

Ex-Congresswoman Talks About Women and Presidency

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New York—(UP)—It is competition, not distrust, that is keeping a woman out of the office of president of the United States now, former Congresswoman Helen Gahagan Douglas said today.

Mrs. Douglas, regarded as the "glamour girl" of Congress a decade ago, is now a hearteningly happy example of a successful loser.

Her blue-eyed good looks, her forceful speeches and her straight forward manner made her a familiar figure on Capitol Hill from 1944 to 1950. Then she decided to run for the Senate and was defeated by her Republican opponent—Richard Nixon.

She shrugged off that experience, sitting in a huge overstuffed chair in the 11-room Park avenue apartment where she now lives with her actor husband, Melvyn, her daughter, Mary Helen, and frequent guests whom she hospitably invites for long visits.

"I think there is nothing more unattractive than a person going around explaining why he was defeated," the former actress said. "I could have gone on talking about the 1950 campaign in speeches for years. People got very interested in the campaign issues. But I didn't."

Her interest in politics remained undiminished, however. She believes it is a field which presents definite advantages and drawbacks for women, yet one which will succumb to more and more feminine control.

"In the not too distant future we will have a woman President," Mrs. Douglas said. "The resistance to a woman as vice-president or president now is not a result of male suspicion that women lack the powers to handle the job. It is just that these are the two top offices of

the nation, and there are so many men who would like them that they naturally want to eliminate the female half of the competition as long as they can."

The 56-year-old former congresswoman, who now is hoping to resume a concert singing career she abandoned years ago, says she believes that men have far less objection to working with women, either in politics or business, than many women realize.

"I have found that the best way to work competitively with men is just to forget they are men, listen to what they have to say, and agree or disagree."

Different Thinking
"It is not a question of trying to be like men. A woman has something to contribute because she does think and react differently."

The most difficult part of politics for a woman, Mrs. Douglas said, is the problem of taking care of her family and helping her children to understand the public abuse she can expect to receive, especially in a campaign.

"A woman can take criticism as well as a man, but when there are children there is no one home with them during the campaign to explain why a campaign descends to the level it sometimes does. The children can form violent hates which are wrong and dangerous."

Would she like to run for office again? Mrs. Douglas just smiled. "No," she said, and added cryptically, "but then I never thought about it in the first place. One thing just led to another."

Two Men Guests In Prentice Home

W. C. Simpson, Los Angeles, and Howard Harris, Portland, were guests Wednesday of Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Prentice in Medford. Mr. Simpson is western states manager of Trailways Bus company, and Mr. Harris is Portland branch manager.

Mr. and Mrs. Prentice, who recently returned to Medford after visiting relatives in Aberdeen and Centralia, Wash., will take up residence at 511 Dakota street today.

Central Point Women Meet at Reames Home

Central Point — Women of the Christian circle of First Presbyterian church, Central Point, held the May meeting at the home of Mrs. E. E. Reames, Crater Lake highway. Dessert was served by the hostess and Mrs. O. T. Wilson preceding the business meeting which was presided over by the president, Mrs. Donald E. Faber.

Guests were Dr. and Mrs. Bert R. Elliott, who showed pictures of the Holy Land, and spoke regarding their travels in that region.

Society



Mrs. William Pritchard, Portland, grand royal matron, and Orna B. Cole, Cannon Beach, grand royal patron of Order of the Amaranth in Oregon, will visit Roxy Ann court here tomorrow night.

Grand Officers, Amaranth Order To Be Visitors

Mrs. William C. Pritchard, Portland, grand royal matron and Orna B. Cole, Cannon Beach, grand royal patron of the Oregon grand court, Order of the Amaranth, will pay an official visit to Roxy Ann court of Medford tomorrow night. The session is to be at eight o'clock in the Masonic temple.

Purpose of the visit is to inspect the ritualistic work. The initiatory work of the order will be conferred upon a class of candidates with Mrs. Ira D. Canfield, royal matron and Clarence W. Harwood, royal patron, presiding.

As a special feature an addendum will be conferred in honor of Mrs. Pritchard and Mr. Cole and they will receive honorary memberships into Roxy Ann court. Following the meeting a buffet supper will be served by Mrs. Glenn L. Linn, chairman, and a committee. A musical program will also be presented.

A no-host breakfast will be held Sunday morning at 8:30 a.m. at the Wooden Shoe, Holland hotel.

Family To Attend OSC Graduation

Applegate — Mr. and Mrs. James T. Hutchinson and daughter, Miss Dinah Hutchinson, will go to Corvallis this week end to attend baccalaureate and graduation ceremonies at Oregon State college. The Hutchinson's son, James, is to be graduated and receive a degree in agriculture.

Miss Hutchinson returned home last week end after attending school the past year at Stephens college, Columbia, Mo. She was met in Portland by her brother, and the two motored home together. The family will return Monday after the graduation ceremonies.

Meeting Postponed By Past Matrons

Past Matrons' club of Reames chapter, Order of Eastern Star, announces that the meeting set for Monday, June 4, has been postponed until June 11. It will be held at the home of Mrs. I. D. Canfield.

