# CMD UUWF NEWSLETTER

## Institute is Ready

"The Ultimate Decision", is abortion a public or private concern, is the theme for the 1968 Allerton Institute, which begins June 18. Just whose business is it anyway? Should society limit what a physician may do? Who decides how to treat a patient?

These are some of the questions to be discussed by Dr Lonny Myers at the afternoon session on Tuesday and the morning session Wednesday. Dr Myers is chairman of the Illinois Citizens for the Medical control of Abortion. She reports that the effort to repeal the abortion Law in Illinois is coming along better than we would have dreamed possible a year ago. Other States have already acted. The Committee was included in a feature story in the New York Times and Dr Myers was on the At Random Show May 4.

The Institute isn't all work. There will be guided tours of the historical spots nearby and some time for just plain loafing. There are birds to watch -- but be prepared to fight off mosquitoes if you expect to take advantage of opportunities to hike around. (Need we suggest appropriate shoes and other clothing?)

The annual business meeting of the CMD will be held Wednesday evening.

Dr John Wood, Executive Secretary of the District, will lead the worship service closing the Institute Thursday morning. Dorothy (Wood, that is) will be with him.

Registrations should be sent to Mrs Lawrence Huff, R R No 1, Clinton, Illinois, 61727, before June 14. The fee of \$3.00 should be sent with the registration. The rest, \$23.75, may be paid on arrival at Monticello. Forms and further information may be obtained from your local unit officers.

The planning committee has been composed of Gloria Grimm, Doris Jones, Hester Huff, and Betty King.

### President's Notes

As I keep noting the signs of spring --lilacs, the crocus, and the balmy days, I can't help but think that Allerton is almost upon us. It will be so good to see you again and to greet newcomers, of which I hope we will have many. Allerton, to me, is a pause which gives me new strength and dedication to finish out the year. I think we all need a respite from the problems that face us every day. I don't want to infringe upon the Allerton Committee's publicity, but I would like to say -- Make your reservations early, get your flats and cottons in shape, and join us for  $2\frac{1}{2}$  interesting days.

Margaret

#### DUES, DUES, ALWAYS DUES

Jessica Barr, District Treasurer, reported that, by the middle of May, 19 units had paid their dues of 50¢ per member. This means that there are about ten to go — and some of those may already be paid when you read this.

Miss Barr would like to close her books June 1 so that she will have time to prepare a report, so . . .

Double Circle pins will be available over the counter at Allerton.

Jessica Barr has received a supply and will have them -- at \$2.50 each.

"Abortion", by Lawrence Lader, Beacon Press, 1966, \$1.95, is recommended for pre-Allerton reading.

The annual business meeting of the Central Midwest District of the Unitarian Universalist Women's Federation will be held at Allerton House, Monticello Illinois, at 7:00 P M, Wednesday, June 19, 1968. Central Midwest District Unitarian Universalist Women's Federation

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THE BRIDGE

The Spring (March 1968) issue of the Bridge has two articles on abortion which might help you to come to Allerton prepared.

The first is "Abortion - A Silence Broken" by Mary Lou Thompson. It includes the text of the Resolution to be considered by the U U A Assembly in Cleveland.

The second is "The Century of the Wanted Child" by Lawrence Lader. It is reprinted from his Beacon Press book.

The current issue of the Bridge (May 1968) has a good resume of the events and resolutions leading up to the decisions on the Black Affairs Council to be made at Cleveland. It includes a personal evaluation of the Chicago meetings in February by our Margaret Harris.

In event you have not been reading

The Bridge you have been missing some of the best information on what is happening in our Zion. Your local unit secretary probably has a supply of recent issues. Call her, get a set, and catch up!

#### BY-LAWS AMENDMENT PROPOSED

An amendment to the By-laws of the District to extend the terms of the secretary and chairman to two years and to stagger them so that both will not expire in the same year will be offered at the business meeting at Allerton in June. It is the purpose of this amendment to establish more continuity of leadership.

The specific proposal reads:

To amend Article V, Section A, to read:

A. A governing body of eight which shall consist of a Chairman and two Directors, to be elected in odd numbered years, a secretary-treasurer and two directors to be elected in even numbered years, and the Institute and Communications Chairmen appointed by the governing Board.

In order to carry this thru the rest of the By-laws, these changes are also proposed:

To amend Article V, Section B, by striking out in 1 "to be elected at an annual meeting" and in 3 "to be elected at an annual meeting."

To amend Article VIII, Section B, last sentence to read: "A quorum shall be five members of the Board."

Betty King and Clarice Beck were appointed by the chairman in the Fall to draw up and propose these amendments.

News of local units should be sent to Betty King when it happens for publication in the next issue.

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