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Gay identities and conflicts

- ➤ Male homosexuality was made a capital offense in England in 1533.
- The first man to be convicted was playwright and school master Nicholas Udall in 1541, who was imprisoned for a year.

- The law became permanent in 1563 until replaced by the Offences **Against the People Act of 1828:** the death penalty was the punishment until 1861, though it was little used.
- Thereafter, punishment became imprisonment for between ten years and life.

- The 1885 Criminal Law Amendment Act made any homosexual act illegal.
- ➤In 1895, Oscar
 Wilde was
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 homosexuality and
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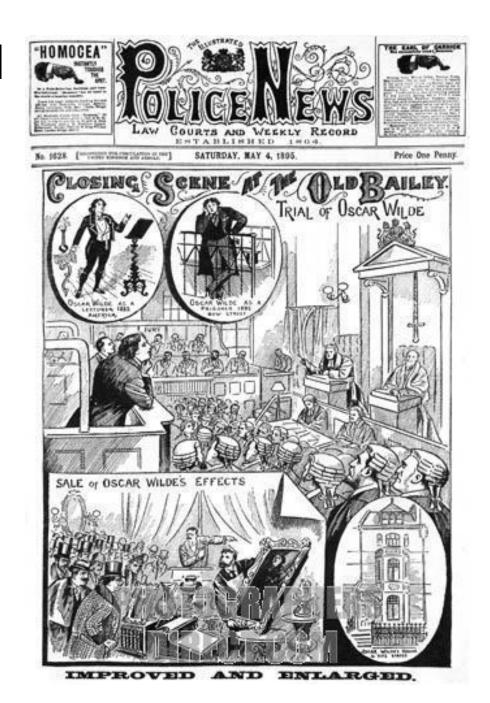
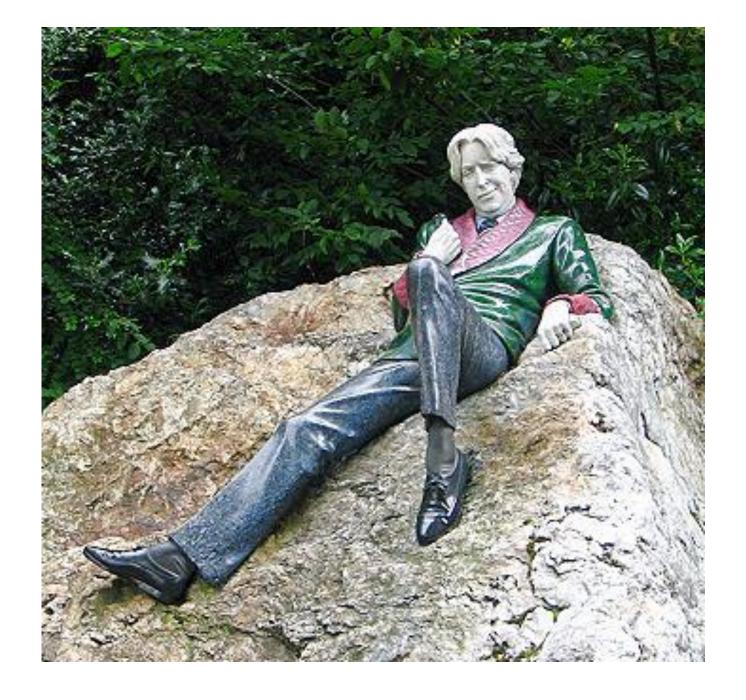
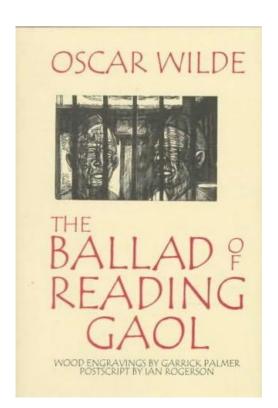


