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MAN ON THE COVER: JOE LEITEL (See photo spread and story in middle pages of book pp 16 & 17) MAN ON THE BACK COVER: RICHARD HARRISON 20 6' 185 lbs from Salt Lake City Utah. He feels he can thank the Mormon church for

his background in both acting and physical culture training because the church he attended had a gym and the Bishops and Elders encouraged his interest. He, Bill Melby, Mike Sills, and other weight trainers often went to different church branches to encourage physical culture in-

Active in Motion Picture and television work, he has recently finished a series called "West Point" for Ziv Productions, "Green Grow the Lillacs" and is currently working on a science fiction film. Unhappily, Richard has listened to the agents and producers who have suggested that he reduce his weight down, drop off muscle size, so that he can fit many of the roles offered. The great athlete Steve Reeves followed At one time six months ago, Richard weighed 217 and while we are not this same advice and apparently it has not helped his career. fond of overly bulked muscle men, on Richard it looked good and natural. We say to Hollywood to bring up its roles to fit outstanding people like Richard, not ask them to bring themselves down. If the average man would be offended by being brought face to face with what a miserable example of humanity he is--let it happen--perhaps he will be encouraged to do something to improve himself.

AMG has taken several hundred photos of Richard, plans more. They offer Catalog XB13, 15 pages (240 stamp size photos) \$1.50. Set of 6 stereo realist size color slides \$3.50. Movie footage has been done on Dick and will be available later this year from AMG.

Fars may obtain directly from Dick Harrison po box 46723 Los Angeles 46 Calif. a set of 12 4x5 photos, autographed on request. Dick will include a little note and will be glad to answer any reasonable question he can (but please dont ask more than 3 with one order).

AMG plans to do some physique movies with Dick later on and would appreciate your ideas on good plots. These will be silent, approximately 4 to 6 minutes. Since he has an ideal speaking voice, we are sorry the movies cannot be in sound, but surveys have shown that a small percentage of movie collectors have sound equipment, and a picture planned with sound definitely suffers when the sound is omitted.

COMING SOONI AMG'S THOUSAND MODEL DIRECTORY \$1. Over a thousand Athletic Model Guild models alphabetically arranged in a hundred page book. Never before have so many handsome physique poseurs been gathered together between two covers! A valuable collection in itself, the book also serves as a reference to the individual catalogs AMG offers which show many additional photos of the same men. You dont need to rush--supplies are NOT limited. We know this is going to be a great seller and we've printed thousands of extra copies so whenever you're ready for yours, it will be waiting for you (After Aug 1, 1957) *********************************

JOHN NARKIS JOLCIN as he appeared after ei months in the United States . Age 22, 5'10, 170" waist 30, chest 40 relaxed. One notices a definite sign of maturing in John in comparison to the Scott photo of him across the page. John tells us that when the earlier pictures were made, he wasn living right at all, travelling a great deal, not always eating enough and often not getting enough ways curing enough and order not getting enough sleep. Apparently he thrived on negalect. The background picture (the Tivoli fountain) was shot by John while he was living in Rome. AMG 1834 W 11th St Los Angeles 6, Calif of-fers 6 Stereo Realist slides of John \$3.50, and also

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over 100 b&w photos @ 25c ea (to be cataloge ter this year. John has also worked with such photographers as Lyle, Apollo International Art-Bob, Pat Milo, and others.

