POLITICS

Hard-hitting expose of a government campaign against boy lovers in Massachusetts, with broader implications.

Comprehensive brochure prepared by the leading Oregon gay rights group, giving background and practical advice for effecting change, much of which remains valid.

Growing pains of gay political intervention.

Gay conservatives and how some Republicans are alienating them.

The Wisconsin Senator (1908-57) made homosexuality a secondary target in his anti-Communist witchhunt. This exhaustive biography also discusses the rumors, which apparently cannot be substantiated, that the Senator was himself a closeted homosexual.


Explores the complexities of the life of a French bisexual political writer, showing how his gay experiences meshed (and did not mesh) with his radical politics.

Full account of the noted gay politician, from his childhood on Long Island, through his struggles and triumphs in San Francisco, and his murder by Dan White in 1978. See also: Warren Hickle, *Gayslayer!* (Virginia City, NV: Silver Dollar, 1985; 100 pp.).
Collection of articles on sex, power, sexism, the male movement, homosexuality and racism—generally enunciating an utopian male-effemist point of view.

One of a number of articles in the mainstream press marking the courage of Massachusetts Rep. Gerry E. Studds, who frankly discussed his homosexuality on the floor of the House of Representatives. (He was subsequently re-elected in 1984.)

Account of a British spy, less well known than Burgess and Maclean (see A. Boyle, above).

Controversial article attacking the homophobia of the Commentary group of writers. See responses in ibid., 234 (1982), 24.

Zeligs' revelation of ex-Communist Chambers' homosexuality, though perhaps politically motivated, was subsequently confirmed through release of FBI records.

B. POLITICAL THEORY

Several of the pioneers of homosexual studies, including Edward Carpenter and Kurt Hiller, were socialists of one sort or another, while others, such as Hans Bluhmer and Benedikt Friedlaender, advocated conservative theories (see I.B). Owing in part to the conjunction of the rise of gay liberation (1969ff.) with the counterculture, much recent political theorizing has been influenced by New Left and radical feminist ideas. As the utopian hopes of the 1970s have faded and homosexuals and lesbians have concomitantly become less alienated from existing society, centrist opinions have become more prominent.

Extended political manifesto and prognosis, seeing homosexuals as playing a role in the revival of centrist politics in Britain.
Marxist perspective of the Socialist Workers Party (Trotskyist).

Identifies a trend toward resistance to homosexual rights among some mainstream liberals in the 1970s.

2766. ENGELS, FRIEDRICH. *The Origin of the Family, Private Property and the State; in the Light of the
Researches of Levis H. Morgan*. Translated by Alec West (revised). Introduction and notes by Eleanor
In this work of speculative history, first published in German in 1884 and recently fashionable in some circles, Marx's collaborator denounces the "abominable practice of sodomy" among the Greeks (p. 128). See also pp. 129, 140. See also Marx-Engels Werke (Berlin: Dietz, 1953ff.), vol. 32, p. 122 (on Karl Boruttau) and pp. 324-25 (attacks on K. H. Ulrichs and J. B. von Schweitzer).


Collection of texts advocating sexual liberty by the French radical prophet (1772-1837). There are several English-language selections from Fourier's work, but none focuses closely on his visionary sexual ideas—including same-sex relations.

224 pp.
Seventeen essays reflecting the viewpoint of the review Gay Left, from which some of them were reprinted.

Traces the halting efforts, mainly in the 1970s, of the Italian Communist Party to attain a better comprehension of homosexuality. For an indication of further progress, see Nichi Vendola, "L'omosessualità esce del ghetto," *Democrazia e diritto* (September-October 1984).

2772. GOTTLEB, RHONDA. "The Political Economy of Sexuality," Review of Radical Political Economy, 16 (Spring 1984), 143-65. Presents heterosexual and homosexual relations in a "manner analogous to Marx's labor theory of value."


2776. GUÉRIN, DANIEL. Homosexualité et révolution. Saint-Denis: Les Cahiers du Vent du Ch'min, 1984. 70 pp. Somewhat schematic summary of his ideas (which partake of both socialism and anarchism), with quotations from earlier writings.


2778. LENIN, VLADIMIR IL'ICH. The Emancipation of Women. New York: International Publishers, ca. 1969. 136 pp. The remarks recorded by Clara Zetkin in the fall of 1920 (pp. 97-132) show Lenin's (1870-1924) vehement opposition to the bourgeois obsession with "decadence" and "perversion," which he saw as distracting the communist movement from the urgent tasks of the revolution. See also the fuller text in Clara Zetkin, Reminiscences of Lenin (New York: International Publishers, 1934).

2779. LOS ANGELES RESEARCH GROUP. Toward a Scientific Analysis of the Gay Question. Cudahy, CA: Los
Left-sectarian position paper by a Marxist group seeking to "refute the incorrect analyses that are dominant today in the communist movement," especially the "anti-gay line" which excludes homosexuals from Communist organizations oriented toward Moscow or Peking.

A simplistic Marxist catechism of history from pre-historic times to the present by a member of the Workers World Party.

Fourteen essays generally from a New Left point of view on political theory, culture, pornography, pedophilia, etc.

Somewhat utopian sociopolitical critique from a New Left and feminist perspective.

Well-reasoned pamphlet, presenting the extension of state power as the principal obstacle to sexual liberation, and comparing the Libertarian view with that of other parties.

Vigorous manifesto from a Libertarian-Anarchist point of view; San Francisco emphasis.

German Marxist discussion, with some material on homosexuality (see pp. 115-20).

C. DISCRIMINATION

Inasmuch as most homosexuals and lesbians remain "in the closet," it has been hard to document discrimination against them and to devise legal remedies. The popular mind supports prejudice and discrimination by various myths and canards, which are not unlike those that linger regarding racial and ethnic minorities.

2787. YOUNG, ALLEN. "Silence on the American Left," Advocate, no. 330 (November 12, 1981), 14-17. Indicts straight left periodicals for their failure to criticize or even discuss discrimination against gays in Castro's Cuba, an inquiry that deserves to be broadened. This article is an excerpt from the author's book, Gays Under the Cuban Revolution (San Francisco: Grey Fox Press, 1981).


Overview of employers' discrimination against gay and lesbian workers, showing how the discrimination is reinforced by the power of the state.


Eleven well-prepared essays by Campaign for Homosexual Equality members on discrimination against gay men and lesbians at home, at school, at work, on the streets, and in prison. Indicates the inadequacies of the 1967 law