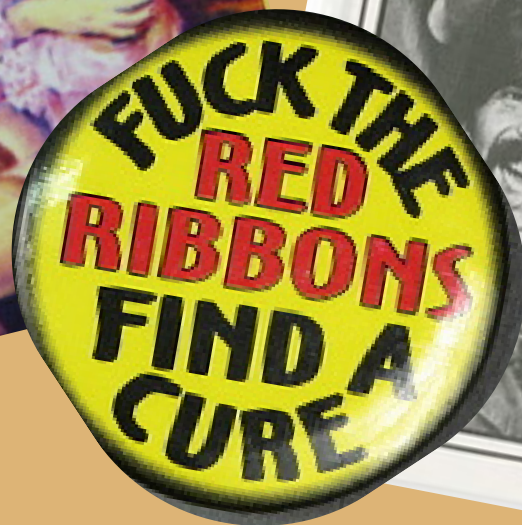
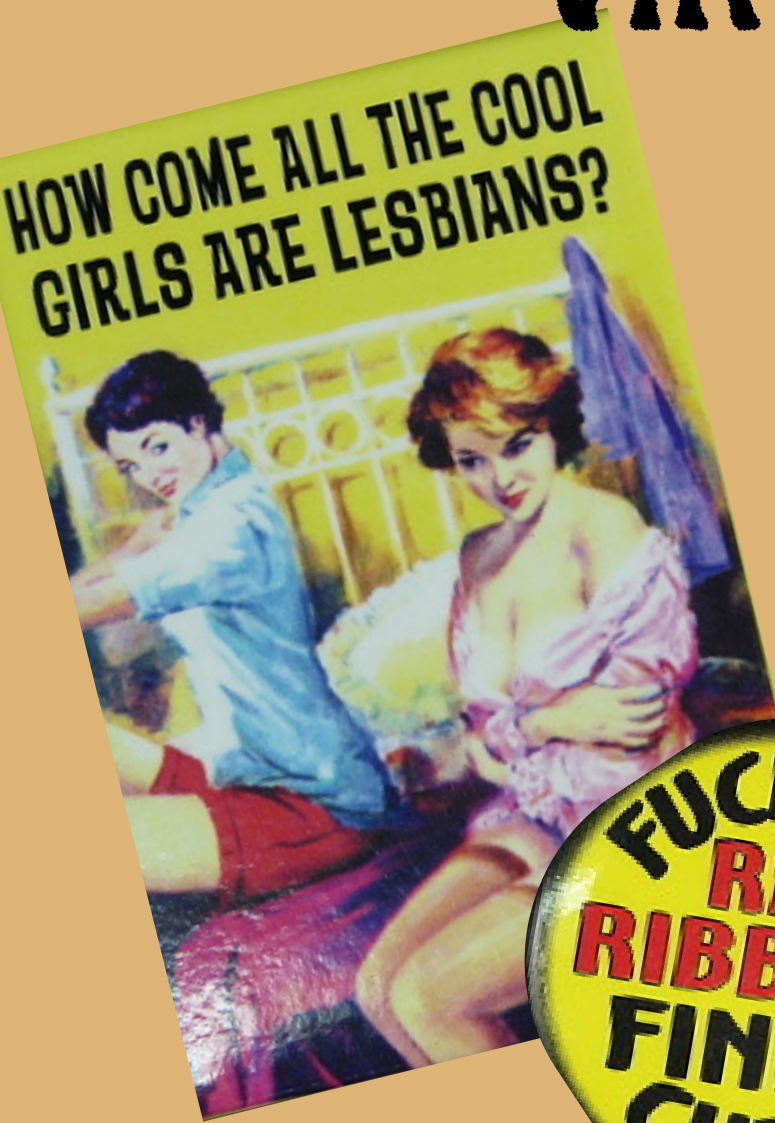


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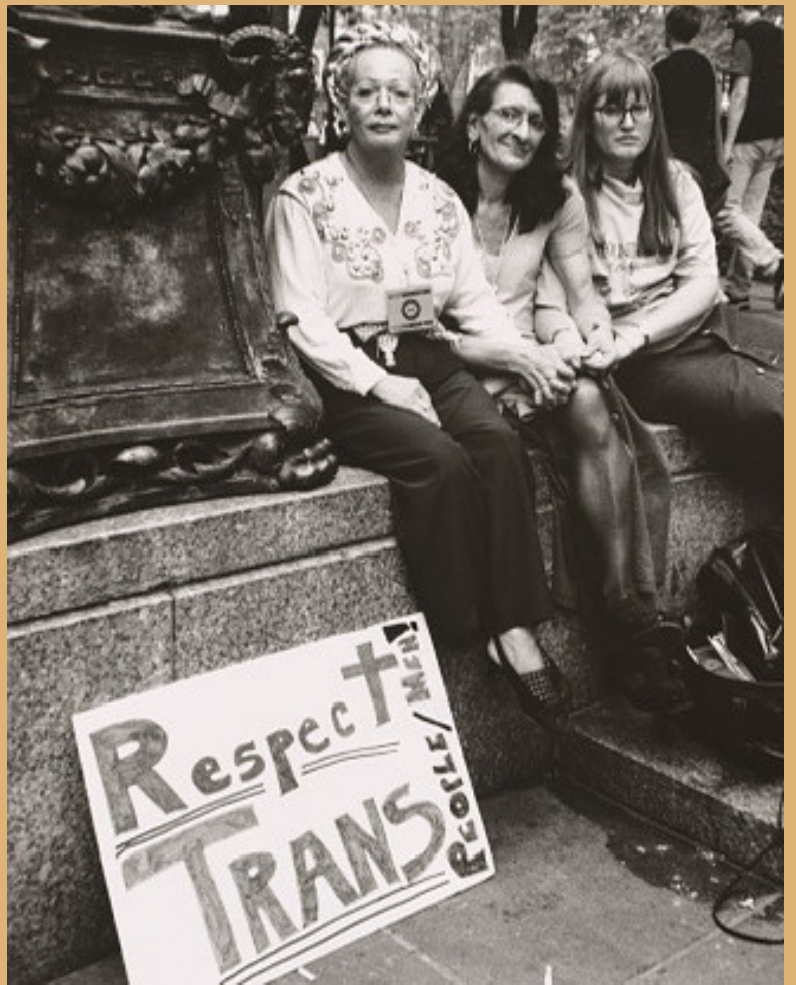
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DURING THE 1960'S, GENDER AND SEXUALITY BECAME A TOPIC OF INTEREST IN THE ACADEMIC WORLD BUT QUEER ACTIVISM HAS BEEN AROUND FOR MUCH LONGER. THE FIRST PUBLIC QUEER ACTIVIST IN AMERICA WAS A TRANS WOMAN KNOWN AS WILLIAM DORSEY SWAN. SHE WAS BORN INTO SLAVERY IN THE AMERICAN SOUTH. SHE ORGANIZED DRUG BALLS AND HAD MANY ALTERCATIONS WITH POLICE. SHE FOUGHT BACK PUBLICLY AND LED BY EXAMPLE FOR OTHER QUEER PROTESTS EFFORTS IN THE FUTURE. HER EFFORTS WERE SIMILAR TO THOSE OF MARSHA P. JOHNSON AND SYLVIA RIVERA.

QUEERNESS IS OFTEN SEEN AS A NEW CONCEPT BUT
THERE HAVE BEEN QUEER PEOPLE IN EVERY
CULTURE ACROSS THE WORLD SINCE THE CONCEPT
