



# *A Holiday Greetings*



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Hi: The trees all trimmed and the holly hung, we had a good group here for the Xmas Party. We all had a good time but sorry for those who wanted to come and couldn't because of the gas shortage. Missed you Betty and Sue as I know you wanted to come.

Hi Pam, hope you are feeling better. Crystal told me you were ill. The gals were asking for you. LaVerne, we missed you too, hope you are feeling better and we'll be seeing you soon.

Hi Billie up there in Vermont. Is there something wrong we haven't heard from you for a few months. Are you ill or perhaps need help or something. Were here to help if we can. Please drop us a line and let us know whats up. We think of you often.

The lovely girls who came to the Xmas Party yesterday were: Barbara B. Long Island, N. Y. Mary Ann J. Allison Park Penn. Patricia W. Plainfield, N. J. Darlene P. Syracuse, N. Y. Jean E. Plattsburg, N. Y. Winnie Schenectady, N. Y. Dennie & Jo Peekskill, N. Y. Michelle Glens Falls, N. Y. Michelle Albany, N. Y. Crystal Menands, N. Y. Laura M. Sharron, Conn. Pauline S. Voorheesville, N. Y. Joan Colonie, N. Y. Every one looked lovely, some in gowns, some in dresses and skirts/sweaters. Winnie looked lovely in her new hairdo she had done by my daughter Nancy, so did Laura and Pauline well it only proves that a new hairdo can improve the disposition of some women.

Our dinner menu last night was Baked Ham, Custard baked corn, mashed potatoe, tossed salad, pickles -olives-apple sauce. Coffe and Ice cream cake roll. Every one seemed to eat well and back for seconds.

I was happy to see Joan handle a knife so handily, she carved the ham, sliced the home made bread  
Where oh where did you learn to do kitchen duties so well Joan. It's a pleasure to have help in the kitchen after working all morning then home to prepare for the evening. I also thank Dennie and Jo for help cleaning up.



P- A- G- E # 2

With dinner over and the table cleared, we put the grab bag up on the table so we could start with the fun of the evening. The girls all came with lovely gifts for the grab bag. Some swapped some kept what they drew, but all had a fine time.

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Now came our Lovable Crystal with a beautiful Xmas story. Crystal has told us she has been reading this story since 1954. the story is about an orphan girl who was brought to a couple who had lost their only daughter years ago. Seems the wife held onto all the girls things and became bitter. The child went to the husband and told him she had been counting the days to Xmas, and that tomorrow was Xmas. He asked the girl what she wanted, and the child said she would like a doll that could sleep like a baby. With this the man went in and told his wife, she said that no doll could be bought now as the stores all were closed, but that she would make some Xmas cookies, knowing that the child would be dissappointed, he waited untill his wife was asleep, and he went up to the attic to look for the doll that belonged to his child, but the doll was already gone. Some how his wife had surmised what he thought, so she had done the doll over. In the morning when the little orphan girl got the doll, she was happy, and she made the couple happy so they decided to keep the orphan and give her love and a home. Crystals moral of this story is that ( God works in mysterious ways.) I believe her. Some day I'll print the whole story.

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Mary Ann and Pauline told some jokes and they were funny and clean. I dont remember all them but I thought this rather humorous.

This couple met and married in their mid years, and had made an agreement not to mention any of their past. They went to the Motel for their Honeymoon Not being tired he said he was going for a swim in the pool. He got down to the pool and climbed the highest diving board and did some fancy dives. When he came back to his wife "She said, where did you learn to dive so well." He told her they weren't going to talk about their past, but he thought it would be alright to tell her. I won 2 gold medals in the olympics. Now she decided to go in the pool for a swim. She swam very fast from one end of the to the other several times and then she came out. " he said, where did you learn to swim so fast, I've seen girls swim in the olympicks that were good, but you swim like lightening." she said , we weren't going to talk about our past, but I think it's alright if I tell you. I was a Prostitute in Venice and I worked both sides of the canal.

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Dont get mad:

If an elephant is three times as big as an ass, and an ass is three times as tough as an elephant and it takes three days to boil an elephant whole, how long will it take to boil an ass whole?

