EQUAL RIGHTS IN ACTION-THE EFFECT ON MEN

MEN! DO YOU REALLY WANT THE MASCULINE ROLE RESTRUCTURED VIA THE FEMINIST (WOMEN'S LIB) MOVEMENT:
A UNISEX SOCIETY???

Though its proponents claim the E.R.A. (Equal Rights Amendment) will liberate men as well as women, is it not possible that a unisex equality is actually harmful to men?? Let's take a look at the Feminist Movement and Equal Rights in action:

THE PREDICTIONS...

JOB SECURITY

"Those who suffer most will be the **working men**, who under the present system, have enormous family responsibilities and who **will be pushed out of work**. That unfortunately, will be the result of abolishing discrimination against females."

Germain Greer, Prominent Feminist

RESTRUCTURING THE MASCULINE ROLE: IN THE FAMILY...

"The family has to be restructured: first of all, you're going to restructure in terms of those obsolete male and feminine roles; it is not going to be any longer. Mama the Housewife and Papa the Breadwinner."

Betty Friedan, Founder National Organization for Women (N.O.W.)

"Thus, common and statutory rules requiring name change for the married woman would become legal nullities."

"The Amendment would also prohibit the states from requiring that a child's last name be the same as his or her father's . . ."

Yale Law Journal, April 1971

IN THE ECONOMY...

"We have to change the economic system almost completely. We have to allow for men also taking different roles, playing more of a role at home, and perhaps changing the workaday system. Instead of working 8 hours a day, having split shifts so that men could spend time at home and women time in the field."

Jacqueline Ceballos, spokesman for N.O.W.

THE CONSEQUENCES... LIB BLAMED FOR EXPECTED JOBLESSNESS

"Womens Lib is in trouble on a surprising new front. The surge of women into the job market, according to a business researcher, will create massive unemployment in the 1980's."

Houston Chronicle, 10/29/71

(Men complain that under the quota system, preference is being given to less qualified women.)

COURT ORDERS ROLE REVERSAL

"In the first ruling of its kind here, a judge has awarded the husband in a divorce case custody of his three children and ordered the children's mother to pay child support."

Associated Press, 2/24/73 (The earnings of the two parents were approximately the same.)

"A woman may legally use her name **regardless of her marital status** (in California) said California attorney general Evelle J. Younger."

Houston Chronicle, 3/17/74

THREAT TO MASCULINE VIRILITY

In discussing increasing female domination, Daniel Patrick Moynihan, former Presidential advisor, asks, "Is it the case that we have created a breed of revolutionary geldings?"

"When women become aggressive and dominating, they often produce submissive sons . . . `an unwholesome development . . . It goes against the whole biological plan.'"

Dr. Benjamin Spock, Noted Pediatrician

SCUM (Society for Cutting Up Men) brags that they plan a female-dominated society: "The few remaining men can exist out their puny days dropped out on drugs or strutting around in drag or passively watching the high-powered female in action, fulfilling themselves as spectators, vicarious livers or breeding in the cow posture with the toodies, or they can go off to the nearest friendly neighborhood suicide center where they will be quietly, quickly and painlessly gassed to death."

Sisterhood is Powerful: An Anthology of Writing From the Women's Liberation Movement, edited by Robin Morgan

LOSS OF EMPLOYER'S RIGHTS TO DETERMINE PERSONNEL POLICIES

"... the proposal evidently contemplates **no flexibility** in construction but rather a rule of **rigid equality**."

Professors Paul Freund and Roscoe Pound, Harvard Law School

(If a sex discrimation complaint is filed against an employer, the burden of proof lies with him to show that he was not discriminating on the basis of sex. He is guilty until — and unless — proven innocent!)

MALE IMPOTENCE LINKED TO FEMALE FREEDOM

Some feel the thrust of the article (by Drs. Ginsberg, Froesch and Shapiro) is equivalent to an attack on women's liberation.

Houston Chronicle, 8/20/72

According to Labor Dept. lawyer-economist Dr. Phon Hudkins, "A wide variety of ills besetting males are rooted in tension and stress, and these tensions are the direct result of females taking over traditional male roles." "Interruption of denial of male identification and the need to dominant, subordinate relations," Hudkins says, "may result in murder, suicide, delinquency, homosexuality, sterility and cancer." Hudkins backs up his statement with articles from books by physicians, zoologists, biologists, and psychiatrists.

Seattle Times, 4/16/70

FEMALE DOMINATION ENDANGERS

The longest living men in the world . . . the Abkhasians . . . have extremely feminine and gentle wives.