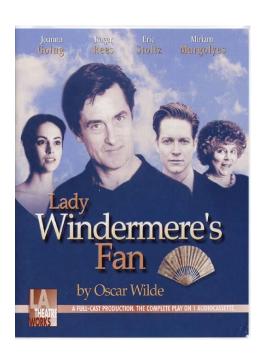


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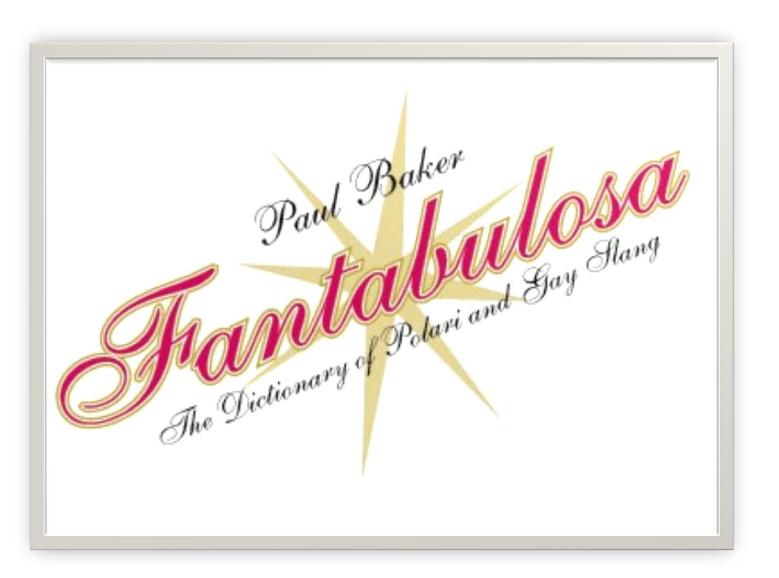






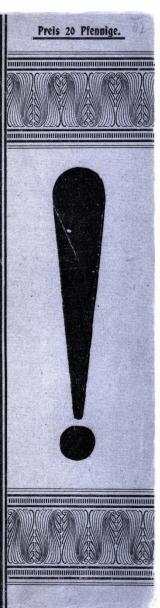


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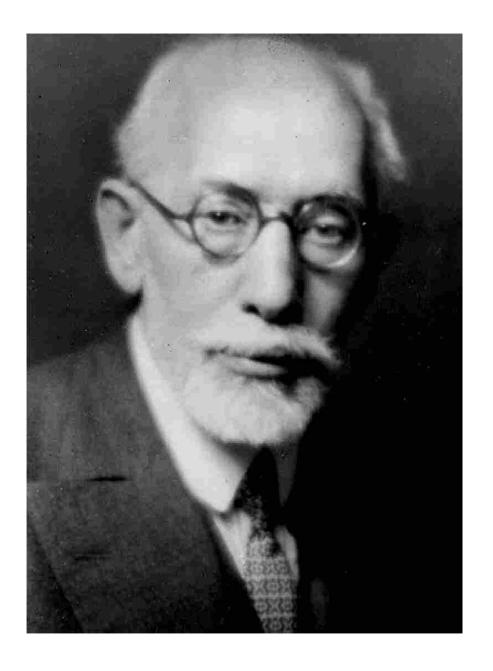




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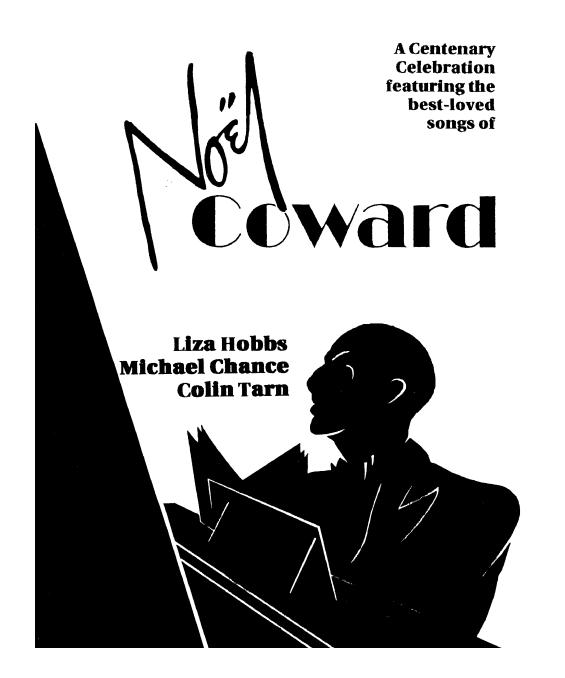
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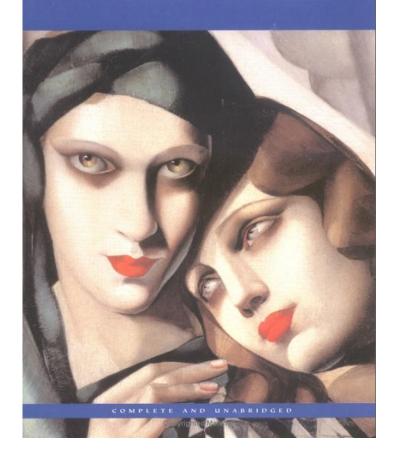


