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SPINSTERS IN REVOLT

By Charles V. Stanton

Spinsters are up in arms about a bill now before Congress to give widows access to social security at age 62. Why, they ask, should widows be singled out for early benefits?

A widow at age 62, they point out, usually has insurance money left by her husband, has ownership or use of the property they accumulated, and has grown children who, as a last resort, can provide necessities of life.

But, they say, consider the case of the "career girl!" All she has is what she has been able to accumulate after many years of hard work, usually at wages considerably lower than paid a man for less work and less responsibility. She has no property other than what she has been able to secure through thrift and wise investment.

By her labor she has contributed her part to the nation's economic welfare. She has been an important cog in business and industry. But Congress proposes to aid widows, who need help less than any other specific class, while neglecting the poor working girl of advancing years. It's pure demagoguery, they insist, designed only to get votes. But don't forget, they add, that spinsters also vote!

Reward Lacking

The widow, say the spinsters, has her reward in a home, a family and, in many cases, ample financial security. But what is the reward for the career girl in the upper age bracket?

She has a busy and responsible life, as stenographer, secretary, private secretary, managerial assistant, etc., until grey hairs can no longer be hidden. Despite all the arts of the modern beauty salon, age ultimately begins to show.

Then comes the day when she finds herself "promoted" to assistant manager of the shipping department, while the fool boss hires himself a giddy young blonde to do his secretarial work.

That's when the gal who has devoted 40 years of her life to making the boss and the business successful is mentally set to take her social security and set up business in the old rocking chair. But, no, while the flush widow, whose principal job is clipping coupons from the income stock left by her husband, is made eligible for social security benefits, the career girl must labor along in the shipping department to age 65, before she gets her social security check and a farewell gift from her fellow workers.

It just ain't right, declare the maiden ladies, to consider pensions for widows and neglect the poor broken down steno-secretary. She is made to feel, they contend, that it's a crime not to be married. Furthermore, the action contemplated by Congress is pure and unadulterated discrimination, demagoguery and political foolishness.

Time For Men To Rise

Now, I have some opinions of my own on the subject. In one sense I must agree that the spinsters have a good argument. Certainly they are entitled to as much consideration as widows.

But, on the other hand, I think the policy of lowering the age limit eligibility for women in the social security program is the wrong approach.

If anyone should get a break in lowering social security age, it should be the men.

Actuarial statistics show that women live longer than men. It also is established by statistical evidence that women control more money than do men.

Why, then, not make men eligible for social security pensions at an earlier age, and let the women, who are going to live a lot longer anyway, do the work?

And think what a boon that would be for economy. As it is now, our Congressmen are proposing early pensions for the single group with the highest rate of longevity. Of course, that's to be expected from those members imbued with the spirit of free spending of taxpayer dollars.

But, if earlier pensions were provided for men, who haven't much time left before cashing in their chips, while delaying pensions for women, who still can anticipate a good many years, the move would be one in the direction of economy.

So, unless these widow-loving congressmen begin to show a little sense on this matter, they may be sure they'll alienate the vote of we males as well as the spinsters.

Hal Boyle

NEW YORK (AP) — All men who have given up hope of success in love because they are middle-aged, paunchy and bald can take heart from Robert Weede.

Weede, Broadway's newest matinee idol, is neither young nor tall nor dark nor handsome.

He is stocky and plump-featured, he is admittedly middle-aged, and he has freckles on an indisputably bald head.

Far from being defects, these assets—plus a beguiling smile and a fine voice—won him overnight one of the year's greatest successes in the theater.

Weede, one of America's best baritones, was a Broadway unknown when he opened a few weeks ago in Frank Loesser's "The Most Happy Fella," hailed by critics as America's finest folk opera since "Porgy and Bess."

He played the role of Tony, an aging bachelor, winegrower who woos a pretty waitress by correspondence. She is at first taken aback by Tony's appearance, but she marries him anyway, discovers he has a heart of gold and falls truly and deeply in love with him. The fact she is bearing a child by another man bothers Tony only briefly. He decides that at his age it is better to have a pretty chick with a child than no chick at all.

Well, sir, the old gaffers in the audience, many of whom presumably had courted fair young maids with less happy results, darn near flooded the theater with tears at the sight of Tony's victory.

