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Passing is the ability of a person to be regarded as a member of an identity group or category different from their own, which may include racial identity, ethnicity, caste, social class, sexual orientation, gender, religion, age and/or disability status.

What does it REALLY mean to be genuine? No, it is not that I would allege that authenticity doesn't exist, but can of course be both more and less genuine and also questionable. But for one of its opposites, where people are accused of being an imposter, perpetrating a hoax or committing fraud, it is probably more often misused, as a way to hurt by taking away a person's realness and eliminating dignity. And sure, yes, there are of course frauds in pure form such as practical jokes, or people who swindle for political or financial gain. But with the stories involving people who have lived their lives in a social group other than they were born into, it usually turns out to be far more complex. When looking into these stories, reality often becomes something highly subjective. And after someone has been passing, you may ask yourself, what is actually the real essence of my own belonging when this person could pass so successfully? Some of the most exceptional stories grew into case studies where my interest came to be more about the individual characters and their unique ways of dealing with existence. Maybe I should admit here that I personally glorified famous stories of people that had been passing and managed these lives to become real. By observing their paths they all became like a starry sky in front of me where each of them followed their own specific laws of nature. I asked myself, what would they say to each other if they were to meet? The dialogues unfolded like a ripple effect and became the series of pieces that are shown in conjunction with this book. Here are the people I refer to in the dialogues and the inspiration for the different characters in the pieces, and as Amanda Lear sings, "this is the zero you will get if you don't learn my alphabet."

Berlin, August 21, 2019 Sonja Nilsson

Detail from "AP-PRO-PRI-A-TION!" 2019

AMANDA LEAR

* 1939, 46, 48 or 50, depending on source Nationality French

In the mid '60s, Amanda Lear became a successful model. During that time she met Salvador Dalí and they became each other's closest friends for almost two decades, an unconventional relationship that she has described as a "spiritual marriage." In the '70s she made a career as a disco queen. Since then, she has worked as a host on television shows, as an actress, as a musician, and as a painter. // Her origin is unclear. She has constantly given different versions of her birthplace and year. For example, in 2010 she showed her ID card during an interview with the French newspaper Libération and it said "born 18 November 1950 in Saigon." This is unlikely. According to public records, she began university in 1964 and the UK marriage records confirm that she was married in 1965. She has also been outed as transsexual by many, including April Ashley, the first person in England known to have undergone a sex reassignment surgery. Ashley claims that they worked together in transvestite cabarets in Paris during the '50s and early '60s. Amanda has always denied these stories. // Amazing Amanda, who looks better than most women, has been involved with numerous legendary celebrities. She has a sense of taste, humor, and is witty, and intelligent. She is just too good to be true!



Still from interview with Amanda on German television May 30, 1976



Detail from "To Own Violence is Freedom," 2019

Detail from "I'm Not Black. I'm O.J." 2019

ESSAY "ANNE" VANDERBILT

* 1953 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania USA 2013 in Phoenix, Arizona USA

Under the hashtag #JusticeForDrV the story of Vanderbilt's outing and tragic suicide became a Twitter storm followed by many major newspapers reporting on press ethics. // There had been rumors in the golfing world about a new putter designed by a woman, called Dr. V, who claimed that everything about the construction of golf clubs, up until now, had been done wrong. Sport reporter Caleb Hannan contacted Vanderbilt about writing an article. She agreed to be interviewed under the premise that he wrote about "the science and not the scientist, the invention and not the inventor." But it did not turn out that way. After digging, Hannan found out that Vanderbilt didn't have the education in physics from MIT or work experience at NASA as she had claimed. At that point, Vanderbilt no longer wanted to contribute to the article, but Hannan continued, and found out that that she had undergone a gender reassignment earlier in her life. // On top of this, Hannan started outing the story to investors for the golf putter. Under so much pressure, she committed suicide, while he completed the article and published it. // The story behind the golf putter had started when Vanderbilt met her last girlfriend, a professional golfer who had a problem picking up the ball



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BILLY TIPTON

* 1914 in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma USA 1989 in Spokane, Washington USA

Billy Tipton was an American jazz musician and bandleader, but today he is probably better known for his exceptional story with passing. Assumed female at birth, he lived from the age of 18 throughout his entire adult life as a man. He was married five times. Only his first wife said she knew about him being born female. He was married to his last wife, Kitty, for 18 years and they adopted three children. It was only after Tipton died that his youngest son, William, in the company of a doctor, found out that his father had a female body. // Tipton had a story he used with his wives, claiming he had been in a car accident where the engine of a Buick had crushed his ribs and genitals. Therefore he could not function as a "normal man" and would always need to be bandaged to stabilize his body. By using this self-invented explanation, he didn't take hormones, was an excellent seducer, and, in the biography written after his death, was remembered by all of his wives as being the perfect loving and caring husband. Tipton sometimes went on stage at Variety shows in drag as a woman, and there are many more similar anecdotes that illustrate in what an incredibly enjoyable way he could make any situation his own.



Record sleeve, "Billy Tipton Plays Hi-Fi On Piano," 1957



Detail from "Point of No Return," 2019

Binjamin Wilkomirski, Zurich, 1999

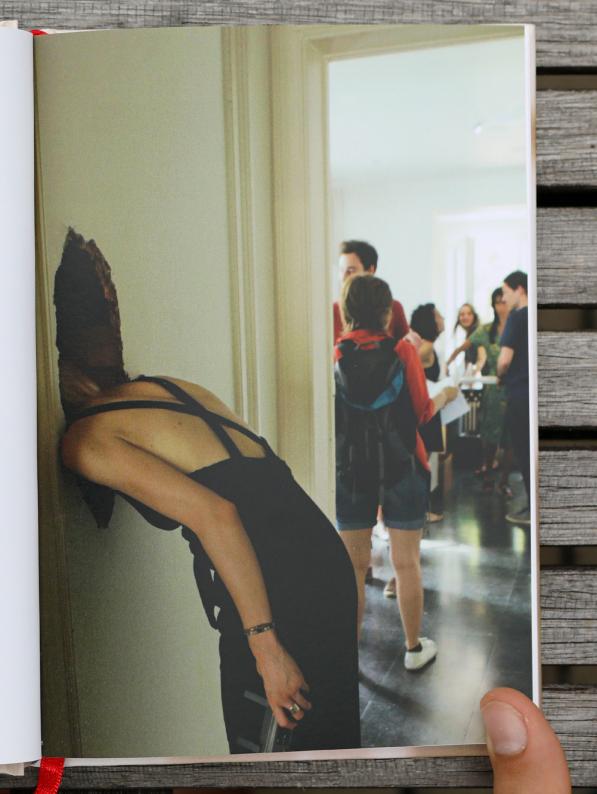
BINJAMIN WILKOMIRSKI

* 1941, according to his autobiography 1938 Nationality Swiss

After undergoing therapy, Wilkomirski published an autobiography in 1995 about his memories as a young child in the concentration camps and as a survivor of the Holocaust. The book won several awards, including the National Jewish Book Award in the United States, the Prix Memoire de la Shoah in France, and the Jewish Quarterly literary prize in Britain. // In Wilkomirski's autobiography, he describes attending school in Switzerland after being rescued from the camp. One day, his class was discussing a picture of the national hero $William \, Tell. \, Upon \, seeing \, the \, picture \, Wilkomirski \, thinks: ``... - SS \, men$ don't shoot apples—that's just stupid. It's just another piece of cruelty: the child's hungry, and he's not allowed to eat apple. A child who's about to die doesn't need an apple. Tell will eat it once he's killed him." // The story he reads into the picture becomes like a mirror reflecting his own vulnerability and story. // In 1962, Daniel Offer and his colleagues interviewed 73 fourteen-year-old boys about their home lives and emotionally charged topics. 34 years later, they managed to reinterview almost all of these now-grown-up men about what they remembered of their adolescence. Many of them could remember in impressive detail, but everyone had changed the content so the stories had a completely different meaning from their original answers.

