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NEWSLETTER EDITORS
Helen
and
Wilma [redacted]

Here we are back from vacation and holding our first meeting for the girls, and happy to say we have six of their wives attending. It is really a warm feeling to know that there are a few wives who enjoy the parties enough to come back with their mates. It is a good feeling to know that there are so many more wives than we realize who are beginning to understand that their husbands are not freaks, homos, or any other undesirable name society calls them.

Pat, one of the wives who came for the first time told me that when her mate was nervous or up tight, she would tell her to get dressed and let the tensions loosen up.

Wouldn't it be nice if all TV's out in T.V. land could hear those kind words from their mates. Oh well; every body can't be lucky, so those of you who have a good wife hold on to her. I pray that some day all T.V.'s will be accepted for what they are, and they in turn live a happy carefree life.

Our attendance this month was a big 28 people. They all looked well rested after a summer vacation. those here are Billie from Vermont, Joyce and her friend Doreen from New Jersey, Joyce and her friend from Conn, Jean from Plattsburg, N.Y., Pam and Joel from Berne, N.Y. Darlene and Kathy from Syracuse, N.Y. Wilma from Bronx, N. Y., Michelle and Terrie from Saratoga, N. Y., Barbara and Mary from Albany, N. Y. Sue and Betty from Rochester, N.Y., Mary Jean and Patricia from Rochester, N. Y., Dennie and Jo from Peekskill, N. Y., Caroline from Troy, N. Y., Joan from Colonie, N.Y. Crystal from Menands, N.Y., and her two guests both Freds from Troy, N. Y. and Wilma and I. A nice group, I thought for awhile the way they were coming in so that they could all fit in. I enjoy their company as they are a well behaved group. Every body mingled around and talked to every one, and this made some of the new ones feel at ease. It looked to me like both Freds had the girls all over talking to them and I'm sure this made them feel welcome. All in all no one was lonely.

For this large group I had prepared a menu of Roast Turkey, dressing, and mashed potatoes, carrots, asparagus, gravy, cole slaw, pickles, olives, hot bread, tomatoes out of my garden, apple sauce, coffee and assorted cakes.

Sure glad I decided on turkey as they all showed up this time. Usually some at the last minute can't come, and I have a lot of left overs, but not tonight.

Tonight I had a lot of help in the kitchen. It could be that they were all hungry, but it was indeed a pleasure to have them all help.

Joan and Jo did a good job of washing and drying the dishes after all were finished.

After our big meal we had our entertainment. Crystal entertained us with a parody on her life as a young girl, and a letter from her dear Aunt Harriet and this time Crystal threw in a few of her clean jokes.

One of the Freds had a record he had recorded some time back. It was a pleasure to listen to it, Fred, I must tell you we enjoyed hearing you. Come back again to one of our meetings with our talented Crystal. (Crystal you let the Freds read this paper, O.K.).

"What makes you think this rabbit's foot is lucky?"

"My wife came across it in my pants pocket and thought it was a mouse."

Pam and Joel made the meeting after a long absence. Joel and Pam had bought a farm out in the country and are busy with their animals, I'm glad that they were able to get away to meet with the T.V.'s who were always asking for them. We hope to see you two again.

Say Terrie it sure was nice to see you again, with that warm smile you have for all the girls, it sorta brightens up the night. Do try to come some more.

Looked like Joyce from Conn. had a lot of attention from some of the girls. Joyce has just had the operation to be a complete woman, and of course she had the girls asking her a lot of questions about her surgery. You looked very good Joyce.

Sorry you couldn't make it here to the meeting Elanda, as I know you were looking forward to seeing Pam, whom you have been asking about all the time. Of course you would have enjoyed meeting all the new T. V.'s here, as you are fairly new yourself. Well maybe next month you will be able to make the meeting.

Seems two of our gals Jean and Winnie had a Ball at the recent trip they took to Dream 74. Winnie took some pics, but were not developed in time for the meeting so maybe the next month we will see them.

Some visitors drop in for a call- others call in for a drop.

