COFFEE KLATCH IS WAR COUNCIL

Women's Lib spreading

Woman's View
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NEW YORK (UPI) —The status isn't quo any more and girl talk certainly is not what it used to be.

Even the familiar coffee klatch has changed its aura. Once it meant that women got together for informal conversation over coffee to talk of their children, formulas, housekeeping, new clothes and plain old gossip.

Now the klatch is no longer just for coffee. It's a reallying point, a planning board, a war council, and underground railroad all rolled into one.

Dr. Spock has given in to Kate Millet and Betty Friedan, and all the frothy heroines of fiction to Simone de Beauvoir's treatise on the second sex.

What's caused the change? Women's Liberation of course, the feminine "revolution" of the late 1960s and '70.

Exchange of recipes is old hat to this new breed. They exchange slogans like "Starve a rat today." Housemaid's knee has given in to housewife's syndrome. The marriage manual has been traded in for the Liberation Manifesto and sexual intrigue replaced with sexual politics.

New Lib Vocabulary

The liberationists not only have created a new platform for promoting women's rights, but also have developed a whole new vocabulary to go with it.

All of which is going to affect the dictionary business. New meanings of familiar terms or new terms all with have their effect on the language, predict lexicograpyers for Merriam-Webster.

Just how much effect depends on how long the Lib movement maintains its drive and whether new groups will continue it, said David Replogle, president of the G & C Merriam Co., the Springfield, Mass., firm. which publishes the dictionary.

Today's groups produce a more exciting word climate than, say, in the days of the suffragettes, because of instant communications.

Already a parts of today's talk, and possible inclusion in dictionaries to come, are words or phrases like these:

Onetrack men called Sexists

—Rap group. Meeting of women to exchange ideas and experiences.

—Sensitized. Acceptance of the male-oriented society.

—Sexist. A male who sees women only as sex objects.

—Anomie. A condition of an individual characterized by disorientation, anxiety and isolation.

—Role crisis. An inability to find a meaningful identity, whether as a wife, in a career or both.

—Male chauvinism. Excessive or blind belief in male superiority.

Option means no-Choice

—Sexegration. A separation of groups by sexes.

—Feminist. One who advocates the removal of restrictions that lead to discrimination. A raging gut feminist is the really ardent one.

—Girlcott. Opposite of boycott, that is, ostracism by ignoring.

—Herstory. A woman's view of history.

—Housewives' blight. Physical reactions, such as allergies, to too much housework.

—Option. What many women feel they don't have in a choice of career or marriage.

—Femme Lib. Short for Feminine Liberation.

—Feminine mystique. The belief that all women are happy in the role of housewife and mother; also the title of Betty Friendan's book. -Togetherness Rejected

—Sexual politics. Men against women, the battle of the sexes, attitudes and discrimination based on sex, and the title of Kate Millet's book.

—Togetherness. The word coined by McCall's in 1954; a term now repudiated by Women's Lib.

—Guilt syndrome. The feeling suffered by married women still pursuing a career.

These are just some of the current expressions growing from the feminine revolt.

No wonder the women react when even Noah Webster, in his 1806 definition of wife wrote "a married woman, a low mean woman."

Or when one of my associates informed it should be "Women's Lip."

The buck Ends here . . . .

By Ivan D.E. Beaumont

"Write down your name, rate and horsepower," the clerk said the other day when we purchased a box of .22 caliber shells.

"But we only want a box of shells to go do a little target practice," I said.

"Sorry," the clerk said, "we've got to have some information on you before we can sell you the shells."

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I didn't want to be fussy, but it was disturbing to be challenged on a 63 cent purchase. The box was emptied in the gun range at the armory by the Boy Scouts.

But the law is the law.

Quickly now, what is your driver's license number? Your name, license number, type of shell and date of birth are necessary information.

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Anytime Ralph Nader's name is mentioned, it is news, but a team report the other day stirs thoughts about the productive caliber of Mr Nader.

The team proposed that a federal board set up standards to protect the public from incompetent doctors, claiming that the doctors have failed to do that job.

Now, if Mr Nader's team is talking about the Navy corpsmen who give shots at boot camp, I'll buy that.' But to put a wrinkle in the medical profession after umpteen years of study and debts, surely he can come up with something better, like perhaps unsafe and spark-spewing "gopher" matches?

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We visited a few stores in Nebraska City last week with the family and got an eye opener on what's new in shoes and clothing.

