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THE FRUSTRATIONS OF
BIG CITY BACHELOR GIRLS

Revealed by Best-Selling Author
Rona Jaffe in Coronet

NEW YORK, N.Y. - The unmarried girl living alone in the large city has five major problems: Men, Monotony, Money, Morals, and Marriage.

These are the words of Rona Jaffe, author of the best-selling novel, "The Best of Everything," writing in the new issue of Coronet Magazine.

Some of these problems have been with her a long time, but today she has them in a unique and different way--typical of the day in which we are living.

The bachelor girl, writes Miss Jaffe, is constantly in conflict with a society which forces her to work like a man, think like a man, compete like a man, live like a man--and pay for her indiscretions as only a woman can.

Fifty years ago the unmarried woman had two choices: she could resign herself to being an "old maid," or she could make a marriage of convenience with some acceptable man.

Not today! Today she goes to the big cities and looks for new experiences, for "glamour jobs" in publishing, TV, the theatre, advertising agencies and large corporations. And she pays the price!

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She meets men, attractive men, charming men, neurotic and knowing men, bachelors who have good jobs, good looks, good conversation, good bachelor apartments; in short, everything but good intentions.

There's morals or monotony in this catch-if-catch-can world, states Miss Jaffe in Coronet, but no marriage.

Big city men don't want to get married; they're having too good a time. The ideal situation, for many girls, would be to work for a year or two after graduation from secretarial school or college, and during that time meet the man they later marry. Thus they would have the benefits of working experience, the confidence and the maturity it brings, plus a happy ending before their maturity turns into cynicism.

But, unfortunately, it doesn't work that way.

What's a girl to do?

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THE SHOCKING
"MAIL-ORDER-BABY" SCANDAL

NEW YORK, N. Y. — A legal loophole in US immigration laws has paved the way for a shocking "Mail-Order-Baby" adoption situation.

Because of a special law passed in September 1957 to fill the gap of the Refugee Relief Act, couples are able to adopt foreign children by using a third party as an intermediary. In essence, points out a feature article in the new issue of Coronet Magazine, this means of proxy adoption is nothing more than ordering babies through the mail.

It is estimated that over 15,000 children have been adopted into American homes in this manner, states the feature, and unfortunately, too often such adoptions are either total failures or only partial successes. Practically every state and welfare agency has come out against the "proxy" adoption because it reverses the sound practice of finding a home for the child—rather than finding a child for the home.

Facts indicate that the parents-to-be in mail order adoptions know little more than the child's age and sex—and oft-times they are not interested in additional background. Although the article points out that the intermediaries in the mail-order adoption cases are well meaning missionaries or church groups, their hurry to take short cuts very often risks the happiness, and even the lives

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of the children concerned.

People interested in adopting — sight unseen — usually are unable to adopt a child using proper procedures. For one reason or another, their background — both financial and domestic — may be lacking the security and love for which most adoption agencies search. They may be tabbed as poor risks, unfit for parenthood.

Coronet reveals that in a study completed recently by the Child Welfare League of America, prominent sociologists found that out of 97 random proxy adoptions almost one out of three — did not succeed. The researchers found a grim trail of mistreatments, beatings and emotional strains.

Fortunately, this "proxy adoption law" is scheduled to expire in June, and Welfare agencies are urging Congress to prohibit adoption abroad except where prospective parents are actually present in the country.

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STEPS TO WIPE OUT
HATE PUBLISHERS REVEALED

NEW YORK, N. Y. — Hate literature, the poison propaganda distributed by hate mongers and bigots is a growing problem in the United States.

It is a problem that can only be solved by the American public, states the feature "How to Fight Hate Merchants," appearing in the new issue of Coronet Magazine. Hate publishers have one thing in common: they take advantage of any community controversy to inject their poisons, the feature points out. For example, the anti-semitic hoping to tie in with the South's racial crisis floods southern cities with posters and pamphlets depicting a lynching and carrying a message of "death to the Jewish traitors."

