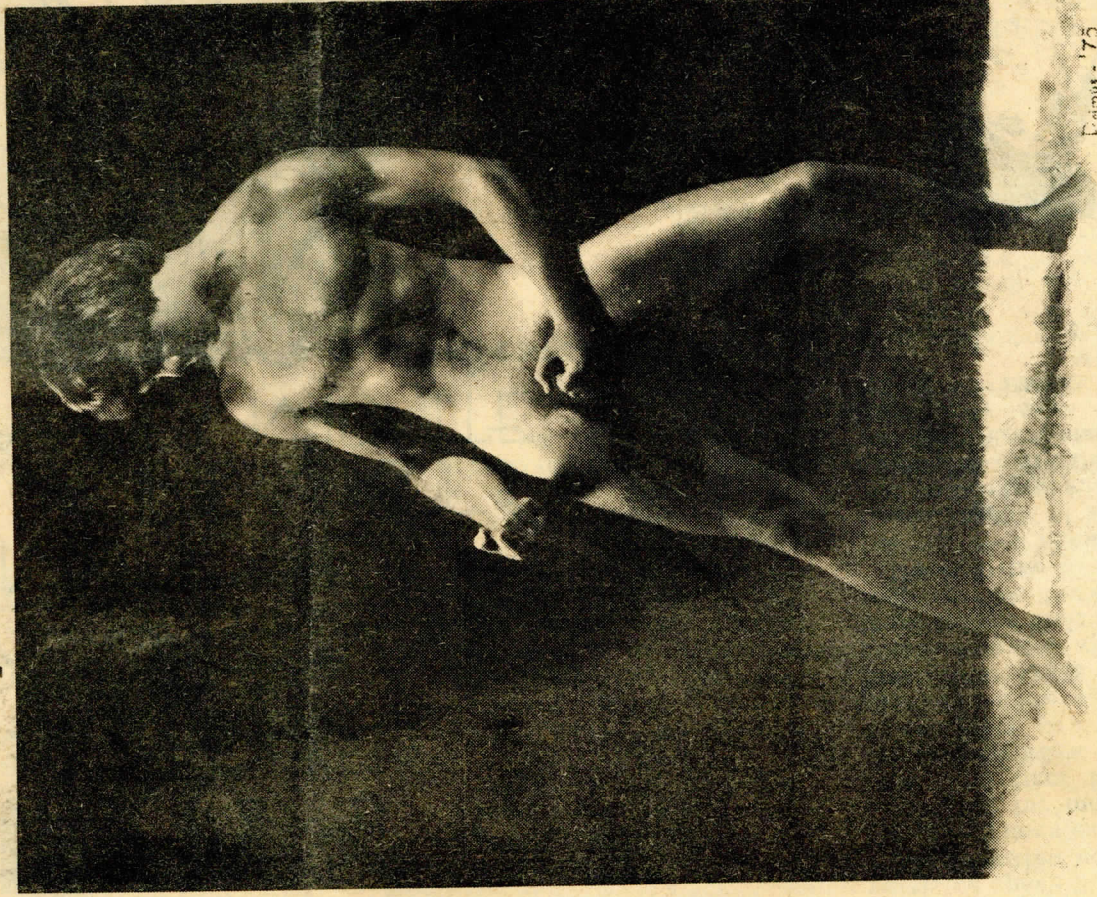


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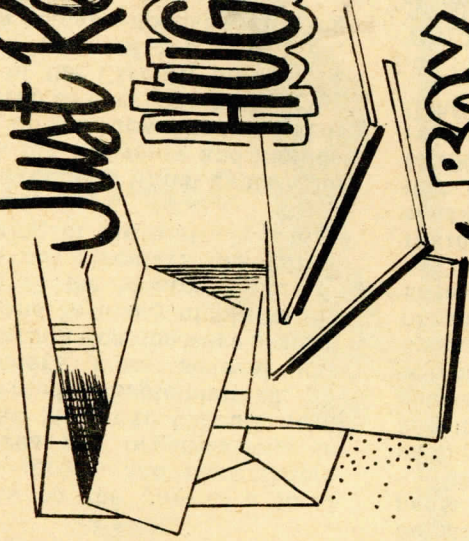
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## Montrose Circuit

Virginia Galloway

Efforts on the part of a local citizens group and participants from area gay organizations to move the Montrose Circuit were implemented on September 20.

