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Sheats Disposes Hance Opposes

"Believe it or not, Kent Hance and Morris Sheats agree on most issues. And the same goes for Republicans Jim Reese, Joe Hickox and George Bush." So begins a review of the positions of candidates in the upcoming Nineteenth Congressional District primaries in the Sunday, March 19, 1978, Avalanche-Journal. Of particular interest to NOW members-both Hance and Sheats, if the newspaper's account is reliable, oppose the ERA. The position of the Republican candidates on the ERA is not reported, but Reese's opposition is well known, while Bush's support is not on record. Hickox is not to all appearances a strong candidate.

Tweedledum Tweedledee

Sheats, as might have been expected, while announcing that he opposed the ERA and would not vote for the proposed extension of the ratification deadline, charged Hance with not taking a "clearcut stand." Hance in reply reaffirmed a position he said he had taken in Levelland with Sheats present (the latter's charge was in Hance's view a "lie"): Hance would not vote for the extension. Rather, he would oppose the ERA in Congress because of "the feeling of the district."

Kent Hance no doubt believes that he can take for granted the vote of these numerous citizens of the district who support human equality. He might even be able to beat Sheats without that vote, but that is at least doubtful. Yet why should (continued on page 4)

ENDING SEX BIAS: NEW JOB OPENING

A position has been created for a full-time staff member at the Texas Education Agency to work in the area of eliminating sex bias and stereotyping in vocational education.

Experience Required: Vocational teacher and/or administrative experience; knowledge of vocational education legislation; experience in working with administrators; skill in communication, public relations, and program management; ability to work well with other people; commitment to (continued on page 5)

*ART AUCTION *

Work By Area Artists



CELEBRATE III

LUBBOCK NOW'S BIRTHDAY PARTY

APRIL 22 6:30 P.M 3605 28th Street

Bring A COVERED DISH Wine-Beer Available

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COME ONE COME ALL

HOGWASH

Place 3 candidate W.J. "Bud" Aderton flatly rejected a battered women's center, saying he believes battering to be a "domestic problem." He added that he did not believe

He added that he did not believe a center is necessary, and said one should not be used as a "referee" on households.

That view was supported by mayoral candidate Leland Kelly, who said he believes spouses "can work out their own problems."

Besides, he added, such a center would cost money.

Lubbock Avalanche-Journal, March 22, 1978. Submitted by Jim Brink

How to Operate a Wife:

"A wife is a delicate piece of machinery especially designed for the home-loving man, but difficult to operate without the exercise of proper care and consideration...Once a wife has been installed and is in good working order, the thoughtful man will make her home-office as pleasant as

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possible. Laborsaving devices, like children to take out the garbage or a husband to dry the dishes, are essential. An unlimited phone is a must, and a weekly overhaul at the beauty parlor, where her motor can idle, is indispensible...Properly tended and attended, the average wife is worth double her weight in kilowatts, for her energy output can put an atom-powered machine to shame. As good businessmen, we cannot afford to foul up production through neglect or apathy; remember, a good machine is hard to find."

--Danny Seifer, Girl Talk. submitted by Richmond Flowers.



"Judging cows is just like judging women. The first thing you look at is their eyes and their mouth; then you look at their legs and their rumps...."

--B.B. Hamilton, Tennessee Folled Hereford Association. Submitted by Pam Brink.

HOGWASH ANTIDOTE

The job of mother-homemaker does not produce an income, but how much would it take to pay someone to perform these services? Chase Manhattan Bank of New York compiled a list of twelve daily household activities American housewives perform. According to the bank's figures, updated here to take into account increases in the cost of living, the average weekly cost would be \$237.81 or \$12,366 a year.

New Directions for Women, Autumn 1977 Vol. 6 #3.

NOW Legislative Action Report

Here is more current legislation pertaining to women's interests. Please write letters to Senators Tower and Bentsen and Representative Mahon voicing your opionions about these issues, and don't forget: Tower is up for re-election!!!!

ERA Extension

(H.J. Res. 638), Holtzman (D-NY) and 20 cosponsors.

Purpose:

A resolution calling for an extension of the time limitation on the Equal Rights Amendment.

Pending in House Judiciary Subcommittee on Civil and Constitutional Rights. March or April mark-up expected.

Retirement

(H.R. 4649) Trible (R-VA)

Purpose:

Amends the Internal Revenue Code to allow homemakers to own an Individual Retirement Account without qualifying through their spouses. The bill treats homemakers as self-employed persons.

<u>Status</u>: House Ways & Means Committee. Oversight hearings on pension benefits expected to begin in March.

Gay Rights

"Civil Rights Amendments of 1977" (H.R. 2998), Koch (D-NY) Legal Services Corporation: (H.R. 6666) Kastemneier (D-WI) (S. 418), Bayh (D-IN)

Purpose:

To amend the 1964 Civil Rights Act to prohibit discrimination on the

basis of affectional or sexual preference. Reauthorizes Legal Services Corp. for Fy 78-82. House passed a floor amend. (230-133) restricting use of corporation funds for any controversies dealing with homosexuality.

Status:

Ready for President's signature. (Restrictive amendment was dropped by Conference Committee.)

Rape

Private Protection for Rape Victims Act of 1977 (H.R. 4730) Holtzman (D-NY) (H.R. 8355) Moakley (D-MA)

To protect rape victims from crossexamination in federal courts about their past sexual histories. Amendment to U.S. Federal Code to include section on sexual assult. Provisions are not as complete as those in Holtzman's bill.

Status:

Pending in Judiciary Subcommittee on Criminal Justice. Hearings rescheduled for November or December of 1978. NCW scheduled to testify.

