

UT regents scalpel nurses

The University of Texas System School of Nursing, unique in the nation in its autonomous organization as a six-campus network of nursing schools, was dissolved by a 7-2 vote of the University of Texas Board of Regents.

Nurses and nursing students charged that the action taken March 26 was the result of a power struggle between members of the nursing profession and physicians at UT's medical schools—a struggle in which nurses say regents sided with the

doctors.

A state-wide nurses' support meeting was called in San Antonio in early April to discuss a course of action to be taken to force the Regents to rescind their decision. The course will center on the office of Governor Dolph Briscoe since he appoints members to the Board of Regents.

Regent Joe Nelson, a Weatherford physician and chairman of the Medical Affairs Committee, was the most outspoken proponent of the System's dissolution which will subordinate the six nursing school branches under UT presidents of campuses at Austin, El Paso, Arlington, the Health Science Centers at Houston and San Antonio, and the Medical Branch in Galveston.

UTSSN President, Dr. Marilyn Willman, the only nursing school president in the country, and the 30 employees in the System's Austin office will lose their jobs (sometime before September 1) after the System is reorganized into six separate institutions.

In testimony before the regents, Nelson was highly critical and uncomplimentary towards nurses and the nursing profession. At one point in the open session he told a joke about a nurse who, when told by a

doctor to cut an IV-cord, grabbed a pair of scissors and cut it.

Regent Nelson advocated a return to traditional "bed-side" nursing care. "We are not giving enough attention to direct patient care," he observed from his having been a patient himself recently.

He also charged that UT nurses in their progressive approach were neglecting clinical training that necessitated graduates to take special additional training at UT hospitals.

Nelson would not grant time for an interview to KTRK-TV Houston reporter Jan Carson.

Carson was able to interview Dr. Marilyn Willman who expressed her concern that "some physicians feel that nurses are getting out of line. This (dissolution) is one way to extend their control."

"Is Dr. Nelson one of those physicians?" asked Carson. "I believe he is," replied Willman.

The dissolution was billed as an economy move aimed at saving \$300,000 annually. (The UTSSN's Development Board annually raises more than \$300,000 for the school. If the System is dissolved, the Development Board will no longer have reason to function).

"We're in a money crunch," Nelson said, to which Dr. Bonnie Rickleman, a nursing administrator, replied, "Being principally a women's profession, confrontations over who will control nursing—labeled as an economic problem—are not new to us."

In response Nelson said, "I've got a real grave concern that you (nurses) are getting a little bit uptight about your responsibilities and the possible confrontations with physicians' assistants."

Following the vote one high-level nursing administrator said, "Nelson cut us to ribbons. He made snide remarks. He made us look like we were worth nothing."

Most disturbing to nurses was the lack of their input into the decision. President Willman was the first to learn of the proposal—on Monday, March 22. The vote to dissolve the System took place four days later.

"They even defeated a motion to present more evidence, to study it further," Willman said.

At the meeting Regent Thomas Law of Fort Worth affirmed that he needed more information and motioned to delay consideration until the May meeting. Lady Bird Johnson seconded the motion. It failed.



DR. JOE NELSON

Luci Johnson Nugent, a former nursing student and chairperson of the UT Development Board, lent her personal support and political clout to the UT System's cause by calling for the creation of a public committee to study the reorganization proposal and report back to the Board of Regents within a six-month period.

"What I was lobbying for," Nugent said after the vote, "was simply the chance to have the System's school proposal studied further."

In Houston, nursing administrators shared great concern over the decision.

"If reorganization is necessary, let's put it all out on the table and discuss it," responded Hope Sessions, Director of Nursing for the City of Houston Health Department. "We need to have a voice. I am very concerned because the nursing community here was not informed. We are consumers of those (UT) graduates."

Caroline Blass, Chief of the Nursing Section of the Harris County Health Department, felt nursing professionals had "victimized themselves again" by not organizing politically when rumors of the reorganization surfaced several months ago.

"Nurses could have gotten together in concert and had a plan of action," Blass stated. "The profession must get together. Some doctors would like to think of nurses as hand-maidens serving them and some nurses view themselves as task-oriented hand maidens. We have to get over that image."

Dixie Brown, Executive Director of the Texas Nurses Association, District No. 9, saw the conflict between the regents and the UTSSN in the System's self-directed and innovative curriculum program. "Nursing education here was moving from tasks to technicians. The UT curriculum was exploring not only how-to but how and why."



DR. MARILYN WILLMAN

Caucus backs coalitions

Women activists assembled at the 5th Annual Harris County Women's Political Caucus Convention Saturday, March 27 to talk not only about the necessity to use the political clout possessed by women in Houston, but also to steer more feminists into the political arena.

The resolutions adopted by the caucus indicated the direction in which women attending the convention intend to see that body headed.

●Be it resolved that the Harris County Women's Political Caucus actively seek out qualified feminist candidates to run for local government.

●Be it resolved that the Harris County Women's Political Caucus establish as a priority for 1976 the establishment of a permanent coalition of feminist groups in Harris County.

●Be it resolved that \$1500 be issued by the Harris County Women's Political Caucus for the candidates it endorses for the May 1st primary;

And, that the distribution of funds be recommended by the Candidate Rating Committee and given final approval by the Policy Council at the April 7th endorsement meeting.

●Be it resolved that the Harris County Women's Political Caucus — the organization that spearheaded the creation of the Office of Women's Advocate for the city of Houston prior to the first term of office of Mayor Fred Hofheinz — go on record today requesting and demanding that this office be filled immediately in order that the women in Houston have a direct voice in city government.

Be it further resolved that the Harris County Women's Political Caucus support and endorse feminist and caucus member Gertrude Barnstone for this office.

The resolutions received the support of the majority of the women present at the HCWPC Convention.

The individual charged with implementing the resolutions and seeing that the goals of the caucus reach fruition is Donna Duerk, the newly-elected chair of the organization.

"What I am personally committed to is broadening the membership of the caucus to include all races, ages and political parties," Duerk said in an interview with *Breakthrough*. "We are still mostly Democrat, still mostly white, still most professional and still mostly mid-30."

According to Duerk the HCWPC has much to offer its membership.

"We screen candidates on the important issues facing the society and act as a voter information service," she says. "We offer our expertise by our active participation in political campaigns. We not only work in campaign offices, but we also know how to manage candidates and run ourselves."



DONNA DUERK

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Editorials

Vote feminist May 1

Once upon a time only fifty-or-so years ago women were not even allowed to vote in a country where "all men are created equal."

Today women and minorities are not only voting but running for office, as well. The nerve!

"I suspect that George Washington wasn't qualified to be President because he was the first one," said Janis Pool, a Democrat who had the nerve this year to announce her candidacy for Commissioners Court, Position 3, a district that was carved-out Republican.

"We as women can't wait for some pie-in-the-sky to help us out. I'm NOT gonna wait for George to do it 'cause I'm convinced that he's gonna do it to me! We've all been sitting here letting them do it to us and I'm not gonna do that any more. I'm running."

Mary Lou Stahl, a candidate for chairman (yes, that's how it's on the books) of the Harris County Democratic Executive Committee, said she wrote down all the qualifications a candidate for chair should have and realized she had just described herself. So she's running, too.

Those of us not in the running must still participate by supporting and voting for feminist candidates if we want feminist representation at all levels of government.

As feminist voters we have a responsibility to inform ourselves and to vote feminist. How do we recognize feminists if they are not wearing their ERA buttons? Call the candidate's campaign headquarters (every candidate has one) and ask them out-right their views on the ERA, on child care, on abortion rights, Title IX, fair credit, and political party reform.

If they are incumbents, look at their voting records. Did they support feminist legislation? Do they visibly and vocally support women and women's issues?

Look to the endorsements of feminist groups like the Harris County Women's Political Caucus (locally) and recommendations of the National Women's Political Caucus (for Presidential candidates - see page 5).

The local Caucus has a Candidate Screening and Rating Committee. They have screened all candidates in Harris County and rated them on their responses to feminist issues. The membership is meeting at the Women's Center, 3602 Milam, April 7 at 7:30 P.M. to vote on endorsements.

This is the first time in Texas history that a Presidential primary will take place. However, you will *not* be voting for the candidate but rather for the delegates committed to him. An important point to note is that *committed* delegates are bound to their candidates on the first ballot (whether or not the candidate has withdrawn from the running) and even on the second ballot (unless the candidate releases them). *Uncommitted* delegates are not bound to any candidate!

The May 1 primary ballot is long. As voters you will be casting ballots for Presidential delegates (committed and uncommitted), some state offices (Railroad Commission is the only contested race), all state legislators, two commissioner's court seats, judgeships (district, domestic relations, probate, and criminal court), county seats (attorney, sheriff, constables, inspector of hides and animals) and justice of peace races.

Feminist candidates need financial support. They are usually not the "big money" candidates and they need campaign workers. They usually cannot afford to pay full-time staff. Consider this a feminist assignment. Budget \$25-\$50 this month for feminists and give whatever free-time you can in the month of April to their successful candidacy. The primary is Saturday, May 1. VOTE.

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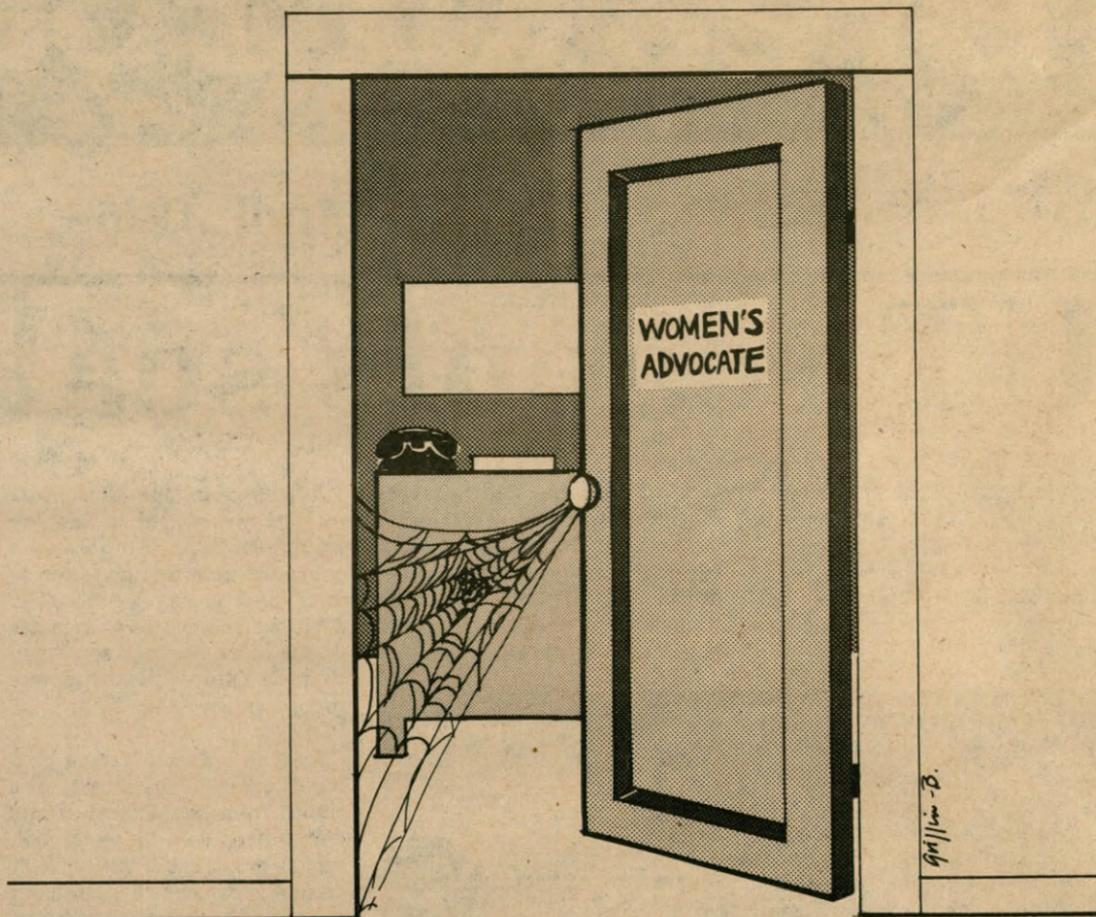
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letters to the editor

Congratulations on your newspaper. Among the members of the news media audience, probably none is more curious about the viewpoint of a new publication than someone like me -- an elected official.

