

More Opinions

Men, Women Not Same

Western civilization, largely influenced by the Judeo-Christian tradition, has recognized and reinforced the natural role differences of men and women. What the proponents of the Equal Rights Amendment are attempting to achieve is not equal treatment, but elimination of the differences between men and women.

Hopefully, the voters of New York State will be informed of the following:

1. There is no discrimination against women which can be corrected by passage of ERA. Since 1963, the U.S. Congress has passed numerous anti-discriminatory laws which touch every facet of a woman's existence. ERA is unnecessary.

2. The ERA would leave all issues to the courts rather than the legislature to decide. Inherent in this situation is that judicial power, the least responsive segment of government, is increased. At the same time, the power of the legislative branch of government, the most responsive to the people, is diminished.

3. There are over 200 laws now in effect in New York State which protect or benefit women. (We enclose the official listing, as published by N.Y. State Law Revision Commission for editorial consideration.) These will be invalidated by ERA.

The moral dimension of the ERA is as direct as any issue affecting justice and preservation of harmonious family life. Stable societies recognize that safeguards should be maintained around wife and mother as center of the family.

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ERA Opponents 'Misinformed'

Editor:

May I point out that the anti-ERA letters published in the October 22 issue were full of misinformation (undocumented, of course) and misquoted of existing documents. May I refer any reader who is interested in actual facts to read an article entitled "Equal Rights Amendment: a constitutional basis for equal rights for women" in the current issue of the Yale Law Journal (pages 893ff.) This article has been inserted in the Public Record.

I would hope that the average, intelligent Courier-Journal reader would not base his or her decision for or against the ERA on

the content of the letters, printed articles, and editorials of this, or any other, newspaper. This recent deluge of wrong information is testimony to the fact that intelligent voters need to go to factual sources, for their information, and not trust others to interpret material for them.

On another note, once again I am amused by the attempt by Richard and Theresa Hussar to "play God" by thinking that they have the right to identify sin in others. They acknowledge the fact that they don't mind "casting stones" at "sinners." May I point out to them that in John 8: 7 (a passage more probably written by Luke), Jesus speaks to some self-righteous people who thought they had the right (according to Mosaic law) to condemn a sinner. Jesus says, "Let the one among you who has never sinned throw the first stone at her." Amazing, isn't it, that the Hussars would feel qualified?

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Many Thanked By Life Unit

Editor:

On behalf of the Rochester and New York State Right to Life Committees, we would like to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to the Courier-Journal for contributing to the success of our 1975 State Right to Life Convention and for your continued assistance. A special debt of gratitude is also acknowledged to the many members of the clergy in the Rochester diocese who have contributed such excellent and dedicated moral leadership to an important cause. Time does not often allow the luxury to express our gratitude for your continued support, but please be assured that your good will and leadership is deeply cherished by the many right to life people who, like you, daily struggle against difficult odds for the defenseless unborn.

Lastly, we would like to thank the many talented members of the laity who contributed their talents and monies to make our convention a success. The 1,000 persons who attended the convention represented a group membership of over 300,000 persons from New York State.

With the grace of God and much hard work, the success of the convention has assured many that the day will surely come when the absolute value of every human life will again be constitutionally restored by the passage of a Human Life Amendment.

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Liturgy Column Recommended

Editor:

Anyone who did not read Msgr. Shannon's articles on the liturgy (Insights on Pastoral Liturgy Sept. 24 and Oct. 1) should drop everything to do so immediately. To use a trite but most applicable saying: he hits the nail on the head. His points that positive silence and opportunities for fruitful reflection are invaluable and often missing elements in our liturgies today deserve very serious immediate consideration by all those involved in liturgy.

I hope this series continues on this plane of excellence.

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