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NEW SONG HIT: If the bed breaks down, my darling, I'll see you in the spring.

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DID YOU KNOW: Brassiere: Upper topper flopper stopper.

Athætic Supporter: Double decker pecker checker. Gold Toilet Paper: Super dooper pooper scooper. A NAG: That's a woman with no Horse sense.

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An old maid wanted to take the remains of her late lamented cat to the pet cemetary, but she wasn't sure if they'd let her on the bus with it, so she told the driver, " I have a dead pussy." The driver pointed at the seat behind him and said, "Sit up here with my wife. You two have a lot in common.

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Married men make the best wives, but not always their own.

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A little variety this the last month of the year. If you like I print some more like it. I know it gets tire some just reading what we do so I put these few jokes and quips in so as not to bore you. No offense meant to any one. You wives who read our paper, this is all printed in clean fun. We will be approaching our end of the second year together. I'm only sorry that our members who live out of town and far away can not make one of our meetings as I'm sure we would enjoy meeting them and could show them a pleasant evening. Our group over the two years have really been a joy to have and I for one enjoyed helping them to find their happiness in their desire to crossdress. Before I forget Wilma and I want to thank you all for the lovely Xmas cards that we received.

Well for those that we wont see untill after the New Year may I take this time to wish one and all a Very Happy and Healthy prosperous New Year. I'll have a cocktail with Wilma and all you good gals out there in T. V. land.

I'll say goodnight and God Bless all. Bye- Bye untill next month.

HELEN



OUR DEAR DENNIE& JO:  
SAY DENNIE WERE YOU THINKING OF ME  
OR SOME ONE ELSE WHEN YOU ORDERED  
THESE PANTIES.

# BITS AND PIECES

The Calif. Dept. of Motor vehicles has informed the TAO that licenses are issued to TSs who have changed sex only after medical verification is presented, including a doctor's signature. Untill the verification is presented, a temporary license with sex designated by the applicant is issued. Reported by TAO.  
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MICHAEL SALEM'S \$10 book "How to Impersonate a Woman" was reviewed by New York's village Voice, wich suggested thst TVs might just as well buy a copy of any beauty magazine for 75 cents. Reported by TAO.  
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### MAN GETS BLOOD CLOT FROM PILL:

London- A 47-year-old man is belived to be the first in the world to suffer from blood clotting effects as a result of taking the birth pill. He came to the Royal Berkshire Hospital three months ago suffering from severe pain in his right chest.

He was clearly ill though chest x-rays did not indicate any particular problem. Finally, he admitted to doctors that he was a TV and had been taking one birth pill a day for the previous 25 days.

Doctors concluded that he had blood clotting problems similar to those experienced by a minority of women on the pill. After treatment with antibiotics and drugs to prevent clotting, he improved rapidly and was discharged.

There is little doubt that his blood clotting problems were a side effect of his taking the pill, says the doctors.

"He took the pill presumably because he hoped it would have a feminizing influence," Dr. A. Bordribb, one of the doctors who treated him, said, "He had not been taking it long enough for this effect. This is the first case I know in which a man has taken the pill has developed this particular problem. We advise all male TVs against taking this pill" Reported by The London Express.  
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### BAY STATE PAIR HELD IN KIDNAP:

Two Massachusetts men were arraigned in Circuit Court on kidnaping and first degree robbery charges after they allegedly kidnaped a restaurant manager at knifer. One of the two men was a female impersonator, police said.

R.P. [redacted], 20, of Boston, was held under \$50,00 bond on the kidnaping and robbery charges, and \$100 on a probation charge.

In the companion case, R.F. [redacted], 16, also known as Cindy Luftenburge of Dorchester, Mass., had his case continued same charge.

The alleged victim, police said, was W. [redacted], 30, of [redacted], who was kidnaped at kniferpoint from his apartment. An anonymous tip to the police said a man with his hands tied was being forced into a car in back of the [redacted] buliding where Harris lives. The vectim is not related

Harris, [redacted] as charged with patronizing a prostitute, when he also appeared in court.

