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NEWSLETTER EDITORS
Helen and Wilma [redacted]

Hi Folks:

Back home and feeling pretty good, it will be a slow recovery but at least I'm home. I want to thank all you girls out there who had sent me get well cards. I really appreciate the thought and feeling that I have so many wonderful friends out there, even though some of us haven't met in person, but in mind and spirit thru mail we have become good friends.

Maybe some day in our retirement days we will get to travel to meet some of you wonderful people.

Betty and Sue you were just wonderful with your get-well cards one a day, you had the nurses who brought my mail thinking I was some important gal. They said I got more mail than most patients on the floor.

I am only sorry that I had to miss last months meeting as I would have loved to been here to meet the new couple from Canada, and Andrea's friend from N. Y. I saw some pictures last night that were taken last month and they sure looked like great people. Perhaps I will get to meet them in the near future.

The gathering tonight was nice and sorta of homey. The girls sat around and talked and showed the pictures that were taken last month, and again took some pictures.

We had another new face in the crowd from Fulton, N. Y., and for her first appearance in with a group of T.V. she made a fine impression. All the gals enjoyed talking to her.

I really don't know how my Wilma does it, but we have at least one new face in the crowd and three or four that join us thru mail, who knows maybe someday they may be able to visit with us. I give her a lot of credit for making the club what it is in bringing the girls together with one another who share the same interests. From my experience in watching the girls when they are here, they do so much enjoy being here just to talk to one another. Their conversations are always clean their either talking about the different wigs, or makeup, or perhaps a ball or party one of them has been too.

Some of the girls here last night had new wigs on, some new outfits, and of course some of them had their own hair. To me they all looked great.

Some of the girls who made the meeting here last night were.

- Elanda, Rome, N. Y.
Kathy, Syracuse, N. Y.
Winnie, Schenectady, N. Y.
Joan, Colonie, N. Y.
Jean, Peru, N. Y.
Jo, Peekskill, N. Y.
Dennie, Peekskill, N. Y.
Crystal, Menands, N. Y.

- Janet, Fulton, N. Y.
Chris, Saratoga, N. Y.
Sheila, Colchester, Vt.
Micheline, Ottawa, Canada
Wilma & Helen Albany, N. Y.

There were seven more that had called and said they were coming, but for some reason they didn't make it. For this reason we had to dip into our bank account for \$30.00. We had spent \$ 55.00 for food this month and only took in \$ 30.00. Our expenses were \$ 144.00 and our income was \$ 114.00. In the minutes a rule was passed that when a member says they are coming and then don't show up they are to be charged the \$ 3.00 fee as the food has already been bought and prepared. If you girls keep taking the money out of the bank, you will soon have to find a way to put money back in the account to keep your little club going.

The Menu was a simple one, but the price of food being so high, it is to hard to try to keep the food bill low.

Tonight the girls had Beef stew, a tossed salad; bread& butter, stuffed celery with cream cheese & olives, Cake and coffee. Good ! You bet, they all came back for seconds and thirds.

Betty and Sue were to be here this month, but some thing important came up and they couldn't make it. Sue hasn't been here since she had her toe operation, and the girls have been asking about that fine couple from Rochester. Sure do hope to see you both at the next meeting girls.

Now for the Belle of the meeting of last night was not a T.V., but Dennie from Peekskill, who usually is dressed in a Pants suit which she finds more comfortable helping me out in the kitchen, surprised every body by coming out in a long skirt and white blouse. So out came all the cameras so they would take her picture, they didn't know when they would catch her all dressed up again.

Our entertainment came from our one and only Crystal, who read us a letter she had received from her Mother.

Every one had a good laugh, as the letters Crystal reads to us always have good humor.

Happiness is a tickle in the heart.

One of today's riddles is how, in a world growing smaller and a population growing larger, people can be drifting farther apart.



Hi Billie up there in Vt. and you Josie and Leah, the girls ask about you and do hope to see you some time soon. As a matter of fact all you lovely girls out there who haven't been able to make a meeting for awhile, we sure would like to see you again.  
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This note is for Carl of Tivoli, or for any of you T.V.'s who are trying to explain to your wives or girlfriends why you are a T. V.

Since we got the phone call from Liza who is Carols girl friend, we felt we should try to help them better understand why their boyfriends or husbands have to dress. It is not a simple thing to try and explain to some one you love. As a drunk has to have his booze, and a dope addict has to have his dope, it is hard for them to admit to any one that they have to have it in order to live. Therefore a T.V. has to cross dress in order to release the tension that builds up inside of him, simply because he cant find a way to tell his wife or friend whom he has been married to for a number of years or a girl he has been going with for years, because they themselves don't know quite why they have to dress.

