

Security Fights Barnburners

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of bureaucracies is largely constituted of those who value security above all else.

"The bulk of bureaucratic offices involve the expectation of lifelong tenure, in the absence of disturbing factors which may decrease the size of the organization. Bureaucracy maximizes vocational security."

The question might be one of the chicken and the egg. Which came first, the bureaucracies or the security seekers?

The book continues that "this process often results in 'excessive compatibility' . . . single track minds and excessively crystallized attitudes and in the destruction of personal responsibility."

Young Marriage

Dr. C. d'A. Gerken, director of the University counseling service listed young marriages as another possible cause for security emphasis. "These young people want more material possessions than their parents had, and these desires force them to look for security, especially when they realize that payments come due at the end of the month. They can't afford to risk."

The changing society of the United States was named as another factor.

"Old theories no longer exist," Gerken commented. "Everything is changing. Perhaps this is one reason for the increased interest

in religion. People want to hang onto something solid, unchanging."

Gerken further suggested that the many decisions people must make every day play a further part.

"They must respond to many more stimuli every day," he said. "Even the choice of things to do on a Saturday night becomes difficult."

What To Do?

What can be done about the loss of individuality?

According to "Industrial Man," the fault lies not with the organization, but in the "worship of it." The book suggests that conflict between the organization and the man is a good thing, and that "it is the price of being an individual that he must face these conflicts."

But what is this individualist, this decisionmaker?

According to "Industrial Man," it is the person who can recognize an opportunity and have the strength to seize it.

"There are only a few times in organization life when he can wrench his destiny into his own hands — and if he does not fight then, he will make a surrender that will later mock him."

Who Fixed Whose?

A group of University of Bridgeport students have recently completed the reconstruction of an electroencephalograph in time for demonstration during science week.

The machine, which is located in the psychology lab at Dana Hall, is designed for the measurement of human brain waves. When the psychology department received it from the physics department a few months ago it wasn't in operational condition.

Applications Due For Graduation

"All students who expect to receive bachelors or advanced degrees or teaching certificates at the close of Summer sessions should apply before June 21 if they have not yet done so," according to Shirley Thomsen, assistant registrar.

Application must be made at the registrar's office, Room 208 Administration Hall, between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, or 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon on Saturday.

Deadline Is Set For Golf, Tennis Tourney Entries

Any male University student or faculty member is eligible for the summer tennis and golf tournaments, according to the physical education department.

Entries for the tennis and golf tourneys may be made in Room 102 in the Men's Physical Education Building or by phoning University extension 3180 or 3280. All entries must be made on or before Friday, June 17.

The entrant must leave his name, address and telephone number so that he can be contacted.

A schedule of deadline dates for each round will be posted in the Men's P. E. Building Monday, June 20.

There will be both singles and doubles in tennis and individual play in golf. Depending upon the number of entries, the tournament will be either single or double elimination.

Medals will be awarded for individual champions.

Pits Condemned

Fremont sand pits and Linoma Beach are condemned due to past flood conditions in those areas. Swimming will be prohibited for six months, according to sanitation officials.

Goss Receives Grant

Dr. R. W. Goss of the department of Plant Pathology has received a \$9,900 grant from the National Science Foundation.

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Adventures in Academia

Are Frustrated Housewives A Product of Our Education?

By Diana Maxwell

"I'm scared, frankly." This comment from an above-average girl graduating this year wasn't fright at anything tangible — not panic about not having a livelihood, not a fear of the big world, but a quieter fear — one not quite so glamorous, but every bit as real.

It was the fear of boredom, the dread of frustration, the suspicion — still rather dim, but nevertheless alive — that having stepped from the portals of the University of Nebraska into the big wide world, all might not be well for the well-educated woman.

Not that she wouldn't have nice clothes, car, family, lovely home and so on and on and on. She would. Statistics gave her a fairly solid guarantee of that.

The big "but" in the story is the old "what-now" for the educated woman. What is her role?

Educated Frustration?

Psychologists and sociologists, probing the problem, have come up with a question as to whether the American college-trained woman,

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envy and enigma of the world, is educated, yes, but frustrated as well? There's even a book out, "College Women Who Express Futility."

A quick flip through a library card file under the topic "Woman" confirms the suspicion that this is a major concern among a great many people today. Titles such as "Modern Woman, The Lost Sex" appear in great abundance, particularly with copyrights after 1950.

The thesis to this book, written by a sociologist-psychiatrist team, nearly sums up the problem. Modern women in very large numbers are psychologically disordered, and this disorder is having terrible social and personal effects.

Newsweek probed the question in its March 7 issue, the cover of which showed a Phi Beta Kappa key and a diaper pin.

The key to the problem, according to this article, is that the very ease of the American woman's life leads to her greatest problem — Boredom with big haunting capital B's.

Need Defined Goals

If a woman, particularly after marriage and children, is able to maintain as wide a range of interests as before marriage, and if she has defined for herself a reasonable set of goals in life, she is not likely to fall into the "frustrated grouping" — or so the psychologists conclude.

Goals themselves are crucial. It is the outlining of



(By Mary Lou Lucke)

goals which seems to have become the most difficult.

It is an old theme, played over and over by the social scientists, but it applies here: culture changing more rapidly than role-definition with the result being stress and anxiety.

Some writers such as Ferdinand Lundberg and Marynia F. Farnham see the problem as arising from a lack of security of women as women — female beings.

Men Frustrated Too

Hearing this comment, one Ph.D. candidate at the University commented something roughly equivalent to "phooey."

"This is an outgrowth of our society," she said. "Modern man is just as frustrated as his helpmate. He simply hasn't come in for the same type of study yet."

But this skirts around the question to come up with the same answer, educated women, who have had the most advantages, are likely to be the most frustrated.

Going back to the idea that defining goals is a key to the question, there is even a sort of existential branch of psychology, headed by Rollo May. The chief contention of this school of thought is that frustrations arise because goals are vague and roles of individuals poorly defined.

What is needed, they feel, is individual evaluation and definition of goals which can be reached.

Turning to those involved, a survey of top 1960 women graduates from the University yielded the same answer from nearly every coed.

They were not particularly worried, but home-making would not be enough and they would have to have outside employment or participation in civic affairs to round out their lives.

Helen Snyder, dean of women at the University, agreed, but added that boredom arises when women no longer feel needed.

She did not feel that boredom should be the problem for young mothers, who are

needed at home by their children, that it would be for these same women when the children were older.

Speaking of the problem, Dean Snyder said, "I think it is somewhat being resolved by the fact that women are turning to careers and to community service projects."

She noted the increasing number of married women above 35 who are returning to careers. Some work to

supplement family incomes, she said. Others work to feel necessary and to contribute something.

"The trend no doubt is toward more women returning to fruitful occupations," she said.

The dean, who says she has done considerable reading and attended national discussions on this problem, said "I think this (returning to careers and community service) is the answer."

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