

IN YOUR OWN WRITE

May I compliment your contributor Pat Evans on her article *Liberating the Woman Inside Me*, about the transexual. It was a great article but I feel that a couple of points were overlooked. At the age of thirty-six the subject of the article is beginning to look forward to being female, and good luck to her — she is not alone. The realisation that one has a male mind inside a female body is the one thing we tend to forget, as Anne so aptly points out. Men are indoctrinated to be men by their fathers, sisters and mothers, just as women are indoctrinated from the reverse point of view.

Your interview points all of this out but — and now we come to the crunch — we may have female secondaries, thanks to the surgeon's knife, but there are two drawbacks: our birth certificates cannot be changed so we cannot legally marry; nor can we draw our pensions until the male age of sixty-five.

I am now in my sixty-first year — a transexual — who has adopted the title Mrs. I am fully employed (as a woman) by a firm I have been with for several years. I seek no publicity — I have had my share — but I felt I must write.

Name and address supplied