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News: the 1976 Miss Florida pageant for female impersonators will be held at the Fontainebleau Hotel in Miami Beach on May 17. Entry fee is \$50, and advance table reservations are now \$10 from Miss Florida Pageant, 813 S.E. 1st Ave., Hallandale, Fla. 33009. The Klu Klux Klan may have forced a transvestite boutique in North Miami Beach to close. Manager Phillip Salem told TAO a man claiming to represent the KKK telephoned him several times and told him to close up. The KKK rallied recently in nearby Homestead, and denounced homosexuality. Sex change surgeon Dr. John Brown and transsexual activist Shannon O'Hara appeared on a recent "Tomorrow" show. Brown, who was associated with TAO in 1974, says he performs surgery which includes the creation of a functioning clitoris for male-to-female transsexuals. He has offices in Los Angeles and San Francisco. If you need electrolysis, we suggest that you contact C.M. Lester, 16195 N.E. 12th Ave., North Miami Beach (940-1246). Lester offers a free consultation, is familiar with transsexuals, has reasonable fees and 30 years of experience.

Not only do Jewish change sex (from female to male), but so do papaya trees. According to columnist Jack Kofod, papaya trees change sex every nine years. The grandniece of a possible transsexual, Dr. Mary Walker, who lived as a man and served in the Civil War and won a medal of honor, is trying to have the medal restored. A congressional committee revoked the medal 52 years after it was awarded, basically because of Walker's life as a man. Gay activists in Argentina say that several of them were recently killed by the AAA police "death



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squad.* The Ministry of Social Welfare in Argentina proposed some time ago that all gay men and women be placed in concentration camps and that transexuals and transvestites be jailed or killed. TAO has called for an international boycott of all Argentine businesses in retaliation. The oppression of gays in Cuba continues, with such people being placed in forced labor camps for "re-education." Very few transexuals are still in Cuba. Although Russian transexuals have been forced to work as spies by the KGB (Soviet secret service), no mention of this is made in John Barron's book "KGB". Barron says, however, that the KGB tries to recruit gays in other countries as they think gays want to strike back against the societies which oppress them and they can be manipulated. Publication of any literature on transexualism, transvestism or homosexuality is a crime in the USSR, also. Miami Beach Police Sgt. Sherwood Griscom has been exonerated of killing a gay. Alberto Ramirez, although both Griscom

and the American Civil Liberties Union

want an inquest. Griscom said he is upset about a

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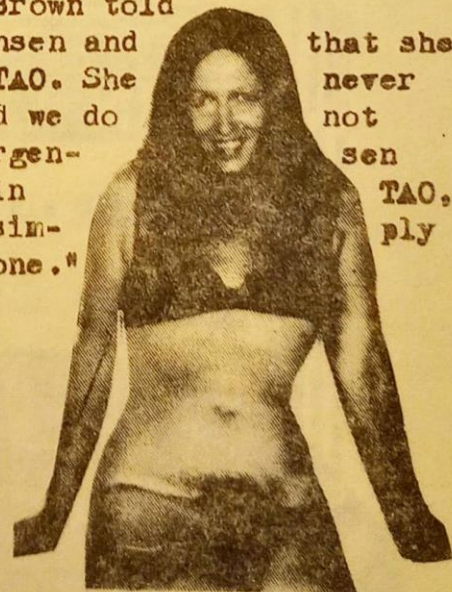
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letter he got from Fremont, Ohio state representative Gene Damschroder which said "America has its surplus trash, which you have helped eliminate." A TAO/Mexico may soon attempt to organize, and interested Mexican transexuals should contact TAO/USA. Correspondence in Spanish and most other languages is accepted. The famed Annie Oakley dressed as a man and smoked cigars, and had a daughter by Wild Bill Hickok. A burly man who attacked a TAO leader on a busy Miami Beach street got a karate chop in his face, to the delight of numerous old ladies. The reason for the attack was not known. Having problems with waitresses who call you "sir"? Call them "sir", also, and watch them turn blue. Sex change operations are now free for transexuals on welfare in Pennsylvania. The only requirement is that the person be approved for such surgery by a physician licensed in that state. Membership: membership in TAO/USA is open to intersexuals, hermaphrodites, persons in the process of changing sex, and those who have changed sex. There is also a TAO Auxilliary for all other members. If you'd like to join, send a 13-cent stamp for a membership application. A \$10 annual dues is suggested but only if you can afford it. All dues and donations go towards the cost of our publications and mailing expenses, by the way. TAO has been funded at great expense by several of its leaders for many years, and they can no longer bear the financial burdens. Video and audio tapes by TAO/USA are no longer available. Many people have asked why TAO no longer has officers, such as "president". This is because such offices tend to divide the group and develop personality cults. If you want to ego-trip, join a group with antiquated structuring; TAO/USA is run by a collective composed of veteran members, called the central committee. We have also been asked about a report that Christine

Jorgensen sought the TAO presidency in 1974. TAO founder Anita Douglas said "Dr. John Brown told us that he represented Jorgensen and wanted to be president of TAO. She actually contacted us, and we do know if it was true. Jorgensen has never been active in and we didn't want to simply kick out the current one." that she never not sen TAO, ply



Tisha Goudie



Anita Douglas



Publications: the following collection of publications is being made available from TAO/USA as a non-profit service. The price covers cost of printing/Xerox, envelopes, postage. \$5 for residents of the USA, Mexico and Canada, \$7 for residents of all other nations (air mail). Any national currency accepted. Publications include the following:

- "Transsexual Information", 9 pages, by TAO/United Kingdom. Hormones, surgery, legal aspects, lists books, advice, etc.
- "Petition by the Association of Canadian Transsexuals", 5 pages. Medical aspects, petitions for liberalization of requirements, government assistance.
- "On Transsexualism", 2 pages, by GO/Canada. An excellent introduction to the subject, mostly medical aspects.
- "Electrolysis", 2 pages, by TAO/USA. C.M. Lester explains all about electrolysis.
- "TAO History", 1 page, TAO/USA. International development of TAO from 1970.
- "UFO Advisory", 1 page, TAO/USA. What to do if you meet a UFO crew or Dr. Isaac Asimov.
- "Oct. 75 Moonshadow", 8 pages, TAO/USA. News in English, Spanish and French, lists TS and TV groups.
- "Nov. 75 Moonshadow", 4 pages. Infamous "Dog Day" cover, lists TS and TV groups.
- "Jan. 76 Newsletter", 4 pages, TAO/USA. Addresses of surgeons, news, etc.
- "Feb. 76 Newsletter", 3 pages, TAO/USA. News, photos. Most other publications are on file at libraries of the Univ. of Michigan and Northwestern University.

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