"In many places in his book, Wilkomirski describes such sensitive memories with a very selective perception. In some way, it also calls to mind the nature of false memories. "In 1998, a Swiss journalist named Daniel Ganzfried published an article claiming that Wilkomirski was born Bruno Grosjean and grew up in an orphanage in Adelboden. Initially this was disputed, but after more evidence was presented the majority of people believed that the story was true. To this day, Wilkomirski has insisted that he is an authentic Holocaust survivor who was secretly switched as a young boy with Bruno Grosjean. "In the field of psychology, his case has been used by psychologists Tavris and Aronson as a study of self-inflicted false memories.





Detail from "Point of No Return," 2019

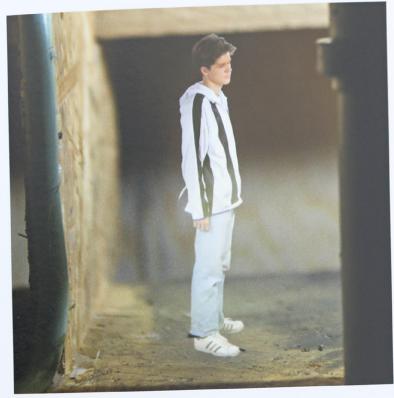
BRANDON TEENA

* 1972 in Lincoln, Nebraska USA 1993 in Humboldt, Nebraska USA

Brandon Teena was raped and murdered after being outed as having a female body. The story became well-known after the success of the 1999 fiction movie, Boys Don't Cry, based on the life and death of Teena. This film also led to increased lobbying for hate crime laws in the United States. // In the stunning 1998 low-budget documentary, The Brandon Teena Story, Lana Tisdel, who previously had a romantic relationship with him, describes him as a polite, interesting, handsome, young man: "One of the nicest men I ever met in my life." // The story of Teena may be just as strong as it affects teenage love, a time of exploration and dreams, where life stands in front to take shape—a time that many can easily relate to. // By changing the order of first and last names, Teena became Brandon. This beautiful approach to finding solutions, making a life, being a womanizer, all done without taking testosterone, is reminiscent of Billy Tipton. It seems that Teena's charisma is what made him convincing. // And isn't it just so, that self-confidence comes from inside? The biggest turn on worldwide.



Lana Tisdel and Brandon Teena, 1993



Detail from "To Own Violence is Freedom," 2019

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Screenshot from Caleb Hannan's article on Grantland

CALEB HANNAN

* 1983 - Nationality American

Hannan is the journalist who, in 2014, wrote "Dr. V's Magical Putter," an article about a new golf putter and Anne Vanderbilt, the inventor behind it. Like a voyage of discovery, he tells how he found fact after fact that did not fit into the given record of Vanderbilt's life. The zeal and excitement in his writing is as if this was the greatest adventure of his life. Although Hannan received warnings from Vanderbilt not to release it, the story became so big for him that he was unstoppable. Vanderbilt took her own life, and the story in the article was published. On Hannan's Twitter account, he posted a link to the article with the comment: "Not sure what to say other than this is the strangest story I've ever worked on." // At the end of Hans Christen Andersen's fairytale, The Emperor's New Clothes, the innocent child becomes the honest truth-teller by saying: "But he hasn't got anything on." Likewise, Hannan seemed to have stared blindly at the idea of not holding back his discovery, even though most of these revelations were nothing other than private. A few big professional golfers had publicly said that the putter was excellent. So the putter worked. Were invented diplomas and workplaces really important journalistic matters for publication? Most of all, Hannan seems like a thoughtless buffoon for not having better understood. People make mistakes. But to all those people that threw shit at Hannan afterwards, maybe it is actually they who are the real bullies.

Chloe Jennings-White at Markagunt Plateau, 2015

CHLOE JENNINGS-WHITE

* 1955 in London, England Lives in Salt Lake City, Utah USA

Bound in leg braces and using a wheelchair, Jennings-White appears to be just another person with a disability. In early 2012, she participated in National Geographic's television series, Taboo, where she spoke about her walking ability and wanting surgery to paralyze her legs permanently. She suffers from Body Integrity Identity Disorder (BIID) a psychological condition where a person does not accept one of their own limbs and seeks to amputate them or become paraplegic. // In the following years Jennings-White was featured in a long row of sensational articles and television shows. Comment fields were filled with upset feelings. She received hate letters and even death threats. People accused her of attention seeking, mocking people with disabilities and gaining access to disabled parking. She claims that she only wanted to help others in the same situation by raising awareness to get rid of the stigma around the condition. Depending from which point it's seen, her legs that give her discomfort also become her disability. // And maybe the voices of the critics speak more to their own disappointments and feelings of failure. Regarding her being attention-seeking, those accusing her probably did not know that she had quit a career earlier in life as an organic chemist. In 1993, she introduced human pheromone into fragrances and patented it. She also invented the "blue strobe" for pyrotechnic displays, a feat everyone said was impossible. Does it seem likely she was desperate for this kind of notorious attention?



Grey Owl feeding a beaver baby, 1932

GREY OWL

★ 1888 in Hastings, England

† 1938 in Prince Albert, Saskatchewan, Canada

During his life, Owl became famous as a leading Canadian First Nations conservationist and writer. Through his books, he became the first-hand voice of an indigenous person who spoke and reached out to the world. His popularity was so great that during his book tour in England he was welcomed by the King and the young Princess Elizabeth. Immediately after his death, it was revealed in the press that Owl was actually English-born Archibald Stansfeld Belaney, a man without any native origin. This widely-spread news turned him into an imposter. // At a young age, Owl was abandoned by his parents and grew up with two aunts. Wondering who his parents were, already as a young child he was said to make up stories about his dad touring with Buffalo Bill. After being a problematic kid, he was sent overseas as a teenager, to study in Canada. But instead, he started working in the fur trapping industry where he told people that he was the child of a Scottish father and Apache mother, and had emigrated to join the Ojibwa in Canada. // During his time in Canada, Owl had relations with Ojibwa women. It was there he learned to speak their language. By abandoning the woman as soon as their child was born, he was repeating the pattern learned from his parents. The fourth woman Owl was together with thought it was

cruel to hunt animals with traps and she criticized him for it. One day in the woods, a couple of beaver babies had lost their mother and were screaming like human babies. Owl and his girlfriend rescued, adopted, and raised the beaver kittens in their cabin, and he decided never to hunt again. The beavers in the area were on the verge of extinction. Owl and his girlfriend collected entry fees from visitors who wanted to see the babies and spread the message of rescuing the beavers through the news. And so, Owl became the famous conservationist. // Perhaps all of this was a way of staging of his own trauma, where he finally broke the circle by rescuing the abandoned child. But due to the disclosure of his origin when he died, Grey Owl's life became remembered more as a staged lie instead of reflecting on the magnificence of his story.

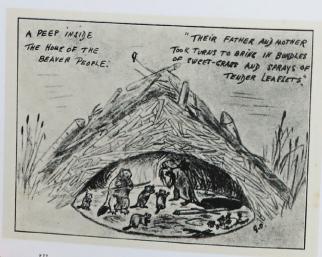


Illustration drawn by Grey Owl in "The Adventures of Sajo and Her Beaver People," 1935