The placing of [redacted] in the Detention area of the courtroom caused a great deal of stir among spectators, some of whom said they thought women's liberation had hit the courtroom when they saw what appeared to be a woman in the cage. Reported by Joyce Starr, Boston Papper.  
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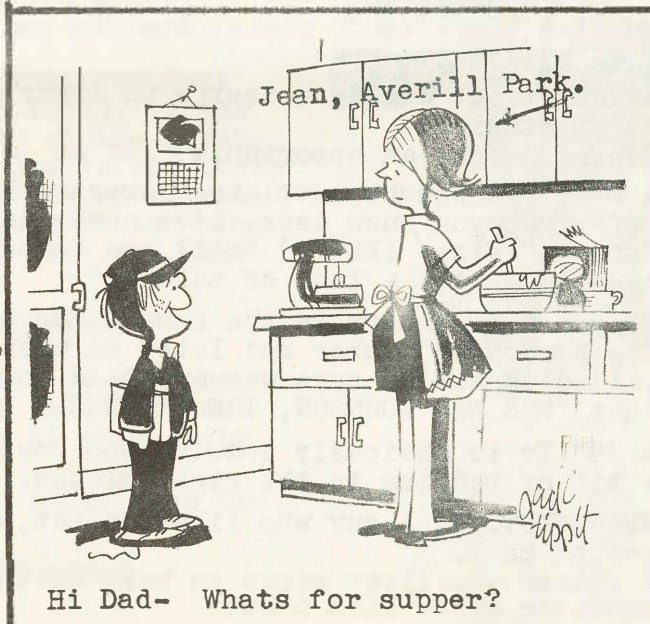
### NAUGHTY, NAUGHTY:

Alexander, the stepbrother of King Boudouin of Belgium, has been shipped off to Antipodes or some equally unpopulated place after a series of shennannigans almost too numerous to mention, according to the European press. Among his misdeeds were impregnating his tutors daughter, dropping out of medical school and stealing his mother's credit cards. Well, at least they didn't send him here. In days gone by it wasn't unusual for a European country to rid itself of an unwanted son by shipping him off to a colony. England took such action with Edward Hyde

LORD Cornbury, Queen Anne's cousin, and a transvestite whose presence in Blighty was found embarrassing. According to chroniclers, England dumped him here in 1702, not as just a guy named Ed but as the English governor of N.Y., and if anybody in N.J. is laughing, they are here-with advised that this guy later become Gov., of the Garden State. His nightly prowlings in femme attire, fliched from his wife's closet, so vexed Lady Cornbury that she dispatched the night watch on many occasions to find and bring him home. A painting of The Lord, in drag, is available for your inspektion at the N.Y. Historical Society on Central Park West. Reported by Charles McHarry of The New York News.  
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Lord Cornbury



Hi Dad- Whats for supper?

# letters to the editor

ANS. TO QUESTION OF THE MONTH: <sup>THEM</sup> sex.  
 QUES. What do TVs want other sex.  
 Dear Wilma:

In Barbara B's personal opinion. First I want respect of my choice to do and wear what I want without a lot of fuss. Second I'd like to be thought of as being pretty or beautiful in my own way and appreciated for being a woman. Third I'd like to be loved by a female who could really try and understand that there are other things in life than sex. I'd like to go out and be with a nice looking male or female purely for fun and the pleasure of being together. I would like an understanding wife who would enjoy having a TV sister for fun and pleasure of togetherness.

B. [REDACTED], POB. 1282, SPRINGFIELD, ILL. 62701.  
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Well it looks like the wrong question last month. Received only one answer. So how about sending in some questions.

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QUES. OF THE MONTH FOR DECEMBER:

Do TVs take themselves too seriously, and if so why?

Dear Wilma:

I have been interested in cross dressing fo<sup>R</sup> at least 15 years. The first time I dared put on women's clothes is when I was staying with friends and they were suddenly called away for sick<sup>R</sup>ness in the family. They told me I could stay over in their house untill I was ready to leave in a few days. It was about 400 miles from my house. Muriel, my friends wife was a tall blond about 5'9". When they were away I was getting ready to go to bed I noticed their bedroom door was opened and the idea came to me that I could try on Muriel's clothes. I had a guilt feeling because I knew if I ever got caught I'd be the laughing stock of the block.