I get the impression that some wher along the line God just didn't have time to complete him as a male or female. This way he is able to enjoy the life of a male and then enjoy the life of a female for a short time.

To me they are not sick as some of the people seem to think, it is only that they do not try to understand or they don't care to read any books on the subject of transvestia.

The public doesn't understand and they don't seem to care, to them all of the T. V.'s are Homosexuals. This is not true because a T.V. only cares to dress in femme clothes because they are so soft to the body.

I have met many men who care to dress and then just sit and talk about any subject that would be of interest to all. There is no mention of sex of any form when they are dressed. They just sit and relax and talk with men who are the same as they are cross dressers.

It is still hard to say why they have to dress, even a Psychiatrist is not able to explain why they dress, to them it is a new field and more or less experiment with the men that go to them.

To me it is two social lives you live. The T.V. life is something private that you enjoy with the other wives of T.V.'s who are able to come out in the open because their wives have learned to read all the material they could find on the subject, and talk openly with others they have met. This type of life you do not have to broadcast all over. It is a private life.

The other social life you live is a group of people you associate with every day, whether you go bowling, skiing, or just the corner tavern for a drink. This life does not have to be joined with the private life.

Love is a beautiful thing if viewed in the proper light. It is strong and healthy for both parties where there is

respect for one another. You'll find a T.V. is a happy man just knowing he has a woman that respects his wishes as much as he respects hers.

Somewhere deep down most of us have a secret we hide fearing that if our husbands find out they will turn their backs on us. It is really ashamed that there has to be secrets between two married people, where there could be a happy, harmonious, fun loving life.

Some day I will tell you all how I had found out about my husband's desire to dress and what I did to make our life and marriage a strong and healthy one.

Liza, I would only be more than happy to sit down with you and try to explain more about Transvestism and a bit about the life they are living. I don't say that I am the best educated on the subject, but I am referring to my many experiences that I have seen with my own eyes, and the way they do behave themselves. First I would like to tell you not to form any opinion on the subject from what you may hear from some one who probably didn't take the time to do any reading or take the time to go to a meeting of T.V.'s.

They are Human and they have hurt feelings the same as any of us when we try to explain something to someone and they just don't care to listen.

In ending I can only say that I am happy because my husband is happy in both the Man he is and the T.V. he is. We do things together, go all over together, if he is invited to go to some other T.V.'s home I gladly go with him. Many times I have told him to go with the other T.V.'s if I could not make it for some reason or other, but he felt that he would enjoy himself better if I was with him so he would stay home and say Oh! there will be some other time we can go. We enjoy one another so much more since his T.V. life has come out in the open with me. I do hope I didn't bore some of you T.V.'s out there, but I felt since Liza showed enough interest in wanting to know about her boyfriends dressing it was more or less my duty to try and help her as I have helped others.  
God Bless you all. HELEN

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Believe me sir, we have no shoes to fit you.

Say Winnie I thought I told you a store where you could buy some shoes for your beautiful built feet and leg  
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I was very happy to be able to be home and to give my Wilma a hand in putting out this months

newsletter. May GOD bless you all and bring you back next month. HELEN



EDITORIAL

I have never thought to express any philosophy of life or to explain tendencies. This is because my behavior has seemed so natural to myself that I found no necessity for explanations.

In numerous parts of Oceania, the men wear earrings or necklaces and in other societies of the Pacific, all the bright plumage is affected by the men.

In any part of Africa, dancing is the prerogative of the males who are gaily decorated with feathers, powder and paint. In some Oriental areas the two sexes dress about alike. Most primitive societies are noted for the artistry of the males which extends into jewelry and articles of clothing.

Western men, on the other hand, is a hard driving competitor who wants to build bridges and rockets. He has no time for frills. Once in a while he relaxes as in the early 1700's when European men were addicted to laces, perfumes, ribbons and wigs.

Moreover, Western civilization, in it's desire to explain every thing, to systematize every thing places us all in categories.

If you are an American male of a certain age, in a certain economic bracket, you are supposed to act in a certain way and dress in a prescribed fashion.

Finally this attempt to place every one in a behavior straight-jacket is accentuated by the triumph of mass-man. The masses are now the arbiters of taste and fashion and you must conform to their models, or they will turn on you with scorn and ridicule. We are not as individual as we like to think we are.

Many policemen to-day, would arrest the innocent T. V. on general principles, principally because "it just doesn't seem right".

