

DO SOME THINGS BETTER IN CHILE SAYS LEADING SANTIAGO FEMINIST

Senora Amanda Labarca Cites Points of Superiority in Educational and Social Systems.

NEW YORK, April 25—If a citizen of the United States were to listen to Senora Amanda Labarca, outstanding woman of Chile and wife of the Mayor of Santiago, who is visiting in New York for a few days, tell of some of the things she thinks Chile has done better than such things are done here, he might begin to wonder whether the Senora isn't right. Senora Labarca is a professor of philosophy at the University of Chile. She is also Director of Secondary Education in Chile and president of the National Council of Chilean women.

She has recently published a book entitled "A Donde Va La Mujer?" ("Whither Bound is Woman?"). So proud are the Chilean people of her that she was chosen by her government to come to northern nations in the educational mission sent to bring back ideas from foreign educational systems—the only woman. She has spent several weeks in Mexico studying the Mexican system of secondary education and came to the United States to make a similar study here.

Equality in Education

"By the time I get back to Santiago," said Senora Labarca, "I expect to find some new women alfeiman. There was only a comparatively small group of Chilean women that wanted the suffrage. But our men made us a gift of municipal suffrage last year and at the elections in April women are to vote for the first time. Of course, we have women candidates in this first election and I have every confidence that women will be elected. There is no prejudice against women students in the university. Out of 5,000 students, 1,500 are women. In the secondary schools, there are as many women teachers as there are men teachers.

"We have women in all the professions—doctors, lawyers, orthodontists, nurses—but not as many in commercial positions. We do not have the objections that exist here against career women being married. I, myself, am married and have a daughter who was married shortly before I started on this trip. Also, I keep house.

"Our educational system," continued Senora Labarca, "is national. It replies so far.

a teacher is sent from the north to the south, he slips right into the identical system he is familiar with. Here, it seems to me, if one of your teachers goes from Michigan to New York, it must be exceedingly difficult. For he must first obtain a different license and he will surely have to learn a new educational system. While Cuba's system may be too rigid, yours, it seems to me, should be much more centralized.

"We have two schools of social service training, one under government direction, the other directed by Catholics. Our legislation, I feel, is in some respects the most advanced in the world. We have nationwide workers' insurance in three classes, for skilled, unskilled and government workers. This provides such free medical attention as care of teeth, X-ray service, pre-natal care for mothers, birth care and post-natal care for mother and child for a year. Every person who works pays a 3 per cent fee for insurance and the employer pays half that amount.

Prohibit Imports

"Chilean teachers in all grades from the primary up receive pensions after thirty years of service and a proportionate amount for shorter periods of teaching. The full pension is the median of the last three years' salary before retirement. The world war cut off imports from Chile and she had to go to work making things previously imported. This has built out industries, particularly those concerned with textiles, shoes, china and electrical supplies. Since the depression, and the resulting devaluation of Chilean money, we have passed certain prohibitive legislation against importing and this is still further promoting Chilean industrial life."

OFFERED 290 JOBS

NEW YORK, April 24—Hamilton Weeks, Jr., has decided there is no lack of jobs for anyone willing to work and not too particular about wages. Advertising for "healthful outdoor work" and offering to accept \$10 a month and keep, he has received 290 replies so far.

HOPE OF FREE GOVERNMENT RESTS WITH EDUCATION TO END TREND TO 'ISMS,' MILLIKAN SAYS

Churches Bidden to Instruct the Head, and Schools the Heart by Physicist Speaking at a Convention of Teachers

LOUISVILLE, Kentucky, April 25—Education to which the church, the newspaper, the radio and the movie may contribute—is the means by which the United States may overthrow the ancient error that "pure democracy in which the whim of the majority prevails cannot survive", Dr. Robert A. Millikan, director of the California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, told the Kentucky Education Association here. Education, he said, is the means by which we may overcome sinister influences, subversive of American ideals of free self-government, such as pressure upon legislative bodies by self minorities, illustrated by the "stupendous bonus racket"; the American spoils system, dictatorship of the incompetent under demagogic leadership, widespread relaxation of American moral standards as shown by the increase in gambling, and imported revolutionary theories.

The Newspaper

"But the churches must instruct the head as well as the heart, reversing the old thought", warned Dr. Millikan, "and the schools must instruct the heart as well as the head. I do not look for much from the movie, because it is centered on commercialized amusement; nor from the radio, because the influence of the spoken voice is fleeting. The newspaper probably is the greatest force for adult education but in the better education of the electorate, reaching the youth in school is of primary importance."

