

The Observer

Women

Sen. Beebe Gets Ladies' Tribute

By LORRAINE McCLISH

Michigan Senator Lorraine Beebe, of the flaming red hair, who received wide publicity after her impassioned plea for the liberalization of the state's abortion laws last spring, was honored in Southfield this week.

She was greeted by more than 300 Republican women who celebrated St. Patrick's Day with a "Luncheon With Lorraine" tribute to Michigan's only woman senator at the Raleigh House, which includes the Dearborn area and Redford Township.

She was introduced to her guests by Patricia Hitt, a presidential appointee to the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare (HEW) who emphasized Mrs. Beebe's recognition in Washington D.C. and outside the state.

"HER FAME IS NOT necessarily connected with abortion laws," Mrs. Hitt said, "she is probably much better known outside the state for her work with juveniles, with law enforcement, for the work she's done in the prevention and rehabilitation of drug users, for a whole realm of social services. Maybe better known for her dedication to what she believes to be right."

Mrs. Beebe serves on the Health, Social Services and Retirement Committee in Lansing, and says of this, "It takes in every bit of legislation that has anything to do with the health, social services and retirement of the people."

Nevertheless, abortion is the current subject at hand, and questions the lady senator received from the press and from guests were overwhelmingly directed to that subject.

After the luncheon in Southfield, she spoke from the Capitol steps in Lansing before a group of demonstrators concerning the pending bill to liberalize the state's abortion laws. And from there she joined a committee to shape up details in readiness for the bill's presentation.

THE COMMITTEE'S JOB calls for eight pending bills to be reduced into one. Target date for debate on the Senate floor is immediately after the Senate's Easter break.

The bill she hopes to see enacted would require that an abortion could be performed only by a licensed physician in an accredited hospital. There also would be a "conscience clause" that would make it certain that no one with moral objections to abortion would have to be involved in one.

Mrs. Beebe emphasized that abortions are going on now and will continue to go on for the wealthy woman only. "She can travel to another state or out of the country if she wishes," the senator added.

"We've got to make sure the woman of a lesser income has this made available to her," she said.

She also said she is sure that Michigan's bill, as pre-



CHAT WITH LORRAINE -- Mrs. Dorothy Reynolds (right) of Redford Township engages in a bit of conversation with the guest of honor during the recent Republican women's luncheon for State Sen. Lorraine Beebe. Mrs. Reynolds is a member of the Redford Township Library Commission. (Observer photo by Gerald Gazda)

sent, "will be as good or better than Hawaii's."

Michigan is the first large industrial state to consider changing its abortion laws. The country now has 12 states that have liberalized abortion laws. Gov. William Milliken's recent endorsement of abortion law reform "isn't going to hurt one bit," the senator said.

In addition to support from the governor, Mrs. Beebe said she is moved by the support she is getting on the pending bill by women throughout the state, much of which transcends religious boundaries.

"They are looking beyond the tunnels of their own religious beliefs," she says.

Hearings around the state on the subject, she says, have worked two ways. It has given the Legislature information on how the citizens feel on the matter and it has allowed the citizen to speak his mind in public.

The bill was defeated in the Senate last June. "But now women are talking. Now women are doing," she says.

Of her fellow senators, Mrs. Beebe says, "They must realize that this (subject) must be met head on - whether it is an election year or not. Lines are being drawn now and it will not be an easy fight."

Another subject at hand that took a back seat to the abortion issue this week is work currently being done on consumer protection with accompanying, proposed legislation.

A consumer protection committee is just getting off the ground, but still does not yet have an office to work out of. Research to this end and information is being gathered

Local Cooks Are Champs

Working women from Observerland took the two top prizes in the 1970 "Queen of the Kitchen" contest sponsored by Detroit Edison.

Crowned queen after a cook-off Thursday was Faye T. Hinds, who lives at 33857 Fountain Blvd., Westland, and works for Burroughs Corp. in Detroit.

She won a deluxe electric range for her one-dish meal, "Hat Full O' Hash."

Second place winner was Ruth Kluth, 34102 Coventry Drive, Livonia, who cooked "Fenny Puff Pie." Mrs. Kluth, personnel programs administrator for Brooks and Perkins, Inc., of Livonia, was awarded a broiler-toaster.

The contest has been staged by Edison for nine years, for women who hold full-time jobs.

The entries must be original recipes for one-dish main courses that can be prepared in an hour.

The recipes of Miss Hinds and Mrs. Kluth, along with those of eight other finalists, are published by Edison in booklet form.



FLOWERING IRON CURTAIN-"The iron curtain is imaginary but not imagination," wrote Mrs. Joseph P. Ziska of Farmington of this unusual arrangement she recently created. "It is felt but not seen - visible yet invisible-strong as iron, cold as steel. The will of the body and the hope of the mind slowly disintegrate under its lashes." Kathy Ziska brought together the iron sculpture of Al Pepczynski with ginger and jada flowers, a charred back and a candle for hope in the arrangement she first displayed for a meeting of District 1 of the Federated Garden Clubs of Michigan and later reconstructed for her Hill and Dale Garden Club in Farmington. (Evert photo)

Kappa Deltas Sew Animals

The Northwest Suburban Alumnae Association of Kappa Delta will meet at 8 p.m., Tuesday, March 24 in the home of Mrs. Fred O'Neill, 23126 Cathryn, Garden City, to sew stuffed animals for the Care Association for Retarded and Epileptic Children.

Kappa Delta Alumnae in the areas of northwest Detroit, Redford Township, Garden City, Livonia, Farmington, Plymouth and Northville wish to participate in the group are invited to call Mrs. Harry Hayward, president, at 281-2758, or Mrs. Robert Jones, 453-2173.

Camping Class For Mothers Begins April 1

A camping class for beginning, tent, trailer and truck campers will be featured in the spring session of "Homemakers Holiday" which begins April 1. Registration for the classes, sponsored by the Western

Wayne County YWCA will be held March 25 in the Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church, Hubbard at West Chicago, Livonia, or by mail or phone call to the YWCA offices in Dearborn, LO 1-4110. The camping special which

is designed to help Mom enjoy her vacation, will be held on Wednesdays from 1 to 3 p.m. during a six-week period.

Included also in the afternoon sessions are needlecraft, eight weeks of instruction in knitting, embroidery, crevel

and needlepoint, and a six-week class in budget deflators which will cover the subjects of summer cookery, menu planning, furniture care, budgets and grading.

From 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. an eight-week course in painting which covers color, design and perspective for all media, will be held and from 10 to 11 a.m. there will be an eight-week exercise group.

The nursery will be open to children from age 2 1/2 to 6 years

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Conversation Starters



The big step coming up in highway safety is more use of color on the roads. A big problem has been that neither asphalt nor concrete could be colored permanently. However, Mansanto Chemicals has contributed to the development of a new paving material, which is very similar to asphalt and can be brightly tinted with long-lasting color. A strip of red would mean stop ahead; white will be used as it is now for highway dividers and shoulders; green for through lanes; orange for deceleration lanes; and yellow for prohibited areas. Safety officials already are calling for standardization of color use across the country.

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R.J. Thomas Is Speaker

R. J. Thomas of the dealer business management staff of General Motors Corp. is the guest speaker at the March 24 dinner meeting of the Detroit Chapter of the American Society of Women Accountants. His topic will be "Automobile Dealership Accounting."

The meeting will begin at 6:15 p.m. in Carl's Club House, 3020 Grand River, Detroit.

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