

Feminist Bookstores Newsletter

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A CONFERENCE? NO.

Sad and true....We said we'd (try) to do it if we got response from 2/3's of the bookstores saying that they were interested and if it looked like we could run our own bookstore, do FBN, finish a book, live our lives, et al. Even after a second request for response, we received responses from less than 1/3 of the bookstores, though a couple stores wrote twice and one wrote THREE times....All other things being equal, the enthusiasm of those letters might have carried us on, but the questions of energy in our own lives was not so clear as it had looked initially. Though I like to THINK that, give a stronger response from the other bookstores, we would have found the energy (or created it out of the air), but reality checks (like the pile of FBN mail waiting for response since November) say otherwise.

I'm thinking that some woman needs to have a HUGE amount of time to organize such a conference well, like at times 15-20 hours a week. And at the same time I think that a vast overstatement. The truth is in between. My suggestion for an organizing stragey for the future is for some woman to reserve a conference site in the midwest (that still seems like the best geographical compromise to me) and then announce a conference. Finding a place from Calif. in the midwest without any \$\$ to go find/look at/evaluate sites was an immensely difficult process for me, even with the offers of help that did come, a huge stumbling block.

I hope that someone(s) do do it soon....or better yet, another Women In Print conference. We still need one.

Feminist

BOOKSTORES AS SISTERS

by the ♀ at Magic Speller

Lorraine Zimmerman bought Fahrenheit 451 in Laguna Beach and I opened the Magic Speller in Newport Beach. Over three years we've become not just good friends but supporters of one another's businesses.

We buy books at the other's store for a straight 40% off. This saves postage, time and the hassle of ordering that one special title. We also have the advantage two buyers and twice the resources. Phoning often, we trade information about salespeople, buying ideas and merchandising hints. We also share our problems; that publisher who won't wait more than 30 days for payment, bad buys, difficulties with returns or shipping. If something doesn't sell well at one store, we try it at the other. If a minimum order is financially out of reach, we share the order. With this arrangement, we seldom trade with cash, there is always enough merchandise the other can use.

Several months ago, my partner and I went to another women's bookstore and began to write some titles down. The owners became instantly cold and apparently threatened. It is time for women to join together, help each other and contribute to the success of all women in business.

(this was rec'd months ago--
my apologies for not running
it sooner. --Carol.)

STATE OF THE NEWSLETTER NEWS

The good news is that FBN is reasonably solvent at the moment...due to subs. continuing to come in, a lot (\$151) of sales of the bookstores list, the last couple dashes of advertising and of course the solid base of financial support--the original subscriptions to Vol. 3. So this "volume" of FBN will include this issue, another one and maybe even one after that.

The bad news you already know....that issues are being far-between. "Christmas" this year lasted from mid-Nov. through January. There always seems to be more work w/ FBN than I can get to.... One friend said that the sign of a successful magazine is a lot of correspondance....and if that's true, FBN is VERY successful. Unfortunately most of it has to do only peripherally w/ FBN or has to do w/ subscriptions. (not exciting.) Meanwhile the piles of paper, unfinished correspondance, piles of things that SHOULD find their way into the next issue, and all the back issues, correspondance, etc, slide off their work table & move in on the rest of the living room. But all-in-all I am pleased that FBN will do at least 7 (maybe 8) issues this subscription period.

This issue has taken FOREVER (it seems) to get out...mostly because I was determined to go through ALL the piles of paper, type up what was pertinent & throw out the rest...In the process I found an article that I've been sitting on for 2 issues (but that's since August) so I think it's a good thing I did it. I now have 20 pages of copy to fit into two small newsletters, and of course there'll be more booklists to add into the next issue, but at least it's all typed and ready to go, so the issue following this should be close on it's heels...like a month or so.

The Oracle has stopped doing the Publishers Weekly lists. The one in this issue is the one they sent me for the November issue that didn't happen. They're short staffed,so need to be out from under the work of doing the list each month. Paula at Full Circle might take it over, but I haven't heard for sure, so if you're interested in doing it, and in getting a free sub to FBN for your labors, drop me a line.

Carol

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AMAZON REALITY FOLDS

(press release)

After five years of business, Amazon Reality, a lesbian feminist book and poster distribution project, is drastically cutting down its roster. From a catalogue of over 20 works, Amazon Reality will only continue to distribute one, its own published High School Sexuality.

The project's founders, Laurie McClain and Mary Anne Gould, and a co-worker Nellie Kaufer, reached the difficult decision to change the business at the end of September.

"The primary problem is that the business of wholesale book and poster distribution is not a money maker," said Laurie. "Really big publishers can afford to write off their losses. Small speciality businesses like ours cannot."

Amazon Reality found it could not pay its workers a wage, while continuing to pay the increasing overhead as well as the producers of the works they distribute. The workers had to find other jobs, and the business could not continue as a volunteer project

"We made the difficult decision to stop most of the business while we could still pay the women we owe," said Mary Ann. "Since we published the second edition of High School Sexuality, and have always used the proceeds from the book to run the business, we decided to continue to distribute it in the hopes that its small income would help pay people all that much sooner."

Amazon Reality is urging its bookstore and individual accounts to order directly from producers, including such popular titles as Mary Wings' Come Out Comix, Godiva's What Lesbians Do, Womanshare's A Woman's Touch and others. Orders for High School Sexuality can still be filled through Amazon Reality, PO Box 95, Eugene, Or. 97440

REFERENCE LIST, AMAZON REALITY DISTRIBUTION, January 1980

Some information may be incomplete. We suggest that any questions about this material be directed right to these women. Don't forget, when ordering, to include postage. Terms are up to the individual producer.

CARITAS, Olga Broumas, c/o Goddard College, Plainfield, Ve.

MY FRIEND HAIDA AND ME, Willow Walker, Rt. 4 Box 225 Sherwood, Or. 97410

TAKE ME LIKE A PHOTOGRAPH, Chocolate Waters, Egplant Press, PO Box 18641, Denver, Co. 80218

EYES, Jamison Green, 2065 Regent Way #2, Castro Valley, Ca 94546

HYPATIAS SISTERS, Feminists NW, 5036 Nicklas Place NE, Seattle, Wa 98105

I AM A WOMAN WHO, Slice McNair Tiffie, 1475 NW Wldorado Ct., Roseburg, Or. 97470

COME OUT COMIX, DYKE SHORTS, OLD LESBIANS' HOME, Mary Wings, Ikesdatter's Almanac,

600 N. 39th St., Seattle, Wa. 98103

WHAT LESBIANS DO and A WOMEN'S TOUCH, Womanshare Books, c/o A Woman's Touch, PO Box 2922, Eugene, Or 97402

DYKE MUSIC, Godiva, 1315 SE 37th, Portland Or. 97214

HIGH SCHOOL SEXUALITY, Women's Educational Project, Amazon Reality, PO Box 95, Eugene Or 97440

GRAND JURY COMIX, Kate Jackrabbit Thompson, Storefront Press 514 E. Pine, Seattle, Wa 98122

THIS IS YOUR LIFE and BITTERSWEET, Sybil Natowa, 1880 City View, Eugene, Or 97405

Posters

The Moon, My Love & I, Women Making Love, Fall Felling, Sea Muse, Yvonne Mary Pepin, Box 36, Mendocino, Ca 95460

Old Lesbians Homes (see COME OUT COMIX, above.)

