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Hal Boyle

NEW YORK (AP)—Many American married men are taking a great secret interest in the fate of a proposed law being debated in Britain's Parliament.

The law gives British wives a legal right to a fair share of their husband's income.

You understand, old bean, things are done differently in America and Britain. Here the average wife can get everything in her husband's pocket by force of arms, language or tears.

But over there the Englishman holds to the old-fashioned idea he is still the king of the cottage. What's his his, and what is his wife's? Well, whatever he decides to give her.

Naturally, the Englishman wants to do the sporting thing by her—fair play and all that, you know. But what with such prices being what they are, and say a man's had a bad fortnight at the dart board—well, old girl, chin up, you'll just have to skimp along with the shillings that are left.

DOE

The master of the house gets the lord's share of the pay cheque and the wife has to eke out her tea and crumpets as best she can on her marital dole.

Often English husbands won't even tell the old girl how much they really earn, figuring it really isn't any of her business.

Dr. Edith Summerskill says this is "stupid, because there is no more certain way of alienating a woman's affection." She is author of the proposed new law that would enable British wives to go into court and force their husbands to divulge up their take-home pay.

British men might be amazed to learn that probably most American husbands heartily hope Parliament passed the law. They would probably regard it as masculine traitorism on the part of their Yankee cousins.

But actually it is a step in self-protection, a bold new bid for domestic liberty on the part of

the American male. Here is a summary of the views I heard expressed by a group of husbands here who discussed the proposal.

The way I see it, said one moustached mouse, "is this: if Parliament gives British women a break, maybe we can get Congress to pass a law forcing our wives over here to let us have a fair share of our paychecks."

"What I don't see is how Englishmen manage to keep the size of their salaries secret," marvelled another husband. "my wife makes me bring home my paycheck in my mouth. Sometimes I don't even know myself what I'm making."

"I know what you mean," remarked a third. "I have to deliver my check unopened, too. The last time I hit my boss up for a raise, he said, 'why I've given you two in the last six months.' First I'd heard about it. When I asked my wife, she told me, 'I didn't want it to go to your head, junior.'"

You guys ought to learn to put your foot down. I bragged a fourth husband. "I tell my wife every morning she either has to give me a dollar or I won't go to work. She forks out, too."

The others shook their heads at this bravery and agreed nothing so foolhardy would work with their wives.

FACT FAKER

Finally a white-haired old veteran of forty years of marital warfare, said:

"Boys, let's quit kidding ourselves. No matter what Parliament does for wives in Britain, congress wouldn't dare do a thing for husbands here. They'd be too afraid of their own wives."

"No, in America men have lost their battle for the freedom of the paycheck."

Today our wives and the government are fighting a tug-of-war for it. All a husband can do is sit on the sidelines and yell, "on wife! On government!" whoever wins—well, it won't be us."

James Marlow

WASHINGTON (AP)—There's probably nothing so galling as the ice water treatment, which is what Eisenhower has been giving the Taft people.

He hasn't much hair left, and they may be able to muss it before this is over, but they haven't been able to do it yet.

Not even with the 21 questions which they've now produced and to which they "demand" an answer from the general. He's ignored them.

Asked if he thought the general might answer, one of his closest advisers here laughed: "Why should he?"

This must make sense to the general's advisers since he's been doing pretty well by keeping his mouth shut.

While everyone knows he's an internationalist in foreign affairs, few have any idea of where he

stands on the multitude of current domestic problems.

REWARD

Nevertheless, he's rolled up big votes in several states, which might indicate that in troubled times silence brings its own reward.

It might also mean a lot of people like and trust him without knowing exactly what his domestic thinking is, and no matter what it is.

The general will be placing all his hope for the nomination on exactly that point: if he remains quiet until the Republican convention in July.

It will be ironic if he succeeds that way over Sen. Taft who has been doing just the opposite for years. Talking on every subject.

These times are so troubled that many people have almost violent opinions on a host of subjects.

The man who steps up and speaks his piece, like Taft, may make friends but is bound to make enemies as well.

The general has been able to avoid this unpleasant fate in the midst of his quietness.

But he wouldn't avoid it long if he attempted to answer the 21 questions that Taftites threw at him.

The first one is a dilly for Eisenhower to answer: "Do you approve of the firing of Gen. MacArthur?" Taft has done.

TOUGH

There are some other beauts in the list. For instance: "Are you for an increase or reduction in social security benefits?"