Dr. Millikan departed for the moment from his moral fields of physics to discuss sociology, statecraft, and economics, commenting, for one thing, on Macaulay's gloomy prophecy of 1848 that our democratic institutions must destroy liberty or civilization, or both, after our land is gone, when, under the pressure of the votes of the ignorant, those in control will act to block the operation of economic laws. To some, Dr. Millikan said, but he saw the salvation of this nation in the Constitution and the Supreme Court, which is still beyond political control, and in education.

An Approach

Referring to natural science, he contended that its main achievement was not the steam engine, the au-

tomobile, the radio, the motion picture, or even vitamins or hormones. It was something more fundamental. It was, he said, the "scientific approach to life as a whole". He spoke of Nebuchadnezzar's soothsayers, Saul's witch of Endor, the necromancers of Odysseus, the Phoenicians' sacrifices to Moloch's fiery furnace, Walenstein's consultation of astrologers, and even our own ancestors' burning of witches at Salem as indications of the evidences of the belief that man was not a vital or responsible agent in the march of things.

LIBERALS BLOCK PLAN TO PROVIDE MORE WORK

Attitude Towards Project of Bennett Govt. Which Would Give More Employment in C. N. R. Shops.

MONCTON, N. B., April 24—That the attitude of the Liberal Opposition in Parliament clearly blocked the allocation of more work for the C.N.R. shops at Moncton, was pointed out by Dr. O. B. Price, M.P. for Westmorland, on his return from Ottawa on Saturday.

In an interview with The Times Dr. Price said that the blocking of the \$23,000,000 government unemployment relief measure for construction work in an effort to provide more work was a most unfortunate occurrence and instanced that those responsible for it will carry the censure.

This Federal construction measure, he said, was divided for the purpose of rendering aid to the unemployed among Canada's population and in setting in motion the machinery that has been dormant for several years. "Personally," said Dr. Price, "I have been much interested because the program meant much for Westmorland and for Moncton. The reconditioning of railway equipment to be undertaken in the shops here was a matter of great importance to not only those out of employment, but to the public generally, as the expenditure would reach a spread over the entire business community."

While the Liberal party has criticized and knocked the Bennett Government, it has not put forth or offered one constructive measure worthy of consideration. "As a matter of fact," said Dr. Price, "their policy is one of obstruction, coupled with a cry of depression. The only ground on which they hope to attain power; outside of this, is that they have nothing to offer and today, by obstructing legislation, they are keeping from little homes dollars with which they would buy food and clothing.

"There are 15,000 disabled cars the property of the C.N.R., 5,000 of which could be conditioned and placed in first class order and I have worked energetically to have Moncton shops given a fair proportion of this work," Dr. Price said. "We had hoped," he stated, "to 'pep up' and revive our shop activities before the Easter holidays through a vote providing money to carry out the greatest work scheme in Canadian history, but it has been blocked by the Liberal party at the instigation of Mr. Mackenzie King and his advisors."

N. B. NOT REPRESENTED

OTTAWA, April 25—Seven provincial ministers of public health will confer here tomorrow with Hon. D. M. Sutherland, Dominion minister of national health, on matters relating to health conditions in Canada generally. New Brunswick and Quebec are not expected to be represented. All other provinces will have their ministers here.

TEACHER OF CHARM FINDS SMALL NUMBER POSSESS IT

Only Seven in Hollywood Qualify and Claudette Colbert Stands at Head of Class

HOLLYWOOD, April 25—From one expert's point of view, there are not ten actresses in Hollywood who have either grace or charm, or both. Mlle. Zecel Silvonia is able to name only seven. They were Claudette Colbert, Irene Dunne, Jeanette McDonald, Myrna Loy, Elisa Landi, Gertrude Michael and Dolores Del Rio.

Mlle. Silvonia, originally a dancer, later a stage actress, now is employed by a major film studio to head its "charm school." That is, she teaches that studio's younger actors and actresses how to walk, sit, and stand, what to do with their hands.

All these things, done gracefully, she says, add up to that indefinable total known as "charm."

And she says very few stars have that charm.

Judging all the players—merely from the standpoint of physical ease, mobility and correctness—Mlle. Silvonia rated the seven she consider to have charm, and said this of some who haven't:

"Greta Garbo—Angular, awkward,

physically ill-at-ease in her movements.

"Mae West—Jerky, and badly coordinated. Although I believe Miss West does much of this on purpose. It's part of her characterization.

"Norma Shearer—Graceful, but with an artificial grace, an acquired ease.

"Joan Crawford—Her gracefulness is acquired and overdone. She was much more charming a few years ago when she had just acquired it.

"Evelyn Venable—She has a very awkward walk, jerky and uneven.

"Jean Harlow—Walks poorly, is clumsy in many of her movements."

Mlle. Silvonia said she believed the most charming, from this physical standpoint of all actresses, was Corinne Griffith. "She had a natural beauty of movement that made every part of her—hands, arms, legs, and shoulders—seem beautiful."

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