

College Student Defends American School Systems

By WILLIAM J. FOX
New York — Despite the feelings of some persons such as Adm. Hyman Rickover that American education is in a sad way, there are those who disagree.

One notable exception is a University of Massachusetts student, Mary Ann McNiff, 19, who, despite her youth, has some strong views to the contrary.

In a study on "A Comparison of the Russian and American Educational Systems," she finds that the American educational picture comes out pretty well in comparison with that of the Soviet Union. She notes the alarm created in the United States when the first Soviet Sputniks made Americans panicky, and sent them looking for a speedy way to catch up.

Education at that time became the be-all and end-all as a solution to everything. But its results were not immediately evident.

To reach the level desired, Miss McNiff is convinced that a lot of money will have to be spent and a great deal of additional effort expended, even though the United States has made considerable progress in a few years.

"There is a direct relationship between the money spent for education and the quality of education," she says.

Discounting the disconcerting near-hysteria with which Americans responded to the Soviet advantages of several years ago, she says neither Russian nor American education is perfect. Both have their weak and strong points. "At present," she says, "Russian education has an edge over American education in certain critical areas such as technology, the sciences and mathematics."

"American education has an edge over Russian education in liberal arts and the free discussion and criticisms allowed in classrooms."

Beneficial "Ultimately, the Russian challenge will be beneficial because it will create in the American people a desire to equal and surpass Russian accomplishments in all fields."

"American education is confronted with a variety of problems which require immediate attention."

"Perhaps the great problem is that of halting the vast leakage of general talent from our school system. For every student who enters college there is one of equal ability who does not enter."

Another point she mentions is one that "arises due to the vast increase in the number of school age children, and the severe shortage of competent educators."

Notes Shortage Since she plans to become

a teacher herself, she also notes the shortage of an estimated 140,000 teachers in science in the elementary and secondary schools as a serious drawback in the American scheme of things.

Miss McNiff has drawn heavily on two publications for her study — "Public Education in America," by George Z. Bereday and Luigi Volpicelli, and "This Is the Challenge," by William Benton. The latter's book is based on his travels in Russia in 1955.

Drawing on her research, she notes that "the ultimate aim of Soviet education is to train citizens for service to the state." On the other hand, "the ultimate aim of American education is to train for intelligent citizenship and participation in the affairs of government."

Miss McNiff says she feels "the Soviet threat in education is a more serious threat than Soviet nuclear weapons or rockets."

She sees three major solutions to America's problems in the field: Federal aid to education, an increase in the number of exchange students and the need to raise the so- teachers.

Two 4-H Clubs Honor Mothers

Central Point—Mothers of the Happy Hemmers and Merry Mixers 4-H clubs were entertained at a Mother's day tea and style show May 11 at the Central Point Grange hall.

Miss Sue Cornutt and Miss Elin Livingston, junior leaders, were narrators for the show, which featured fashions from Saxbury's clothing and Pauline's dress shop. The girls also modeled clothing which they had made.

Modeling for the event were the Misses Sue Cornutt, Melanie Burroughs, Cheryl Lewis, Debbie Mayfield, Marsha Wilson, Georgia Brittan, Elin Livingston, Shirley Roberts, Conny Varner, Sandra Mayfield, Cynthia Lusk, Andrea Roberts, Lucretia Lusk, Sheri Miller, Vivian Brittan, Mary Kurz, Marci Miller, and Zana Krupp.

The girls also entertained their mothers with a skit and a song.

Guests speaker was Miss Joan Beasley, 4-H extension agent, who spoke on 4-H activities for the summer.

Decorations were provided by the Misses Marcia Wilson, Andrea Roberts, Marci Miller and Vivian Brittan, with the help of Mrs. C. W. Anhorn.

If sun glasses are to protect the eyes from glare, they must filter out between 65 and 85 per cent of the visible light, reports Dr. Irving Luteck, a scientist at Bausch and Lomb.



Mrs. Gene Kinsner, formerly of Kallspeil, Mont., has been appointed by Pacific Power and Light company to head up an expanded Polly Pacific home service program in southern Oregon and northern California.

Firm Expands Home Services

Pacific Power and Light company has reported it is expanding its Polly Pacific home service advisor program in southern Oregon and northern California and has announced appointment of a second home economist for the area.

Frank C. Bash, Medford, vice president and Copco division manager, reported Mrs. Beverly (Lyons) Hayden, who has been the Copco area advisor for householders and demonstrator for electric appliance promotions, will have her headquarters in Roseburg. She has made her residence there for some time.

Heading up the program from the Copco division office in Medford will be Mrs. Gene Kinsner, formerly of Kallspeil, Mont.

Mrs. Kinsner has handled the company's Polly Pacific home service advisory program for PP&L service areas in Idaho and Montana since 1957. She has been engaged in home economics service work since 1934, following graduation from West Texas State college.

Mrs. Hayden, widely known to Pacific Power customers as Bev Lyons, will also have the Polly Pacific assignment for Coos Bay and the Springfield-Cottage Grove districts.