Pearl, Seed and Dyke Country, (see DYKE MUSIC, above.)

Common Woman, A Woman's Place Bookstore, 1300 SW Washington, Portland, Or 97205

UPPITY WOMAN bumpersticker, Olive Press, 333 SE Third, Portland Or 97214

Agnes Smedley, Carol Seajay, c/o Old Wives Tales, 532 Valencia, San Francisco, Ca. 94110

Out of Print

American Women: Our Lives & Labor, Feminist Theory Collective

NO MORE PACKAGED DEALS Eugene Women Poets

OPENING, A Woman's Place, Portland

Amazon Baby Songbook, Chris Carol

Sister Love YOurself and Remember the Future, Katya Sabaroff



Bookplate from Helaine Victoria Press

THEY WENT THATAWAY!

(Who were those masked women contributing this wealth of information to FBN????!!!)

DOES ANYBODY KNOW the whereabouts of Kass Teeters/Women Inc. who published WOMEN'S SEXUALITY: MYTH AND REALITY? We haven't been able to locate her since WIND closed...and have 5 special orders for the book sitting in dreamland & suspension... If you know where she is (mail has been returned to us from her Box 32236, San Jose address), please drop a post card to Carol c/o FBN....

Speaking of Post Office Boxes, don't believe it if you get mail returned from Day Moon marked 'addressee unknown'. Day Moon IS there. Just restamp(!) the env. & mark it "PO--try again." We get more mail returned from OR & Wash than anywhere else in the country...someone up there's got a grudge against feminists!

Marilyn Gayle for Godiva writes that What Lesbians Do is now available from A Woman's Touch. PO Box 2922, Eugene, Or 97402. They had to increase the price from \$4.50 to \$5.00 to make up in part for the larger cost of distributing. DYKE MUSIC can be ordered (temporarily) from Godiva, 1315 SE 37th Ave, Portland, Or 97214 (40% to bookstores for 5+).

SEED OF A WOMAN (Ruth Geller, Imp Press), by the way, is 40% for 5+ copies, not 3+ as the early mis-information went....also plan for 10% postage for under 15 books, 5% for 15+....And for the thousandth time this newsletter says: Why can't publishers charge bookstores the ACTUAL postage!!!!?? Handling, et al, costs should be build into the cost of the book. Bookstores need to pay rent, gas, lighting, toilet paper, et, al out of our % and it doesn't help to have publishers undercut us by expecting us to cover their costs out of our %.....it just doesn't work on a long term basis.

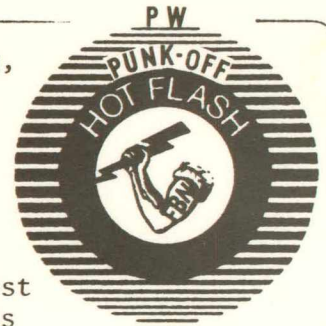
Tribe and Journey (poetry by Martha Courtot) which used to be distributed by Pearlchild Productions are now being distributed by Martha, 2800 St. Paul Dr., Apt. 259, Santa Rosa, Ca 95405.

The Bibliography on Jewish Women is from Biblio Press, PO Box 22, Fresh Meadows, NY, 11365 40% off, any quantity. (Thanks & hugs to Karen at Sistermoon & Darlene at A Woman's Place for the info) That's \$3/copy retail, prepay at 40%. (Thanks to Paula Sperry at Woman To Woman for that!)

The second printing of The Lesbian Primer will be (is?) perfect bound instead of saddle stiched. New price is #3.95...first printing was priced below expenses (woops!).

Remember the Alternatives in Print book(International catalogue of books, pamphlets, periodicals, etc. All small press) that used to be published by Glide? This years edition is \$39.95 @ plus 1.25 P&H. from Neal-Schuman, PO Box 1687, FDR Station, MY, MY 10022. Somehow this note was attached to the annoucnement....and it's been so long that I can't remember where it came from "Editions #1-5 published by Glide, but Pat Schuman Bowkers most clever graduate) out bid Glide." And out priced them, too, I might add.....





Welcome again lovelies to the ballroom of feminismo publishing, aka the Bermuda Triangle? This is PW Punk-Off, three chord journalist on literary fashion patrol...Of course, the riveting news is that every xx media chromo seems to be celebrating an orgasmic TEN YEAR anniversary...MS. has proclaimed the whole ♀♀ movement a ten year old, and, trumpets blaring MS. a non-profit mag. Why n-p? Reap postage breaks & deductibles...Poet-Laureate-Publisher ALTA just celebrated SHAMELESS HUSSY PRESS' decade. Latest huz is JUDITH ARCANA'S OUR MOTHERS DAUGHTERS. Sez ALTA, "Judith was offered thousands of dollars from big NY publishers. I just offered her \$12 and said I'd take her out to lunch. That did the trick." Trick or treat and I'll tell you where ALTA eats lunch...And, OUR BODIES, OURSELVES collective had its gala ten year celeb for the book that brought our bodies out of exile. Just shows what a 35¢ piece of pulp can do...for Simon & Schuster...

Meanwhile the other Big Bod Book is running into pronoun problems. BETTY DODSON, after selling 100,000 of self(natch)published LIBERATING MASTURBATION, is negotiating with a mass market house. They claim her exclusive use of female pronouns "limits appeal." DODSON is still holding fast to the generic she - while reportedly seeing a therapist to be cured of heterosexuality...ooh, and A READER, with great gusto, corrected last column's typo re the GREAT POSTAL SCAM. She's right, we save 73%, not a mere 37%, using "LIBRARY RATE"!!!From SPINSTERS INK yet another fiduciary lift for sagging publishers: If you are drawing an outside salary, you can lower your tax bracket by the amount of your publishing investment and receive a refund - to be in turn used for working capital. Ask your \$\$ friends too. Invite them to be partners in a joint venture. As they swing down tax brackets, they may contribute the tax savings to your biz. But do get legal advice, says your local anarchist...

