

Homo Hysteria

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Not so long ago, Miami's daily newspapers declared war on homosexual "perverts"



In the early morning hours of August 3, 1954, a North Miami couple visiting a lovers' lane off Biscayne Boulevard near NE 135th Street discovered the body of young man lying in a pool of blood.

The North Miami Police Department found the victim's 1950 cream-colored Chevrolet convertible several hundred yards away, with bloodstains on the front seat and a .22-caliber bullet casing on the floor. The victim had been shot in the torso and bled to death as he staggered from the car and then collapsed. His wallet was missing, and the footprints of a barefoot man led away from the crime scene toward Arch Creek.

Starting with the car's registration and initials inside the victim's University of Kentucky class ring, police confirmed his identity as that of an Eastern Air Lines steward, William Theodore Simpson. He was 27 years old, had worked for Eastern since joining its Miami-based flight-attendant training program in 1951, and had returned to Miami the previous night from Detroit. He had stopped off briefly at his rented apartment in the 2200 block of NE 4th Avenue and left around 10:00 p.m.

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Hunted
rd Murder

Contractor
'Felt Bad,'
Paid \$1,000

Blood Clue
Uncovered
At Slaying

'Nice Boy,'
lady Says

Town Seeks
Manager
Replacement

IT HAPPENED IN THE
UNITED STATES
Wife Says Hobby Net \$14,127 She Earned

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Eward Finds Death ht on Lonely Road



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By Dulles

Assistant Press
Philadelphia, Feb. 27 -- Secretary of State Dulles warned yesterday that Russian aims had not changed under a "new look" foreign policy. He said the United States could defeat these aims only after a program of continued and expanded economic aid to every country.

In a major speech at the Philadelphia Business Forum, Dulles said this country's basic policy is to try to hasten the day when Russia will be governed by "men who put the welfare of the Russian people above world conquest."

Don't Panic
He described the "new look" Russian policy as emphasizing "mutual cooperation with leading countries, whom they formerly detested," and putting heavy stress on trade and economic assistance for less developed countries.

Noting that this policy had won for Russia "a considerable popular revival" in some Asian and African countries, the secretary of state declared emphatically "we need not be panicked."

Part of the answer to the new Soviet threat, he said, is for Congress to grant authority asked by the administration to commit about 100 million dollars a year for several years towards long-range economic development projects in Soviet target countries.

100 Million More
He said also that the government needs about 100 millions more in new money this year than it obtained last year to help counter the Russian campaign.

In calling now for greater loyalty in U.S. foreign spending, Dulles

would have no suspicion of its own.
Whatever plan is decided on at the Washington meeting will be submitted to a conference of 14 nations, all of whom have been invited to submit their comments in advance.

governor said Florida is the fastest growing major state of the union. He cited these figures to support that statement:
"The permanent population is increasing at the rate of 500 new citizens a day. Five years ago we ranked in population 20th

Last night in the... Hotel, the governor and his party viewed a film of Westinghouse Electric Corp. work in atomic energy, and the governor participated by showing a film made in Florida by the Florida Development Commission.

...The Florida governor said in a press conference on the train between Baltimore and Pittsburgh yesterday that basically he was trying on his trips to Eastern and Northern cities to create conditions for full employment in a growing state.

Profits In Perversion Homosexuals Return, Find Heat's Off Again

First Of A Series
By BOB HARDIN and DOM BONAFIDE
Miami News Staff Writers

Homosexuals are appearing openly again in Greater Miami and making money for the operators of clubs which cater to them.

Several hundred -- possibly more than 1,000 -- are here this winter and have found that the heat is off from a public protest campaign less than two years ago.

Word now is going back up north that Miami has lifted the barriers once more.

A three-week survey by The Miami News showed that the pervert colony is flocking back in the same places raddled consistently during the "purge" of 1954.

Some Of Their Hangouts
Here are the night spots where a News reporter actually was approached:

- Samba Bar, 225 NE 1st St.;
- Caravel Bar, 121 NE 2nd Ave.;
- Vick's Bar, 25 NE 2nd Ave.;

El Carol Bar, 230 LeJeune Rd.;

Club Beaul, 1219 Alton Rd., Miami Beach;

Circus Bar, 401 Ocean Dr., Miami Beach;

Club Echo, 1410 Ocean Dr., Miami Beach.

Open homosexuality also was found at several other places, including the area around 37th Street on the ocean side of Miami Beach.

During several visits, that area was found to be a haven for as many as 500 or more obvious deviants at one time.

The Circus Bar employs as bartenders and waiters men who wear Spanish, ranga and other makeup.

Two of the employees made approaches while a Miami News reporter and photographer were sitting at the bar.

Impersonators In Act
Female impersonators also are an important part of the

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Collier predicted that Florida would in time be as big as California, but that the growth will be accompanied by tremendous problems.

With 500 people a day coming into Florida, he pointed out the state must depend for a great amount of its prosperity upon a regular expansion of facilities and therefore must go outside the state for additional investment as well as additional plants.

Series of Meetings

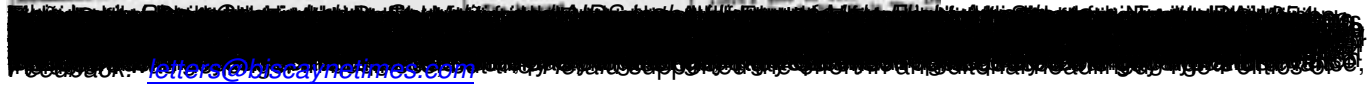
The series of meetings scheduled in Pittsburgh, Cleveland, Detroit and Chicago were designed to impress industrial, financial and other leading citizens of the over-all economies of Florida, Collier said. Florida has attracted a higher percentage of people from the midwest, Illinois, Ohio, Michigan and Pennsylvania, than from any other section. Therefore, he emphasized, he felt he was in friendly "territory."

The Florida governor said he

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