

of the points on which the "Campus Women" column most seriously distorts our position. We are entirely in favour of Equal Pay for Equal Work.

It's Equal Pay for work of Equal Value we oppose, as do many economists and social scientists. This is not at all the same thing, and if UPEI students don't know the difference, they had better find out, for it is going to affect every one of them.

Serious consideration should be given to requiring everyone who takes "Women's Studies" courses to balance them by reading such books as George Gilder's *Men and Marriage*, if they can still do so with an open mind. There's a great deal of wisdom in his viewpoints.

by Doreen Beagan Eastern Vice President of Real Women of Canada

Dear Editor:

This letter is in response to "The Way It Should Be" whose letter was published on March 19/92.

This person is obviously missing the basic point to the Feminist Movement: EQUALITY.

The author of the letter obviously has not been exposed to the way things were in "older times". In the so called "Good Old Days" women and children could be abused by their husbands/fathers, and could do nothing about it. Only recently have women been recognized as separate individuals by law as well as society. In the "good old days", women went right from taking orders from their fathers to taking orders from their husbands. In the "good old days" married women could not have their own opinions, they had to support their husbands' opinions. In the "good old days", a woman's identity was SUSPENDED BY LAW. The two people became one, i.e. the man, after marriage. If he abused her, she could only stay and take it. She had NO LEGAL STANDING. How could she take him to court when she did not exist as a separate person? Women lived like this for centuries, and you call us weak?

In today's economy a woman has to work to help support her family. Very few jobs out there pay anyone enough to support an entire family. So, while we are out here working to HELP OUR HUSBANDS SUPPORT THE FAMILY THAT WE ARE DESTROYING FOR THIS MONEY that helps to feed and clothe them, why can we not get paid the same amount as the man next to us that is doing the same thing we are? Seeing as how I HAVE to be out there

working next to a man doing the same thing, I should get paid as much as he does.

Besides, who are you to tell me that I should stay home and have kids, take care of the house and make my husband happy? What about me? Am I not allowed to be happy too? What if I am not ready to get married, settle down and have kids? What if I want to get an education and develop a successful career first? What if I want to be a fully developed, happy person with a successful career and a GOOD PAYCHECK before I get married and have the kids I can finally properly support without having to fight and claw day by day for every penny? I grew up with a girl who got married at 19 years of age, is working, and trying to start a family. She is happy this way. I would not be. We are both exposed to feminist views as teenagers, but it did not stop her from getting married. It has not stopped me from getting married. But, I want to enjoy my single life first. Besides, marriage proposals don't exactly come to most of us by the load when we are nineteen or twenty anyway. How many guys at this university are ready for marriage and a family now? My guess is not too many. I have not met any. I don't have anything against men, I will get married when the right person and time come along. That is because I want to, not because I have to.

Women are not going to stop getting married or having kids just because some radical feminists are calling the situation unfair. People in society would

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