It was with such curiosity that I examined the March issue of *Breakthrough*. In my judgment, your news coverage was journalistic and praiseworthy. I was very pleased with this approach.

I submit that, in the future, you might perhaps review the advisability of running pictorial features as biologically graphic as the story on giving birth. Such a story would raise conflicts in the minds of some parents who otherwise might wish to supplement the family's reading material with a subscription to *Breakthrough*. Such pictures, again in my opinion, may be "too much too soon" for some children.

In the main, however, I believe that *Breakthrough* is an opportunity for all who wish to be more thoroughly in touch with women's issues.

For that reason, I am entering my subscription. In doing so, I am voting for you and your success and acceptance -- both with readers and with advertisers.

HERMAN LAUHOFF
State Representative,
District 84

I would like to express my appreciation for your printing the article, "Home Birth Delivery By Midwife."

I think it is about time that women found out that they can safely have their babies at home.

Thank you so much for bringing this to the eyes of the public.

RUBY FOLEY

Ms. Foley is a member of the Houston Organization for Midwife Delivery (HOME). For more information on HOME call 668-9934.

I felt your article and pictures on Childbirth at home were excellent. It does not belong solely on the pages of a medical journal as some would argue.

If your 'pride and joy' happens to pick it up and does not know how to cope with it, then the responsibility rests with you as a parent. Use a little discretion. My 12-year-old daughter has seen it, my 9-year-old son has not. I might add this has more to do with age than sex.

By the way, two years ago my husband and I were fortunate enough to experience a home birth when we delivered a neighbor's son. It was accidental, not planned, as he decided to appear early, and the ambulance appeared late. The pictures brought back memories of an unforgettable moment and feelings of euphoria that are hard to put into words.

PAT HUNT

Thank you for your article (February 1976) on the appointments made to the Harris County Hospital District Board of Managers by the Commissioners Court. This kind of coverage should help develop the support needed for the appointment of a nurse to the Board.

Your article refers to a concern I share; that is, that if a nurse is appointed in 1977, it would be at the expense of Dr. James C. Watson whom I nominated for the Board three years ago. As your

article points out, he has made a significant contribution to the Hospital District and is a strong advocate for the patients. I will continue to do whatever I can to see a nurse appointed to the Board, but I will also continue to support Dr. Watson's membership on the Board.

TOM BASS

Harris County Commissioner

I'm a retired woman and grandmother, who is also a feminist. I have a suggestion to make: a column, or perhaps a small boxed space giving historic facts on the past history of the women's movement.

A book that covers a long range of the feminist history is Emily Hahn's "Once Upon A Pedestal." The revelation of ... their determination and courage is an inspired account of what can be accomplished by our sex.

To continue our stand against the age-old antagonism against women's progress towards freedom takes the same courage as those who dared in a Victorian age to fight for their rights as women.

JEAN LAMONT

We were pleased with the excellent article on Senora Quintanilla (March 1976). In addition to her other pursuits, Senora Quintanilla teaches Spanish classes for us and is an excellent instructor.

SHARON RODINE

Director, Downtown Branch
YWCA

UH educator Guadalupe Quin'anilla was honored as the March "Woman of the Month." Beginning with the April issue the column will be a "Focus on..." a local feminist.

Focus on Madgelean Bush

Bush keeps

By Gertrude Barnstone

Madgelean Bush describes herself as a "successful runaway, a Ph.D. in 'Ghetto-ology', an accomplished caterer and a kosher cook."

She's also the first administrative director of the Martin Luther King Community Center in the center's eight-year history.

"The center has been a great service in the community," Bush said. "When we can give someone the services they are entitled to, it gives me great satisfaction. I know we're doing something for human beings by rendering human resources."

Raised on a 400-acre farm in Austin County, Bush came to Houston in 1942 after running away from home. She worked at a laundry and a restaurant before returning to school.

"I've really been more involved in catering and kosher cooking than the administrative work I'm now doing," she said. "But I worked long in social and civic work - in the Texas Congress of Colored Parents and Teachers and in church, civic, and Eastern Star groups."

Her education, as she puts it, has been in "Ghetto-ology."

"I've been exposed to the bureaucrat, politician, and the oppressed people," Bush said. "I'm sick of people with two masters and a doctorate who do nothing for other people. My informal education has exposed me to all aspects of life. I've travelled throughout this country, in Greece and Germany, and I've met Angela Davis and other activists. I can deal differently with people by having seen more, having been exposed to more of life."

"But," she says, "it's not where you are - human needs are everywhere."

Bush tried to help answer these needs by organizing a neighborhood services center. She and other members of the community purchased a building in 1969 which was turned into a community center, and is still run by people from the neighborhood. In 1972, the group raised enough money to buy three more lots, and in 1975 they purchased still another building to house a program for runaways. Money now comes in from HUD, HEW, and the state and model cities.

"I was tired of seeing people denied services they needed," she explained. "People who lied got services, but those too 'Christianized' to lie were denied help."

"In 1951 I needed help, too," Bush said. "I was very ill and had two small children. I was refused entrance into Jeff Davis Hospital, so went downtown to the state welfare department. I was told if I couldn't afford the children, I should put them up for adoption. So when I was able, I wanted to help people who were being oppressed as I had been oppressed."

One of the services offered by the center is day care, which Bush says is the "most needed service in the city and state."

"Each person, though, is interpreting day care regulations differently," she said, "so the person who is actually eligible is often deemed ineligible."

"If there were 15 more day care centers in this area, we still couldn't serve all the children who need it," she said.

In addition to fighting the red tape and slowness of government, Bush has had to fight her

MLK dream alive

own battle -- the prejudice against the black woman.

"It's not brought only by whites," she said. Black men scrutinize black female leadership. They will sit here and support you but then they will say 'aha, that's not the way it should be coordinated. They give destructive, never constructive, criticism."

Bush added that "women out doing something get 'shot down', regardless of their color. The black female is ostracized more than white females," she said, "and I assume it's because we started later. It's one helluva fight out there."



MADGELEAN BUSH

As for the future, Madgelean Bush wants to see Phase Three of Martin Luther King Center develop -- the gym, the pool the senior citizens' facilities -- all leading toward a multi-purpose center for ages two on up.

She also wants to see someone

else phased in to take her place. "Once I'm out, I'll not get back into this type of work," she said. "I'll probably get back into working where there are not too many people competing."

"The center here is competitive without guidelines," she said. "And those guidelines that may exist today are not accepted tomorrow. There's a new problem -- an insoluble problem -- every day. Cooking, on the other hand, is a type of serenity you can't believe."

Madgelean Bush is a realist -- she has no delusions about politicians, bureaucrats, the system and she knows the reality of human suffering and need.

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"When I was assistant coordinator of Texans for ERA, Ron's office became my second headquarters. While it's relatively easy for an



urban Representative to be pro-ERA, few are dedicated enough to offer such day-to-day tangible services. Ron was second only to Sarah Weddington in active support for ERA." -- Debra Danburg

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Portia's Law

By Patti O'Kane

Why did American women suffer a loss of rights following the American Revolution?

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How is a case of sex-based discrimination established in litigation?

Why has the impact on the victim of rape been virtually ignored?

What are the legal rights of lesbians, and especially lesbian mothers?

What does it really feel like, as a feminist law student and lawyer, to be a part of a male-dominated legal system?

These important questions and others relating to selected aspects of the law as it affects women were discussed at the Seventh National Conference on Women and the Law held March 12-14 at Temple University School of Law in Philadelphia.

The experience of going to a legal convention dominated by women is always an exhilarating one for me, and it is especially heartening to feminist law students, lawyers and legal workers to see this National Convention grow since its beginning in 1969 at New York University School of Law. From ten students representing two law schools, the conference has grown to well over 1,000 students, lawyers, legislators, legal workers, judges and professors united by a common desire - to use the legal system to improve the position of women in our society, and a common need - to draw strength from the rapidly growing numbers of women in the legal profession.

Conference participants were given the choice of 92 different workshops, and like all workshops in all conventions, some interested me more than others. They were however, divided into such topics as constitutional law; economic and employment problems of women; women in the family, in institutions and in law; women as victims; gay rights; and welfare advocacy. Such divisions allowed those attending the convention to focus their attention on all the panels in several of the major areas. I was most interested in the Title VII (Employment discrimination) workshops, which used experts to show how statistics and computers are used in court, but I also attended workshops on insurance, credit discrimination and trial strategy for tough custody cases.

Other "free standing" workshops outside the major areas included panels on comparative law (legal systems in other countries and their impact on women); prostitution (sexually discriminatory application of the law); law reform through elective office; "how to's," (how to set up a law clinic in mental institutions and prisons, how to set up an abortion clinic, how to finance a small business, how to set up a rape center); rights of elderly women;

and one workshop called "What has the Supreme Court done for you lately?" Also of interest to a great number of women was the discussion on sex discrimination in workers' compensation benefits, state disability insurance, unemployment compensation and social security benefits.

The first day of conference activities ended with a mock trial or "reenactment" of sections from the Inez Garcia trial, with the Honorable Lynn Abraham, a judge and law professor from Philadelphia, taking the part of the D.A. Catherine Roraback, an attorney involved in litigation in Connecticut for 30 years played the part of Ms. Garcia's attorney and The Honorable Ollie Marie Victoire, a municipal judge from California, acted as presiding judge over the "trial." The purpose of a mock trial is to focus on the major issues in the litigation and give those persons not present at the actual proceedings an idea of how the defense and prosecution present their case to the court. The coordinators of the conference had originally scheduled a mock trial of the Jo Ann Little trial, but her attorney, Karen Galloway, participated in the panel on "What Happens When Women Fight Back?" instead.