OF GENDER AND SEXUALITY WERE CREATED. IN
SOME CULTURES, QUEER PEOPLE WERE SEEN AS
SPIRITUALLY ADVANCED, WHILE IN OTHERS WE
WERE OPPRESSED. MODERN POLICY SURROUNDING
LGBTQ+ SEXUAL AND HISTORICAL EDUCATION HAS
MUDDIED THE WATERS OF OUR HISTORY AND
PREVENTED US FROM LEARNING ABOUT THOSE WHO
CAME BEFORE US.

THE COMMODIFICATION OF TRANSNESS HAS BEEN AN ISSUE IN THE COMMUNITY FOR YEARS. ONE OF THE FIRST EXAMPLES OF THIS IS A TRANS WOMAN NAMED CHRISTINE JORGENSEN. SHE WAS THE FIRST AMERICAN TO UNDERGO GENDER AFFIRMING SURGERY. SHE WAS AN ARMY VETERAN BUT AFTER HER MEDICAL TRANSITION, SHE WAS UNABLE TO FIND WORK OUTSIDE OF COMMODIFYING HERSELF. AMERICAN SOCIETY MADE A SPECTACLE OF HER AND HER "PERSONA" MAKING IT VERY DIFFICULT FOR HER TO FIND WORK. THE SOCIAL STIGMA AND PUBLICITY MADE SELF-PROMOTION HER ONLY OPTION FOR INCOME.

