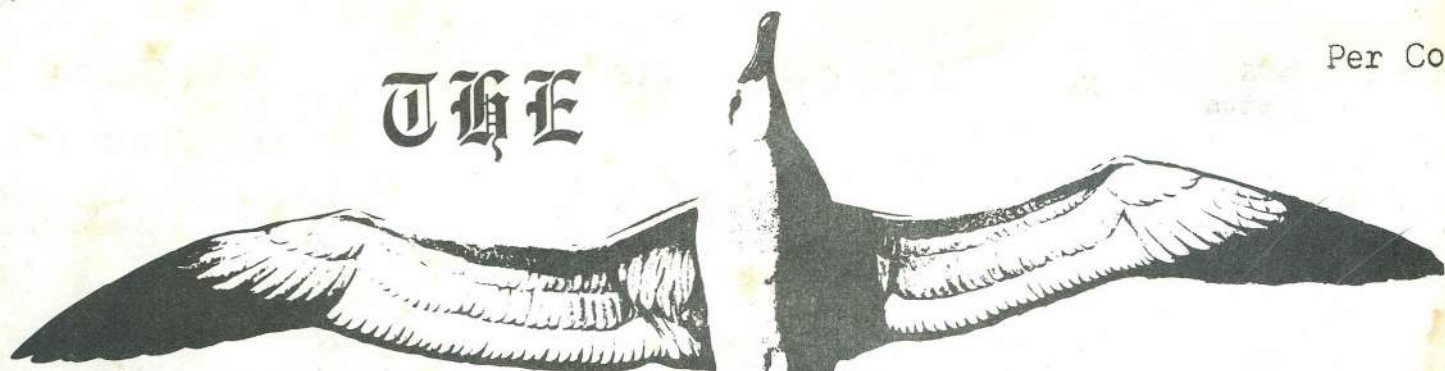


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tors strive to exer-
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mers who respect the
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pleasureable hours.
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is symbolical of
their feelings for
the owner and the
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well-rounded and com-
mon trait for anyone.
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a portion of thyself"

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Sail high above their ship.

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And when they saw it they'd rejoice,
Then rest their wind-burned eyes.

If in a storm, the bird appeared,
The crashing waves would cease;
The clouds were sure to break apart
And soon, there would be peace.

And so we took this giant's name,
In case you haven't heard,
And chose it as our mast-head
Above the printed word.

So when you see "The Albatross",
Rejoice--as we have said;
For it may bring us better things
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Write to: SPOTLIGHT
c/o THE ALBATROSS

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Let's SPOTLIGHT him!

I hate to brag but I'm the original good time that was had by all! I'm a direct descendant of the "Tails of the Vienna Woods!" The only time I say NO, is when they ask if I've had enough. You won't believe this, but I was once so shy, I worked crossword puzzles vertically just so I wouldn't have to come across. I decided long ago, that if I ever got married I'll do it at noon. That way, if it doesn't work out I won't ruin the whole day. I'm not a virgin and I'm glad. Everyone knows what a virgin is, it's the ugliest girl in the third grade. All my life has been touch and go. All a guy has to do is touch me and anything goes! This has been going on for sometime. I don't tell my age anymore, I think it's bad enough when someone finds out my social security number is THREE. Listen, if we ever meet up don't think you have to pull that old line, "Come up and see my etchings," I'll be happy to read the handwriting on the wall. Don't miss the next installment when I tell all---"How to be subtle with a sailor on a six hour pass." Bye for now