If he says he's for an increase he may win friends among old people but make enemies of those opposed to paying higher taxes so old people can get higher benefits.

If he says he's for lower benefits, he sets the old people on his neck.

He may be able to continue right up to convention time—and get the nomination—without saying more than he's said so far.

But once the convention ends and he has to start to campaign, it's unlikely that he will, or can, keep quiet on the big problems and sore points at home.

But the general would not be inconsistent with the policy he's laid down for himself if he did stay quiet until the convention.

He said that if nominated, he'd resign from the army and make a tough campaign. Until then he'll be in uniform, a member of the armed forces. And he hasn't made political speeches since he's been in uniform.

Spomer Wins Tule Honor

TULELAKE—Dr. Isaac Spomer has been named Tulelake's "Man of the Year."

The Doctor received the distinguished service award at a banquet in the Legion Hall here Saturday night from Floyd A. Boyd. There were 120 people in attendance.

Dr. Spomer's award came for his services for 1951, and climaxed a celebration of Tulelake's "15 years of Progress." The city was incorporated in 1937.

Earlier in the day a parade of old and new autos and old and new farm equipment made its way down the town's Main street. The 20-30 club was the prime sponsor of the affair, though about every organization in town helped.

Councilman Al Porter made a farewell speech to retiring Mayor Dick Moore who didn't run for the office during recent elections.

John Edmunds is president of the 20-30 club. Chet Stosevpher Jr. explained the method for selecting the "Man of the Year."

Siskiyou County Supervisor Gordon Jacobs was a guest at the County Chamber of Commerce Pres. and Mrs. Jim Kerns Jr. and Mrs. Frank Tucker for Chamber Director Vern Owens and Carl Sparks, Klamath Merchants Association.

Advance First Aid Offered

A class in advanced first aid for persons who have completed the standard course will be held starting this Wednesday at the Red Cross headquarters in the Armory.

Miss Ella Redkey will instruct. The course will consist of four three-hour sessions, scheduled for Wednesday, April 30; Thursday, May 1; Monday, May 5; and Wednesday, May 7.

Classes hours will be from 7 to 10 p.m.

Those wishing to enroll are asked to bring a triangular bandage and a roll of 1-inch gauze to the first class. The course is free, and is necessary for those wishing to qualify for instructor's training.

Sacred Heart Meet Tonight

Members from Merrill, Malin and Tulelake will provide entertainment and refreshments at meeting of Catholic Daughters at Sacred Heart parish hall, 8 p.m. tonight.

On May 4 the annual CDA Communion breakfast will be held at Sacred Heart. In charge of reservations are Marion McGuire and Ellen Ely.

Election of officers will be held May 12 and completed articles for layettes will be packed for shipment to Rome.

At the last business meeting Mrs. Hazel Landry was in charge of refreshments aided by Angeline Milani, Katherine Bruner, Elizabeth Mayberry, Azita Kennedy, Jean Moore and Theresa Doveri.

They'll Do It Every Time

MRS. TIDDLEY LIVES IN A TOWN WHERE A PRIVATE COMPANY HAULS THE REFUSE AS SO MUCH PER HAUL—



So—WHAT DOES SHE PUT OUT ONCE A WEEK? ENOUGH TO FILL A FLEET OF MOVING VANS!



Bruce Biossat

Once again the French have a new government. But there is nothing in the manner of its creation which holds out hope it will be any more secure than the many other short-lived governments that have preceded it.

Antoine Pinay, a new comer to the premier's job, won a vote of confidence for his new cabinet in the French national assembly. But though his margin was 290 to 101, more than a third of the assembly members abstained from voting.

To get even the support he has, Pinay had to promise not to levy additional taxes on the French to help France contribute its quota of men and arms to General Eisenhower's European defense force.

The distaste of the French for the sacrifices involved in augmenting their security—and the West's—well known. The events surrounding Pinay's coming to power indicate that it is almost impossible

Counties May Get Road Aid

EUGENE (AP)—Oregon counties, under terms of a new federal memorandum, will be eligible next year to receive federal funds for certain county roads.

The new government formula—still in the planning stage—was explained to representatives of six Oregon counties during a quarterly meeting of the Association of Oregon Counties, fifth district.

B. J. McClarty, secondary roads engineer of the Bureau of Public Roads, told the delegates that, starting next spring, 50 per cent of revenues allocated from the federal secondary roads fund must be spent on county roads.