Speaking of attorneys, WAVPAM is wondering why feminist lawyer/agent CAROL MURRAY whose model contracts include jacket copy approval, ok'd a dismembered woman cover... Which brings us to the new mags for capitalismo: ENTERPRISING WOMEN and SAVVY. EW is the born-again slick of the small biz newsletter which began quaintly as ARTEMIS. EW is still more homespun and earnest than siren SAVVY. SAVVY is published by a man and boasts a "liquor and tobacco" director. Do try to miss SAVVY'S piece on executive women's "closet systems." This is not on lesbian corporate networking, but tips like nailing 2x4's to the closet door and hanging your heels there...Meanwhile CHRYSALIS bought up New Age mailing lists to appeal to "wholistic" men in the "ecosystem"...Uh oh, a slap of Miss Berger's little blue plastic ruler to FEMINIST PRESS for its sports book OUT OF THE BLEECHERS, co-published with McGraw. The Lesbian Caucus of the NATIONAL WOMEN'S STUDIES CONFERENCE petitioned FEMINIST PRESS to account for "homophobia and racism" in the book. Seems any cite to lesbian athletes is negative, and That Word is even banished as an index subject heading. Then there is the passage where black women are urged to nip the "black lingo"...The SF Butch Award to JOANNA RUSS (THE TWO OF THEM; THE FEMALE MAN, etc.) and SUZY MCKEE CHARNAS (WALK TO THE END OF THE WORLD and MOTHERLINE.) Their publisher BERKELEY BOOKS had agreed to actively publicize their feminist sf novels in the feminist press. Resounding silence from BERKELEY. Out went blazing letters from the authors to all the feminist media. Lo review copies and proud press releases from BERKELEY...Authors continue to panic as shelf life gets shorter at B. DALTON, leader of the chain gang (10 days.) JOHN POPE, B.D Advertising Director, who formerly promoted WHEATIES and TORO LAWNMOWERS, says he's taking the "awesomeness" out of bookstores, which have been "stuffy places with parquet floors, heavy fixtures, and a little old lady who has been there for 30 years"...

Well, good for her, since women own only 7% of small businesses (earning 1% of business receipts) and only 2% of media properties...yah living is hard in babylon yard...so dears do have a smoothie on the solstice. Just between ourselves, PW P-0



And Tri-Via

DID YOU SAY "OLD BOOKS-IN-PRINT" and/or "ABA HANDBOOKS"?

Tis that time of year again. If you have an extra set of one or the other or BOTH, send a postcard (or two) to FBN saying which you have. IF you NEED one or the other or both, send a stamped self-addressed envelope to FBN noting on the back which you need & the date of your current edition and I'll do my no-guarantees but a good effort on matching them all up. Criteria will be mostly first-come first served, tho I MIGHT pay some attention to giving priority to the store still working our of a 1973BIP. The strategy is that the store in need of one will get a postcard from a store that has one. The needing store can then negotiate w/ the other store re paying postage, etc.

see inside back cover for
A New Strategy!

BOOKSTORE FOR SALE!

The good women who travel regularly between Iowa City and San Francisco bring word that the Iowa City women's bookstore is looking for a buyer. If they don't find one, it will probably mean the end of the bookstore there. IS is profitable to buy/run a bookstore in a "small" city? I can't know for sure from here, but I do know that with commitment, energy, experience & knowledge, & stock infusion, Paula Wallace (with whom I started Owd Wives Tales in 1976) took the Full Circle in Albuquerque from \$1300/year to about \$30,000 a year, so if you were thinking about it....do think about it! Contact The PlainsWoman Bookstore at PO Box 1935 (or 529 S. Gilbert, Iowa City, Ia 52240

Luna Sponge OO write that they've had trouble getting sponges this fall/winter but expect to have enough to be distributing again soon.

New prices are \$15 for a single box of 12, \$14 for 2+ boxes, plus and extra 2% for 5-9 boxes and 4% for 10+ boxes. Shipping is free w/ prepaid arders. Samples are available for 1.95. Luna Spaonge, PO Box 33585, San Diego, Ca 92103.

Wimmin Take Back Control write that their info flier is in Spanish on one side & English on the other side. When ordering, indicate how many sponges you want with English labels & how many with spanish labels.

Ships, Shoes and Sealing Wax is looking for other mail-order bookstores to talk (write?) how-to questions, et al. Write them at 4704 Kenai Ave, Anchorage, Ak, 99504. (S,S, & SW, maybe you could get some letters going & send exerpts to FBN? Lots of stores do a little bit of mail order to/from/for women who have come into that store & want more books later... I think womansplace in Phoenix does a lot of mail order....also Feminist Horizons (gifts) and Womanbooks do mail order.

Mail

Old Wives' Tales is thinking about doing a monthly mailing of our events and HOTTEST new books to women in our community....somehow the idea is to tell women about books they don't already know about and/or that they might have missed coming into the bookstore...(OR in NOT coming into the bookstore. And of course, to SELL MORE BOOKS. (Strategy for survival in the 80's #1.) WE WOULD LOVE IT if stores that do newsletters would drop us a line telling us how (if?) it works for you. # you send out, costs, hours you put into it, does it pay off in terms of bringing more women in, increased sales, how many of a book you advertise do you sell, etc etc etc. We'd like true tales of woe as well as success. (Helps make decisions, you know.) Needless to say, all this wealth of info will be funneled into FBN!

Mailing Lists

IKESDATTER has a mailing list of more than 10,000 names divided by Bookstores, Publications, Organizations, Feminist Businesses and individuals, collected since 1975 & updated regularly. They will share this with feminist businesses & organizations for FREE if you just write & ask for it. Or they will provide the list already typed on mailing labels for \$5 per 100 names. This is an amazing & wonderful service/sharing! They will also include your flier in their mailings for 7¢ @ (min 200) or 3.5¢@(min 1500) which is a lot cheaper than postage (ah the blessings of combined energy) and saves a huge amount of time if keeping mailing lists wasn't one of the things you planned to do with your life....write them for more information....IKESDATTER, PO Box 5172, Seattle, Wash. 98105. (206) 634-2673.

(And this issue's FBN AWARD for COMMITMENT TO NETWORKING AMONG FEMINISTS to IKESDATTER for this incredible/amazing service/sharing!)

Postage

And it's true, what that scandalous PW Punk-Off said in a recent column about sending books library rate. "Yes Yes, all, shall we say "quantitative" "facts" in Hot Flash are The Truth, truly tasted. I can send you a copy of Section####when I get to a xerox but it's at your local station. Do you think I could have made up that "herbaria"? "Evasion" has criminal intent, ie tax "evasion" for the purpose of cheating the govt and you know you're off the wall and hope you won't get caught because you have no defense. "Avoidance" is simply and correctly using rules that apply to you, ie oil companies avoid taxes because of depletion allowance and fixes the govt says they can do; you can avoid probate taxes if you follow the correct play of death. In other words, you can avoid taxes but not death. Yrs sincerely and Still fighting mental health, your loving schizo PW-PO"

And Distribution

Naiad Press (7800 Westside Dr, Weatherby Lake, Mo 64152) is considering adding to it's distribution titles. "We are interested in hearing from feminist publishers and self-publishing women. We are carrying, of course, only Lesbian material since that is a requirement for us. We are also interested only in exclusive distribution rights (ie we will not be co-distributing any titles in future.) We are interested in already existing titles and in future planned titles. Please send as complete material concerning your books as possible, including a single copy of any already published item and a self-addressed stamped envelope to my attention: Barbara Grier.

The usual disclaimers apply, no sexist, racist, heterosexist material...etc."

"Superb slapstick, serious wit..."