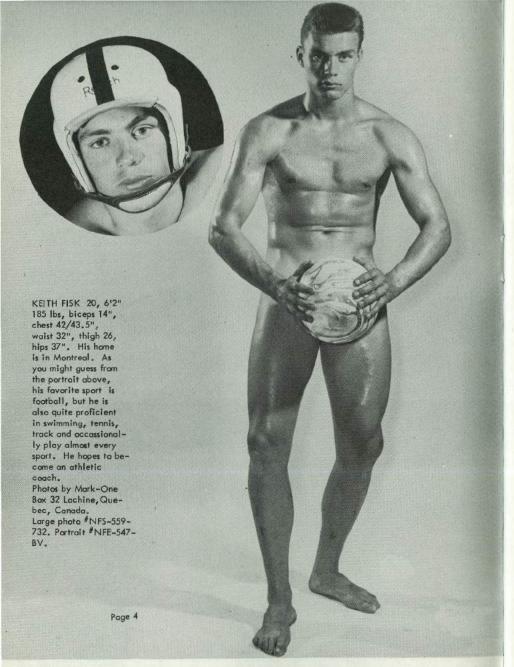
Scott photos offers a catalog of John which will be sent sealed 1st class mail at \$1. AMG of Los Angeles has 100 photos of John not yet catalogued (to be available later in 1957), now has in stock 6 Stereo-Realist color slides \$3,50. John expects to return to Holly-

wood this Winter and will do some new poses.

JOHN NARKIS JOLCIN was sunning himself in London's beautiful Hyde Park by the Serpentine when he met the handsome young photographer Tom who does the beautiful photos for SCOTT PHOTOS 171 Holland Road, London W14 England.

While John had done considerable fashion a modelling in London, he did not consider himself qualified to be a physique model, but when Tom insisted he gave in. The picture reproduced here has already appeared in magazines all over Europe and the USA, and Tom's many other fine pictures have made the young traveler famous.

Born March 11, 1935 in Tel Aviv Israel, his family moved to Australia when he was 15 and he now makes his home in Sydney. Having travelled much of the world he fells he would like to make his home in Hollywood, but first he will go to South Africa and a few other places to be certain of what he really wants.



PP SENDS CONGRATULATIONS TO ITS SISTER MAGAZINE, STRENGTH & HEALTH, ON HER TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY. Aesthetically inclined bodybuilders owe a great debt of gratitude to Strength & Health Magazine which in December will have completed a quarter century of publishing. Strength & Health was one of the first of the bodybuilding books to carry beautiful pictures of male semi-nudes including completely nude back poses on their cover. The entire physical culture world was outraged when blue noses caused their fine magazine to be banned because of a handsome hand-retouched nude of York Barbell Club Star Stan Stanczyk on their Nowember 1956 cover. For many years they conducted the Strength & Health Leaguers Column which printed pen-pol letters, providing an apportunity for lonely bodybuilders and others to correspond, meet by mail, and often form long-lasting and fruitful friendships. During the war years many of the Leaguers would open their homes wide to servicemen, and in these columns one reads of many blanket invitations.

The courage and consideration of the editors in the face of ridicule and criticizm are deserving of our applause, and we hope they will be allowed to continue their helpful publication for many years to come.

NEW MAGAZINE MAKES DEBUT: FIZZIQUE 35c is published by the Stanford St George Publishing Co. Drawer F Station # 4, North Hollywood California, contains the work of Russ Warner, Bob Del Monteque, George Quaintance, and Vulcan (Tony Guyther).

STEVEN WENGRYN of PASSAIC NEW JERSEY whose picture we showed in our Summer 1956 Physique Pictorial, graduated from high school last year (where he was captain of the football team.) For the past year he has been attending a Military Institute for a ROTC postgraduate course and also schooling in aviation, under a scholarship arrangement. Last year during the summer he took a long desired trip by plane to Europe and then drave by auto through Austria, Germany and Denmark. As this book goes to press he is embarking on a When Steven's first pictures were suddenly tour of Portugal, Spain and France, and he is flashed in the physique magazines, the "unlooking forward to doing modelling with all called for celebrity" was a bit disquietthe greatphysique photographers of the ening as he is a rather reserved and retirtire world. By September, he expects to ing nature. Fan mail by the sackful come to Hollywood where arrangements came in, often from girl's clubs and have been made for a screen test with lonesome maidens. People went so a major studio. He will also do phyfar as to contact the mayor of Passique work with the various studios saic to put them in touch with their in this area. hero. Soon all the postal clerks in the Fall, he will enroll at in Passaicknew the name/ the University and will play foot-Steven Wengryn began his ball of course, and will also take training at the local YMCA, where he was discovered by a famous physique photographer. Ever since then, things have been happening very fast for

a general business course. Beyong that, his plans for the future are not quite solidified. But he is certain that he will always continue with his physical training. He believes in physical training for everybody, boys and girls, men, women and children, because it "steels their character and keeps them out of mischief ad induces them to lead a clean

life.

