A British academic and popularizer offers opinionated anecdotal sketches of homosexual men from the time of Richard Lion Heart to the present (Englishmen, Frenchmen, Italians, Germans, Russians, and a few Americans).

Transcriptions of tapes made with street contacts when he was conducting work under the auspices of the [Kinsey] Institute for Sex Research.

Interviews with ten east-coast gay men, emphasizing sexuality and identity.

U. THE HOMOSEXUAL MOVEMENT: UNITED STATES

After an abortive attempt initiated by Henry Gerber in Chicago in 1924–25, the contemporary American homosexual rights movement commenced in Southern California at the end of the 1940s, spreading to a number of other cities in the following decade. This movement began largely in ignorance of European precedents and parallels, though relations were quickly established with groups in Europe. Historians have articulated the relatively short history of the American movement into several periods, of which one may best perhaps retain three: the "homophile phase," concentrating on a largely integrationist civil-rights approach (1950–1969); the high radical phase, ushered in by the Stonewall Rebellion (1969–73); and the post-radical era, which tended to synthesize the two previous approaches.

An "instant interpretation" by a gay Australian journalist and politics professor of the goals and theory of U.S. homosexual liberation, with New Left overtones. Perception of a need for a complete transformation of society—in the utopian vein of the period—Altman stressed the analogies with the aims and tactics of the black and women's liberation movements. See also his essay collection: Coming Out in the Seventies (Sydney: Wild and Woolley, 1979; 312 pp.); and his: The Homosexualization of America, the Americanization of the Homosexual (New York: St. Martin's Press, 1982; 242 pp.).

1236. BELL, ARTHUR. Dancing the Gay Lib Blues: A Year in
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A strongly worded manifesto, first published in Christopher Street (January 1981), and reflecting a major strand of contemporary gay opinion on the eve of the AIDS crisis. See response by Ian Harvey, "Sixteen Questionable Propositions Questioned," ibid., no.216 (May-June 1981), 31. See also: Pat Califia, "What is 'Gay Liberation'?" Advocate, no. 320 (June 25, 1981), 30, 36-37, 58.

Sociologist's review of the literature covering precipitating factors, organization, ideology, and impact.

Unsympathetic critique, chiding gay-liberation politics with seeking to collapse the distinction between private and public spheres, and for seeking validation through enactment of symbolic legislation. Contends that "maximal liberationists" practice a "politics of self-delusion and narcissistic insulation."

Account of ONE, Inc., of Los Angeles, which celebrated its thirtieth anniversary under the guidance of W. Dorr Legg, making it the oldest continuous gay organization in the country.

Autobiographical account of Gerber's (1896-1972) founding of a gay rights organization in Chicago, the first that is known in this country.

In a study of members of one group, it was found that at first self-esteem remained unaffected while alienation levels decreased, but started rising again after one year of participation.
Analyzes the heterosexuals' aversion to gays (which "purple Polyannas" underestimate) as manifestations of the unknown, the alien, the loathsome, and the contrary. Proposes an aggressive strategy to combat this negativism.

Brief historical review and optimistic forecast by the sometime leader of the Mattachine Society of New York.

After outlining the conditions that made the emergence of the movement possible after World War II, argues that the "radicalized" period after 1969 was a deflection ("temporarily off course"). The book contains an "Afterword" by Wayne Dynes, as well as Levin's essay-review of Jonathan Katz' *Gay American History* (New York: Crowell, 1976).

Presents the movement as developing in eight stages: (1) sporadic individual attempts, 1908-45; (2) the dawning of minority consciousness, 1945-50; (3) search for identity, 1950-52; (4) righteous indignation, 1952-53; (5) information and education, 1953-60; (6) civil rights activism, 1961-69; (7) gay liberation, 1969-73; and (8) institutional responses, 1973-79.

Collection of articles and manifestos, most of them reprints, reflecting the radical ferment of the time (though including also some negative material by Irving Bieber and others). Makes accessible a widely noticed text of the time: Carl Wittman, "Refugees from America: A Gay Manifesto" (pp. 157-71).

After some background on Southern California, Marotta concentrates narrowly on New York City, chiefly during the period 1969-73.

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Based on a 17-page schedule of inquiry submitted to leaders in Los Angeles, San Diego, and San Francisco, Russo found that the power was "expert, referent, and conjunctive."

