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Copyright 1995 The Roanoke Times & World News
Roanoke Times & World News

July 8, 1995, SATURDAY, METRO EDITION

SECTION: EDITORIAL, Pg. A7

LENGTH: 221 words

HEADLINE: BRIEFLY PUT ...;
A RULING FOR THE FIRST AMENDMENT

BODY:

IT'S NOT unreasonable to conclude that TV commercials claiming that Bill Clinton favors job quotas for homosexuals and Al Gore is for marriages by gay couples were intended as a call to electoral action - especially so, considering the ads ran during the 1992 presidential campaign.

Nevertheless, U.S. District Judge James Turk of Roanoke was correctly careful last week in ruling that the Lynchburg-based Christian Action Network does not fall under federal election statutes because the commercials didn't "expressly advocate" Clinton's defeat.

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Roanoke Times & World News

July 1, 1995, SATURDAY, METRO EDITION

SECTION: VIRGINIA, Pg. C1

LENGTH: 582 words

HEADLINE: RELIGIOUS GROUP'S POLITICAL-SPEECH RIGHTS PROTECTED

BYLINE: JAN VERTEFEUILLE STAFF WRITER

BODY:

... Action Network president Martin Mawyer said he was "extraordinarily pleased" with the decision, which the FEC has not decided whether to appeal.

"It's going to send a clear message to both parties" that they can't use the FEC as a tool for political battles, Mawyer said.

The Democratic Party filed a complaint with the FEC against the Christian Action Network in October 1992, and the commission began a review of the commercial shortly afterward.

Larry Sabato, a political observer from the University of Virginia, agreed with the ruling.

"This case proves again how difficult it is to enforce rules on that subject," he said. "Generally speaking, the courts have given wide latitude to political speech. And political speech is the most highly held kind of speech."

The 30-second commercial charged that Clinton supported job quotas for homosexuals and that Al Gore was for marriage and adoption by gay couples.

One scene in the ad showed two men arm-in-arm, one holding a leash wrapped around the other's neck. In another scene, a shouting man sported a T-shirt reading "Gay Father." A voice-over asked viewers if this was their vision of a better America.

The FEC acknowledged that the commercial didn't use any of the words that courts have said are necessary to show express advocacy, but argued that the strong images, the music and the colors all contributed to reach that threshold. Turk rejected that argument.

"If the courts were to begin considering the images created by a communication to determine if a call to electoral action was present, the likelihood that protected speech would be chilled would be far greater," he wrote.

Christian Action ...

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June 8, 1995

ALAN KEYES, R-MD

TYPE: PRESS RELEASE

LENGTH: 299 words

HEADLINE: ALAN KEYES DENOUNCES CLINTON ADMINISTRATION'S MOVE TO REDEFINE FAMILY

BODY:

Owings Hills, Md., June 8 -- Alan Keyes, former Reagan administration diplomat seeking the 1996 Republican presidential nomination, today blasted a U.S. Forest Service task force report urging a "more inclusive definition of family" in government policy.

"The future of our country depends on the marriage-based family," Keyes said. "It's a travesty that government policy should be reformulated in such a way as to contribute to its destruction."

Keyes' remarks, made on his daily radio "talk" show, The Alan Keyes Show: America's Wake-up Call, were in response to a news report that the Forest Service panel has recommended redefining family that, "unless otherwise defined by law or regulation," would include persons of like "affinity whose relationships create, maintain and promote the social, mental, physical, emotional, spiritual and financial well-being of each members"

The panel's report, prepared to assist the Forest Service in "balancing career and personal needs" of its work force, suggests that the new definition of family recognize persons related by marriage, blood or affinity" and should include same-sex relationships.

According to a news report, a memorandum sent by Forest Service chief Jack Ward Thomas to all 31,600 agency employees urges acceptance of the report's, recommendation as part of the Clinton Administration's "reinventing government" program.

"This newest assault on family life is just another example of how the government is part of the problem instead of part of the solution," Keyes said.

"It shows how desperately we need someone at the helm of government who has respect for family instead of someone who entertains these agendas for its destruction."

Keyes' radio program originates at radio station WCBM-AM, here.

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Roanoke Times & World News

March 13, 1995, MONDAY, METRO EDITION

SECTION: VIRGINIA, Pg. A1

~~GORE~~

LENGTH: 1862 words

HEADLINE: AD RAISES FREE-SPEECH ISSUE

BYLINE: JAN VERTEFEUILLE STAFF WRITER; NOTE: Above

BODY:

But the Lynchburg-based conservative organization found small independent stations around the country willing to run its ad during the fall of 1992. The commercial charged that Bill Clinton supported "job quotas for homosexuals" and that Al Gore was for marriage and adoption by gay couples.

One scene in the ad showed two men arm-in-arm, one holding a leash wrapped around the other's neck. In another scene, a shouting man sported a T-shirt reading "Gay Father." A voice-over asked viewers if this was their vision of a better America.

"These ads," says Christian Action Network treasurer Brad Butler, "ran on little tiny stations where you could buy a one-minute slot for 10 bucks."

And, he says, "Those who started running it quickly shut us down anyway."

Some stations, according to CAN, were getting threatening calls and bomb threats. On Election Day, CBS dubbed it the "most mean-spirited" ...

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Copyright 1996 The Indianapolis Newspapers, Inc.
THE INDIANAPOLIS STAR

February 6, 1996 Tuesday CITY FINAL EDITION

SECTION: EDITORIAL; Pg. A06

LENGTH: 482 words

HEADLINE: Nature of marriage

BODY:

The president who supported the gay rights platform, lifted the ban on homosexuals in the military and rescinded prohibitions against security clearances for homosexuals in government is now on record as favoring same-sex marriages.

Ironically, this is the same president who recently challenged Congress and the American people to promote and practice traditional moral values.

In his State of the Union address on Jan. 23, President Clinton scolded the entertainment and news media for focusing on sexual promiscuity while ignoring old-fashioned family virtues.

Yet this same president, through his press secretary, recently told Newsweek magazine that same-sex marriages should be legalized.

The issue is pertinent because homosexual rights is shaping up as an election-year hot potato. In July, a Hawaii court will hear arguments in a case in which six homosexuals are challenging Hawaii's marriage laws and contending they have a right to wed.

Earlier, the Hawaiian Supreme Court ruled that state officials must show a compelling interest in preserving the present ban against same-sex marriages. If they cannot do so, the court said, then the state must end its discrimination and sanction marriage between homosexuals.

Traditionalists are understandably nervous. Hawaii's state courts are viewed as liberal and since the governor of Hawaii supports same-sex marriage, a ruling favorable to homosexuals is not likely to be appealed.

That prospect has organizations such as the Christian Action Network deeply worried. A ruling approving homosexual marriages, the network contends, will result in their legalization in every state.

And that's just for starters. The shattering of barriers is expected to result in the widespread adoption of children by homosexuals; mandatory gay curriculums in public schools; increased child custody battles; and a host of problems in the field of family law.

Some legal experts hold it is irrelevant whether other states decide to issue marriage licenses to homosexuals. Like it or not,

THE INDIANAPOLIS STAR, February 6, 1996, Tuesday

every state would be forced to recognize a change in Hawaiian marriage law by according the usual government benefits, legal protection and adoption privileges granted other legally married couples. A couple legally joined in Hawaii could thus demand recognition and benefits in other states.

Homosexual unions are contrary to the very essence of marriage and a barrier to the procreation of children, which is the cornerstone of family and society. It is bad enough that President Clinton is oblivious to such fundamental truths. It is worse that one of the states seems inclined to flout reason and custom and legalize this mockery of nature.

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TYPE: EDITORIAL

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Copyright 1995 Reuters, Limited

October 22, 1995, Sunday, BC cycle

LENGTH: 591 words

HEADLINE: Clinton, Dole struggle with gay rights politics

BYLINE: By Deborah Zabarenko

DATELINE: WASHINGTON

BODY:

President Clinton and Sen Bob Dole have at least one thing in common as the 1996 presidential campaign heats up: a tendency to get tangled in knots as they try to define where they stand on gay rights.

The Democratic president has a long history of promising loyalty to the gay men and women who supported him in his first run for the White House in 1992, but his actions in office have often fallen short of expectations and riled anti-homosexual voters into the bargain.