Sure glad to see Billie from Vermont able to make a meeting, after a long absence. Billie had a very sick mother and Billie had to care for her and operate her mothers motel. We sure did miss you Billie as I know how much you looked foward to seeing all these lovely girls here, and you know you really looked nice in your new blonde wig. A lot more natural than in the dark wig u had. Hope things have eased up so you can come more often.

Another one of our T.V. sisters who hasn't been able to make a gathering is Louise of Conn. Louise is in the Hospital not feeling too well. Any of you Gals who have a spare moment sit down and drop Louise a get well card, I'm sure it would cheer him up. Write to Louis Ma [redacted], [redacted], Waterbury Conn, 06704

Louise I hope you have a speedy recovery and are able to come to a meeting soon

Look Ma I ran over the line above.

Didja notice we had four states here last night. New York, New Jersey, Conn., and Vermont, maybe we can add a new one come next month.

It was a pleasure for me to see Wilma from the Bronx again. I always am able to have a good talk with her. the last time she was here I took up most of her evening but this time I let her visit with the other gals. So come on back again Wilma.

I would like to take this time to say thanks to all of you who have sent me a get well card ,on my recent operation. You will never know how much it cheers one up when they are recuperating. I am happy to say my operation was a success I am healing good. It will be about a year before I'm completely healed, as I was cut from under one arm, across the chest and up the other side of my arm. But I thank God I'm up and around again.

I know some of you sent Wilma a get well card, but I'm happy to say Wilma is well , a misunderstanding on who was in the hospital, that's all. God Bless you all.

A clever girl always knows less than the man she happens to be talking to.

Sue and Betty of Rochester stayed over and took Wilma and I out to dinner on Sunday for our 28th anniversary. We had a great treat and enjoyed all of it. Thank you again Sue and Betty. I also want to thank the many of you who have sent us anniversary cards, didn't think you would remember from year to year.

An accident id often caused by the driver hugging the wrong curves.

Vacations are time off given to employees to remind them that the company can get along without them.

Laughter is the best medicine.

While I was home recuperating from my operation, I had a visit from a T.V. and his wife, who are retired. (Both retired young). They travel all over would have been here for the meeting but they had to make a trip to England and could not get back in time to make the meeting. They are going to try to make the Oct. meeting. I had quite a talk with Connie as there were a few things she didn't quite understand about Transvestism, as she only became aware of her mates dressing about 5 years ago. Connie has read up on some T. V. books and some material about cross dressing, but there still remained some questions she wanted to know more about. It is hard to really satisfy ones mind by just reading, you have to be around them to see first hand what goes on and how they carry themselves. Seeing a group of T.V.'s all together how they conduct themselves, how relaxed they seem to be in their pants suit or long dress or mini skirts. They act like a bunch of women talking about their Hair, or makeup, clothes. I have yet to hear any of them talk with a dirty tongue. I am proud to be among them. When I think of a phone call I got the other day from a T.V. from years back, I felt so sorry for him, his voice seemed to age about 20 years older than he was. He's lonely both as a T.V., and as a straight. He just got out of the hospital after a two month stay . He had a spinal operation and has siatica in the legs. It can be a very lonely life when your alone.

I wonder how many T.V.'s understand how rough a time it makes for their wife to accept them and let them dress. I know a lot of them who write me and tell me how afraid they are that their husbands will get caught when they are out dressed, or if somebody comes to the home unexpected. It is embarrassing to her, and she can't seem to cope with it.

So I am asking all you gals to kinda slow down , if you want your wife to accept you for what you want to do, help her to better understand a little at a time. Help one another to have a happy healthy life together.

The other night my wife put a plate of food in front of me for dinner.. I said, "What's this?" "A hamburger surprise," she said. "What's the surprise?" "Try to find the hamburger."

One motorist reports that his new car has a buzzer which tells him his seat belt isn't on, another that warns when the car's speed is over 55, and a light to tell him his gas is low. "My wife isn't bad enough," he complains. "Now even my dashboard nags me."

Oh Hum: Here I am at the end of my page, so I better say thanks to all the gals who came and enjoyed themselves I'll be looking for you next month. Stay well, keep happy and keep smiling.
God Bless Yoy All

Helen

E D I T O R I A L

First let me say that I hope that everybody had a nice summer and that we shall be seeing you in the coming months.