The legal pro's and Con's would be taken into account later. A T.V. in such a situation, fearful of the eminent publicity and possible loss of employment will most likely plead guilty to some trumped up charge, pay a fine and shut up.

I believe the safest place for a T.V. who wishes to venture out in public, is in his car, or better still, one driven by a friend. If for some reason you are stopped by a policeman, and you happen to be the driver, show your own license, not your sisters or girl friends.

The officer may think you are an odd ball being dressed as a woman, but there isn't much he can do about it. On the other hand, should he realize you are really a man and you are presenting some one else's license, you can bet your last girde you will be on the inside looking out before many minutes have passed.

If you are stopped and questioned by a policeman be frank and honest. Act natural, do not be smart. You don't have to crawl but be polite. I can promise you

that in nine cases out of ten you will come to no harm.

WILIMA:

WIFE to TV husband: "You'll never know what I went through to buy you that dress for your birthday."  
"Come on, tell me." he said.  
"All right," she replied. "Your pockets."

NEW MEMBERS WELCOMED:

I am pleased to announce the enrollment of 3 new members again this month.

- Closte ----- Columbia ----- Alabama
- Shirly ----- Rochester ---- N.Y.
- Pat ----- Cooperstown -- N.Y.

We all hope to see you new members in the coming months in person and may you find many friends among us.

HELEN talks to her plants for three hours every day. I once asked a geranium, "How do you stand it?"  
Replied the geranium, "Who listens?"

NEXT GATHERINGS:

Our next two gatherings will be on May 17th and June 21st.  
There will not be any gatherings in July and August.

OVERHEARD at our last TV gathering.  
1st TV: "I bought myself a bicycle,"  
2nd TV: "Do you use it much?"  
"All the time," replied the 1st. "I move it from one side of the garage to the other."

IMAGE

I have just received a copy of the TV magazine IMAGE #3. After reading it through I have found it most interesting. If you would like to get a copy, write to  
THIRD WORLD COMMUNICATIONS  
P. O. B. 13271  
PHILADELPHIA, PA. 19101

A SMILE is a curve that can set many things straight.



As you all can see Helen is back with us again getting those good VITTLES:

FRIENDSHIP doubles our joys and divides our cares.



# letters to the editor

Dear Readers;

It is indeed a real pleasure when one gets a very nice letter from people so far away who had to travel 845 miles to see us here in Albany and to tell us that they enjoyed every mile of the way.

So this goes to show that we are never too far to reach.

My only regret was that Helen was not here to greet them.

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Dear Readers;

Thank you for all your letters. Keep 'em coming in. This is your paper, so air your ideas, opinions, and grips, so I try to limit my replies on these pages. I try to answer as many letters as I can personally, even though it may take a little time.

Thank You WILMA.

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Dear Helen & Wilma; OXFORD, ENGLAND.

I received a new engineering assignment in England and arrived the 24th of Feb. for approximately 4 weeks. I am located about 70 miles west of London in the Oxford Area, what they call Oxfordshire county, certainly typical English scenic country side. We are at the beginning of spring here, grass is coming up, some flowers are blooming and temperatures are in the 40 and 50 degrees simply lovely.

Well, dear friends, this country is certainly great for girls like Elanda who like to adventure out. Imagine I had the most fantastic outing yet. Brought with me a small suitcase, especially for Elanda. Every thing to completely dress and go out. My brown leather jacket, several skirts, tops, brown boots, gloves, my favored wig. The wig is wonderful, just packed it in suitcase, upon taking it out, I shook it a few times and presto the thing looked perfect.

Contrary to the states, 9 of 10 women here wear skirts (the new fashion - god thanks). And do they look lovely, hems are up and down. Looks like they cannot make up their mind yet. Very high leather boots are popular, also leather jackets, so what I brought with me was well selected. Another thing is people walk to shop and are out in masses.

Well to get back to my trip into London, made up my mind last week to visit London Sunday. After getting completely dressed in my Hotel room I sneaked out the back door and walked the 3 blocks to the railroad station to catch an 11 am train. Mind you I never went out in this country even though I came here many times. Germany and U. S. A. are the only countries I ventured into public, but this yesterday beat them all. Guess for all of us T.V.'S it feels every time like the first time. You do feel a little self conscious no matter how big a Pro you think you are. But steadily gaining confidence, I strode along amidst many,

other pedestrians like it is the most natural thing to do. Well to make a long story short I greatly relaxed after I received no odd or curious stares. Believe me I do make sure that I do look authentic in dress and makeup and I think I am pretty good in playing the part. People do look at tall lady. There are tall ladies around after all.

