

converted by his partner who believes "they're just trying to get life together like the rest of us." Believe it or not, the show actually features some well-adjusted gays.

Consultants for the episode from the shooting to the cutting room are gay psychiatrist Newt Dieter and a lesbian known as Country. They have already pushed through major changes in the script, including some new dialogue written with the help of filmmaker and Task Force member Pat Rocco. The story also features a gay psychiatrist allowed to make some broad-ranging comments on society's homophobia. The episode should make the tube Feb. 12.

Masters of War

More fuel for conspiracy theorists:

The new issue of Esquire has an article by Tad Szulc of the New York Times detailing



CIA pressure on President Kennedy to assassinate Fidel Castro. According to Szulc, shortly after the Bay of Pigs Invasion, Kennedy called Szulc — who had been critical of the invasion — into his office and asked for "some constructive ideas." "We chatted for a while about Cuba," Szulc writes, "then Kennedy leaned forward in his rocking chair and hurled a question at me: 'What would you think if I ordered Castro to be assassinated?'"

Szulc, of course, expressed dismay at the idea and Kennedy agreed with him, explaining that he was under great pressure from the "intelligence community" to assassinate Castro. This rift has long been cited by conspiracy theorists as the reason for Kennedy's assassination. So it is particularly interesting that Szulc notes "the Central Intelligence Agency, presumably acting with President Johnson's authority (unless it was another do-it-yourself undertaking), set in motion in late 1964 and 1965 a new secret plan to combine Castro's assassination with a second invasion of the island by Cuban exiles from bases located in Costa Rica and Nicaragua." The scheme is particularly wild in terms of the resolution of the 1962 Cuban missile crisis and Washington's commitment to let Castro alone. When the rebellion erupted in the Dominican Republic in 1965,

the political situation was such that fortunately the scheme could not be pursued. As Szulc points out, in every case there was the presence of such now familiar names as Lt. Howard Hunt, James W. McCord, and Bernard L. Barker.

Conspiracy theorists will also be interested to note that still another Warren Commission veteran has, in the tradition of Leon Jaworski and Gerald Ford, risen to the forefront in post-Watergate Washington. Jenner, now Republican counsel on the House Judiciary Committee on the issue of impeachment, served under Leon Jaworski as assistant counsel to the Warren Commission. According to Sylvia Meagher's excellent book on the Warren Commission, "Accessories After the Fact," Jenner, who was assigned the general responsibility of figuring out whether or not there had been a conspiracy, failed to pursue evidence which suggested that Oswald was a government agent.

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Women: The Women's School is putting together its next semester, scheduled to begin in March. Operating out of the Women's Center at 46 Pleasant St., Cambridge, it plans to offer courses on Portugal and its African colonies, bicycle repair, nutrition, Japan and its economic relationship to the US, women in mental hospitals and prisons, and Spanish. Those interested in teaching should write the Women's School, 639 Mass Ave., Room 340, Cambridge 02139, or call 492-4845.

The Left: On February 2, there will be a demonstration at 1 pm on the Boston Common, Park St. Station, in support of the American Indian Movement and the Wounded Knee trials. For more information, call Mr. Stonehorse Goeman or Raymond Fields of AIM at 288-0278 . . . The Harvard Square Waitresses Organizing Committee has changed its name to the Independent Restaurant Workers Union and is now trying to organize the Pewter Pot restaurant at Copley Square. They have filed with the NLRB for an election and have begun recognition picketing, from 11-2 and 5-8 every day, and seek volunteers . . . Picketing continues every Thursday in front of the Greek consulate. The Action Group for Greece still needs people to join them in protest against the new Greek regime and American involvement in Greece. For more information, call 354-4301.

Phone phreaks: Phone phreaks who would like to get the new 1974 credit card code can do so by writing Al Bell, TAP Newsletter, room 504, 152 W. 42nd St., NYC 10036.

Odds and Ends: A new book by Paul Chapman, an Atlanta businessman, says that the Irish really discovered America first, not Columbus. According to Chapman, Irish monks led by St. Brendan the Navigator first reached North America in 564 A.D. and also discovered the Azores, Antilles, Bahamas, and Faeroes Islands.