There is a natural tendency among men dressing and acting as women to exaggerate movement, poses and manerisms so as to give what they beleive to be positively feminine effect. Actually, quite the reverse may result. Women do not normally stand with one knee collapsed into the other one, do not walk with tiny steps, do not risk spinnal dislocation with excessive oscillation of their behinds, do not cross their leggs with a wild display of underwear when sitting down & pull their dress hems up to their stocking tops, and do not flutter their hands, about like a coy flapper of the twenties.

In one sence, women are more "masculine" than many of us think, so that burlesque histreonics are more liable to arouse curiasity than give the outward appearance of conventional feminity. Far better to allow our skirts and heels to modify the length of stride and hip movement naturally to observe good taste, wich implies somerestraint and humility, to try to be fluid of movement generally, and to avoid jerkiness and sudden, strong gestures. It really isn't necessary to try so hard.

I have found that no matter how much you may feel as an honest-to-goodness women or how much you may think it is necessary to know and watch for, you will learn some of the most important things only AFTER you make an appearance or two in the outside world. Only then do you encounter situations and "tests" that can really help make you the lady you want to be.

As "ladies" some TVs are perfect-some are more successful than others. But I think most certainly this includes myself-not only can but want to be more successful.

As to dress and makeup, the beauty and glamour magazines are a great help. Newspaper columns also give useful information and advise.

Whatever your size or the type of your features, do not dispair. Experiment constantly with cosmetics. You will soon discover what is best, and what will give you the marimum in Feminine appearance. Know that hard, masculine lines can be softened or rounded by skillful, judicious use of lipstick, powders and eye creams.

If you have thin legs, for example powder them with light talc. or apply a light pancake makeup. Don't wear black stockings g for blaek makes things seem slimmer and also emphasixes skin imperfections. Wear light, seamless hose.

For outdoor, dress according to the times. Youthful pinafore, hair ribbons and sashes are adorable-but NOT for the male approaching fifty. What is worn underneath doesn't matter except that it may effect the silhouette of the outer garment.

It's nice to be admired. Everyone, especially a woman, wants to be. But the

last thing a TV should want is undue attention. To overduse outdoors-is a sure way to court trouble.

In our dresses and skirts we play a role. As TVs we are playing the roll of a female. Those of us who are true TVs have a psychological constitution that already gives us some talent for this kind of acting. And this talent like other kinds, can be developed.

Much luck to all of you in your quest for feminine happeniss. I hope you find it.

WILMA.

PEOPLE can be devided into three groups: those who make things happen, those who watch things happen, and those who wonder what happened!

NEXT GATHERING OCT. 19th.

WHAT you keep is lost what you give is forever yours.

NEW MEMBERS WELCOMED:

I Am pleased to anounce the enrollment of three new members.

R.B.	TULSA	OKLA
D.A.	ALLENTOWN	PA
T.V.	MONTREAL	CANADA

WHAT a pity human beings can't exchange problems. Everyone knows exactly how to slove the other fellow's.

B O O K S :

We have a wounderful TV lending libary. We have over 200 books. If you are interested, drop me a line.

THE great secret of success in life is for a man to be ready when his oppor-tunity comes.

IN case you're wondering about the extra flyer enclosed with the Journal, it's from some nice people out in Los Angeles that I just became acquainted with. They will really go out of their way to help you get your sizes and colors right. Try them for a 'trimmer' you. After you have tried them, drop me a line and let me know what you think of there service.

SELF-CONFIDENCE is the first requisite to great undertakings.

JUST received Vol. 1 No 2 of MIRAGE. I found it most interesting and if any of you would like a copy or a subscription write to
MIRAGE MAGAZINE

P,O.B. 391172
MIAMI BEACH, FLA. 33139

ANYONE who was writing to Dude Drulard of Fla. and received no answer, were sorry to tell you that Dude passed away in a hospital in Ohio on his way here for a months visit with Mr. Boyce in Vermont.

THE easiest person to deceive is oneself.

letters to the editor

Dear Wilma:

Two years ago I left Kennedy Airport on vacation to Florida in Drag. I wasn't stopped here in New York.