A zany, outrageously irreverent contemplation of the rampant madness that is American culture. It covers the time period between 1945 (Rinda Sue McCarthy's birth simultaneous with the dropping of the A-bomb) and the early 1970's...Rinda Sue is to the 1970's what Holden Caulfield was to an earlier decade. Women who want to get laughing distance from themselves and their problems in order to see into themselves more clearly will enjoy looking through the focusing lens of Mary Mackey's MCCARTHY'S LIST."—Ms. Magazine

"It left me in stitches! It's rare to read a first novel with the verve of this one!" —Houston Post

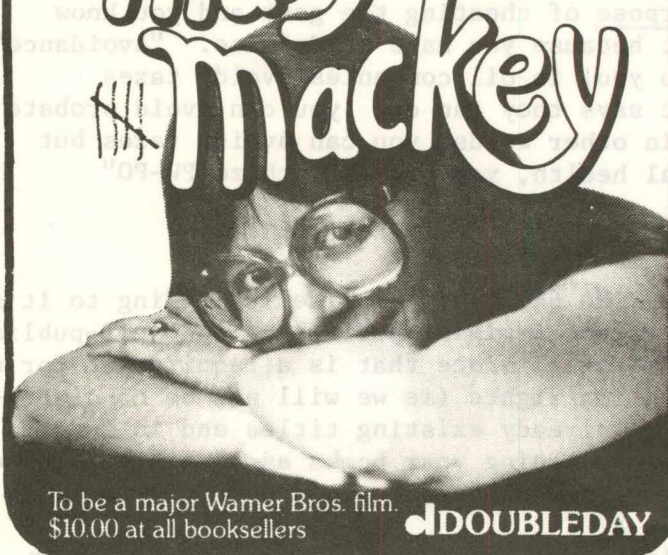
"Like an exuberant feminist parable written in collaboration with Auntie Mame and Lewis Carroll under the influence of a consciousness-raising drug. The method of its madness is to imply that for women coming of age in the 50's, insanity might be, in R.D. Laing's words, a perfectly rational adjustment to an insane situation." —N.Y. Times Book Review

"A rambunctious and unique comic performance." —San Francisco Chronicle

McCarthy's List

a novel by

Mary Mackey



To be a major Warner Bros. film.
\$10.00 at all booksellers

DOUBLEDAY

PERIODICALS

THEMIS, newsletter of the Susan B Anthony Coven #1 and voice of the feminist witch. 75¢/copy 40% discount. 30 day billing.

WINDHAVEN A Feminist Science Fiction Quarterly...communication link between fans, containing reviews of books by women, news of women in the science fiction field, short stories, poetry, articles and graphics by feminists from across the land and around the world. Bookstore terms unknown....Ikesdatter Press, Box 5172, Seattle, Wa 98105

BREAD & ROSES "Our primary focus is sexual politics in a changing culture and our goal is to continue to face the contradictions in your own lives and to activate and inspire change. PO Box 1230 Madison, WI 53703. Founded 1977, they are now reaching out to expand their circulation.

Special issue of CRIME AND SOCIAL JUSTICE is on CRIMES AGAINST WOMEN w/ articles on Battery, Rape, Prostitution in Cuba and Bourgeois morality. It isn't out yet, but you can place an order for when it will be. I PRESUME it's 40% discount....Order from the Institute for the Study of Labor and Economic Crisis, c/o Synthesis Publications, 2325 Third St, suite 415, San Francisco, Ca 94107

This book belongs to:

BOOKS FROM WOMEN'S OWN PRESSES!

THE LESBIAN PATH, 37 autobiographical sketches celebrating our diversity and strength. ed. Margaret Cruikshank. Includes everyone from Audre Lorde to the dyke next door. A wonderful collection of true stories. I wouldn't have believed it if I hadn't read it myself. After collecting the stories, after finding a publisher, after EVERYTHING, the publisher tried to put a sleazy cover on this lesbian-feminist book. Peg (ed.) fought the cover in court & w/ a barrage of letters from contributors, bookstores, publications & what-all and succeeded in getting a much better cover. Peg has arranged to be a sales representative for the distributor. If you mention her name on your order (ie, say that she's your sales rep & that you heard about the book from her) she'll receive \$.27 per copy sold toward the legal fees, et al. Order from Caroline House, Box 161, Thornwood, NY 10594. 1-4 copies, prepaid 30%, 5-49 40%. 50-149 41%.

THE HOLY BOOK OF WOMEN'S MYSTERIES (part one). Z. Budapest. "Due to the demand for THE FEMINIST BOOK OF LIGHTS & SHADOWS, a feminist classic, the new book includes that classical Dianic tradition and adds to it every chapter of the way. Spells now include how to raise storms, how to still the winds, how to free political prisoners, and the witches marriage called Trysting." \$6. Order from Susan B. Anthony Coven #1, PO Box 42121, Los Angeles, Ca. 90042. 40% to bookstores for 5+. First order pre-paid, otherwise 30 day billing.

SENSE YOU, poetry by Gingerlox (BERRIGAN, Naiad Press) "Unabashed erotica. Sentiment & sensuality together, nude on the half shell." says the blurb. 3.50 25% to bookstores for 5+/prepaid. checks to Vicki P. McConnell, 2424 Franklin, #B, Denver Colorado, 80205.

WHEN BIRTH CONTROL FAILS: How to abort ourselves safely by Suzann Gage. "a complete & illustrated guide to self-abortion for the laywoman. Include is how to derermine pregnancy, the female reproductive organs, self-examination with a plastic vaginal speculum and lists of supplies needed. Also included is detailed descriptions of abortive methods for early pregnancy such as menstrual extraction, herbs and vitamin C, and for later abortion, such as the self-digital method, self-saline abortion and the use of laminaria. Safety precautions and possible complications are throughly discussed. 5+copies \$3.60 @ + 30¢ handling. Retail 5.95. The Speculum Press, PO Box 1036, Hollywood, Ca. 90028

THE COMING OUT STORIES. Julia Penelope Stanley & Susan j. Wolfe, eds. Adrienne Rich, forward. "Analysis and experience go hand in hand in this diverse collection of stories." "For years, the coming our story has been among the first of the stories exchanged among wimmin, wheather in the early morning intimacy of new lovers, the late night conversations that happen when everyone else has left a party, or in small groups of wimmin who are just beginning to know each other..." What I've learned watching this grow is what an important cultural institution coming out stories are. This book will validate the custom in print. Methinks, (sight unseen) that it should be one of the important books of the year...a fixture on the dyke bedside shelf. Persephone Press 6.95 40%, no min. postage:5% for 10+. 10% for less. 15% UPS. PO Box 7222, Watertown, Mass 02172

HERMANAS a songbook by Naomi Martinez Littlebear....much of the music heard on The Izquierda Ensemble's album, QUIET THUNDER. \$4.00 Riverbear Music, PO Box 14113, Portland, OR 97214.

THE WORD FOR US (is this new or new to me?) Non-sexist scripture, gospels of John & Mark. Epistles to the Romans and the Galatians. Restated in Inclusive Language by Joanne Haugerud. 119 pgs. 5.45. 25% for 6, 40% for 12+. by the same women that publishe Eliz. Cady Stanton's THE WOMEN'S BIBLE and THE STUDY GUIDE TO: Coalition on Women and Religion, 4759 15th Ave., Seattle, Wa. 98105. They also have a book of cartoons for 3.75. (ie. "But can she preach?")

Books from women's own presses! con'd.