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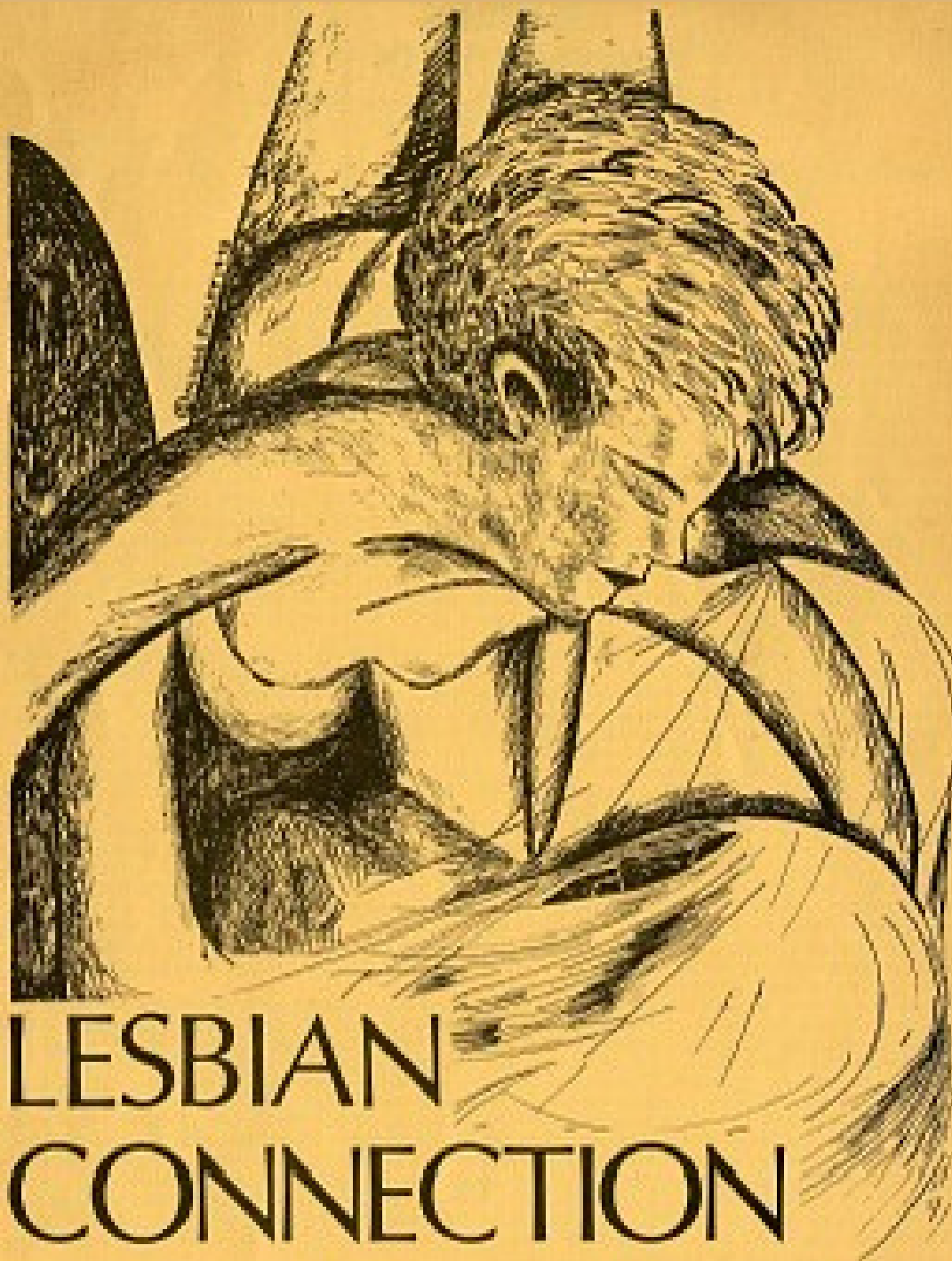
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