Dole, as the front-running Republican challenger, has had to steer a wary course between mollifying a wealthy gay group that contributed to his campaign and wooing the increasingly powerful right wing of his party.

Both men appeared to be searching for the golden mean on this issue, and neither found it last week. Their missteps were grist for another early campaigner, Pat Buchanan.

On Friday, Clinton gave his explicit support to the Employment Non-Discrimination Act, a bill in Congress that would prohibit employers from discriminating based on sexual orientation, a move geared to win kudos from the gay community.

But while such groups as the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force and the Human Rights Campaign praised the president for his step, even top Clinton aide George Stephanopoulos recognized the need for some fence-mending as he officially announced Clinton's backing for the ENDA bill.

He told several hundred members of the National Lesbian and Gay Journalists Association that he could imagine that some of them might feel betrayed by the Clinton team: "They took our money, they took our votes and they walked away."

"I know we didn't achieve what we set out to achieve. I understand your disappointment. 'Don't ask, don't tell' has not worked as well as we had hoped," Stephanopoulos added, referring to the administration's compromise stance on allowing homosexuals in the U.S. military.

He went through a litany of actions taken by Clinton--including support for AIDS research, the appointment of a liaison with the gay and lesbian community and the scheduling of a White House AIDS summit-- but he drew a hiss from the generally well-mannered crowd when he reiterated Clinton's stand against federally sanctioned homosexual marriage.

Reuters North American Wire, October 22, 1995

For Dole, the Senate Majority Leader, consistency on the issue has been a problem.

He has never set himself up as a champion of gay rights, but his campaign did solicit and accept a \$ 1,000 contribution by the Log Cabin Republicans, a homosexual group.

The Dole campaign later returned the check- "to protect Sen. Dole from distortions of his record"- but Tuesday, Dole said he personally saw no need to return the check, arguing that "because you accept money doesn't mean you agree with their agenda."

"Sen. Dole wanted to make it clear today that while he does not support the gay rights agenda, he also does not believe in discrimination," a campaign spokesman said.

Buchanan, a Republican presidential hopeful who once called AIDS "nature's form of retribution" against homosexuals, had a chuckle at Dole's expense: "I would suggest that Bob take one position, fix it and stick with it. We can't keep up with him."

For Clinton, he had harsher words.

"Politically I think what the president has done is a deliberate provocation to the people of traditional middle America," Buchanan said in a telephone interview Friday.

Referring to Clinton's support for ENDA, Buchanan said, "I do not believe that individuals are entitled to special rights because of what they do in their bedrooms."

LANGUAGE: ENGLISH

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Copyright 1996 The New York Times Company
The New York Times

February 6, 1996, Tuesday, Late Edition - Final

SECTION: Section A; Page 1; Column 4; National Desk

LENGTH: 1473 words

HEADLINE: POLITICS;
Looking for Mr. Outside

BYLINE: By R. W. APPLE Jr.

DATELINE: LE MARS, Iowa, Feb. 5

BODY:

... placate them, the national antiabortion organizations remain unimpressed. Colleen Parro, director of the Republican National Coalition for Life, said over the weekend that the millionaire publisher's position was "based on some nebulous reversal of the moral climate in America, which hasn't happened and isn't going to happen anytime soon."

And abortion-rights campaigners count him as one of them -- or almost so. After Senator Arlen Specter of Pennsylvania dropped out of the Presidential race last November, Ann Stone of Republicans for Choice commented, "Our best person left is Steve Forbes, who's against any regulation in the first trimester."

Mr. Forbes's positions on homosexuality would also seem unacceptable to the Christian right. Asked last month by Armed Forces Journal what he thought of President Clinton's policy on gays in the military, he replied, "On the subject of 'Don't Ask/Don't Tell,' I say: Don't change." Asked last week in central Iowa whether he approved of same-sex marriages, he said he did not, but he added "If you want to live together, fine. If you want to have a life together, fine. But compassion is not approval."

Alone among the major Republican candidates, he has argued that the nation needs more immigrants, not fewer.

"Bill Clinton on many issues would run to the right of Steve Forbes," Mr. Gramm said in New Hampshire on Saturday, but his attempts to paint Mr. Forbes as an apostate, a Rockefeller Republican, appear to have had little impact.

Many potential voters and caucus-goers, including some prominent Christian conservatives, are in a highly pragmatic mood this year, more concerned about beating President Clinton in November than about the candidates' positions.

A measure of the pragmatism that has seized ...

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Copyright 1996 The Austin American-Statesman
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January 29, 1996

SECTION: Editorial; Pg. A7

LENGTH: 772 words

HEADLINE: At issue: the right to same-sex marriage; Current law based on child-rearing

BYLINE: Martin Mawyer

BODY:

... under no obligation and has no interest in placing homosexual relationships on the same pedestal as traditionally married couples. Simply put, the return on investment for the state is zero.

Look at the benefits married couples receive - tax breaks, inheritance rights, insurance benefits, the right to file wrongful death claims and decision-making capabilities for an incapacitated spouse. These are awarded to encourage married couples to have children. They exist for the protection of children.

However, this does not mean the state should withhold marriage licenses to male-female couples who choose not to have children, or to couples who, for medical reasons, can't have children. When issuing marriage licenses, the state must assess the possibility of procreation in the least intrusive manner possible.

President Clinton, through a spokeswoman, has offered his support of same-sex marriage. His deputy press secretary, Ginny Terzano, told Newsweek magazine, "The president doesn't think that same-sex marriages should be outlawed."

But despite Bill Clinton's ruminations, the reasons we limit marriage to members of the opposite sex are logical and compelling. They have withstood the test of time. Same-sex marriage is an oxymoron that must not be permitted to become otherwise.

Mawyer is president of Christian Action Network, a pro-family lobbying organization based in Forest, Va.

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Copyright 1996 THE SALT LAKE TRIBUNE
The Salt Lake Tribune

January 28, 1996, Sunday

SECTION: Nation-World; Pg. A2

LENGTH: 979 words

HEADLINE: The Rolly Report

BYLINE: Utah's Political Newsletter by Paul Rolly

BODY:

... Sandy and Robert Sykes of Salt Lake City, have expressed an interest in running against Atty. Gen. Jan Graham . . . Richard Rousseau, an aide to political independent Merrill Cook, met recently with State Republican Chairman Stan Parrish and said Cook would be interested in rejoining the Republican Party. After some discussion, however, it was unclear whether Cook would enter the convention battle with other Republicans for the 2nd congressional seat or go back to his original plan of running as an independent, then join the Republican caucus in Washington if he wins . . . Linda Rose Hill, a lobbyist in Hawaii, has been working for groups, including the The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, to get a bill passed in Hawaii that would outlaw same-sex marriages. Because of that high-profile position, Hill last week was removed as President Clinton's campaign coordinator in Hawaii.

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January 12, 1996, Friday, FINAL EDITION

SECTION: NATION/WORLD, Pg. 15

LENGTH: 958 words

HEADLINE: Same-sex marriage looms as the public-policy issue of 1996

BYLINE: MARTIN MAWYER

BODY:

... a couple can more easily express their love. Such benefits are granted to ease a family's burdens.

This does not mean the state should withhold marriage licenses from male/female couples who choose not to have children, or couples who, for medical reasons, can't have children. The state must assess the possibility of procreation in the least intrusive manner possible.

For the government to determine whether a male/female couple is capable of procreating, the couple's doctors would have to be consulted; their medical histories breached; and their thoughts, feelings and motives toward children examined. Not only would the couple's dignity be infringed, their civil rights would be violated. The same cannot be said in assessing the same-sex couple's ability to procreate, because it simply does not exist.

In spite of the evidence against same-sex marriage, some powerful forces support its legalization. Hollywood is wasting no time in weighing in on the issue. A recent episode of "Roseanne" featured a homosexual wedding, and a coming episode of the popular NBC comedy "Friends" is slated to showcase the marriage of two lesbians with a cameo appearance by Newt Gingrich's sister - the homosexual community's favorite new lesbian activist. President Clinton, through a spokesman, has offered support. The president's deputy press secretary, Ginny Terzano, recently told Newsweek, "The president doesn't think that same-sex marriages should be outlawed."

But despite Bill Clinton's ruminations, the reasons we limit marriage to members of the opposite sex are logical and they are compelling. They have withstood the test of time. Same-sex marriage is an oxymoron that must not be permitted to become otherwise. Martin Mawyer is president of Christian Action Network, a pro-family lobbying organization based in Forest, Va.