Volunteers from several gay groups within Houston were on hand Friday and Saturday nights on the corners of the Montrose Circuit to pass out circulars describing the moving of the historic cruising area.

The circulars, which explain the reasons for the move and include a map of the new Circuit area, were given to everyone making the rounds of the Circuit. Most were eager to hear of the new area, although actual response by moving is still slight.

The move is being pushed in an effort to cooperate with neighborhood residents, who are finding the activity on the Circuit increasingly more difficult to live with be-

cause of the noise and traffic in the early morning hours. It is also rumored that there may be a police crackdown in the old Circuit area, and it is hoped that the move can be made amiably before this happens.

The circulars will be handed out each weekend for several weeks, and the move will be strongly encouraged. The volunteers are receiving full cooperation and support from the neighborhood organization, known as the Montrose Citizens Association.

The new area will be a non-residential, semi-isolated area nearer downtown, and it is hoped that it will be more conducive to cruising conditions, since the roads are better and there is good lighting.

### DOLPHIN ROOM SETS WINTER SCHEDULE

The Seawall Hotel's Dolphin Room in Galveston has set its schedule for the coming winter month's. Being the entertainment center for Galveston all summer,

Angelo's Dolphin Room refuses to slack off the tremendous pace of entertainment for the winter season.

Mr. Maude Finley, a Bea Arthur Look alike, and Mr. Chelsea St. John will continue the new season with more full production female impersonations. Shows have been scheduled for every Thursday, Friday, and Saturday night. Besides these two professional stars, a guest will appear every weekend to round out the cast.

Show times are scheduled for 10 on Thursday, with two shows at 10 and 11 on Friday and Saturday. Reservations are required, but NO cover charge! For the best in female impersonations and adult comedy at its best, be sure to stop by Angelo's Seawall Hotel Dolphin Room. The beaches may have cooled off for the winter months, but entertainment wise, Galveston is just warming up.

## FROM THE EDITOR

When approached by people for advertising space, I usually check out such interested clientel. So far, UPDATE has brought you a plan of fair advertising without deception of any type of rip off. Having been approached by two potential advertisers, I set out to check on their business. I would first like to welcome Marc I Hair Designs for both men and women to our list of advertisers and supporters. Having brought in a new concept in hair cutting and styling from New York, they have much to offer the public and are whole heartedly welcomed to UPDATE.

But having been approached by another business and having fully checked it out, I feel it my duty to warn gays of such a rip off. In my opinion, The Naked Man in Houston is just that. The terms one may use to describe it may be "clip joint" or "dive".

First, there is a \$3.00 cover charge at the front door. Secondly, they have no liquor license and pedal set ups for \$1.25 and NEAR beer for \$1.50. They neglect to tell you it is NEAR beer until it is served. A magnum of "sparkling water" may be purchased for a mere \$30.00! Any of the dancers may be more than happy to keep you company at your table, but look out. If he should want a drink, that'll cost you another \$7.50!

The Naked Man was formerly The My-O-My Club in Houston with totally nude girls and a clip joint for straights. I guess now that total nudity for girls has become passe, the owners have decided to see what they can squeeze out of the gay community. I personally feel that if allowed to advertise in UPDATE, that would be the same as condoning their business. That is why they, The Naked Man, is being refused advertising space in UPDATE.

An unwritten code of advertising ethics does exist for UPDATE as it does for most all publications. And I feel that I have done my duty to warn the gays of such a deceptive practice. Hopefully, gays will unite against such business enterprises as this and a long standing boycott will hopefully have them change their business practices, or even close.

I would like to thank YOU, the reader, once again for your continued support of YOUR newspaper and advertisers. All comments have been more than welcome and we feel have made us improve with every issue. Once again, let me say - "Thanks Texans!"