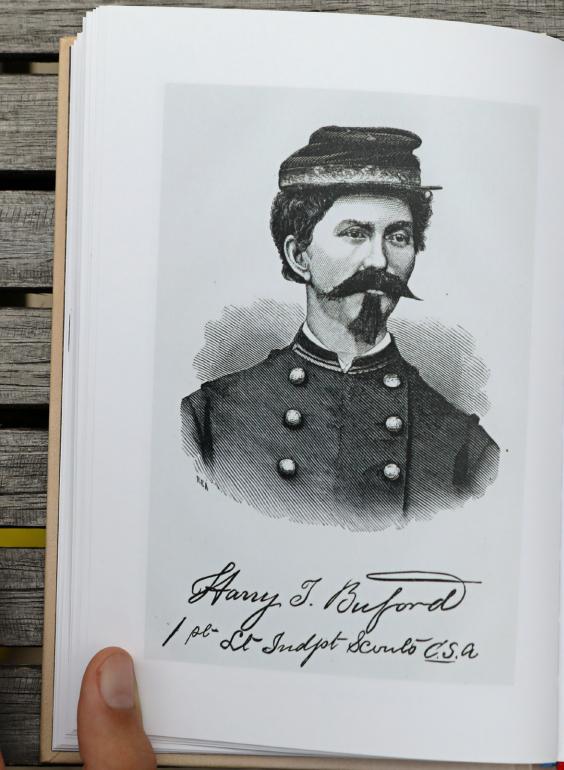


Detail from "Happiness is a Human Right," 2019

HARRY T. BUFORD

★ 1842 in Havana, Cuba
 1897 or 1923, maybe in Washington DC, USA

In 1876, The Woman in Battle came out; a 600-page book where Loreta Janeta Velázquez tells of how she went through the American Civil War disguised as a man under the alias Lieutenant Harry T. Buford. Almost immediately, it was thrown into dispute whether or not the book was fact or fiction, and the debate has continued since. Whatever the true story is, it is definitely written in an adventurous way, full of heroic deeds. She even cites Joan of Arc as an inspiration to her. // In a newspaper from 1878, a reporter spoke of how Velázquez changed her physical appearance with a mustache. "She said she took the hair between her fingers, and by a dexterous manipulation, after covering her upper lip and a portion of her chin with some specially prepared imported French mucilage, applied it to her skin, and it would remain in position. The mustache and beard would not be removed except by the application of alcohol or ammonia, and would wear two or three weeks, not being in the least hurt by her ablutions." // As with Lieutenant Buford's mustache and JT LeRoy's hat and sunglasses, the shameless use of these ridiculous disguises in some strange way seems to have made these individuals all the more convincing.





Detail from "Happiness is a Human Right," 2019

J.T. LEROY

* 1980 in West Virginia, USA

In the year 2000, the novel Sarah was published, followed up by the publication of The Heart Is Deceitful Above All Things one year later. Both works of fiction are based on the young author LeRoy's being raised in truck stops with his drug-addicted, prostitute mom. The books were written in a surrealistic style, described in reviews as, "Alice in Wonderland on acid." The books gained almost instant cult status and were highly praised by celebrities such as Gus Van Sant, Courtney Love, Madonna, Winona Ryder, Asia Argento, Tatum O'Neal, and Garbage's Shirley Manson. // After a period of speculation in 2005, The New York Times revealed in 2006 that the books were actually written by JT's publisher Laura Albert, aka Speedy. The persona of the author was embodied by Savannah Knoop, Albert's 25-year-old sister-in-law, who served as a stand-in, or face of, JT LeRoy. // When Knoop first merged with the role of LeRoy, the performance served as an extension of their personal exploration of their own gender expression. While this role provided Knoop with access to fame, excitement, and fascinating people, it was also a period of being caged, or imprisoned, in a persona controlled by Albert. // After years of being silenced by the outing, Albert described how she was addicted to calling helplines as the young boy LeRoy,

an inner character she had created and used to communicate sexual trauma from her own childhood. LeRoy was also brought to life through phone contact with other writers, such as Jerry Stahl and Dennis Cooper, both of whom performed readings from LeRoy's books because he was too shy to appear in public. The pressure from fans to meet and see LeRoy lead to a physical appearance that became more and more alive through the eyes of others. // To all those who loved and adored LeRoy during this time, he was real. Today, most people would probably call him a literary persona, but would it not be reasonable to say that he still lives in dreams and memories?



Speedy, JT LeRoy, & Winona Ryder, 2003



JAMES BARRY

* ca 1789 in Cork, Ireland 2 1865 in London, England

In Africa in 1826, Irish doctor James Barry performed the first cesarean section where both mother and child survived. Some argue that he may have even been the first in the English-speaking world to have succeeded with such a procedure. // He was also known for his temperament and aggressive behavior. After his death, Florence Nightingale said that he "behaved like a brute" and that he was "the most hardened creature I ever met." Today he is most famous for the supposed revelation on his deathbed that he had a female body. That was not the way he had planned it to happen. In a note written by Sir Longmore, a friend of Dr. Barry, it says that Barry had received a promise from the lady of the house that "if he died his body should be rolled in the sheets [...] and be buried without further disturbance." // Many have speculated that Barry was probably intersex. Many things about him may have also been established through malicious tongue. And if you were to check his DNA, wouldn't that only tell something from a particular medical point of view? We will never be able to see into Barry's mind to know how he viewed himself. But that his entire adult life was lived and perceived as a man somehow speaks for itself. And maybe it says more about an epoch and people's ideas of gender when almost everything that has been written describes him as "a woman ahead of her time" or, more recently, a "transgender man" etc.





The Transsexual Empire Empire Making of She-Male

A fascinating look at transsexual operations and the "cures" they promise

Janice G. Raymond

"The Transsexual Empire," 1979

JANICE RAYMOND

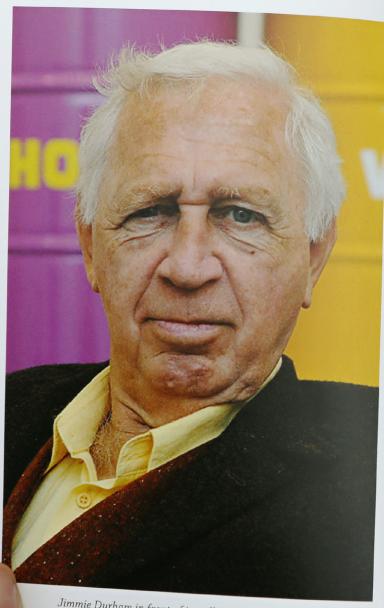
★ 1943 - Nationality American

The Transsexual Empire by Janice Raymond was published in 1979. In the book, Raymond argues that it is not possible for men [sic] to become women through hormones and surgery and that trans women should not be seen as women. From her point of view, it was because of missing a history of lived experience and the discrimination attached to growing up in a female body. // She also argued that lifelong treatment of hormones and surgery to remove healthy organs would be a tribute to the power of cultural definitions on masculinity and femininity; that in a gender-defined society it would show that it is easier to conform one's body to a patriarchal society than to change society. # The book can be seen as the Trans-Exclusionary Radical Feminist (TERF) movement's birth and starting point. // Considering the last decade's development in society, where ideas of gender have become more fluid and the notion is now seen more as a spectrum, maybe it is actually not the radical that changes; it is the society that changes.

JIMMIE DURHAM

* 1940 in Houston, Texas or Arkansas, according to him

Durham is a contemporary artist and poet who has worked mainly with issues of colonialism and Native American identity. In the '60s he was active in the civil rights movements and in the early '70s he stopped making art to become a political organizer in New York with the American Indian Movement. // In the '80s he returned to art and has, in the last two decades, become an megastar in the fine art world, frequently showing at biennials and museums in Europe. // Prior to a 2017 retrospective at the Hammer Museum in Los Angeles, ten Cherokee artists and curators published an editorial stating "he is a Trickster" and that "he has no known ties to any Cherokee community." // The controversy was based on his having built an entire artistry on a Cherokee identity, being born into the Wolf Clan in Arkansas. Later, a researcher proclaimed that Durham was actually born in Houston, Texas, and that his family tree yields no Cherokee ancestors. The debate was nothing new. On a more internal level, the authenticity of his identity has been disputed many times over the past 30 years. // While people get stuck in the so-called facts, Durham has always given poetic and puzzling statements in answer which, like Magritte's painting, This Is Not a Pipe, make the solitary assertion to appear as a higher truth. By doing so, maybe it is actually he who is obeying the concept of authenticity. And maybe that also makes the story of him a whole lot greater.



Jimmie Durham in front of installation, London, 2015

Lili Elbe, Paris, 1926

LILI ELBE

★ 1882 in Vejle, Denmark

1931 in Dresden, Germany

Lili Ilse Elvenes, better known as Lili Elbe, was the Danish girl who underwent an early and highly experimental sex reassignment surgery in 1930. After an attempt to receive a uterus implant, she died in 1931. // Following the Danish original of 1931, Niels Hoyer's 1933 book titled *Man into Woman* described how Elbe's surgery altered her handwriting and voice, which appeared more feminine after she woke up post-surgery. The explanation is, of course, completely bananas. But the power of belief can be strong, and it may be that believing this "miraculous change" shifted her entire mindset, changed how she expressed herself and was perceived.