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Steve
advises
you to
be very selective of your ancestors. Since this is
rarely if ever possible, he reminds us that the next best bet
is to selectively pick out the
good qualities which our ancestors have "deposited" in us,
emphasize the good and suppress
those traits which we do not

approve. Steven is the descendant of soldiers, the first known one settling in the Ukraine when the Swedish army of Charles XII was defeated by Peter the Great in the Battle of Poltava in 1708, His grandfather emigrated to the Pennsylvania coal mines, and there was married by a girl of almost Garboesque beauty because he was the only one of her suitors who would promise to take her back to her homeland. Luckily Steve's father was born in the U.S. shortly before grandfather's departure, so that 23 years later he could return and enlist against Hitler while his little family (including Steven) had to hide in the Ukrainian woods with the . livestock while many near rel-

Steven's first years in the then (to him) strange land of the United States were not easy. All the family had to work

atives were shot by the Rus-

sians in the village square.

sy. All the family had to work very hard. Steven became a shoe repairman in Clifton New Jersey, and learned this trade very thoroughly.

SPECTRUM FILMS po box 35 Station E, Cine cinnati 19, Ohio, offers two movies of Steven posed with Henry Stenecki, both 16mm. One is 200 ft and costs \$16, the other is 150 ft and costs \$11.75. The 150 movie is Spectrums Movie Sequence # 60, has Steve showing physique poses to Henry and also the two doing Indian wrestling. The 200 ft movie is Spectrums Sequence #61, shows Steve asleep in bed, getting up, waking up his friend Henry, then shaving showering, drying etc., and going to the recreation room to lift weights with Henry. Posing straps are worn in both movies. Spectrum also offers 15 solo 35mm color slides of Steve and Henry for \$6.75. They offer 20 4x5 prints of Steve Wengryn for \$4. Send a self-addressed and stamped envelope and they will send free of charge a catalog of their available physique movies, including news of some special discontinued movies which are now being offered at half price. Write personal letters to Steve c/o Spectrum Films.

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This photo of Steven Wengryn is