Coming back in Miami, I was dressed at my very best and went to the Airport to await my plane for New York. I was sitting in the waiting lounge about five minutes when two men came over to me and asked if I was a man or woman. I told them that I am a female impersonator. Then one of them showed me a badge but i couldn't see what kind of a badge it was. He said come with us. They asked if I had any identification with a picture of myself. I said no but I do have a drivers licence in my bag on the plane. Then they both made ne strip all my clothes off. Then after looking me over and my clothes they said to put them on again

When i arived in N.Y.C. i was told that this happened because of the plain highjackings

Leslie S [redacted], [redacted],
Brooklyn, N.Y. 11237

Dear Wilma:

I have but one question I would like you to answer for me.

"What is the cause of Transvestism?"
W.A. Rochester, N.Y.

Dear Jean:

From what I know and have read from medical books, I would list these principles.

1. Parents wanted a girl and treated the boy as though he was a girl.
2. Parents kept the little boy in dresses and long curls to a relatively advanced age.
3. Small boy is punished by being forced to wear some sobt of feminine attire.
4. Lack of an adequate father image.
5. A father who demanded more masculinity than a shy, sensitive, delicate boy could provide, thus driving him away from masculinity to seek refuge in feminity.
6. Glandular imbalance tending to throw the boy toward a feminine type of development.
7. Various special cases, such as mother fixation and antagonisim toward the father.

I could be all wrong here, but that's the best answer I can give you.

Dear Wilma:

These Stores in Rochester, N.Y. welcome TV's. The ladies who run these stores are very understanding.
BIG & BEAUTIFUL BOOTERY
630 West Ridge Rd., Rochester, N.Y.

THE WEAR HOSE

Portlad ave, Rochester, N.Y.

Hope I have been of somr help.
Fred M [redacted], [redacted]
Rochester, N.Y. 14617

Dear Wilma:

When I fell in love with a girl, my future wife, I laid away my lovely silks

for fear that she would be offened. We were married, And shortly the first child came. Than I was bedeviled with the same old longing to wear soft silky women's clothing again. I got started by telling my wife that I just hated the harsh cotton shorts that men wear, and wished I could wear soft silky undies like she did. She agreed that my underwear left a lot to be desired as far as comfort was concerned and agreed when I asked her if I ciuld wear panties around the house. This broke the ice and soon after I perswaded her to let me wear a rayon vests. This led to my wearing nighties at bedtime and soon after, just as if she had know from the bgining, my sweet wife asked me if I would like a complete ladies outfit. If she had done nothing else in our married life, that suggestion would have been enough to endear her for the rest of my days.

I an one of the few who are blessed with an understanding and helping mate. She helps me pick out dresses which are reght for my shape and insisted tha t if I were going to wear womans clothing, that I get some well filtered foundations to provide the proper fit for my other things My wife has taught me to use make-up in the proper way and helps me with my hair doo. My wife and I have now been married over 15 years and have 2 lovely children. Neither of them knows about my TV desires and we work hard to keep it from them.

W.A., Cardinal, Va.

Dear wilma:

Here is a Flash for you. Last night on televsion the news comintator told about how the law had changed in San Francisco so that men could dress in womens clothing. They can wear anything they want, even an evening dress down the street. He elaborated on this quite a little saying that women had been dressing more like boys and everyone thought that it was alright, so it was about time that the men could do likewise.

This all looks like a major break through for us. Now if San Francisco has changed the laws why not other gities. Paula
Paul D [redacted], Box 345,
Bloomington, Cal. 92316.

Dear Wilma;

I have found a good way to buy many good clothes with no trouble and very little money. I watch the papers for private sales in the advertisement section for clothing. These are often the result of divorce or death or just growingout of them. But if you phone first and make it clear that you are not a dealer and asurtain the size, types and prices of items avabile, you can frequently pick up some real bargains. Resent death of a wife for instant can leave a husband with a lot of expensive clothes to dispose of and if you know not only your own size but have some knowledge of quality you can often

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find \$100 dresses for \$10 to \$25. This is an excellent way to pick up fur pieces too. Marget.
A.C., Aurora, Calif.

Dear Wilma:

Thank you for the latest TV Journal and the list of TVs whom are interested in bondage.

