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The Honorable Representative Geraldine Ferraro: Oct. 1984

Here's looking at you, here upon the wide threshold of a still dawning civilization; looking at you in earnest with a concept which could well point to the only renaissance that that can save mankind from suicidal extinction - Renaissance woman.

Is there Time Left? Unfortunately, one woman in a place of legislative power cannot prevail as the life-giving force now written so large upon the world agenda if she is surrounded by male egos. Such a woman leader requires the soul input and moral support of female alter egos.

Despite the apparent odds against this realization of woman power, we are now witness to the embryonic rise of womankind as a sociopolitical force.



George R. Clauter

GOVERNMENT NEEDS WOMEN

Time Times:

It is with uttermost gravity and a sense of great historical tragedy that I make haste to extrapolate on Dery Dyer's "Perspective" (TT, Aug. 24) concerning Professor Luis Lara's timeworn prejudice that women are the fragile inferiors to men in every creative and functional category of human performance.

Oh, how possible it is to say that a humble, thoughtful, truth-honoring shoemaker may ascertain intellectual realities beyond the scope of an otherwise brilliant person.

I'm something like that shoemaker in surmising that Prof. Lara has been darkly influenced by Arthur Schopenhauer, an 18th century German philosopher, who not only negated the passionate essence of life itself, but consigned all womankind to a wretched third-class state in the scheme of things.

This philosopher personifies the "Culturally Induced" role of woman as a degraded captive in society, a dysfunctional human relationship which has permeated the male psyche since time immemorial.

It was a long, long journey that gave birth to a genuine paradox — to wit, the majority of women are not just equal to the majority of men, they are superior. This is so because a warped culture set in motion from the beginning of so-called civilization has fostered men to be warriors under the sway of Thanatos, and women to be the affirmers of life and love under Eros.

In view of this unique historical conditioning, women must now be called upon to save mankind from imminent extinction. They who have endured, suffered with a fortitude unknown to men, are desperately needed in ALL levels of Government, to help rectify a social nightmare totally brought into being by culturally deformed men.

Young men who think they'll never die, mature men who think they hold the reins of history, and old men groping through a vale of alien shadows, I tell you this: the time has come for that eternal cry at the traumatic approach of death — MOTHER!

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