from Vulcan's catalog

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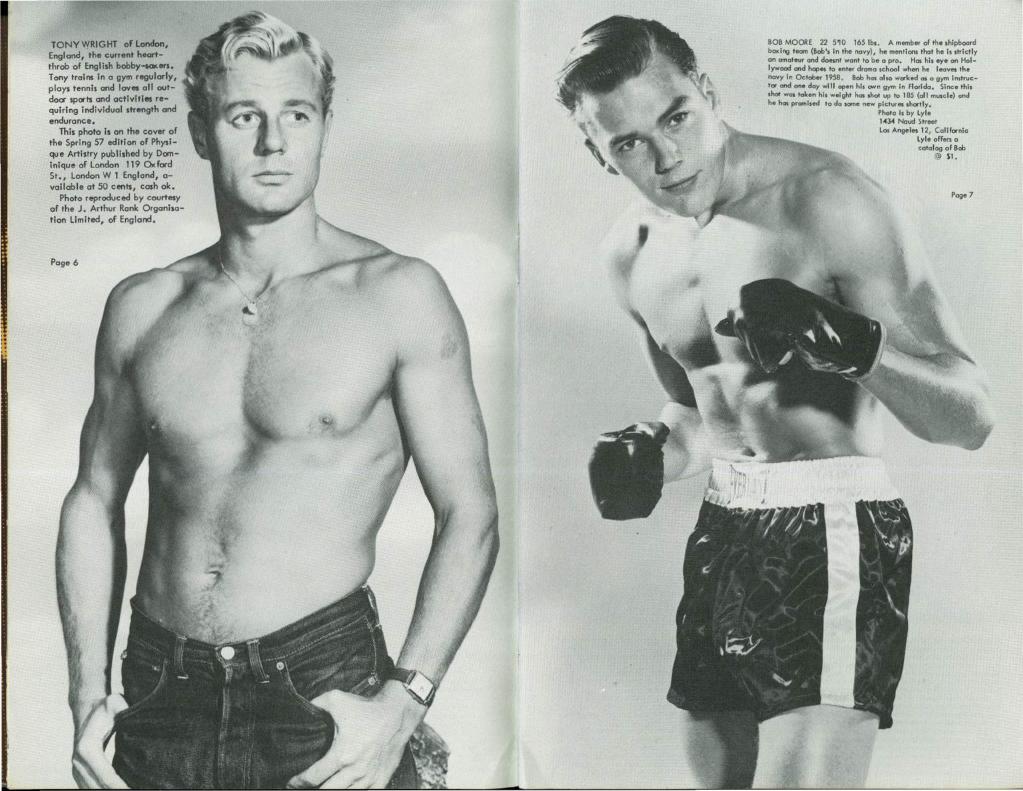
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WILL THE BANNING OF "CONFIDENTIAL" BE USED AS A LEVERAGE TO ALSO STOP PHYSIQUE BOOKS. Right now, the magazine "Confidential" is not in a popular position. The public like a reformed prostitute, having stated itself gravelling in the mire of others misfortunes has wearied of the vice of curiosity and there is a mass sub-consclous desire for the former ovid readers to obsolve themselves of sin by joining in the cries of "Stop this magazine by any means, fair or foul". But two wrongs never make true moral right, and any controls applied must be legal and not oppressive to freedom of the press. Some believe that legislation will be passed to ban scandal type magazines and that on "in-nearm" rider to such a bill will be a control to also stop books displaying the human form, hoping such books have nothing to do with one another. People will be so glod to get rid of Confidential that they will accept any other limitations at the same time.

Now we have no love for Confidential In fact, several years ago, a depraved LA Deputy city attorney brazenty displayed an open Confidential magazine among his other papers during the prosecution of an innocent physique photographer, and he later was seen taking this sleezy magazine into the judge's chambers where (judging from the latters prejudiced and misinformed off-record remarks) he was apparently able to influence this nalve jurist (making necessary a review and reversal of his prejudiced decision by a higher court of superior judges).

It may be possible for the government to break Confidentials back, but should that be accomplished dozens of other comparable books will spring up in its place, some of which will have benefited sufficiently from the parent's errors to be invulnerable. The only successful way to fight scandal magazines is at the consumer (reader) level. Church and educational groups must emphasize the mental immaturity of allowing ourselves to read such trash. As individuals, we can refuse to read any magazine or newspaper which makes capital of other's misery, and when others want to repeat what they have read we can ask them not to. We need not take the attitude that since the filth exists, we might as well partake of it also—retarter we can let ourselves be the example and perhaps we can shame others into following us.

ED FURY from a slightly differnt angle than you may have seen him before. (This is AMG's photo ZZ238-B) No matter how many shots we show of Ed, his fars demand more. Ed soon plans to issue a book of his photos which he will announce in the magazines when it is ready. Dividing his time between the screen and the stage, he also plans soon to do some recordings. AMG offers his album ZZ at \$2.50, 25 cataloas \$2.50. and a set of 6 35mm color slides at \$3.