MONICA LEWINSKY

* 1973 in San Francisco, California USA

In 1998, the name Monica Lewinsky became a global phenomenon after the disclosure that she had a secret sexual relationship with the US President, Bill Clinton. At the time, the so-called scandal had taken place when she was a 22 year-old intern in the White House. Tapes with 20 hours of private recorded phone conversations became public documents where Lewinsky spoke about her weight problems, cried about being unhappy in love, and relayed intimate sexual details about her relationship with Clinton. The tapes were secretly recorded by Linda Tripp, a colleague 20 years older than Lewinsky who betrayed her by pretending to be an emotional support, and giving her advice on how to cope with life. // In the disclosure, another aspect of the story—as a passionate love affair—also became public. Lewinsky posted a personal ad in The Washington Post on Valentine's Day, which quoted lines from "Romeo and Juliet," addressed to "Handsome" and signed "M." They secretly gave each other romantic gifts. Clinton was often seen wearing a tie he received from Monica at public appearances. // After the cruel outing of her privacy, Lewinsky suffered mental health problems. In exchange, the world received an adventurous and fascinating love story shaping opinions and providing entertainment. // Regarding having an affair, is it not the secrecy itself that makes it highly self-fulfilling? You know it is something you are not supposed to do. But to still want it, then it must be something that you TRULY want. In some way, this is also reminiscent of the secrecy and self-fulfillment that often plays into people's passing stories.



NKECHI AMARE DIALLO

* 1977 in Lincoln County, Montana USA Lives in Spokane, Washington USA

In 2015, Diallo became known by her former name, Rachel Doležal, as "the white woman that was pretending to be black." In a videotaped interview, a local reporter confronted her with the question of whether she was white, which she couldn't answer. During that time, she was engaged in civil rights activism, was the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) chapter president, and had a post as Chair of the Police Ombudsman Commission in Spokane. Previously, she had also been teaching Africana Studies at Eastern Washington University for several years. People took for granted that she was a person of African American descent. The video, along with an interview where her parents claimed she had no black heritage, went viral and reached major news channels in the US and beyond. Immediately, she lost all of her positions. The controversy fueled spiteful debates and she ended up under public scrutiny. // For a person to identify and fight for the rights of their group as a spokesperson is reminiscent of the stories of both Grey Owl and Jimmy Durham. Would they ever have had the possibility to achieve what they set out to accomplish without covering up their origin?

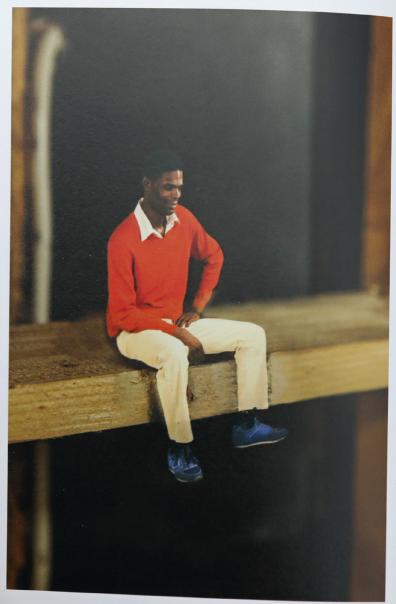




Nkechi Amare Diallo at TEDx Talk, 2016



Detail from "Happiness is a Human Right," 2019



Detail from "I'm Not Black. I'm O.J." 2019

O. J. SIMPSON

* 1947 in San Francisco, California USA Lives in Las Vegas, Nevada USA

O.J. Simpson became an international star in the late '60s as an American football running back. After his football career, he went into advertising and was also frequently seen on television and acting in movies. Later, he was suspected of the murder of his wife Nicole Simpson, and after that he was convicted for kidnapping and robbery. // Simpson is also known for his complex relationship with racial politics. As a black man who lived and made his career in typically white environments, he didn't want to be a spokesperson for African Americans. From the famous sentence "I'm not black, I'm O.J." one can imagine a simple statement that says I want to be seen for who I am without having to be burdened by my heritage. But instead, people seem to see it as the boldest thing one could say. // Another similar example is when Jose Neinstein, Executive Director of the Brazilian-American Cultural Institute in Washington, remembered talking with a man of dark skin during a visit to Brazil. "We were discussing ethnicity and I asked him, 'What do you think about this from your perspective as a black man?' He turned his head to me and said, 'I'm not black...' It simply paralyzed me. I couldn't ask another question," Neinstein recalled. // Most likely, Simpson only wanted to be seen for what he did. But the resonance of such a claim could be like holding up a tuning fork and sounding A, though the neighboring and traditionally beloved pitch is G sharp. Still they would all literally hear the note A. It is like the sentence echoed and began to resonate by itself. // And did he really say this, or was it Cuba Gooding Jr. in his American Crime Story portrayal of Simpson? According to the sociologist Harry Edwards, this was what Simpson told him when he tried to recruit him to join other popular black athletes to protest racial inequality. It seems that it doesn't matter and everyone agrees that this was something he likely could have said.



Working sketch with actor and O.J. Simpson



Peola, here named Sarah, from the film adaptation "Imitation of Life," 1959

PEOLA JOHNSON

Literary character

Peola Johnson is the housekeeper's daughter in Fannie Hurst's 1933 novel, Imitation of Life. // With a slight tone of sarcasm, the story clearly expresses society's divisions between gender, race, and class. One of the central themes deals with the relationship between the "light skinned" Peola and her African-American mother. Peola sees the differences and injustices between her and her white friend Jessie, and does everything to pass herself as white. Her mother thinks she should take pride in being black, but the fracture between them just gets bigger and ends with Peola cutting the family ties and her mother dying of despair. // The desire to not be limited becomes a conflict between Peola and the closest relatives in her family. With a sharp break, a cutting of all ties, a new identity becomes successful, but with a life in pain from the loss of those connected by kinship. The story spirals, sharing a pattern with many people who choose to live their lives in different conditions than those assigned to them based on their background and social group.

Sandy Stone at Olivia Records, 1974–78

ALLUCQUÉRE ROSANNE "SANDY" STONE

st 1936 in Jersey City, New Jersey USA

At the end of the '60s and beginning of the '70s Stone worked as a sound engineer for big stars such as Jimi Hendrix, the Grateful Dead, Van Morrison, and many more. After a move from the East Coast to the West Coast, she decided to focus on personal projects. Under the pen name "Sandy Fischer" she published several science fiction pieces in Galaxy Magazine and The Magazine of Fantasy and Science Fiction. During that time, she was in transition and ran out of money. She took a job repairing radios at the mall, explained she was transitioning, and got fired. Then she opened her own repair shop across the street called the WIZARD OF AUD, a place with a couch that became a popular hang-out joint for women. People stopped going to the other repair shop and it went out of business. // No, this is not a fairytale. It is just the way Stone's path in life took new turns over and over again. From the hang-out in the radio repair shop she came in contact with Olivia Records, an "all-women" record company. She became their sound engineer, which she has described more as being a member of a collective than a job. But other radical feminists, that were not part of Olivia Records, saw Stone being a trans-woman as a problem. Even though the Olivia collective stood behind her, the situation got so ugly that at one point Stone chose to leave Olivia. The so-called "Olivia controversy" became part of Janice Raymons' trans-exclusive book called *The Transsexual Empire*. Later, Stone entered an academic career and gave her answer in the 1987 essay, *The Empire Strikes Back: A Posttranssexual Manifesto*, which has become a classic in Gender Studies. "You may think you are alone with your thoughts. But is it not often the case that as soon as someone puts an idea out there, it's revealed that there are many having the same thoughts? This striking woman is a rare bird and a pioneer that made these connections happen time and time again.