County Judge Day T. Bayly said that in the past, allocations from the federal secondary roads fund have been spent on state secondary roads in Lane County, not on county roads.

McClarty suggested that counties earmark in their budgets some roads revenues because the government may call for matching money under the new program.

Former AP Chief Dies

BRONXVILLE, N.Y. (AP)—Frederick Roy Martin, 60, a director of the publishing firm of D. Appleton-Century Company and former general manager of the Associated Press, died Sunday after a two-month illness.

A native of North Stratford, N.H., Martin began his journalism career on the Boston Journal after his graduation from Harvard University.

In 1908 he joined the Providence Journal as associate editor, later becoming editor and treasurer.

Martin left the Providence newspaper in 1912 to become an assistant general manager of the AP. He was made general manager in 1921 when the late Melville Stone resigned the post.

In 1925, Martin left the AP to join the publishing firm of D. Appleton and Company as vice president and general manager.

EXECUTIONS

TAIPEH, Formosa (AP)—Chinese Nationalists executed four Formosans Friday as Communist Fifth Columnists. They were two farmers, a school teacher and a merchant.

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I got so mad when I think of the money I would have saved if I had been protected with an adequate fire insurance policy.

School Names New Officers

Julian Hood has been named president of the Bonanza High School Student Body, and Mervin Stainacker is new vice president.

They were elected last week.

Others elected included Secretary, Marianna Herbeckson, News Reporter Warren Dick and Seniors and Vell Leaders Pat Riley, Velda Rogers and Darlene Ripple.

Dutch Royalty Returns Home

OTTAWA (AP)—Queen Juliana and her husband, Prince Bernhard, flew home to the Netherlands Saturday night after a four-week tour of the United States and Canada.

The Queen visited last week with recent Dutch settlers in Canada and with friends she had made here as a wartime exile when her country was occupied by the Nazis.

Minor's Job Cuts Planned

SALEM (AP)—Several jobs in meat packing plants will be closed to children under 18 years old beginning May 8, State Labor Commissioner W. E. Kinsey said Monday.

The order was issued by the U.S. Department of Labor, whose orders are enforced by Kinsey.

The prohibited jobs include those on the killing floor, in hide and curing cells, all boning operations, operation of certain power-driven meat processing machines; pushing, dropping, handling or carrying carcasses; recovery of lard and salts; and tankage or inedible rendering of dead animals.

Kinsey said, however, that the majority of meat packing jobs still will be open to youths.

He said that two years ago, a 15-year-old Salem boy lost an arm in the sausage machine of a wholesale meat company.

Merrill Plans Kindergarten

MERRILL—The Merrill Kindergarten, sponsored by the Ladies Auxiliary to VFW Post 4056, will be open for inspection and pre-registration for next fall's term May 9, 10 to 4 p.m.

The auxiliary asks all parents who will have a child in the kindergarten next year to make a special effort to register at that time, so that necessary supplies and equipment can be in readiness by September.

Workers Favored In NLRB Ruling

WASHINGTON (AP)—The W. W. Rosebraugh Co. of Salem, Ore., Saturday was ordered by the National Labor Relations Board to offer reinstatement to workers who struck July 17 last year.

The company also was directed to pay the workers wages equal to the amount they would have earned since the strike.

The NLRB, in addition, ordered the company to bargain with the International Association of Machinists as representative of the company's production and maintenance employees, and to cease from interfering with union membership.

New Engineering Chief Named

PORTLAND (AP)—Raymond F. Grele Monday was named chief of the Engineering Division, Pacific Northwest Region of the U. S. Forest Service.

Grele, former assistant regional engineer, succeeds James Frankland, recently retired. He entered the forest service as a ranger in 1926. He resigned to do private engineering work in Juneau, Alaska, for six years, then rejoined the forest service and was assigned to the Willamette National Forest, Eugene.

He later served on several other Oregon and Washington forests.

Dacron, Newest Wrinkle in Men's Clothing, Never Loses Its Creases

NEW YORK (NEA)—Spencer Witty took out his fountain pen and quickly scribbled his ink contents on a pair of tan slacks spread across his desk. Then he carefully spilled some iodine and mercurochrome on them. He watched the stains soak in.

"I guess that's messy enough," he said. He took the slacks to a sink and washed them in lukewarm water and soap. He wrung the water out with his hands. Then he hung the slacks up.