"BIG BROTHER" IS STILL EAGER TO CONTROL YOUR LIFE. If we seem preoccupied with a fear of censors, be assured it is no phantom we are fighting. In California's last legislature not less than 6 bills were introduced which would have censored movies. So-called "decent"life-enture groups would stop you from reading every author from Aristophenes to Enil Zola, and in many of their minds, all physique books are just outright nosty because they expose healthy human flesh. Raids on newstands by police goon squads to remove magazines who want "pay off" in certain localities are a disgrace, and a certain church group which has itself often felt intolerance, uses every possible economic and political pressure in an attempt to control what you will be permitted to read. Customs officials in various countries including USA often consider themselves qualified to determine what is morally "acceptable" and fine art is often rejected for no greater reason than an exposed backside. And even though much the the earlier McCarthy type hysteria has died down, unpopular political ideas are still banned from many libraries and refused airing in public halls—as if the "protectors" felt the American public to be so stupid and so gullible that if they were permitted to hear anti-democracy dogma, they would immediately accept it.

Totalitarian countries thrive an thought conformation and any notion which doesnt feel safe to let all beliefs to be freely discussed is ripening itself for a dictator. We believe the average American born to the tradition of freedom is capable of making reasonably intelligent choices in all personal phases of his lifer—Big Brother doesnt think so. He will magnaminously give you a choice of perhaps 2 political parties, while he may not facce you to go to church you must at least publicly acknowlege a basic religious concept somewhat similar to his own (as required in various oaths), he quite decidedly dictates your sex life, and wants to imprison you if you dant accept his limitations on art expression.

YOU can fight "Big Brother" by giving your time and financial support to such groups as the American Civil Liberties
Union, American Friends Service Committee and other groups dedicated to preserving the U. S. Bill of Rights, part of our Constitution!



The Little Hut", which was running a very successful showing at the Moroccan Theatre in Hollywood at the time we went to press. Director of "The Little Hut" was Richard Fontaine who is also an executive producer for Apollo International.

Don loves theatre, hopes to make it his career. Don's understudy in this role was Joe Leitel (see cover and center spread) and on many performancesJoe played this role.

Joe and Don both batch togeather with another motorcyclist buddy. They work out three times a week at the Los Angeles YMCA.

This photo reproduced courtesy of Apollo Interna-

AMG ANNOUNCES NEW PHYSIQUE PHOTO CATALOG RENTAL PLAN: SELECTOR CATALOGS RENTED AT 1 cent A MONTHI Many readers have told us that though they would like to review the vast 35,000 AMG photo collection, it was too costly for them to buy all the catalogs, even at the low price of 10 cents each page, so now these catalogs are being made available on a rental basis of one cent a month! Because the handling and bookkeeping costs must be kept down, you are asked to rent entire catalog groups (not individual pages). For example, AMG's catalog YP of David Wiler now has 22 pages, the rental cost would be 22 cents. Customer should send a deposit of 10 cents each page (\$2,20 for the Wiler group) and when he returns the group he claims \$1.98 credit. Catalog groups available include A thru ZB misc combined 20 pages, ZC13 16 pgs, ZD13 2 pgs, ZE13 8 pgs, ZF13 1 pg, ZG13 3 pgs, ZH13 6 pgs, ZI13 6 pgs, ZJ13 13 pgs, ZK13 4 pgs, ZL13 3 pgs, ZM13 9 pages, ZN13 11 pgs (Gil duols), ZO13 6 pgs, ZP13 37 pgs, ZO13 10 pgs, ZR13 13 pgs, ZS13 9 pgs, ZT13 27 pgs, ZU13 8 pgs, ZV13 7 pgs, ZV13 28 pgs, ZV13 7 pgs, ZV13 28 pgs, ZV13 7 pgs, ZV13 28 pgs, 50 pgs, YH13 15 pgs, Y113 10 pgs, Y113 58 pgs, YK13 60 pgs, YK13 51 pgs, YK13 51 pgs, YK13 48 pgs, YK13 69 pgs, YK13 50 pgs, YK13 51 pgs, YK13 48 pgs, YK13 48 pgs, YK13 51 pg Models in these catalogs are all revised in AMG's new THOUSAND MODEL DIRECTORY, \$1. XB13 15 pgs, XC13 12 pgs.

