

Actress Charges Show Business Union Not Fair to Exotic Dancers

Washington—(UPI)—Actress Penny Singleton today accused a nation-wide entertainers union of abandoning its dues-paying strip-teasers to the degradation of the B-Girls' trade in night clubs often dominated by racketeers.

The actress, who played "Blondie" on television and

in the movies, delivered a bitter attack on the leadership of the American Guild of Variety Artists in testimony before the Senate rackets subcommittee.

"I charge here and now that the exotic and strip artists have been abandoned and made outcasts by the very union to which they pay dues for representation and protection," Miss Singleton declared.

She recited a list of alleged union abuses ranging from failure to collect social security taxes to nonenforcement of union contracts which forbids women entertainers to cadge drinks for a cut of the take.

Members of AGVA, including a growing number of strippers and exotic dancers, frequently are shunted out of the union on trumped-up charges when they speak out against injustice, she charged.

Police blotters in cities across the country include charges against AGVA members ranging from lewd and indecent performances to prostitution, Miss Singleton testified, but union officials do nothing about it.

Jack Bright, administrative director of AGVA, said earlier in an interview that most of the girls in his union never would stoop to cadging drinks from night club patrons for a cut of the take.

He said the union could not be responsible for those few of its 400 to 500 stripper members who do double as bar girls.

But Miss Singleton said AGVA officials permit night club operators to treat strippers as "independent contractors" and force them to break the contract by soliciting drinks for commissions.

"It is a matter of public knowledge that many of these so-called strip clubs are managed by people who are fronts for racketeers," she testified.

Miss Singleton, an entertainer for more than 40 years, was president of AGVA in 1958. She said she had fought the paid union leadership, particularly Bright, since stepping down.



REPORTS FOR WORK—Actress Lee Remick reports for work at 20th Century Fox Studio, replacing Marilyn Monroe. Here Miss Remick joins Director George Cukor as they note a humorous line in the script of the picture involved, "Something's Got to Give." Miss Monroe was released by the studio last week because of her absenteeism during the making of the film. (UPI)

Studio Shuts Down Work on Picture After Star Hassle

Hollywood—(UPI)—When Twentieth Century Fox fired Marilyn Monroe for not working and co-star Dean Martin refused to appear without her, something had to give.

So the studio Monday shut down production on its much-troubled movie, "Something's Got to Give."

A studio spokesman released a terse statement which said: "We are reluctantly closing it down."

No mention was made about future plans for the film and there remained only a remote possibility that postponed production would be resumed.

Miss Monroe was fired from the movie last week because of her repeated absences from the picture. She was replaced by Lee Remick.

But Martin then announced that the picture didn't "look too good" without the curvaceous Marilyn and he wouldn't appear with any other actress in the part.

Halt Production
Martin, who met with studio officials Monday, said, "Gee, that's a shame," when informed by United Press International of the decision to halt production.

"I'm really sorry to hear that," he said. "If they'd kept Marilyn in the cast I think we could have made a very fine picture. But she was too sick to go ahead with it, so I guess that's it."

"I hope it doesn't hurt the studio too much, what with all that trouble with 'Cleopatra.' Maybe if our picture had been finished it would have made some money and helped bail the studio out. I guess if they closed it down, it's probably all over."

Doctor Is Elected Society Councillor

Dr. Ray L. Casterline, Medford, was elected a councillor of the Oregon Society of Internal Medicine at the group's annual meeting Saturday at Timberline lodge.

More than 30 internists from throughout Oregon attended the one-day meeting which featured a panel discussion on medical care for the aged and a scientific report on genetics and the red blood cell by Dr. Robert Kolter, a member of the division of experimental medicine at the University of Oregon Medical school.

Dr. Casterline, 42, is a member of the Oregon Medical Society and has been practicing medicine in Medford since 1958.

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Union Survey Indicates Democrats May Reverse Trend, Gain Some Seats

Washington—(UPI)—A union-conducted poll indicated today that the Democrats will reverse a historic trend and gain House and Senate seats from the Republicans in the November elections.

Results of the opinion survey among members of the Communications Workers of America AFL-CIO also showed that President Kennedy's popularity soared following his successful opposition to a steel price increase last April.

It also showed "frustration over lack of accomplishment by the Democratic-controlled congress and a possible GOP advantage in the administration's failure to cut sharply into unemployment.

The poll indicated that medical care for the aged under social security as advocated by the President and opposed by the American Medical Association has solid public backing.

The poll, conducted by Roy Purdy of the communications workers, predicted former President Harry S. Truman's victory in 1948 and has been generally considered in labor circles as a reliable indicator of political opinion.

Purdy commented in a report to delegates at the union's convention in Milwaukee that the poll was taken in April and did not reflect the impact of the Billie Sol Estes scandal or the sharp gyrations of the stock market this month.

But, the report said, answers to a questionnaire pointed to Democratic gains in both the House and Senate this fall.

The party in power—in this case the Democrats—has lost congressional seats in every mid-term election this century except in 1934. But Purdy said that Kennedy's "tremendously high popularity" would enable the Democrats to change the pattern.