Soon Weede was measuring his fan mail with buckets, and most of the letters were in feminine

handwriting. Tony had stirred the sentimental ladies, too. I asked Weede what he himself thought, off-stage, about May and November romances, and he replied stoutly: "I have the same philosophy Tony did. Honest love can make up for a lot of differences between people—differences in age or shape or background." When "The Most Happy Fella" became an immediate hit, the word went out along the Main Stem: "Who is this guy, Weede? Where did he learn to act?" This rather mystified Weede, who asked mildly: "What did they think I've been doing all these years in opera?" Weede, a concert star for two decades, has sung with every major opera company in America, including the Metropolitan.

He is still puzzled that his appearance in a single Broadway show has brought him more national attention than two decades of singing operatic arias. But Weede is a mellow, cheerful artist quite content to take fame and fortune as they come. Weede, left fatherless at 15,

Manna From Heaven?



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In The Day's News

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of the arrested LA drunks are repeaters. Hm-mm. It sounds like they ENJOY being arrested, doesn't it?

More incidental information: Los Angeles was nearly twice as many arrests for drunkenness as San Francisco. In the last year of record, the capital of the Southland tossed 80,400 soups into the clink whereas the Big Town of the Bay area incarcerated only 42,307 of them.

That raises this question: Do more people get drunk in Los Angeles than in San Francisco? And if so, why? Do people down there take to liquor as a succor from the frustrations involved in finding their way from one freeway to another? Or is it the smog?

OR—Does LA just ARREST more of 'em when they get lit? You can't gauge the morals of a town, you know, by the number of arrests. The most immoral city in the world MIGHT NOT ARREST ANYBODY.

Back to politics: President Eisenhower appoints Fred Seaton, who has been a member of the White House staff serving as deputy assistant to the President in charge of administrative affairs and is a former senator from Nebraska, as secretary of the interior to succeed Douglas McKay, who resigned from the cabinet to become the successful Republican candidate for senator from Oregon to oppose Senator Morse in November.

Oddly enough, Senator Morse approves Seaton's appointment. He said in Washington: "Douglas McKay, who resigned from the cabinet to become the successful Republican candidate for senator from Oregon to oppose Senator Morse in November. I have always considered Senator Seaton to be a fine public servant. Although he and I do not always agree on natural resource policies, I have a very high personal regard for him."

How come? Senator Neuberger lets the cat out of the bag. He says: "I am very pleased the President has repudiated the policies of Ex-Secretary McKay and has gone completely outside the distorted interior department to obtain a new head for that department." He adds: "The naming of Mr. Seaton from entirely outside the interior department is endorsement of the belief that the McKay regime was a failure."

The politics of it is this: The big reason for voting for McKay as senator from Oregon (outside the accepted fact that he is competent and able and experienced) is the fact that he is a devoted supporter of President Eisenhower and the Eisenhower policies and will back them up in the senate, whereas Senator Morse is a bitter enemy of President Eisenhower and will VOTE AGAINST HIS POLICIES at every opportunity.

Somehow it must be made to appear that Ike doesn't like McKay. So Senator Neuberger goes to bat for his colleague. raised and sold vegetables to pay part of his tuition, but says that a helpful sister, who later became an educator herself, was "the mainspring of his career."

"We're all such self-made people today," he added, "and actually I don't think any of us are self-made."

"We all have a hard time, but there are always people who want to help us. I can't even count all the people who helped me along the way."

"Many people, of course, do have had luck. But there are others, who, if they made a harder effort to improve their own gifts, would find it easier to go ahead."

"You must, first of all, prepare yourself and be ready for the helping hand when it comes. Otherwise, no one can help you."

Weede believes that, once you accept a helping hand, your greatest privilege in life—as soon as you are able—is to extend one of your own to others.

Portland Waitress, Demos' New Committeewoman, Vies For Major Attention

By A. ROBERT SMITH
News-Review Correspondent

WASHINGTON — The Oregon election winner who seemed to get almost as much attention from the press of the nation's capital as either President Eisenhower or Adlai Stevenson — and more than Sen. Wayne Morse or Douglas McKay — was the state's new Democratic national committeewoman. That doesn't mean that Virginia A. Grant has lots of supporters in Washington, D.C., for she was as much an unknown here as in many parts of the state. But the Portland waitress seemed to be a welcome change from the tiresome gallery of political faces that dot the local scene.

