on Nov. 8th at the Chrystal House--Room 101--Located on Washington washtnaw Ave--In Ann Arbor--Mich..  
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TEMPTATION CLUB--2090--Jerecho Turnpike--East Hampton Sta--N.Y.-- 11746 This is another excellent place to go dressed. All TVs welcomed.  
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OSSI-GAY INN--358 West 30th St.--N.Y.City--N.Y.--Phone 212-695-5393-- Cross-dressers welcomed. Its an excellent place to go--clean and friendly...  
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THE LONG JOURNY

The smell of fear was everywhere. Every step sounded an alarm to warn of my presence. A squeaking board fairly yelled to the world. I know I should turn back but alone I forged on knowing I must succeed or all would be lost.

Another step, than another even harder than the last. Was it really this far? Could I make it without collapsing where I stood?

A door passed without opening but I knew any moment it would and give me away. Something inside of me actually wished it would but I felt I would die if it did.

I clutched my change in my right hand and my key to the real world and safty in the other. Shear will power drove me on. Another door than another and I reached my destination. At last what must have been hours I was there.

Completing my work I turned to make my escape. My prize held tightly for fear of dropping I hurried now, faster and faster until finally I was back to the door and safty. Entering and flinging it closed behind me I almost fainted from the ordeal I had gone through.

I knew one thing. I had won as I had made the long journey and returned. I had proof in the prize I held in my hands.

The Prize?

A coke from the machine down the hall from my motel room purchased by LEE herself.

BY LEE S.....NIAGRA FALLS.....N.Y.....

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A FURRY TALE

When from my daily chores I am free and a lady once more I want to be, I know that I shall begin, to bring out the girl within.

My legs I must closely shave, if those pretty nylons I want to save. And my arms must shed that hair, for a sleeveless dress I plan to wear.

And when in the mirror I shall see, a bearded lady staring back at me, I'll know my evening's done. Golly gee, it must be after one.

BY...GORGETT C.....AUSTON....TEXAS.....

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ACTUALLY SIBMITTED TO LIBERTY MUTUAL INSURANCE CO. WHEN ASKED TO MAKE A STATEMENT ON HOW A PARTICULAR ACCIDENT HAPPENED.

- 1- Coming home I drove into the wrong house and colided with a tree I don't have.
- 2-The other car collided with mine without giving warning of its intention.
- 3-I thought my window was down, but found it was up when I put my hand through it.
- 4- I collided with a stationary truck coming the other way.
- 5- A truck backed through my windshield into my wife's face.
- 6- A pedestrian hit me and went under my car.
- 7- I had been driving my car for 40 years when I fell asleep at the wheel and had an accident.
- 8- The accident ocured when I was attempting to bring my car out of a skid by steering it into the other vehicle.
- 9- To avoid hitting the bumper of the car in front of me, I struck the pedestrian.
- 10-My car was legally parked as it backed into the other vehicle.
- 11-An invisible car came out of nowhere, struck my vehicle and vanished.
- 12-I told the police that I was not injured but on removing my hat, I found that I had a fractured skull.
- 13-When I saw I could not avoid a collision I stepped on the gas and crashed into the other car.
- 14-The pedestrian had no idea which direction to go so I ran over him.
- 15.The indiregt cause of this accident was a little guy in a small car with a big mouth.
- 16-No one was to blame for this accident, but it would never have happened if the other guy was alert.
- 17-I pulled away from the side of the road glanced at my mother-in-law, and headed over the embankment.
- 18-In my attempt to kill a fly, I drove into a telephone pole.
- 19-I was thrown from my car as it left the road. I was later found in a ditch by some stray cows.
- 20-The telephone pole was approaching fast. I was attempting to swerve out of its path when it struck my front end.

(Now I know that this little piece has nothing to do with TVism but I thought that it might come in handy in case one of you have an accident.)