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V. THE HOMOSEXUAL MOVEMENT: ABROAD

Although several earlier theorists had conceived of the idea in some form—and indeed its spiritual roots are situated in the 18th-century Enlightenment—the homosexual rights movement began with the founding of the Scientific-humanitarian Committee in Berlin in 1897. From the beginning the German movement operated on two fronts: the legal-legislative and the scholarly. It was recognized that unless an enlightened intelligentsia could be formed that would be prepared to discard inherited stereotypes in favor of solid scientific and scholarly information, no lasting reforms could be achieved or maintained. Although the movement spread into neighboring countries of northern Europe, Germany remained dominant until 1933, when Hitler’s suppression of all homosexual groups combined with the Great Depression to end two generations of fruitful work. In a tentative fashion, gay rights movements revived in a number of European countries after World War II (a tenuous continuity had been maintained in Switzerland and Sweden). In the 1970s these groups, then well established, received a vigorous infusion of American activist concepts and lifestyle elements. Despite some stirrings in the Third World, which the International Gay Association (founded in England in 1978) has sought to foster, the gay and lesbian movement has remained largely restricted to the industrialized countries of the Western world. Regarding homosexuality itself as a mark of capitalist decadence, Marxist regimes do not permit any independent organized homosexual groups.

From a Marxian perspective, a Canadian scholar argues that capitalism generated the social conditions which produced the gay subculture and the homosexual rights movements. (Adam does not explain why Germany, the last of the major capitalist powers to emerge, should have been the first to develop a homosexual rights movement.)

Account of the founding and growth of the Danish gay-rights group Forbundet af 1948 and of the periodical
VENNEN, which Fogedgaard edited.

1278. BANENS, MAKS. "De eerste jaren van het COC."
Homojaarboek (Amsterdam), 1 (1981), 133-60.
Account of the first five years (1946-51) of the leading
Dutch homosexual social and rights organization Cultuur-
en Ontspannings Centrum (COC; now NVIH/COC). This volume
contains other articles on homosexual rights work in the
Netherlands by Judith Schuyf, Maurice van Lieshout, and
Rob Tielman. The major synthesis of the matter is: Rob
Tielman, Homosexsualiteit in Nederland (Amsterdam: Boom
Meppel, 1982; 336 pp.).

Proceedings of the international homosexual congress held
in Paris in May 1979 to celebrate the 25th anniversary of
the French Arcadie organization. This was to prove the
last such congress conducted by Arcadie before its dis-
solution in 1982. See also the earlier proceedings,
L'homophilie à visage découvert: actes du colloque inter-
national organisé par Arcadie, Paris, l, 2 et 3 Novembre
of the group, see: Baudry, "La naissance d'Arcadie."
Arcadie, no. 100 (April 1962), 204-09.

1280. BOUCHARD, ALAIN. Nouvelle approche à l'homosexual-
pp.
Asserts that the construction of a positive lifestyle is
the homosexual's first task. See also his: Le complexe
des dupes (Montreal: Homeureux, 1980); as well as Jean Le
Derryl, Homolibre (Montreal: René Ferron, 1974); and Homo-

1281. COHEN, ALFREDO, et al. La politica del corpo.
Collection of texts published in the Turin gay liberation
periodical FUORI! (1971-75).

1282. DÉMERON, PIERRE. Lettre ouverte aux hétérosex-
(Collection Lettre ouverte)
Good-humored prohomosexual statement.

1283. DIECKMANN, BERNHARD, and FRANCOIS PESCATORE.
Elemente einer homosexuellen Kritik: französische
239 pp.
Translations of French articles and manifestos, mainly
stemming from left sources, such as the Front Homosexuel
d'Action Révolutionnaire, and from the post-structuralist
trend. See also their (ed.): Drei Milliarden Perverse
(Berlin: Verlag Rosa Winkel, 1980; 185 pp.).

1284. Documents of the Homosexual Rights Movement in
Provides information on Canadian gay movement groups and resources at the time of writing.

Statement by a lesbian spokesperson for the chief Norwegian homosexual rights group.

Essays, reports, and conversations on the German gay movement by a group of German men, most of whom became active in the radical phase after 1968, and who now reflect on the changes that have ensued since. Includes chronology, 1969-83 (pp. 183-200).

Manifesto of the most important gay liberation group in Catalonia.

Manifesto of the French radical group (FHR) stemming from the events of May 1968.

Although though this book is presented as a history of the homosexual movement in France, the presentation is selective and skewed towards radical groups, such as FHR. Marred by minor factual mistakes and typographical errors.

Subjective memoirs by two French writers and activists.

Leftist, jargon-laden presentation of factors that are
considered to be retarding the progress of the homosexual emancipation movement in the German Federal Republic.