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**CANCER:** Partnerships and financial matters are accented. Matters of joint ownership and future security become more prominent. Arrange your personal schedule to allow time for a special family effort.

**LEO:** Home and family matters get the green light. Make certain that your family car is mechanically perfect if you plan to use it for a short trip. Exercise good judgement with friends who have more to spend than you do. Plan a surprise for your partner.

**VIRGO:** Get set for a highly fortunate trend in your family and partnership enterprises. Inspiration should run high in creative and artistic activities. Be considerate of the opinions of partners.

**LIBRA:** Give more attention to the state of your health. Your prospects show considerable improvement in all areas of your solarscope. Look to kin and neighbors for any special assistance you may need.

**scorpio;** social life and group activities may be dull and lack luster. New members in your group provoke the only happenings of interest. Take the lead in professional matters.

**SAGITTARIUS:** Group activities and social life are favored. Capitalize on fortunate trends to strengthen important ties with friends and fellow workers. Be ready to solve a critical problem at home.

**CAPRICORN:** You should continue to be discreet in social and romantic matters. Business opportunities may arise in unexpected areas. It may be difficult to avoid confusion in partnership and family matters when a disruptive trend begins.

**AQUARIUS:** Exercise caution in romance and social activities and be discreet in your choice of companions. Career and professional matters are in the spotlight.

**PISCES:** Launch your most important career project now. You may have an important decision to make. Be skeptical of a financial proposal at this time, since your judgement in these matters is apt to be faulty.

## GPC POLITICAL RALLY Virginia Galloway

The first annual Open Political Rally sponsored by Gay Political Caucus was a well-attended, well supported success for the gay community and GPC.

Approximately 500 people were present for the rally, which featured seven political candidates,

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am not here so much to campaign for your votes as to support gay solidarity in Houston. This rally shows that the gay community is beginning to understand itself." Vasquez also said "This rally represents your anger for being in closets. The key to your political independence is your ability to mobilize others." He pointed out that the gay community has allies with other minority groups, and urged support of the Socialist Workers Party because "the Socialist campaign is on your side."

State Representative Ron Waters, who is not a candidate for office this year, told the group that he is a community activist. He said that each person attending the rally represented from 1,000 to 5,000 persons who could not be at the rally because they had to remain closeted, and that he was aligned with the Democratic Party because he chose to put himself in the middle of the establishment, in an effort to open the door and end oppression. He concluded by saying "Closets are for hangers. The sooner we take the hinges off the door, the better we'll be."

The only candidate running for City Council in attendance was Helen Hopkins, who said that she never thought she would be in politics, but her septic tank backed up and she could not get adequate response from the city, so she became involved in the political scene. She pointed out that the intention of supporting blacks if elected because he did not believe they had a right to date his daughter. He also said that if elected mayor, he would encourage "police brutality" and would have a shotgun squad within the police department to run all the communists out of town, legally or illegally. Nelson's speech was interrupted by boos and catcalls continually.

Pedro Vasquez of the Socialists Workers Party who is in the mayoral race was the third speaker. Vasquez told the group "I

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current "at large" system of electing the City Council effectively gives no representation from each district, and said that she would work to eliminate this method of election. Hopkins said that she supports full fights for human beings, and is a civic activist.

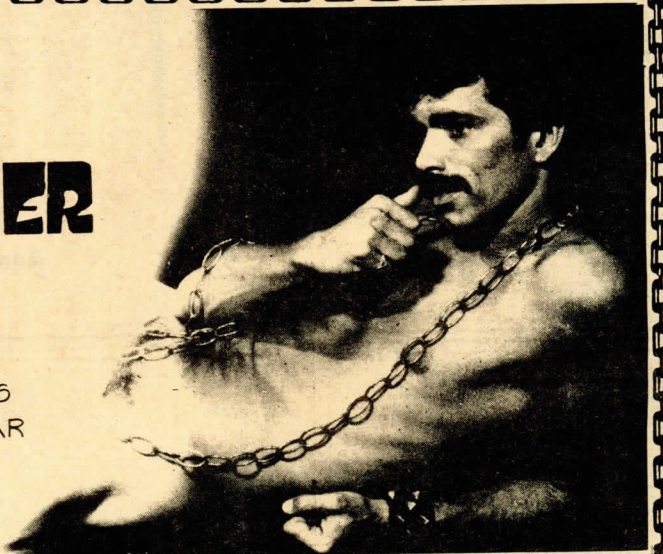
Three candidates for Community Development Neighborhood Commissioner from District 20, who are up for election on September 27, addressed the group. Each is an independent candidate. The Neighborhood Commissioner candidates attending the rally were Tom Holt, Dr. Milton Lower, and Robert Rodriguez.