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NEWS RELEASE: A.P.... The bride wore a brown pantsuit. The groom wore a dainty floral [redacted] with white lace trim as a counterpoint to his tatooed arms-and a love [redacted] rette in his thick black beard. Thus were DAVID [redacted] YVONNE [redacted], married Saturday in Billings, Mont. Said biker [redacted] "Bamme [redacted] s friends - "They don't call me 'Alabama wild man' for nothing"

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An inquisitive TV named Clyde, When dressed took pains and great pride. He tried on a new corset, but he had to force it, now he's exceedingly sore inside.

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Yes Th  
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Dear Wilma:

This letter is in reference to the June 21st 1980 TVIC journal page 5. Yes it is true that you can not burry your feelings. I tried to do that by joining the Marine Corps. Eventhough I was well liked, my nickname was Jail-bait and I was picked on for being a sissy. I never got along personally with other males even when I started driving trucks.

I started mountain climbing ten years ago. I figured I never wanted to see anyone. I figured I could run away from everyone and the world. Well, I could! But, I found it wasn't the world I was running from. It was myself, because when I turned around each time, there I was.

In January, I gave up my \$22,000 tractor because I have to be here to get treatments. I was so confused that I did not know up from down. Alot of women drive their own rigs. So did I. I found that it is not just a job but I love my work so much because it is just as important as being a person with a face and identity. I know I cant be on the road all over if I'm a prisoner here, and I don't want to be known to other truckers as an inbetween freak.

So, I have been trying to decide whether this is all worth it and drop everything for the third time and try to burry it again. No! If I had not tried to ignor myself, I would not have to go through all this pain now.

VALERI G.....LATH AM...N..Y...

Dear Wilma:

I was fascinated by your attempt to decentralize the TVIC meetings. The failure seemed to prove how ~~per~~ very personal your hold is on the girls and how much confidence you have built up over the years in yours and Helen's integrity, discretion and your viability as a contact point. In one way a tribute in another, sad that there is still so much insecurity among us.

I had a strange experience. I thought when I retired after 40 years at 64 last Aprillst I would finally be free to let my better half out of the closet. Oddly, the desire to dress almost left me. I remembered your admonition that not age or fear should curb what one really wants to do. But it did not help and only now am I beginning to feel I can let go Psychologically, I suppose, dressing was a relief from business pressures which no longer applied. I wonder if any other member had that experience.

Any way this summer has been so hot and makeup runs and foundations are too hot, too confining. I'm looking forward to the cooler autumnal weather to see if that helps my return to dressing.

Incidentally I'M sure glad I'm just a TV and not wishing for surgery, particularly after reading your piece in the June newsletter. I can understand and sympathize with the girls who want to go all the way. But I am glad it is not my need....BOBBI...W.....N ew york City...N.Y.....

Dear Wilma:

Why am I a TV? Well, for starters it's important to recognize that being a TV was never a conscious choice, a reasoned decision. The only conscious choice in the whole business was the decision to pay more and more attention to the femme within me, to give her more freedom to test her whyms, to seek an discover some answers about just how important to me-how much a part of me-is my dressing.

I prefer to take your question and rework it a bit, to respond as if you had asked, "What does your cross-dressing do for you? What do you get out of it?" About two years ago I tried to answer this for my sister and here is what I said back then:

"Somehow it integrates different strabhths of my deep desires and also of my ways of coping day to day. Some of the things that I know about are:

\*My love of grace, of freeness as opposed to force.

\*My fascination with clothing in general and especially the feeling and communication of sensuality and sexuality through it.

\*My hatred of the male note definition of dominance-omnipotence-control-instrative self-sufficiency; and my malsrlity to step outside of it as an ordinary man;

\*My need to escape from real-world situations that are overwhelming or consistently demanding, so that I can regain-recreate-reclaim my inner strength and determination;

\*The importance that I place-in spite of all my beliefs, better judgment, rationalization-on appearances and good looks, on using looks as a way of gaining acceptance and recognition and love (in fact as the primary way of doing this-being an ornament, putting myself up on a shelf, on display, and waiting for someone to come along to pick me and take me home and take care of me)

\*My love of woman's body as a form, as a thing of beauty, that I want to possess or at least have available when I want to look at it-My desire to not possess-own any person, just as I don't want to be owned or possessed by

(continue on page 6) anybody;



"Mom's not going to like the mess you made in there while you were getting 'en femme', pop!