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Copyright 1995 News World Communications, Inc.
The Washington Times

November 3, 1995, Friday, Final Edition

SECTION: Part A; COMMENTARY; Pg. A17

LENGTH: 908 words

HEADLINE: Pandering to media with its own agenda

BYLINE: L. Brent Bozell III

BODY:

Republican presidential candidates are often accused by journalists of pandering to the religious right and its "harsh" positions on social issues like homosexuality. But pandering is a perfect word to describe the national media's treatment of the National Lesbian and Gay Journalists Association, which held their annual convention in Washington recently.

We are supposed to believe that an association of journalists would not have an ideological agenda because its members insist they are objective. George Stephanopoulos can tell you otherwise. He drew boos from the supposedly objective crowd for suggesting President Clinton couldn't support legally recognized gay marriage.



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Copyright 1995 Associated Newspapers Ltd.
Evening Standard

November 01, 1995

SECTION: Pg. 31

LENGTH: 1360 words

HEADLINE: Ad men in the pink of health

BYLINE: Jeremy Campbell

BODY:

... new magazine to be called Tribe. The experiment fizzled, but Warner is rumoured to be interested in acquiring one of the established gay weeklies.

As a result, gay activists worry that as these publications move up-market they are losing their edge, and edge used to be important to the movement.

Advertisers, keen students of the bottom line, like this trend. They also know gays are an affluent market.

'But there may be a price to pay,' says Richard Rouillard, of Buzz magazine. 'These publications are in transition from a more activist stance to increased complacency.'

To prove they have not been Dewarised completely, militant gays are likely to make politicians feel the heat in the next presidential election, both as lobbyists and as journalists in the mainstream press.

Congressman Barney Frank judiciously blew a kiss to the gay journalists assembled in Washington, but Bill Clinton's aide George Stephanopoulos was roundly booed for suggesting his boss might not be all that crazy about using his depleted political capital to secure legal status for gay marriage.

Focusing on the problem mayor

MARION Barry, Mayor of Washington, used to suffer from what his associates called 'focus problems'. To be precise, Barry liked to tipple a bit and dabble in exotic substances. He was arrested after a sting operation in which he was caught smoking crack in a Washington hotel with an ex-mistress. A largely black jury acquitted him of serious offences and he did only six months in jail for drug possession.

Re-elected Mayor, Barry declared himself redeemed and whole, thanks in

part to his new wife Cora. But now Jeffrey Goldberg, in a fairly eye-opening piece in the New York Times, reports there has been some backsliding.

Barry has been skipping Sunday morning ...

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The San Francisco Chronicle

OCTOBER 21, 1995, SATURDAY, FINAL EDITION

SECTION: NEWS; Pg. A2

LENGTH: 729 words

HEADLINE: White House Tells Gays It Backs Them
Rare public forum for rights bill

BYLINE: Marc Sandalow, David Tuller, Chronicle Washington

DATELINE: Washington

BODY:

... administration officials.

Stephanopoulos said he understood the frustration but appealed to gays not to overlook Clinton's accomplishments, which he said include an executive order ending consideration of sexual orientation in issuing security clearances.

"That doesn't mean we are perfect. It doesn't mean that we've done everything right. I'm not here to say that we have," Stephanopoulos said, comparing Clinton's record to his potential Republican challengers. "What I am here to say is that you've got to look at what the president has done. You've got to look at the attempts he's made. You've got to look at the progress he's made. You've got to look at where his heart is. When you look at that criteria, I think there is simply no choice."

Despite the president's position on discrimination in the workplace, Stephanopoulos said Clinton does not support gay marriages.

Clinton "thinks the proper role for the government is to work on the fight against discrimination, but he does not believe we should support (gay) marriage," he said.

But Stephanopoulos was careful not to offend. Asked whether Clinton would support an even stronger job discrimination bill that would address "transgender" issues -- presumably protecting transsexuals and cross-dressers -- the former White House communications director replied: "I think we'd have to take a look at it."

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The Record

October 21, 1995; SATURDAY; ALL EDITIONS

SECTION: NEWS; Pg. A06

LENGTH: 321 words

HEADLINE: CLINTON ENDORSES BAN ON ANTI-GAY JOB BIAS

COLUMN: WASHINGTON

BYLINE: FROM NEWS SERVICE REPORTS

DATELINE: WASHINGTON

BODY:

... Stephanopoulos said the administration had "brought gay and lesbian issues out of the closet and into the open."

The proposed Employment Non-Discrimination Act, sponsored by Sens.

Kennedy and James Jeffords, R-Vt., and Rep. Gerry Studds, D-Mass., would prohibit job discrimination, quotas, or preferential treatment, on the basis of sexual orientation.

Approval of the bill seems unlikely in the Republican-controlled Congress, but the president's announcement was received enthusiastically by its supporters at the meeting.

The bill would exempt small businesses, the military, religious organizations, and educational institutions that are substantially controlled or supported by religious organizations.

"The provision, which I believe is essential, respects the deeply held religious beliefs of many Americans," Clinton said.

The measure also would not require employers to provide equal benefits to the same-sex partners of employees. Stephanopoulos said Clinton does not support federal sanctioning of same-sex marriage.

Rep. Barney Frank, D-Mass., one of three openly gay members of Congress, said Clinton's endorsement of the legislation was of "historic proportions."

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The Commercial Appeal (Memphis)

September 19, 1995, Tuesday, Final Edition

SECTION: NEWS, Pg. 2A

LENGTH: 620 words

HEADLINE: High official held in attempt on Shevardnadze

BYLINE: Compiled by Victor Hall from these news services: The Associated Press, Los Angeles Times-Washington Post, The New York Times, Reuters and Scripps Howard

DATELINE: TBILISI, Georgia

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The glitch is the latest in a spate of problems at U.S. air traffic
control facilities.

BRIEFLY

-- Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization said today that they have agreed in principle on security arrangements for the West Bank city of Hebron but that differences remain. Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres and PLO chief Yasser Arafat were to resume talks later today in Taba, Egypt.

-- Perhaps 3 million Americans over age 60 are alcoholics or drink too much, the American Medical Association said Monday. The problem is so widespread, the report said, that alcohol-related problems send as many people in the age group to the hospital as do heart attacks.

-- Canada's House of Commons has rejected a gay legislator's proposal to extend legal recognition to same-sex marriages. Real Menard, a member of the opposition Bloc Quebecois, said he was disappointed by the 124-52 vote Monday in Ottawa, but vowed to keep trying.

-- First lady Hillary Rodham Clinton received the Save The Children fund's distinguished service award in a White House ceremony Monday in honor of her work on behalf of children and their families.

-- After two months of looking for an unbiased jury, a judge in Santa Rosa, Calif., decided Monday to move the trial of the man accused of snatching and killing 12-year-old Polly Klaas in 1993. Judge Lawrence Antolini did not immediately select a new site for the trial of Richard Allen Davis.

-- Chess titleholder Garry Kasparov of Russia and challenger Viswanathan Anand of India agreed to a draw after 27 moves in Monday's fifth game of their best-of-20 game Professional Chess Association world championship

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August 7, 1995

SECTION: Vol. 213 ; No. 6 ; Pg. 22; ISSN: 0028-6583

LENGTH: 2960 words

HEADLINE: No fantasy island; Hawaii's policy on same-sex marriages

BYLINE: Koppelman, Andrew

BODY:

If ever a political cause seemed to be stillborn, it was that of same-sex marriage. Consistently invoked by conservatives as the bogeyman at the bottom of the slippery slope of gay rights, it has also been disavowed by mainstream politicians friendly to homosexuals, including (predictably) Bill Clinton. So when the Hawaii Supreme Court surprisingly held two years ago that its state constitution might require recognition of same-sex marriages, it seemed most unlikely that this decision could have any lasting political impact, in Hawaii or beyond. Public opinion there ran two to one against gay marriage. The governor said he thought the court had been wrong. Some called for amending the state constitution to overrule the court. The worries were nationwide: if same-sex marriage were recognized in Hawaii, it would become an issue everywhere in the United States.

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July 12, 1994, Tuesday, 2 STAR Edition

SECTION: A; Pg. 4

LENGTH: 435 words

HEADLINE: Navy board begins discharge hearing of officer who says he is homosexual

BYLINE: Cox News Service

DATELINE: WASHINGTON

BODY:

WASHINGTON -- A Navy board of inquiry began deliberations Monday on whether a U.S. Navy pilot who has acknowledged that he is a homosexual should be removed from service.