A plea for straight supporters of GPC was issued by Virginia Galloway, member of the Board of Trustees of GPC, who is currently the only heterosexual within the organization. Heterosexual attendance at the rally was small, and GPC hopes to encourage the integration of straights in the group, to promote cooperation in both communities.

Local bars had provided beer for 1,200 people, which was quickly consumed by the thirsty group. All seemed to be impressed by the rally, and encouraged GPC in its efforts.

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# Second Sun II Overflows

Since opening its doors and welcoming the gay populous of Houston, the Second Sun II overflowed Sunday night with the largest crowd ever in its short lived history. Hundreds of people had gathered to watch countless numbers of performers, bar owners, managers, and bar employees stage a fund raising benefit for Swamptrash Publisher/Editor Bob Cappell.

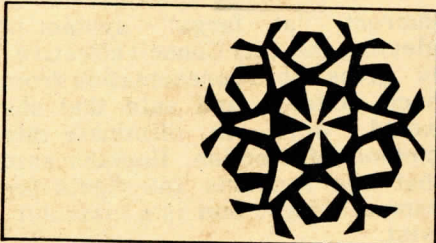
Club representation was not limited to only Houston, as a number of people from Dallas, San Antonio, and Corpus Christi all made appearances. The show was basically comedy with bar owners, managers and bartenders from throughout the city donning drag to present one of the widest array of talent gathered on stage. The show was anything but amateur, with the Hi Kamps Alan Lloyd taking over the main duties as MC. The show extravaganza success centered around the well planning of the Sun's general manager, Louis Garcia.

A host of performers included Galveston Dolphin Room's Mr. Galveston Dolphin Room's Mr. Maude Finley, San Antonio's Hypothesis' Priscilla, Kitty Keye, Billy Duncan, Lulu, Laverne, Peaches, Louis Garcia, Steve Sternberg, and countless others. The list of notables in the audience included the Hi Kamp's Mr. Ronnie Butler, Gil Graham and his roommate Jerry, Zelta Stanley and party, Dallas' Jack Patterson, The Hypothesis' Lollie Johnson with her daughter Cindy and Irene, Ray

Robertson and Ron Rice and their party of 15, UpDate Texas Editor Mel Plummer, The Bayou Landing's John Stahl, The Tattooed Lady's Lanis Thompson, and virtually representation from every bar in Houston.

The performers worked for tips only which were donated to the fund to help defray medical and hospital costs of Bob Cappell. A notable was raised to help pay for an upcoming operation for the country's most controversial magazine publisher. Memorable performances were given by all participants and were amply rewarded by the jubilant crowd.

For an overflow crowd, the service from waiters had to be the best anywhere. Overall, it appeared the Second Suns had planned ahead on every detail and everyone in the house was rewarded with an outstanding show. To show their thanks and appreciation, the show was closed with a very stirring and moving "United We Stand" finale. Richard Neece, Bob Cappell's lover accepted the funds raised at the closing from the Sun's II proprietor, Steve Sternberg. For once again Houston has proved in a persons time of need, they indeed do stand united.



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Remember the book that was out almost two years ago by Xavier Hollander called "The Happy Hooker"? Now add to your memory the film version? The movie adaptation of Xavier Hollander's very colorful life is yawn city from beginning to end. Lynn Redgrave plays Miss Hollander with such a flair that you actually leave the theater remembering who played the title role. If you don't remember the book, it concerns a prostitute and her clients. Her motto is "Satisfaction Guaranteed" and she lives up to every aspect of that phrase. The film almost becomes enjoyable at times, but somehow there's just not enough there to keep an interest up for two hours.