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\*my desire to be good to myself at times when I'm being most cruel to me.  
 \*My way of seeking protection and sympathy, which is to injure myself and hold up the bloodied carcass to the world and say "Now you can't injure an already injured creature, in fact, you really ought to protect me from further harm;" The TV who I feel loving toward, but who is still an object of ridicule in the outside world is the bloodied carcass that I can hold up and shame my tormentors with by making them feel immoral.

What I feel when I dress up, or what moves me to do it, is probably some unique combination of these-and other unrecognized feelings. It's some different combination each time. But one thing that remains constant is its attractive power over me. I can choose to act on it, or try to keep it down. But I cannot choose to banish it, even if I wanted to.

Most of this stuff still rings true, though with a change in emphasis and one addition: dressing is a sexual turn-on for me, at least the fantasy-anticipation of it and the process of dressing up.

The things that still feel real important to me are (1) dressing as an occasional escape from the real world, retreating to a psychic space that is always warm and comfortable and sheltering and which renews my strength and perspective when I return to the real world.(2)The freedom to be more fluent, graceful and decorative in my dress and movement. (3) Dressing as a way of asking for and getting attention. (4) My love of womens body as an object of beauty and my desire to have it without having to possess another person to get it.(5) The caressing feel of feminine fabrics, a supplement to and, in times of drought, a substitute for the caressing of a woman. (6) Dressing for the sexual stimulation.

As I look back on the difference between how I feel now: how I felt then, a couple of things strike me. one is that TVism at least for me is not a static thing. Whatever it is that drives me to do it will probably continue to change over me, as my femme-self and total personalty continue to grow. I can see that I've done some more growing up as a full person over these two years. I'm less self denying as a full person, more at home in the world as a full person, less trapped by the limits of masculinity and freer to express femininity as Howard.

TVism has indeed been a decisive opening wedge for me in my movement toward a more androgynous total male personhood. It has changed my life as Howard. My male self is decidedly less masculine: more graceful and fluent, more beautiful to the eye. I've become more gentle and affectionate toward other men as a result of my relation with other TVs while dressed. This is a totally sexual development, having nothing to do with sexuality; sexual preference and everything to do with becoming a more human and compassionate creature. TVism has helped me to think of people more as people and less as men or women who warrant distinctly different responses solely by virtue of their sex. This all feels extremely good. What a good and personally-productive two years it has been! My thanks to the support groups that have helped me do it. To Tri-Sigma, to Fantasia Fair, to TVIC and to Julia Lafayes Paradise club.

RUTHAM M...MADISON...WISCONSIN.

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 LITTLE KNOWN FACTS ABOUT SOME FAMOUS TV'S..BY DEE DEE W..HARTFORD..CONN..

Pauline Revere, who rode sidesaddle and bareassed thru the streets of Boston screaming, "Those dirty mothers are coming".

"JAWS" WASHINGTON, a camp follower, who crossed the Delaware. As she put it, "I'll take on the whole goddam British Army".

PATRICIA HENRY, who said on the scaffold, "I had them all fooled until I forgot to sit down to pee."

BENITA FRANKLIN, who invented the three piece condom.

ABBY LINCOLN who scored four times before and seven times after reaching Gettysburg.

The 'one if by land and two if by sea fable'. The sexton of The Old North Church was a TV and the lanterns were used for dating. One at my place, Two at yours. (The British actually came by bus.)

The unknown captain at Bunker Hill who said, "Don't shoot until you see the whites of their petticoats."

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I like to dress up like a lady,  
 I can either be proper or shady!  
 Are my stockings on straight?  
 Is my dress very tight?  
 Oh, it's fun to be a transvestite!

BY MICHELLE.