Lt. j.g. Tracy Thorne of West Palm Beach, Fla., is being reviewed for discharge under the Clinton administration's "'don't ask, don't tell'" policy.

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June 25, 1994, Saturday, Final Edition

SECTION: VIEWPOINTS; Pg. 3

LENGTH: 854 words

HEADLINE: ELDERS IS ALLOWED TO GET OUT OF CONTROL

BYLINE: ROBERT NOVA, Creators Syndicate, Inc.

DATELINE: WASHINGTON

BODY:

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June 25, 1994, Saturday, Final Edition

SECTION: Part A; Pg. A1

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HEADLINE: Clinton lashes out at religious conservatives ;
Lambastes critical media, too

BYLINE: Cheryl Wetzstein and Ralph Z. Hallow; THE WASHINGTON TIMES

BODY:

... for what they are - religious bigotry," he said.

"We are prepared to spend \$1 million or more to make this defense of liberty if we have to," Mr. Bauer said. "In fact, if these attacks by some politicians and the cultural elite against men and women of faith continues, we will spend every penny we have to make the case to the American people for the defense of religious freedom."

Earlier this year, after Dr. Elders made belittling comments about Roman Catholics, Cardinal James Hickey of Washington wrote two letters to Mr. Clinton asking him to publicly disavow Dr. Elders' assertion that homosexual practices are "normal and healthy."

The president wrote two letters in reply.

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Mr. Falwell yesterday issued a statement inviting the president to "tape a personal and direct rebuttal" to the Falwell video "and we will air it unedited on the 'Old Time Gospel Hour,' which airs on 200 stations nationwide each Sunday."

The charges made on Mr. Falwell's "Circle of Power" video were made by "numerous people who knew and worked with Mr. Clinton in Arkansas," the clergyman said in his statement. "While the president should really direct his denials and apparent ...

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June 24, 1994, Friday, Final Edition

SECTION: VIEWPOINT, Pg. D1A,

LENGTH: 755 words

HEADLINE: Kid gloves for the 'top doc'

BYLINE: Robert D. Novack

DATELINE: WASHINGTON

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The Commercial Appeal, June 24, 1994

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June 15, 1994, Wednesday, Home Edition

SECTION: Life & Style; Part E; Page 3; Column 1; View Desk

LENGTH: 392 words

HEADLINE: FAMILY FILE: '90S FAMILY

BYLINE: By Compiled from Times staff and news services.

BODY:

... one-third of them move back in within three years. Sociology professor Arland Thornton, who directed the study, said the results show that "in the last several decades, the way young people make the transition to adulthood has been changing."

Hillary's a Busy First Lady, but She's Not That Busy

Early in the Clinton Administration, a story made the rounds that when First Daughter Chelsea needed permission at school to get some aspirin, she told the school nurse: "Call my dad, my mom's too busy."

But at a forum on women as caregivers, her busy mom set the record straight. "The story about the school nurse is not true, but it's a good one," said Hillary Rodham Clinton at a recent meeting of the International Women's Media Foundation.

Sweden Joins in Approving Partnership Law for Gay Couples

Sweden has joined Denmark and Norway in legalizing gay marriages, beginning in 1995. Sweden's partnership law, approved last week, gives gay couples the same inheritance, tax and other benefits and obligations as married heterosexuals. But the new law stops short of allowing homosexuals to adopt or to have children through artificial insemination.

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The Washington Times

March 23, 1994, Wednesday, Final Edition

SECTION: Part A; Pg. A1

LENGTH: 972 words

HEADLINE: Cardinal attacks Elders on gay 'advocacy'

BYLINE: Joyce Price and Larry Witham; THE WASHINGTON TIMES

BODY:

... letters of apology to the archbishop.

Cardinal Hickey, in his letter to the president, criticizes Dr. Elders' portrayal of religious leaders' views of human sexuality. Catholics, he says, recognize sexuality as a "great gift from God."

This view "enables couples to express their love for one another and, in the context of that love, to create and care for a family."

It "does not involve the suppression of human sexuality, but rather its right use for the good of individuals and society," the cardinal wrote.

He added that the "strength of our country . . . has always been the vitality of our families." The breakdown of the family has been the root of "so many of the social problems . . . we now struggle to overcome."

The surgeon general's comments "are destructive of a true family life," Cardinal Hickey said.

"It is one thing to defend the human rights of homosexual men and women; it is quite another to encourage, as she does, a lifestyle which puts so-called homosexual unions on a par with marriage and family and condones homosexual behavior among young people."

Although Mr. Clinton discussed the issues of homosexuality and abortion in a television interview last night, he had no immediate comment on Cardinal Hickey's letter.

"It's not right to go around saying everybody's Christianity or religious faith or character should be evaluated totally on the basis of these two issues," Mr. Clinton said during a segment on an ABC's "World News Tonight" that examined his spiritual values.

Deputy Press Secretary Arthur Jones said White House officials saw Cardinal Hickey's letter for the first time when a reporter for The Washington Times handed them a copy.

"We will respond to the cardinal when the president has seen the letter," Mr. Jones said.

The Washington Times, March 23, 1994

A spokesman for the Southern Baptist Convention, Mr. Clinton's ...

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Air Force Magazine

March, 1994

SECTION: AEROSPACE WORLD; Pg. 11

LENGTH: 4717 words

BYLINE: By Frank Oliveri, Associate Editor

BODY:

... Defense Authorization Act.

The new regulations implement the "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy established by the Pentagon in July. While ending the fifty-year ban on homosexuals in the military, the new guidelines maintain a strict ban against homosexual conduct.

"We are confident that the new policy will maintain unit cohesion and will maintain the readiness of the best-trained, best-equipped military in the world today," Mr. Aspin said.

Under the policy, no applicant will be asked about sexual orientation because homosexuality is not a bar to service entry or continued service unless revealed through homosexual conduct.

A service member still may be discharged for homosexual acts, actual or attempted same-sex marriage, and statements by the individual that he or she is homosexual or bisexual. An individual can rebut the presumption of homosexual acts by showing he or she does not engage in them and does not have a propensity or intent to do so.

Admiral Owens Nominated

President Clinton nominated Adm. William A. Owens to be vice chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the Pentagon said in December. Admiral Owens will succeed Adm. David E. Jeremiah, who is retiring.

A native of Bismarck, N. D., Admiral Owens entered the military as a midshipman at the US Naval Academy in 1958. He was commander of the US Navy's Sixth Fleet and Allied Strike Force South from October 1990 to July 1992. Since then, he served as deputy chief of Naval Operations for Resources, Warfare Requirements, and Assessments, where he was the Navy's principal participant in the Pentagon's Bottom-Up Review of defense programs and requirements. He then moved on to command the Navy's Pacific Fleet but served there only a few months before being ...

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February 17, 1994, Thursday, Final Edition

SECTION: Part A; NATION; INSIDE POLITICS; Pg. A9

LENGTH: 1955 words

BYLINE: Alan McConagha; THE WASHINGTON TIMES

BODY:

... descend on traffic with squeegees to wash dishes, an "honorable, decent, terrific" job he once held.

The squeegee guys, who are regarded as a civic headache, could get jobs in restaurants but aren't interested because they don't want the hours or the taxes, the mayor said in a radio interview.

"I know people who own restaurants who've started by washing dishes. I've washed dishes in restaurants. It's an honorable, decent, terrific thing to do," he said.

The New York Post found that restaurant jobs netting \$50 a day are available. But the squeegee crowd, expecting a Giuliani crackdown, says it can get that much in cash washing windshields.

LOWERED VOICES

Many homosexual activists are turning from radical tactics to more traditional ways of influencing policy as they turn their attention to such local issues as sodomy laws and homosexual marriage.

"It isn't necessary to scream anymore," David Mixner, a Los Angeles activist and friend of President Clinton, told USA Today. "There's access now. One doesn't feel like one's left out in the cold with no hope."

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February 16, 1994, WEDNESDAY, FINAL EDITION

SECTION: NATIONAL, Pg. A13

LENGTH: 293 words

HEADLINE: CLINTON LETTER MAKES STATEMENT;
AGAINST ANTI-GAY RIGHTS INITIATIV

BYLINE: JOHN GRAVOIS, POST WASHINGTON BUREAU

DATELINE: WASHINGTON

BODY:

... Sadly . . . this simple principle of justice has come under assault in several states this year," Clinton wrote.