Mrs. Grant, a 33-year-old brunette, was introduced to the nation's capital, where she will have to attend periodic meetings of the Democratic national committee, by means of newspaper photos wearing the prescribed costume for her job serving guests in the Aloha room of Portland's Heathman Hotel—a strapless gown and a flower in her hair.

A newspaper reporter for the Washington Star called this reporter for all the dope of the newly elected committeewoman but got little detailed info. Undaunted, the reporter said, "Well, I'll have to interview her myself then, or we've got to have a story on her."

Most every politician dreams of the day lightning will strike at the right time to give him a bolt upward in his political career. But Rep. Sam Coon would just as soon shuffle along by his own steam, thank you, having had just about all the lightning he cares to tangle with for awhile.

Coon was flying back to Washington recently from a congressional junket to Florida arranged by the Pentagon. Before their Air

Government May Start Regulating Nation's Drivers

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Unless highway traffic fatalities can be cut down by state and community action, there will be no alternative but federal intervention in driver regulations, Municipal Judge William J. McGuinness of Oakland, Calif., declared Thursday.

"Today's traffic fatality emergency calls for drastic measures," Judge McGuinness told Western regional conference delegates of the President's Committee for Traffic Safety.

"People who fight against road blocks, against use of radar in traffic control, against automobile inspections and similar enforcement devices—on the grounds that their constitutional rights are being infringed—have some surprises in store for them," Judge McGuinness said.

"There will have to be far greater restrictions if the nation's driving record is not improved," he said, adding that it may be necessary that stricter standards be imposed by the federal government.

"I think we would be better off if we thought in terms of making our highways available only to the competent driver."

Socialists Form Human Wall, Pepper Corridors

TOKYO (AP) — Socialists formed a human wall and tossed pepper in Japan's Diet (Parliament) corridors Thursday in an effort to block legislation strengthening government control of education.

They were attempting to prevent floor debate on a series of bills centralizing Japan's school system.

The ruling Liberal-Democratic Party has set final enactment of the measures as a major target for the session ending Sunday.

Reader Opinions

Russian Manpower Cut Held To Be Necessary

ROSEBURG — At times it becomes quite difficult for many of us to understand why we are not informed of the true facts on problems that are of vital interest to every true American and why all the secrets.

We wonder why Russia suddenly becomes kind hearted "turns turtle" on the Stalin regime, frees slave labor, wants all nations to cut armed manpower, etc., etc.

The facts are that Russia has a problem that can not be corrected in the near future and is forced to do something about it and fast. Her present propaganda is the only way out and she wants the rest of the nations to fall in line and go along. A good "deal" for her if it would work.

Let's look at the facts—We all know, 1937 was peace times. Russia's male birth rate at that time added two million, six hundred thousand men to the sixteen-year-old bracket in 1953. Three years later (1940) the war machines of all nations started swinging into action, so this year (1956) the male population of Russia to arrive in the sixteen-year bracket will drop one half million.

Now what happened in 1943-1944? Every available man and woman was directly in the war machine or working long hours in industry. What are the results? The number of males in Russia that will reach sixteen in 1959 will drop to one hundred thousand with no increase over the two or three years following, at least.

The fact is that Russia (and all nations) must keep her industry in high gear and she has no place to go for manpower except the army. To quote Research Institute of America, All of Europe except England, is being fooled by the arms cut, accepting it as a peace move, proving again Moscow's adeptness in making a necessity look like a virtue.

Again, why all the secrets on the many problems that confuse us? It is not the fault of the press but the "powers that be."
H. K. Hockett
Roseburg, Oregon

Save Old Library Park, Suggests Local Resident

ROSEBURG — In last Friday's News-Review under Reader Opinion, there appeared a very interesting letter concerning what is the home of Library Park and the huge maple tree which stands between the Pacific Building and the present City Library.

Roseburg definitely does need more parking lots but this area with all buildings and the tree removed would hardly hold 30 cars. It took a long time for that huge, beautiful maple tree to grow. To this writer it seems a serious mistake to even talk about cutting it down, or for that matter destroying Library Park.

In addition to the ideas expressed by Mrs. McKanna I would like to suggest to the city fathers and all other interested people that the park remain as it is, and in addition that the old hand stand be removed and public rest rooms for both men and women be built in its place. To my knowledge there is no other city in the State of Oregon of comparable size that does not have public rest room facilities.