Abkhasia: The Long Living People of the Causasus by Sula Benet, Prof. of Anthropology, Hunter College

HIRING PRACTICES

"You can't fire a pregnant woman. Nor can you refuse to hire her . . . the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission also insists that child-bearing leave be the same for both sexes. A company that grants maternity leave for women must give paternity leave to men. This leave to bring up baby is different than time off for childbirth . . . Most employers are waiting for court rulings (to decide these policies.)"

St. Paul Pioneer-Press, 9/2/73

"An employer who has men with young children on the payroll cannot automatically refuse to hire women with pre-schoolers at home."

Houston Post, 1/21/71

SPORTS...LIB STYLE

"Sex-integrated athletic teams in all schools and colleges will soon be a reality if women want them."

Gwen Gregory, Official Dept. of Health, Education and Welfare (H.E.W.)

COLLEGIATE SPORTS THREATENED

Schools, colleges and universities will be required to provide equal athletic opportunities and facilities to both sexes. Many fear this will sound the death knell of intercollegiate sports as we know them. "There is no way that we can provide separate but equal programs for men and women in intercollegiate athletics without eliminating a major portion of the existing programs. We simply do not have the funds to do both."

Phillip Shriver, President Miami Univ. (Ohio)

FEMALE FREEDOM

"The question of whether 3 girls will be allowed to compete on Whshkah Valley High School 8-man football team won't be settled until next week." Houston Post

If E.R.A. is ratified by the necessary 38 states, the question will be answered: YES, girls must be allowed to play on the same teams as boys!!!

The officials of baseballs Little League, harassed by feminists with daughters, have already ruled that girls must be allowed on Little League teams.

MEN'S RIGHT TO PRIVACY

"Police practices by which a search involving the removal of clothing will be able to be performed by members of either sex without regard to the sex of the one to be searched." (Under E.R.A.)

Minority Report, Sen. Sam Ervin

PRISONERS OBJECT TO WOMAN GUARD

"The hiring of Mrs. Schneider (at San Quentin) . . . broke a 121-year tradition of male prison guards . . . The **prisoners objected** to her performing some of the guards' normal duties-**supervising showers and making body searches of inmates**."

Houston Chronicle, 3/4/73

MEN-ONLY CLUBS UNDER ATTACK

Women are seeking admittance to traditionally **men-only private clubs** and are demanding membership in men's organizations, even those with female auxiliaries.

JAYCEES LOSE RULING

"A federal judge ruled Friday that the **National Jaycees would be out of order** if they revoked the charter of the New York City chapter because it admitted women as full members."

Houston Post, 6/15/74

HOMOSEXUAL MARRIAGE

"The stringent requirements of the proposed Equal Rights Amendment argue strongly... for granting marriage licenses to homosexual couples."

Yale Law Journal, Jan., 1973

(And if they can "marry," wouldn't it be "discrimination based on sex" to deny homosexual couples the right to adopt a child?)

GAYS ADOPT CHILD?

"Jack Baker, longtime leader for gay rights, and his male spouse J. Michael McConnell, have applied to three Twin Cities social agencies in hopes for adopting a child."

St. Paul Dispatch, 5/14/74

(Their applications have not been rejected!)

ELIMINATION OF "SEXIST" WORDS

"Alternatives to Sexist Language" (Suggestions compiled by the League of Women Voters of Minnesota):

Sexist
Man
Manpower
Forefathers
Brotherhood
Miss
Mrs.
Mrs. Jack Jones
Fireman

Non-Sexist
Person, human
Human energy
Forepersons
Amity, unity
Ms.
Ms.
Mrs. Mary Jones

Fireperson

(Partial listing)

Guidelines for Equal Treatment of the Sexes, published by McGraw-Hill: "Mankind" becomes "Humanity"

"Man's achievement become "Human" achievements, "Manpower" becomes "Humanpower," etc.

(Just a few examples are given; many more exist. After all, McGraw-Hill published a whole book on the subject.)

The United Presbyterian Church has decided to spend \$100,000. revising its worship book to eliminate any sexist language.

THE E.R.A. READS: EQUALITY OF RIGHTS UNDER THE LAW SHALL NOT BE DENIED OR ABRIDGED D BY THE UNITED STATES OR BY ANY STATE ON ACCOUNT OF SEX.

GENTLEMEN! STOP FURTHER EROSION OF MASCULINE-FEMININE ROLES! HELP US GET OUR STATE LEGISLATORS TO RESCIND OUR RATIFICATION OF THE EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT (E.R.A.)!

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