Action / Business

The next NOW Action/Business Meeting will be held Thursday, April 6 at Cathie McWhorter's house, 3616 59th. The time is 7:00 pm. All paid members are urged to attend. At our last Action Meeting we voted to change the regular time of the meeting to the first Thursday of each month. It was also decided that these meetings should be held at members' houses. Action/Business Meetings are open to all paid members.

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More Rape and American Justice

(AF: March 1978) Honolulu--Local Women's groups are circulating petitions urging an investigation of a judge who dismissed a rape charge against a Marine on grounds that the victim has not sufficiently resisted the attack.

"The response has been overwhelming," said Janice Arnold-Jones, state leader of the group Women Against Rape.
"We have collected more than 2,000 signatures in less than 24 hours."

The petitions ask the Hawaii Supreme Count to investigate the fitness of District Judge Robert Richardson to hold office. During a preliminary hearing on February 24, a rape charge against Wilbur Moyd, 21, on Oahu-based Marine, was dismissed by Richardson. But Richardson let stand a sodomy charge against Moyd filed in connection with the same incident.

The case goes to a grand jury, which could return a rape indictment despite Richardson's dismissal of

SHEATS, HANCE

(continued from page 1) any of us who fall into this category of voters help send Tweedledum Hance to Congress in place of Tweedledee Sheats? Sheats' predictably ridiculous rhetoric might serve to discredit opposition to the ERA; Hance would evidently quietly add his vote to that opposition.

NOW members and other proponents of equality must now feel that they do not have much of a choice. Clearly few of us will be able in good conscience to vote for Hance, and a vote for Sheats would seem impossible. But perhaps the Nine-teenth Congressional District deserves Morris Sheats and the public embarassment that should follow his entry into Congress. Sheats might better serve our cause, the cause Hance has evidently disowned.

-- Richmond Flowers

that charge.

The 24-year-old victim told police she was jogging in a rural area when she was struck from benind by a car. She said the driver threatened her with a broken bottle, forced her into the car and assaulted her.

Ms. Arnold-Jones said she will give the petitions to Chief Justice William S. Richardson, brother of the district judge.

Judges in Hawaii are appointed, and state law does not provide for citizen recall.

Thanks Merchants

THANK YOU..... The following list of local merchants made donations to NOW for the recent fundraising party. We need to go by and thank

them personally! Redwood Leather Varsity Bookstore Expressions Intimate Apparel Hair By Diane Uncommon Graphics Linda Caster-Amway Rich's Fried Chicken Sound Emporium Jessie Lee's All Seasons Brokerage Buckingham's Health Hut Crepe Suzette Uncle Nasty's Red Barn Meats

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My personal thanks go to Cathie Mc-Whorter, Camille Brantley, Darlene Jones, JoAnn Grubbs, Edna Gott, and Dee McGraw.

-- Charlotte Guinn



THE BOOKSHELF

Nies, Judith. Seven Women:
Portraits from the American Radical
Tradition. Viking. \$8.95. "No
matter what you know or don't know
about Sarah Grimke, Harriet Tubman,
Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Mother Jones,
Charlotte Perkins Gilman, Anne
Louise Strong or Dorothy Day. these
well-researched portraits will bring
you fresh perspectives. Good
reading for all ages." (Review from
New Directions for Women, vol 16, #3,
Autumn 1977.) Submitted by Pamela
Brink.

Langley, Roger and Richard C. Levy. Wife Beating: The Silent Crisis.

"The authors. ..describe case histories of wife beating in their book in such a matter-of-fact manner, yet so vividly, that the book neither conceals nor exploits the sheer gruesomeness of the circumstances. The only thing more grotesque than the incidents they describe is that the governmental system promitted the assailants in most cases to walk away unscathed. . . " Langley and Levy estimate that 40 million wives may be the victim of some

form of wife beating and this book is a must for all of us who feel that it is time to force this issue out of the family closet. Submitted by Pamela Brink.

Moers, Ellen. Literary Women. 1976. pbk. 33.95. Anchor. In her preface Moers explains: "The subject of this book is the major women writers, writers we read and shall always read whether interested or not in the fact that they happened to be women. But. . . the open question with which I began was: what did it matter that so many of the great writers of modern times have been women? what did it matter to literature?"

The highest compliment I can pay Moers is to say that she makes me want to read the women writers she talks about (yes, even <u>Uncle Tom's Cabin</u> and <u>Aurora Leigh</u>) and makes me eager to re-read old favorites because she talks about them in such illuminating, fresh, and exciting ways. Submitted by Ellie David, Seattle, Washington.

Job Opening

(Continued from page 1) equal rights; ability to keep a balanced perspective on all areas of vocational education and on implications of change.

Minimum Education required: Master's degree.

Mage: \$1,437/month. 40 hour week.

Job Description: Works full time
in the Department of Occupational
Education and Technology to assist
in furnishing equal educational
opportunities in vocational education
programs to persons of both sexes
and eliminating sex discrimination
and sex stereotyping from all
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There is a travel requirement.

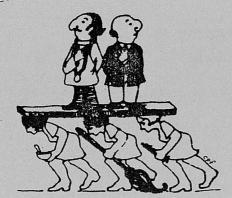
If you are interested in applying

for this job, please contact the Texas Education Agency Personnel Office immediately at (512) 475-4141. COMPLETED APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE PERSONNEL OFFICE BY APRIL 7. 1978.

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FBI Statistics

FBI statistics indicate that spouse abuse occurs every 18 seconds. In a sample survey of 95 women, a Milwaukee task force on battered women found that 8 percent reported daily violence in the home; 37 percent reported weekly violence; 20 percent monthly violence, and 20 percent reported violence occurred several times during the marriage relationship.

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