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court judgment for such support, can verify this statement. They, by the millions, are the breadwinners for themselves and their children. This type of opposition is due to lack of understanding of how the woman of today has had to assume so many of the responsibilities of the husband or father or brother, as he carried them in the days of long ago. The truly "protected" woman and the man who so protects her may not have kept abreast of the need of women's great contribution to the economic life of this nation.

The words "rights and benefits," as included in the Hayden rider which nullifies ERA, were a soothing, disarming potion. The words "or exemptions now or hereafter conferred by law upon persons of the female sex" saddled restrictive legislation now in existence and hereafter to be passed, upon the backs of all women in America, particularly working women. The Senate passed

the Hayden rider. It passed the Equal Rights Amendment (S. J. Res. 49) with the rider a part of it, thus again defeating equal legal rights for women.

The House Bill now languishes in the House Judiciary Committee, still in its original form. Senator Butler of Maryland and his 23 co-sponsors of the Senate Bill, Honorable Katherine St. George, Representative in Congress from New York, chief sponsor of the ERA bill in the House, and her more than 100 co-sponsors, have fought for this legislation earnestly, and still fight in the House for the life of the original Amendment.

Millions of Americans still hope the pledges made on equal rights by the Republicans and Democrats in Chicago will be fulfilled; that no appeasing, nullifying amendments will be acceptable, that this nation in the future can point with pride to the existence of equal legal rights for all citizens in this Democracy.

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