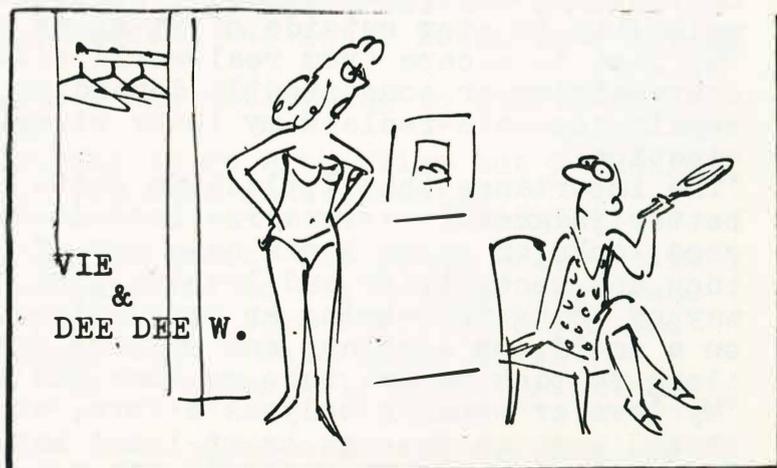
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BEAUTY HINTS.....

To tame unruly eyelashes, try coating them lightly with clear petroleum jelly before retiring for the night.

To make eyelashes thicker, put baby powder on lashes and apply several coats of mascara.

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"Since you became a transvestite, I haven't a thing to wear!"

NEWS ITEMS:

FIVE DAYS LATER, JAILER LEARNS SHE IS A HE.

ST LOUIS: A prisoner who spent five days in the womans quarters of the St Louis workhouse has been moved to the mens section after police discovered that she was really a he. Police officals said that Marlow Ransom 23 had Masqueraded as a woman since his arrest Sept 6 on a charge with tampering with an auto. They said Ransom spent one night in the womans holdover section at police headquarters and five days in the womans quarters of the workhouse. Ransom who was dressed as a woman, told officers his name was Sharon Ransom at the time of his arrest. Ransomes true sex was discovered during a routine strip search...Wotkhouse superintendent said that although Ransom lived and slep in the same room with woman the female prisoners were unaware of the fact that he was a man.....

HE'S GUILTY OF TRANSVESTISM, WEARING A DRESS DURING TRIAL...

ORLANDO..FLA.. Robert Lee Morgan who changed from jeans into a flowered dress, curly wig, silver earings and floppy high heels halfway through his trial, was declared guilty of transvestism... The jury took less than 45 min. before convicting Morgan for standing on a street corner in a dress not belonging to his sex with intent to disguise his true sex... TheOrlando ordiance outlawing transvestism became law in 1948.

ESTROGEN CREAM A BUST FOR MEN...

HUSBANDS shduld keep check medical data if their wives use a vaginal cream- the men may develop their own breasts if they don't...Docotrs at the Vander bilt medical school in Nasdville, Tenn., recently performed a mastectomy on a 70-year-old man to remove benign breast tissue... They say the condition apparently developed after man absorbed the female hormones from estrogen contained in the cream...

RELEASE FROM MALE BODY IS PLEA OF N.Y. PRISONER.. By Alan Fram, Capitol News

A N.Y.City man serving time at an upstate prison for robbery wants the state to pay for a final operation to complete his transformation into a woman... State Correctional Service Comm. T.A.Coughlinlll says N.Y. will not pay for the operation...Procedure would involve removal of the mans penis and the construction of a vagina, an operation that could coast \$50,000...LOUIS Quirros-known as Diane-was convicted of robbery 4 yrs. ago... He is now at Clinton Correctional Facility, a prison for men and is isolated from the rest of the inmates... ROBERT SELCOV the attorney representing Quirros,says his 25 yr.-old client has already had silicone implants in his breasts and surgery to reconstruct his hips and face.Quirros has been taking the female hormone~~x~~ estrogen since about 1971, the lawyer said, and tge state has continued providing that treatment... Coughlin ruled early this year that the state would not pay for the operation. Selcov said Quirros still wants it. He added that Quirros cannot afford to pay for it... He still feels he is a woman trapped in a mans body...Coughlin said he decided to rule out a state funded operation after Quirros was examined by psychiatrists. The comm- issioner declined to reveal the outcome of the examinations,citing confi- dentiality,but said,unless its a life-threatening situation or something threathening his psychological health,we wont pay for it...We do certain kinds ofcosmetic surgery for inmates,like removal of tattoos, but it become, tense when deciding where to draw the line...Quirros has wanted the state to pay for this operation since at least 1978, according to letters Selcov said he has received.He said he had a May 1978 letter from then-Correction- al Services Commissioner Benjamin Ward to Quirros sister in New York City that said that Ward had made arrangements for the operation but Qui rros had turned it down.Selcov,however said Quirros has claimed that Albany doctor who examined him told him the state would not pay for such an operation...