None the less I built up my courage and in their room I went. I inspected her clothes, being very careful to note exactly how they were placed so that I could put them back without Muriel noticing it. I did not know how to go about getting dressed. Nevertheless the first thing I put on was a black satin bra with pointed tips. I'm telling you I almost flipped when I looked at myself in the mirror. I then found some matching panties and a garter belt. I struggled to get it on around my waist. I next looked for black stockings but could only find tan coloured ones. Then I looked in her clothes closet for some shoes. I tried on a pair of white high heels but I just could not get them on. They were just too small. I finally found a pair of backless gold slippers wich I could just put on. They had about a two inch heel and teetered around a bit before I got the hang of it. I tried to put on one of her party dresses but I could not get the hang of putting the back zipper up. So again I had to settle for a brown skirt and a tan sweater. For quite a while I walked around the house getting a great thrill of wearing feminine clothes. The rest of the night I slept with all except the skirt and sweater. This episode is very clear in my mind and I'll never forget it.

Ever since I have been dressing off and on but never had the chance to really take a crack at proper make up etc. Many times I threw away all my female clothes in descust of myself. But then in a month later I'd be back buying them back all over again.

Sincerely, Jean of Montreal, Que., Canada.

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## L O K E S

Russian Roulette- TV Style: Six TVs and only five gridles!!

Frustration: Having a desire to dress and no oppotunity.

Panic: Having an opportunity and no desire.

A TV (SUE) caught completely dressed by his wife: "Do you know dear, I've never done this before." Wife: (BETTY) "Well you certainly have inherited a load of talent."

They met in a park in the summer. He begged for her phone number and later on when he called on her he sure was appalled to find that "SHE WAS JOHNSON, THE PLUMBER."

A 28" Tv is obviously someone who could use a bit of padding in the right places.

TRANSVESTITE: A guy who likes to eat, drink and be MARY.

A fellow who likes girls so well that he wants to dress like them.



"He merely has a hernia, Mrs. Glick."

TO ALL YOU GALS IN TV LAND :

Hello again; Funny, how like a snowball ones life is. When both are small their velocity is very low and as they grow they begin to move faster. When they reach adult age and size, time moves all to swiftly and increased number of things to be done seem to put additional pressure on one to get them done before both you and the snowball fall over the precepice which is the annihilation of both. Thats the way it seems to me. My life slips away at a greatly accelerated rate. Any one past 40 will agree. All I can say-is that thoes less then 40 is get with it and do it now whatever it may be so that you will have time to enjoy it.

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N E W M E M B E R S :

R.F. Olive branch, Miss. P.R. Lake George, N.Y.
T.W. Plainfield, N.J. J.L. Norfolk, Va.

I thank you for joining our group. The other members and I do hope that you will be able to make many of our gatherings in the coming year.

N E W S U B C R I B E R S :

B. B. Springfield, Tenn.

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P A R T Y D A T E S :

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C H R I S T M A S S C A R D S .

Helen and I thak you all for all the beautiful christmas cards that you sent us. We have received over 200 card and it is still a week away from christmas.

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I D E A \* A S W E E T S W A P :

A TV member has been corresponding with another tv member out West. Quite naturally, they proudly bragged about there feminine vital statistics (who doesn'). Give an inch here or there, they found they were the same size. The same garment sizes frome the girdle tothe dress and shoes. They both had items of femme fluff they no longer seemed to care for, or "mistake buys", but just hated to throw them away. (Don't we all?") Eureka!! They exchanged packages. They tells me they were quite pleased with the exchange of things they received. How delightful it is to open a surprise package of goodies that are all just the right size. If this catches on among other TVs, it could put stores and dressmakers at a lose for business. And, how easy on the budget! I won't tell who the fluff-swappers were, but I can say, they buy at the best shops. I hope you all can find a sister-swapper.

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A R R E S T S U R I V A L K I T :

This is a kit for the go-outer; (Laura M. note) shirt, pants, razor, shoes, polish remover, and drivers licence all in a paper bag. Oh yes a few asprins.

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On October 1, 1967; "National Enquirer" contained an article B by Thomas Porter about a man in Yugoslavia who for 12 years deceived friends and his employer to bea woman. Working as a chorus girl; and one year later become a belly-dancer in a night club.