Saturday morning was devoted to workshops, with a luncheon break for a panel discussion between three women in power (three judges) on Discrimination against Women in Power. That evening, the conference participants convened to downtown Philadelphia for a banquet and introduction by the Honorable Lisa A. Richette. Judge Richette, a criminal judge in Philadelphia, was a conference coordinator and is best known in legal circles for her work on juveniles, entitled "Throwaway Children."

She welcomed all the women who had come from "everywhere" to attend the conference and then introduced the keynote speaker, Eleanor Holmes Norton, head of the New York Commission on Human Rights. Norton told the audience that women are entering the "Breakthrough" phase in their struggle for legal, economic and social equality with men. "We are seeing the first woman in this field, the first woman in that area - you can always be assured of a long history of oppression when people start reciting 'firsts', she said. "But we must consolidate the gains women have achieved in this "breakthrough" period because when times are difficult and the economy bad, women and minorities are the most vulnerable.

"If we are not vigilant," she warned, "women's position in the labor force will be cyclical - every four years or so they will be hired and promoted and then as the economy takes a downturn, they will be booted out. We cannot allow the gains women have made to be treated as a joke."

In concluding her remarks, Eleanor Holmes Norton said that women in the legal community had a grave obligation to women in the working force to fashion layoff alternatives so that women, as the "last hired, first fired" would not bear a disproportionate share of the burden of a faltering economy.

"As issues get more complex, there will be more resistance," Norton said, "but we can make our voices heard if we remember women are not just some special isolated interest group -- women are everybody."

After the keynote address, Ivy Bottini presented her one-woman show titled "The Many Faces of Women." The Conference coordinators announced after the entertainment that the Eighth National Conference on Women and the Law would be at the University of Wisconsin and asked all those attending this conference to try and make the next one. The conference concluded. All the women, from all over the country, left Philadelphia clutching their "Women and the Law" sweat-shirts and their outlines and their information packets, buoyed by the marvelous feeling that 1,000 "sisters-in-law" couldn't be wrong.

(Note: all the conference workshops were taped and we are planning to buy some of the better tapes. Anyone interested in hearing them can call 237-9867).

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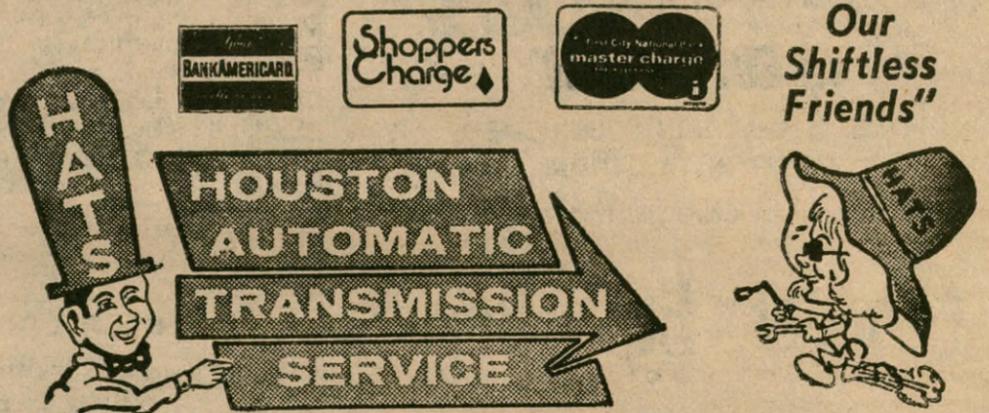
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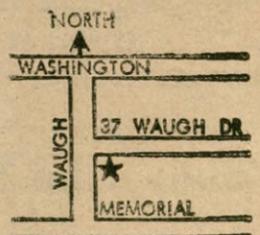
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Democratic Hopefuls Rated

No Democratic presidential candidate received a perfect score in the candidate rating released recently by the Democratic Task Force of the National Women's Political Caucus. The survey found significant variations in the quality of candidates' responses to a 16-point questionnaire on women's issues that was the basis of the rating.

Task Force coordinator Mildred Jeffrey noted, however, '88.4 percent of the answers were in agreement with the positions of the Caucus and the Democratic Women's Agenda (DWA). This demonstrates an increased awareness on the part of male candidates and their staffs of the power of women as a voting bloc.'

The respondents' names were removed from their answers and coded for the evaluation process. The major criteria for grading were the respondents' closeness to the positions of NWPC and DWA, and the thoroughness and the sensitivity of the answers. Grading was on a "superior" (S), "acceptable" (a), and "unacceptable" (u) basis.

No overall ranking was compiled because the varied importance of the issues would require a complex weighting system which would obscure candidates' positions on individual issues, according to Ms. Jeffrey.

In assessing the significance of women's issues in the 1976 campaign, Ms. Jeffrey noted, "Matters of specific interest to women, such as abortion, social security reform, the economy and national health insurance are already major campaign issues. This evaluation will enable women to pressure the candidates to improve their positions on women's issues."

Questionnaires were sent to candidates who had qualified for matching fund grants by January 1, 1976. The Wallace campaign did not respond to the questionnaire; the Bentsen and Sanford ratings were eliminated when those candidates withdrew from the race.

A follow-up survey to include any changes in the positions of current candidates and responses of any major additional candidates will be issued before the Democratic National Convention in July. Additional questionnaires will be sent to Democratic candidates who qualify for matching grants.

NWPC's Republican Task Force plans a similar evaluation of Republican presidential candidates in the near future.

QUESTIONS

1. ABORTION

As president and in your present capacity, will you work vigorously to defeat a constitutional amendment or state's rights approach which would reverse or erode the Supreme Court decision on abortion? S - Vigorously supports Supreme Court decision; discusses approach. a - Supports Supreme Court decision. u - Opposes Supreme Court decision or favors state's rights approach.

2. EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT

As President, or in your present capacity, what will you do to promote immediate passage of the Equal Rights Amendment in those states that have not yet ratified, or where there is an organized attempt to rescind ratification?

S - Outlines program to support ERA, defeat rescission efforts. a - Supports ERA. u - Opposes ERA.

3. CHILD CARE

Do you favor enactment of a comprehensive child development bill which will provide quality non-profit child care programs for all children, regardless of income and age, in a variety of settings? Do you favor parental and community control in line with Congressional intent? S - Indicates detailed support. a - General support. u - Incomplete or evasive.

4. VICE PRESIDENTIAL NOMINEE

As the Democratic presidential nominee, do you intend to consider affirmative action standards in your determination of the vice-presidential nominee? How would you rank these with other considerations such as age, religion or a recommendation from the nation's Democratic Governors, Mayors and other elected officials?

S - Affirmative action is first criterion. a - States generally a woman could be Vice-President. u - Any other answer.

5. PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENTS

When you are assembling your cabinet and executive staff, or if you have the opportunity to appoint a Supreme Court Justice or United Nations delegate, will you do so affirmatively, drawing upon the wealth of talent and experience of women and racial minorities? Furthermore, do you intend to make the executive branch an example for the rest of the nation in regard to equal pay for work of equal value?

S - On target with both questions. a - States generally that women will be appointed. u - Any other answer.

6. ECONOMY

Women and racial minorities are the most disadvantaged groups in the total economy and are the victims of the current depression. What is your program for dealing with the economic injustice suffered by these groups?

S - Responds specifically regarding women and minorities; offers concrete proposals. a - Sympathizes with economic plight. u - Any other answer.

7. POLITICAL PARTY REFORM

In view of the Compliance Review Commission's recent decision on Rule 10-B, what do you plan to do to ensure that your delegates, and separately your alternates, to the 1976 Democratic Convention are equally divided between women and men and that minorities as defined in the Democratic Party Charter are represented in proportion to their presence in the Democratic electorate?

S - Gives personal assurances; cites specific plans. a - Supports affirmative action standards. u - Any other answer.

8. SOCIAL SECURITY

How do you propose to reform social security and government employment security programs to remove all forms of discrimination by sex and race? To help compensate for the wage gap resulting from discrimination, would you support social security changes that give adequate cost of living income to everyone regardless of

sex and the amount paid into the social security system?

S - Cites specific actions. a - generally favors ending discrimination in Social Security. u - Any other answer.

9. HEALTH CARE

The cost of health care has tripled in the past ten years. This fact plus the lower economic status of women and their greater need for health care has created a situation where many women are unable to obtain the health care they need. What is your program to meet this need?

S - Favors national health insurance; cites specific program. a - Generally sympathetic. u - Any other answer.

10. SOCIAL AND HUMAN SERVICES

Social and human services have been consistently cut in the Republican administration while defense expenditures climb, families break down, child abuse increases as does the rate of admissions to mental hospitals.

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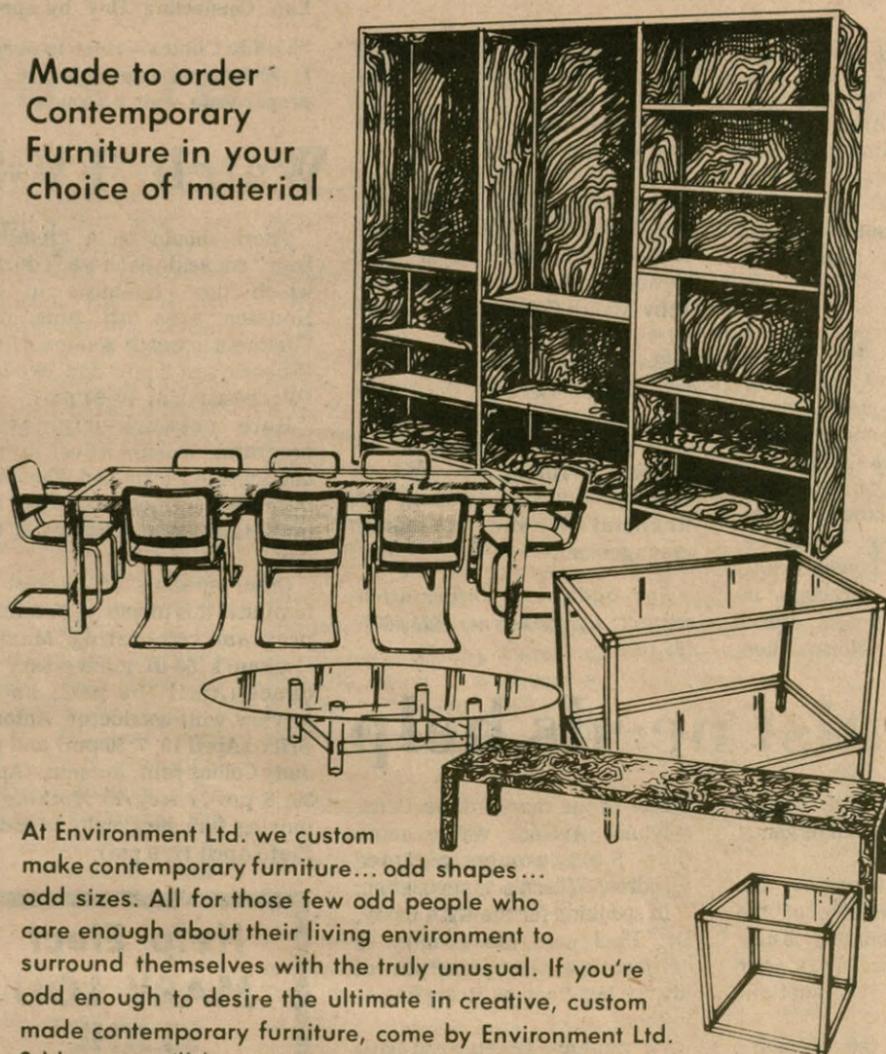


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Birth control services offered

Control over one's own body would seem to be an undeniable personal right, yet abortion and certain forms of birth control appear as issues over and over again in the political arena.

