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First Woman Elected to Congress from Alabama
George Andrews discusses his mother’s role as the first female Member of Congress elected from Alabama.

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Mother didn’t have a great ego and she was very shy in terms of seeking publicity. That was not her thing. She didn’t go to Congress to put a feather in her cap. But I know deep down, it meant a great deal to her to be the first woman from Alabama to be elected. As she said many times in later years, “I think a woman is just as good as a man, and in many instances, a woman is better-suited than a man to be a Congressperson because of their ability to deal with people and assess situations.” And I think it was a great source of pride to her to have been the first woman elected to Congress from Alabama.