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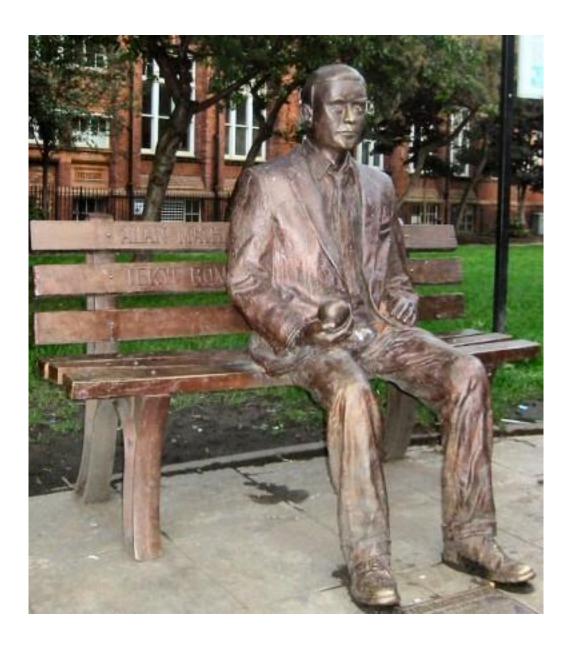
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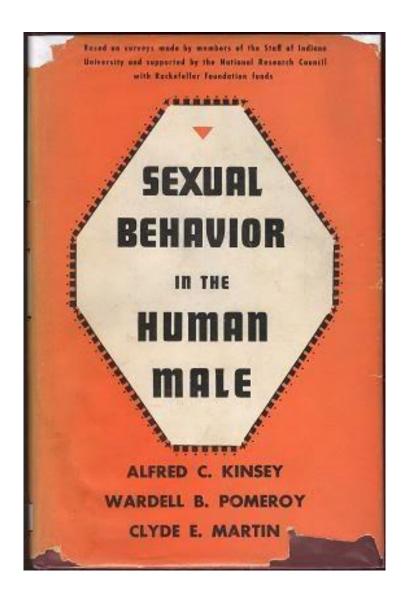
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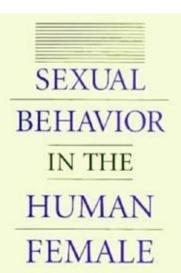


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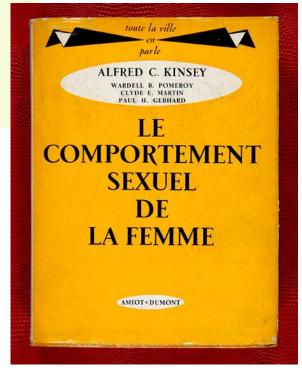


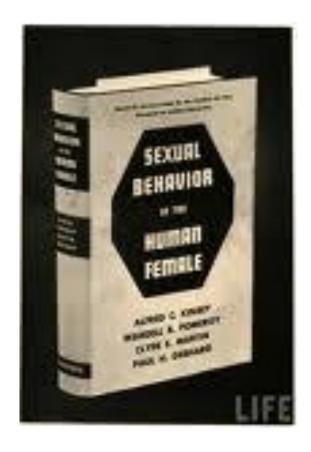


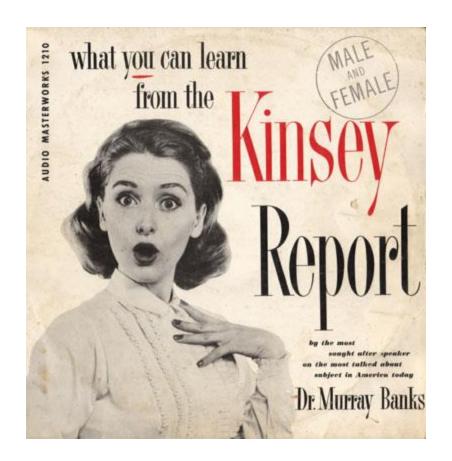
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➤ Arrests and prosecutions for homosexuals increased in the 1950s.

>The well-publicized trial of Lord Montagu of Beaulieu in 1954 led the Conservative government to set up a Departmental Committee under Sir John Wolfenden to consider both homosexual offences and prostitution.