Sunday Dinner Honors Mother

Central Point—Mrs. Ben F. Moore, Butte Falls, was honored at a Mothers' day dinner given Sunday, May 12, by her family. It was held at the home of Mrs. Moore's son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Hilkey.

Present were Mrs. Moore, her husband, and her father, Charles Rose, Mrs. Hilkey and another daughter, Mrs. Grace Guyette, and Mrs. Moore's grandchildren, Diane Guyette, Linda, Lana and Joanne Hilkey.

Republican Women Plan Annual Tea at Topsides

Plans for the annual spring silver tea were made by members of the executive board of the Jackson County unit, Oregon Federation of Women's Republican clubs, last Friday. The tea is always one of the large social events of spring.

The tea is to be held at Topsides, the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred S. V. Carpenter on Old Stage road on Monday, May 20. Hours will be from 2 to 5 o'clock.

Chairman of the event is Mrs. Ernest Ruegger and she announces that Mrs. Helen Daugherty, Portland, president of the Oregon Federation, will attend.

Women planning to attend who need transportation are to call Mrs. E. R. Hass, dial 772-8273.

The public is invited to attend.

Thespians Society Holds Awards, Honors Banquet

Installation of officers, initiation and presentation of honors and awards took place during a senior awards banquet held Thursday night by Troupe 358 of the National Thespians society of Medford High school. The event was held at North's restaurant and was attended by Thespians members, other students, parents and guests.

Judy Foreman and Greg Keith were announced as winners of the Best Thespians awards for seniors. The latter is the retiring president of the group, and he was presiding officer. Young Keith has appeared in many dramatic productions given by the society and Miss Foreman was cited for her activity in several phases of the society's program. The awards were presented by Mrs. Lenore Zapell, the troupe's sponsor.

Women's Group Hears Review Of Scholarships

Mrs. M. A. Ring, Ashland, was elected president of the College Women's club when the group met May 11, at the Girl's Community club. Serving with Mrs. Ring for the 1963-64 season will be Miss Ruth Nye, Medford, vice-president; Mrs. R. E. Lawrence, Ashland, secretary, and Miss Florence Gifford, Medford, who continues as treasurer.

A musical program was presented by a seventh grade chorus from Hedrick Junior High school under the direction of Gary Lovre, with Carroll Graber at the piano. The group sang two sacred numbers and two selections from the musical "Milk and Honey," with "Oklahoma" as a finale.

Mrs. D. R. Sloan presented the topic, "Have Our Scholarships Paid Off?" She introduced three former scholarship winners, Marie Prescott, Patricia Colley and Joyce Hunter, and the 1963 winner, Jan Stone, Phoenix High school.

The fact was brought out that in 1923 the fee for a term at Southern Oregon college was \$9 while at the present time it is \$88.

The first aid to a student by the college club in the 20's was a loan of \$15 and the early minutes of the club showed that glasses were purchased for a student for \$6. Later the scholarship was established. It was decided by the group to designate the 1963 gift as the "Blanche Canode Scholarship" in memory of Mrs. Canode "who had long been a faithful member."

Mrs. Sloan then introduced Mrs. Mabel Winston, dean of women at Southern Oregon college, who spoke on student aid and stressed the importance of helping students to obtain an education.

Hostesses for the afternoon were Mrs. S. E. Trent and Miss Mabel Mears. Social chairman was Mrs. Ward Lampkin. Mrs. S. G. Frink and Mrs. M. A. Ring presided at the tea table.

In the world of the doll collector, the bonnet doll is one of the rarest, the New York Antiques Fair reports. Its distinction: the hat is part of the doll's head. The dolls date from the middle of the 19th century.

Tracy Blackstone, Judy Brookman, Lindsay Darnelle, Paul Goodwin and Dixie Taylor received certificates of excellence.

Mrs. Zapell presented stars and bars to various members; these had been earned in Thespians dramatic productions and projects.

Taking office in the installation ceremonies were John Hettlinga, president; Jack Barr, vice president; Patricia Selby, secretary; Mike De Salvo, treasurer; Rhonda Farfan, records clerk.

Recoming new members were Cindy Anderson, Carolyn Bowser, John Hettlinga, Karen and Sharon Huggahl, Paul Jenny, Jackie King, Marjorie North, Peggy Riechers and Anita Townsend. Membership is based on points earned in dramatic activity.

Jim Kerber entertained with a piano solo and accompanied Tracy Blackstone when she sang. A group of seniors presented entertainment sketches which were satirical material based on television commercials.

The Checkmates of Medford High school sang.

An honorary membership was presented to Mrs. Olive Starcher of The Medford Mail Tribune. Other honorary members chosen in past years are Ray Lewis, Colleen Hope, Robert Stedman, Stanley Zapell and John Drysdale.

Elliott Becken, assistant superintendent of School District 549, spoke briefly. He praised the group for its contribution to the school's program of extra-curricular activities for students and said "we depend upon you."

Chapter Holds Pledge Ritual In Yreka Home

Yreka—Alpha Alpha Beta chapter, Beta Sigma Phi, held a pledge ritual recently at the home of Mrs. F. W. Martin. A champagne cocktail hour preceded the candlelight ceremony.