"Those who would legalize discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or any other grounds are gravely mistaken about the values that make our nation strong. The essential right to equality must not be denied by a ballot initiative or otherwise," the letter stated.

The Gay and Lesbian Victory Fund approached Clinton recently to join their fight against planned initiatives in Arizona, California, Florida, Idaho, Maine, Michigan, Missouri, Nevada, Ohio, Oregon and Washington. Anti-homosexual rights activists also may try to get initiatives on the Nov. 8 ballots in other states.

The pending initiatives vary, but generally deal with prohibiting such things as same-sex marriages or allowing employers to discriminate in hiring based on sexual orientation.

Homosexual rights activists hailed Clinton's support. "Lesbians and gay men are victims of a holy war," said William Waybourn, the fund's executive director.

Tuesday's announcement was the latest twist in Clinton's roller coaster relationship with homosexuals.

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February 15, 1994, Tuesday, BC cycle

LENGTH: 368 words

HEADLINE: GAY RIGHTS GROUPS ENLIST CLINTON TO THEIR CAUSE

BYLINE: By Irwin Arief

DATELINE: WASHINGTON, Feb 15

BODY:

"Like you, I am committed to the fight for equality for all Americans," Clinton said in the February 14 letter.

"Those who would legalise discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or any other grounds are gravely mistaken about the values that make our nation strong. The essential right to equality must not be denied by a ballot initiative or otherwise," the president wrote.

The groups had asked Clinton to oppose the initiatives, which are being pushed by a loose coalition of right-wing political and religious fundamentalist groups.

The proposed anti-gay initiatives vary from state to state, as do the groups behind them. Some would prohibit same-sex marriages, the teaching of homosexuality as an acceptable behaviour, or any law or policy sanctioning homosexual conduct or relationships.

Others would ban the enforcement of discrimination claims against homosexuals or authorise employers to consider "private sexual behaviours" in making personnel decisions.

Attempts are under way in at least 11 states to raise petitions to put anti-gay measures to a vote when congressional, state and local elections are held on November 8, gay activists say.

They are Arizona, California, Florida, Idaho, Maine, Michigan, Missouri, Nevada, Ohio, Oregon and Washington.

The petition drives are taking place at a time of intense national debate over gay rights. Clinton was badly shaken early in his presidency after widespread opposition arose to his ...

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February 14, 1994, Monday, BC cycle

SECTION: Washington News

LENGTH: 387 words

BYLINE: BY PAUL BASKEN

DATELINE: WASHINGTON

BODY:

Marj Plumb, health policy director of The National Gay and Lesbian Task, said the Clinton plan would force insurance providers to follow existing state definitions of marriage, none of which recognize single- sex couples.

Plumb said the Clinton plan therefore would double costs paid by those covered by plans already offered by some 30 universities, municipalities and corporations, including the city of San Francisco, Stanford University and Ben & Jerry's Homemade Inc.

Timothy McFeeley, executive director of the Human Rights Campaign Fund, said Clinton, who has said he would consider supporting any competing plan that guarantees universal coverage, fails his own standard by excluding specific protection for gays and lesbians.

"There can be no universality as long as any form of discrimination exists," McFeeley said.

A Clinton administration spokesman said the president's plan would rely on state governments to make any changes they want in the definitions of families, and added that the administration considered its anti-discrimination language to be ...

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December 23, 1993, Thursday

SECTION: INTERNATIONAL; Pg. 11

LENGTH: 95 words

HEADLINE: US army bans homosexual 'marriages'

BODY:

New regulations on homosexuality in the American armed forces published yesterday ban kissing, hand-holding and "marriage" by serving members of the same sex, but do not prohibit personnel from using bars frequented by homosexuals. President Clinton, under pressure from the homosexual lobby, initially sought a no-strings lifting of the ban on homosexuality in the forces. Following vigorous protests from the Services, this has been changed to a "don't ask, don't tell" policy aimed at letting homosexuals join if they keep quiet about their sexual orientation.

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December 23, 1993 Thursday, NORTH SPORTS FINAL EDITION

SECTION: NEWS; Pg. 6; ZONE: N

LENGTH: 563 words

HEADLINE: MILITARY DETAILS RULES ON GAYS; FIGHT LOOMS

BYLINE: Knight-Ridder/Tribune.

DATELINE: WASHINGTON

BODY:

Banned acts between members of the same sex include kissing, holding hands or otherwise "touching a person of your same sex or allowing such a person to touch you for the purpose of satisfying sexual desires."

The military can no longer ask members if they are gay. The rules make homosexual conduct grounds for discharge, but not homosexual orientation.

The directive states: "Homosexual conduct is defined as a homosexual act, a statement by the applicant that demonstrates a propensity or intent to engage in homosexual acts, or a homosexual marriage or attempted marriage."

The rules cap an agonizing year in which the Pentagon and Congress forced President Clinton to abandon his campaign pledge to lift the 50-year-old ban on homosexuals outright.

He had to settle for a "don't ask, don't tell, don't pursue" policy that differs only slightly from the old rules. But the new policy is written into law and can be changed only by an act of Congress.

Outgoing Defense Secretary Les Aspin said Wednesday that the rules "will maintain unit cohesion, and will maintain the readiness of the best-trained, best-equipped military in the world."

"This was an enormously divisive and emotional issue," Aspin conceded.

Gay activists were disappointed by the new rules, which will take effect Feb. 5.

"They institutionalize and accommodate prejudice against gay people," who must "continue to live in fear of ...

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October 13, 1993, Wednesday, Late Edition - Final

SECTION: Section A; Page 19; Column 1; National Desk

LENGTH: 452 words

HEADLINE: PENTAGON TO FIGHT A GAY-BIAS RULING

BYLINE: AP

DATELINE: WASHINGTON, Oct. 12

BODY:

... last January and found the military policy unconstitutional. His new order strengthened and expanded his original ruling.

In asking the appeals court to suspend Judge Hatter's ruling, Justice Department lawyers said it would "seriously interfere with management of day-to-day military affairs.

The appeals court's order rejecting that request did not comment on the merits of the case. But a lawyer for Mr. Meinhold, John McGuire, said the order "demonstrates a certain degree of confidence by the appeals court in Judge Hatter's finding."

The decision was issued by Judges Otto R. Skopil Jr., David R. Thompson and Pamela A. Rymer. The same panel is scheduled to hear the Administration's appeal of Judge Hatter's ruling in December.

Mr. Clinton's new policy would end the practice of questioning recruits or service members about their sexual orientation. But the military would discharge members "who engage in homosexual conduct, which is defined as a homosexual act, a statement that the member is homosexual or bisexual, or a marriage or attempted marriage to someone of the same gender."

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October 13, 1993, Wednesday

SECTION: Pg. 1

LENGTH: 697 words

HEADLINE: Pentagon to Appeal Gay Ruling;
Ban Suspended Pending Outcome

BYLINE: SUSANNE M. SCHAFER, AP Military Writer

DATELINE: WASHINGTON

BODY:

... don't pursue" policy on Oct. 1 while it awaited congressional action on the issue and dealt with the court challengers.

The Defense Department said that for the time being the interim policy that Clinton ordered in January would continue. That policy stops the practice of questioning recruits about their sexual orientation and transfers to reserve status those who declare their homosexuality.

TRANSFERS HALTED

But the Oct. 1 memo by Dorn, who is responsible for personnel issues, halts transfers as well as discharges.

"Administrative discharge cases based solely upon homosexual orientation of statements of homosexuality will be held in abeyance," the memo said. "No member will be discharged or transferred to the standby reserve solely on the basis of homosexual orientation or statements of homosexuality."

Clinton's policy ends the practice of questioning recruits or service members about their sexual orientation. But the military will discharge members "who engage in homosexual conduct, which is defined as a homosexual act, a statement that the member is homosexual or bisexual, or a marriage or attempted marriage to someone of the same gender."

Hatter ordered an end to discrimination in a written order that broadened his January ruling that the Pentagon's ban on homosexuals was unconstitutional.

The case deals with a gay sailor, Petty Officer Keith Meinhold, who filed a lawsuit challenging the military's ban on homosexuals.