It was not until his involvement in a auto accident that his real identity was revealed (April 1967). At the time of the article he had asked permission of the goverment to allow for his having a sex change operation. These operation were granted through the Yugoslavain Government. He hoped to return to his job as belly-dancer at the same club. His name was Zoran Pop-Simonovic, he used the name Zorana.

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A father took his little son to the hospital to see the familys newest arrival. The child stood in front of the large win nursey window, peering in at the 15 tiny cribs in wich there were 13 infants.

"Oh look, Daddy! he suddenly excaimed "they have two more traps set!"

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LA REVERTE WAS BILLED FOR YEARS AS SPAIN'S ONLY FEMALE BULL-FIGHTER OF THE PERIOD. BUT IN 1908, WHEN WOMEN BULLFIGHTERS WERE BARRED FROM THE RING BY A NEW LAW, LA REVERTE DOFFED HER WIG AND REVEALED SHE WAS ACTUALLY A MASQUERADING MAN

# A Transvestite's Own Case

"...I am, writing from two viewpoints," says the anonymous author of the following article on a subject on which misinformation abounds. "On one hand I am a medically qualified research scientist with an interest in psychology and social science. On the other, I am a transvestite of 35 years' standing."

London

**T**WICE IN the past few months I have seen in the newspapers references to the common but poorly recognized condition of transvestism. Both were remarks by writers who were actually referring to trans-sexualism and homosexuality.

Transsexualism is a rare but much dramatized state in which a person, 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. Such cases, being as rare as they are dramatic, have great news value.

Transvestism is unlike both transsexualism and homosexuality. It is probably as common as homosexuality but since it lacks the drama of transsexualism it is little known, even among the medical profession.

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**T**RANSVESTISM 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 one and 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, at all times, from both the transsexual and from those homosex-

uals who also enjoy "cross dressing" and who are, in fact, a minority within a minority.

Apart from his 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 a buildup of anxiety and tension when the compulsion is thwarted and in this he is like any obsessional patient who cannot satisfy his drive. Displacement activities are common — sports and model railway building are popular among such transvestites as I have met.

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**T**HE 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 at the music-hall end of entertainment does anything like transvestism appear.

But 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 only desire at the basis of this 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 offense when he goes into public places while "dressed," though until recently in Britain such people have been charged with "behavior likely to cause a breach of the peace."

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 to ridicule and public disgrace.

The only way to relieve loneliness is for the transvestite to find others like himself. To this end, a few years ago the Beaumont society was formed in Great Britain. It is an offshoot of the International Foundation for Full Personality Expression, with headquarters in Los Angeles. Both were set up by and for heterosexual transvestites to enable transvestites to contact and meet one another. They also help to explain the condition to sufferers, their families, the medical and allied professions, the police, and the public at large.

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**I**S THERE any such thing as the "typical" transvestite, someone who can be clearly recognized as such and so placed in the 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. Apart from their transvestism, their hobbies, interests, trades, or professions are as varied as those of any similar sized random sample of the population.

The typical transvestite is married or divorced and has children. He became aware of his transvestism either in early childhood or at puberty. He hoped 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.

Inevitably the transvestite has to face the problems of telling the family, or of their discovering his state by accident. No woman is going to accept readily her husband (or any other man) entering, or trying to enter, upon her lifestyle as fully as do many transvestites. What becomes of her identity as a woman if he can invade and participate in her feminine life?

Some figures are important. For every one 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 a 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.

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**F**OR THEIR PART, the transvestites must realize that, for a woman marriage to a transvestite may be difficult, and children would be much confused if they were brought up in a family where the parents' sex and gender roles were not those of normal families.

However, as the transvestite becomes more fully aware of what it means to be a woman (albeit only in his spare time), he cannot but become aware of the deeper implications of the breaking down of the social barriers between the sexes, most apparently among present-day teenagers. These may well be profoundly important developments and lead to a complete reorganization of Western society. This has been dominated for many centuries by an essentially masculine and aggressive ethos and needs to change towards a gentler, more conservationist and feminine frame of mind.

Manchester Guardian

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If I embarrass you in this paper, tell all your friends. If not tell me.  
WILMA