

HAPPY APRIL FOOL'S DAY

Hallmarket Cards for every occasion ...

COMING OUT



Across the miles,
'cause I hold you dear,
I want you to know
that I am queer.



I sit behind my
desk each day
And wonder whether
you know I'm gay
Now it's time I got
to work
I sure do hope you're
not a jerk.

Have a nice day!

ASK FOR THEM AT YOUR LOCAL CARD STORE.

Hallmarket Announces New Line of Greeting Cards

Citing untapped market potential and a desire to be on the cutting edge of the greeting card industry, Hallmarket Cards, Inc. announced last Wednesday it is introducing a new line of greeting cards targeted at Gays and Lesbians.

Schoofly Donates to OITM

Claiming that she "has seen the light," Mrs. Phyllis Schoofly, the well-known right wing, anti-ERA advocate, recently contacted *Out in the Mountains* and offered to donate \$100,000 to the paper's ongoing fund raising campaign.

Shown here at a presentation ceremony last week, Mrs. Schoofly refused to offer any explanation for her sudden change in heart. She did, however, express great embarrassment and regret for her years of anti-gay lobbying efforts stating, "May Goddess have mercy on me."

Speaking with *Out in the Mountains* staffers Tuesday, Mrs. Schoofly pledged the resources and energies of her nationwide organization, The Beagle Forum, for fund-raising efforts saying, "it is our fit penance."

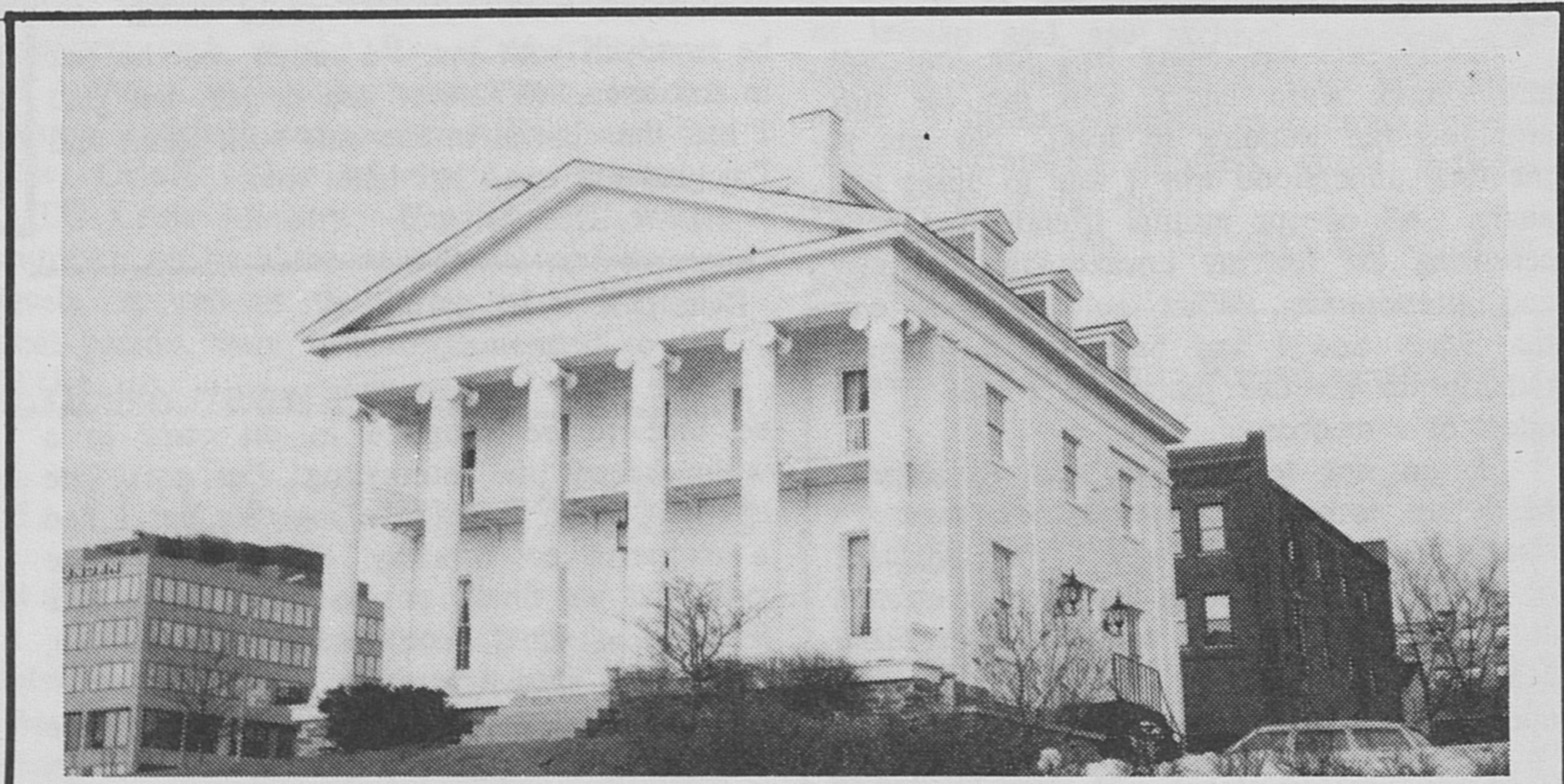
Unnamed sources close to Mrs. Schoofly say she believes she has received an ultimatum from Goddess commanding her to donate \$3,000,000 to Gay/Lesbian causes before April 15, or she will be "stricken."

"Not only heterosexuals have birthdays," said a company spokesman at a well-attended press conference, "and we think it's time we stood up and publicly said that."

Oversized samples of the new line unveiled Wednesday showed cards celebrating union ceremonies, anniversaries (beginning at one month), and coming out to Mom, Dad,

Brother, Sister and the World's Best Grandmother.

In a twist on a familiar theme, some of the cards depict same-sex couples silhouetted on twilight beaches and hand-holding brides atop giant wedding cakes. Defending the series, a Hallmarket spokesman said, "We saw no need to abandon traditional themes. We are attempting to appeal to the more mainstream homosexual population."



Burlington officials announced the donation of the Follet House to VLGR as the new Lesbian and Gay Community Center.