THE VALUE TO YOU OF CATALOGS is that they make it possible for you to see pictures you might never otherwise see. If your tastes run close to average then you are likely to find what you wish in the many magazines on the stands, but if your art or bodybuilding project requires some unique variation or type of model, you are far more likely to find him in the catalogs. AMG is taking thousands of new photos every year While the cost for special shootings is prohibiand you will now be able to review all of these inexpensively through rental catalogs. tive, your pose ideas are gratefully received and you are very likely to find them in subsequent catalogs.

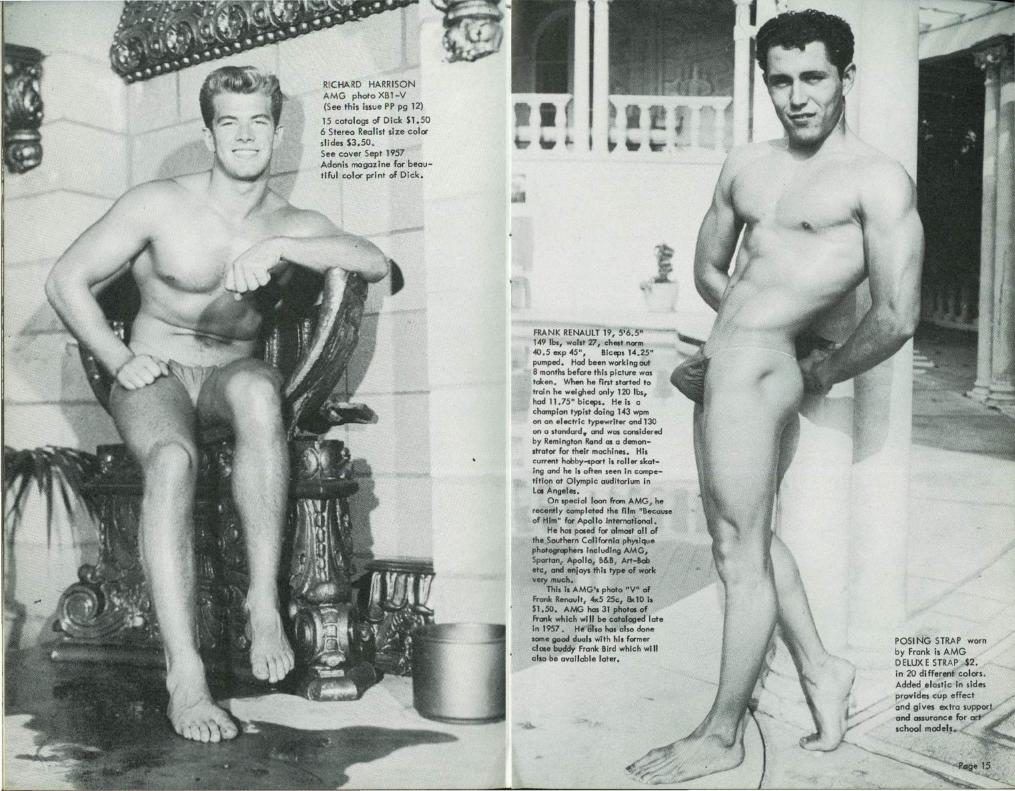
and is an active swimmer and diver. His mother was a champion swimmer (would swim 5 miles every morning before breakfast) and John could swim before he could walk. AMG offers John Adams Album YY: \$2,50 10 catalogs \$1. 6 35mm stereo slides \$3.50

JOHN ADAMS 20, 6' 185 lbs has never touched a weight in his life and doesnt intend to. But he has done sailing since age 11