We just had to admit: Youngsters nowdays sure have mighty nice and pretty shoes and clothes.

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No. 1 son who is now 12 years old has bigger feet than Dear Ole' Dad and that means . . .as the clerk says. . ."he will have to wear men's sizes" . . .and that means more dollars.

It also means that No. 1 son will keep his big feet out of Dad's slippers.

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Up on the North 40

Snow and frost have cleaned out the last remains of gardening, but we've still got a stubborn rose bush with two big red and one white rose.

Mayor Louie Genoa got back to Nebraska City in time from his trip to cast his vote in Third Ward A in the general election.

The North 40 was not too concerned with the election results locally; Glen Cohn is rifleman on the hill and we can always rely on Principal Jerry Jacobson and his Educated Vigilantes, School Supt. Jim Withee and Principal Doug Dickerson.

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A TWA pilot who will retire on November 16 at age 60 marked the occasion by chartering a 707 jetliner and taking 96 relatives on a sightseeing tour over northeast Kansas.

The pilot?

Capt. Ben Gigstad, who is related to Mayor A.O. Gigstad of Nebraska City.

Captain Gigstad paid $1,300 an hour complete with stewardesses. His copilot was his nephew, Capt. Al Gigstad, also a TWA pilot. The 93 relatives ranged in age from three weeks to 85 years.

"Most of the relatives are farmers and have little opportunity to fly on large commercial aircraft," Gigstad said. "I just wanted to get the crowd together and take them flying over their homes before my retirement."

Louis Kloepper, Gigstad's 82-year-old father-in-law, said:

"It's the best way in the world to shop for a farm."

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Captain Gigstad is a cousin of Mayor Gigstad's father, Al, who lives at Effingham, Kansas. The Nebraska City family was not on the flight. Shucks!

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There are Joe Namath's and Len Dawson's but the best in the business in my book has changed from Johnny Unitas to Oakland's George Blanda who is 43 years old.

If you saw the last quarter of the Sunday game between Oakland and Celveland, then you saw Oakland's Lamonica get hurt and Old Man Blanda was sent in.

And what a job he did. He tossed his team to a touchdown, kicked the extra point to knot the score at 20-20 and with seven seconds, the graying quarterback booted the ball 52 yards for a field goal to win 23-20.

You just can't beat that kind of playing.

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And speaking of sports, Jack Andersen, former News-Press reporter and now with the sports department at Nebraska Wesleyan stopped in the News-Press the other day.

Jack smiles as he announces he is a grandfather. His son-in-law is in Vietnam. His oldest son is a freshman at Wesleyan. They have a couple of other children at home.

Longest Footpath

The Appalachian Trail, a wilderness foot trail, extends 2,050 miles from Mt. Katahdin, Maine, to Mt. Oglethorpe, Ga. It is the longest marked footpath in the world.



NO PARKING violators here. Garbage is nearly meter high in this London street as a result of a trash collectors' strike for higher wages.

Chicago wants the European meetings

By LEROY POPE
UPI Business Writer

NEW YORK (UPI)—A Londoner can fly to Chicago for less than the regular air fare to Rome, if he takes a charter flight.

Taking note of this, the Windy City's Convention and Tourist Bureau, headed by Patrick L. O'Malley, who runs Canteen Corp., is starting what looks like a formidable drive to wrest a big share of European convention and tourist trade from the Atlantic port cities—New York, Boston and Philadelphia.

More than 80 per cent of all Europeans who come to the United States enter by those three ports. O'Mallye, former Illinois Gov. William G. Stratton and a group of other Chicago boosters made a whirlwind trip to Europe early this fall to persuade businessmen in Frankfurt, Brussels, Amstedam and London to skip the Atlantic ports and enter the United States at Chicago.

They Want Tourists

They timed the venture to precede by a neat interval the completion of the new McCormick Place on Lake Michigan replacing the vast Convention Hall that burned a few years ago. The new McCormick Place is to be ready for business by Jan. 1, 1971.

O'Malley and his comrades didn't return empty handed. They had a signed contract to bring the International Tool Show to Chicago early in 1972. For years, this has been one of Europe's biggest trade fairs, actually one of the largest in the world.

"But our big drive is to get European tourists to land directly in Chicago," O'Malley said. "Our main sales pitch is that they can see 41 per cent of America within 500 miles of Chicago and that, with 17,000 first-class hotels, Chicago has more to offer tourists than the more crowded Atlantic port cities."