Personal rights are made into political issues, and become controlled by others. There are some organizations and individuals which try to steer clear of politics and simply support a woman's right to choose. One such organization is the Planned Parenthood Center.

The Planned Parenthood Center offers a broad spectrum of medical services and education programs. Services include:

Birth Control Clinic

Pelvic examination
Breast examination
Laboratory work
Pap smear, when indicated
Counseling & teaching

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Methods of contraception

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IUD insertion	10.00
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Laparoscopy counseling

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Discussion of referral sources

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Voluntary pregnancy confirmation

Pelvic examination
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Counseling
Appointment and-or referral

\$15.00 inclusive

Voluntary pregnancy termination

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Procedure
Counseling
Recovery room

\$145.00 inclusive

Vasectomy
Procedure
Counseling
3 month semen analysis

\$100.00 inclusive

They emphasize that NO ONE is refused service because of inability to pay. Pregnancy termination up to 8 weeks is performed at the PPC while longer term pregnancies are referred to other clinics. Screening for venereal disease, diabetes, sickle cell anemia, anemia, and hypertension is also available.

The health education programs are emphasized in addition to the clinic services. The OMNI Relevant Visual System program is just one of programs offered by the Education Department's Speakers' Bureau at PPC. It is a visual presentation given by a nurse practitioner (a registered nurse trained to do a woman's

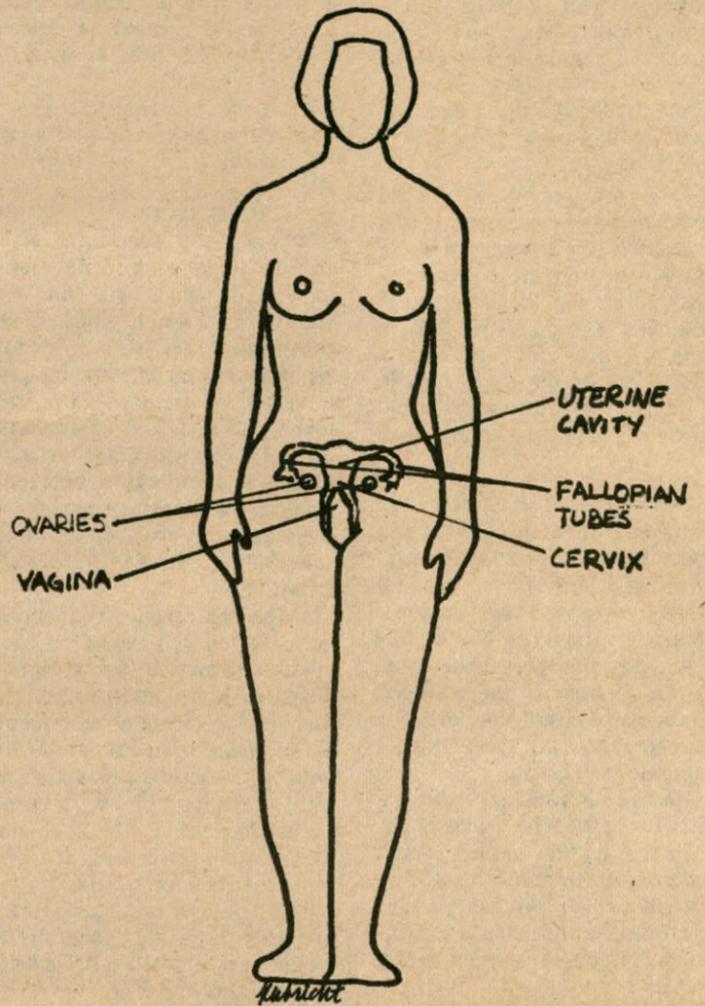
physical exam). The presentation includes the anatomical description of the individual female reproductive organs through a transparent full scale model, a discussion of the female breast, a breast self-exam, and description of a pelvic examination.

Other programs include seminars and workshops on Single Parents, Death and Dying, Values Clarification (a program offered in the public classroom on coming to terms with one's body and sexuality), and Sex Education in the Church. Shelves of handouts written in English and Spanish line one wall of the library. Titles include "The Greatest Happiness of Life is Being Loved For Yourself," "Voluntary Pregnancy Termination," "Questions and Answers About the IUD," "Nutrition & Birth Defects Prevention" and "Children in Danger-Child Abuse in Texas." The brochures are free and will be sent both to individuals and to organizations. Films, books, and journals are also available.

Clinic hours are as follows:

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Continuous B.C.	Th-F 8:30-11:30
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VPC	M-F 7:30
VPT	M-Th by app't.
Vas. Counseling	M-Th by app't.
Vas. Procedure	Th-F by app't.
Lap. Counseling	Th-F by app't.

Satellite Clinics -- refer to nurses 11:30-2:00 are busiest hours. Be prepared to wait 2-3 hours.



Business is soaring

The Houston Area Federal Feminist Credit Union recently announced that share deposits total over \$44,000 and membership has increased to a total of 306 after five months of operation.

Other business at the first annual meeting of the credit union included the election of the Board of Directors and the Credit Committee. Laura Oren was elected president of the board; Merryl Leatherman, vice-president; Kathy Whitmire, treasurer; and Joyce Cragg, secretary. Other directors include Bonnie Atkinson, Renee Hall, Mazel Lee, Norma Lee,

Bertha McNeill, Odilia Mendez and Marilyn Whited.

Members of the Credit Committee are Nancy Kuykendall, Jan Pierce, Pam Pitt and Marge Randall. Elayne Tatar was named to chair the committee. Toby Myers-Faires serves as an alternate.

Major goals set for HAFFCU in 1976 are to increase the credit union's number of share deposits, to expand the number of affiliating organizations and to further educate women in financial and money management.

For additional information contact: Lynn Werner, 623-0000-665-1672

Feminist needs help

Contributions are still needed for the Alice Paul Emergency Fund.

Dr. Paul, the author of the original federal version of the Equal Rights Amendment, is now 90 years old and living in near-destitution in a Connecticut nursing home.

A pioneer in the women's movement, Dr. Paul helped found the National Women's Party in 1917 and was jailed many times for her activities. From 1903 to 1911 she worked with Emmeline and Christabel Pankhurst in England and Scotland. In 1917 she was the

leader of the march down Pennsylvania Avenue where more than 5,000 women picketed Woodrow Wilson's inauguration.

In speaking for the ERA today, Dr. Paul said the country is celebrating the principle of liberty but "not as it applies to women."

"If you have liberty, you have to have the ERA," Paul said.

Now, Dr. Paul's funds are exhausted and she needs help.

Please send contributions to:
The Alice Paul Emergency Fund, co-Gloria Kaufman, 305 Wakewa Avenue, South Bend Indiana 46617

Watch TV-8

There should be a "feminist hour" set aside each week during which time feminists in the Houston area all tune into Channel 8 to watch *Woman Alive!* (Tuesdays at 7 pm) and *Woman* (Wednesdays at 10:30 pm).

Both network-originating programs *Woman Alive!* in film documentary form and *Woman* in interview format, examine the important feminist issues of the day.

Other specials of interest to feminists this month: a 90-minute program celebrating Martha Graham's 50-th anniversary in dance (April 7, 8 pm); an interview with conductor Antonia Brico (April 10, 7:30 pm) and the Judy Collins film, *Antonia*, (April 20, 8 pm); *I Regret Nothing*, a moving film biography of Edith Piaf (April 17, 9 pm).

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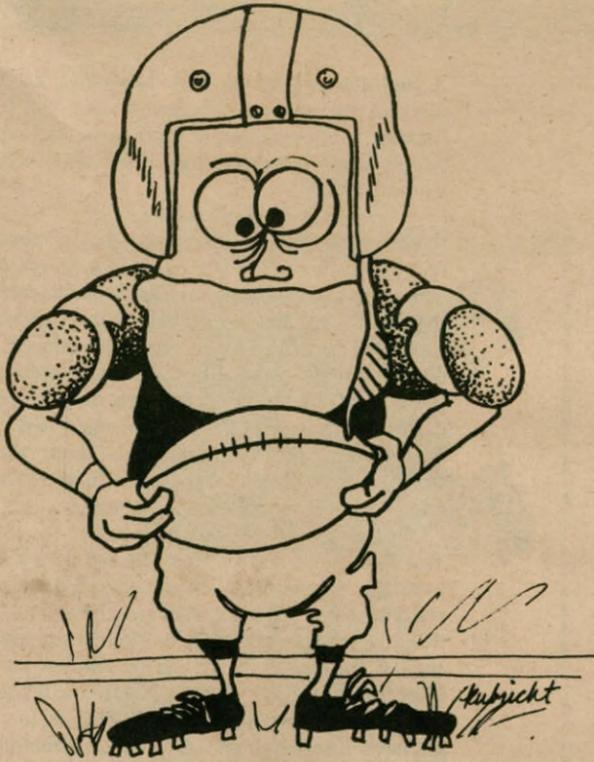
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The following is an exclusive "Breakthrough" interview with Farrell Doyle, coach of the UTee Horneys, the number one football team in the nation.

Coach, tell me, how do you feel about equality in sports?

Well, I'm all for it. I feel that everyone should have an equal chance if they want it. Now take little bitty I&A University down there in the valley. Them boys down there put their minds to what they was doin' and they went around and got all those fellers that couldn't make it in the big time cause of the wrong skin color or bad grades and such, and why, before you knowed it they was winnin' all over the place. And that's about as equal as you can get, cause we win all the time too you know. Yeah, I'm all for it.

Coach, that wasn't the kind of equality I was talking about. I was talking about equality in sports for women and men.

