

They Would Rather Be Scientists Than Presidents

By EUGENE GILBERT

If nominated, I shall not run; if elected, I shall not serve. It doesn't take much interpretation of that statement to determine that Gen. William T. Sherman didn't want to be President. And it doesn't take much interpretation of our latest poll to determine that an amazingly high percentage of American youth just doesn't want to be President either.

The poll takers asked the young people flatly: "Would you like to be President of the United States?"

Only 8 percent of the boys and 2 percent of the girls said yes. But here's a switch: 11 percent of the boys and 25 percent of the girls would be happy to have a son become President!

Most of the boys, however, saw the presidency in the same light as Robin Brown, 13, a Hewlett, N.Y., high school freshman. "I can't see any young boy who'd like to become President with the problems and the world tension surrounding us today," he said. "It's just not worth it."

They'd Rather Be Scientists

Sarah Lee Saunders of Denver put the same idea in a lighter vein.

"Problems! Problems! Problems!" said Sarah, adding, "And I don't know how to play golf!" If the great majority of young people don't want to be President, what do they want to be?

We asked that question on another occasion and 35 percent told us they plan to enter one of the professions—science or engineering, teaching, medicine, law and the like.

Two thirds of these professionally minded young people said they want to serve mankind. At the same time, 32 percent expressed the opinion material rewards are higher in the professions than in other lines of work.

Perhaps it won't come as a great surprise to find the girls more influenced by service opportunities than boys. Five out of six girls said being of service is most important while only slightly more than half the boys gave the same answer.

"Professions allow you to serve the community, be independent and live comfortably," said Charles G. Stenwedel, 19, of Kenilworth, Ill., touching all the bases. "Professional men appear to be more respected than most," added 19-year-old Forrest T. Patterson of Burlington, N.C.

Some of our viewers-with-alarm will be glad to note that science and engineering together scored a high of 29 percent on the popularity list. One girl in eight has her eyes on science as a career.

Teaching and medicine, each with a 25 percent rating, were other favorites.

Generally, it was the girls who held teaching in the front rank. Only one out of 10 boys desire to be teachers while half the girls say they plan to enter the field.

It is interesting to note that the desire to teach apparently rises in the young men as they grow older. Only 2 percent of those 13-15 years of age call themselves prospective teachers. In the 16-and-over group, the figure is 15 percent.

More girls than boys plan to en-



SCIENCE and engineering together are first choice for 29% of those polled.



MORE GIRLS than boys included in 25% who plan medical or nursing career.

ter the medical profession. Our figures for that category were: Girls, 30 percent; boys, 22 percent.

"Medicine is remunerative, respected and enjoyable," said Edward S. Beneville, 18, of Ithaca, N.Y.

"I like people and always want to help them," said Paula McAuley, a 16-year-old from New Rochelle, N.Y., who has nursing ambitions.

A career in law drew the nod from about one in 10 while less than 2 percent told of plans to become clergymen. One in 10 said they plan professional careers but

are not yet sure of their field.

Doctors Get Top Respect

Except in the teaching field, the young people demonstrated that their respect for the various professions is much greater than their ambition to enter them. This is particularly true in the clergy, law and medicine.

Against the less than 2 per cent who said they want to be clergymen, a whopping 45 per cent placed priests, ministers and rabbis on the list of the professional men they most respect.

"Clergymen are very happy, self-sacrificing people," said a 16-year-old girl. They try to better hu-

manity," added a 15-year-old.

Medical men and women are respected by 56 per cent and lawyers by 20 per cent. Science also drew a respectful 20 per cent and engineering 14 per cent.

The teaching profession proved to be comparatively low in the esteem by the young people. Only one in four named it on his list of the most respected professions.

Youth's chief complaints against the professional people with whom it has the greatest contact seems to be a feeling that teachers lack respect for them.

What can the teachers do about it? "Treat us like human beings," suggested a 15-year-old Brooklyn boy.

If the teacher gave more respect to the students, they would get it in return," advised Oscar Hommel, 15, of Dallas.

A Massachusetts boy said he

thinks "more firmness with the students" would earn respect for the teacher while a 17-year-old New Yorker recommended: "Give us less homework."