HOME OFFICE SCOTTISH HOME DEPARTMENT

Report

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Presented to Parliament by the Secretary of State for the Home Department and the Secretary of State for Scotland by Command of Her Majesty

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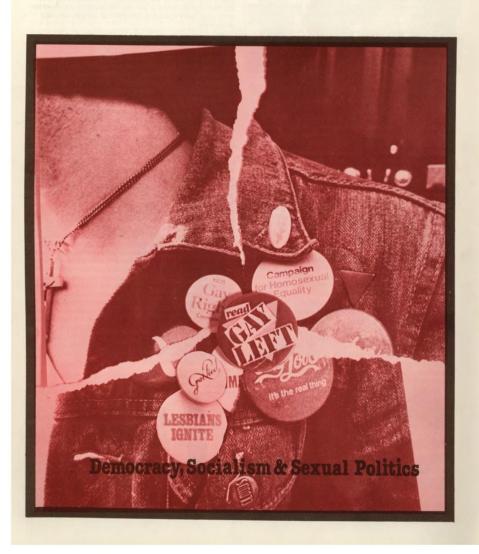
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First gay pride march in London

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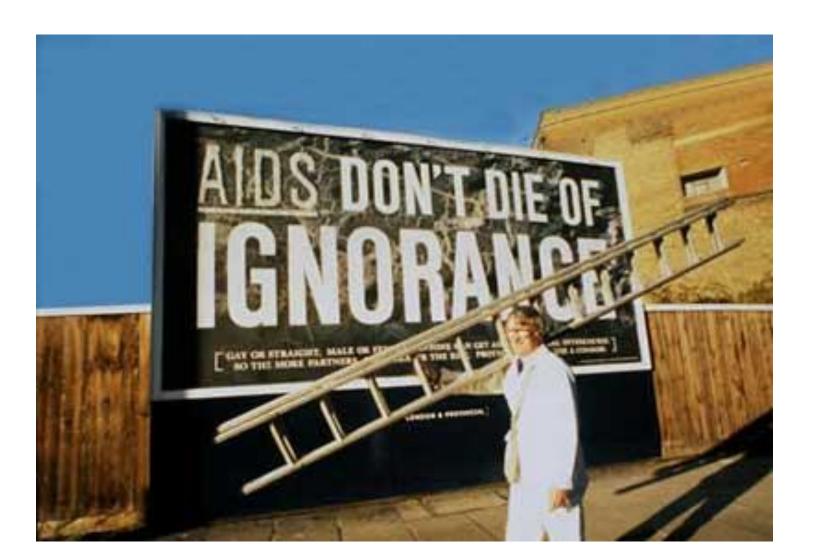
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Campaign in 1988 against Clause 28













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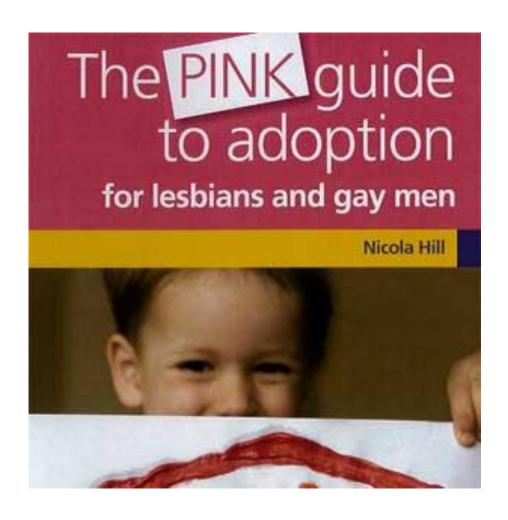




2004 Union campaign



Since 2008, it is illegal to discriminate against people because of their sexuality.





NOTHING LEFT TO FIGHT FOR?

There can be no viler act, apart from homosexuality, than sexually abusing innocent children."

24% think gay sex should be made illegal

45% think same-sex couples should NOT be allowed to get married

56% think same-sex couples should NOT be allowed to adopt children

Since 1989 Stonewall has been campaigning to achieve equality for lesbian, gay and bisexual people.

At home ...

Stonewall successfully lobbies for changes in the law to ensure equal treatment in home and family life. Trunks to Stonewall's campaigning

At school ...