Talking doesn't present any problem anymore. I speak with my natural voice, modulated and what's more important putting that certain feminine accent on certain words. It's a nice warm feeling if you can speak and people react completely normal. I think this is the ultimate. The one hour train ride into London was eventful. I read the paper and felt great. In London the sun was in and out, a little breezy, in fact sometimes gusty, wow how that wind played with my hair and skirt walking along with other strollers down Baywater Road toward Speakers Corners.

For lunch I visited a nice little place on Oxford St. (with waiter service). Must say I was treated like a Queen. These British are simply lovers as they say here, courteous, respectful and every one minds their own business. Walked by several cops (Tommies) they just looked and smiled. Felt great.

Had my afternoon tea at the British Airways terminal where I had to shop anyhow. The place was closely guarded, well I went right in and spent about 1 1/2 hours. From there started my walk back to Paddington Station by way of Hyde Park Corner through Hyde Park and Baywater about 1 1/2 miles. This was about 5.30 PM and many strollers out again. My train back to Oxford left at 6.30.

Girls I have to admit Elanda had many wonderful excursions, in fact all of them were great, but going out as a lady right in London was certainly the greatest yet. As I thought about it last night before falling asleep, I thought it must have been a dream.

Even so that I was by myself, I never felt lonely for one second. But I wish that one or two or all of you would have been with me to also enjoy this fantastic world of femininity.

ELANDA

## EDITORS NOTE:

I enjoyed reading this letter which made me feel I was on this trip with Elanda, so I thought maybe all you T.V girls would enjoy reading it and take the trip with Elanda if only in their dreams.

Perhaps some day some of you may feel the same as Elanda when you take a trip to some country as a lady, and we would enjoy reading of it too, and have our readers travel in their dreams. It sure makes one feel peaceful knowing they can go in public without being stared at and ridiculed.

WILMA

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A man buying meat looked at his bill and exclaimed, "No, no- you've got it wrong! I ordered a rolled roast, not a Rolls-Royce."



R I G H T O F M A N T O W E A R

W O M E N ' S C L O T H I N G

A R G U E D B Y A T T O R N E Y :

ALEXANDRIA, LA. (AP) - An attorney for a local bar operator contends his male client has the constitutional right to wear women's clothing if he chooses ~~any~~ despite an Alexandria city ordinance to the contrary.

Ed Kaplan asked City Judge George Foote to prohibit city police from any further arrests under the ordinance, and to declare the city law unconstitutional.

In an out-of-court interview, Charles Williams said he has been wearing female clothing almost two years, and plans to undergo a sex change operation.

The city law prohibits the wearing in public in open view of clothing, masks, costumes, cosmetics or anything "calculated to conceal or hide the identity or sex of the person to prevent his being readily recognized."

Kaplan contended his client has the right to wear female clothing under the U.S. 14th Amendment, and charged that the new city law "permits arbitrary arrest and convictions."

T O A L L T V ' S :

I WOULD like to know of any dress shops in your city or state where a TV could go and buy and try on dresses.

ALSO of any Night Clubs or Bars that have Female Impersonator Shows.

AFTER I have this information I will make up a mailing list to send out to those interested.

YOUR help will be helping others. Will be watching the mails for your replies. WILMA.

C O U R T F R E E S P R E - O P T S :

In Rochester, N.Y. G. L. Borman, 33 year old preoperative transsexual, recently pleaded guilty to attempted criminal sale of controlled substance.

However, Borman, who calls himself Leah Borman, received a five year probation from Monroe County judge A. G. Celli, instead of the usual sentence. The judge felt it would be "cruel and inhuman for me to send you to Attica prison."

Celli also gave Borman permission to leave the county "to complete any surgical procedures that may be needed to complete his change from male to female."

(Copied from IMAGE MAGZINE.)

PEOPLE are strange. They want the ~~front~~ front of the bus. The back of the church. And the middle of the road.

A S E X C H A N G E L E A G A L I N I T A L Y :

A COURT in Milan, Italy has ruled that sex - change operations are not a crime. The court gave the ruling,

dismissing charges against Dr. A. Matte accused of inflicting physical damage on Nicolo Bortolo, a 25 year old, who had a sex change operation in 1967.

Bortolo changed his name to Nicoletta, and works as a photographer's model. She wore long black hair, an elegant black velvet coat, and embroidered jeans for her court appearance.

(Copied from IMAGE MAGAZINE.)