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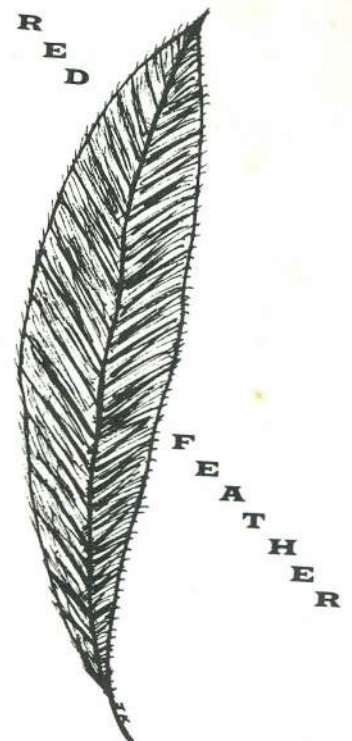
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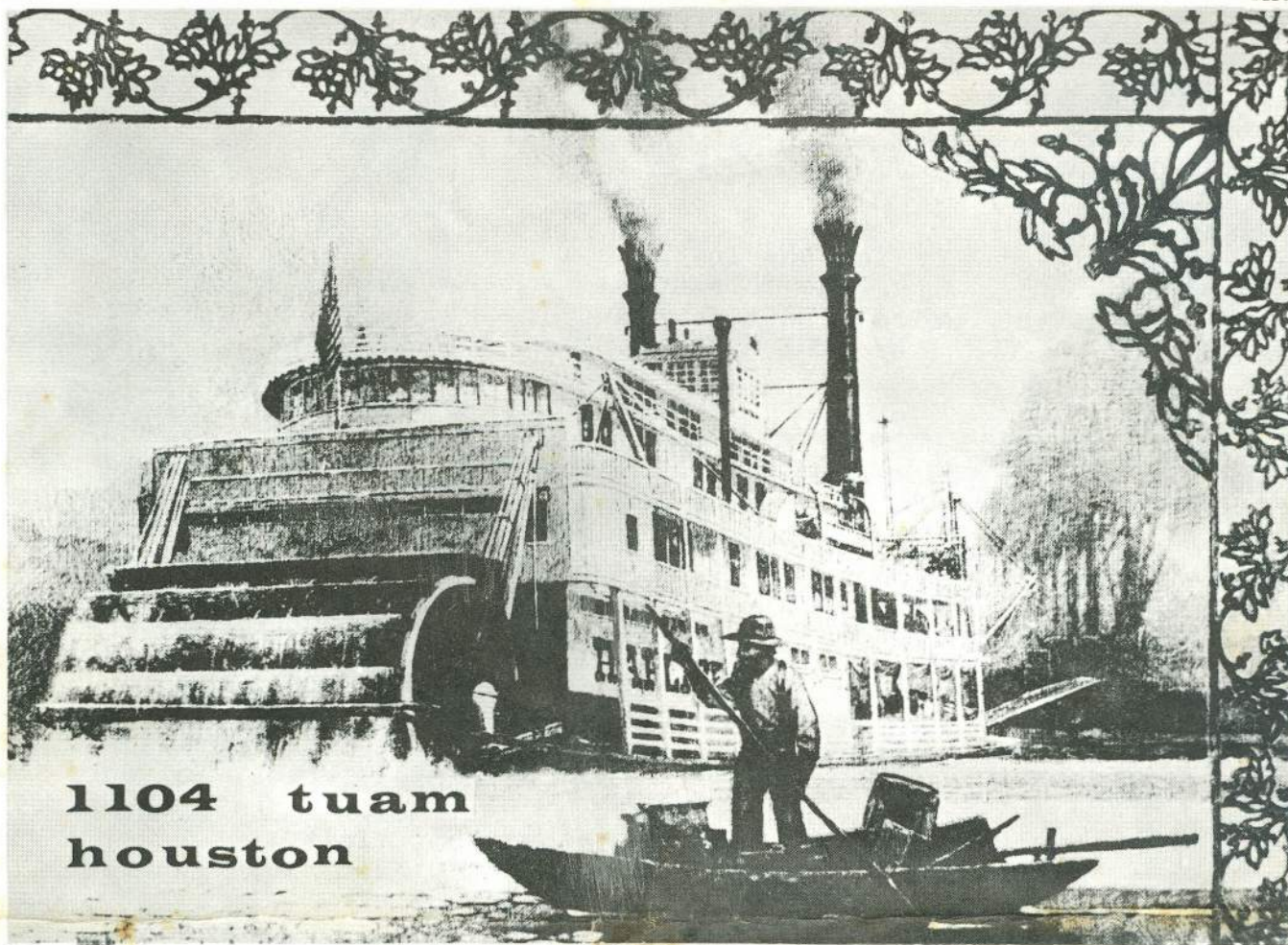
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HOT WIRE

Take a screwdriver, open a can of grapefruit juice and that starts a salty dog at FIESTA CLUB. Alton, the bartender will do anything to shake up the patron. For real after hours enjoyment, the curfew breakfast is terrific. For a \$1.50, where can us tired 'uns find a better place to relax and mouth at our co-hards. Where do all the flowers go? FIESTA, of course. Bill and John hosting, come see!

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Rene', bartending at THE GASLIGHT in Lake Charles visited our city the last of July and was so impressed with the bars in the Grand Circle that he plans to return soon.

HOT WIRE reporter may be in your area next-WATCH for him! You may be in the next issue.....

TELL IT TO TIZZIE

for the lovelorn
the forsaken
write TIZZIE for advice:
c/o THE ALBATROSS



Dear TIZZIE: I think love is just wonder-ful-but I met a Narcissus and I'm confused. In others words, I don't know how to respond. This person just stands before my full length mirror and admires the body. It cost me free food and drinks plus consumption of my valuable time. I do sleep alone--so here is my problem. Should I hock my mirror or search for a new Narcissus?

Bewildered

Dear Bewildered: Roses are red, violets are blue, sugar is sweet, but Narcissus are not for you!

Dear TIZZIE: Working a bar is not easy work and at showtime I become involved with lots of performers. There is a situation that disturbs me. The exotic dancer and the organist jive together on the shows and I love them both so how do I jive into the picture?

The Jivester

Dear Jivester: Since the exotic dancer and organist are jiving together, the only way you can get into the act is to Jazz it.

Dear TIZZIE: My favorite auntie lives in Chicago and wrote me for bus fare to Houston. I wired it. Next she called me from Las Vegas and needed bus fare to Houston. Then she called again from "Cut and Shoot" demanding bus fare to Houston. I keep wiring money anticipating her arrival. My problem is do you think I have an auntie?

Unrelated

Dear Unrelated: Must I go into detail--everyone has an 'Old Auntie'.

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