

CONTINUED: Eugene Enslin

Enslin said Jacksonville Police Detective Sam Hudson, whose actions brought Enslin's 1974 arrest, has failed to run him out of town despite repeated attempts at harassment of his massage parlor employees and customers over the past six years.

"This sodomy prosecution didn't really come out of my publicly admitting I was gay," Enslin said. "It came out of my publicly admitting I was gay and I enjoyed giving marines a massage in my massage parlor. They couldn't get rid of the massage parlor. Now, I'm not running a gay massage parlor--I'm running a perfectly straight, legal, hand-work only kind of massage parlor, but I have been able to keep the girls in business by working with them. And the marines don't care who puts liniment on their backs if the girl gives them a hand job, which is perfectly legal. In the six years I've been in Jacksonville this one particular cop has been trying the whole time to get rid of the massage parlor." Enslin is referring to Detective Hudson, who at the state court trial testified that he sent a 17-year-old male marine to entice Enslin into sex so that Enslin could be "run out of town" (Hudson's words).

Enslin says he will soon file a civil suit against the Jacksonville Police for "60 false arrests and malicious prosecutions" based on a city ordinance pertaining to massage parlors. Enslin has won the 60 cases.

"The federal judge and the state superior (court) judge have already ruled that they (the city council) have unconstitutionally applied their old ordinance, even in the constitutional sections," Enslin said. "I'm going to put a companion suit in the federal court with that one on the homosexual persecution aspect of all this," he said, explaining that prosecutions in this realm have been discriminatory against gays.

Enslin makes two final charges: that the Jacksonville City Council has him in mind in trying to amend its new massage ordinance to prohibit convicted felons from having a license, and that Detective Hudson's most recent Jacksonville prostitution arrests have been racially discriminatory. On the final point, Enslin says local black politicians feel helpless to fight what stems from "a great deal of racism" because Hudson is nevertheless arresting prostitutes.

Enslin's second appeal to the Supreme Court was supported by the Lambda Legal Defense Fund, whose lawyer, Carrington Boggan, represented him. Boggan co-authored the ACLU's Gay Rights Handbook. The ACLU's national office, which funded the first appeal, was afraid a second appeal would tempt the court to create a negative precedent.

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Dr. Fitzgerald is the author of "A Critique of Anthropological Research on Homosexuality," which appeared in last summer's Journal of Homosexuality. Several related research works by Dr. Fitzgerald are available in the North Carolina Room of Wilson Library. His 1962 UNC-CH honors thesis is entitled "Cultural Deviancy and the Concept of Homosexuality."

Dr. Fitzgerald said he would appreciate feedback from anyone who has had experiences involving courses on homosexuality. His address is Foust 201, UNC-G, Greensboro, N.C. 27412.

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East Lansing (Mich.): The undergraduate student body at Michigan State University has elected Dan Jones, an openly gay man, as its student body president. Michigan State has a reputation for being a traditionally conservative Midwestern school.

The election of Jones, former director of Gay Council on campus, may indicate a new openness and acceptance on the part of students. (From the Advocate of May 17)