Questions Asked

Would you like to be President? Would you like your son to be President?

Do you plan to be a professional man or woman?

What professions do you respect most?

What profession do you plan to follow?

Do you want to be a professional person because of greater financial awards or because of greater chances for service?

Do you think professional people get more money than business people or those in ordinary jobs?

Next Week: Teeners Approve Of Mid Week Dating.

Tree Farm Program Gains During 1957

WASHINGTON (AP)—The nation's tree farm program gained 3,399,700 acres in 1957 making a total of nearly 45 million acres in 45 states devoted to the reforestation project.

Oregon ranks third with 3,816,832 acres and Washington, with 3,775,916 acres, fifth among the states in the amount of acreage devoted to the program, according to statistics released Tuesday by the American Forest Products Industries, sponsor of the project.

Florida tops the participating states with more than 4½ million acres.

Green PTA Sponsoring Magic Show On Friday

A master magician and his company is scheduled to appear at Green School Friday night.

Robert Emerico and his troupe is being sponsored by the Green PTA. The show will start at 7:30 p.m. Tickets may be purchased at the door or from any fifth or sixth grader.

Woman Inherits Half Million

DULUTH, Minn. (AP)—Give up farming? "Heavens, no, at least not right away," was the rejoinder of a North Dakota farm grandmother who is inheriting nearly a quarter of a million dollars from the estate of Mrs. Sara Ann Atkinson, widow of a retired California lumberman.

Mrs. George Landman, 68, Kempton, N.D., said her first concern would be to see that her children are comfortable.

"And, of course, we also have 10 grandchildren to think of," she added.

Mrs. Landman was in Duluth Wednesday visiting two of her daughters. She learned Tuesday that a Los Angeles court had ruled her the beneficiary of half of Mrs. Atkinson's \$465,000 estate.

Her husband was a little more definite than his wife on the subject of giving up farming — "Maybe next year," he said.

Attorneys have estimated Mrs. Landman will net just about \$100,000 when claims of 13 cousins of Mrs. Atkinson are met and inheritance taxes and legal fees are paid.

Panel On TV Saturday Includes Roseburg Man

Paul E. Geddes, Roseburg, former Republican state senator from Douglas County, will appear on a panel discussing Columbia River development Saturday afternoon on the "Weekend" show of KPIC and KVAL-TV.

Geddes, while in the Legislature, was a member of an interim committee studying problems along the river. Appearing with him on the pro-and-con show will be Lane County Treasurer Olga Freeman, Rep. Wayne Giesy of Benton County and Vincent Ostrom of the State Water Resources Board.

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Community News Items

L. L. Powers of the Roseburg Chapel of the Roses was in Eugene Wednesday on business.

Mrs. A. B. Collins returned home Saturday following a trip to Portland where she went to attend an education association meeting.

Paulus McKee, general manager for Pacific Plywood, was in Portland Thursday through Saturday attending to business.

Feb. 14 is the date announced by the Rotary. Ann for a dinner to be given for the Rotarians at 5:30 p.m. at the Roseburg Woman's Club.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Layton have returned to their home in Hoquiam, Wash., following a visit here with the latter's two sons, Mr. O. H. Harris and Mrs. Rosa Hearn.

Floyd Andrews, Curley Craig, Robert Elliott, Walter Elliott, A. R. McArtney and H. V. Waller were among those from Roseburg who attended the Legion of the Moose meeting Sunday in Springfield.

Purchasing a new home at 158 W. Hazel are newcomers, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Miller, former residents of Cody, Wyo. The home was purchased through the Lee Jones Realty. Mr. Miller is a retired forestry official.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Reinson and Mrs. Mel Lusk went to Springfield Sunday to attend festivities of the Legion of the Moose. The Reinsons visited friends and Mrs. Lusk called on her brother, R. A. Taylor, all of whom live in the Springfield area.

Miss Jacqueline Swint, recently of San Francisco, who has been visiting relatives in Portland, stopped here en route to the California city to visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Wentz. She has now left and will enplane Sunday for Washington, D.C., to take a two-week training course, then will fly to Bangkok, Siam, where she will spend the next two years working in the U. S. State Department office.