Oh, boys and girls you mean. Well, I'm for that too. I mean, let's face it, them little fillies like to stretch their legs a bit now and then and, now be honest fellers, when they're out there jumpin' up and down and twirlin' their batons and all, why it's good for them and it's great sport for us men -- if you catch my meanin'.

No coach, I think you're misunderstanding me. I wasn't talking about majorettes or cheerleaders. I was talking about women in sports, basketball, baseball, football, things like that, and ...

Now you're not talkin' about sports, you're talkin' about big business. BIG BUSINESS and that's an entirely different ball of wax, yes siree.

I see, I suppose that's why you went to Washington last fall and ...

Washington? We didn't play Washington last fall. Now let's see here, we played Arkansas and Rice and SMU and -- Nope we never did play Washington, least wise not last year anyhow.

No, Coach, I'm talking about when you went to Washington, D.C. to talk to President Ford about the Title IX Guidelines.

Oh, you mean when I went to talk to Jerry. You know, he's a good old boy.

I'm sure he is. Now, as I understand it, you went up there to testify against the Title IX Guidelines.

You're damn right I did. Them there Title IX things are a commie pinko plot! Why those things are takin' the bread out of my boys' mouths, the shirts off their backs, the ...

Commie Pinko Plot?!

Sure, everybody knows that, them there Commies don't let their wimmen play sports. They just put all their men in wigs and send them to the Olympics or whatever...

Coach, do you know Olga Korbut?

Olga who?

Never mind, go on.

Anyways, them Russkies ain't got no football teams and they ain't never gonna be NUMBER ONE without a football team. So the way I figure it is, they got over here and they got to agitatin' and carryin' on amongst those hippy radicals over here and before you knowed it they hypnotized all these good American ladies and they was all out marchin' in the streets and carryin' banners and becoming lesbians and what not.

They were hypnotized into becoming lesbians by the Communists?

Right! And then they got all the other wimmen into screamin' about that there ERA or whatever it is, and they don't really even need it cause we American men have always taken care of our little ladies and given them everythin' they need. And that's a fact for sure.

Uh, coach, I think we're getting away from the subject. Now, as I understand it, the University is going to have to upgrade their athletics' programs for women and begin providing them with things like comparable facilities, equipment, training, etc.

Well now, we're already up to par there. We've already got all those things for the little ladies. You have?

Sure, why we got our construction crew together, and a little paintin' here, a little buildin' there and before you knowed it, we'd converted our old men's shower room into the finest little gym for ladies that you ever did see. Course, it gets a little damp now and again but we're workin' on that problem. And then we also let them use one of our fields when we're all done practicin'. Let's see now, I've got a schedule right here. Right, they get this men's field no. 85 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. January through February.

Men's field no. 85? Which field is that coach?

Uh, let's see, that's the 8th string intramural field.

Is that field lighted?

8th string? Course not, only 5th string on up gets lights.

Well, isn't it a little dark for practice at 6:30 in the winter? I mean, couldn't they use the field in the spring or the fall or something?

Nope, it would interfere with football and that's what this here University is here for, to be NUMBER ONE. Besides, it don't take too much light to play kickball or whatever.

Kickball? Coach, women are into a lot more sports than kickball. Why in some states they even have women playing on the high school football teams. You might have a woman quarterback at UTee some day.

Over my gol-dang dead body we will! Wimmen is nothin' but trouble around a football team. I have enough trouble with those wimmin students here, never mind puttin' one on my football team. Why, if I didn't watch my boys close as a chicken hawk they'd be lettin' those wimmen lead them into all kinds of things like excesses and self-abuse and Lord knows what else. We have rules you know, a football team has to live by the rules.

You have rules against excesses and self-abuse?

Sure do. Them things lead to blindness or insanity or even hairy palms. Can't have any hairy-palmed quarterbacks you know. Heh, heh - that was a joke fellers - off the record you know. Our boys are as pure as the day their daddies first saw fit to give them the light of day.

As pure as the day their daddies? Oh, never mind. Listen coach, imagine that you're going to have to increase the budgets of your women's teams if the university expects to come into compliance with the Title IX Guidelines. Where is the money going to come from?

Well, like I was sayin', they're takin' the bread out of my boys' mouths, the shirts off their backs. I've got 100 boys here on scholarships and ever' one of them just works so dang hard - why it'd just break your heart to see how hard they work - and here they are just a tryin' to ruin these boys' lifes a takin' away their livelihood and givin' it away like chickens in a hail storm.

Do you mean to say that your players get paid for playing football?!

Now that ain't what I said at all. You didn't let me finish. I was talkin' about their futures. They've got fine futures waiting for them when we get through with them here. Do you know how much it helps a man, say an insurance salesman, to say that he used to play for good old UTee?

I can imagine. But coach, the nation's complaining about the economy and many people feel that not enough people benefit from football to justify the tremendous expense involved. And if we're going to spend millions of dollars they think women should share it because it's partly their money too. What about all those fringe benefits football teams get like the orange jock straps your team got that time they played in the Orange Bowl?

Well that's a necessary expense. That's to get the team up for the game. You've got to have good team morale or you can't stay NUMBER ONE. Why, if we was to play in the Blueberry Bowl I'd get those boys blueberry jocks too, even if I had to send all

the way to Maine for them; they're that important.

I guess it's a good thing UTee doesn't go the the Fiberglass Bowl.

Never heard of it. Anyway, we ain't spendin' those wimmen's money, we're spendin' our money that's been given to my boys by the faithful old alumnis and I ain't turnin' that over to a bunch of wimmen who don't know a football from a turnip.

Well coach, I hate to tell you this but the time is coming and I think you're just going to have to accept it gracefully.

It ain't comin' here. I'll talk to the legislature and the governor and they won't let it come here. We'll pass a special law. I'm not lettin' any commie pink ladies come in here and take the bread out of my boys' mouths...

I think it's time for me to leave coach.

The shirts off my boys' back.

JAN CUNNINGHAM

Jan Cunningham is a contributing editor to Breakthrough. Sometimes she conducts interviews. Sometimes she doesn't.



Rachel Pousson (right) and teammate Isabel Zsohar, members of the San Antonio Bicycle Racing Club, are shown at the recent April Fool's Stage Race. Pousson won first place in the Women's Division.

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Pats and Pans

We hate to drag out that old bedPAN again, but it has to be awarded this month to the 7 (out of 9) members of the UT Board of Regents who voted, in a matter of 30 seconds, to dissolve the U.T. System School of Nursing's central administration and put its branches under U.T. presidents on six campuses. (See story p. 1)

PAT the Canadian and American women flight-attendants who fly Newfoundland routes where thousands of baby seals are being clubbed to death for their skins. The attendants rose in outrage and helped focus international media attention on the slaughter. PAT NBC's "Today" Show and co-host Jim Hart who went to Newfoundland to film a 1-hour Special report on the slaughter (airdate March 25).

AP reporter Frances Lewine took a swing at the President recently. She asked if a ruling were still in effect that a President could never support, or appear to support, discrimination. When he said he assumed so, Lewine, apparently teed off, asked, "Well, then, how come you play golf at the Burning Tree Country Club which excludes women?" "Well, uh," he stammered, "no federal funds go to Burning Tree." PAT Lewine. PAN the Prez and the exclusive Burning Tree. (Burning Tree is the same golf course that apparently barred Barry Goldwater because one of his parents was Jewish. Whereupon he is supposed to have asked, "in that case, can I just play nine holes?")

Pennsylvania's Deputy State Attorney General, Kathleen Larkin, has warned the state's 2500 volunteer fire departments that they stand to lose their state funds if they don't change some of their rules to comply with the state's ERA. Traditionally, women in volunteer companies have cooked and baked for department fundraisers but have never been trained to fight fires. Larkin quotes Marie Keeny, director of the state Commission for Women as saying, "Those days are gone and volunteer fire departments that refuse to recognize that fact will have to face the economic and political consequences." Let's volunteer a PAT for both Larkin and Keeny, for saying, in effect, "If you can stand the heat, get out of the kitchen."

Sauce for the goose: A Pennsylvania judge has struck down the right of a husband to sue his wife's lover for damages under an ancient common law principle that a husband has the right to his wife's body. PAT the even-handed judge, who pointed out that it is a woman's constitutional right to engage in sexual relations with a person of her choice, just as it is a man's.

A PAN to Ellen Burstyn, the star of "Alice Doesn't Live Here Anymore" who explained on a talk show that the title of her movie was adopted by "an organization called the 'women's movement'" to promote a national strike-day for women. When asked if she was involved in the women's movement, she replied that she prefers "men's movement."

We are PATicular proud of reporter Jan Carson and camerawoman Phyllis Deter of KTRK-TV who were the only Texas journalists (outside Austin reporters) to cover the UT Board of Regents hearings in Austin, where the historic decision was made to dissolve the UT System's School of Nursing. The news department carried daily developments surrounding the dissolution. Carson read an editorial comment on March 29 during a morning newscast critical of the Regents' decision.

The Department of the Army 'Field Manual on Survival, Evasion and Escape' arms its readers with the following advice:

- 1) Let the natives make the initial move.
- 2) Show friendliness, courtesy and patience.
- 3) Treat natives like human beings.
- 4) Respect their local customs and manners.
- 5) Respect personal property, especially their women.

(Ms. magazine's 'No Comment'
April 1975)

PAN the Army for its Neanderthal level of consciousness and award them a special Rotten-to-the Corps medal with poison-oakleaf cluster.

The President of the Owl Club and the R Club sent out an invitation to all Rice University faculty and staff which said "You and Your Lady are Cordially Invited to Meet and Greet Coach Homer Rice..." Some of the female recipients may have found this quite a challenge, but let's hope they gave it the old college try, one for the Gipper and all that. We'd heard that owls were short-sighted, but these birds apparently don't give a hoot. PAN-fried Rice, anyone?

Jehan Sadat, whose husband Anwar is the Egyptian President, was speaking in Bonn last week on Egyptian women's rights. She opposes the right that the Islam religion gives men to have four wives. (Is that called married quarters?) Anyway, she is pushing for a law which will "let a man marry a second time only with the permission of his wife. And what wife would give permission?" That's a PAT for Sadat.

A sisterly PAT to Alice Rickel and Marsha Carter of KPFT radio, who have really been making a feminist impact on the station. Carter started it all with her "Movement Theory," 'Houston's only feminist radio show', at 4 pm on Sunday afternoons. Rickel, a Washington import and former FCC lawyer, is doing a 4-hour (6 am - 10 am) show every Saturday morning, consisting of all women's music and a 1-hour interview with local feminists. She is training now in public affairs and does a 20-minute weekly summary (Tuesday evenings at 7:15 pm) on women's news.

"In a way, I view myself as a pioneer. I have stood resolute. Like other women, I am fighting the way institutions have defined us in the past." So speaks Alison Cheek, irregularly ordained Episcopal priest and one of Time magazine's 12 women of the year. She feels the emergence of women priests will result in God no longer being viewed as male. "The feminine aspect of God's nature will receive more attention." That's one priest who PATenly won't be turning the other Cheek.