Report of the Third International Congress of the Comité International pour l'Egalité Sexuelle (ICSE), Amsterdam, September 12-24, 1953. ICSE arose after World War II to continue the international work of sexual reform that had been interrupted by the Depression and the rise of Hitler fifteen years before.

A portion of this book by a noted French writer is a reworking of Gide’s ideas as expressed in Corydon.

Documents from the German lesbian movement.

On the Frente Homosexual de Acción Revolucionaria, formed in Mexico City in April 1978.

Offers a clear account of scholarly and political activity, mainly in Germany, but also in England, with biographical sketches of key figures (including Karl Heinrich Ulrichs, Magnus Hirschfeld, and Edward Carpenter). The later sections overstate the case for the socialist-communist contribution in Germany, and the book has been used to buttress the uncertain case that there is a special affinity between homosexual emancipation and the revolutionary left. There are German, Italian, and Spanish translations. See also: James Steakley, The Homosexual Emancipation Movement in Germany (New York: Arno Press, 1975; 121 pp.).

1298. LEE, JOHN. "Remembering Stonewall: The Relevance of Stonewall to Australian Homosexuality," Gay Changes (Australia), 2:4 (1979), 4-5, 10.
Treats the emergence of CAMP, Inc., in 1970 and Sydney Gay Liberation in 1971, the latter ostensibly more radical.

Seeks to destroy myths with straightforward answers to questions.


1302. OKITA, HIRO (pseud.). *Homosexualismo: da Opressão a Libertação.* São Paulo: Proposta, 1980. 74 pp. A brief history of the earlier movements from a Marxist point of view serves as a prologue to an account (pp. 44-75) of recent developments in the Brazilian gay movement.

1303. SPOLATO, MARIA SILVIA. *I movimenti omosessuali di liberazione.* Rome: Samona e Savelli, 1972. 159 pp. An objective work surveying the origins of the gay liberation movement in Italy and abroad.


1305. TUITENSTREIT: Theoriediskussion der Homosexuellen Akktion Westberlin. Berlin: Verlag Rosa Winkel, 1977. Reprints texts from 1974-75 on the question of whether the homosexual movement should be autonomous or integrated into the labor movement.


1307. *Was soll das Volk vom Dritten Geschlecht wissen?* Leipzig: Spohr, 1901. 26 pp. An explanation of homosexuality for the lay public prepared by the Berlin Scientific-Humanitarian Committee under the direction of Magnus Hirschfeld. This pamphlet,
which was often reprinted, is the prototype of educational brochures created by homosexuals throughout the world in an effort to reach the public directly and refute myths and slanders.


In the late 19th century, according to Weeks, capitalist society sought to control homosexual behavior by defining it in increasingly hostile terms. This repression led, by way of reaction, to the creation of a homosexual subculture, and eventually to efforts toward reform. Weeks offers considerable attention to individual reformers (Havelock Ellis, John Addington Symonds, Edward Carpenter) and to developments before and after World War II, leading to the Wolfenden Report and the implementation of its recommendations in 1967. See also: Sheila Rowbotham and Jeffrey Weeks, *Socialism and the New Life: The Personal and Sexual Politics of Edward Carpenter and Havelock Ellis* (New York: Pluto Press, 1980; 200 pp.).


Brief account of the Swedish homosexual rights group, RFSL (National Union for Sexual Equality), which separated from its Danish parent, Forbundet av 1948, in 1950.
IV. ANTHROPOLOGY

A. CROSS-CULTURAL APPROACHES

Although Europeans had become familiar with homosexual behavior in other cultures through medieval contact with Islam and Renaissance conquests in Asia and the Americas, an attempt to present some image of the world-wide diffusion of "strange sexual practices" began only in the 19th century with such globetrotters as Sir Richard Burton, Paolo Mantegazza, and "Jacobs X." The approach has lingered in pulp publications--some of them approximating adult-bookstore fare. Beginning with the large armchair synthesis of the German scholar Karsch-Haack (1333), professional anthropologists attempted more factual balance sheets. Despite the recording of substantial quantities of information, the still-tentative characteristic of these summations demonstrates that more ethnologies (and more accurate and revealing ones) are needed from many parts of the world before we can attempt a great map, so to speak, of world homosexuality that will accurately mirror both the genuine typological affinities and the profound differences in cultural form that define homosexual behavior in various societies.

1310. BAUMANN, E. D. "Vervrouwelijking bij de primitieven," Mensch en Maatschappij, 10 (1934), 118-33. Surveys ancient literature and anthropological accounts for evidence of "change of sex," ranging from mere cultic transvestism to the homosexual aspect of the berdache. Stresses the universality of the phenomenon of feminization.