Pledges receiving the ritual were Mesdames Frank Amaral, Maurice Dunham, Robert Eiler, Timothy Foulke, J. M. Manley Jr., Jack Morgan, Jack Rosenberg, Andrew Skeahan, Ray Thomas, Warren Thompson. The pledges were presented yellow corsage.

Following the ritual, Mrs. Ron Stevens, retiring president, installed new officers. They are Mesdames John Snider, president; James Glenn, vice president; Warren Thorpson, recording secretary; Andrew Skeahan, corresponding secretary, and Robert Stever, extension.

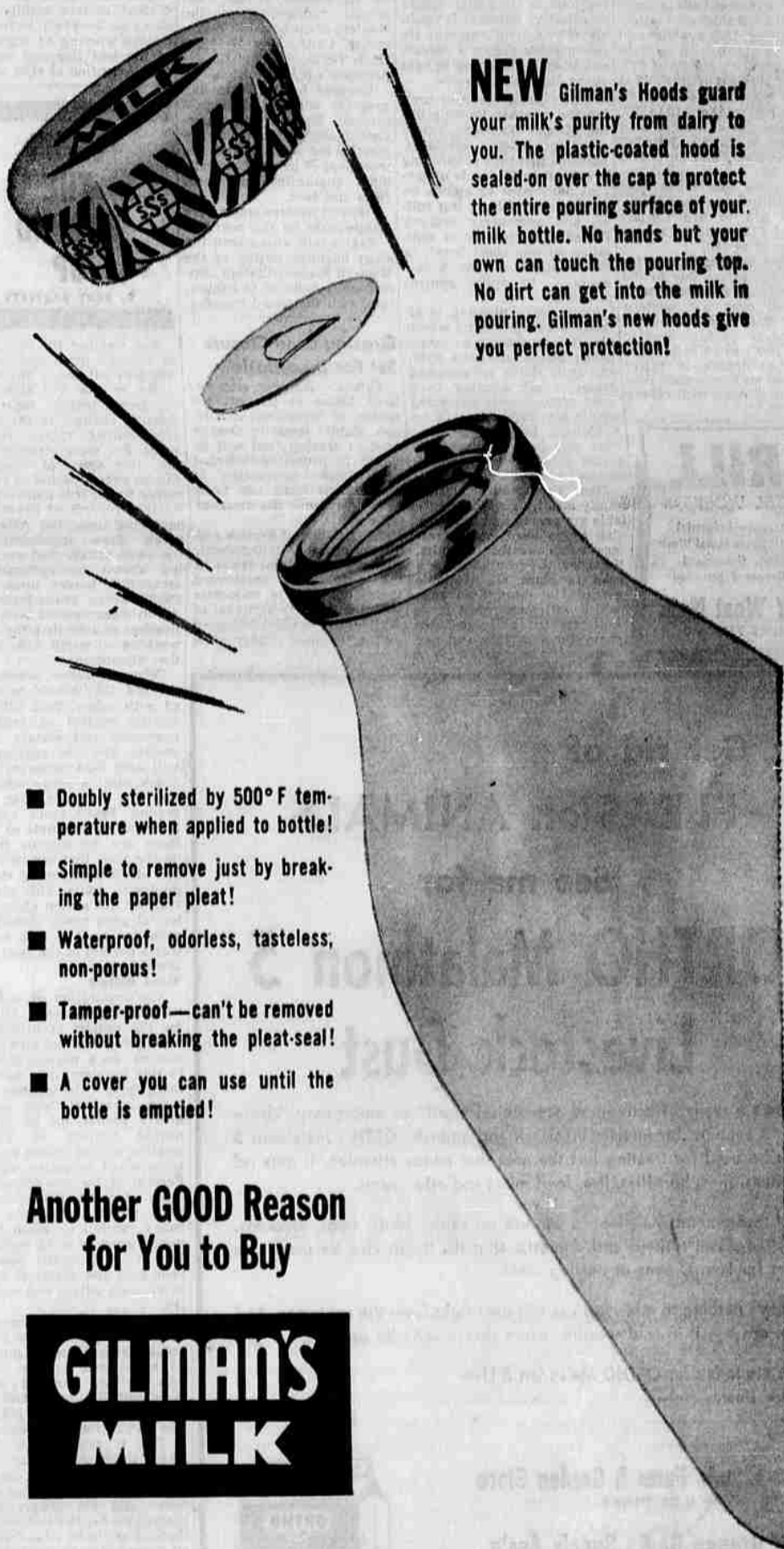
Mrs. Stevens and new president, Mrs. Snider, were presented corsages of yellow roses, the sorority flower. Mrs. Stevens presented a corority guest book to the chapter. Gifts were presented to her by the outgoing officers and the chapter.

Following the ritual, pledges were the chapter's guests for dinner at the Shamrock. The "Girl of the Year" award went to Mrs. Ross Bigler for her "outstanding contribution to the chapter." Mrs. F. W. Martin received a perfect attendance award covering two years.

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