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synopsis
the gay movement

Homosexuals on the barricades; the struggle continues

On January 1st 2001, Holland was the first country in the world to legally sanction gay marriage. However, these weddings were preceded by years of struggle; a struggle that started after the introduction of discriminatory legislation at the beginning of the last century and which followed the contours of compartmentalized Holland until, finally, it led to the gay marriage. But the Gay Movement, one of the most powerful social movements in the nation's recent history, must take up the gauntlet again: the present generation of homosexual youngsters is facing a diminishing tolerance from the ranks of their heterosexual peers. The struggle continues.