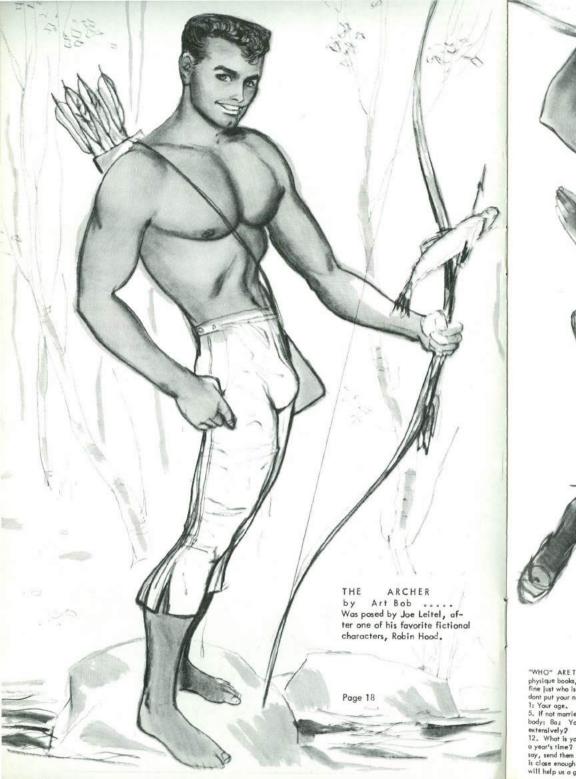
PHYSIQUE PHOTOGRAPHY IN RUSSIA. There isnt any. Such bargeoise nonsense just isnt tolerated. A body is made for work, not to look beautiful. Weightlifters are encouraged because they show strength and power, but physique contests are considered sissy, and immoral. A few years ago, the writer was in Vienna and was walking along the East bank of the Danube in the Russian occupied zone and came upon two young Russian soldiers swimming in their long purple shorts which serve both for underwear as well as for swimming. Both were superbly-built and very handsome, and I tried in vain to get them to pose for me (speaking to them in German) but they explained they would have been severely disciplined for such action.

Blue noses in our own country who disapprove of the display of the human body will no doubt be delighted to know how closely their own views coincide with the official dictims of the Soviet government. While the situation in Russia shows great signs of improvement, it is too much to expect that 30 years of totalitarian restriction can be thrown off overnight, and it will be many years before physique photography will be "tolerated" in that country. Here at AMG we received one order from Moscow some years back, but no further word was ever heard from the

In America, we also have citizens who would like the government to forbid the display of physique photography. Physique photographers must operate with a constant threat over their heads. One group in Michigan were told by a U.S. postal inspector that even their photographs in full out beach bathing trunks would not be permitted to go through the U.S. mails. Such interference by government officials isnt worthy of a nation of our professed principles of personal liberty, and we think it a shame some of these officials cannot be sent to Russia where their attitudes might be more appreciated









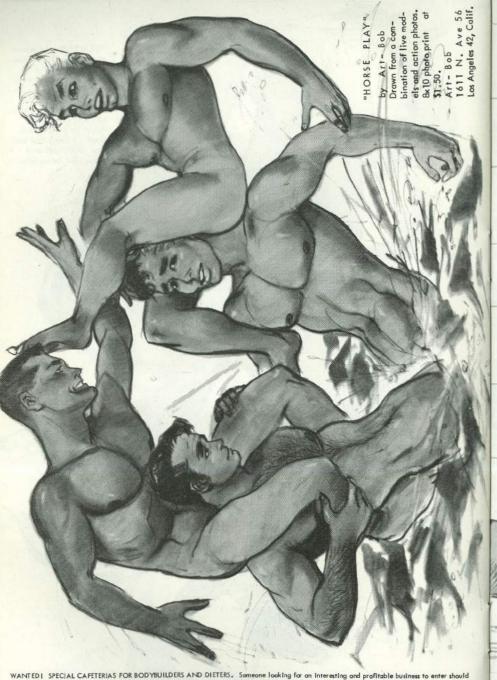
"WHO" ARE THE READERS OF PHYSIQUE PICTORIAL? We were so gratified by the fine response of readers telling us of their choices in physique books, photos etc (as requested in our Spring 57 issue) that now we would like to presume further on your kindness in helping us to fine just who is the "typical" reader of our book (and books like it). So that your answers can be completely frank, candid and not restrained, dont put your name on the questionnaire if you don't want to. Please just show the numbers and your answers on any sheet of paper:

1: Your age. 2: Sex. (This refers to gender, not your opinion of the Institution). 3. Married or Single? 4. Number of children if any.