AN indignant judge fined a big TV a hundred and ten dollars for turning his wife into a punching bag. "THE hundred-dollar fine is justified? That, said the judge, "is the amusement tax.

W O M A N ' S C L O T H I N G I S W O R N B Y M A N I N D I S T R I C T C O U R T :

WEARING a woman's pants suit and a frosted wig, Lonnie Green, 22, 826 s. 13th St., appeared in District Court for jury duty.

GREEN was called to the jury box as a prospective juror in a civil case in which Van Alford seeks \$1 million in damages from his former employer, Georgia Pacific Corp., for alleged slander.

JUDGE Elven Ponder called the tall slender Green to the judge's desk and explained that woman are exempt from jury duty under Louisiana law unless they specifically request to serve. GREEN told the judge he if a female impersonator and met the other qualifications for jury duty. The judge directed him to return to the jury box.

DURING the voir dire questioning of jurors, Green said he is self - employed as a seamstress.

( ED. NOTE: Does anyone in Louisiana know in what city Lonnie lives I would like to drop her e.)



Don't look so shocked. You'd be surprised how many men wear bras!

"Mother, I'm fourteen now, can I wear a bra?" "Shut up Ralph."



13 years on run, his stockings give out

# FBI nabs figure for auto fraud



Jerry Dean Michael as 'Elizabeth Carmichael'

MIAMI, Fla. (AP) — Jerry Dean Michael, the broad-shouldered 200-pound fugitive car promoter who uses the alias Elizabeth Carmichael, was taken into custody Saturday.

Michael, 47, who has eluded authorities for 13 years, was arrested by FBI agents as he tried to sneak back into a home he had rented in a Miami residential neighborhood.

Authorities said Michael, dressed in women's clothing with long shoulder-length blonde hair, had apparently become suspicious earlier Friday and stayed away from the home, which agents staked out after receiving a tip from a neighbor who recognized a newspaper photograph of the fugitive.

FBI spokesman Bob Strong said Vivian Barrett, believed to be Michael's wife, and five children believed to have belonged to the woman, also were found in the house.

"We caught him as he was trying to climb in a window of his home. He had apparently been hiding in the bushes and thought we had left," said Strong said.

Michael, who was being held without bond in the Dade County jail for arraignment Monday before a U.S. Magistrate, was wanted on a 1962 charge of jumping bond in Los Angeles and on grand theft charges filed in Dallas in February, Strong said.

Police said Michael, posing as Mrs. Carmichael, gained

national attention with claims of developing a three-wheel car that could get 70 miles per gallon of gasoline.

Michael, or Mrs. Carmichael, founded Twentieth Century Motor Car Corp. in Los Angeles to develop the car and moved the company's head-

quarters to Dallas in January, where potential investors were entertained with champagne, olice said.

The bubble burst when Michael and nine associates were indicted in February on charges stemming from an allegedly phony stock deal.

Michael, who fled before being arrested, was charged with conspiring with asso-

ciates in the Twentieth Century Corp. to commit theft of over \$10,000.

Dallas police did not discover until this week that the woman they were seeking as Mrs. Carmichael in reality was Michael.

They reported finding wigs, padded bras and other devices used by female impersonators in Michael's Dallas home.



"Mom! It's Uncle Frank back from Denmark!"



A TV'S FIRST TRIP ON THE STREET!



JOAN H. Poor George, He's trying to destroy everything masculine about him.

**EQUAL EXPOSURE**  
SANTA CRUZ, CALIFORNIA—An ordinance permitting topless sun-bathing and swimming has been adopted by the Santa Cruz County board of supervisors. An amendment that would have required bras or



bathing-suit tops was rejected after the county counsel said that the ordinance would have to be applied equally to men.

## Plural Panties Puzzle Swim Pool Manager

Hatfield, England (WNS) — Robert Haig, manager of the local swimming pool, had "dozens and dozens" of panties in his lost-and-found container. Last month he gave them to a local charity "so that the pool could start the new year clear."

But during December he collected another 15 pairs of feminine briefs. "I don't know what's come over our local ladies," declared Haig. "Undies are the first thing a man thinks of putting on when he dresses."

A pert little old lady was being examined for jury duty in a small-town courthouse. She was asked if she knew the defense lawyer. "I do," she snapped. "He's a crook." "And the plaintiff's lawyer?" "Yes, and he's a crook, too."  
At this juncture, the judge beckoned both lawyers and told them in no uncertain terms, "If either of you birds asks her if she knows me, too, I'll fine you for contempt of court."