This type of hate literature circulates widely in the United States, and authorities put the number of regularly published "poison" at about 30 or 40; hundreds of one-shot handbills, booklets, letters, posters — all hiding under the fake cloak of Americanism and Christianity.

Because legal means of dealing with hate literature are limited, despite current pressures for new legislation, the only likely cure is citizen action, states the Coronet article that points out how hate merchants can be unmasked and defeated. There are several trends of thought on abolishing hate papers, however, no single plan can deal with every incident of hate distribution. Among

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the steps that are generally applicable for community anti-hate literature programs are:

Include in Police Training. Give local forces the information they need to spot hate merchants when they come to town.

In exposing hate literature, concentrate on the sordid background and record of the author. Utilize previous denunciations by respected organizations.

Save all evidence of hate literature and make it available to FBI, postal authorities and community relations groups.

Above all, the article asserts, give the true facts to the American public. Given the facts at the proper time, Americans will reject the peddlers of today's hate literature as they have done in the past.

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AN OLD, BOLD QUESTION ASKED—
ARE MEN AND WOMEN DIFFERENT?

NEW YORK, N. Y. — Although most people have already discovered that men and women are different, the realization of just how different they are is apt to be startling.

Hardly ones to leave well enough alone, psychiatrists today, according to an article in the new issue of Coronet Magazine, are more busy than ever, experimenting and researching, trying to uncover once and for all the real difference between sexes.

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They've discovered, among other things, says Coronet, that when it comes to desires, attitudes, goals, and values in life, men and women walk distinctly different paths, and they walk alone. There remains, consequently, an amazing lack of understanding between sexes, which in itself is one of the prime causes of our present soaring divorce rate.

A recent survey showed that only one man in 20 and one woman in 12 could state with any precision just what the important mental and emotional differences between men and women are. Yet all of those questioned had been married for at least five years.

Today, changes in the sexual, social and economic roles of women have wiped out many guideposts to what was once considered basically masculine and feminine. And many scientists have added to the confusion. One psychological survey, for example, indicates that women are more emotional than men. Another survey, however, shows that the male suicide rate is over three times higher than the female—and it takes plenty of emotion to make an attempt on one's own life.

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One study indicates that men are the intellectual achievers, women the appreciative audience. But a survey of IQs throughout the nation illustrates conclusively that female and male adult IQs are just about equal.

A man's chief pride in life is in the work at which he makes his living. His home, his wife and his children are important to him, but scientists now find that far less of his ego is invested in them than in his work.

Woman is not primarily concerned with success in the outside world. Her ego is based on performance as a wife and mother.

The roster goes on and on, but the differences between sexes can be resolved, says the Coronet article. Differences should be regarded as complementary, not antagonistic. If men and women can be made to view their differences in this light, respect and cooperation can supplant friction, hostility and boredom.

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YOUNG GIRLS WARNED
TO AVOID OLDER MEN

NEW YORK, N.Y. — Many a mother has warned her daughter to "watch out" for older men, but now best-selling author Rona Jaffe brings this sensitive problem out into the open.

Writing in the new issue of Coronet Magazine, Miss Jaffe, author of "The Best of Everything," says that anyone who works in a large office knows an attractive, young, single girl who goes out with a man old enough to be her father. This is not just a single case, for it is significant of many working girls all over the country whose search for a phantom father has suddenly become a shocking problem.

Too many girls, says Miss Jaffe, are messing up their young lives.

The older man whom the girl in her 20's goes out with is almost always married; not because she prefers married men but because most men are married by the time they reach their 30's and she is definitely looking for an older man.

The romantic older man is different from the husbands of their young friends, many girls feel, different from the eligible young bachelors they know, and different from their own fathers. Over and over, as they talk about the romantic middle-aged man, the same pattern emerges: he is considerate and forgiving, he will not desert them. He is a "real man."

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The unfortunate thing is that at least 90 percent of the young girls in their 20s who are in love with middle-aged men never will marry these men because these men will never leave their wives.

