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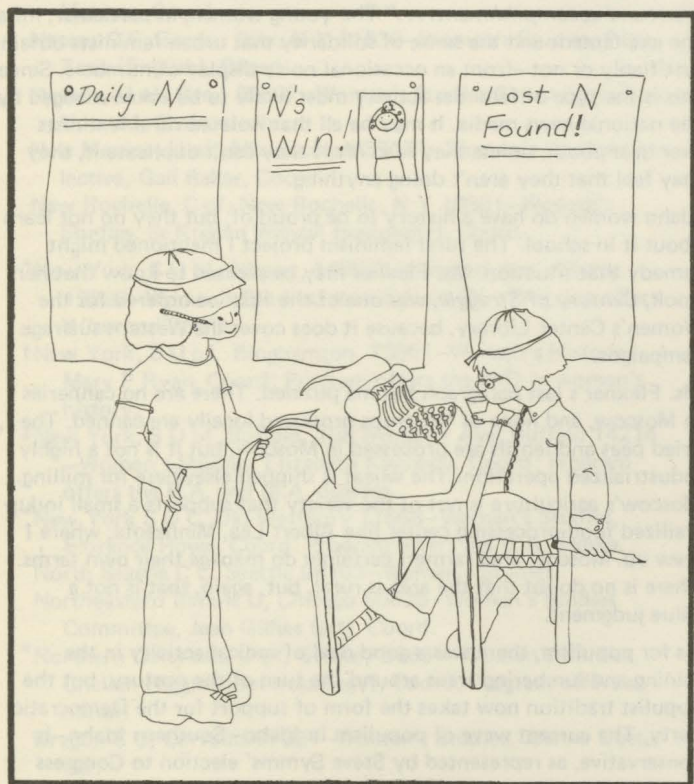
LETTERS TO THE EDITOR (continued)

Dear Mss. Arlow and Froschl:

We would like to correct an error in the Summer 1974 *Women's Studies Newsletter* p. 10, which stated, "After meeting last spring with the Association of Feminist Consultants, McGraw-Hill formed a committee to establish nonsexist guidelines completed in May 1974. . . ." McGraw-Hill did *not* meet with the Association of Feminist Consultants, which at that time had 53 members nationwide. Rather, the only communication they had with the Association, as far as we know, was when one AFC member, Jennifer Macleod (then also Co-ordinator of the Association), made a presentation as one of five panelists at the McGraw-Hill April 5, 1973 "Forum on Sexism in Publishing." Verne Moberg of The Feminist Press was also on that panel, as were speakers from *Ms.* and the Women's Action Alliance. . . . We hope you will be able to print this correction. . . .

Thank you for your attention and especially for your work on the survey, "What Publishing People Say."

Towards equality,
Jennifer Macleod
Sandra Silver(woman)

INTERNATIONAL NEWS:
CHANGING CHILDREN'S LITERATURE

The following is a list of women's groups in England working to change sexist children's literature:

CAMPAIGN TO IMPEDE SEX STEREOTYPING THE YOUNG
c/o Helen Petit
24 Cressida Road
London, N. 19

LEEDS WOMEN'S LIBERATION LITERATURE COLLECTIVE
c/o Anne Geraghty
15 Broomfield Crescent
Leeds 6, Yorkshire

CHILDREN'S BOOK STUDY GROUP
c/o Jill Pinkerton
42 Kynaston Road
London, N. 16

CHILDREN'S RIGHTS WORKSHOP BOOKS PROJECT
c/o 73 Balfour St
London, S.E. 17

WOMEN'S EDUCATION COLLECTIVE
c/o Women's Liberation Workshop
38 Earlham St
London, W.C. 2

THE WOMEN'S EDUCATION COLLECTIVE CHILDREN'S BOOK GROUP
c/o Ann Heyno
Flat 3, Lady Margaret Road
London, N.W. 5

INTERNATIONAL NEWS: NEW FEMINIST PRESSES

Virago (c/o Carmen Callil, 27 Smith St, London SW3 4EW, England) is a new publishing imprint specializing in books about women. It will exist as an editorial group under Quartet Books and expects to publish work in a variety of fields.

Femintern Press (c/o Takagi, 7-22-18 Nishishinjuku, Shinjuku-ku, Tokyo, Japan) publishes in English a variety of papers on women in China and Japan. Future projects aimed at informing Western women of the situation of their Eastern sisters include articles on women in other Asian countries and a newsletter.

NEWS FROM THE STAFF

We are very sorry to announce that three members of the *Newsletter* staff have left The Feminist Press. Laurie Olsen-Johnson is teaching in San Francisco; Carol Ahlum is working in Philadelphia; and Tamar Berkowitz has gone to Israel to live for six months. We are pleased to announce that three new people have joined the staff: Jane Williamson, fresh from Antioch and Columbia's School of Library Science, is now Clearinghouse coordinator for higher education; Sharon Kaylen, most recently a teacher in the women's studies program at the University of Washington, is now public school coordinator; and Sue Davidson, a writer and teacher from Seattle, will work as an editor and fundraiser at the Press. In addition, Brett Harvey, recently women's programmer for WBAI, will work on promotion and editing.

PHD IN WOMEN'S HISTORY

The Department of History at the State University of New York at Binghamton has announced a "modest major in women's history." Graduate students may design their PhD program to complement a regular area and period major defined flexibly enough to allow for ample comparative and interdisciplinary work in women's studies. Four faculty members have pursued research in subjects falling within the scope of women's history: Sarah E Diamant (19th-century American intellectual and cultural); Kathleen Casey (medieval and renaissance); Mary P. Ryan (19th-century American social); Roxane Witke (20th-century Chinese). The Department of History is committed to reserving at least one-half of its financial aid resources for women or members of minority groups. For further information, write to Mary P. Ryan, Department of History, SUNY/Binghamton, Binghamton, N Y 13901.