Polyglot Preparations

O'Malley's bureau is busily getting Chicagoans to do things to make Europeans feel more at home on the shores of Lake Michigan than on the west coast of the Atlantic.

For example, telephone books with multilingual directions, room service and other guides and menus in Chicago's hotels and better known restaurants will be supplied in several European languages and there will be signs in various languages in many places.

The new McCormick Place will have an elaborate multilingual translating system something like the one used at the United Nations in New York.

Wrote Poem as Gift

The poem, "The Night Before Christmas," is correctly named "A Visit from Saint Nicholas." It was written by Clement C. Moore, an American poet, as a special gift to his children.

His Feast Day

March 17 is the traditional day on which Saint Patrick died. It is his feast day, not his birthday. To the early Christians the day of death represented the beginning of eternal peace and glory.

Teaching a prayer is most important

Religion In America
By LOUIS CASSELS
UPI Religion Writer

The view is widely held among parents that any religious training a child receives is bound to do him some good.

But it doesn't necessarily work that way. Some kinds of religious training, although well intended, may be very harmful to a child's spiritual development.

Take, for example, the matter of prayer. Parents with any degree of personal faith usually make an effort to teach their children to "say their prayers."

It matters enormously how a child is taught to think of prayer.

A mistaken view of prayer, implanted or encouraged by parents, may caused a youngster to become an atheist in his teens.

Son Rejects Belief

In a recent issue of the Christian Herald, religious educator Better Garton Ulrich recounted the story of a mother who couldn't comprehend why her college-age son had rejected belief in God.

The mother "recalled fondly how, as a small child, her son had prayed with unquestioning faith that God would grant him a bicycle. It was obvious from the tone of her reminiscences that the parents, in buying him the bicycle, had deliberately encouraged the child to believe that if he only prayed believingly enough, his prayers would be granted."

This kind of "religious training" is dsastrous because it teaches a child to think of prayer as a letter to a heavenly Santa Claus. It may work for a while, but sooner or later the child will pray for things the parents don't know about, or cannot provide. He will then conclude either that there is no God, or, worse, that God exists but doesn't love him any more.

Even if a child should somehow escape this kind of disenchantment, he will never be able to grow into a mature religious faith so long as he thinks of God as a wish-granter. For any such concept gets the man-God relationship exactly backwards. Instead of seeing himself as the creature and servant of God, a child sees himself as the center of the universe, and sees God as a genie whose role is to protect and please him.

Term Can be Pitfall

Jesus habitually addressed God as "Father in heaven." The term can be a pitfall for children if they're allowed to form anthropomorphic images of God. But it is not difficult for parents to make clear that even though God does not look like a man, he does deal with his human children in the manner of a loving father.

This concept of God as father teaches a child to acknowledge his dependence on God and at the same time prepares him for the possibility of getting no for an answer occasionally.

"A child does not cease to love and trust his parents merely because they sometimes refuse to give him what he wants," observes Miss Ulrich. "In fact, as he matures in understanding, he learns, either by the teaching of his parents or through experience, that often it is because his parents love him that they refuse some of his requests. Just so he can be taught that a loving God denies some of our requests."

The lesson can be made clearer by teaching a child to conclude his prayers as Jesus did by saying: "Not my will but Thine be done."

Birthday observed by Terri McCord

Terri Rae McCord celebrated her 10th birthday with her classmates Friday at Sixth Street school. Birthday cake, jello and chocolate milk were enjoyed by the ungraded room, Principal Swift and Mrs Eldrado McCord, mother of Terry, and Mrs Daisy Stitzer, teacher. Terri gave candy bars to all her classmates.

Students in the ungraded room who accompanied their teachers Mrs Vincent Stitzer, and Mr Stitzer of Auburn, on a four-day vacation over the recent school holiday were Peggy Jo Noell, Kimberly Sue Rex and Lonnie Hutchins. Mr and Mrs Stitzer took the children to Fairfield Bay, Arkansas where they enjoyed sightseeing, a boat cruise around Sugar Loaf island in Greer lake bay. Other things enjoyed by the group were a picnic, a hike in the Ozark mountains, miniature golf, trick or treating, writing letters and cards home to parents, classmates and friends, eating out visiting shops and making purchases, living in a mobile home with the Stitzers. They traveled more than 1,000 miles. Mrs Stitzer reported that there was "teaching and learning going on by her and the students and it was a fun trip."

Wouldn't say our neighbor is ultra-right-wing, but we do know he won't let his wife serve red cabbage.

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