Most single girls want to be a wife and mother, not just an adjunct to a typewriter, and the older married man cannot offer any future. Only the most ridiculous, mustache-twirling villain even pretends to. He cannot even always comfort her with his presence; he cannot be with her on Christmas and New Year's and all the other family times when loneliness can be most acute.

Why then, asks Miss Jaffe, should so many young, intelligent, attractive girls give up years of their lives to wait for a few hours with an aging, often unavailable man?

It doesn't make sense.

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HAVING MONEY PROBLEMS?
SEE YOUR PSYCHIATRIST!

NEW YORK, N.Y.—If you're having problems with money—and who isn't these days?—don't go to the bank. See your psychiatrist!

According to an article in the new issue of Coronet Magazine, money is not only the root of all evil, but it's the root of emotional difficulties as well. And if you have trouble managing that green stuff, it's nobody's fault but your own.

Writing "Why You Worry About Money," noted author-psychiatrist Smiley Blanton says that some people regard money as a medium of exchange while others consider it a symbol of something else.

To some people, money becomes a symbol of power: they use it to bend other people to their will. To still others, it represents sexuality: they hate to part with it because they fear, quite unconsciously, that their sexual or creative powers may be diminished.

To some love-starved people, says Dr. Blanton, money becomes equated with affection; if they ask for a raise and fail to get it they are in despair because they feel nobody loves them. Some guilty souls try to throw money away because their conscience tells them that they do not deserve to have it.

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The ideal time to examine yourself for traces of such hidden motivation is at the beginning of the adult years when you still retain the flexibility that makes change relatively easy. Where money attitudes are concerned, this is doubly important, because a warped perspective affects not only you but those around you.

There is something both pathetic and exasperating about people who refuse to live up to anything that approaches their means, says the Coronet article. They are really fugitives from living, victims of the unconscious and irrational fear that the expenditure of money will somehow make them smaller, rob them of virility, shorten their life-span.

We can all try to eliminate false values from our lives, we can strive for self-knowledge that makes such improvements. We can stop at any time and look steadily at ourselves, and if we do not like what we see we can resolve to change it. The change may not come overnight. But the wish to change is the first and by far the longest step.

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TENSIONS HELPFUL
WHEN PUT TO WORK

NEW YORK, N.Y.—Normal tension has a direct tie-up with personal success in the world of business, professional life, and in the arts, reports an article in the new issue of Coronet Magazine.

Contrary to popular belief, it's far from harmful; tension actually helps power the human machine for top working efficiency.

A recent survey of 900 executives made by the John A. Patton Company, Inc., a management-engineering concern, found that the most successful American businessman had little or no fear or avoidance of their normal tensions.

The men in the survey who had "failed" or remained static for years, says the Coronet article, were frightened of the tensions caused by challenges and new horizons.

Many successful people actually build up their tensions consciously when faced with a new task. Lynn Fontanne, the actress, before any major performance, forces herself into a tensed-up state by pacing the floor, wringing her hands and drinking coffee.

Architect Frank Lloyd Wright used to work himself up into a semi-dither when beginning a new design, by imagining the scorn of his critics.

An ironic situation is the fact that the type of tension many people worry about isn't physically or psychologically harmful. Experts call it "normal tension" and describe it as one of mankind's greatest blessings.

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And yet, says Coronet, for many people the word "tension" alone is enough to conjure up nightmares of heart attack, ulcers or mental collapse. At the slightest sign of "tightening up" they call a physician or reach for the ever-ready bottle of tranquilizers. Last year, over \$200,000,000 was spent on these drugs in a nationwide stampede to side-step tension.

Personal happiness, as well as success, is often founded on the ability not only to accept normal tension but to enjoy it, according to many experts. Dr. Hans Selye, the world's leading authority on the effects of stress, calls normal tension "the spice of life." And a recent survey showed a high correlations between "the fear of tension and boredom, ennui and despair."

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