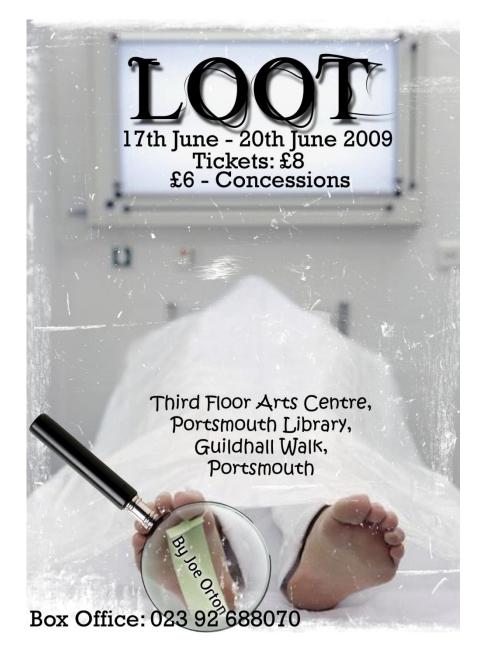
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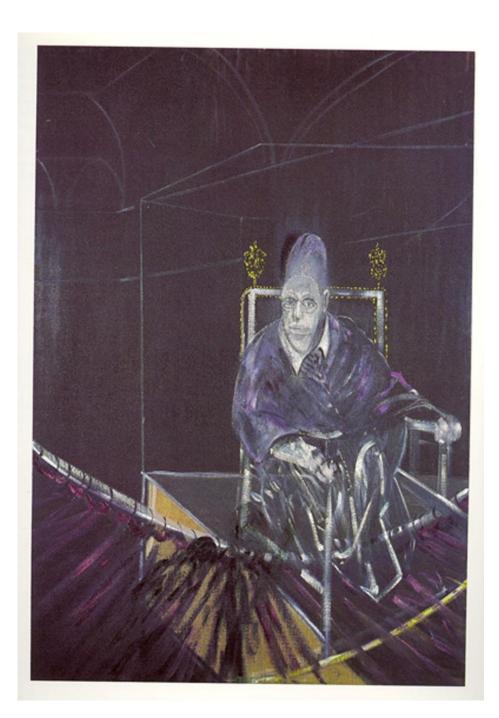
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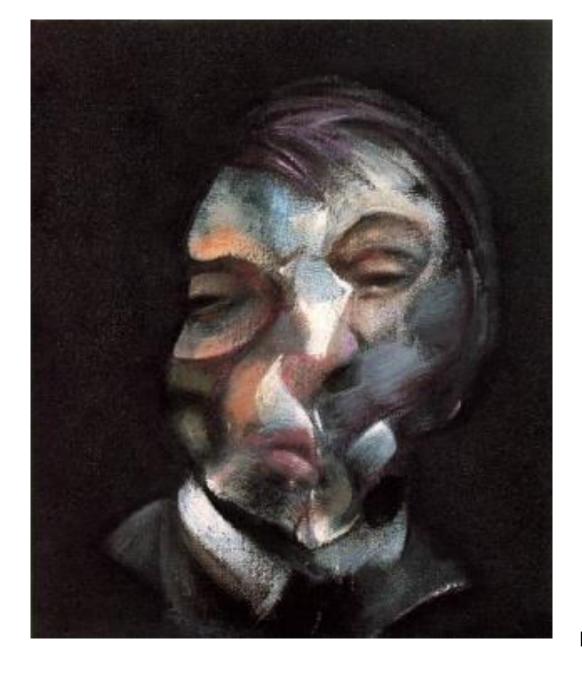


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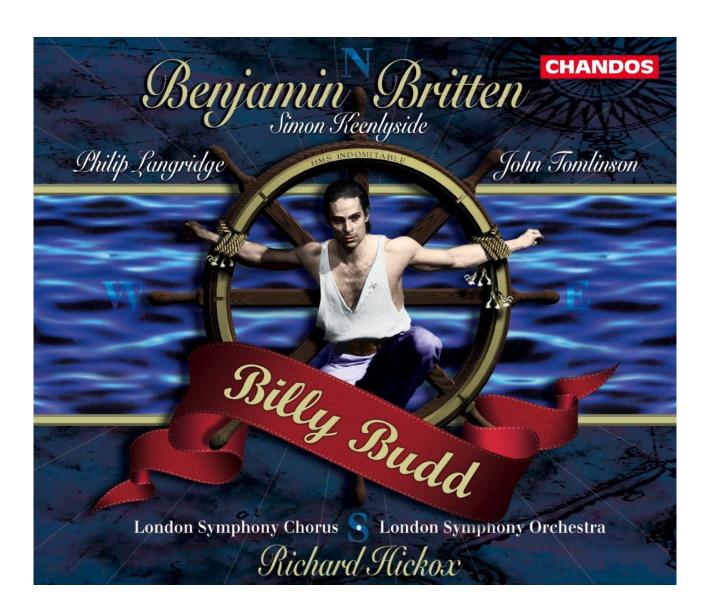




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