Dear Abby: I know they call a person who has had a sex change operation a transsexual. But what do they call a nun who has had a sex change operation????CURIOUS IN WINONA

Dear Curious: A transsister????

MORE BEAUTY HINTS:

- If you want sexier-looking eyes, dip a Q-Tip in a drop of baby oil and run it across your eyelids before applying eyeliner.
- Before sharpening an eye**br**ow or eyeliner pencil,let it stand in the refrigerator for a few minutes;then it will not break so easily when you are sharpening the point.
- To help minimize a low forehead,keep brows lower with almost no arch.
- Never go to bed with a dirty face.

# Charlie Is Charlotte After Denmark Trip

(By Wireless to THE NEWS)

Copenhagen, Feb. 24.—Denmark's girl-to-order surgeons have again extended rubber-gloves helping hands to a confused Mother Nature. A New Orleans bookkeeper, so desperate to become a young lady that he submitted to a highly-dangerous initial operation in a Danish kitchen to circumvent recently-enacted laws, is almost ready to return to the U. S. as "Charlotte" instead of "Charlie."

The newly-minted woman, who described a series of operations and hormone injections as "just one year of hell," is Charlotte McLeod, 28, an ex-GI and son of a Dyersburg, Tenn., insurance man.

## Used All Her Money.

Charlotte, an attractive brunette, said it was the "bad publicity" given Christine Jorgensen that caused most of her trouble. She said she converted all of her assets, including a house left her by an aunt, into cash and set out for Copenhagen a year ago to be converted into a girl.

She had thought of having the operation performed long before Christine discarded the name of George. But when she finally arrived here she was confronted by a 1953 Danish law forbidding the "initial operation" on anyone but Scandinavians, a form of discrimination that forced her to desperate measures.

Charlotte, who leans heavily upon a cane because her feet are still numb from the most recent of the long series of operations, today said:

"The thought of having come all this way in vain and of returning as the Charlie I hated was unbearable. I managed to have this first operation made unofficially. It happened on a kitchen table at midnight and that's all I want to say about that, but the operation almost killed me."

## Months of Agony.

It took Charlotte several, agony-filled months to recover from her first operation. Then, however, Danish surgeons could proceed with further operations and hormone injections of the type that made Christine what she is today.

Famed professors and plastic surgeons worked on her in hospitals and clinics for several months. They worked for nothing because she could not afford to pay the bills, said Charlotte. In fact, her funds melted so fast that Charlotte cannot return to New Orleans until she gets a new bankroll.

Charlotte's case curiously parallels that of Christine Jorgensen in other respects. Like Christine, she was in the Army. She served for three months in 1948, but got an honorable discharge for medical reasons.

"Everyone could see that I was no soldier and that it was all a mistake," she said.

## Names Not Disclosed.

Copenhagen Hospital officials refused to disclose the names of the surgeons who performed the operations. In the Jorgensen case, the doctors were Dr. Dahl Iversen, head of the University Clinic of the Rigshospital; Dr. Christian Hamburger, head of the hormone department of the Serum Institute, and Dr. George K. Stuerup, chief of the psychiatric division of Denmark's prison system.

Dr. Iversen lectured in New Orleans in 1949 at the International Congress of Surgeons and it might have been his influence that prompted Charlie McLeod, then living with his aunt and working as a bookkeeper, to seek transformation.