A total PAT to KTRK-TV team of David Glodt (reporter) and Frank Ambrose (photographer) for a total exposé of the so-called "Total Woman" in interviews with TW-author Marabel Morgan and local TW-alum Brenda Drews. If you haven't heard by now, total women are those who wear costumes (like Saran wrapped over a nude body) to greet their working husbands at the door. "Sex is as pure as cottage cheese in marriage," says Morgan. "And our husbands need sex every 48 hours" says Drews, adding, "we're supposed to be a little bit of Betty Crocker, a little bit of St. Theresa, and a little bit of Raquel Welch." One TW-alum says in the report "Equal rights? That's a step down for the total woman." The segment aired on Channel 13's monthly magazine show, "Eyewitness Texas." A PAT for that, too. Documentaries, that rarity in local television, come as a welcome change from those worn-out local "plastic chair interview" shows.

A solid gold PAT to Sylvia Porter (Your Money's Worth-Post March 28) for her dazzling rebuttal of an unnamed political columnist (alumnist?) who recently claimed that the work force includes large numbers of women 'whose unemployment would only mean loss of an extra job, not a catastrophe.' Porter confused him thoroughly with the facts, proving him completely wrong, and went on to add a few heartfelt comments of her own. "The theory disgracefully downgrades the crucial role women play in our economy," she stated. "By what standard does any man determine that his right to work (or privilege of working) is greater than a woman's? By what yardstick does that columnist judge that his loss of a job would be 'a catastrophe' but mine would merely be 'loss of an extra job'?"

A high-flown PAT to that 10-second TV commercial on women officers in the air force. Against a background of women in uniform, it simply says 'Who says men don't listen when a woman talks?'

Archbishop Jean Jadot, the Pope's personal representative in the U.S., said at a recent press conference (as reported by Charlene Warnken of the Post) that he is "very hopeful" about the future of women in the Catholic Church, but doesn't think they will ever be ordained as priests. "The church has been organized according to the will of Christ," he explained. "I do not see any positive indication about the ordination of women in the structure of the church." PAN the pusillanimous prelate.

The New York Times has put out a new style manual (a publication's in-house guide to consistent usage of titles, abbreviations, etc.) and the title 'Ms' is not included. The reason given is that if they start referring to women as 'Ms' then other 'special interest groups' will want to use their preferred titles also. This is the first revision of the manual in 15 years. A behind-the-Times PAN!

Our PAN-handler-of-the-month award goes to Jeane Dixon, who has been promoting her new zodiac jewelry designs on TV and in print lately. The propheteering Dixon uses a quasi-religious style (with close-ups of crosses and other theistic symbols) to sell her goods, and finishes off with a non-denominational 'Bless you' - implying either that God will reward you for buying her jewelry, or that you have been reduced to paroxysms of sneezing by her astronomical bad taste.

PAT the several Catholic nuns and lay-women, interested in women's ordination to the priesthood, who attended the recent National Federation of Priests' Councils meeting in Houston. The women were allowed to register as observers only since the groups taking part in the conference had no women representatives. Federation president the Rev. Reid Mayo said, "The women said that ordination is due them in justice, and I think that's a narrow viewpoint. (it) cannot be considered within the framework of this meeting. It is more logical that it will come under the agenda next year." One statement submitted to the delegates for their reflection was: 'we must move from a single ministry to a multiplicity of ministries.' But not just yet, sisters.

PAT the Women's Advocate program in St. Paul, Minn., which is one of the few in the nation to supply emergency housing for battered women. It began in 1972 as a phone line for women's legal questions, but it soon became apparent that the greatest need was for emergency shelter. So a campaign was launched among business, civic and charitable groups, which raised the money to put a down-payment on a house. 149 women and children were cared for in 1975.

The Houston Post ran a two-part series from AP on 'First Ladies'. Jim Poling wrote about Margaret Trudeau of Canada, a private person who went public in 1974 when she appeared on TV to discuss her hospitalization for 'severe emotional stress'. Since then she has tried to assert her individuality and foresees the day when Trudeau stays home while she goes to work. Frances Lewine (of Burning Tree fame!) presented a candid picture of Betty Ford. PAT both writers for a serious, non-cosmetic look at two honest women, who admit to the difficulties, as well as the rewards, of their position.

Palm Center Toyota has one of the most racist, sexist TV ads we have encountered in a long time. A young Japanese woman is shown on screen next to a Toyota, and the Anglo ad-man in the picture says: 'Want to see a pretty little Japanese import? How about that! And the car's not bad, either!' Yuk, yuk. When the woman speaks, the 'r's are pronounced 'l' and the man closes by saying 'tellific!' A gross insult to women and to JaPAN.

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What specific plans have you for alleviating these critical conditions?

S - Relates issue to defense spending-cites specific plans. a - Generally sympathetic. u - Any other answer.

11. CAMPAIGN STAFFING

In the past women have held visible positions in presidential campaigns, but very few have had real political power or influence within those campaigns. How will your campaign differ from this pattern?

S - Identifies key positions on national and state staffs. a - Favors women in key roles. u - Any other answer.

12. RAPE

Legislation currently before the congress would establish a National Center for the Prevention and Control of Rape. Do you support this legislation? What would you do as President to see that states streamline and modernize their Rape laws to remove the stigma presently attached to the victim in many states, and to develop programs

of rehabilitation for convicted rapists?

S - Favors National Center; responds to both questions. a - Responds nonspecifically in affirmative. u - Any other answer.

13. CIVIL LIBERTIES RE: SEXUAL PREFERENCE

Legislation currently before the Congress would include "sexual and affectional preference" as prohibited causes for discrimination. Can you support this legislation which would grant basic civil liberties to one or more class of individuals? S - Supports legislation; gives reasons. a - generally supports legislation. u - Opposes legislation.

14. EQUAL OPPORTUNITY

Could you support legislation that would require an impact statement on each piece of legislation on what its effect would be on affording equal opportunity to women?

S - Supports; gives reasons. a - Generally supports or present alternate plan to achieve same purpose. u - Opposes.

15. FAIR CREDIT

The Federal Reserve Bank has just issued regulations on the implementation of the Fair Credit Act of 1975. These regulations are not considered far-reaching or comprehensive enough by many women's organizations. What would you do to assure that all women have equal access to credit and that there is uniform and total compliance with the law on the part of banking and lending institutions?

S - Gives specific plans to improve Fair Credit Act, enforcement, compliance. a - Generally supports fair credit. u - Any other answers.

16. TITLE IX

Title IX was enacted to bar sex discrimination in educational programs. Would you support legislation to weaken Title IX provisions affording equal educational opportunity to women, or to exempt certain programs from Title IX?

S - Strongly support Title IX. a - Generally supports Title IX. u - Any other answer.

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1. Abortion	S	u	S	u	S	u	S
2. ERA	S	S	a	a	S	S	S
3. Child Care	S	a	u	a	S	S	a
4. V-P Nomination	a	a	u	a	u	a	S
5. Presidential Appointments	S	S	S	a	S	a	a
6. Economy	S	a	a	a	a	a	S
7. Political Party Reform	a	S	a	a	S	a	S
8. Social Security	a	a	u	u	S	a	a
9. Health Care	S	S	a	a	a	S	a
10. Social and Human Services	S	a	a	a	a	a	S
11. Campaign Staffing	a	S	a	a	u	a	S
12. Rape	S	a	a	a	a	S	S
13. Civil Liberties re: sexual-affectional preference	a	u	S	u	S	a	u
14. Equal Opportunity	a	a	a	a	a	a	a
15. Fair Credit	S	S	a	a	S	S	a
16. Title IX	S	a	a	u	a	a	S

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Arts and Reviews

Film classics shown

Salt of the Earth, one of the most extraordinary films made, particularly because of its strong feminist theme, will be shown at the Rice Media Center Tuesday, April 13 (7:30 p.m. only).

Directed by black-listed Herbert Biberman, and filmed in New Mexico, mostly with non-professionals (members of local 890 of the International Union of Mine, Mill, and Smelter Workers), the film deals with a copper union strike from not only a pro-labor but from a feminist point of view. In the course of prolonged picketing the women take responsibility and prevail, directly challenging the men for their sexist attitudes and delivering vigorous lectures on the subject.

In addition to the feminist epic *Salt of the Earth*, the Rice Media Center continues its retrospective of films featuring the major American women stars of the thirties and forties.

On the film schedule will be Greta Garbo in *Conquest*, Monday, April 26; Barbara Stanwyck in *Ball of Fire*, Tuesday, April 27; Katherine Hepburn in *Alice Adams*, Wednesday, April 28; Gloria Swanson in *Sunset Boulevard*, Thursday, April 29; Bette Davis *All About Eve*, Friday, April 30; and Carole Lombard in *Twentieth Century*, Saturday, May 1. All shows at both 7:30 p.m. and 10:00 p.m.

To date, the film series has featured Jean Arthur in *The Plainsman*, Marlene Dietrich in *Shanghai Express*, *Blue Angel*,

and *The Scarlet Empress*, and Rita Hayworth in *Gilda*.

Film critic Molly Haskell calls *Salt of the Earth* "a rarity not only among American films, but among political ones."

"Hollywood" she says, "has provided an easy target for feminist outrage but, if anything, it is the political filmmakers, brothers under the skin of oppressed minorities, who have been the most negligent in promoting the cause of women."

"Politics remains the most heavily -- and jealously -- masculine area, and the left-wing film has its own sexual mythology; preferring a vision of the peasant or laborer, in heroic silhouette, backed up -- a little ways down the hill -- by the patiently enduring wife."

Like the "political" film the "Hollywood" film of that period entertained and promoted stereotyped roles for the woman star.

In her book, *From Reverence to Rape: The Treatment of Women in the Movies*, Haskell expresses her view that as men went off to war in the forties and as women began to fill men's positions "the women represented real threats to male economic supremacy (and) movie heroines had to be brought down to fictional size, domesticated or defanged."

Thus, we got the so-called "happy endings" of the so-called "women's pictures" despite the fact that the star may have been an aggressive reporter (Bette Davis in *June Bride*), a head of a trucking firm (Joan Crawford in *They All Kissed the Bride*), or an



Gloria Swanson as the immortal movie star in *Sunset Boulevard*

advertising executive (Rosalind Russell in *Take a Letter, Darling*). They all surrendered their independence at the altar.

Haskell believes that in the Hollywood film "A woman who could complete and conceivably win in a man's world would defy emotional gravity, would go against the grain of prevailing notions about the female sex. A woman's intelligence was the equivalent of a man's penis: something to be kept out of sight."

"Ambition in a woman had either to be deflected into the vicarious drives of her loved ones or to be mocked and belittled. A

dramatic film exposé of Hollywood and the fate of its has-

been. movie heroine could act on the same power and career drives as a man only if, at the climax, they took second place to the sacred love of a man. Otherwise she forfeited her right to that love."