When they dried, the crease was sharp, there were no wrinkles, and the ink, iodine and mercurochrome stains had vanished. Witty was demonstrating Dacron, a fiber that may do for men's suits what nylon did for women's stockings. It holds its crease even in the rain. Sp-5s can be washed out easily. It is mothproof.

Dacron is technically a polyester fiber, made by duPont out of coal, air and petroleum. They poured \$7,000,000 into its development—including \$650,000 to produce a blue dye that would take—but there still isn't very much Dacron around.

Witty's firm (Witty Brothers), the only tailors making 100 per cent Dacron suits, turned out 200 in 1950 as an experiment. Last year, they made 2,500. This year, they'll make 12,000 suits and 12,000 pairs of slacks. So far, all the garments have been Summer weight.

The raw material for them has been produced by duPont at a pilot plant in Seaford, Del. They are building a \$31,000,000 factory at Kingston, N.C., on a 635-acre tract. By the middle of 1953, this will be completed and begin turning out 35,000,000 pounds of Dacron a year.

Perhaps then the price will begin to come down. Right now, all Dacron suits are out of the reach of most men. One yard of Dacron fabric costs as much as one-and-a-half yards of the finest imported English wool. Witty's price tag this Summer will be \$82.50 for a suit, \$26.50 for slacks. But Dacron owners say they can get by on a smaller wardrobe and claim they save money because Dacrons don't have to be pressed so often.

PRICE CAUSE

This high price is due mainly to the limited quantity of Dacron presently available. But one other factor may mean the price will be slow in coming down, even when quantity production is here. A suit manufacturer can't just begin feeding Dacron fabric into his old machines; he has to install new equipment and use new methods.

Spectacular as Witty's ink-and-iodine show is, duPont doesn't go overboard on its claim for the fiber. All they'll say is that Dacron appears to have "an ease of removal of spots by washing with-out need of ironing." They do stress its resilience, saying there is a "high wrinkle resistance and press retentive" even in wet and humid weather.

But Dacron has drawbacks, which duPont chemists are frantically attempting to remedy. One is that a cigarette spark will melt a small hole, like a moth hole, in the fabric. It won't burst into flames, however. Dacron is also prone to the accumulation of static electricity.

Both those drawbacks are presently avoided by Blending Dacron with, for example, wool. Such blends, while cutting down Dacron's crease resistance and washability, also add to its feel and appearance.

Witty doubts that Dacron will lead to a completely home washable suit, although he admits it's a possibility. Every part of the suit—including lining and thread—should have to be Dacron.

Witty's slacks are made that way, even to special all-Dacron zipper binding, but the suits have conventional linings.

CLEANING

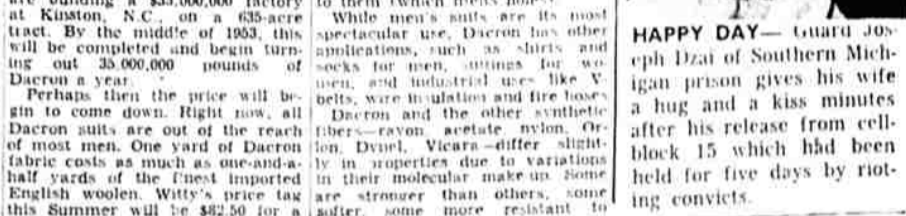
He recommends that the slacks, even though theoretically washable, be dry cleaned. That's because home washing puts too much strain on the sewing. Especially when housewives ignore the instructions and soak them in an automatic washer which tears out the stitches or takes a hot iron to them (which melts holes).

While men's suits are its most spectacular use, Dacron has other applications, such as shirts and socks for men, uniforms for women, and industrial uses like V-belts, wire insulation and fire boxes.

Dacron and the other synthetic fibers—rayon, acetate, nylon, Orlon, Duvul, Vicara—differ slightly in properties due to variations in their molecular make-up. Some are stronger than others, some softer, some more resistant to

wrinkles. Dacron, so far, seems best at holding creases and washability. It is not as strong as nylon or as soft as Orlon.

It may be some time before the final judgment on Dacron is in. But the industry admits the signs are encouraging. It looks like we're on our way to a man's suit that can be tossed in with the family wash.



HAPPY DAY—guard Joseph D'azi of Southern Michigan prison gives his wife a hug and a kiss minutes after his release from cell-block 15 which had been held for five days by rioting convicts.

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