The Empire Strikes Back



A Posttranssexual Manifesto

By Sandy Stone



Sheriff Charles Laux attending John Lotter's trial, 1995

SHERIFF CHARLES B. LAUX

* unknown, last known in Richardson County, Nebraska USA

In 1993, Laux was the Sheriff in Richardson County, the officer who questioned Brandon Teena after he had been raped. The hearing is preserved as an audio recording where Laux made abusive and repulsive comments about the rape and questioned Teena's transsexuality. Lana Tisdel's mom Linda, who was called in as a witness, remembers how Laux referred to Brandon as "it." Nissen and Lotter, Teena's rapists, learned about the report and began to search for Teena. Even though Laux knew of the rape, he chose not to arrest them. When Tammy, Brandon's sister, called Laux and told him that both Lotter and Nissen had threatened to kill Brandon, Laux replied to Tammy, "mind your own business, I'm doing my job." // A week after the rape, Nissen and Lotter found Teena hiding at the home of Lisa Lambert. Phillip DeVine and Lambert's small baby were also in the house. All three were executed in front of the eyes of Lambert's toddler. The grotesqueness of their act, and the whole story around Nissen and Lotter makes them out to be very poor, tragic figures. In comparison, Laux appears to be a real asshole, a pig, and completely evil for not preventing it from happening. // From the moment the legal case was closed, until this day, Laux has refused to talk about his actions in the case.

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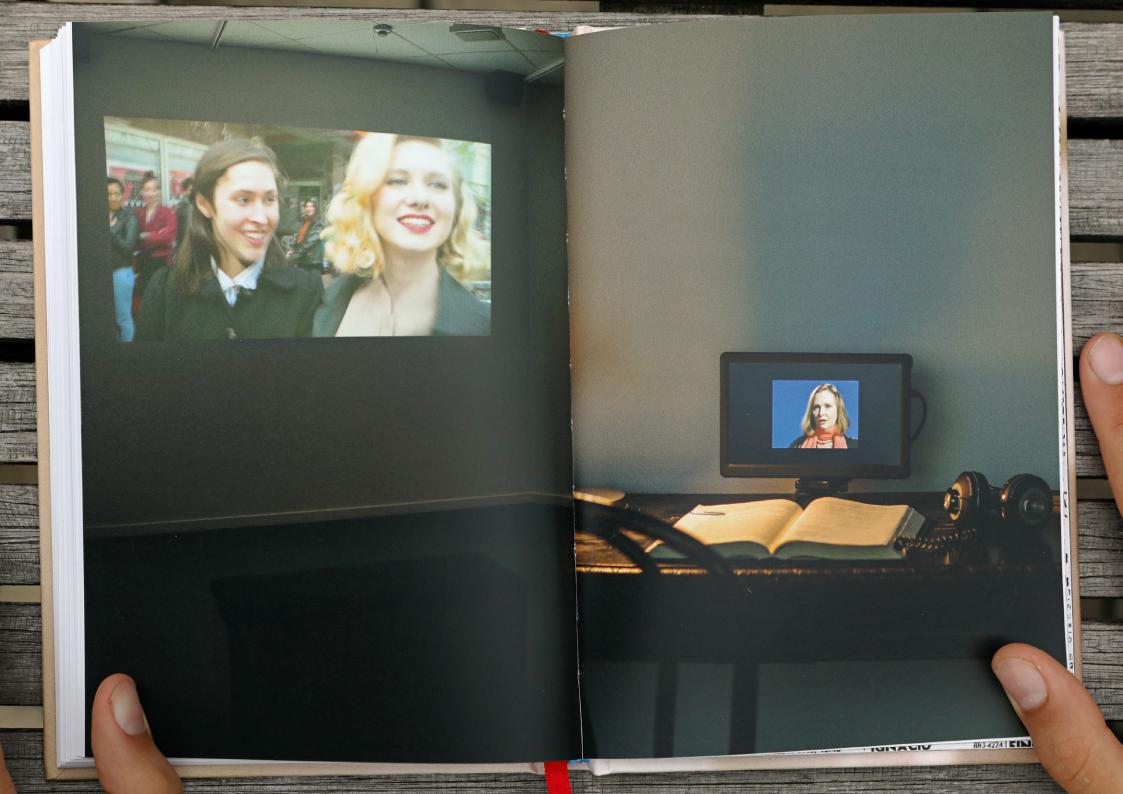
Letter correspondence between George Graham and Major D.R. McKinnon regarding Sophia Bishop's claim, 1865

SOPHIA BISHOP

* unknown, lived during the mid to late 1800s

About Bishop, there is not much we know. And probably, we would not have remembered much of James Barry if it hadn't been for Bishop, who was taken in to clean and dress Barry's body after his death. Bishop was the one who started the rumor that James Barry had a female body. // In a letter of correspondence between Dr. McKinnon (Dr. Barry's doctor) and the General Register Office, McKinnon answers them about the rumor: // "... she said that Dr. Barry was a female and that I was a pretty doctor not to know this and she would not like to be attended by me. I informed her that it was none of my business whether Dr. Barry was a male or a female, and that I thought that he might be neither, viz. an imperfectly developed man ..." // And further down in this letter, // "... The woman seems to think that she had become acquainted with a great secret and wished to be paid for keeping it. I informed her that all Dr. Barry's relatives were dead, and that it was no secret of mine ..." // The secret that Dr. Barry carried his entire adult life was shattered because of one single occasion where Bishop believed she could extort money for keeping quiet. This was certainly not what Dr. Barry had wished to happen; but paradoxically, shouldn't one be thankful that this story exists today?





She seemed to make some inner adjustment, something "turned on" inside her, and suddenly—there she was—not the simple girl on" inside her, and suddenly—there she was—not the simple girl Monroe," resplendent, I'd been strolling with, but "Marilyn People crowded around ready for her public. Now heads turned. People crowded around us. She smiled like a kid.

Similarly, Sam Shaw could never forget Marilyn repeatedly ing of herself in the third person photo of herself, she said time and Marilyn would say that

At an early stage, when the series of works consisted only of a bunch of scattered sketches and notes, I did a film adaption of an anecdote to try and understand where the work wanted to lead me. In short, the story goes like this: Marilyn Monroe had the ability to be out in public places without anyone noticing her. One day, Susan Strasberg, a good friend, was taking a stroll with her downtown. Marilyn turned to Susan and asked: "Do you want to see me be her?" Somewhat puzzled by the question, Susan said yes, without understanding what she meant. Then it happened: in a split second, Marilyn made a sublime shift, as if turning on a bulb inside of herself. Suddenly, all the attention was turned towards her. People started doing double takes, pointing and saying: "Isn't that Marilyn Monroe?" People crowded around them, so that they had to jump into a taxi and flee. An almost identical story is told by Amy Greene, another friend of Marilyn. Was this like a "party trick" that she liked to amaze her friends with? Or was it perhaps something more private that she wanted to share? A connecting closeness to her friends? A platonic intimacy as "Into-Me-See?" Marilyn spent her childhood in a series of foster homes and an orphanage, leading to feelings of abandonment and the sense that the whole world was closed to her. Even when she was famous, she couldn't understand how people could be interested in her. Maybe this was a way for her to say, "if I become her (Marilyn), I become seen." The question she was asking Susan, then, turns into an imperative saying: -See me- be Her.







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"Why, that will be news to Sheriff Callahan, of Navarro County," said the farmer, "He is awful hard up for water, and that old 'pony-doctor' is the same chap he sa. ed from being lynched for horse-stealing a year ago.

I shall post him about that."

Two weeks after the Sheriff of Navarro paid a visit to the Cherokee Reservation, and returned with a gaunt old Indian, the suddenly famous "pony-doctor," who had refused a tempting offer to settle in Navarro County as an official water finder, but had agreed to accompany the Sheriff to his farm. They dismounted on a little hill, not far from the "Torsitana Pastures," and, after a silent survey of the rolling prairie-land at his feet, Tusca-tsee hitched his horse to a mesquite-tree and drew a stout knob-stick with an arrow-shaped tip from his saddleblanket

'How many springs do you need, Mister?"

he asked the Sheriff.