If you enjoy going to the movies and being purely entertained, then go see "The Night They Robbed Big Bertha's". The film is so low budget that you actually laugh at its stupidity. It deals with the exploits of a group of concerned citizens out to rob a whore house of thirty thousand dollars! Those girls had been busy! Not to give the ending away, I say go see it and judge for yourself. I'll guarantee you won't walk away with any disappointment.

For you dyed in the wool movie buffs that will go see any re-release, "2001 A Space Odyssey" is back! The film is fantastically handled bit of cinema history. Stanley Kubrick (who has also done "Clockwork Orange" and "How I Learned to Stop the War and Love the Bomb!") directs this film and shows that he is good at what he does best - directing!

"2001 A Space Odyssey" is classified as the ultimate trip and it is. I assure you, if you haven't seen it, the film will leave you speechless and completely amazed.

Once again I cannot forget you addicts of the skin flick scene. At the cinemas, a French flick called "Le Sex Shop" just opened. The film, in a nutshell, deals with a man trying to open a dirty book store in a very straight laced town. If you haven't guessed, the film is a comedy. If you like good fun mixed in with a little skin, go see it.

If your taste of movies is none of the above, then I have just the film for you - "The Ice Man Cometh". The American Film Institute's recent release stars Jeff Bridges and a host of supporting actors. The film from start to finish is sheer nonstop brilliant! The plot the film is thick, so pay close attention to it. It deals with a group of men of various ages sitting in a local tavern getting drunk and realizing how screwed up their lives really are. That sounds like an awfully thin story line, but about mid way, the film takes a sharp turn. Enough said; just go see it for yourself! In the weeks to come, look for a host of American Film Institute flicks; they are worth your while!

For the lovers in the audience, "The Other Side of the Mountain" is just for you. It is the very sweet (literally) story of a skier named Jill Kenmot that was completely paralyzed in a skiing accident. I'll bet you're wondering where the love comes in. During the course

It was hardly the crime of the century...  
It was just a rollicking rip-off!

## The Night They Robbed Big Bertha's



of events in the film, Miss Kenmont falls in love with a ski-instructor played by Beau Bridges. That's enough on this flick, because if I told you any more it would ruin the whole impact of the film.

Enough said for the present! With all the cinemas across this vast state, I'm sure you'll find something to see and enjoy. I hope the choice has been made a little easier. For now,

T. G. Pretender



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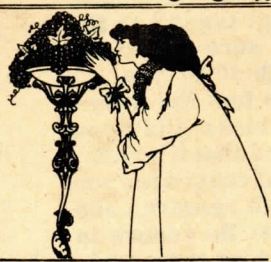


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Call Me Tillie  
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Dear Tillie:

If you are cross-dressing to please a lover whom you are committed to, and if you feel O.K. about it, then we say it's O.K., though you need to be mindful that society (even the majority of gay society) may think it's not.

For your own protection (and for your continued enjoyment of dressing in drag), check yourself out on the following questions:

1. Am I being as discreet as possible?
2. Is my "favorite club" the most liberal one available in town, or am I setting myself up for criticism?
3. Is cross-dressing illegal in my city, and if so, what consequences might I face if arrested?
4. Are the consequences of arrest worth the enjoyment my lover and I get out of it?
5. If not, will it be satisfying enough for us if I just dress in drag in the privacy of our home?
6. Is adequate police protection for persons in drag afforded at the club I like?
7. Am I waiting for society (including my fellow gays) to feel that cross-dressing is O.K. before I decide to feel completely comfortable about doing it?

(if so, you are probably setting yourself up to never feel comfortable.)

If the answer to the majority of these questions results in a negative picture, then you might want to reconsider whether or not it is in your best interest to continue cross-dressing. Your original request was for us to tell you what's wrong with it. There is nothing inherently wrong with it, in spite of society's "parent tapes" to the contrary. Just be sure the risks involved are worth it to you.