The spanking new woman said she hopes to write a book about her sex change to raise money for the one more operation she needs to complete the metamorphosis a year from now.

"After that, I expect to lead a normal life as a woman and to get married," she told reporters, "the doctors told me that would be possible."

Charlotte has a high-pitched, feminine voice, a girlish face and a slender figure. She said her family did not approve of her plans to change her sex, adding, "But they did not approve of the way I was before, either." She said she plans to go into seclusion in the U. S. until her book is completed and she has her final operation.

"It's not going to be a scandal story," she insisted. "I hope it

helps others—there are thousands of people in a similar situation."

Part of the reason she underwent the change, said Charlotte, was because "It was difficult for me to get jobs as a man."

## Father Was Opposed.

In Dyersburg, Charles McLeod Sr. said that after consulting doctors he had advised against the operations. McLeod, who is divorced from Charlotte's mother and has since remarried, said he had been told the operations could not be successful and that he had warned his son not to count on him for financial help.

The elder McLeod said Charlotte's mother has also remarried. He added that Charlotte was willed a house and several thousand dollars in bonds and stocks. He said that Charlotte had apparently converted the legacy into cash to make the trip to Copenhagen.

# Women's Clothes Make The Man Eligible for Queens Jail

A stocky Scandinavian dishwasher—fetchingly attired in a black-and-white checked skirt and wearing a red wig—smiled disarmingly at a dismayed Queens detective early Monday and explained in a purr worthy of Tallulah:

"There is nothing to be excited about. In Copenhagen everybody dresses this way."

AND SO IT WAS that Anselm Kansikes, 37, a native of Helsinki, Finland, discovered to his disappointment that you may do as the Copenhageners do in Copenhagen, but not in Queens.

Kansikes, of 90-25 170th St., Jamaica, was picked up at 3 a. m. at Park Lane South and Metropolitan Ave., Kew Gardens, by Detective William McElarney, who admitted he could scarcely believe his eyes.

Here was Kansikes, a husky, broad-shouldered fellow who served in the Finnish army and sailed as a merchant seaman. All decked out in women's clothes. All that is, except his argyle socks and sloppy bedroom slippers.

ARRAIGNED BEFORE Magistrate McKennee on charges of masquerading, Kansikes was asked if he was "trying to pull a Christine Jorgensen in this country."

"I was just having a little fun," he explained. "I just wanted to see how it felt. Most of the men get dressed up like this in Europe."

Magistrate McKennee ordered Kansikes held in \$2,500 bail for hearing Friday, and packed him off to jail, wig and all.

# Posed As Lady On Bet and Won Only Trouble

Huddersfield, Eng. — Watching an all-male show, two young men had an argument. One said the impersonation of women could be successful only on the stage; in ordinary life it would be easy to see they were men.

The other, a bank clerk, disagreed, and the result was that he took a wager. His friend bet him \$20 that he could not stay 48 hours in a hotel, masquerading as a woman, without discovery.



Charles McLeod as "Charlie."



Here's Charles McLeod as "Charlotte."

When her new boy friend got fresh and started making passes at her, she didn't put him in his place . . . he found it himself.

The story of the wager was told in his defense when the clerk, Kenneth Croft, 27, of Nablane, Mirfield, Yorks, appeared at Huddersfield, where he was fined \$5.00 and costs for conduct likely to provoke a breach of the peace.

It was stated that dressed as a woman, Croft booked a hotel room for two nights and after one night there went to a cinema.

He was wearing a blonde wig, blouse, skirt, silk stockings and white shoes, and his finger-nails were painted red. But the staff were suspicious and called the police.

A detective and a policewoman sat behind Croft and saw him powder his face. When asked for his identity card he produced one in the name of "Sheila Croft."

"I don't think you are a woman," said the detective, and Croft replied: "No, I am not. I did this for a bet."

Hearing this, the magistrate, W. R. Briggs, said to him: "What people do on the stage is one thing: going about in public places dressed as a woman is another."

When Adam saw that he and Eve were different, he split the difference.