

Actress Ella Raines to Break Ban on French Bathing Suits

By VIRGINIA MacPHERSON

Hollywood, Dec. 7 (AP)—Ella Raines, the unabashed owner of half a dozen French bathing suits, announced today she's going to spring 'em on Hollywood any day now.

With the Raines curves inside—or almost, anyway.

And this marked another milestone in movieland history. Up till now, no glamour gal has dared. To a lass, they've denounced those skimpy suits as "indecent," "immodest," and "dangerous." Marie Wilson said she could get the same effect with three band-aids.

Miss Raines says pooh. "I wore mine in Europe and Africa," she says. "I even wore 'em in England. It's just a matter of getting used to the things. You do feel a little naked at first."

There's another little matter she was too polite to mention: You have to have the shape for 'em too, Miss Raines has.

"I even have a couple of those 'Bikini' models," she added. "They're just a few strings and that's about all. One black satin number I wore a lot. I came home with a tan practically all over."

She doesn't see anything indecent about 'em, neither.

"There isn't much difference between a 'Bikini' suit and a regular bathing suit. Of course, your stomach's bare. And most of your hips. And you're barely covered across the chest. But you ARE covered, and that's the important thing."

"I'd model one for you right now. But I'm a little thin. I'd like to gain about five pounds. Then I'll have my picture taken."

Miss Raines said she got into the Bikini habit when she was vacationing in Algiers with her husband, air force Maj. Robin Olds.

"We didn't have any suits so we rented some," she explained. "All they had were these French things. I was so embarrassed I couldn't stand it. Walked out on the beach giggling and sort of half-crying and carrying a book in front of me."

"But everybody was doing it. Nobody paid any particular attention to us. And they feel perfectly wonderful in the water. I bought a couple right away."

"I tried to find a white one. That would be stunning with an all-over suntan. But they don't make 'em. Seems white tends to get transparent when it gets wet."

Falls City Prepared For Christmas Treat

Falls City — The community club held its December meeting at the high school. President Bill Ames was in charge and Mr. Hamer, fifth and sixth grade school teacher, with his pupils presented a play. The club is

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Sawyer Asks New Liberalism

New York, Dec. 7 (AP)—Secretary of Commerce Charles Sawyer says the United States must embrace an economic philosophy of "new liberalism" to reap a "fabulously high standard of living" in the next 50 years.

Sawyer told the Public Relations Society of America Monday night that the idea of a "new liberalism" was based on balancing the major groups in the country — labor, management, government, political parties and groups with special interests.

"It is the idea of balance," he said, "the idea that there is a middle ground which is best for all in the long run."

The cabinet officer cited current demands by labor for pensions to point out that cooperation is needed to solve the nation's serious economic problems.

He said two things had to be considered in demands that everybody in the country get a pension of \$100 a month at the age of 65:

1. "As a matter of national policy our federal government and our state governments are committed to the payment of pensions."

2. "It is equally clear that this involved actuarial and financing problems of a delicate and critical nature."

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Missionary Assisted

Jefferson—A group of young people from the Willamette university conducted the morning worship service in the Methodist church service Sunday and also the youth service in the evening. The members of the church and friends are buying carpenter tools for Dr. Ira Gillett, who is a missionary in Africa but is on a furlough, and will take the tools with him on his return.



Lebanon—Mr. and Mrs. Green Fitzwater celebrated their golden wedding anniversary Sunday, Nov. 27 at an open house held in the Lacombe Community hall. Members of old Linn county families, both were born and educated in this area. They were married November 28, 1899, and have spent all their wedded life on their farm near Lacombe. Mrs. George Chaldek of Lacombe is their only child. (Miner studio)

AUSTRALIA ELECTION SATURDAY

English-Speaking World Waits Crucial Vote on Socialism

(Editor's Note: The following story, background and explaining the possibilities in Saturday's election in Australia, was written by Ralph Morton, the Associated Press bureau chief in Sydney for three and one-half years.)

By RALPH MORTON

New York, Dec. 7 (AP)—The people of Australia vote Saturday on whether they want more, or less, socialism.

The whole English-speaking world will be watching the outcome. So will some nations where English is not spoken.

The big question is: Has a definite trend against socialism set in within the British commonwealth of nations?

Tracers of this trend point to the defeat last week of the labor government of New Zealand, tossed out by the free enterprise nationalist party after 14 years of rule.

British Tories, chuckling behind their newspapers, predict the empire's labor governments will go out in the order they came in, first New Zealand, second Australia, third the United Kingdom.

Although the basic issues, pro and anti-labor, seem the same in the three countries, it has yet to be accepted as a political maxim that as New Zealand goes, so goes the empire.

Apart from the surface similarity there are many important issues peculiar to each of the three empire nations.

Let's put ourselves in the place of the Aussie voter. Right off, you know, you must go to the polls. It's compulsory by law. If you don't go, you get haled into court and may pay a fine.

That means, probably, that more people proportionally vote in Australia than in New Zealand and Britain. Labor politicians say that means more votes for labor. They say that much of the working class in New Zealand stayed away from the polls.

The government on trial is that of Prime Minister J. B. Chifley, whose labor regime has

been eight years in power.

The Australian can vote for a labor candidate, or the candidate of the liberal party of opposition leader Robert G. Menzies or the candidate of another anti-labor group, the country party.

If labor is defeated, Menzies undoubtedly would be the next prime minister. But he would have to depend on support of the country party to form a non-labor coalition government.

Labor argues such a coalition might prove weak. Australians decided three years ago to cling to labor rather than this two-party coalition.

However, since the 1946 elections Australia has been plagued by strikes, some communist-led, by mounting prices and increasing government controls. Australia and New Zealand are both bound closely to Britain by economic ties, as well as sentimental and political ones.

The financial crisis in Britain and the devaluation of the British pound have made it hard for the governments of New Zealand and Australia. Their currencies have been devalued too.

Government controls requiring licenses for this and that, restrictions, and red tape have infuriated many people. The opposition parties say they will reduce these controls and make it easier for people all around.

There is no doubt this is the toughest fight Australian labor has ever faced.

The Australian labor party is a tightly organized trade union party. It is pledged to a policy of gradual socialization.

Its nationalization plans, however, with the exception of airlines, have been nipped in the bud by constitutional bans and organized opposition.

For one thing, the labor government rushed through parliament a bank nationalization act, far more daring than anything proposed socialists in Britain and New Zealand. But the act was declared unconstitutional by the highest courts of Australia and the empire.

There is a further difference between the election situation in Australia and New Zealand. The New Zealand labor government just defeated had only a majority of four in parliament. Australian labor has 43 seats out of 75 in the house of representatives. It holds 33 of the 36 seats in the elected senate.

Even if labor lost many senate seats being contested (half the chamber), it could still control the senate.

The Australian voter will give the answers to major political questions when he names his rulers for the next three years.

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Gervais—Guests at the B. B. Warner home were Mrs. Warner's sister, Mrs. Jane Warner of Portland, and Miss Beulah Warner of Salem.

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Dallas—The Associated Country Women of the World in Polk county heard a talk by Mrs. Robert Leighton of Yamhill county on the need for a greater understanding of our neighbors across the water. She stressed the fact that women were important in bringing about this wave of good feeling and good fellowship.

This year the home extension units are studying Denmark and Mrs. Leighton explained what extension unit members in Yamhill county were doing to get acquainted with the people in Denmark.

Members enjoyed a film on Denmark which gave a picture of the life and activities of the people. A Danish tea was served by the county committee.

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