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The Newsletter-Within-a-Newsletter of the National Transgender Library & Archive

Featured Acquisition

Transsexualism & Sex Reassignment
Richard Green & John Money,
Eds. (Baltimore: The Johns
Hopkins University Press, 1969)

The year 1969 saw the publication of the first edited text on transgender issues, Richard Green and John Money's *Transsexualism & Sex Reassignment*. The book contained cutting edge information about the emerging field of transsexualism. Like the then-newly formed Gender Identity Clinic at Johns Hopkins, Green & Money's book took an interdisciplinary approach to sex reassignment. Chapters addressed a variety of topics ranging from electrolysis to legal issues to genital reassignment surgery.

We're excited to obtain a copy of *Transsexualism & Sex Reassignment* because it figures prominently in one of our projects. Dallas Denny has contracted with Garland Publications to produce an edited text, (working title: *Cross-gender Identity: A New Synthesis*), which will begin with a reprise of *Transsexualism & Sex Reassignment*. A *New Synthesis* will feature writers from a variety of disciplines, bringing together in one volume the field's most respected thinkers (including both Dr. Green and Dr. Money), writing about the past, present, and future of transsexualism and transgenderism.

The National Transgender Library & Archive would like to thank Michelle McCallan, Virginia Prince, Walter J. Phillips of Patbs Untrodden, Sister Mary Elizabeth, and many others for their generous donations of materials.

Some Recent Acquisitions

Bornstein, Kate. (1994).
*Gender Outlaw: On Men,
Women, and the Rest of Us*.
New York: Routledge.

*Kate lays waste to dichotomous
notions of gender in this
mainstream book.*

Denny, Dallas. (1994). *Gender
Dysphoria: A Guide to
Research*. New York: Garland.

*Extensive annotated
bibliography (650 pp.)
of transgender materials.*

MacKenzie, Olga Gordene.
(1994). *Transgender Nation*.
Bowling Green, OH: Bowling
Green U. Press.

*Proceedings from the Second
International Conference on
Transgender Law and
Employment Policy*, August,
1993. (Donated by Laura
Skaer).

Turnabout Magazine. (1963-
1966). Issues 1-7.

Uhlrichs, Karl Heinrich
(Michael A. Lombardi-Nash,
Transl.). (1994). *The Riddle
of "Man-Manly" Love: The
Pioneering Work on Male
Homosexuality*. Buffalo:
Prometheus Press.

*First English translation of
Uhlrichs' groundbreaking
work, which was first published
as a series of booklets between
1864 and 1880.*



Lily Elbe

Featured Holding: *Man into Woman* by Niels Hoyer

(New York: E.P. Dutton, 1933)

The first widely publicized sex reassignment was Christine Jorgensen's in 1952, but there were earlier cases. Perhaps the most remarkable was that of Danish painter Einar Wegener (also called Andreas Sparre), who became Lili Elbe after a series of surgeries in Germany in the late 1920s and early 1930s.

Elbe's story is evocatively told by her friend Niels Hoyer, in accordance with her last wishes. "Lili's eyes had become the eyes of a painter, and a tremor passed through her. 'Those are not my eyes. They are Andreas' eyes. Is he not yet dead within me? Can he give me no peace, then?'"

Elbe, who took her name "out of gratitude to the German city in which she fulfilled her human destiny," died in Dresden in 1931, after the last of three feminizing operations.

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