TO FREE ASSATA SHAKUR AND ALL AFRIKAN PRISONERS OF WAR IS TO BREAK THE CHAINS OF U.S. IMPERIALISM. from the May 21st Communist Organization. 20 pages, illustrated by the Madame Binh Graphics Collective....."Why then were Assata, Sundiata, Zayd and other Black revolutionaries the targets of this intense hunt; why has Assata spent over two years of her imprisonment in solitary confinement in men's prisonsTo answer these questions, we must understand that Assata...poses a grave threat to this system--to U S Imperialism." "Central to that is recognizing that the only basis to build a revolutionary struggle for women's liberation by white women is the full support for Assata Shakur and the struggle to free prisoners of war in solidarity with the Black Nations's struggles against genocide and for total liberation. \$.50 @ 40% to bookstores. May 19 Communist Organization, PO Box 613, Van Brunt Station, Brooklyn, NY 11215

BEYOND COPING: How to form a Vocational Achievement Support Group for Women. Includes : Issues facing women who want to make contributions that are recognized and valued, Beginning & conducting an effective support group. Specific techniques and how to use them. \$2.00 40% no min, but prepaid is required. they pay postage. Patricia Fleming, PO Box 1884, Boston, Mass 02105

WOMYN/FRIENDS A book of poems, Jean Sirius. I'm not much of a poetry critic, but I have to appreciate a senior in high school (winner of the Betty Crocker Search for the American Home maker of Tomorrow) whose current ambitions include becoming the best dressed dyke in Brooklyn Heights. Alison Colbert (LET THE CIRCLE BE UNBROKEN) highly recommends it. \$2.00 Sirius Books, Box 1027, Brooklyn, NY 11202

TWENTY SIX POEMS Samm Stockwell \$4.00 Theatre of the Animals Press 208 Wildflower Lane Fairfield, Ct 06430. 1-4 copies 10%, 5-9 20%, 10+ 40%. + \$1 shipping & handling.

ANCIENT MIRRORS OF WOMANHOOD: Our Goddess and Heroine Heritage by Merlin Stone....can it be that I haven't mentioned this book in these pages yet????!!! Merlin continues to collect and share our pasts. This is volume one of two. Needs a place on your bookshelves next to WHEN GOD WAS A WOMAN. Merlin was undecided about publishing it herself...had a contract lined up with a major NYC publisher when her would-be-editor rather casually mentioned that they'd have to cut 150 pages & the most exciting information out of the book....That decided Merlin and now we have a new press: New Sibylline Books, Box 266--Village Station, NY 10014. 40% to bookstores...50% if pre-paid.

From the Women's Press (Toronto) GRAPHICALLY SPEAKING: The best illustrations from Everywoman's Almanac....same size as the almanac 2.95 64 pages. A NOT UNREASONABLE CLAIM: Women and Reform in Canada 1880-1920's, including info on women's roles in the medical & nursing professions, farm and labor organizations, the WTCU and the immigration of British women & children to Canada. 7.95 paper, 17.95 cloth. GETTING ORGANIZED: A worker's Guide to Building a Union. 5.95 LAST HIRED FIRST FIRED: Women and the Canadian work force. Second in a series of books, following Marxism & Feminism. 3.95. In Canada, order from U. of Toronto Press, 5201 Dufferin St, Downsview, Ontario, M3H 5T8 In the US order from BOOKPEOPLE.

OURMOTHERS DAUGHTERS, Judith Arcana, intro by Phyllis Chesler. Haven't read it myself, but customers were buying it out more quickly than we knew to stock it. Says one woman: "It's everything MY MOTHER MYSELF should have been and wasn't." Certainly seems like an excellent book on a topic many of us are hungry for. Shameless Hussy 3.95 Box 1092, Berkeley, CA 94703 or order from Bookpeople.

NOELLE'S BROWN BOOK wonderful book--tales of a brown skinned girl looking for & finding things that are brown like her: brown skinned pears and a brown motorcycle, a brown horse & peanut butter. The photographs become good illustrations...I liked it a lot. Especially useful to brown girls who live with not-a-lot of brown around. Noelle finds a lot (including herself in a mirror). Yet another young woman creating the world around her. Ends with "I am strong brown." New Victoria Publishers. 7 Bank Street, Lebanon, New Hampshire, 03766 40% 30 days net, no min. 30% discount.

Books from women's own presses! con'd.

FREE (Feminist Resources on Energy & Ecology lists the following resources:
NO NOKES: Everyone's Guide to Nuclear Power Anna Gyorgy's comprehensive guide to nuclear power and it's alternatives \$8 (reg.) but avail for \$7 from them. (Bookstores can get 40% from:

Karen Silkwood's hazardous Occupation: special issue of WIN magazine 40¢ @ or 30¢ for 10+
WHAT GROWTHMANIA DOES TO WOMEN AND THE ENVIRONMENT A one page flier countering the argument that energy-intensive lifestyle and ever increasing growth economy and the keys to "the good life" for women. Connects feminism and ecology 25¢ @ \$3 for 100.

NUCLEAR POWER AND CIVIL LIBERTIES: Can we have both? 120 pages detailing surveillance and harassment of anti-nuclear activists and outlining the national nuclear spy apparatus. \$5 individuals, \$7 orgs. \$25 industry & spies.

PEOPLE'S ENERGY PRIMER: Issues & actions for NY State Residents. 56 pages, written for New Yorkers, but applicable anywhere. 24 articles. 50¢ @ \$13 for 100

SOLAR SISTER TEE SHIRTS w/ sun logo. Blank ink on yellow or orange shirts s, m, l, xl. \$5 @ \$3.50 @ for 25+

Buttons 50¢ @, 51-99 35¢ @, 100+ 20¢ @.

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WOMEN AGAINST NUKES beautiful, 3 color button. Black women's symbol w/ clenched fist over red & yellow radiation symbol

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WHO KILLED KAREN SILKWOOD? Whit on fuscia

QUESTION AUTHORITY Black on beige.

And last but not least, two book recommendations from Barbara Smith, co-editor of the Black Women's issue of CONDITIONS

"IN THE MEMORY AND SPIRIT OF FRANCES, ZORA, AND LORRAINE: ESSAYS AND INTERVIEWS ON BLACK WOMEN AND WRITING ed. by Juliette Bowles. This is a publication of the Institute for the Arts and the Humanities at Howard University. Most of the material in the book has been presented at their annual writers conferences. Some of the writers included are Gwendolyn Brooks, Audre Lorde, Ntozake Shange, June Jordan, Sonia Sanchez, Toni Morrison and Paule Marshall. There is also a revised version of my essay "Toward a Black Feminist Criticism" which I presented in May of 1978. The book costs \$5.00. A very limited run of 500 was printed with plans for printing more when the first ones are sold. I think it's important for the book to reach women's bookstores. Write to Juliette Bowles, The Institute for the Arts and the Humanities, Box 723, Howard University, Washington, DC 20059 for more information.