5. If not married now do you eventually plan marriage? 6. What is your reacial and national background? 7. Churchs: & Describe your body: 8a: Your height 8b: Your weight 8c: Your woist, 8d: Color hair, 8e: Color eyes 9. Do you weightliff or bodybuild extensively? 10. Do you do any systematic exercise or sports activity at least several times exek? 11. What is your occupation?

12. What is your favorite hobby (or hobbles)? 13. How much money do you estimate you spend on physique magazines and physique photos in year's time? 14. Through what grade of school or college did you go.? 15. Estimate roughly how many people you know well enough to , say, send them a Christmas card if you had an unlimited stock of cards, stamps time etc., 16. How many really close friends do you have--that is close enough that you would keep no secret from them?

Thanks for answering some of these seemingly strange questions. They will help us a great deal. Please also include on evaluation of this issue of PP If you have the time.



WANTEDI SPECIAL CAFFTRIAS FOR BODYBUILDERS AND DIETERS. Someone looking for an interesting and profitable business to enter should certainly consider the operation of a restaurant or caffered which catered specifically to bodybuilders and to people trying to gain or lose weight. We at AMG considered such an enterprise but have been so busy with other activities that there hasn't been time to follow through with it. In the L.A. phone directory, we found not one health-food restaurant listed, and any large community could support a number of such establishments. It would be important that some standard "non-faddist" foods were also served (such as steed) so that regular customer's non-dieting friends would be willing to accompany them. The caloric, mineral, vitamin, protein/carbohydrate/fat components, etc of every food serving would be shown. For reducers, a tempting but un-fortiaden) variety of non-fattening dishes would be available, giving them the apportunity of complete appetite satisfaction without fear of weight gain. Foods for the bodybuilders would be extra high protein (by taking advantage of Multi-Purpose-Food) mentioned in our Spring 57 issue, such dishes could be tasty, loaded with nutrition and yet less expensive than food offered in the usual restaurant. Everyone we talked to felt such an enterprise would enjoy a great success. They felt that the range of customers to be served would be great enough to insure adequate patronage, and that the similarity of their requirements would make for economical operation. No reason why this couldn't be started on a shoestring capital. Properly operated it would soon grow to a sizeable business.

DO ALL "MUSCLEMEN" HAVE INFERIORITY COMPLEXES? Behind the self-assurred swagger of the boy with the bulging muscles and meticulously combed hair, easy going composed voice, does there actually lie an almost frightening insecurity? Yes—to a certain degree, but probably no greater than the insecurity allow fell by you and me. Almost all of as are affected of other people and are quite concerned over what kind of an impression we are making, despite our off-repeated protestations to the contrary, of how little we care what other people think. The bodybuilder has chosen an attractive muscle display or shis way to strond out from his fellow man and earlier concerned over why little when any try to prove their superiority by intellectual snobbishness, a very plous or anniscient religious movement, or some other medium. Everyone logically enough thinks of himself as center of the universe and as such recognizes the necessity of being superior to the herd.

Must bodybuilders are not content with their vast physical superiority to the average man, but rather or often miserable because somebody else has on extra quarter-inch of muscle on his calves. The bosy who reach the tip top, win oll the titles, almost always fall to find the personal satisfaction they "knew" would be there. Many of them turn to deep religions and philosophies which days fall to find the personal satisfaction they "knew" would be there. Many of them turn to deep religions and philosophies which day the importance of the body, to prove to themselves that they accelled the value and provided exercise (or bodybuilding), some religious and intellectual pursuits will actually bring more ego satisfaction than to "excell" in either direction.

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