

Four Million Girls In United States Face Spinsterhood

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(AP Newsfeatures)
Girls in their late twenties today are up against a grim situation. They passed the peak of their marriage eligibility while the war was still on, and now find that the boys they date before the war are coming back and marrying their younger sisters, or are not marrying at all.

Millions of these girls in their late twenties of course are marrying. But millions more won't. Sociologists are now estimating that close to 4,000,000 girls between 20 and 35 today will never marry. They appear to be in a sort of "lost generation."

Two Reasons Assigned
The war is partly responsible for their plight. Our losses in World War II were more than six times greater than in World War I. In this past war about 325,000 men were killed outright and at least that many more suffered such severe physical or mental injuries that they probably will never marry.

Another real factor is that tens of thousands of American men married foreign girls while in service. And many men are still abroad.

But in subtler ways the war deprived vastly more girls of future husbands. For example, girls must face the fact that the older a man gets the more he tends to marry a girl several years his junior.

For example, a man of 25 would probably marry a girl of 23. But let us suppose that he lost out four years while serving in the Army. He is 29; and the girl he is likely to marry will be about 25, or perhaps only 23. Some of course will marry older girls, but I'm speaking of the average.

Furthermore the man at 29 is much less likely to marry at all than he was at 25. The older a single man becomes, the more set he becomes in his ways and the less likely he is to get himself involved in a situation that will lead to marriage. If he reaches 30 without marrying he is likely to become a confirmed bachelor.

What Figures Indicate
In normal times about ten per cent of all men stubbornly prefer bachelorhood to marriage. Now as a result of the war's intervention this number is rising to about 15 per cent of all eligible men. The practical effect of this is a million girls are deprived of a chance to marry. When you add this million girls to the 650,000 who lost out because of war casualties and the 1,500,000 who lost out because they passed into their late twenties while the bulk of the men were away, you already have

more than 3,000,000 girls who will go husbandleless.

And to this you must add the millions or more who are victims of the basic, long-range shift of our population.

America is growing older as a people. As our population grows older it grows more feminine. Women may be the weaker sex but she consistently outlives the male by several years. While more male babies are still being born than female babies, the males go into the minority at around the 25th year now.

When all these factors are added together you have an acute male shortage as far as the eligible girl hoping to marry is concerned.

Legion's National Field Aide Visits in Roseburg

Robert C. Dillard, national field secretary for the American Legion, arrived in Roseburg this week to confer with local Legion officials and to visit the Veterans Hospital.

For many years Dillard was active in American Legion work at Coos Bay. Later he was department service officer and recently was named national field secretary.

With his headquarters in Seattle, Dillard's territory includes Oregon, Washington and Alaska. There are now 25 field secretaries serving the Legion throughout the country. Their duties are to give counsel and advice to returning veterans.

While in Roseburg, Dillard will be staying at the Umpqua Hotel.

U. S. Protests to Poland On Political Oppression

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20. (AP)—Undersecretary of State Acheson disclosed today the United States has sent a sharp note to Poland protesting "oppressive acts which have prevented normal democratic political activity."

This communication charged that the Polish government had permitted "persecution" of the Polish labor party "by arrests, censorship restrictions, administrative interference and other oppressive acts."

It called upon the Polish government to provide four essential "guarantees which will permit normal political freedom prior to the national elections scheduled for early November."

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U. S.-Brazil Pact Ups Coffee Price

WASHINGTON, Aug. 22. (AP)—The United States and Brazil have revised the coffee agreement to conform with new coffee price ceilings announced by the OPA. The State Department announced. The agreement provides:

1. An increase of 8.32 cents per pound at the New York docks on green coffee price ceilings.
2. Maintenance of current minimum export prices and export taxes on coffee by Brazil.
3. Maintenance of Brazil's exchange rates to assure a constant

flow of coffee and a steady price. An arrangement by which Brazil will, if asked by the U. S. market coffee under this arrangement, shipments up to a total of 3,000,000 bags.

5. Restraint by Brazil of any action "likely to encourage withholding of coffee from the market."

6. The termination of the arrangement March 31, 1947, if coffee is removed from price control in the United States.

Pipe Lies Idle While Houses Wait Completion

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 22. (AP)—Shortage of pipe needed to complete houses while millions of

feet are stockpiled at Vancouver and Portland shipyards but not yet turned over to the War Assets Administration was reported to a veterans' advisory committee here.

The committee will write the Federal Housing Administration and Maritime Commission officials in an effort to release the pipe.

George L. Sandy, representing the State Department of Veterans Affairs, said the state's colleges have turned down 6,100 applicants because of lack of housing. Shortage of pipe is the principal reason for the lack, he said.

The committee also recommended that all sleeping bags be set aside for sale to veterans.

Shortage of Soap Will Continue for Months

NEW YORK, Aug. 21. (AP)—Soap will stay on the hard to get list for months to come, industry sources predicted today.

Soap supplies are said to be lower than at any time during the war, and producers do not expect much improvement at least until the first of the year.

"Never before has the modern soap industry faced the scarcity of fats it does today," said a spokesman.

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