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several prominent Bluegrass families, Breckinridge inherited a sense of

noblesse oblige that compelled her to speak for women's rights.

However, it was her physical struggles and personal losses that transformed her from a privileged socialite into a selfless advocate for the disadvantaged. She devoted much of her life to the struggle for equal voting rights, but she also promoted the antitu