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Dear Joe,

Enjoyed both your letters and the information regarding the Mr. America Contests. (August and October)

No, I didn't know that Al Thomas had decided to discontinue writing about the female aspect of bodybuilding. I have never met him, but we have corresponded off and on for many years. I have inclosed a clipping I found in the LA Times shortly after receiving your last letter, and wondered if this kind of activity is one of the reasons for his decision. I can understand how someone who is so devoted to the "Game" could become quite disillusioned with some of the present day activities.

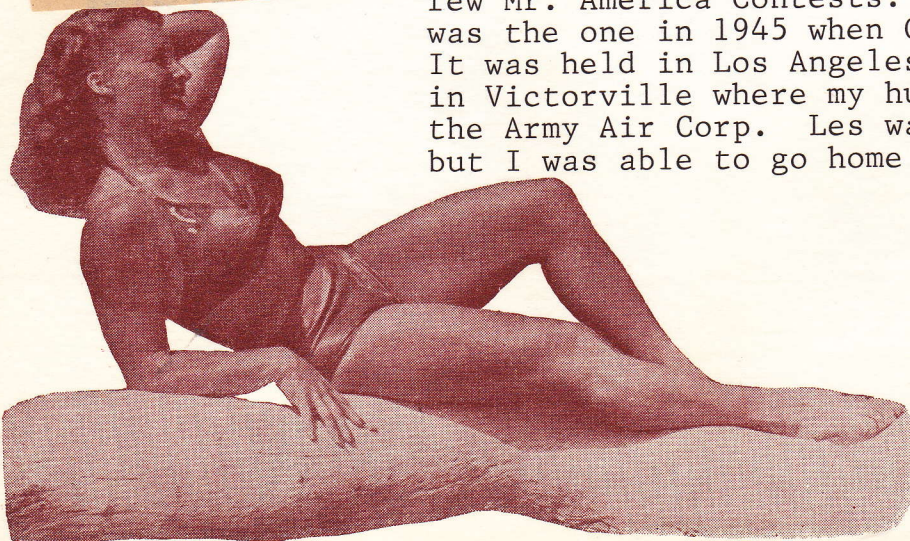
I would be more than glad to send you Bert Goodrich's address, but unfortunately I do not know it. However, if I get an opportunity to receive it from someone, will be glad to forward it on to you. He used to live in the Hollywood area, but I don't know whether this is still true. So many of us are out of touch with each other - especially as the years are rolling by.

I can imagine that John Grimek would probably be a busy retiree - he is not the "sit back in a chair" person by any means. It is wonderful that he has continued to stay in shape - not always easy to do.

As strange as it may seem, we have attended very few Mr. America Contests. The one I mainly remember was the one in 1945 when Clancy Ross won the title. It was held in Los Angeles, and we were living out in Victorville where my husband was stationed with the Army Air Corp. Les was in Florida at the time, but I was able to go home to Santa Monica, and attended.

/Tuesday, October 29, 1985 ★

A woman body builder who apparently was mistaken for a man by Anaheim police filed a \$10-million lawsuit against the city of Anaheim and Officer Charles Knight. Teagan Clive's U.S. District Court suit alleges that Knight violated Clive's civil rights by placing her in a chokehold. The incident occurred April 20, when Knight allegedly entered a women's restroom at the Anaheim Convention Center and, apparently mistaking Clive for a man, asked her for identification. According to the officer's report, she became abusive and he was forced to subdue her. On Oct. 6, Clive, 29, was arrested at her Venice home on a warrant issued by Anaheim police, charging her with misdemeanor charges of assault, battery and resisting arrest.



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