Haven for battered families

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by Allison Annesley

an Edmonton haven for battered

81 per cent of the men who wives and children. Pinkney was after 13 years of marriage, the last eleven of which abuse their families have observed the guest speaker at a meeting of the same tradition in their own homes while growing up.

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The family's situation is not role model in their childhood, consisted of a film documenting unique. In the discussion that They have watched their mother the real life situation of a family followed the film, Pinkney said silently endure both mental and where the man abused his family. that Win House is between 97 and physical torture by their husbands. His wife finally fled home with '100 per cent occupied at all times These statistics were given their children to a shelter known and turns away at least 40 families by Ruth Pinkney of Win House, as Osborne House in Manitoba. per month. Win Home ac-

comodates seven families at once, dependent upon her husband." each for a three week period.

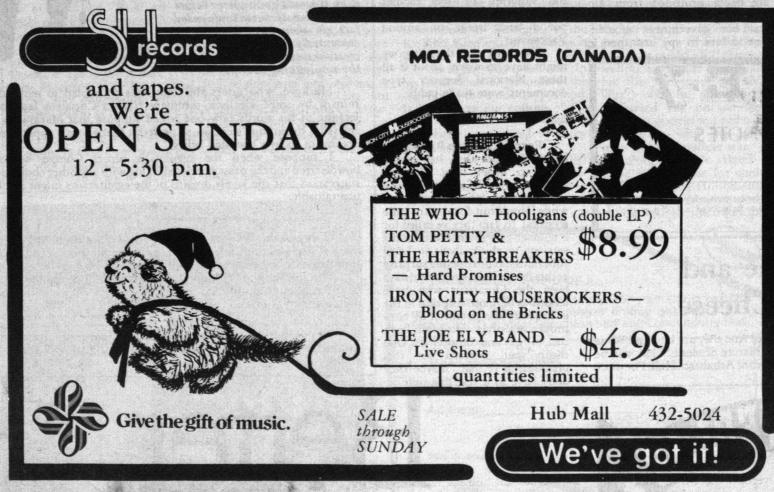
"Society allows women to cry and be emotional," said Pinkney, "but not men. The only masculine emotion that is acceptable is anger. Violence therefore is sometimes the only emotional outlet for a man.

"The typical mother who comes to us is twenty-five with two infant children. She is white, middle class and financially

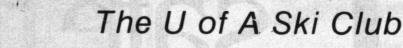
Pinkrey also explained that there are three types of men who abuse their families:

- the white collar worker who is usually only abusive when drunk:
- the man who has been conditioned culturally to treat the woman as subservient and has never learned to control his
- and the psychopath who can lose control at any time.

Win House, which takes only women with dependent children has housed 700 families since its







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