CALENDAR

Calendar notices and news for the society section of The Mail Tribune will be submitted in writing and deadline for the Sunday edition is 1 p.m. Friday. Deadline for the weekly calendar is 9 a.m. of the day of publication and for week day news is 5 p.m. the day before publication.

Friday
11 a.m. to 9 p.m.—Chin Up club antique show and sale, Jackson hotel. Public invited.

6:30 p.m.—Ladies' auxiliary to Siskiyou canton, Patriarchs Militant, IOOF hall.

Saturday
11 a.m. to 9 p.m.—Chin Up club antique show and sale, Jackson hotel. Public invited.

1 to 9 p.m.—Medford Rose society, annual rose show at Medford Senior High school cafeteria. Public invited.

7:30 p.m.—Idella Rogue santha, Nomads of Avrudaka DOKKIEs, home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Johnson, 610 Lane street, Yreka, Calif.

Help Yourself to Happiness

Readers are invited to present their problems to this column. All queries will receive individual attention and should be accompanied by a stamped, self-addressed envelope, directed to MARY HARRIS SIFFERT, Department of Education, AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF FAMILY RELATIONS, 3257 Sunset Boulevard, Los Angeles 27, California.

A Reading List for Marriage

"I want to improve my marriage," writes a reader. "It's pretty good—not perfect, of course, but I want to make it still better. What books shall I read?"

"Our marriage is about to break up," writes another reader. "What can I do, what can I find in books to help me?"

"My daughter is going to be married," writes a mother, "and I'd like to get her some books on marriage. I want her to be better equipped than I was to make a success of her life. Can you send me a list?"

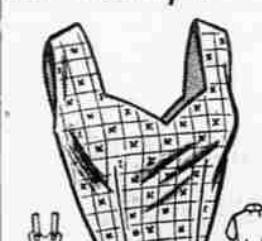
There are many fine books on marriage. Here at the American Institute of Family Relations, we have compiled a reading list under the direction of Dr. Paul Popenoe, which we pass on to you:

Stone, Marriage Manual; The American Institute of Family Relations, Preparing For Marriage; Popenoe, Modern Marriage; Popenoe, Marriage, Before and After; Popenoe, Marriage is What You Make It; Schoenfeld, Of Women and Men; McLean, Knowing Yourself and Others; Bowman, Marriage for Moderns; Strain, Love at the Threshold; Levy, The Happy Family.

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Chamber of Commerce Reports

Six All-Women Branches Listed

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Washington—(UP)—Increasing numbers of women do Chamber of Commerce work.

The U. S. Chamber of Commerce here found from a national study that six all-women branches are going strong in Kansas City, Mo., Atlanta, Ga., Little Rock, Ark., Nebraska City, Neb., Sapulpa, Okla., Williamsport, Pa., and Puyallup, Wash.

There is a growing trend toward establishment of women's divisions of regular male chambers. A midwest conference of women's divisions started by Iowa several years ago has caught on. A western conference was held last April in California and a southern one is scheduled for Florida in November.

Some chambers like Leesburg, Fla., for one—have women presidents. More have women on their board of directors, and even more have women committee chiefs and women committee members.

More Business Women

Dwight Havens, U. S. chamber service department manager, was reluctant to give figures on the extent of the petticoat invasion because responses to a questionnaire were varied.

For example, based on 517

chambers replying out of 1,117 queried, women account for an average of three per cent of total chamber of commerce membership.

Havens said that of 1,050 chambers answering a no other question, 804 said they took in women as members. He estimated about 100 still have by-laws which make no provision for women members.

In the past 10 years more women have gone into business and have become as interested as men in improving business and community prospects, he said.

Havens said there is a trend toward coordinated women's divisions. But he said many women prefer to remain in the regular chambers.

Men appear to take kindly to the invasion or at least have accepted it. Havens said the U. S. Chamber hasn't received any violent objections for several years.

Instead, he said, since 1950, the Chamber has received more than 4,800 requests for a pamphlet put out by the national office, and called "Women in Chamber of Commerce Work."

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Garden Club Sets Show in Ashland

Ashland — Ashland Garden club will hold its annual spring flower show and silver tea at the Civil clubhouse in Ashland Saturday, June 2, between 1 p.m. and 8 p.m. The public is invited to attend.

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For the concluding number on the program, Miss Amara will sing a love song from Verdi's "Il Traviatore," the expressive "Peaceful Was the Night." She will also sing the reflective "Sweet Night" by the French composer Alfred Bachelet, and a novelty written in the style of Handel, "Old Mother Hubbard" by Hely Hutchinson.

Donald Voorhees and the Bell Telephone orchestra will open the broadcast with the immortal "You Are Love" from Jerome Kern's "Showboat." They will continue the romantic theme with the "Grand Adagio" from Glazounoff's ballet, "Raymonda" and with the gay and impassioned "Gypsy Airs" by Pablo Sarasate.

The Telephone Hour's other guest artists of the month will be Lily Pons on June 11, violinist Michael Rabin on June 18, and Eileen Farrell on June 25.

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