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# 68 Women Seek Office On Capitol Hill

WASHINGTON (AP) — Women are making their strongest assault ever on Capitol Hill this fall, with a half-dozen women seeking a place in the Senate and 62 running for seats in the House.

That's up from 41 female entries in 1970, but the more dedicated say this is still a poor showing for a group that represents a majority of the electorate. Most of the women candidates were fielded by minority parties with little chance of winning, or they were running against powerful, entrenched incumbents.

However, Tuesday's election is expected to bring a few feminine newcomers to the House of Representatives and to make some historic advances.

Two prominent black women lawyer-legislators, both Democrats, are seen as sure winners.

They are Texas State Sen. Barbara Jordan, 36, of Houston, and California Assemblyman Yvonne Brathwaite Burke, 39, of Los Angeles, who was vice chairman of the Democratic National Convention in Miami Beach. Both are running in new and heavily Democratic districts.

And victory also is predicted for another Democratic newcomer, Elizabeth Holtzman, a 31-year-old Brooklyn lawyer, who toppled 84-year-old dean of the House Emanuel Celler in their New York primary.

There are no upsets envisioned among 11 current women members of Congress, who are up for re-election.

The present Congress has two women in the Senate, one from each party, and 12 in the House, 10 Democrats and two Republicans.

Three of them are dropping out. Rep. Florence P. Dwyer, R-N.J., decided to retire at age 70 after serving 16 years. Rep. Elizabeth Andrews, D-Ala., won the seat of her husband, George, after he died last Christmas is stepping down, as is Sen. Elaine S. Edwards D-La., appointed by her governor-husband to succeed the late Sen. Allen J. Ellender with the understanding she would not run again.

Political observers expect Sen. Margaret Chase Smith, R-Maine, veteran of 24 years, to retain her seat despite a serious contest with Democratic Rep. William D. Hathaway and the issue of her age—74.

Only one other woman is trying for the Senate as a major-party candidate. But little hope is seen for West Virginia State Sen. Louise Leonard, 53, a former State Department employee, who took on powerful 14-year Sen. Jennings Randolph, D-W. Va.

All 10 women House members running for re-election, including colorful freshman Bella Abzug, D-N.Y., appear safe.

Mrs. Abzug has had more trouble than any of her colleagues getting on the ballot. When the Manhattan district was drawn in redistricting, Mrs. Abzug, a 52-year-old lawyer, ran against fellow liberal Democrat Rep. William Ryan and lost badly in the primary.

Then Ryan died of throat cancer Sept. 17 and Democratic nominee chose Mrs. Abzug to replace him. But Ryan's widow, Patricia, joined the race against Mrs. Abzug as a Liberal Party candidate.

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## Nixon, McGovern Views Differ On Oil Tax

HOUSTON (AP)—President Nixon and Senator George McGovern differ sharply on oil and gas policy.

There is indication, however, the petroleum industry will continue to face a tough situation at the Washington level regardless of the outcome of Tuesday's presidential election.

For example, only a rather drastic change in the make-up of the new Congress could side-track

a new attack already developing against oil's controversial depletion allowance.

Nixon favors the allowance. McGovern terms it a tax loophole that should be plugged.

Two of the most powerful members of Congress, Rep. Wilbur Mills, D-Ark., chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, and Sen. Mike Mansfield, D-Mont., Senate majority leader, already have proposed a Tax Policy Reform Act that would repeal

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## Overt Scare Tactics Fail In Drug Abuse Programs

WASHINGTON (AP)—An extensive study of federal drug abuse prevention programs concludes that "overt preaching and scare tactics" have not worked, and suggests official acceptance of limited drug use.

The government is "more likely to yield long-range positive results," the report says, by dropping its "failure-ridden quest for a youthful society free from drug use—a proposed idyllic island awash in a sea of alcohol, nicotine and legally prescribed drug taking."

The three-volume study, compiled over a year by Macro Systems Inc. under a \$300,000 federal grant, has been kept under wraps since June.

A spokesman for the Department of Health, Education and Welfare said the study is "being critiqued" within the department, and no approval or rejection of the findings is expected before mid-November.

Of the \$380 million spent last year on federal drug programs by 15 agencies, the report said, HEW spent \$155 million, including more than \$26 million for drug education.

But the "crisis atmosphere" surrounding prevention programs, it said, resulted in "diffused objectives and goals, overlapping and duplication of effort, lack of consistent and long-range planning, and difficulty in assessing program effectiveness."

"In place of prevention as a reachable goal, drug use on the part of youth could be accepted — especially marijuana use," the report said.

But it warns that a "radical change of policy" in a presidential election year "is sure to bring about powerful opposition unwilling to enrage what it perceives as its constituency," especially what it called a "significant, and well-entrenched adult population" opposed to illegal drug use.

In addition, the report said, acceptance of limited drug use may create unemployment in certain circles. Among those with a "vested interest in continuing existing programs," it said, are various private and governmental drug prevention officials including planners, directors, staff, counselors, group leaders and clergy.

## Nixon Camp Consents To Reveal Previously Unreported Contributions

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Nixon's campaign money raisers consented Wednesday to reveal the source of a large chunk of previously unreported contributions rather than face a pre-election trial.

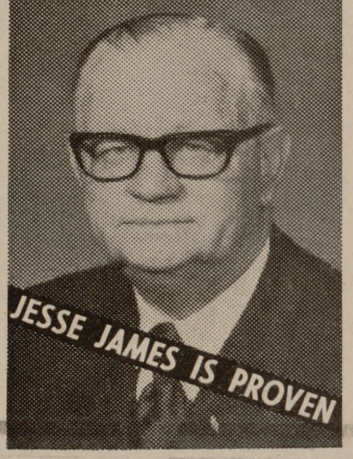
A consent decree signed by U.S. District Court Judge Joseph C. Waddy means the Finance Committee to Re-elect the President must identify contributors for most of the period before the new Federal Elections Campaign Act went into effect last spring. The disclosures are to begin Thursday night.

The committee and its affiliates raising money for the Nixon campaign also were ordered to hand over to the court records of its collections and expenditures pending final resolution of the case, which is expected to continue after the election.

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