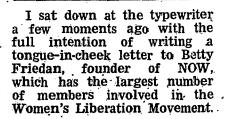
## Women's Lib Not All Bad

By Sarah Child



Miss Friendan, author of The Feminine Mystique, was organizer of the women's strike on Aug. 26 for which she called upon all women to leave their homes and jobs, dump their babies in the husbands' laps and strike a blow for freedom.

Initially I thought I'd compose a pretend letter in which I sent my regrets for not being able to attend either the parade or the meeting scheduled in our city on the designated date.

Then I'd recount the excuses for my absence: Notably a husban who works for a company that says no work, no pay. And let's face it, he does bring home the bacon—and the hair spray and the baby powder and everything else in our ranch-style non-rose-covered cottage.

Secondly, I had a birthday party to plan, a pediatrician's appointment and shopping for school clothes to juggle around the regular routine.

And such footwork does tend to take the edge off personal assignations.

Finally the baby's really got a stubborn case of diaper rash and I in my provincial, limited,

child-oriented environment have convinced myself that nobody coos the way I coo when she needs comforting.

I intended to write this all down, as I stated.

Then I remembered my interview for a job in a metropolitan news room...

I had a college degree, a year and a half experience at doing everything from taking sports scores and writing obits to covering fashion shows and writing column-long wedding stories.

'Maybe I wasn't James Reston but I could make my way around a newsroom with some deftness.

The managing editor with whom I spoke was firm, blunt and to the point: "I don't care what your experience is," he spewed. "You're a woman. And I'd rather have a boy who's never seen the inside of a newsroom than you."

Eleven years later I still get mad thinking of this vain, smug, narrow little man who tried to make me feel ridic-

Thus while I cannot go along with the extremists of the Lib movement who make themselves look inane by burning bras and condemning all men, I think that fair hiring and wage practices for women can't

come soon enough.

COURIER / RECIPES



Pretty soon now the kids will be coming home from school, beating a path to cookie jar and refrigerator.

For a starter, just to stave. off starvation, try these cookies loaded with cereal, one version a routine baking job, the other a confection held together by jello.

### HONEY CEREAL COOKIES

- 2 cups sifted all-purpose flour
- 21/4 cups sifted cake flour
- 1 teaspoon baking soda 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 cup butter or other short-
- ½ cup firmly packed brown
- sugar 34 cup granulated sugar
- ½ cup honey
- 1 egg
- 2 cups crisp whole wheat flakes
- 2 cups honey-flavored puffed
- wheat 1 cup flaked coconut

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Sift flour with baking powder, soda, and salt. Place butter, sugars, honey, egg, and flour mixture in a large mixing bowl; blend well. Add cereals and coconut. Mix thoroughly. Drop from teaspoon onto ungreased baking sheets. Bake at 375° for 8 to 10 minutes, or until golden brown. Let stand a few seconds before removing from baking sheet. Cookies will become crisp when cold. Makes about 8 dozen.

### MONOGRAM CRUNCHIES

½ cup light corn syrup ¼ cup sugar

1 package (3 oz.) fruit flavor gelatin, any flavor 5 cups alphabet oat cereal

Combine syrup, sugar, and gelatin in a saucepan. Stir over low heat until sugar and gelatin are thoroughly dissolved about 2 or 3 minutes.

Place cereal in a bowl. Add gelatin mixture; mix well. Press mixture firmly into covered 9inch square pan with the back of a moistened spoon. Chill to set. Cut into squares to serve. Makes about 3 dozen squares.

## COURIER / WOMEN

## Nuns' Group Urges Women Be Ordained

member national organization nation to women." of Catholic nuns has called for the "ordination of any qualified woman who so desires" to the Catholic priesthood, stressing the need for "more workers" in the sacred ministry.

In a statement released here by Sister Margaret Ellen Traxler, chairman of the executive board of the National Coalition of American Nuns (NCAN), it was asserted that "there is no theological, sociological or bio-

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The sisters' coalition said that in keeping with the late Pope John XXIII's encyclical, "Pacem in Terris," women must ask for ordination since "he who possesses certain rights has likewise the duty to claim those rights as marks of his dignity."

Pointing to the need for more priests, the NCAN statement asked: "Is there wisdom in speaking of a vocations shortage while denying equality to Church's memberhalf the ship?"

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In requesting prayers for the promulgation of the Vatican Peace Day statement later this year, the NCAN statement ob-served: "We pray for the elimination of every form of discrimination of race, color, culture, ethnic origin, sex, social class and religion."

The coalition, according to Sister Traxler, represents nuns who are devoted to human rights and social justice and desire to speak out on controversial issues.

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