Yet despite the mediocre scripts, the images of the stars of that period that stay with us are those "incandescent moments in which their uniqueness made mockery of the stereotypes."

We remember the independent-minded heroines -- Hepburn, Crawford, Dietrich, Russell, Stanwyck, Davis -- as institutions. We remember the force of these women, the strength of their personalities

and their presence on the screen. Whatever script contrived to bring them into line with the traditional happy ending, it could never obliterate the impression they imparted: female Titans striding out of the screen into our imaginations, liberated giants who made their own laws.

Where did they all go? Why are there no more such roles for women?

Whatever answer culture-watchers eventually uncover, the fact is that the "women's picture" and the great women stars have disappeared and with them the women's roles which defy cultural expectations.

JANICE BLUE

Roles razed in therapy

Elizabeth Friar Williams' book (*Notes of a Feminist Therapist*) is important to women who are thinking of being consumers of therapy. Williams delineates more traditional and feminist therapy, pointing out issues which seem to be common among most women. She speaks to areas that are important to all women whether or not they have special problems.

Asserting that part of the WMS (White Male System) is the drive of power and that power issues are very often the core of psychotherapy, Williams states that the idea of the therapist "knowing all" (and therefore being "up" while the client is "down") is illogical and threatening to the psychological growth of any individual. Like many feminist therapists, she feels that communication is helped by therapist self-disclosure as well as by listening to clients.

Inherent in the client's learning to be close to herself and other women and in the therapist's ability to 'really listen,' are the values of the persons involved in the therapy. Williams advocates expression of those values -- both her own and her clients' -- within therapy. She also believes that recognition of different value systems does not mean better or

worse value systems. Different is different and both the therapists and the client(s) can learn from experiencing each other's differences.

Williams also emphasizes that it is healthy for a woman to question behaviors and emotions which seem to hinder achievement of her full potential. It is healthy for a woman to assertively seek and "be joyfully free in helping (herself) to the good things in life." It is healthy for a woman to seek and to live as complex a life as she wants. Thus, an ultimate goal of a feminist therapist is to support her clients in finding a sense of personal power -- a healthier, growing self-esteem and a way towards increased autonomy.

Williams seeks to help her clients understand the connection between conditioning as women and their present psychological states; i.e., what "role behaviors" and "role attitudes" are associated with which roles. Thus, women can be freer to take on whatever roles they choose without experiencing the "old feelings" associated with the role -- whether the role is wife, lover, mother, mistress, executive, client or therapist.

In *Notes From a Feminist Therapist*, Williams breaks the

chapters down into humanist issues and approaches them from a feminist viewpoint. Love, sex, work, motherhood, loneliness, depression, defenses and transferences are presented via the therapist's sharing with her clients. She has even written a briefer portion about the ways women are often driven by forces outside themselves, ways they might gain personal power, and alternative ways of meeting their own needs.

Williams never loses sight, however, of the fact that new choices of lifestyles, roles and identities will bring most women into conflict, both conscious and unconscious, with their traditional values and roles. With this conflict can come fear, turmoil, anxiety, pain and grief.

She reemphasizes in her conclusion that time for mourning renounced parts of the self must be allowed in order for the woman to feel the deepest joys of liberation. To rationalize away the client's older values may leave the client accepting new ideologies which are no more healthy than the old roles. Integration of the self through self-awareness is the major goal of feminist therapy as it is of all therapies.

Williams discusses the integration in a unique and profound way.

JANET HACKNEY



Rosalita Ruelvas, star of *Salt of the Earth*, won a Mexican

"Oscar" for her dramatic lead in this feminist epic.

Breast lump? see an oncologist

By Wendy Haskell Meyer

Most of us think "it won't happen to me." But the fact is that one out of 15 American women will get breast cancer. In view of those lousy odds, it would not only be wise for every woman to examine her breasts every month, but also to give some thought to "what if..."

That was the emphasis of Rose Kushner's book, "Breast Cancer: A Personal History and an Investigative Report," (Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, Inc., \$10). Kushner, an established medical reporter, used her own experience (she had a modified mastectomy) and that of some 100 other women as well as interviews with top surgeons and cancer specialists (known today as oncologists) to come up with her controversial conclusions that American women with breast cancer are not getting optimum treatment.

She believes, for example, that the first mistake the average woman makes is to go to her gynecologist, general practitioner or general surgeon when she discovers a lump. Kushner believes "general practitioners and surgeons who know little or nothing about the management of cancer but who nonetheless insist on treating patients with the disease are, in my opinion, just as dangerous as real quacks."

Kushner says that only an oncologist knows the latest in diagnosis and treatment and, of equal importance, the proper follow-up procedure.

Kushner insists that biopsy and mastectomy, if needed, should be separated into a two-stage procedure. Instead of doing routine surgical biopsies in the operating room, biopsies and other diagnostic techniques should be done on an outpatient basis, she says. Resistance to this staging concept by physicians comes, she suggests, from the threat of losing a lucrative source of income.

Kushner is also very critical of the use of the radical breast surgery known as the Halsted operation which is not only more dangerous and disfiguring than a modified mastectomy but does not, she says, increase one's chances for survival.

We're lucky in Houston to have a number of oncologists, many of whom are on the staff or who have trained at MD Anderson Hospital and Tumor Institute, one of the 17 comprehensive cancer centers funded by the National Cancer Institute, and considered one of the three top cancer centers in the country. (The other two are Roswell Park Memorial in Buffalo, New York and Memorial Sloan Kettering Institute in New York City.)

So although many of us never heard the word "oncologist," it is still likely that a Houston woman who went to her G.P. would be referred to such a specialist and unlikely that the G.P. would treat the breast lump.

And although the final answer is still not in as far as the relative merits of the Halsted vs. the modified operations go, a woman has the right to insist on being referred to a surgeon who is

experienced with cancer of the breast and to know beforehand which operation her surgeon prefers. Both schools of thought are alive and well in Houston.

Dr. Malcolm Sher, oncological surgeon and president of the Greater Houston American Cancer Society agrees in the importance of tests especially for the high risk woman (see box). He says many surgeons, including himself, are willing to do day surgery on tumors which they have reason to believe are not malignant.

For example, he will often aspirate a breast cyst in his office. If fluid comes out clear and the lump subsequently disappears, that's fine. But he believes that delaying an operation after a positive biopsy may be dangerous. There is some

evidence, he says (Kushner disagrees) that disturbing the breast tissues for a biopsy might only accelerate the malignant process. Sher says he's willing to delay an operation for a few days if a woman's family and-or job responsibilities require it, but otherwise prefers to combine the biopsy and the operation.

Probably the most important information coming from both Kushner and Sher is the strong recommendation that women at high risk have a mammogram (an X-ray film of the breast) or a xeromammogram (an X-ray print of the breast) at least once a year, and a physical twice a year. X-ray tests can pick up small malignancies which cannot be detected otherwise, even by careful palpation.

We asked Dr. Malcolm Sher to assign a number to each of the risk factors to help our readers determine who is in the "high risk" category. If you have a total of over 3, you should have a mammogram once a year. If you have over 4, you should have one every six months.

But Remember, Just Because You Are Not In The High Risk Category Is No Reason For Complacency. All Women Are At Risk And Should Practice Breast Self-Examination Monthly And Be Checked By A Physician Annually.

Previous breast cancer	5
over forty	1
family history of breast cancer on maternal side	3
if two or more such relatives	5
Previous endometrial cancer and diabetes	3
history of benign breast disease	1
no children or first child after 35	2
Of European Jewish ancestry	1
Menstruation began before age 12	1
Obese	2

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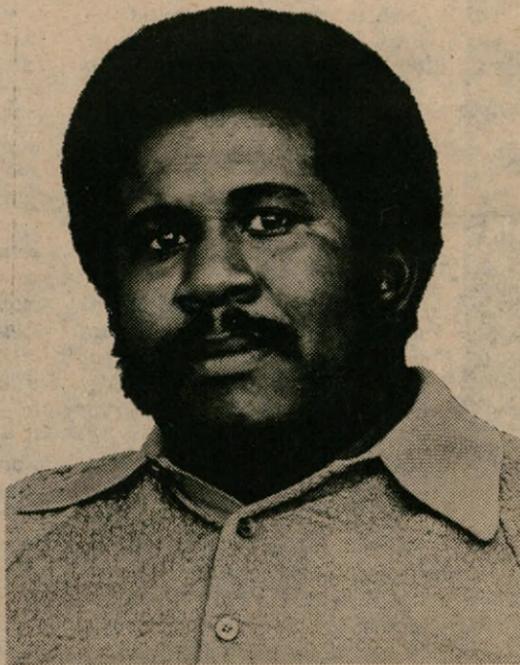
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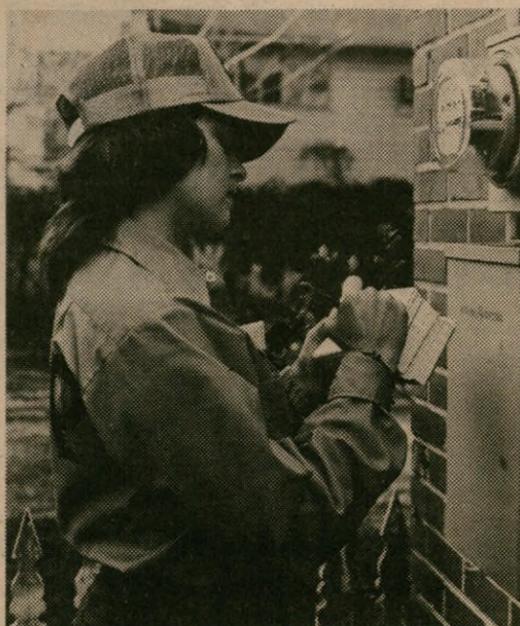
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Brown pointed out, as one example, UT students were spending their laboratory hours in day-care centers rather than pediatric units. "Their rationale was that patients moved from wellness to illness. It is necessary to understand what a healthy person is before you can understand the phenomenon of illness."

In a Houston Post interview (March 28) Dr. Frances Moncure an associate professor with the UT School of Nursing and opponent of the change, called the regents decision "a step back into the dark ages of Texas."

Luci Johnson Nugent verbalized the feelings of the statewide nursing community. While not wanting to evaluate the Board of Regents or their action, Nugent expressed her concern for the effect of the Regents' decision on the spirit of nursing.

