

As We Live

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Ideally, every family should be bound together by strong ties of love and loyalty. No matter how widely scattered the family members are, there should be an emotional tie that holds them together as the years pass and each member goes his own way through life.

For too often, this ideal is never realized. Frictions and resentments grow up and these weaken or sever the ties that would otherwise have bound the members of the family together in a unit. As they grow up, the members of the family drift apart not only in distance but also in their feelings about one another.

Bad Situation
Sometimes the situation is so bad that some members are not on speaking terms, or line up in camps against each other, waging verbal battles and doing everything they can to spite one another.

This is always unfortunate because, in the long run, "blood is thicker than water." While your friends may be fair weather friends, they often desert you when the going gets rough. Then is when the family should be ready to stand by and help in the emergency.

Furthermore, because we are a nation of families, most of our holidays and other special occasions are family days. These are the times when having a family to be with and do things with, adds to the enjoyment of the occasion, if it does not actually make the occasion. People who are at swords' points with their families miss out on these happy times.

Family frictions are unnecessary and senseless. It is silly and childish to be jealous of those in the family who have been successful and gotten ahead. You should be proud of them and your ties with them. It is equally silly and childish to have feelings hurt and dignities impaired by remarks made in fun or by unintentional forgettings of some birthday or anniversary.

If members of a family would work as hard to be pleasant, agreeable, courteous, kind, and considerate to the members of their family as they are to outsiders, these frictions would not arise. Then they would be the big, happy family each member could be proud to be identified with.

LETTERS FROM READERS

Cutting Remarks: "Do some people try to hurt others by their cutting remarks, or is it just a matter of tactlessness on their part?"—T.C.

(A) When people make cutting remarks, they usually do not realize how sharp-edged these remarks are until they hear themselves saying them and see how others react. There are, of course, some people who intentionally try to hurt others by sarcasm and by attempts to belittle them. You can usually tell, from their facial expressions, whether they mean to hurt others by what they say or if they are merely tactless.

Preoccupations: "Lately my husband just sits and looks into space when he comes home from work. He seems to be thousands of miles away and often doesn't seem to hear what the children or I say to him. Do you think this means he is thinking of some other woman?"—L.W.

(A) It is, of course, possible that your husband's preoccupation is concerned with another woman. If I were you, I would not jump to this conclusion without more evidence than you now have. He may be tired or he may be worried about his work, or some of the people he works with, or he may come home tired and depressed because he feels he is not getting ahead as fast as he should. Why not ask him what he has on his mind and perhaps he will tell you. Then you can help him clear up the things that are disturbing him.

Too Conscientious: "Is it possible to be too conscientious? My 16-year-old daughter is so conscientious about everything that it worries me."—E.W.G.

(A) It certainly is possible to be too conscientious and it is too bad when a person becomes so because it leads to feelings of inadequacy and unhappiness. Try to help your daughter develop a better sense of values so she will not take everything so seriously in the future.

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Hemorrhage, Not Bite, Fatal To Housewife

Honolulu — (U.P.) — Doctors said Saturday that Mrs. Ethel Tanabe, 42-year-old Honolulu housewife, died of cerebral hemorrhage—not as the result of a poisonous spider bite.

Mrs. Tanabe died at Kuakini hospital Friday, five days after she was bitten by a rare chironomid spider. She had red South Seas spider. She had been confined to an iron lung.

However, pathologists at the hospital said pressure building up in the woman's skull caused the inability to breathe. They said the spider bite and the stroke were "coincidental and completely unrelated."

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Washington — (U.P.) — When the boss man of the Department of Labor faces his hired hands he rocks along on an even keel. He knows where of he speaks. Secretary of Labor James P. Mitchell came up from the ranks himself.

The six-foot, 200-pounder once was described by a reporter as "big, blunt and Irish." He sure is.

A one-time truck driver who picked up all of \$15 a week as an errand boy before that, also knows a little about the business end. He ran a couple of stores up in New Jersey, where he lost his shirt, and also his britches.

Questions Submitted
The big guy with the wiry tangle of white hair likes to meet the good folks in the Labor Department. The other day he opened the door for a question and answer session.

The invitation he sent to all the help was a come-all deal. And most everybody did. There on the floor and in the

Washington Senate Sergeant-at-Arms Dies

Salem — (U.P.) — Joe Mehan, 65, long-time sergeant-at-arms at the Washington state Senate, died at a hospital here Thursday night.

He had been ill about six months with a liver ailment that brought about his death.

For the past three years, Mehan had run the variety department of a supermarket south of here. His last service as sergeant-at-arms of the Washington Senate was during the 1951 session.

colds, wouldn't it be a good idea to have a monthly flooding of all offices with a violet ray machine? This would kill many germs that now plague us."

Mitchell put on his Irish grin and said he thought that one, picked out of the barrel at random, was a little over his head.

But he said he, too, was concerned about the rash of bugs running around the building giving folks the sniffles and he sure as thunder would have somebody look into the matter. Such little folksy sessions are popular with the people who work at Labor. Most of the time during working hours, unless another wheel is around and locked in for an important meeting, Jim Mitchell's gate is wide open to the help.

Southerners Rally To Defend Confederates

Atlanta — (U.P.) — Southerners rallied to defend the three surviving Confederate veterans Saturday from the "insult" of getting Yankee money to pay their medical bills.

Officials of the United Daughters of the Confederacy declared the fading old soldiers can get along without the pension proposals being considered by a House judiciary subcommittee, thank you!

Southern congressmen introduced the proposals because congress last year voted to pay the medical expenses of the last surviving veteran of the Union army, Albert Woolson, of Duluth, Minn.

Sen. Strom Thurmond (D-SC) warned Friday that if the old vets' home states do not provide for their medical care they "canot complain of the invasion" of their rights by the federal government.

Thurmond had solid backing from the UDC in South Carolina and Texas, and if Florida's spy, 108-year-old William A. (Uncle Bill) Lundy needs medical aid he would be last to admit it.

Lundy, of Laurel Hill, Fla., gets a state pension, as do 113-year-old Walter E. Williams of Franklin, Tex., and John Salting, 108, of Slant, Va.

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MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE—THREE

COPCO Road Open to Upper North Umpqua

Roseburg — A 15 to 20-mile long California Oregon Power company road to installations on the upper North Umpqua river will be completely accessible from Roseburg this week-end, according to company officials.

Oregonian Sentenced On Extortion Attempt

Sacramento, Calif. — (U.P.) — William Ellis, an unemployed laborer from Hillsboro, Ore., has been sentenced to one to five years in state prison for a \$100,000 extortion attempt.

Ellis had pleaded guilty to attempting to solve his chronic unemployment problem by extortion money from wealthy Sacramento lumberman George Steiner. Ellis admitted he threatened the lives of Steiner and his wife.

Probation Officer John Shellenbarger rejected Ellis' plea for leniency on grounds the circumstances of the case were too serious to warrant probation. Ellis was arrested Jan. 10 after he picked up a handbag purportedly containing the extortion money from a bus station locker. He also had admitted helping plan a similar extortion attempt against a Portland bank official.

Roseburg. At the Morrison-Knudsen construction camp below Toketee a five-ton load limit was placed on a forest service bridge after the December storms. Copco crews will finish repair of a temporary bridge near Soda Springs Friday or Saturday, officials reported.

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