The new order, issued Sept. 30, specifically prohibits the military from denying enlistment or promotion or changing enlistment status, duty assignment or duty location solely because of someone's sexual orientation.

It also prohibits the military from creating or maintaining records of a service member's sexual orientation.

The Legal Intelligencer, October 13, 1993

Hatter threatened to impose fines of at least \$ 10,000 a day if the Pentagon failed to comply.

In its appeal, the government argued that Hatter had exceeded the scope of the ...

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October 11, 1993, Monday, Final Edition

SECTION: Part A; NATION; INSIDE THE BELTWAY; Pg. A8

LENGTH: 913 words

BYLINE: John McCaslin; THE WASHINGTON TIMES

BODY:

... manila envelope with the word "unclassified" scribbled on it.

Our question is: At what time was it "classified," and for what reason?

DARE TO DECLARE

Today is the sixth annual "National Coming Out Day," when homosexuals around the country are encouraged to come out of the closet "and tell someone they know they are gay."

A full-page ad in today's Federal Times, signed by more than 120 homosexual federal employees, urges homosexual bureaucrats to come out into the open as well: "Talk to your family, friends and colleagues. Let them know who you really are."

Funny thing is, 25 of the ad's signers wrote "anonymous."

BEVERLY ON BILL

Gregory J. King, communications director for the homosexual Human Rights Campaign Fund, wrote to us last week that "President Clinton opposes discrimination against Americans on the basis of their sexual orientation, but he has never endorsed the concept of gay marriages. If the Concerned Women for America has some proof to back up their assertion that the president's position has changed, we would love to see it."

Beverly LaHaye, president of the Concerned Women, now responds in a letter to Inside the Beltway: "Wasn't it President Clinton who nominated and supported the confirmation of lesbian activist Roberta Achtenberg, who lives with her 'partner' and son, to assistant secretary of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity? Is any additional proof necessary to where the President stands on these issues?"

HATCH TO SCHATZ

As we wrote last week, Citizens Against Government Waste thanked us for serving as a liaison between the group and Sen. Orrin G. Hatch, and even sent us a 29-cent postage stamp asking if we wouldn't mind forwarding ...

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October 6, 1993, Wednesday, Final Edition

SECTION: Part A; NATION; INSIDE THE BELTWAY; Pg. A7

LENGTH: 874 words

BYLINE: John McCaslin; THE WASHINGTON TIMES

BODY:

... on the Concerned Women for America's 'extremely urgent' fund-raising appeal," Gregory J. King, communications director for the Human Rights Campaign Fund, a homosexual-rights group, wrote and faxed us yesterday. "The Concerned Women for America are not concerned with the truth. Their assertion that president and Mrs. Clinton 'want men who marry other men to have the same marital rights as you and your spouse' is a deliberate distortion of the president's position.

"In February of last year, the Human Rights Campaign Fund asked all the candidates for president if they believed that same-sex couples should have the right to marry and enjoy the same legal and tax benefits as heterosexual couples. Bill Clinton replied with a one word answer: 'No.'

"President Clinton opposes discrimination against Americans on the basis of their sexual orientation, but he has never endorsed the concept of gay marriages. If the Concerned Women has some proof to back up their assertion that the president's position has changed, we would love to see it."

EAST SAN FRANCISCO

First there was this spring's highly publicized homosexual March on Washington. And now for those who didn't get their fill, the Gay and Lesbian Film Festival is coming to town Oct. 14.

March spokesman Gregory Adams said yesterday that the official videotape documentary of the march will premiere next week at Washington's Embassy Theatre to help kick off the film festival.

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HEADLINE: Room to move; TRB - Clinton's moderation; Column

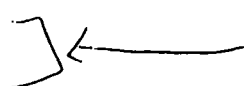
BYLINE: Kaus, Mickey

BODY:

... featuring battles over crime, abortion and family values. The problem here is that, since the 1960s, most Democrats have moved "right," while mainstream culture has moved "left." The gaps that remain often consist of differences in nuance or degree. Even Republican Party ideologists display an impolitic tolerance. William Kristol, Dan Quayle's former chief of staff, told The New York Times that "I do not think society can or should treat homosexuality the same as heterosexuality, or at least the same as the heterosexual family." Kristol did not say homosexuality is evil. He couldn't even bring himself to say it's flatly worse than heterosexuality. Some kulturkampf!

In order for the "culture" issue to work, in other words, Democrats have to take the bait--proposing to legalize gay marriage, for example, or opposing the death penalty. Clinton isn't about to do this. Quite the opposite. Kristol suggests that conservatives might coalesce around a "one-nation" agenda--combining opposition to reverse discrimination with "English-only," pro-assimilation sentiments and some immigration controls. Sounds coherent and powerful--but it's also nothing Clinton can't endorse. Indeed, he's already making "get tough" noises on immigration.

Clinton can only really be cornered when a powerful Democratic interest group--or an intensely held Democratic doctrine--prevents him from being flexible. He could never embrace a true "choice" plan to replace the public schools, because the teachers' unions wouldn't stand for it. But schools are mainly a local issue. Name a federal question where Clinton is similarly shackled. I can't.

This is the real significance of Clinton's much-publicized "shift" to the center. It's not so much that he is now positioned where most of the votes are (though he is). It is that he's now positioned where he can move to co-opt any particular conservative "culture" issue that threatens to catch on. He doesn't even have to spend a lot of energy convincing the lobbies on his party's left not to tie him down with unpopular demands. The gays-in-the-military controversy has demonstrated, to Clinton and the interest groups, the disastrous consequences of such a course. Not only will Clinton not embrace gay marriage--gay rights groups are in no position to insist that he do it. 

Even health care reform, I think, won't threaten Clinton's re-election as long as he retains his flexibility by presenting his reforms as a practical

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trial, rather than as an ideological crusade against "unconscionable" price-gouging. If "managed competition" doesn't control costs, he might say, we'll try something else. On health care, the "center" wants simply to find something that works.

Sidney Blumenthal of The New Yorker criticizes Clinton's neo-centrism, arguing "there is no new, post-cold war consensus hiding just beneath the surface of public opinion, waiting to be fished out." The opposite view, suggested by analysts William Schneider and E.J. Dionne Jr., is that American voters have been pretty clear about what they want (e.g., an abortion compromise), but the ideologies of the two parties have somehow conspired to prevent them from getting ...

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The Washington Times

July 19, 1993, Monday, Final Edition

SECTION: Part E; COMMENTARY; EDITORIAL; Pg. E2

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HEADLINE: Gay-ban politics

BODY:

... But Mr. Clinton also won substantial electoral support from homosexuals - and certainly the major gay-rights organizations. On the basis of what we have seen, it seems fairly clear that the people he listens to on gay-rights issues hold views that comport with the positions of the major organizations. Moreover, there is a more radical set of views out there, the views associated with such organizations or congeries as Queer Nation and ACT-UP. So Mr. Clinton might have imagined he was dealing with and embracing mainstream gay opinion and distancing himself from the fringes. And so he was. But mainstream gay opinion is not mainstream opinion, and Mr. Clinton seems not to have appreciated the extent of the difference.

To much of America, mainstream gay opinion looks extreme, simply. In elevating this issue and taking the position he took, Mr. Clinton alienated a large number of people. It seems fair to say that most of those who oppose homosexual marriage, for example, do not consider themselves bigots and do not appreciate being called prejudiced. That is what Mr. Clinton did. And those are more or less fighting words.

Meanwhile, he raised the expectations of gay-rights groups through the roof. He adopted their view in total. Now that political reality has reared its head, President Clinton looks to be readying himself to accept an outcome that is a far cry from the simple justice he had demanded. And the gay-rights groups are going to be unhappy with him because of it.

Every political group has an agenda, obviously. Coalition politics is the art of balancing these agendas. Tilt too far one way and the entire structure may collapse.

Here is the cautionary lesson for politicians: Take a long, hard look at a group's maximum demands before you accept them. Embracing them and promising to crusade for them may lead to a world of trouble elsewhere. Canceling a promised crusade ...

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June 14, 1993

SECTION: U.S. NEWS; Vol. 114, No. 23; Pg. 45, 47

LENGTH: 1403 words

HEADLINE: Civil rights after Guinier

BYLINE: By Steven V. Roberts; Ted Gest; Thomas Toch

BODY:

... legislation to reverse a decision by the Supreme Court that curbs the scope of the Voting Rights Act.