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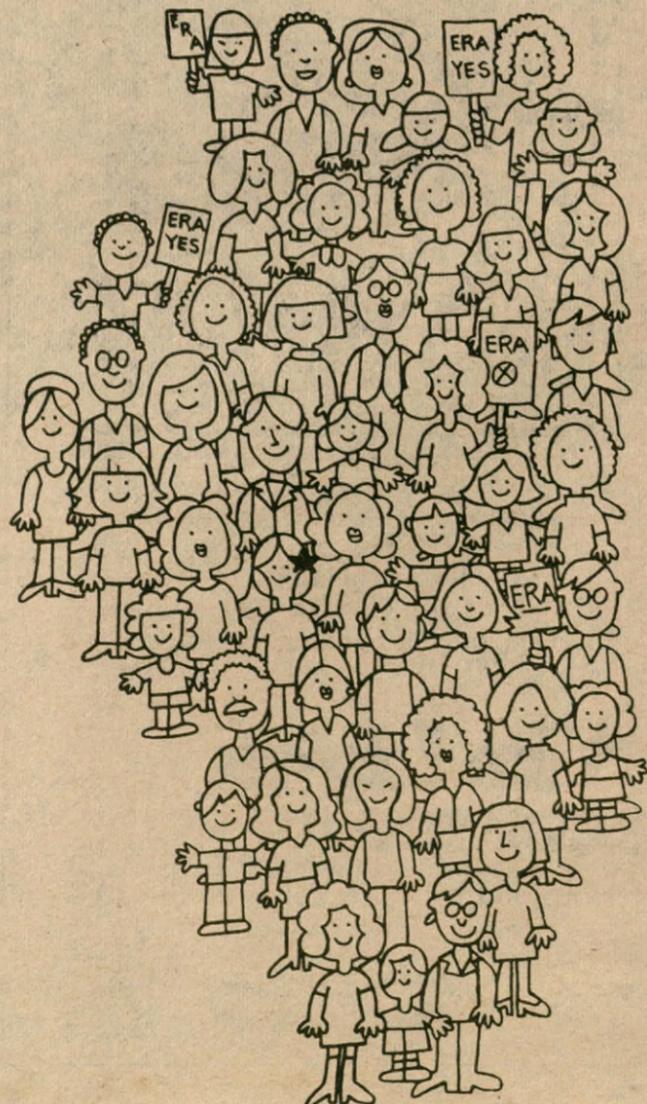
Illinois is next!

The effort to get the ERA ratified in Illinois is in full swing, with district work, canvassing, march and rally planned for the weekend of May 15-16 in Springfield.

Bus transportation is being arranged and will probably cost about \$55 for a round trip. The

bus will leave Thursday, May 13 and return Monday, May 17.

Contact Gail Baier, Texas coordinator of the Illinois ERA mobilization at 3434 Oakdale, No. 605, San Antonio, Texas 78229. If you want to call, the number is (512) 344-0594 and she says late night calls (cheaper rates) are fine. She needs your name by April 17.



Duerk says women in Harris County still have "a long way to go" as she assesses the status of women in the local political structure. She says it is "a good thing that people like Texans Anne Armstrong and Kay Bailey are appointed to political positions, but Duerk sees a need for more women on all levels -- on commissioners court, the city council, judgeships and in the legislature.

"Women in the legislature, bring up concerns of women," she said. "For instance there never would have been a rape bill had it not been for women lawmakers. There would never have been a homemakers' benefit bill if it hadn't been for women in Congress.

"A major problem we face is the lack of a local commission on the status of women," Duerk stated. "And because we don't, we really have no way of telling how bad things are for women in Houston.

"We are going to have to convince Fred Hofheinz or Dolph Briscoe to appoint a local and a state-wide commission on the status of women so we can open lines of communication among people who are in positions to alleviate the problems."

A way to accomplish this is through coalition politics, Duerk says. She indicates the caucus will work with groups like WEAL, NOW, LULAC, BOLD, AAUW, CLUW, and PASSO to create the kind of change that is necessary to elevate the position of women in the local political structure.

To fulfill the potential of HCWPC, Duerk says the caucus must do a better job of educating people to be informed voters and she believes politically aware men and women of all persuasions need to start putting pressure on the decision-makers to forge



JANIS POOL

equitable concessions from government.

"For years, women have been told to wait, to wait," she says. "The HCWPC is needed and wanted by women because we realize we have to go beyond the existing mechanisms men have used to make their voices heard. We need a separate organization. Eventually, we hope HCWPC won't be necessary. We hope that one day, the often-neglected human issues we as women are concerned with will be the concerns of all legislators. But right now, we have to form ourselves into a lobby group just to get our ideas across."

The caucus must also continue to exist, Duerk says, for people like Janis Pool, a Spring, Texas, woman who is running for county commissioner, Precinct 3.

Pool is a Democrat running in a predominately Republican district. Her opponent is Bob Eckels, an incumbent who has also served on the Houston Independent School District during the years the district fought the 1954 desegregation ruling from the Supreme Court.

"I've spent the past 20 years in suburbia," Pool told the convention, "and when I go to the mailbox and ask a neighbor, 'What do you think of the ERA?' I'm told I'm going to hell."

"I grew up believing my elders when they said the church had all the answers and then when they told me the government had all the answers, but I don't believe that any more."

This is Pool's first political campaign. Speaking before the caucus convention was her first public appearance; however, she was not afraid to reveal those things about herself which gave insight into her character.

"Fourteen years ago when my daughter was only two, we went into a store and there were two water fountains -- one 'colored' and one 'white.' I told my daughter if she wanted some 'colored' water to drink out of the one labeled 'colored.' I don't want my kids growing up with that kind of crap every day."

Pool indicated that she had to learn from some of her friends that if change is to occur in this city, individuals like herself have to do it.

"I suspect that George Washington wasn't qualified to be President because he was the first one," this grassroots candidate said. "We as women can't wait for some pie-in-the-sky to help us out. I'm not gonna wait for George to do it cause I'm convinced that he's gonna do it to me. We've all be sitting here letting them do it to us and I'm not gonna do it any more!"



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WILDERNESS TRAINING: A two-day seminar, **BACK-PACKING BASICS**, geared to getting you into the wilderness co-existing with nature without leaving a trace will be conducted by Nancy Landau, a member of the 1974 National Outdoor Leadership School, Landers, Wyoming. The essentials -- food, clothing, shelter, equipment -- what to carry, how to choose it, how to organize and get it packed will be discussed. Be there May 4 and 6 (Tuesday and Thursday), 7:30 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. An additional over-night "in the field" expedition is tentatively scheduled for May 22 or June 5. Contact YWCA - 523-6881 for details.

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INTERESTED IN SOCCER? A Women's Soccer Clinic will be held on Saturday, April 17 at 9:30 A.M. at the men's soccer field at Rice University. The Clinic is open to all women. A knowledge of soccer is not needed to participate. For more information call Carol Kirpatrick, 923-6397 during the day, or Kathy Parker, 795-5350 in the evenings.

WOMAN'S CAREER DEVELOPMENT CLASS: Are you a woman interested in making a career change or starting a new career? If so, Vocational Guidance Service, a United Fund Agency, will be forming a **WOMAN'S CAREER DEVELOPMENT** group especially for you. For more information call 659-1800. The group will be conducted by Sharon Ziegler and Tana Blair, vocational counselors at Vocational Guidance Service, 2529 San Jacinto.

THE HOUSTON MUSEUM OF MODERN ART will present **YOUNG HOUSTON ARTISTS**, an exhibition of strong unrecognized artists from the area of painting, sculpture, graphics, video, photography and performances. The exhibit will run March 27-April 24, hours 1:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M., Tuesday thru Saturday. For more information call 529-6324.

BAY AREA CHAPTER OF AAUW - "Pageant of American History" will be the program for the meeting on April 14. For more information on location and time call Marge Randall at 488-5396.

FEMINIST STUDY GROUP - The first meeting of The Feminist Study Group will be Tuesday, April 6 at the University Boulevard Book Store, 2437 University Blvd., at 7:00 P.M. The group will decide what to read at this first meeting and set up a schedule.

SOUTHWEST N.O.W. - Rape in Houston will be the Southwest N.O.W. program April 20 at 7:00 P.M. at the Jungman Branch Library, 5830 Westheimer. Linda Cryer, the City of Houston's Administrator of the Rape Crisis Center, will discuss the current services available to the public.

HOUSTON AREA N.O.W. is having a fund raiser. A garage sale will be held at 2504 Helena on April 10 & 11. Anyone interested in buying or donating items call Norma Lee at 528-7454.

A CREATIVITY SEMINAR, for women only, is being offered by the Houston Museum of Modern Art, beginning April 14-th. Bring your paintings, drawings, writing samples, video work, and ideas. Guest instructors with professional assistance related directly to individual creative development. Call 529-6324 for more information.

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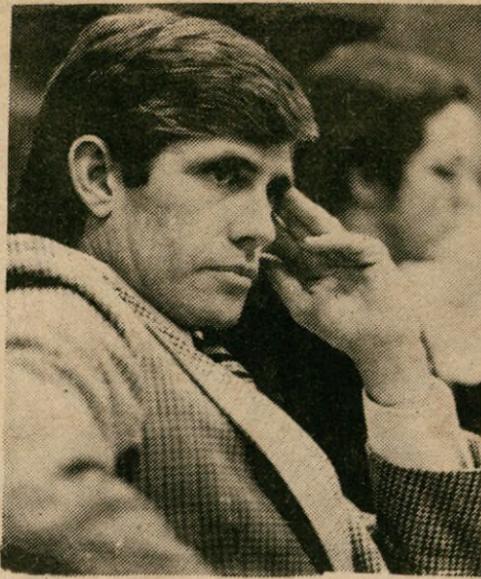
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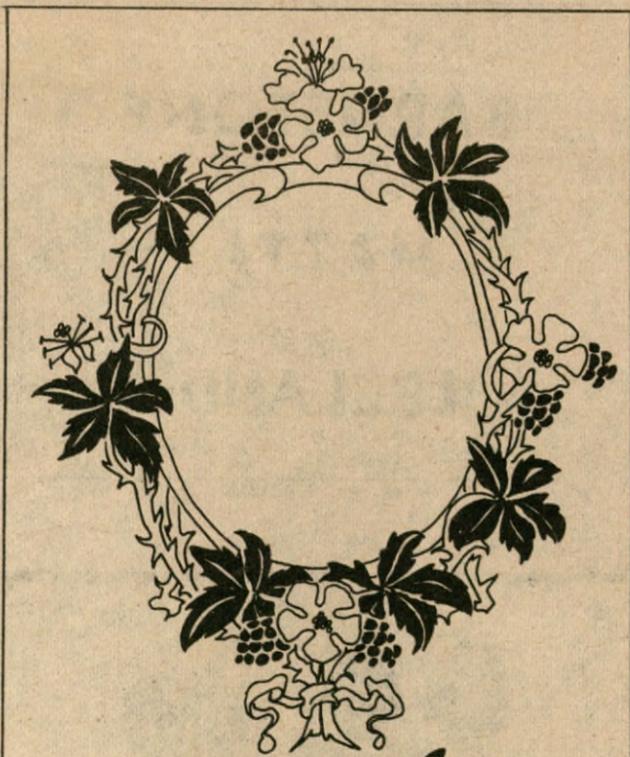
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