

'You Have Come A Long Way Baby' -- From The Mausoleum

Women have been making valuable contributions in the field of journalism for some time, but it has been only in the last quarter-century that the female reporter has come even close to reaching equity with the male.

In America, women journalists go back to 1732 when a gal by the name of Anna Franklin established the first newspaper in Rhode Island. During the Revolutionary War, two women publishers excelled in Virginia with Clementine Reid spreading the colonists' propaganda and Mrs. H. Boyle supporting the Tory line.

BUT FOR many years, women were considered a novelty in the newspaper field and were confined to covering society news.

An early notable exception was Anne Royall, another early publisher-writer, who gained fame by sneaking up on President John Quincy Adams while he was bathing in the Potomac and sat on his clothes until the interview was finished.

Most of us know about the success of reporter Nelly Dly who sailed around the world in a balloon in 72 days. It took Publisher Joseph Pulitzer a year to agree to sponsor the trip, but once deciding he gave Nelly four days notice.

IN SPITE OF the early successes, however, publishers were reluctant to hire women to cover hard news. One of the most hard-nosed publishers was James Gordon

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By EMORY DANIELS

Bennett of the New York Herald.

Bennett didn't believe women belonged on the city desk and felt one woman was enough to handle the social and club news. So in 1919, he returned from a trip to Europe, took a tour of the Herald's newsroom and promptly fired all women on the staff.

But Bennett could not deter the oncoming great numbers of highly talented female journalists such as Rheta Childs Door, who covered the Russian Revolution in 1917; Clara Higby, Dorothy Dix, Emma Bugbee and Genevieve Herrick.

ONE OF my favorites,

though, is Rachel Kollock McDowell who spent 40 years on New York newspapers and was known as Lady Bishop at the Times.

Rachel McDowell was the religion writer for the New York Times and remains one of the best ever to cover the church beats.

Probably the most eventful peak of her career was the time she was accidentally entombed for one day in Princess Anastasia's mausoleum in Woodlawn Cemetery. Her accomplishments are many, but one fondly remembered is the Pure Language League which she organized to encourage fellow-workers on the Times to re-

frain from using profanity. Few dared to swear in her presence.

Oddly enough, Miss McDowell received her first newspaper job from James Gordon Bennett. And she was not among those fired.

TODAY, women make up about 40% of the editors and reporters in the field of journalism.

Included among this 40% is one reporter, Elizabeth Ann Pond of the Christian Science Monitor, who is listed among the missing persons in Cambodia.

Today, across Michigan and the nation, there are a number of very talented women journalists such as our own Margaret Miller, Martha Mahan, Betty Mason and Marie McGee.

And we love our gals, even though none has been trapped in mausoleums.

local news

By MARIE LONG GR 4-3114

Mr. and Mrs. George Nelson and family of Farmington spent a long weekend at the Schuss Ski resort area enjoying winter sports.

MR. AND MRS. Gregory T. Jones, former Farmingtonites now of Scottsdale, Ariz. report the recent 18-degree temperature really set a record, the first time in 30 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Hazen O. Karp of Patricia, Farmington, returned last weekend to face a mighty chilly Farmington after spending six weeks in Florida and the balmy weather at Key West. Mr. and Mrs. Morris Kaminsky of Clover Dr. are enjoying a wonderful vacation in the Bahamas while their folks are caring for the children and keeping the home fires burning.

MRS. HILDEGARD McCaleb, formerly of Glenview

Dr., has sold her home and is now living in San Francisco where she is employed as a teacher.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Lemon and family, former Farmingtonites, have purchased a home at Union Lake on 6161 Boroway Drive. His brother, Loren Lemon, and wife Skip and children moved into a lovely old fashioned house which they remodeled at 325 West Flint St., Lake Orion. Both young couples are graduates of Farmington Senior High and are the sons of Mrs. Lucille Lemon of Hull Rd., Farmington.

Mrs. Gladys Bell has been transferred again from Oakland County Hospital to Oak Hill Nursing Home on Grand River. We sincerely wish Mrs. Bell a speedy convalescence and contentment in her new surroundings. Her former home of more than 55 years is close by.

We are happy to report

that Arnold Henke of Power Rd. returned home last weekend from Highland Park General where he was hospitalized for three weeks following surgery. Arnold was missed very much by his family and many friends at the Drop-in Center.

Mr. and Mrs. Elias Manolakas of 3545 Heritage Hills Dr., Farmington, have returned from a winter holiday vacation cruise to the port of Freeport in the Bahamas aboard the "T.S.S. Queen Anna Maria," a Greek Lines luxury flagship.

Wins Praise

FARMINGTON Miss Cherie L. Van Huss of Farmington has been named to the dean's list for the fall quarter at Rochester State Junior College, Rochester, Minn.

Farmington Calendar

NEW 4-H CLUB

Monday, Feb. 8, at 7:30 p.m. a meeting will be held to organize a 4-H Club in Farmington. Rooms 110-D and 110-E of Farmington Senior High at 3200 Shawwassee. Present 4-H members can transfer to the new club without loss of seniority.

ST. FABIAN WOMEN'S COUNCIL

Monday, Feb. 8, at 7:45 p.m. the St. Fabian Women's Council will meet in the social hall of St. Fabian Catholic Church at 8:30 p.m. The Panel of American Women will speak on the effect prejudice has on their own lives and the lives of their children.

WANT TO SPEAK EASY?

Monday, Feb. 8, at 7 p.m. the Speakeasy Toastmaster Club will meet in the Hillside Inn at 41661 Plymouth Rd., Plymouth. The club meets on the second and fourth Monday of each month. Interested men can call President Al Loos at 621-4539.

