



QUOTH THE MAVEN

BY BEVERLY KING POLLOCK

"Meices" and Advices

My neighbor had a bunch of us mothers over for lunch to honor my daughter. The one who's getting married next month.

It was a lovely party. With pink tablecloths and napkins with big flowers and jello molds and salmon aspic and desserts which even to look at make you gain seven pounds.

It was a kind of emotional party too. Because my daughter is the first one on our street to get married. And all the neighbors still remember her with the braces, with the long hair, the short hair, the measles, the confirmation speech and the first prom gown.

Since my kallah-moid daughter was the only person at the party under 30, naturally everyone felt duty bound to give her at least one piece of sage advice on how to make a marriage successful.

Like: "Never go to bed mad." (This bit was pooh-poohed by a crystal anniversary bride who said, "If I stayed up till I wasn't mad anymore, I'd never get any sleep!")

Also: "What seems a life and death argument at the moment, you won't even remember 10 years from now." (But a china anniversary bride said, "Not me. I never forget. I write everything down. In case I should need adequate grounds!")

And: "The smartest one gives in first." (So when you concede an argument you say, "See, I'm the smartest!")

Chances are the best advice came from a grandmother. "Sometimes a bride must be a little deaf, a little dumb and a little blind."

The hostess gave my daughter a beautiful sewing basket and the mothers brought thread or needles or buttons or stuff. Funny how only a new bride ever gets such gorgeous practical things. The hostess' mother said she didn't get a sewing box like that until her 50th anniversary.

Personally I use a large round tin can that someone once gave me as a present filled with cookies when my daughter was born. I asked around to see if any of my neighbors had a bona fide sewing kit. And of all the people there, only one had a genuine sewing box. And that's because her husband does the mending in the family and he's particular about his equipment!

The hostess also presented a tool kit for the Hazzan even though he wasn't there. And the guests brought nails, screw drivers, pliers, hammers and all. Marvelous idea!

I could tell none of the other guests' husbands had such a fine tool kit either. Confidentially in our house there are tools in the kitchen and tools in the basement, but mostly we have them where the last person left 'em.

All the gifts came in beautiful packages and ribbons and my daughter embarrassed me by asking could she be the one to keep the bows and now the whole world knows I re-use ribbons and wrapping paper.

I'm sure my daughter enjoyed the party. For afterwards I heard her talking on the phone to "You-know-who" and she said what a nice afternoon she spent with some "cute little old ladies."

All my life I worked hard and tried to do good deeds and asked no reward. So what happens? My daughter calls me a cute little old lady.

Movie Time

BY MIKE TELL

"Sometimes a Great Notion"

This week Art Bailey of Cinerama invited me to "Sometimes a Great Notion," starring Paul Newman. This movie, in my opinion, is rated excellent. It is fast moving, the acting is superb and if a Paul Newman movie ever deserves an academy award, this flick definitely should.

The scene opens with union lumbermen in Oregon fighting a family known as the Stampers, who work even though the entire town is on strike. Paul Newman plays Hank Stamper, with Lee Remick as his wife. Henry Fonda is the father of the Stampers and Michael Sarrazin and Michael Sarrazin fight to push the logs down the river. The town folk are out to stop them.

Leeland returns to the family after being away since he was a little boy. He is a grown man with long hair, who becomes the target for ridicule. Leeland asks why no one came to his mother's funeral. Hank explains

he slept with his own mother because she had seduced him when he was fourteen. The father observes that Leeland with his long hair now resembles Rita Hayworth. Leeland settles down as a lumberman like his dad and brothers.

Leeland cuts a log wrong and the Stampers family starts to fall apart. One brother is killed in unusual circumstances and the father dies laughing with one arm amputated. The wife takes off and the only two left are Hank and Leeland. The town folk are happy that the Stampers of Oregon are disintegrating.

Newman and Sarrazin fight to push the logs down the river. The town folk are out to stop them.

One thing is sure, the father's arm, even though it is amputated, lives right till the end of the picture.

See this movie. You'll love the carefreeness of the Stampers and especially Paul Newman.

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Speaking for Joe Fan

By A. SPECTATOR

Since the REBELS have two weeks off we have decided to rest our case for the time being and give our avid readers some other tidbits from the wide wide world of sports, if you'll pardon the cliché.

We're sure you've all heard by now that the Pizza Hut sponsored All-American game will be coming to the Convention Center after this season. This game is open to graduating seniors and proceeds will go to the families of the men killed in the tragic airline crashes of the Marshall and Wichita State University football teams.

The cause is certainly a worthwhile one, and we know local fans will support this tremendous game. An added incentive for seeing this ballgame may be the addition of UNLV guard BOOKER WASHINGTON to the squad. We hope the hot-shooting guard attracts the eye of one of the many pro scouts who will be catching this game.

Many of the Pro Bowl stars were invited to the Dunes Hotel last week by genial host Abe Schiller. They looked rather tame, but flashy, and it seemed as though the wives and girlfriends had their beasts pretty well in tow. Winner of the "loudest dresser AWARD had to be the Detroit Lion's CHARLIE SANDERS in his orange jump suit. The fine flanker looked like a giant until CLAUDE HUMPHREYS ambled by, ripping up tree trunks on the way and using them for toothpicks. Fierce linebacker TED "Mad Stork" HENDRICKS seemed to be having a ball on the crap tables. Perhaps SID WYMAN was letting him win so he wouldn't turn the tables over! At any rate, the Dunes was a haven for hero-worshippers and it's really too bad that an impromptu clinic could not have been arranged for local kids since all that great talent was in town. But maybe the big boys needed a little rest after the grueling season and deserved the break from fans and press.

Sahara P.R. chief JOHN ROMERO informs us that the LAS VEGAS TRACK CLUB sponsored marathon will attract possibly the largest field in the history of the run. So, next Saturday morning, if you see a crowd of guys running down the street in their underwear, holler a little encouragement. Remember, it could be you out there!

As we set out to type this column, LONG BEACH is taking the floor as a three point favorite against the PACIFIC TIGERS. The 49'ERS had a tough time beating generally weak SAN JOSE STATE the night before at San Jose and we believe the toll of travelling plus the disadvantage of playing at Pacific's snake pit will be enough to allow the Tigers to beat the spot. SEATTLE unfortunately was unable to upgrade the WCAC as they lost to the tough WASHINGTON HUSKIES on a Saturday TV game. The Rebs travel to Seattle Thursday and we now rate them as a 6 point underdog. If the Rebs can control the tempo of the run and gun Chieftans and do some more of the same themselves, they could pull off an upset in this "must" conference game. The Rebs should then have no trouble handling ST. MARY'S at Moraga.

DAVE PEARL heads a list of local AAU and boxing officials who are travelling to Russia with our Olympic hopefuls in a showdown with the Russian champs. Our team is 0-3 in the previous team battles, two of which were held here at CAESAR'S PALACE. Year after year, the toll of professional boxing takes our fine amateur prospects while the Russian "amateurs" keep putting up their 30 year old fists and experience against our constant turnover of young athletes. Good luck to Dave and the team in Russia.

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