"The other publication is a desk calendar, BLACK WOMEN: ACHIEVEMENTS AGAINST THE ODDS. it is a three year calendar from 1978-1980. It has many illustrations and historical and other kinds of information about Black women which make it useful as a reference work. it is available from the Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service. I don't remember the individual price and don't know if they would allow it to be sold in bookstores but it is a beautiful publication worth tracking down. I addressed my letter to the Smithsonian in DC using the zip code I found in the post office and it got there."

Oops! There's always one more when you think you're done typing...THIRD TESTAMENT WOMEN Betty Hemphill....a collection of poems about Old Testament women with short biographies of them. Protests against the lot of those women a little too gentle for my tastes but might please some....3.95 1-4 copies, 25%, 5-24, 30%, 25-49 42%...Lydian Press, PO Box 991, Kaneohe, Hawaii 96744

TOYS!?

AIN'T NOWHERE YOU CAN RUN and TAKE IT WITH YOU WHEREVER YOU GO. New 45 by Holly Near. Available from your Redwood Record distributor if you don't already have it... or Redwood Records, PO Box 40400, San Francisco, 94140.

AND FROM THE SMALL PRESS AT LARGE-

Science & Liberation ed. Rita Ardetti, Pat Brennan & Steve Cavrak. South End Press... deals w/ the role of science & scientists in the modern world....inc. discussions of the use of science in supporting racial & sexual myths....5.50.

The Last White Class (readable play) by Marge Piercy & Ira Wood. Blurb addressed "Dear Women" says its "tells a very serious story about racism in a working class neighborhood in a very readable way. We think the play makes quite as good reading as it does performing and want to encourage you to read it and tell your customers about it..... It raises important issues concerning racism, the working class and the women's movement. We think it is an extremely important book and the women (and men) will be anxious to read it. 1.95 paper/10.95 cloth. 40% for 5+ The Crossing Press, Trumansburg, NY 14886. Also avail through Bookpeople.

Outloud a collection of fifty songs by twenty-four women...some you've heard on feminist records, published here for the first time. "A great service and a work of art" says Holly Near. Photo heading section three taken at A Woman's Place in Oakland featuring two (then) bookstore workers on Congas. (I do too think this is an important selling point!) 108 pgs, 5.95. 40% for 5+, 25% for 1-4. Probably will be available at BP this spring. Inkworks Press, 4220 Telegraph Ave, Oakland, Ca 94609.

Bringing Books to People Glenn Thompson...published in England, so not as useful as it could be to those of us stateside. Still an interesting discussion of opening a community service bookstore, expectations, successes, frustrations, goals & dreams. 1.95 available from Carrier Pigeon.

Readings on Feminism and Nonviolence War Resisters League. This is actually a study kit more than a book, but interesting...includes Barbara Deming's essay ON ANGER, a WIN special issue on nonviolent Resistance to Rape & more. 30% for 5+, WRL, 1360 Howard St, SF, Ca 94103

Creation of Life Avoid or Achieve Pregnancy Naturally. Terrue Guay. Based on recognition of cervical mucus at the time of ovulation. Emergence Publications, 185 Beacon Hill, Ashland Oregon, 97520. 40% for 10+. Also avail from Book People.

Women in Latin American History \$5.00. no copy handy, can't say much about it, except that we're selling some & it's surely a needed book...UCLA Latin American Center, U of C, Los Angeles, Ca 90024. prob'ly 20% for any quantity. Seems like they want prepayment, too.

The Women's Guide to Re-Entry Employment Mary Zimmeth. "A step by step employment guide for displaced homemakers and women seeking new careers." includes info on searching out jobs, writing resumes, succeeding with interviewers & coping w/ the stress of home demands & job demands. 6.95 Gabriel Books, PO Box 224, Mankato, Mn. 56001.42% discount, free shipping on orders totaling \$20 net.

And another: Job Hunter's Kit by Am. Assn of Univ. Women. "Everything you need to know to develop the skills necessary for finding satisfying work in today's market. Only 15% of job hunters find their jobs through employment agencies, want ads, and school placement services. 85% find work through their own efforts--relying mostly on friends and acquaintances to help them. Buy your own JOB HUNTER'S KIT and learn the techniques of the successful 85%" (now who could resist a blurb like that!?!?) \$10@, no discount info sent, AAUW sales office (JJ32) 2401 Virginia Ave, NW, Washington, DC 20037

If yr into broadsides...the Pomegranate Press, Box 181, N. Cambridge, Ma 02140 does some nice ones...\$8@ unsigned, \$25@ signed, 40% on 5 or more to "dealers" (us, I presume) One by Adrienne Rich ("White night"), others by Maxine Kumin, May Swenson, Mona Van Duyn, a translation of Sappho...Muriel Rukeyser. Oftentimes the women are writing about women, (and getting published in this way) which is a pleasant change from years past...write for a catalogue.

A little removed, perhaps (or perhaps not), but I couldn't resist the letter from Cougar Books (formerly Creative Editions) in response to my letter to them re: did they want the WIND list. "Wild Animals of California and the West, Mountains and Desert is our latest publication. Wild Animals should be of interest to feminist nature lovers and conservationists." (I lost the flier, so I can't give you the price.) Other books from Cougar: GETTING HER ELECTED: A Political Woman's Handbook 5.95. 2-4 20%, 5+ 40% Enclose checks on orders under \$10. and add 75¢ postage @. Forthcoming books: HOW TO BUILD YOUR OWN COFFIN, CREATE YOUR OWN BIRTH PLAN, LOVER'S CHOICE, DIVORCED KIDS, MIDWIFE. PO Box 22246, Sacramento, Ca. 95822