"Halloh! Do you see a chance of finding more than one? That's all I should need, but Mr. Kimball, my next neighbor—"
"He be much d—d! Well, I'll find you

two good ones, and tell you how to dig. Any

thing else I can do?"

"No, not now, Doctor. Yes, on second thought. Will you permit me to see you hunt those springs?"

The pony doctor eyed him in a curious

'All right," said he, with several twinkles in his deep-set eyes, "come along and watch

"But what!"

"After I am done don't ask me any questions, or I shall have to tell you a big lie;

well," laughed the Sheriff, "I nt to hear any thing, but you ame me for seeing a thing or two." mbulating the adjoining hills and about forty minutes the Cherokee

agonizing as it descended to the respirator agonizing as the lower spine. His breathly organs and the lower spine. His breathly organs and the locality was laborious and painful, and the distress intolerable that one of the doctors dispatched a messenger for a dose of ipecacuanha, It

But toward evening the patient, who had lain in a dull stupor for the last three or oned his wife, and asked her, in a hours whisper, to have the cook up for a minute or

"Are you any better, sir?" asked the old mulatto, to announce his arrival.

The Captain opened his eyes. "Oh, Henry," said he, "didn't you tell melet Monday that you bought those rabbits from an Indian hunter?"

'Just so, sir.' "Was he in the kitchen?"

"One was; there were two of them."

"How long did he stay?"

"Just a moment or two, to warm h hands, while I went upstairs to get h money."

"I thought so. Doctor, you were right; isn't pleurisy, then, after all."

"I hope not," said the doctor; "but what do you think it could be?"

Think? I know it now; I am poisoned the red devils got at my Catawba wine. My son George drank a glassful of it on Christ mas night, and didn't keep it on his stomach for ten minutes. If he had been used to wine, it would have got into his blood, andwell, you will know what I mean, if you cu me up. I'm on fire, that's the only work

He died before midnight, and on the fo lowing morning his trother, 'Squire Harrison, of Navarro. assembled the household, servants, stuble-boys and all, in the large dining-room.

"Who had seen those Indians, and wh would undertake to identify them?

The cook told his tale, and at his request Mr. Kaufman, the farmer's tenant, was sen for. This Kaufman, he said, had unloaded a cord of wood behind the house while the Indians were in the kitchen, and they so companied him as far as the village crossroads when he drove home.

Mr. K. arrived, and, being informed of the the foot of a grassy knoll, bored of the parched sod, marked along f the mound till he reached a features, whom he had seen in Nechesylle

A WOMAN'S ROMANCE.

Two Years a Licutement in the Confederate Army-Present at the Battles of Buil's Eun and Leesburg-Wounded by a Shell at the Battle of Shiloh-Becomes a Spy, and Secret Service Agent and Engages in Financiering. ISt Louis Post 1

A woman of medium height and of slightly-built form, with a pleasant face, strongly occasioned by efforts at coughing becames intolerable that one of the doctors dispatch. firm, determined jaw, and the square chin, intolerable that one of the doctors dispatch. so indicative of inflexibility and persistency must be pleurisy. he thought, though is of purpose; a complexion which, without colleague assured him that no pulmonary gastric chill.

But toward evening the patient, who belt lain in a dull stupor for the lat. aim-such was the lady with whom an Evenfour hours, suddenly raised his arm, beek ing Post reporter conversed yesterday. Yet oned his wife, and asked her implementation of the straight there was no obstrusive with all these traits, there was no obstrusive personality perceptible in her appearance, nothing to denote a career as strange and romantic as ever portrayed by that ingenious prince of marvelous fiction, Dumas perc. A quiet, undemonstrative ladylikeness of demeanor characterized all her actions. No one to gaze upon her would have imagined that she was a woman whose life had been passed entirely out of the old ruts of

FEMININE EXISTENCE. One would scarce have dreamed that this was a modern Joan of Arc. Yet such is Madame Loreta Juanita Velazquez, to whom the foregoing description alludes.

During the war she assumed masculine at tire and received a commission as First Lieu-

tenant in the Confederate army.

But to begin at the beginning. Mme. Vel-azquez, alias Lieutenant Harry T. Buford, of the Southern army, is descended from the old Spanish family of that name. Her father was a native of Cartagena, in Spain, and her mother was the daughter of a French naval officer by an American lady. In 1840 her father was appointed to an of ficial position in Cuba, and two years later Mme. Velazquez, the sixth and last child, came into the world in a house in the Calle Velaggas, near the walls of the City of Havana, on the 26th of June, 1842, and the "little stranger" was christened Lorets Juanita. When Loreta had nearly attained the age of one year her father fell heir to a large estate in Texas, which at that time formed part of Mexico. Accordingly he resigned his position as employe of the Spanish Government in Cuba, and in 1844 removed. with his family, to San Luis Potosi, in Central Mexico. In 1849 Loreta was sent to New Orleans to her maternal aunt, Mme. R., Rue Esplanade, to be educated. While there

DESPERATELY IN LOVE With an officer in the United States army,

shirt when I have had my coat off, and have supposed them to be shoulder braces. These undershirts could be rolled up into the small compass of a collar-box. Around the waist of each of the undershirts was a band with eyelet holes arranged for the purpose of making the waistband of my pantaloons stand out to the proper number of inches. A woman's waist, as a general thing, is tapering, and her hips very large in comparison with those of a man, so that if I had undertaken to wear pantaloons without some such contrivance they would have drawn in at the waist and revealed my true form. With such underwear as I used any woman who can disguise her features can readily pass for a man, and deceive the closest observers. So many men have weak and feminine voices that, providing the clothing is properly constructed and put on right, and the aisguise in other respects is well arranged, a woman with even a very high pitch of voice need have very little fear on that score. One of the principal causes of my detection after having successfully passed myself off as a man to thousands of keen-eyed observers, under circumstances where every thing was against the concealment of my sex, was, that my apparatus got out of order so that I was forced to dispense with it. I was to blame, too, for growing careless, and not always being on my guard. There were several points about my disguise which were strictly my own invention, and which, for certain good and sufficient reasons, I do not care to give to the public. These added greatly to its efficiency. Indeed, after I had once become accustomed I to male attire and to appearing before any body and every body in it, I lost all fear of being found out, and learned to act, talk o and almost think as a man. Many a time when in camp I have gone to sleep when a from fifty to sixty officers have been lying close together wrapped in their blankets, and have had no fear of detection."

She also wore a mustache and imperial. of In describing to the reporter the modus ar

operandi of fixing these

HIRSCIE APPENDAGES, She said she took the hair between her fingers, and by a dexterous manipulation, th after covering her upper lip and a portion of her chin with some specially prepared imported French mucilage, applied it to her skin, and it would remain in position. The Gr mustache and beard would not be removed to except by the application of alcohol or an-monia, and would wear two or three weeks, sy not being in the least hurt by her ablutions. Mme. Velazquez is now in the city, and intends making it her head-quarters for some

The following testimonial, signed by pa prominent Southerners, is a proof of Mr

Velazquez's identity:

WASHI GTON, D. C., March 1, 15

LETTERS

BILLY TIPTON

'Saddened' by column

I was saddened to read the column concerning the late Billy Tipton in this morning's (Jan. 31) issue of The Spokesman-Review ("Jazz musician spent life concealing fantastic secret.")

It seems to me that such a story serves neither the public interest nor the high journalistic standards that we expect from your newspaper.

Billy Tipton was a kind person and a friend to many, and laying bare in the public prints the secret he carried to his grave can only serve sensationalism, tarnish his memory and add to the grief of his family.

JOHN LUPPERT Spokane

Spokane

Column 'a great injustice'

Just who does columnist Doug Clark think he is? He has just reduced The Spokesman-Review and Spokane Chronicle to the level of a supermarket tabloid ("Jazz musician spent life concealing fantastic secret," Jan 31).

If Billy Tipton was able to take his lifetime secret to the grave, it certainly wasn't Clark's obligation to inform the public now.

He has done a great injustice to Tipton's family. MARILYN DePARTEE

Pathetic column

I just finished reading that pathetic column by Doug Clark about the late Billy Tipton ("Jazz musician spent life concealing fantastic secret," Jan. 31).