You will now know that I am one of those TVs who is not of a domineering nature and that I ~~pre~~ prefer to submit to the desires of others. By others I mean women. Although I have no doubt that I would submit to a TV who fitted my dream image of a voluptuous amazon.

I guess there would be more than one aspect to be taken into account when one considers bondage. The word implies, and, in fact means, enslavement of one by another.

One idea of bondage that I like is this. I would love to be married to a woman who is taller than me, bigger and stronger than me. I would like to be her slave and her plaything. She would not allow me to wear male attire, insisting that I only wear women's clothes, dresses, frilly lingerie etc.

She would make me perform the duties of a servant girl, washing and ironing etc. Sincerely Kevin.

Mr. K.J. T

P.O.Box 6459 Wellsley St.
Auckland, New Zealand.

How about some more ideas on this subject so that I can have something to put in our next Journal. Wilma.

Dear Wilma:

Some of us who have champagne tastes and beer pocketbooks have to settle for buying most of our major purchases at the Goodwill or Salvation Army Stores.

If you are bashful about buying in such stores, invent yourself a child. Ask to see clothes for a boy size 4, for instance. Pay 25¢ for a boys undershort or slacks, then ask for the women's dept. and comment that you want to buy your wife something while you are here. The clerk will only think that you are a fine father and a good husband.

One can get many beautiful dresses and if one makes a mistake in size, it is not much lost. I have bought many dresses that sold in the regular stores for \$20 for less than \$2.

Just as buying in any other kind of store and are consistent in knowing what you want and act natural about it, you will have no difficulty. Buying in a second hand store is a sport all by itself. TRY IT. Pauline.

W.G.A. Long Beach, Calif.

Dear Wilma:

Referring to your TV journal, paragraph title "GIRDLES UNHEALTHY" I would like to say a word in defense of the Corset, Girdle, and Panty Girdle, let us talk about the panty girdle, when buying one of these garments, the legs of some should not be too tight, if this is so, one is likely to acquire varicose veins, now in the case of Corset or Girdle, this also applies to the tight-

ness of the skirt of the garment, so says my Corsetiere, In the waiting room of my Corsetiers shop, pinned on the wall is an article by another Doctor, who goes on to say that all men should wear a corset, which in turn makes them live longer, gives them better support, a corset if worn all the time tends to firm up one's muscles, and they also makes one's tummy nice and flat, which I like very much, in fact I wear a corset every day, I love the feeling of a corset, in fact I don't feel dressed without one on, Now when you girls are dressed say in your normal clothes, like pants and shirt, does your belt feel tight around your waist? Try wearing a waist cincher, if you don't like to wear a Corset or girdle. I like Lilly of France waist cinchers, the number of of this garment is 3000, they come in small, M, L, XL, XXL, don't know if they go beyond that or not, XXL fits a 34 waist, as for a corset or Girdle being uncomfortable, this is not so, for a comfortable garment, one should have one made by Spencer, these are made ~~of~~ to the wearers measure, or if one does not want one of these try a panty girdle with a high waist, or should I say high above the waistline, when I wear a ~~an~~ panty girdle I like something feminine and lacy. What I have on now is a Promise by Poierette number 612A, most corset shops have these in stock. Well so much for the corset and girdle, I love to wear them, and have since I became enthused with them at a very young age. Alice.

Frank D

P.O.Box 94

Camanche, Iowa 52730.

Dear Wilma:

The ways that tall women use to minimize their height aptly equally well to men dressing as women. Contrasting belts provide a break line, as do a two-piece dress with short jackets especially if this jacket has a bow at the front hem.

Slim skirts or dresses with side pockets not only reduce height but give width to slimmer male hips. Dolman or Batwing sleeves, soft necklines and large hats are good features for the tall girl wardrobe. Any suit or dress with strong vertical pattern is elongating. As for shoes there are many very smart ones available with illusion and medium heels. Fussy styles should be avoided, Nevertheless, height in a woman is nothing to be ashamed of and the wise person knows how to use her height to good advantages, not to concentrate on minimizing it. Loel.

J.A. Loudonville, N.Y.

Next Gathering Oct. 19th.

THE amount of sleep required by the average person is about thirty minutes more.

THE ground work of all happiness is health.