The poll showed that 21.4 per cent of those surveyed felt that world peace was the most important issue facing the country. This was followed by unemployment, education, national defense, high living costs, high taxes, space exploration and medical care for the aged.

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Foreign Briefs

TEAR GAS DISPERSES CROWD
Dar-es-Salaam, Tanganyika—Police used tear-gas Monday to disperse a crowd of 500 Africans who had surrounded a house containing two women accused of being witches.

Police took the two women to a station on the outskirts of the city, but another crowd of 200 massed outside the building. The women then were moved to the central police station and placed under a 24-hour guard while authorities decide what to do with them.

DUTCH TROOPS AIRLIFTED TO NEW GUINEA
The Hague, Holland—The first of 800 troop reinforcements for Dutch army units in New Guinea left by plane yesterday for Curaco in the Dutch Antilles. They will be transferred to Hollandia by troopship.

EAGLE ATTACKS SOVIET PLANE
London—(UPI)—A giant eagle attacked a two-engine Soviet airliner over a mountain range and forced the pilot to make an emergency landing, Moscow radio said yesterday.

VETERAN DIPLOMAT GETS NEW POST
London—(UPI)—Sir Humphrey Trevelyan, 57, a veteran of Britain's toughest diplomatic posts, will replace Sir Frank Roberts as ambassador to Moscow, it was announced yesterday. Roberts is going to Bonn in place of Sir Christopher Steel, who is retiring from the foreign service.

AMERICAN JEWISH CONGRESS OPENS TALKS
Jerusalem, Israel—The American Jewish Congress (AJC) tonight opens three days of talks between American and Israeli Jews on what their relationship should be.

Gold Stocks, Assorted Issues, Hold Firm; Some Blue Chips Down a Point

New York—(UPI)—Only gold stocks and scattered miscellaneous issues resisted a sell-off on the New York Stock Exchange today.

Among the blue chips American Telephone, Du Pont and Procter & Gamble were down at least a point. Most of the leading motors, steels, oils, rails, utilities and chemicals, however, limited their declines to fractions.

Losses running from 1 to 2 showed in Carter and Pfizer in the drugs, and Beckman, Motorola, Magnavox, Zenith, Cenco and Schlumberger in the electronics where IBM dipped around 9 to a new low and Texas Instruments skidded 3 1/2.

National lead was down 1 1/4 in the metals, Amerada and Texas Gulf around 1 1/2 in the secondary oils, Hunt 1 1/2 in the foods, and Decca and MCA 1 1/4 apiece in the entertainments.

DOW JONES AVERAGES
New York—(UPI)—Dow Jones final stock averages: 30 industrials 595.17, off 6.44; 20 railroads 125.85, off 0.87; utilities 112.80, off 1.15, and 65 stocks 206.22, off 2.03.

Sales Monday were about 2.87 million shares compared with 2.56 million shares Friday.

Monday's prices on selected stocks:	
Allied Chemical	40 1/2
Alum Co Am	34 1/2
American Air Lines	17 1/2
American Can	42 1/2
American Motors	14 1/2
A T & T	107 3/4
American Tobacco	32 1/2
Anasconda Copper	42 1/2
Armco	53 1/2
Bendix Corp	35 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	35
Boeing Air	41 1/2
Brunswick	26 1/2
Caterpillar Corp	33 1/2
Chrysler Corp	41 1/2
Coca Cola (kd)	82
CBS	35 1/2
Continental Can	40 1/2
Crown Zellerbach	42 1/2
Crucible Steel	13 1/2
Curtis Wright	15 1/2
Dow Chemical	48 1/2
Du Pont	182 3/4
Eastman Kodak	96
Firestone	37 1/2
Ford	64 1/2
General Electric	72
General Foods	50 1/2
General Motors	37
Georgia Pacific	26 1/2
Greyhound	26 1/2
Gulf Oil	36 1/2
Homestake	34
Idaho Power	26 1/2
IBM	359
Int Paper	27 1/2
Johns Manville	43 1/2
Kennecott Copper	31 1/2
Lockheed Aircraft	42 1/2
Martin Co	20 1/2
Merck	20 1/2
Montana Power	33
Montgomery Ward	28 1/2
National Biscuit	39 1/2

Graham Speaks On Christian Life

Chicago—(UPI)—Evangelist Billy Graham said Monday night the average American does not know how to live as a Christian.

"We have been told to live as Christians but we have not been told how," he told an estimated 19,000 persons at the 13th meeting of his three-week Chicago Crusade in McCormick Place Convention hall.

Graham's aides reported that 374 persons came forward to make "Decisions for Christ," raising the crusade total to 9,750. About 420,000 persons have attended the Graham rallies, which will close Sunday with an open air meeting in giant Soldier Field, at which Graham said there would be seating for 135,000. The stadium normally holds 92,000.

If Soldier Field is filled to capacity, Graham said, it will be the largest meeting he has held.

He warned Monday night that the "world stands on the brink of disaster" while Christianity is divided by strife, pettiness, greed, jealousy and lethargy.

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