

WOMEN'S CAUCUS NEWS

May 1970

IMPORTANT!

At the last General Meeting in April, we decided to use The Pedestal as our main means of communication. Besides general news, it has the May calendar of events and meetings on the last page. People who still have not subscribed will therefore get the paper this month anyway (you've missed two issues). BUT mailings cost money and it is urgent that everyone who wants to stay on the mailing list subscribe at least the \$1.50 a year for The Pedestal, if they can afford it at all. PLEASE send a cheque immediately if you want to stay on the list!

CONFERENCE

Many people have wanted to take a weekend, after the Abortion Campaign is over, to evaluate and sum up our activities in the last few months.

We particularly need to talk about strategy, past and present; about organization; and about our relationships with other groups – and we need to critically examine what we've been doing, how we've been doing it and what results we've had.

And probably most important, we need to use this evaluation to decide what we'll be doing in the next year or so.

June 20-21 was set as the date for this conference by the last General Meeting. We need ideas, papers, plans. More details will be developed at future General Meetings.

SOME APRIL EVENTS

Last April's General Meeting voted to sponsor and support the March of the Unemployed at the Vancouver Hotel on April 29. The Unemployed Citizens Welfare Improvement Council originated the march; other groups involved were the B.C. Federation of Labour and various trade union locals, as well as the Community Educational and Research Centre. More than 300 people, including a large number of trade unionists, demonstrated at the social welfare conference.

A group of TEACHERS began meeting in April. For anyone interested, whether teachers or not, the Calendar in The Pedestal has meeting dates.

HIGH SCHOOL WOMEN have also begun to get together. For more information, call Esther Phillips at 299-3281.

GENERAL MEETINGS are now held twice a month on the second and fourth Thursdays. Discussion and decisions about actions of Women's Caucus as a whole take place, as well as group reports.

HELP NEEDED

People with union contacts, please follow up the B.C. Fed letter on abortion (see The Pedestal). Either money or telegrams to Ottawa.

We need a bigger headquarters with room for a library, office and meeting hall, as well as cheap rent. Call the office if you have any leads.

Help with the Mother's Day March here. Lost Lagoon, 1:30, May 10.
Bring everyone you know.

See Calendar for work meetings before. Bumper stickers, buttons or Abortion booklets to sell or leaflets to distribute (all available in the office.)