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Will it make a difference?

Will the Charter of Rights and Freedoms make a difference to New Brunswick women? This is the question that an organizing committee will be discussing at a conference on women and equality to be held on March 2nd at Centre communautaire Ste-Anne, 715 Priestman Street, Fredericton.

On April 17, 1985 the equality rights section of the Charter of Rights and Freedoms will come into force. This will provide Canadian and New Brunswick Women with a new method of protecting their rights. Although the majority of the Charter has been in effect since April of 1982, the implementation of the equality section was delayed to give the federal and provincial governments time to review or audit their particular legislation and to make any necessary changes. Thus, any inequities in existing legislation coul be ammended to comply with the Charter.

The Charter as a whole, and particularly the quality rights section will now provide rights to women as part of the constitution. This means that all Canadian laws, both at federal and provincial levels, will have to meet these constitutional standards. Therefore, inorder to have a better understanding of the equality provisions of Section 15, it is important for all women, and women's groups of all kinds to educate themselves as completely as possible on the equal protection of the law and the difference it will make in the lives of Canadian women.

Topics for discussion at the conference will include:

LABOUR: Working outside the home, changes in the labour market, employment and training policies, parttime work, immigrant women in the work force, affirmative action.

SOCIAL CONDITIONS: Unemployment insurance, Parental benefits, Child care, Taxation.

FAMILY: Marriage, Divorce, Children, Matrimonial property, Support and custody. HEALTH: Access to health services, Medical care, Pregnancy.

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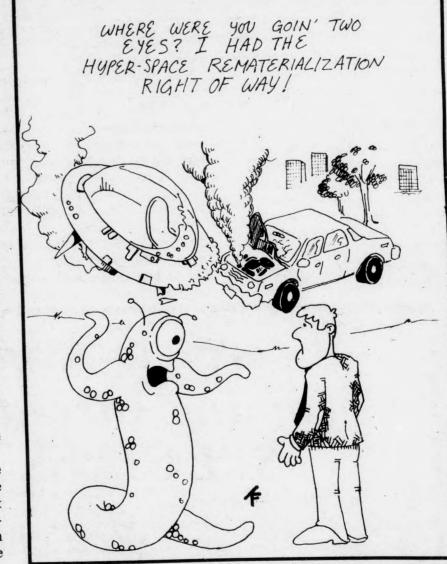
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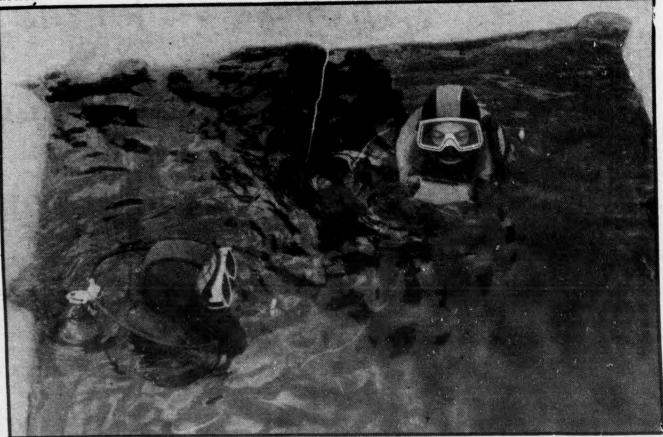
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GSA NOTES

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In the upcoming SRC elections of March 13th, a position will be available for a graduate representative. Nominations for the positions must be in by February 28th. The G.S.A. needs your help. Would persons interested in this position please contact me as soon as possible.





Divers fearing imminent nuclear war plan to live underwater. See page 19

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