Have you people never heard of "social responsibili-

Obviously, your paper doesn't believe in such thing

What possible purpose could that column have except to hurt and humiliate Billy Tipton's family and

Even by your own admission, Billy was a good person and never hurt anyone; he was eager to help oth-

ers, was hard-working and obviously was courageous. That was all that needed to be said; neither I nor the rest of Spokane needed to know his deepest secrets.

Do you plan to share each of yours when you die? I

You owe Billy Tipton's family and friends an apology for your total disregard for people's feelings. You have thoroughly disgusted me.

JUDITH GOODWIN Spokane

CONGRESSIONAL PAY

Raise 'makes sense,' but ...

There seems to be a big controversy over | congressional pay raise.

I, for one, think the lawmakers should get one, it makes sense to give them a raise due to the mount of responsibility we put on them.

I feel that it's more important to have hem concerned about the issues that need to be iddressed rather than have them making addresses on he issues for honorariums.

On another note, perhaps a change in how our representatives do business is in order.

With all the comments about the high cost of living in Washington, D.C., creating the need for his large pay increase, why don't we bring our representatives home?

When this republic was formed more than 100 years ago, there certainly was a need for our repreentatives to gather in a central location to attend to the affairs of the nation, but this concept is no longer vald.

With today's technology, traveling 2,500 miles to make decisions for the folks back home jut doesn't make sense.

Equipped with a personal computer and nodem, a fax machine, cable television and a telephone it would be simple to stay in touch with Washington, LC.; votes could be tallied, issues could be resolved an government could be run just as efficiently as it is now.

The biggest advantage of this concept would be that the lawmakers would be involved firsthand with the problems that face their constituents; instead f a long line of special-interest lobbyists waiting to make appointments to see them, we regular citizens would have easier access to our elected officials to express our concerns

When you look at the bright side, just thin how far the pay increase to \$135,000 a year would on Spokane compared with in Washington, D.C.

Let's give them the money, but let's make them come home to collect it.

ALGILSON Spokane

Two different Reagans

Could it be that we had two Ronald Reagant as president of the United States?

President Reagan No. 1 terminated the inportant jobs of the air-traffic controllers.

They were asking for more money to rase their families, but he claimed it would be inflationary to give them the proposed raise.

However, President Reagan No. 2 strongly advised giving senators, congressmen, judges, etc. a big

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES - Former President Ronald Reagan, busy lining

up work and visiting old haunts since leaving offtwo weeks ago, is celebrating his 78th birthday today with a talk to college students and a private party. He planned to

Reagan

detail his retirement plans during a 20-minute speech at the University of Southern California - his first public appearance since a spirited airport state prison guards' union. homecoming rally Jan. 20.

his birthday with his wife, Nancy, and about 100 friends at a private party at the ritzy Bistro Gardens restaurant in Beverly Hills.

"The change of address hasn't to survivors of prison uprisings. caused any slowing down of their schedule," said Reagan spokesman Mark Weinberg. "They are very active and on the go."

The former president has already signed a book deal worth up least 12 hours would be paid a sum to \$7 million, lined up a \$50,000per-speech lecture contract and the case of death or injury, the inopened his Century City offices. surance benefit paid to the guard or

Associated Press

ALBANY, N.Y. - As a broiling summer day dissolved into a sultry night at New York's Coxsackie state prison, Joseph Puma waited to see if five prison guards held hostage by prisoners would make it out alive.

After 14 hours, about midnight, the inmates released their hos-

'This guy came out - a friend of mine - he was bloody, beaten, battered and he wore inmate clothing. He just collapsed in my arms, crying," said Puma, head of the

Puma saw the pain in the faces Tonight, he planned to celebrate of the guards and their families and came up with an idea: The union, through Lloyd's of London, established a "captivity coverage" insurance plan, with benefits to be paid

It's believed to be the first time an insurance company has allowed such a policy, said Nels Carlson, a Lloyd's underwriter.

Union members held hostage at equal to half their annual salary. In

his family would be twiR ary. A New York prison 12 erage annual pay: \$27,50-

"It's kind of like your ance, where you hope it R paid out, but it happens," dy Rauch, director of stare accreditation for the Correctional Association Md. "The concept is quit I an idea that could very expanded to other states.

It's appropriate the come from New York, haunted by the 1971 rio America's bloodiest pril ing. Inmates took 39 hog four-day standoff that e rious gunfire. Forty-thrand prison employees die

No one died in August ie uprising, but it chang of the five guards involve

The guards were w group of 32 prisoners w, nary problems - the ba-- when they w powered.

The five guards were and moved from cell to their captors negotiate thorities.

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ting activities, Mr. with a number of ng the auditorium rved as vice-presif Commerce three istrict governor of ilso was a member as a founder of the Forty Thieves, a local hunting and social

He is survived by his wife, Arlette Harris of Santa Cruz; three daughters. Genevieve Malone of Walnut Creek, Joan O'Reilly of Camarillo and Bobbie Bailey of Santa Cruz; a brother, Leo Harris of Fresno; 12 grandchildren and five greatgrandchildren.

Services will be Monday at 11 a.m. at Norman's Family Chapel, 3620 Soquel Drive, Soquel, with Santa Cruz Elks Lodge 828 officiating. Private entombment will be in the IOOF Mausoleum.

Chapel from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. today.

Donations to a favorite charity are preferred.

ake Rescues Begin

Oaxaca and Mexico ple were killed by d Cross and police

attending a sports Puebla, the state the quake hit. The Red Cross said 180 children suffered mi-

Dr. Juan Zedeno Ferreira, medical relief coordinator for the Puebla area, said two people died in the village of Acatlan and one person was killed in the village of Huertilla. Both villages were reported 70 percent destroyed.

weekly newsmagazine Jeune Afrique said in the current edition secret negotiations on the hostages were taking place in Algeria.

Bechir Ben Yahmed, considered one of the best-informed Third World journalists in Paris, suggested that if the negotiations succeeded, an Algerian aircraft would take the hostages to Algiers to be handed over to U.S. authorities.

In Algiers, officials said they had no knowledge of such talks.

A State Department spokesman said Saturday: "We have had, through direct and indirect means, communications with the Iranians, but we are not in a position to discuss any of

Khomeini last month set out Iran's basic demands: return of the late shah's fortune, a pledge of U.S. noninterference in Iran, unfreezing of Friends may call at Norman's Family Iranian assets in U.S. banks and withdrawal of all U.S. legal claims against Iran.

> President Carter and members of his administration have warned against expectations of an early release. State Department officials also have denied reports the United States already has reached an agreement in principle on terms for the release.

In New York, Iranian special U.N. envoy Ali Shams Ardakani predicted the release, if terms are met, could come anytime from five days after Sunday's Majlis session to "Allah knows" when. He also denied the

to lower labor ats. In addition, the U.S. Iran's revolutionary guards dollar remains elatively stable, so "we and civilians still held a key are not imporing inflation through a bridge connecting the Iraqideclining dollar

Shooting

FROM PAGE 1

walking by who he heard the yelling The old guy ist took one step back, reached into h pocket and brought out the gun and an fired twice. It sounded like a cap gun I didn't even know the city other guy had been shot. The guy (Brashers) stand to walk away and was apprehended by his woman cop.

According to olice, several passersby followed and sinped Brashers just as Officer Cindy Jodan arrived.

A woman paserby applied pressure to Plummer's shouler wound until firemen arrived. Plumper handed one of the bullets to a polieman.

According a newspaper records, Brashers was committed to Agnews State Hospital in 1963 Her pleading innocent by reason of insany to charges of child

In 1958, Brashrs was arrested for the stabbing death of neighbor, but a county grand jury did ot indict Brashers, terming the killin self-detense. Brashers told sheriff's deaties, according to newspaper records, lat he stabbed his neighbor in the throalitier the man threatened him with a show and then pulled a knife during a disput at Brashers' tormer

held port and the rest of the

Tehran Radio said Iranian defenders also were holding out in the city's Great Mosque

Iraq claimed Saturday that all of Khorramshahr had fallen, but Iran said its forces had regained "critical positions" in the

The two nations also were battling over control of the oil refinery complex at Abadan, nine miles southeast of Khorramshahr.