Sally Rand is back -- to help pal



KEN (OR KATE) MARLOWE WITH SALLY RAND
Fan dancing Sally came to San Francisco to help him (or her)
—Examiner photo by Matt Southard

By Harry Johannesen

Fan dancer Sally Rand, who streaked to fame at her Nude Ranch at the 1939 International Exposition at Treasure Island, pranced back into town today to help an old friend.

Sally will star at a variety show and dance March 29 at California Hall to finance sex-change surgery for her friend, hairdresser Kenneth Marlowe who prefers to be called Kate and wears clothing in keeping with that name.

"I've known Kate for 30 years," Sally said as she sat with her friend at a breakfast table at the Gazebo Cafe. "I've always thought of him as a girl."

Asked how she felt about the forthcoming surgery, Sally said:

"If a girl wants to be a girl, why shouldn't she be a girl?"

"That's just the way I feel," Kate added.

Sally said Kate would live in Rome after the operation. "Even being pinched is fun in Rome," she observed.

"I just can't wait," Kate responded.

Sally came prepared for a revisit to Treasure Island, the scene of her early triumph on the Exposition midway.

She wore a navy blue outfit with pleated skirt and a sailor's hat.

woman who masqueraded as a soldier

More than one woman of the American Revolution fired a gun in a battle emergency. One established her name in history by masquerading as a man and serving without detection for a year and a half

A booklet titled "Women and the American Revolution", published by the national Daughters of the American Revolution, tells the story of Deborah Sampson who enlisted in the Fourth Massachusetts Regiment of the Continental Army under the name of Robert Shurtleff. She was wounded at Tarrytown, was honorably discharged and granted a pension for her military service. After her death, the husband she later married became "the first man granted a pension by the U.S. government for the military service performed by his wife."

The booklet continues her story: "Deborah Sampson alias Robert Shurtleff was five feet seven inches in height (taller than most women), with an erect carriage and strong features. To hide her sex, she had bound her breasts tightly. The men in

her company teased her about not having to shave but they thought this was because she was so young.

"SHE WAS physically strong and performed a soldier's duties as well as the men with whom she served, so no one suspected that she was a woman. Her secret would be safe unless she needed medical attention.

"So when she was wounded — in the left thigh, just below the groin — she did not go to see the doctor but extracted the bullet herself. (After Deborah's death, a woman who lived in her household for forty-six years testified that the bullet had never been removed.)

"Deborah's sex was finally discovered by Dr. Barnabas Binney who attended her in Philadelphia, where she was hospitalized with a fever. He did not reveal her secret but quietly made the necessary arrangements that ended her military service. Private Robert Shurtleff was honorably discharged from the United States

Army by General Henry Knox at West Point on October 23, 1783."

The first woman to receive a pension from the government was a 25-year-old camp follower who took over her husband's position at a small cannon when he was killed in battle. The "Four Traditions" bulletin from the New York State Bicentennial Commission describes the action this way:

"IT WAS A vulnerable position (Margaret's replacement of her dead husband), and she too was soon wounded. One of her arms was almost severed and a breast was badly lacerated by grapeshot. She (was moved to Philadelphia with other casualties and assigned to the Invalid Corps.

"Recognizing that her wounds would leave her permanently crippled, Congress acknowledged her gallantry by awarding her a pension of half-pay and 'one complete suit of cloaths, annually for the rest of her life.' The resolution to award her this pension was passed by the Continental Congress on July 6, 1779. — ELLEN SCOTT

IF you're nice to someone who can do you a favor, you have a good head for living. If you're nice to someone who can't do you a favor, you have a good heart for living.

THERE'S no harm in having nothing to say. Just try not to say it out loud.

Wizard of Id



FREE IN AUSTRALIA
Men who want to become women need not go to Casablanca for their sex-change surgery as author James Morris did.

One-time correspondent for The Times of London and The Guardian of Manchester, Morris wrote

Conundrum, which describes his transition from man to woman following his operation in Casablanca.

The trans-sexual operation he underwent is available at no cost in Australia. It comes under the heading of free medical benefits.

In Sydney, a special 4-man panel of medical experts processes all such applications. In the past three years, of 40 candidates for trans-sexual operations, 17 have been operated on and changed into women.