- DIVING DEEP AND SURFACING: WOMEN WRITERS ON SPIRITUAL QUEST, Carol P. Christ, Beacon 9.95 (Feb.) "Examines women's spiritual quest in Kate Chopin's "The Awakening," Margaret Atwood's "Surfacing," Doris Lessing's "The Four-Gated City," Denise Levertov's poetry, Ntosake Shange's poetry, and Adrienne Rich's "Diving into the Wreck."
- LAST WHITE CLASS: A PLAY IN TWO ACTS, Marge Piercy & Ira Wood, Crossing Press, 4.95
- MS. ADVENTURES: WORLDWIDE TRAVELGUIDE FOR INDEPENDENT WOMEN, Gail Rubin Bereny, Chronicle Prism Editions, 5.95. "You can travel by yourself- and if you want to find a whole new world out there you probably should." Info from buying tickets to coming back through customs.
- GOODNIGHT, WILLIE LEE, I'LL SEE YOU IN THE MORNING, Alice Walker, Dell/Dial, 2.95. An editor of Ms, the poems are dedicated to "a quiet man" she has sought but never seen. "A spirit long accustomed to loss, acclimating itself now to doing without things it relinquishes by choice: husbands, lovers, comfort, lies. She speaks for a new order, a new asceticism wherein women are holy and alone."
- NEW AGE POLITICS: HEALING SELF AND SOCIETY, Mark Satin, Moved from Fair Weather press to Del/Delta, 4.95. Author uses feminist concepts to synthesize a new alternative to Marxism and Liberalism.
- TOWARD LIBERATION: BLACK WOMEN IN THE SEVENTIES, Ed. by Mary Helen Washington Doubleday, 3.50 (moved from Anchor Press) Editor of Black-Eyed Susans, anthology of black women in the 1970's. Includes stories by Ntosake Shange, Toni Morrison, Alice Walker and others.
- WOMEN ON LOVE: EIGHT CENTURIES OF FEMININE WRITING, Evelyne Sullerot, Translated by Helen Lane, Doubleday, 10.95. French sociologist has assembled an anthology of French women from Middle Ages to present, some famous some obscure, to study what women have written of love apart from men who have always dominated the myths and literature with woman in the image of his own desire.
- GOD HERSELF: THE FEMININE ROOTS OF ASTROLOGY, Geraldine Thorsten, Doubleday, 10.95. Re-interprets the zodiac according to feminine roots in the "moon signs" rather than the traditional "sun signs". Reflects the contribution of women to the development of mythology and religion. Includes lunar charts for next 11 years.
- WITHIN A DARK WOOD: THE PERSONAL STORY OF A RAPE VICTIM, Jennifer Barr, Doubleday, 8.95. Now a counselor at a Maryland rape crisis center, the author traces her experiences with husband, crisis center, pastor, trial and conviction of her assailant through which she felt as much an object to the law as she had been to the rapist.
- DARK EYES OF THE SOUL, Laura Kwong, Entwhistle Books, 2.75. Essay about darkness, value of, and need for it in our lives, not as something that's good because it can be turned into light, but as something necessary to the human spirit.
- LILITH SUMMER, Hadley Irwin, Feminist Press, 7.95. (price now set) Story of grandmother and daughter learning to relate closely after initial resentment. (9-12)
- MOVING THE MOUNTAIN: WOMEN WORKING FOR SOCIAL CHANGE, Ellen Cantarow, Feminist Press, Oral histories of Jessie de la Cruz, farmworkers organizer; Ella Baker, Civil rights activist; Florence Luscomb, suffragist, labor activist.
- IN HER OWN IMAGE: WOMEN WORKING IN THE ARTS, Elaine Hedges, Ingrid Wendt, eds. Feminist Press, Visual and literary anthology, includes pieces on painting, writing, quilt-making, Illus.
- WILL YOU COUNT THE STARS WITHOUT ME?, Jane Breskin Zalben, Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 8.95. Story of a monkey who ventures out to find food for her community while her male partner has to deal with his loneliness. (3 up)
- THE FAMILY OF WOMAN, Grosset & Dunlap, 14.95. Companion to "The Family of Man" and "The Family of Children." Portfolio of 326 pictures presenting 180 photographers' depictions of women.
- WOMEN AND THE MASS MEDIA: SOURCEBOOK FOR RESEARCH AND ACTION, Matilda Butler & William Paisley, Human Sciences Press, 24.95 HB, 9.95 Paper.
- WOMEN ON TOP, Jane Adams, Hawthorn, 9.95. Collection of interviews with 60 successful women, drawn from a wide variety of occupations, does much to dispel the stereotype of the ruthless careerist who sacrifices everything to her ambition.

- FIREFLOOD AND OTHER STORIES, Vonda N. McIntyre, Houghton Mifflin, 10.95. Award winning author of "Dream Snake", presents her first collection which includes "Of Mist, and Grass, and Sand," the novella out of which the novel grew. "Fireflood" which appears for the first time is about a human who has been biologically modified for a cancelled space project and seeking her freedom.
- JANET FLANNERS'S WORLD: UNCOLLECTED WRITINGS 1932-1975, Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, 12.95. Janet Flanner, ed by Irving Drutman. 50 years a writer for the New Yorker, this collection includes essays, letters from Germany written in the '30s portraying Nazi regime, Character profiles, letters from Italy during '40s.
- FATHER'S DAYS: TRUE STORY OF INCEST, Brace, Harper & Row/Seaview, 9.95. Recounting of authors 10 year physical intimate relationship with her father from age 10 and her continuing struggle with the effects of that on her life. Praised by Andrea Dworkin, Kate Millet, Phyllis Chesler.
- THE WISE VIRGINS, Leonard Woolf, HBD, 9.95. "This "lost" 1914 novel is significant for its fictionalized portraits of Virginia Woolf and others in the Bloomsbury group."
- JEALOUSY: TAMING THE GREEN-EYED MONSTER, Eugene Schoenfeld, HRW, 8.95. "Explores this subject in its infinite varieties and suggests methods for coping with it."
- SMALL FUTURES: CHILDREN, INEQUALITY, AND THE LIMITS OF LIBERAL REFORM, Richard deLone, Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, 12.95. Educator deLone calls for an emphasis on children rather than on economic systems. Distribution of wealth, the penalty of being born poor, the odds against certain children are issues addressed.
- WOMEN IN SCIENCE, Louise Habor, Harcourt Brace.
- THE DEATH OF NATURE, Carolyn Merchant, Harper & Row, 12.95. A feminist reappraisal of the Scientific Revolution.
- THE FEMINIST: WOMEN'S EMANCIPATION MOVEMENTS IN EUROPE, AMERICA AND AUSTRALASIA, 1840-1920, Richard Evans, Harper Row, \$17.50. Historian wanting to overcome a distortion of perspective and to reach for a more comprehensive grasp of the history of women's efforts toward emancipation through political action by looking at the development of a variety of countries.
- A PEOPLE'S HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES, Howard Zinn, Harper & Row, 17.50. Author relates events as seen by the people affected by them and stresses labor, feminist and many other movements that have shown people's "ability to resist, to join together, to win."
- PORTRAIT OF AN ARTIST: BIOGRAPHY OF GEORGIA O'KEEFFE, Laurie Lisle, Harper/Seaview, 14.95. (due 4/80)
- MY HOME, MY PRISON, Raymonda Hawa Tawil, Holt, 12.95(1/80) An account of what it means to be a feminist, an Arab, and a Palestinian activist living in Israel.
- THE WOMAN'S GUIDE TO STARTING A BUSINESS, REVISED EDITION, Claudia Jessup & Genie Chipps, Holt, 5.95 pb, 10.95 HB. Updated version features entirely new tax, credit and legal information. Plus 30 interviews with women entrepreneurs and expanded resource references and bibliography.
- THE MAKING OF A FEMINIST: EARLY JOURNALS AND LETTERS OF M. CAREY THOMAS, Ed. by Marjorie Housepian Dobkin, Kent State U. Press, cloth 15.00, Paper 5.95. (1/80) Childhood and school years of the legendary president of Bryn Mawr. Illustrated.
- A NECKLACE OF FALLEN STARS, Beth Hilgarten, Little, Brown, 8.95. Arguments for women's rights throughout a story of a princess who refuses to follow the king's orders. (12-up)
- IMOGEN CUNNINGHAM: A PORTRAIT, Judy Dater, Little, Brown, 19.95. A collection of reminiscences by people who knew her well. 120 examples reproduced. A pioneer in 20th century camera art.
- ANCIENT MIRRORS OF WOMANHOOD, VOL. I: OUR GODDESS AND HEROINE HERITAGE, Merlin Stone, New Sibylline Books, 6.95.
- THE MAJORITY FINDS ITS PAST: PLACING WOMEN IN HISTORY, Gerda Lerner, Oxford U., 12.95.

