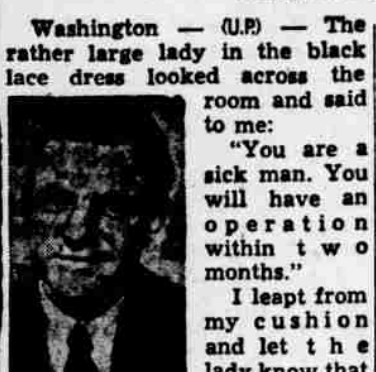


A Nichol's Worth of ... Comment On This and That

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Washington — (U.P.) — The rather large lady in the black lace dress looked across the room and said to me: "You are a sick man. You will have an operation within two months." I leapt from my cushion and let the lady know that I never felt better in my life. I did a version of the Charleston to prove it. "I feel sorry for you newspapermen," said Gertrude A. Anderson, a Washington clairvoyant. "You reporters are a bundle of nerves. You chase fires, fight deadlines, and are always broke. But I love you. Some of you are my best customers."

Might Be Ulcers
The lady appeared before a group of newsmen to plug a new picture, "All I Desire," which

is a story about the complexities of today's married life. I asked "Mother" Anderson, as she is known around Capitol Hill, if she could locate the region of my trouble. "Yes," she said, without hesitation, "it will be upon your stomach." "Ulcers?" I asked. "You'll find out," she answered, leaving me in complete comfort. **Happy Endings**
Anyhow, at the conference, "Mother" Anderson produced some government girls she had helped. Some with love problems, one a drug addict, another who once had a hankering to do her husband in for infidelity. The girls appeared before us, wearing black masks. Each told her story and how "Mother A." had saved her from a horrible fate. Their stories had happy endings. The girl doesn't smoke the weed anymore. "Miss B" didn't kill her husband, and they have lived happily ever since. And the others had their romance problems solved.

Ike Won't Sign Bill To Remove Movie Ticket Tax

Washington — (U.P.) — President Eisenhower said today that he will not sign a bill to exempt motion picture theaters from the 20 per cent federal admissions tax.

In a message of "disapproval" Mr. Eisenhower said that the government "cannot afford the loss of revenue involved and ... it is unfair to single out one industry for relief at this time." He said that the net loss, if the tax were removed, has been estimated at between \$100,000,000 and \$120,000,000 a year. The bill repealing the movie tax had been approved overwhelmingly by the House and Senate.

Movie representatives had never given any indication that all theater owners would pass the tax savings on to moviegoers by reducing prices.

Their argument was that they needed the added revenue to offset their own losses. The President pointed out that Congress had extended the excess profits tax for six months to next January 1 at his request.

"Tax relief for one industry now would be inconsistent with that action," he said. He added that the "basic causes" of the movie industry's financial distress arises from new forms of competition. He said that "a strong case" also could be made for other industries subject to high excise taxes.

4-H Clubs
Southwest Medford Sewing Club The members of the SWSCL met at the home of their leader, Mrs. Strom, August 3. Our entry blanks for the fair were filled out. Mavis Strom and Jean Knudson attended 4-H summer camp and reported a good time. Wednesday night members of the club will entertain the ladies of the Moose lodge with a dress revue. Janet Snodgrass, reporter.

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United Nations Probe Urged by Vet Group

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