But other issues could prove more troublesome. Women's groups are pushing strongly for legislation that would lift limits, now in the law, on the amount of damages women can receive as victims of employment bias. After the Guinier debacle, Clinton will be eager to propitiate feminists, but the measure is strongly opposed by the business community. Black groups are promoting a bill to make the District of Columbia a state -- a measure Clinton has endorsed -- and a strong presidential campaign for its passage could help mend relations with the African-American community. But Republicans are adamantly opposed, mainly because the district would certainly elect two Democratic senators, and Clinton does not need another filibuster battle. A third proposal would bar discrimination based on sexual orientation. Clinton has courted the gay and lesbian community but is leery of some of its more extreme proposals, such as gay marriage.

Civil-rights advocates argue that the movement must turn from purely legal issues to questions of economic justice, and they have attracted a strong ally in Attorney General Janet Reno. Borrowing heavily from her experiences as a prosecutor in Miami, Reno gave a civil-rights speech last month in which she talked about the homeless people sleeping on the steps of the Justice Department and about guaranteeing all pregnant women access to prenatal care. Dealing with these problems costs money, however, and the president is under great pressure to cut social spending.

Reno talks of using the Justice Department in creative ways to promote equality. One suggestion, popular on Capitol Hill, is to vigorously enforce child-support laws. She is also a big backer of ...

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Crossfire

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BODY:

... will be homosexuals on this planet in this society.

Mr. BAUER: Indeed there will. There will be people dealing with all sorts of dysfunctions in our society.

KINSLEY: Wouldn't you prefer that they be monogamous to their being promiscuous, and what do you want them to do? How do you want them to live?

Mr. BAUER: No, look, what homosexuals do behind their closed doors is something that they have to deal with, but when they come to the public square and ask for their lifestyle to be accepted on a moral and social par with the heterosexual family, they're asking for our society to make a revolutionary change.

BUCHANAN: OK. Is Bill Clinton's identification with the gay rights agenda hurting him politically? And is he running away from it? Those questions when we come back.

[Commercial break]

BUCHANAN: Welcome back. Just as abortion was the social issue of the Reagan era, so in the Clinton era it seems to be gay rights. The latest demand of the movement is for the legalization of homosexual marriages. Our guests are former Reagan Domestic Policy Adviser Gary Bauer, who's now with the Family Research Council, and the editor of The New Republic Andrew Sullivan.

Andrew, here's a bite from something that was going on in the Senate floor today. One of your favorite senators Jesse Helms was speaking. Go ahead.

Sen. JESSE HELMS (R-NC): And on the back of an open automobile sat Judge Bordin and Miss Achtenberg with their child in between them, and at various points they hugged each other, and at one point, they embraced and kissed each other fervently.

BUCHANAN: Now, Andrew Sullivan, this is, what this is about is- so our audience knows, Roberta Achtenberg is being appointed Assistant Secretary basically for civil rights enforcement at the Department of ...

... community-

Mr. SULLIVAN: You're in complete denial the whole time.

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Mr. BAUER: Let's tell why your community is riddled with disease even before the AIDS epidemic-

KINSLEY: So, Gary-

Mr. BAUER: Let's tell them about gay bowel syndrome, about fisting, about some of the other-

KINSLEY: You want your propaganda-

Mr. SULLIVAN: That's all you can think about the whole time.

Mr. BAUER: That's all your-

KINSLEY: Hold on. We're out of time.

BUCHANAN: Thank you, gentlemen.

KINSLEY: Thanks, Andrew Sullivan.

BUCHANAN: Andrew Sullivan, thanks.

KINSLEY: You know- I think I do-

BUCHANAN: Thank you-

KINSLEY: We'll argue about this later. Thank you, Gary Bauer. Pat and I will settle this- see if this marriage can be saved in just a moment.

[Commercial break]

BUCHANAN: Michael, gay marriage is morally wrong, socially destructive, and politically insane for your boy.

KINSLEY: Bill Clinton has nothing to do with gay marriage. I know you'd like to tie him to it. He hasn't taken any position for or against it. Let me make a prediction, Pat. It is coming. Ten years from now it will be very common. What's more, it will be no big deal at all.

BUCHANAN: Why doesn't your big courageous leader, then, come out for them?

KINSLEY: Look, he's taken on more for gay rights than anyone else, and you'd love him to do more, but gays are very contented with him. He's a hero to them, and he deserves to be.

BUCHANAN: Well, your hero-

KINSLEY: From the left, I'm Mike Kinsley. Good night for Crossfire.

BUCHANAN: We've still got some time, Michael-

KINSLEY: I don't think-

BUCHANAN: Your hero did a ...

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THE ARIZONA REPUBLIC

April 28, 1993 Wednesday, Final Chaser

SECTION: EDITORIAL/OPINION; Pg. A17

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HEADLINE: GAY '90S, AGE OF POST-AIDS POLITICS CONFRONTS CLINTON

BYLINE: The Economist

BODY:

... over the next five years - a big increase, but nothing like those of the 1980s. The sense, therefore, that AIDS is "out of control" will diminish somewhat.

AIDS is politicized

But the biggest reason is Mr. Clinton. The indifference of Republican administrations helped to politicize AIDS, and with it a generation of gays. But because the politics of AIDS is a politics of opposition, having a friend in the White House has taken off some of the edge.

At an unprecedented meeting on April 16 between Mr. Clinton and group of gay rights activists in the Oval Office, the president pointed out that his budget includes an increase in money for AIDS research, and that he would name a federal AIDS czar soon.

What was extraordinary about the meeting, however, was this: it was Mr. Clinton who raised the issue of AIDS, not the activists.

More extraordinary still was the reaction: Larry Kramer, the founder of ACT-UP, a radical gay group, was reduced to saying that the names being floated for AIDS czar were all "fourth-rate." He used to accuse Ronald Reagan of genocide.

Gay marriage

So what will replace AIDS as the core of the new gay politics? A range of issues falling broadly under the heading of gay rights: extending the 1964 Civil Rights Act (which bans bias based on race, gender and religion) to include sexual orientation; repealing the anti-sodomy laws still on the books in 24 states; convincing companies to extend spousal benefits to same-sex mates; perhaps, some day, gay marriage.

Post-AIDS politics, then, will look a lot like pre-AIDS politics - but with one big difference. Having spent a decade organizing and raising money, gays are now one of the most formidably professional forces in politics.

That is a reason why the comparison, often repeated ...

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April 26, 1993, Monday, AM cycle

SECTION: Washington Dateline

LENGTH: 625 words

HEADLINE: One Victory for Gay Marchers: They Looked Like Anybody Else - An AP Analysis

BYLINE: By JILL LAWRENCE, AP Political Writer

DATELINE: WASHINGTON

BODY:

... a protest. She said she wants to pressure the Interior Department to get "an objective observer" to analyze aerial photographs.

The count quickly became an in-joke among homosexuals who had marched.

A gay couple got on the subway in suburban Virginia on Monday morning and one of the men, spotting another gay couple already on the train, remarked without any preface: "It was at least 25,000." Everyone knew what he was talking about and laughed.

Numbers were not the only source of frustration for the marchers. Some said they were disappointed that Clinton did not show up or send his wife or vice president. He sent a statement instead.

A few speakers were very critical, and there were some chants of "Where's Bill?" Some marchers, unaware of Clinton's positions on specific gay issues, were annoyed to find out that he opposes gay marriage.

Clinton has made history on other fronts, meeting with homosexuals at the White House and challenging the military ban. March organizers said they were disturbed that so many speakers criticized him and so many newscasts featured those speakers.

"We've been on the outside for so long that it's difficult to adjust our tactics when dealing with a friend," said Gregory King, spokesman for the Human Rights Campaign Fund. "But we believe in him and we're going to give him room."

As the march occurred, the president was speaking on the subject of gay rights with characteristic caution.

In an address to newspaper editors in Boston, he endorsed tolerance, but not permissiveness, in society. He said people would continue to make private judgments, but also said the country should be "free of unnecessary discrimination."

The Associated Press, April 26, 1993

Some gay people see Clinton's measured ...

