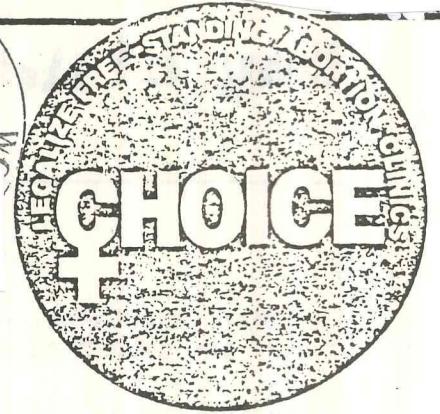


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CHOICE...



The CHOICE is YOURS!

ON TUESDAY, JULY 5TH, METRO TORONTO POLICE "RAIDED" THE MORGENTALER CLINIC, WHICH HAD BEEN IN OPERATION FOR THREE WEEKS. DOCTORS ROBERT SCOTT AND LESLIE SMOLING WERE ARRESTED AND SPENT THREE NIGHTS IN JAIL. DR. HENRY MORGENTALER WAS ARRESTED ON HIS RETURN FROM VACATION AND WAS JAILED FOR ONE NIGHT BEFORE THE JUDGE GRANTED BAIL. THE CROWN PLANS TO APPEAL THE BAIL HEARING.

AS WITH THE WINNIPEG CLINIC WHICH WAS RAIDED TWICE, TREATMENT OF A PATIENT AT THE TORONTO CLINIC WAS INTERRUPTED, NURSES WERE TREATED ROUGHLY, AND MEDICAL EQUIPMENT WAS CONFISCATED. THE "RAID" WAS STAGED A SHORT TIME BEFORE THE SUPREME COURT OF ONTARIO REFUSED DR. MORGENTALER'S APPLICATION FOR AN INJUNCTION TO PREVENT THE RAID, PENDING COURT HEARING OF A TORONTO WOMAN'S CONSTITUTIONAL CHALLENGE OF RESTRICTIVE ABORTION LAW.

Drop the charges — keep the clinic open
Women need your help

Contribute to:

PRO CHOICE DEFENCE FUND, BOX 935, STATION Q, TORONTO, ONT. M4T 2P1

Volunteer for:

ONTARIO COALITION FOR ABORTION CLINICS — 532-8193

Make your voice heard:

TELEPHONE PREMIER WILLIAM DAVIS — 965-1941

TELEPHONE ATTORNEY GENERAL ROY McMURTRY — 965-1664

Demand that the charges be dropped. Caring physicians should not be prosecuted to protect a cruel, outmoded, unworkable law.

Sign the tear-off below

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..... Sign — Clip — Mail

TO: Roy McMurtry, Attorney General of Ontario, 2485-A Yonge Street, Toronto M4P 2H5

I urge you NOT to prosecute the doctors and staff at the new Morgentaler Clinic. These people are providing a necessary service to women.

Signature: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Day of Action for ♀CHOICE on Abortion

In May, the Canadian Abortion Rights Action League (CARAL) issued a call for DAY OF ACTION FOR CHOICE ON ABORTION to take place on OCTOBER 1, 1983

The purpose of this Day of Action is to activate the 72% (according to the latest Gallup poll) who are pro-choice -- to encourage them to make their views known to their legislators. It is also necessary to declare our support for the legalization of free-standing abortion clinics and for the Scarborough legal suit initiated by CARAL.

The Day of Action is being sponsored by CARAL and pro-choice groups and coalitions across Canada. It is anticipated that major actions will take place in every province. Concerned Citizens for Choice on Abortion (CCCA) in Vancouver and the Ontario Coalition for Abortion Clinics (OCAC) in Toronto have agreed to play a role in the national coordination of this event.

demand

The Action should be based on solid demands -- concrete actions that we are asking the government to take. The following three demands have been proposed:

- "Defend a woman's right to choose"
- Repeal abortion from the Criminal Code"
- "Legalize free-standing abortion clinics"

action

It is hoped that public demonstrations (marches & rallies) will be held in the larger centres across Canada. We realize that it is more difficult to mount such actions in the smaller communities. Why not consider a public meeting, an information picket (for instance, at your local hospital if abortions are not performed there), or an information booth in a local mall. Many pro-choice groups in the smaller B.C. communities have been pleased at the positive public response when they have held such events.

In Chilliwack, B.C., Chilliwack Citizens for Choice made a large banner stating "THE CHOICE SHOULD BE YOURS" and took it to a local fair, stood under it, and let people approach them. They then spoke to them about choice and passed out information leaflets and collected donations.

BOTH CCCA and National CARAL have information handouts printed on how to organize such events. Material is available at cost from either group.

Contributions towards the cost of newsletters, organizing, etc, are welcome at:

CCCA
Box 24617, Station C
Vancouver, B.C. V5T 4E1
Ph: (604) 876-9920

CARAL
Box 935, Station Q
Toronto, Ont. M4T 2P1
Ph: (416) 961-1507

Ontario Coalition for
Abortion Clinics
Box 753, Station P
Toronto, Ont. M5S 2Z1
Ph: (416) 532-8193

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