- OLD BOYS, NEW WOMEN: THE POLITICS OF DISCRIMINATION, Joan Abramson, Praeger, 7.95. Argues that women have not made discernable statistical gains in employment in recent years and explores the politics of government antidiscrimination enforcement.
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- NOT MY DAUGHTER: FACING UP TO ADOLESCENT PREGNANCY, Katherine Oettinger & Eliz. Mooney, Prentice Hall, 8.95. Social worker urging parents to involve themselves more in the sex education of their sons and daughters.
- BEYOND SUGAR AND SPICE: HOW WOMEN GROW, LEARN, AND THRIVE, Caryl Rivers, Rosalind Barnett, Grace Baruch, Putnam, 10.95. Rivers, "Growing up Female" and two psychologists join forces to help parents and educators prepare girls for their role in today's society.
- A SHORT WALK, Alice Childress, Putnam, 9.95. Story of a rural black woman who is determined to go beyond the limitations she sees around her. Moves from turn-of-the-century Charleston to honky-tonk Harlem of '50s.
- LESBIANS, WOMEN AND SOCIETY, E.M. Ettore, Toutledge & Kegan Paul, 12.50. "Establishing the links between lesbians' struggles and the wider fight for women's rights, the book challenges established ideas about lesbianism, sexuality and the nature of women."
- OUR OWN YEARS: THE PHYSICAL AND EMOTIONAL JOYS AND PROBLEMS OF THE WOMAN AFTER 35, Alice Lake, Random House, 9.95. "Midlife, author suggests, is not necessarily a time of crisis, it is simply a time of change, and usually change for the better as women find themselves and experience new freedom."
- RE: COLONISED PLANET 5: SHIKASTA, Doris Lessing, Random, 10.95. Science fiction as a vehicle to air her views on human history and destiny that the reviewer found not "notably penetrating or original."
- LOOKING FOR WORK, Susan Cheever, Simon & Schuster, 8.95. Story of a woman who is trying to define herself by looking for work, supposedly getting to the "quick of women's restlessness and inner conflicts." "Saga of Salley beset by the commitments of marriage as they interact with hopes for herself."
- TRAVELING ALONE: A PRACTICAL GUIDE FOR BUSINESS WOMEN, North, Simon and Schuster, 4.95. For women who have done some business traveling already. Offers suggestions for packing, traveling by plane or car, safety precautions in hotels or motels, venturing solo into restaurants or bars, avoiding unwanted approaches from male business colleagues or strangers.
- VIDA, Marge Piercy, Simon & Schuster, 10.95. Novel about a famous '60s radical who becomes a fugitive in the '70s.
- A HERITAGE OF HER OWN: TOWARDS A NEW SOCIAL HISTORY OF AMERICAN WOMEN, Ed. Nancy F. Cott & Elizabeth Pleck, Simon & Schuster, 13.95 cloth, 5.95 PB.
- WOMEN OF SPIRIT: FEMALE LEADERSHIP IN THE JEWISH AND CHRISTIAN TRADITIONS, Rosemary Ruether & Eleanor McLaughlin, Simon & Schuster, 5.95.
- WOMEN WRITING, Ed. Denys Val Baker, St. Martins, 8.95.
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- RYDER, Djuna Barnes, St. Martin's, 10.95. Satirical story of Sophia, mother and cosmopolitan wit, who travels with her family to America. Short varied chapters describe household quarrels, stories for the children, confrontations with the local schools, and what they hear from abroad about the sad repression of women.
- FATH AND SEXISM: A GUIDE FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATORS, Marianne Sawicki, Seabury Press, 3.95. 85 subjects, offering guidelines for each and suggestions for avoiding sexist language and sex-role stereotyping.
- THE BLEEDING HEART, Marilyn French, Summit- HB, Ballantine- PB, forthcoming.
- WOMEN AND REVOLUTION, Ed. Lydia Sargent, South End Press. Second in a series of edited works on political theory and practice; a debate between Marxist feminists, socialist feminists, and radical feminists on the importance of sexism as a revolutionary issue.
- THE SEXISM OF SOCIAL AND POLITICAL THEORY: WOMEN AND REPRODUCTION FROM PLATO TO NIETZSCHE, Ed. Lorenne Clark & Lynda Lange, Univ. of Toronto, 5.00.
- WHEAT AND WOMAN, Georgina Binnie-Clark, Univ. of Toronto, 5.95. Autobiographical account of one woman's experiment in prairie farming. (DEC)
- CHARLOTTE PERKINS GILMAN: THE MAKING OF A RADICAL FEMINIST, 1860-1869, Mary Hill-Peters, Temple Univ. Press, First biography of this major American writer, feminist, political activist and public figure.
- THE SUBTLE REVOLUTION: WOMEN AT WORK, ed. Ralph Smith, Urban Institute, 15.00. Comprehensive study of effect on American society of increased numbers of women in the work force. Forecasts and projections regarding the government's position on child care, division of labor and unemployment and information on the inequities of the federal income tax and Social Security system.
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- BURGER'S DAUGHTER, Nadine Gordimer, Viking, 10.95. Portrait of S. Africa, conflict between black and white, told through young woman's quest to shape her life amidst violence.
- DRAWING DOWN THE MOON: WITHCES, DRUIDS, GODDESS-WORSHIPPERS, AND OTHER PAGANS IN AMERICA TODAY, Margot Adler, Viking, 16.95. Adler spent seven years as an "observer-participant" in various neo-pagan religious cults in Am. and England. Historical analysis, exploring the compatibility, if any, of spirituality and feminist politics.
- DOCTORS WANTED: NO WOMEN NEED APPLY": SEXUAL BARRIERS IN THE MEDICAL PROFESSION, 1835-1975, Mary Walsh, Yale Univ. Press, 5.95 PB, 16.00 cloth. Recounts a history in which women have been continuously and deliberately excluded from the American medical profession.
- MADWOMAN IN THE ATTIC: WOMEN WRITER AND 19th CENTURY LITERARY IMAGINATION, Gilbert & Gubar, Yale Univ. Press, 25.00. Authors find recurring images and themes in the work of Austen, Shelley, Bronte, Elict & Dickinson (among others), that reflect anxieties common to the woman writer in a male-dominated social and literary order and explain how they achieved, though at painful cost, self-definition and self-creation.

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- WINNING AT WORK: A BOOK FOR WOMEN, Florence Seaman & Anne Lorimer, Running Press, 5.95. Guide to dealing with on-the-job psychology and work related problems.
- LESBIAN PEOPLES: MATERIAL FOR A DICTIONARY, Monique Wittig & Sande Zeigs, Avon, 5.95.
- BETRAYAL OF INNOCENCE: INCEST AND ITS DEVASTATION, Susan Forward & Craig Birck, Penguin, 3.95.
- THE WOMEN SAY, THE MEN SAY: WOMEN'S LIBERATION AND MEN'S CONSCIOUSNESS, Ed. Barry & Evelyn Shpiro, Delta, 8.95. issues in politics, work, family, sexuality and power.

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