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April 26, 1993

SECTION: U.S. NEWS; Vol. 114, No. 16; Pg. 33

LENGTH: 635 words

HEADLINE: Gays march, Clinton balks

BYLINE: By Joseph P. Shapiro; Kenneth T. Walsh

BODY:

Urging distance. Clinton's gay supporters, including longtime friend David Mixner, defend his snub of the march by insisting that Clinton is avoiding a short-term controversy now in order to provide leadership on the civil-rights bill in the future. During the presidential campaign, Clinton promised to "support federal civil-rights legislation for gays and lesbians." But some advisers now are urging that he distance himself from such a bill -- which might sanction such unpopular things as gay marriage, which Clinton has never backed.

Like many baby boomers, Bill and Hillary Clinton have comfortable, open friendships with gays, like Mixner and White House personnel deputy Bob Hattoy, who spoke at the Democratic convention of being HIV-positive. But Clinton's caution reflects the deep ambivalence of most Americans. In a recent New York Times/CBS News poll, 78 percent of respondents said they agreed that homosexuals should have equal rights to job opportunities. But only 42 percent said there should be special laws to protect those rights. Just last week, the political climate surrounding gay issues was jolted by a new survey that suggested as few as 1 percent of American men consider themselves homosexual -- a far smaller proportion of the population than the 10 percent estimated by a report 45 years ago.

Activists argue that a federal gay-rights statute is needed, in part, because the eight existing state laws have not seriously changed the most troublesome biases ...

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SHOW: THIS WEEK WITH DAVID BRINKLEY

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BODY:

... don't want to accept it and don't want to say it's all right, does that draw any line on what people would think of as the civil rights, the human rights, the societal rights of people who are gay and lesbian?

Mr. BENNETT: No, I don't think so. I mean, homosexuals have civil rights as American citizens, the same ones that heterosexuals-

Mr. SHILTS: Well, that's not really true. I think we need to introduce some facts-

Mr. BENNETT: May I- may I finish my sentence?

Mr. DONALDSON: Mr. Shilts, let him finish. Then I'll give you your turn.

Mr. SHILTS: Okay.

Mr. BENNETT: -the same way that- the same way that heterosexuals have civil rights. The question is, do we say there's no difference between the homosexual family and the heterosexual family? Now, the President of the United States, Bill Clinton, believes that there should be such distinctions. He's not in favor of homosexual adoption and homosexual marriage, and neither are most Americans. Even the President has drawn the line at that point.

Mr. DONALDSON: Mr. Shilts, your turn.

Mr. SHILTS: Well, I think saying that gay people have civil rights in the United States shows a gross ignorance of the true legal status of gay people. I mean, the United States Supreme Court has ruled that gay people do not even have the right to make love. And indeed, in the military, for example, the United States Government actively throws people in prison for consensual sex in the privacy of their own homes with another adult. And that happens frequently. The fact is is that there- gay people have- the reason you have a movement is not just because these people are paranoid and lying a lot. The reason you have a ...

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Larry King Live

April 23, 1993

TYPE: Show; Interview

SECTION: News; Domestic

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HEADLINE: The Report on the Tailhook Scandal

BYLINE: LARRY KING;

BODY:

... man family has to be treated the same as a husband and wife who have legally entered into a marriage contract.

KING: Now, for you, Tom, doesn't society have a right to set some standards for itself?

Mr. STODDARD: Of course. We live in a country that believes in several principles: individual liberty, equality, tolerance. I understand that- or we should all understand that there are many different kinds of families and that, in this country where freedom and tolerance are at the fundamental of who we are as a people, two men and two women who choose to enter into a close and loving relationship that is every bit as stable and every bit as nurturing as a heterosexual relationship should be able to do so. There should be absolute parity, absolute equality in the law.

KING: By the way, does President Clinton support that?

Mr. STODDARD: No, President Clinton does not, actually. And viewers may be surprised to hear that. President Clinton does not support same-sex marriage. I think that's a mistake.

It'll take us some years - some decades, perhaps - to help Bill and some other people to understand the importance of reaching this goal of absolute parity.

KING: When the President met with gay leaders and lesbian leaders, the first time ever that a president met with-

Mr. STODDARD: First time ever.

KING: Did they discuss that aspect?

Mr. STODDARD: No. We knew that we had a limited period of time and we talked about three issues. We talked about the march, we talked about the military issue, we talked about civil rights, generally.

KING: Do you think the President's copping-out on you this weekend?

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SECTION: Washington Dateline

LENGTH: 728 words

HEADLINE: Not Perfect, But Better Than All Before Him, Say Gays

BYLINE: By JILL LAWRENCE, AP Political Writer

DATELINE: WASHINGTON

BODY:

Bill Clinton was hardly the dream presidential candidate of the gay and lesbian community.

He had reservations about a gay civil rights bill. He outright opposed gay marriages and domestic partnerships. And in 12 years as Arkansas governor, he never had ordered civil rights protections for homosexuals.

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February 8, 1993

SECTION: U.S. NEWS; Vol. 114, No. 5; Pg. 33, 36

LENGTH: 1523 words

HEADLINE: Why Clinton fights for gays

BYLINE: By Kenneth T. Walsh; Matthew Cooper; Steven V. Roberts; Bruce B. Auster

BODY:

... called her during the campaign to commiserate, telling aides, "It's outrageous and unbelievable what happened to her."

Coalition partners. But if Clinton's personal commitment to gay rights runs deep, he is also aware that there are political benefits, as long as he doesn't alienate too many others in the process. An estimated 9 million gays voted in the last election -- a possible record -- and one Democratic calculation says Clinton got 71 percent of the votes. Almost as important, homosexuals are generous campaign contributors and good volunteers. "The gay and lesbian community was a big part of Bill Clinton's victory," Democratic National Chairman David Wilhelm told a recent gay fund-raiser. "[Gays will be] part of a new diverse and inclusive coalition that will govern."

Yet Clinton has for many years calibrated his views so that he was never too far ahead of public opinion. As governor of Arkansas, despite his beliefs, he was never a leading supporter of gay rights. He did not back measures allowing homosexual marriages or otherwise expanding gay rights, and he declined to push for repeal of Arkansas's antisodomy law, a central issue for the gay community. In his defense, aides say Clinton opposed proposals that regulated marriage, either gay or heterosexual, preferring to keep such matters private. They say he never pushed changes in the sodomy law because he knew they would not pass.

That caution remains. A senior Clinton adviser said last week that the president is still not interested in leading an all-out war for gay rights. He would have no problem with a military code of conduct that, in general, treated gays and heterosexuals differently, because he recognizes that the armed forces require more conformity and discipline than civilian society. Some gay activists are already claiming that this sells out his promise.

More important, Clinton's handling of the gays-in-the-military flap has left him with self-inflicted wounds in Washington. On Capitol Hill, many legislators see the dust-up as a sign of faulty judgment and how poor Clinton's staff work is. Especially troubling to even his allies was Clinton's lack of consultation with Sam Nunn, chairman of the Senate Armed Services ...

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NEWS

January 29, 1993

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HEADLINE: President Clinton's Policy on Gays Not Surprising

BYLINE: CHARLES BIERBAUER

BODY:

... Mr. MIXNER: -I mean, I think both President Clinton and Vice President Gore know people who are gay and lesbian, who are out of the closet, who are successful in their fields, who are contributing to their country.

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REPORTER: The president is committed to ending all discrimination against homosexuals, and the president must- it must follow that he's committed, for example, to recognize same-sex marriages. Is that the case?

GEORGE STEPHANOPOULOS, Communications Dir.: These are the kind of details that are going to get worked out.

BIERBAUER: Gay-rights organizers say that's not what they're asking for.

TIM MCFEELEY, Human Rights Campaign Fund: People are discriminated against because they're gay or lesbian, and he wants to end that. I think after that point, it gets a little bit more mainstream.

BIERBAUER: But activists say this could just be the first gay-rights battle of the Clinton administration.

President Clinton may have entered the fray out of principal, but his friend David Mixner doubts Clinton had any idea of the intensity of the counterattack he faced. Charles Bierbauer, CNN, Washington.

CNN Transcripts, January 29, 1993

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Inside Politics

January 28, 1993

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SECTION: News

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HEADLINE: Gays in the Military

BYLINE: CATHERINE CRIER; BERNARD SHAW;

BODY:

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[on camera] President Clinton may then have entered the fray out of principle, but his friend David Mixner doubts Clinton had any idea of the intensity of the counter-attack that he faced. And until, Bernie, he gets some meat on the table in the form of that budget plan, the ...