If you think the effort is worth while, let's save the park and add just a little to it.
A. W. Bashford
Roseburg, Ore.

chewing gum — and it worked. "We chewed gum like mad from then on until we found a garage 10 miles away," said the boy proudly.

Peter Edson

WASHINGTON — (NEA) — A "Four Hundred" of industrial relations—big business tycoons, big labor barons, big government officials and their wives—dined up in formal and threw a whine-ding of a dinner to celebrate the 80th birthday of six-foot, seven-inch Cyrus S. Ching. Ching saw action as former head of the U.S. Mediation and Conciliation Service in many a battle.

"They all paid tribute to the gentleness and integrity of this beloved giant. And in return Cy Ching said simply, 'I am the richest man in the world—and cannot be taxed for it. For these are my friends.'"

The highlight of this tripartite labor-management-government love feast, however, was the testimonial of John L. Lewis. Missing was the scowl of the United Mine Workers' head, now white-haired and 76, himself. But his characteristic oratory was never better. It was a classic that went something like this:

"I LOOK BACK on my years of association with Cyrus Ching as filled with trials and tribulations not of his making. There were a few disputes, but they were minor. In one of them, Mr. Ching called in Col. Clyde Mills and other Labor Department practitioners. I came, in line with my traditional policy of going whenever summoned by my government."

"Mr. Ching filled his pipe and eventually he got it burning. He said the government needed coal. 'I said the government didn't need coal. It had plenty. 'Mr. Ching said the government was entitled to as much coal as it thought it needed, and the strike must end."

"I said there was no strike. Just a period of stabilizing inaction. Mr. Ching became so agitated that he filled his pipe again."

"GEORGE M. HUMPHREY, our Secretary of the Treasury sitting here in the audience, then believed that taxes should be lowered without reference to a balanced budget. "At the time he was strong-manning it around the coal industry. Quoting the Chinese poet Ling-Po, I said there is one grape I want to trample a little wine out of, and that is George Humphrey. "Mr. Ching said if the strike was not abated, the government would seize the mines. It was too much. I had canvassed the situation and I could not remember any coal mines that the union owned. But if the government seized the mines, George Humphrey's mines would be included."

Speech By Chief Justice To Congress On Judiciary Status Urged By Lawyers

SPOKANE (AP) — Northwest lawyers were urged Thursday to support a suggestion that the chief justice of the United States give an annual address to a joint session of Congress on the status of the judiciary.

Clarence A. Davis, a lawyer and undersecretary of the interior, made the proposal in a speech at a Northwest regional meeting of the American Bar Assn. "It is upon the lawyers we must primarily depend to sustain the position of the judiciary as an independent co-equal branch of our government and the ultimate repository of constitutional liberty," Davis said.

For this reason, he said he feels lawyers should give "widespread support" to the suggestion of a report to Congress by the chief justice. E. Smythe Gambrell of Atlanta, Ga., president of the American Bar Assn., told the lawyers the biggest threat "to an era of unprecedented growth" is "the philosophy of despondency and despair reflected in the increasing clamor for security."

"This alien urge for protection from the normal processes of change and development can lead only to stagnation and decay," he said. "Security is the antithesis of growth. Growth is change and change brings dislocation. One man's growth is another's insecurity."

Gambrell said the recent White House conference on federal aid to education "troubled me." "In the long view it poses a serious threat to democracy and freedom," he said. "While the unequal distribution of wealth throughout the 48 states might suggest federal aid, it would be error to expose the direction of the educational systems of the several states to the influence of a federal board of education which ultimately would attempt to supervise teachers, prescribe curricula and subject matter."

To allow our fine independent public school systems to become hopelessly addicted to, or dependent upon, federal aid would be nothing short of a national calamity. Some 600 lawyers from all the Northwest states are registered for the three-day meeting.

Court Rules Postal Department Interfered

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U. S. Court of Appeals ruled Thursday the Post Office Department interfered with freedom of the press in barring from the mails, without a hearing, two issues of nudist magazines.

Dividing 2-1, the Appellate Court struck down a lower court decision which upheld the Post Office Department contention the magazines were unailable because they were "obscene, lewd, lascivious and indecent."

Involved in the case were the February, 1955, issue of Nudist & Health Magazine and the January-February, 1955, issue of Solitaire Universelle Nudisme Magazine.

The magazines are published at Mays Landing, N. J., and advocate nudism and the nudist mode of living.

The majority decision said "First Amendment considerations are involved" in the case.

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