FLUORIDE TO FABIAN'S SCHOOL

Tuesday, Feb. 9, the fluoride program will move to St. Fabian Catholic Elementary School. With parental permission, students will receive a series of four topical applications for a \$6 fee.

WELCOME WAGON CLUB

Tuesday, Feb. 9, at 7:45 p.m. the Farmington Welcome Wagon Club will meet in the Orchard Methodist Church on Farmington Rd. between 13 and 14 Mile Rds. The program will be a wig demonstration by Belle Jacob.

WOODDALE PANCAKE SUPPER

Tuesday, Feb. 9, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Wooddale Elementary PTA will sponsor its annual Pancake Supper at the school. Tickets will be available, the door for \$1.50 for adults, 90 cents for children and \$6 for a family ticket.

JUNIOR HIGH CLOSINGS

Feb. 8, 23 and March 9, the junior high schools in Farmington School District will be closed for a half-day with students being released at 11:30 a.m. The half-days are being scheduled so an inservice training program can be held for teachers.

SENIOR DROP-IN CENTER

Wednesday, Feb. 10, at noon the Senior Drop-In-Center of Farmington will sponsor a free trip to the Shrine Circus.

GOLD & BLUE STAR MOTHERS

Wednesday, Feb. 10, at noon the Gold Star and Blue Star Mothers of America, Farmington Chapter 49, will hold a luncheon and card party in the Farmington Community Center. Public is invited.

FAIRVIEW ELEMENTARY PTA

Wednesday, Feb. 10, at 8 p.m. the Fairview Elementary PTA will meet in Fairview School. The Rev. Ralph Rideout, director of Farmington's Rap Line, will talk on "Youth and Drugs." Report of nominating committee for 1971-72 officers will be presented and refreshments served.

FARMINGTON ARTISTS

Wednesday, Feb. 10, at 8:30 p.m. the Farmington Artists Club will meet in the First Farmington Savings and Loan building on Orchard Lake north of Grand River. Public is invited.

PIONEER GOLDEN AGE CLUB

Wednesday, Feb. 10, at noon the Pioneer Golden Age Club of Farmington will meet in the social hall of St. Alexander Catholic Church for its monthly business meeting. Bring a sandwich. Coffee and tea are furnished.

CLOVERDALE PANCAKE SUPPER

Thursday, Feb. 11, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Cloverdale Elementary PTA will sponsor its annual Pancake Supper at the school on Freedom Dr. east of Farmington Rd. Cost is \$1 for each person over five years of age and \$5 for a family ticket.

VETERANS OF WWI

Thursday, Feb. 11, at 1 p.m. the Farmington Barracks of the Veterans of WWI will meet in the American Legion Hall at Grand River and Lakeway. Coffee and cake will be served followed by the business meeting at 2 p.m. All WWI veterans are welcome to join the fellowship. Regular meetings are held the second Thursday of each month.

DISNEY ON PARADE

Thursday, Feb. 11, at 7:30 p.m. a benefit performance of Disney on Parade will be given in Olympia with proceeds going to Community Living Centers, Inc., which promotes and establishes homes for the moderately retarded adult.

SENIOR CITIZENS SOCIAL CLUB

Friday, Feb. 12, at noon the Senior Citizens Social Club of Farmington will meet in the social room of the First United Methodist Church on Grand River. Bring a sandwich. A social afternoon with cards will follow lunch.

BEECHVIEW ELEMENTARY PTA

Monday, Feb. 15, at 7:30 p.m. the Beechview Elementary PTA will meet in the Beechview School. After a dessert smorgasbord, a talk will be given by Wayne Edwards who is an exchange teacher from New Zealand teaching at Farmington's G.I. Elementary for one year.

LONGACRE PTA RECREATION

Every Wednesday from 7-9 p.m. the Longacre Elementary gym is open to all men interested in playing basketball, soccer or other game. The recreation program is sponsored by the Longacre PTA.

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CHAMBER ELECTS -- New Farmington Chamber of Commerce officers for 1971 are (from left) John Burke, vice president; John Anhut, president; and William Flattery, secretary-treasurer. Burke is an attorney, Anhut owner of the Betsford Inn, and Flattery is manager of the Farmington branch of First Federal Savings of Detroit. (Evert photo)

wood creek farms

By ANNE M. PHILLIPS MA 6-6335

Pat deCooke isn't out skating this beautiful morning even though the weather is perfect for winter sports.

Pat and Ruth Quevy spent the morning a couple of weeks ago clearing the pond at the Quevy's to be ready for their 15 brownies to have an afternoon of skating. The 15 brownies and three adults had a wonderful time. But Pat fell.

She did not think she was badly hurt, so she went on skating, climbed up the hill to the Quevy house, went home and got her family their supper. Then she sat down and her knee really began to hurt. Her doctor said to see how it was in the morning. She went to him. X-rays showed a crack in the kneecap but it was so badly swollen she had to wait a week for a cast to be put on.

Knowing Pat she'll be out of the cast very soon, and it did keep her mother home with her for four days to help out. On Jan. 16, Annabel Martin became Mrs. Alger Clark. Annabel is Beulah's (the previous Mrs. Alger Clark) younger sister. She and Alger were married in her home in Royal Oak. They will reside here in Wood Creek. We all wish to welcome the new bride and to wish them much happiness.

This is being written Tuesday morning. It is just as sunny and clear as it was one week ago today in Clearwater, Fla., but with a 75 degree temperature differential. What a time we picked to come home! Look for a good column next week. I am going to the Women's Association meeting and hope for lots of news.

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