Iranian state television showed film of Iranian troops in control of the city's main mosque and said the troops were resisting the attack "with fire and blood." The broadcast did not say when the film was taken.

Iranian troops "regained a number of critical positions from the enemy" including government offices, the mosque and a tobacco company building, it said.

Tehran Radio reported that Iran's Supreme Defense Council, including virtually every leader except the Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, gathered near the battle front in southwest Iran's Khuzistan Province Saturday and decided to increase Iran's international contacts "to prove Iraq's aggression."

Iran has been isolated from much of the international community, in part by its own suspicion of outside influences, since its fundamentalist Islamic revoltion in February 1979.

President Abolhassan Bani-Sadr, who attended the battle front meeting, later vowed to remain at the the Iragis were driven back across the border, Iranian

The radio said Iranians Utah (4): Botharties act as though the had pushed Iraqi forces 550 HALLOWEEN . . . Witches and goblins and all kinds of ghosts will be coming out of the woodwork on Friday, Halloween night. It's time for us mortals to start preparing for this evening of spook filled fun ... and the place to find all

your Halloween needs is in Downtown Santa

Cruz and the Pacific Garden Mall

by Elaine Vick

COSTUME BALL OR TRICK OR TREATING? . . . For those who are making their own clothes, you should make it a "must" to stop by 1329 Pacific Avenue at WOODRUFF SEWING CENTER where they carry all makes and models of sewing machines and attachments at a wide variety of affordable prices ... COURTYARD FABRIC SHOP, located at 1541-C Pacific Avenue, will be happy to show you all their beautiful imported and domestic fabrics in colors ranging from ghost white to ghoulish green. So, drop in and have a devilish good time. Heh, heh, heh

BROOMSTICKS ANYONE? Modern witches travel on jet propelled brooms. For all you old fashioned witches who want to get somewhere fast, go see the folks at MISSION TRAVEL, 141 River Street. They'll put you on a jet propelled flight to anywhere you want to go. They are now fully equipped with computers that give them instant and direct access to all airlines

OOOOH, DID YOU HEAR THAT? You'll be hearing many eerie sounds Friday night, but the finest sound you'll hear will be from 1516 Pacific Avenue at the WIZARD OF AUD, recycled Stereo systems. And all the wizards there are women. Brenda Warren, Sandy Stone and Barbara Flagg know more about stereo equipment than most mortals . . . Most of their used merchandise averages below fifty percent of the original price, and it's all in tip top shape with a 90 day warranty. Their service department is the finest and fastest around. Take a few minutes and go in and browse. 10-5:30 Monday thru Friday and noon to 5:30 on Saturdays.

AND THINGS THAT GO BUMP IN THE NIGHT ... or things that just go bump. Like the tiny miniatures you'll find at the PAPER ARMORY 121 Walnut Avenue. They carry the largest supply of lead miniatures in the Santa Cruz county ... PACIFIC GARDEN IMPORTS, 1218 Pacific Avenue, sells more things than you'll know what to do with. Their merchandise comes from more than 65 different countries and ranges from oriental fans to furniture. Go take a look, you may just bump into something you

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ments burdened by refugee-related costs. North Carolina (13): Carter is favored.

Reagan campaign officials say their own polls show the president ahead, but they also say there is a big undecided bloc that gives them a chance at victory.

Georgia (12): There's little doubt Carter will win his home state.

Virginia (12): Reagan leads, although there are indications Carter is narrowing the gap in one Southern state he couldn't capture four years ago.

Missouri (12): What looked like a Carter state now is rated a dead heat. A poll commissioned by the St. Louis Post-Dispatch and KMOX-TV had Reagan at 36 percent, Carter at 32 percent, a margin so narrow as to make it a tossup

Louisiana (10): Republican Gov. David Treen, who campaigned with Reagan on Wednesday, says the state could go either way. Former Gov. Edwin Edwards, stumping for Carter, calls it "very, very

showed Reagan and Carter almost exactly even. 34 percent to 33 percent, with Anderson support at 10 percent. Twentytwo percent remained undecided.

That represents a gain for Carter since the early days of the campaign; his heutenants now call the state dead even. Both candidates have Illinois on their latecampaign agendas.

Ohio (25): Too close to call, despite an early October poll that rated Reagan a 13point leader. The Carter camp claims to have cut into that margin and, in any event, there remains a helty bloc of undecided voters. A New York Times-CBS News survey completed Oct. 12 gave Reagan 36 percent, Carter 34 percent with a 4 point margin of error. It showed nearly a quarter of the likely voters still undecided

Michigan (21): It's leaning toward Reagan, but not by much. The Republican close." Statewide polls say it's a virtual nominee is tentatively booked for a day of

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Arizona (6): Another likely Reagan landslide

New Mexico 19: An early Reagan lead has dwindled, ad the state now is too close to call. Bot sides say they'll win a

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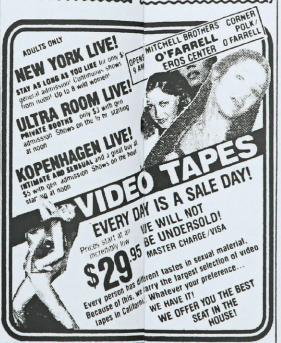
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GARDEN GROVE: Janet Dawson ("A Killing at the Track") Jaqueline Girdner ("Murder, My Deer") Lynn Murray ("Large Target") and Jeffery Deaver ("The Empty Chair") sign their books, Coffee, Tea & Myster, 11931 Valley View St., 2, 2, 2, and 5 p.m., respectively, (714) 898-2583.

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LOS ANGELES: L.A. Times staff writer Miles Corwin ("And Still We Rise"), Cralg Curtis ("Fabulous Hell") and Lori Gottlieb ("Stick Figure") sign their books, Skylight Books, 1818 N. Vermont Ave., 3, 5, and 7 p.m., respectively. (323) 660-1175.

NORTH HOLLYWOOD: Aleida Rodrigues and Paul Lieber read their work, \$3, Amelia Earhart Branch of the Los Angeles Public Library, 5211 Tujunga Blvd., 3 p.m. (818) 766-7185.

SANTA MONICA: Robert Crais signs "Demolition Angel," Super Crown, 2800 Wilshire Blvd., 1 p.m. (310) 829-3388.

SANTA MONICA: Contributors to "Journe of 100 Years" read the book, Midnight Spe cial Bookstore, 1318 Third Street Prom enade, 5 p.m. (310) 393-2923.

THOUSAND OAKS: Jeffery Deaver signs "The Empty Chair," Mysteries to Die For, 2940 Thousand Oaks Blvd., 11 a.m. (805) 374-0084.

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SHERMAN OAKS: Lori Gottlieb discusses "Stick Figure," Borders Books & Music, 14651 Ventura Blvd., 7:30 p.m. (818) 728-6593.

WEST HOLLYWOOD: Mark Lindquist reads "Nevermind Nirvana," Book Soup, 8818 Sunset Blvd., 8 p.m. (310) 659-3110.

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GLENDALE: Karen Rauch Carter signs "Move Your Stuff, Change Your Life," Borders Books & Music, 100 S. Brand Blvd., 7:30 p.m. (818) 241-8099.

LOS ANGELES: Amy Dawes, Carla Lazzareschi, Stacy Strickler and Michael Diehl discuss "Imagining Los Angeles," Wilshire Ebell Theater, 4401 W. 8th St. 6 p.m. (reception); 7 p.m. Sponsoring bookstore: Chevalier's (323) LOS ANGELES: Jerry Stahl and Dennis 465-1334.

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SIERRA MADRE: Amy Minick and Michael Francis O'Connor read their poetry, Sierra Madre Public Library, 440 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., 7:30 p.m. (626) 355-7186.

THOUSAND OAKS: Mary Higgins Clark signs "Before I Say Goodbye," Borders Books & Music, 125 W. Thousand Oaks Blvd., 6 p.m. (805) 497-8159.

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