If you continue to feel the enjoyment outweighs the risks, and if you are really convinced that it's O.K., then there is no real reason for you to have trouble with remarks and pinches from others. Be secure in your O.K.-ness and let them wallow in their prejudice.

As far as the pinching goes, both drag and non-drag dressers get pinched in both gay and non-gay places all the time, and consider it a compliment. Consider it a positive stroke to offset all the negative strokes you get from people who think you're not O.K. Enjoy!!

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## Coming Events

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26th**

**GALVESTON**

The Dolphin Room remains the entertainment highlight of the Island City with shows at 9 and 11

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27th**

**GALVESTON**

Chelsea St. John and Maude Finley take over the spotlight at the Seawall Hotel's Dolphin Room.

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28th**

**HOUSTON**

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The FARMHOUSE has a beer bust from 7 til midnight plus a show in the Plantation Room.

**CORPUS CHRISTI**

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**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29th**

**SAN ANTONIO**

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**HOUSTON**

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Amateur nite at the FARMHOUSE.

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30th**

**HOUSTON**

Movie nite at the LOCKER. Call for feature title and times.

The bartenders take to the stage and the drags tend bar at the BAYOU LANDING'S turn about nite.

Tuesday is V.I.P. Nite at the HI KAMP. Call for information.

URSULA'S has Boys Nite with half price drinks til 10.

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1st**

**DALLAS**

Show nite at the BAYOU LANDING.

**HOUSTON**

The FARMHOUSE presents its show in the Plantation Room.

The GAY POLITICAL CAUCUS meets at the Inside/Outside at 7:30

URSULA'S has Girls Nite with half price drinks til 10.

Show nite at the BAYOU LANDING

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**DALLAS**

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**GALVESTON**

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**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3rd**

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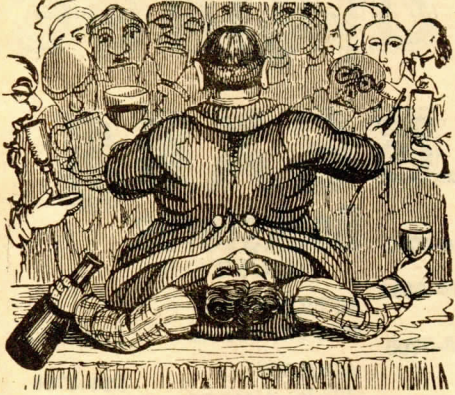
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SUD 102

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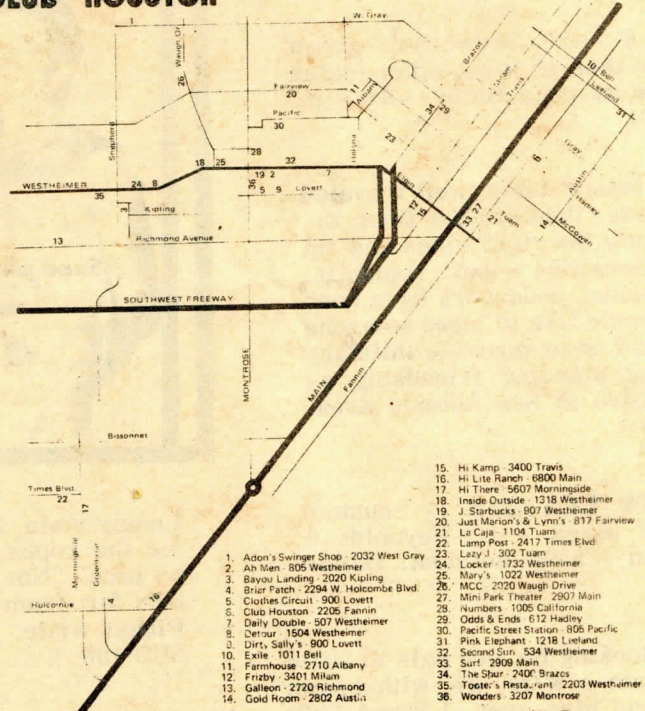
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