Dr. S. L. Dunn of this city is now serving at the Maple Grove convalescent hospital at Dixonville, Dr. Dunn has been asked to preach every Sunday morning following the regular Sunday School hour. Dr. Dunn has been conducting a Bible study class in the Dixonville church to an interested group of adults for the last seven and a half months. This class study is held every week on Thursday nights, however, this week the class will meet Friday evening.

Jeannie Forrest, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Forrest, is confined to her home with influenza.

Mrs. L. L. Powers is able to be out again, after being ill of influenza for the last week at her home in Laurelwood.

Bill Forrest is home from Oregon State College visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Forrest, on SE Kane Street.

Mrs. Della Steffenson and daughter, Louise, (Mrs. Gordon Crook) have returned from Portland where they visited recently with Dr. and Mrs. Earl Cleary.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Reynolds left Sunday for their home in Vancouver, Wash., following a visit in Roseburg with the latter's mother, Mrs. C. J. Bradley, and Mr. Bradley.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bliss and daughter, Vickie, have returned to their home here, following a trip to Sweet Home to visit Mrs. Bliss' mother, Mrs. L. C. Regnier, and Mr. Regnier.

Mrs. C. A. Ricketts, state vice president of the University of Oregon Mothers Club; Mrs. James Byron, local president, and Mrs. Ralph Arensmeier left today for Eugene to attend the state board meeting.

The Rev. J. T. Howard, pastor of the First Southern Baptist Church, and the Rev. B. L. Millard, area missionary, have just returned from a three-day conference of the Missionaries and Moderators of Oregon and Washington. The conference was held 21 miles east of Portland at the beautiful Camp Manucha.

Don Zifka, who is attending OTI in Klamath Falls, spent the weekend visiting his wife and three sons, Jeffery, Keith and Jimmy, at Myrtle Creek. They were joined for a family reunion Saturday at the home of Don's sister, Mrs. John E. Rousey, by their parents and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Zifka and Jerrylyn, of Middle.

Mrs. Charles Verrill has returned to her work at Fairhaven Market following a ten-day trip to Southern California. Accompanying her on the trip down was her son, Charles, who had been home on leave from the U. S. Air Force, and who returned to his base at San Bernardino. Mrs. Verrill visited in Los Angeles with an aunt, Ruby Spicer, in Santa Ana, with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Stone, on en route home with Mr. and Mrs. Uel Dillard and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Suiter and Glen Suiter have returned from Arkansas where they spent several days on business.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Forrest of this city spent the weekend in Portland attending to business and visiting friends.

Charles Lamm, local Western Union manager, spent Monday in Portland attending a Western Union sales meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Cloyd Offill of Nampa, Idaho, visited over the weekend here with Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Merle and with Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Vieselmeyer.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Droscher visited Mr. and Mrs. John Vike in Springfield Sunday and attended Legion of the Moose festivities. Mrs. Droscher and Mrs. Vike are cousins.

A sewing meeting has been announced for members of Balfoura Club. Daughters of the Nile, to be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 28, at the home of Mrs. Earl Bleile, 2025 W. Gilbert Ave. A pollock luncheon will be served at noon.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Hanson and daughter, Margie, and the former's sister, Marie Reeta, traveled to Klamath Falls Sunday to visit Mrs. Hansen's brother, Wayne Grise, and family. They also saw Mrs. Olive Fraley and son, Jerry, and Clarence and Ralph Hill and the latter's daughter, Jeanie. The travelers returned home Monday.

Earl Crawford, son of Mrs. R. E. Crawford of Roseburg, left San Francisco Tuesday for Honolulu, the Philippines, Guam, Okinawa, Japan (where he will spend two weeks), Korea, Formosa, Hong-kong, Bangkok, Singapore, India, North Africa, Europe and back to his headquarters in the New York City. Earl, who is a former Roseburg resident, is an official for the Western Union International. He will represent the company on this nine weeks trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hardage of Magazine, Ark., and the son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hutchens, of Texarkana, Ark., left this week, following a visit in Roseburg with the former's mother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Bradley, and in Myrtle Creek with his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Hardage, and family. The visit is left for California, where they will visit another daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Hardage, before returning to their homes in Arkansas.



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