

Retail Grocery Clerks Reject Pact

Klamath Falls — UPI — Retail grocery clerks here represented by Teamsters local 911 have voted to turn down terms of a new two-year contract to run until July 1, 1962.

Carole Tregoff's Efforts Rejected

Los Angeles — UPI — The California Supreme Court today refused to disqualify Superior Judge Leroy Dawson from the second murder trial of Carole Tregoff, accused as the accomplice of her lover, Dr. R. Bernard Finch, in the killing of his wife.

Davidson To Attend Platform Hearing

Portland — UPI — Democratic National Committeeman C. Girard Davidson and others from Oregon will attend a pre-convention platform hearing in Seattle today.

Reorientation of Public Necessary in Old Age Assistance

Editor's note: The following article was written by a June graduate of the school of journalism at the University of Oregon as an "editorial summary" of the conclusions developed in the seminar thesis required of each graduate. The opinions are those of the writer.

By JOANNE MORRISSEY (Coo's Bay, Ore.)

Amanda, a little Swedish widow, is spending her 78th birthday in a rest home where she is recovering from a broken hip — An ex-millwright named John spends his pension on a room in a boarding house and seeks companionship in a local tavern — Half-blind Lucy, a grandmother who is living with her eldest son and his family — these are examples of America's indigent aged. They are part of that segment of the population which is older than 65 (the usual compulsory retirement age) and which cannot support itself.

In 1956, these persons and others like them, numbered over 13 million. At that time, it was estimated that the number was rising at the rate of 400,000 per year. These individuals are indigent for four basic reasons: a decline of self-employment brought on by industrialization; a lower mortality rate resulting from increased scientific knowledge and medical advancement; a determination of age by number of birthdays rather than in terms of function; and an emphasis on the attributes of youth to the extent that older persons cannot compete in the labor force.

Forms of Aid Extended

Before the Depression, the aged were not considered a social problem because there were few enough of them so that they could be cared for in individual families. Since that time, however, the indigent aged have become another group for which society must accept some responsibility.

Many forms of aid have been extended to the aged: Old Age Assistance; Old Age and Survivors Insurance; public retirement systems; private pension plans; miscellaneous plans such as private insurance or hospitalization programs for the aged. These plans have their advantages and disadvantages and although they have taken up some of the slack in the support problem of the aged, they have not done enough. Therefore, the White House Conference on Aging is being planned for next January.

What are the aims of the conference?

1. Assuring middle aged and older persons equal opportunity with others to engage in gainful employment which they are capable of performing, thereby gaining for our economy the benefits of their skills, experiences and productive capacities.
2. Enabling retired persons to enjoy income sufficient for health and for participation in family and community life as self-respecting citizens.
3. Providing housing suited to the needs of older persons and at prices they can afford to pay.
4. Assisting middle aged and older persons to make preparations, develop skills and interests, and find social contacts which will make the gift of added years of life a period of reward and satisfaction and avoid unnecessary social costs of premature deterioration and disability.
5. Stepping up research designed to relieve old age of its burden of sickness, mental breakdown and social ostracism.

Reorientation Needed

Can these aims be accomplished? Not without a reorientation of the American public toward a general acceptance of the aged. We need to realize that the aged need help and we need to work toward extending the aid that they desire. And it might not hurt us to keep in mind we may be old some day ourselves and so start preparing for that day now.

We can look to the White House Conference to give us a blueprint of treatment for the aged but we cannot accomplish a ny thing without reading that blueprint and basing our acceptance or rejection of the aged on what is set forth.



TALL QUEEN — Connie Adams, "Miss Tall America of 1960," is shown after her selection at the annual convention of the Association of Tall Clubs of America at Atlanta, Ga. Connie, 22, stands five feet, 10 inches, and hails from Atlanta. (UPI Telephoto)

Note of Warning Sounded For Pleasure Boat Industry

By **ELMER C. WALZER**
UPI Financial Editor
New York — UPI — Boats still are big news in the stock market and from time to time shares of any company connected with that industry are given a fling.



Barron's in its current issue, however, sounds a note of warning on that industry under the heading of a leading article, "Signs of a Squall? Pleasure Boating May Be Headed For Tough Weather."

Boats are in the classification of stocks called "leisure time" issues. They still are big business over all, and are expected to weather squalls.

Barron's goes deeply into the field and lists many companies making boats, engines, and accessories. It quotes Peter A. Andrews, market analyst of "The Boating Industry" magazine:

Two-Boat Family

"If money is scarce, people who can afford either a boat or a new car are more likely now to buy the boat and a motor for it... the two-boat family is beginning to emerge."

J. Richard Elliott Jr., author of Barron's article, notes that the boating industry expects the market to expand to 53 million eager customers.

On this he quotes R. A. Holman, specialist in boating stocks, and adds that A. M. Kidder goes even further, holding "that the next ten years could see the greatest boom ever in boating with a possible doubling of the number of participants to nearly 80 million."

Squall Blowing

These rosy forecasts may all come true one day, says Elliott. "Between now and then, however," he adds, "there may be squalls and, by a number of signs and portents, one is blowing up right now."

"To begin with the industry's fabled growth for the present anyway has come to a halt. Traditionally — or at least since the National Association of Engine & Boat Manufacturers, the industry's

years, the firm says. According to Harris, Upham the boaters are equipping their fleet with radio telephones, depth sounders, they are good fish finders, loran, consoles, radar electronic gas fume detectors, automatic pilots, and power amplifiers for voice megaphones.

Help From Women

Not a little help in selling these devices comes from the women in the families owning or planning to own boats. Whereas boating, is historically a man's activity, says Harris, Upham & Co., "today the woman of the family is taking a keen part in the purchase, and exercising her influence in the choice of equipment."

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Castro Outlines Retaliation Plan

Havana — UPI — Premier Fidel Castro says his revolutionary government may confiscate hundreds of millions of dollars worth of U.S. property if Congress reduces Cuba's share of the American sugar market.

In a speech Thursday to a group of "former 1930 revolutionary students," Castro cited the Cuban Telephone Co., the Cuban Electric Co., and various banks, sugar mills and mines among American-owned properties which have not yet been taken over by the government.

"They are here now, but it may be that they will not be here," he said, obviously suggesting government seizure.

Castro's remarks created a flood of bitter Cuban reaction to Secretary of State Christian Herter's recent suggestion that the United States should reduce its purchases of Cuban sugar.

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