

The Family Council

Editor's note: The Family Council consists of a judge, a psychiatrist, three clergymen, a newspaper editor, a women's editor and two writers. Each article is a summary of an actual report. The Family Council does not give advice; it merely reports on problems that have been dealt with by responsible agencies and counselors.

J.R.—My wife won't accept our daughter's limitations.
Mrs. J.R.—She has never shown what she can do.

J.R.—We have a 14-year-old daughter who is not very bright in school. She has had tests which show she has average intelligence but is on the slow side. She has had reading problems in the past but has managed to overcome them.

Laura's teachers have recommended that she go to a commercial high school where she can learn business skills. But my wife refuses to accept her limitations and wants her to go to a regular high school and then to college. My wife's sisters' children are all very bright in school and I think she can't stand having Laura amount to less in life. She is trying to push the girl beyond her abilities and it is heartbreaking to see her struggle. My wife has talked down commercial school so much that now Laura doesn't want to go either.

Mrs. J.R.—Both my husband and the teachers were too ready to accept Laura's "limitations" from the start. She was not well as a young child and had to stay out of school a lot. As a result, she began to have reading problems and this made her so unhappy in school she could not learn very well.

I know Laura better than her father and teachers do and I know she is capable of more than she has ever shown. She is really bright, but has been too frightened and unhappy in school to show what she can do on the I.Q. tests. It's true it hurts me to see Laura amount to less than her cousins, but I

would be willing to accept it if I felt there was a real reason for it.

The Council—Both husband and wife go wrong in assuming Laura must "amount to less in life" if she goes to a commercial high school. They both take this for granted. J.R. is willing to accept it and his wife will not. They are making their lives and Laura's difficult and unhappy by this false and foolish attitude. If Mrs. J.R. is right, and she may very well be so, that Laura is "capable of much more than she has ever shown," commercial high school will not hold her back. She is much more likely to be held back by the perpetuation of the old school situation that made her so unhappy. Her teachers are probably good judges of which school would be best for Laura.

In reaction to what he sees as his wife's "pushing" of Laura, J.R. may be too accepting of his daughter's dullness. School may indicate an individual's capabilities, but it certainly does not give the final word on his potentialities.

There are great opportunities in the commercial world today for young women with business skills. These parents should learn more about these opportunities and discuss them enthusiastically with Laura. There is certainly no stigma on a career in the commercial world. When Laura sees she can master some skills and not always trail at the end of her class, she'll be able to rise to her fullest potentialities.

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American Legion Post Donates Library Books

American Legion Post No. 129 has presented the Medford Public Library with five books in memory of departed members.

Memorial titles, selected to coincide with the special interests of the men to whom they are dedicated, include: "The American Legion Reader," for J. Risley; "Salt Water Fishing," for S. Bon Cordier; "Deliver Us From Evil," for T. Daily; "Spirit of Adventure," for H. Fausett; and "Community Building," for Diamond Flynn. "A Business of Your Own," has been donated and ordered for Everett C. Ferguson, but has not yet been received from the publishers.

Although 31 volumes were received during September from friends of the library, the donors of these preferred to remain anonymous. Ten volumes were donated by the Oregon State library.

Use Mail Tribune Want Ads

Medford Law Firm Takes New Associate

James A. Redden is now associated with the law firm Robert, Kellington and Branchfield, U.S. National Bank building, in Medford, the firm has announced.

Redden, a graduate of Boston University and Boston College Law school, is a member of the bar association in Massachusetts and Oregon. Prior to moving here he was in practice in Portland for a year.

Mrs. Redden and their two children moved here the first of the month.

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Quotes From the News

By UNITED PRESS

New York—New York Yankees righthander Don Larsen after pitching a perfect no-hit, no-run game against the Brooklyn Dodgers in the World Series:

"Mom always tells me to be careful about how I pitch to Ted Williams. Ted... wasn't out there... but... in that ninth inning every one of those Dodger batters I faced looked like Williams to me."

Chicago—Cashier Ralph Schillitz, testifying before a Senate committee on the Hodge embezzlement scandal, about strange banking transactions that took place at his bank:

"In the banking business, you do what your superior tells you or you get your coat and hat and walk out the door."

Pittsburgh—Charles Carey, manager of the Penn-Sheraton hotel, on the possibility of a chance meeting between President Eisenhower and former President Truman, both of whom will be at his hotel at the same time:

"Wouldn't that be something if they met face to face in the hotel?"

Arnold Pair after making the decision to let doctors remove the only eye of his 5-year-old son, Johnny, because of cancer:

"I've cried myself to sleep almost every night since I decided."

New York—Mrs. Dorothy Vredenburg, a widow and secretary of the Democratic National committee, denying rumors of a romance with Adlai Stevenson:

"My interest in Mr. Stevenson's success is purely political."

A Nichol's Worth of ...

Comment On This and That

By HARMAN W. NICHOLS
United Press Feature Writer

Washington—(U.P.)—A man can't walk into either the Republican or Democratic headquarters and come out without wearing a "citation." The campaign buttons are for free in buckets and cans. A portly gentleman was seen walking out of GOP's main house wearing five "I like Ike" buttons on each shoulder. Looked like a civilian five-star general.

Very little work was done in Washington during the World Series. There were a lot of ailing grandmothers and government workers were using up their "leave" with silly abandon. One little counter girl at one of the government cafeterias happened to let a saucer bounce off her toe. Along about game time, she cried in pain and fled — to the nearest TV set. Rain kept her on the job the next day. But the day after that, another saucer hit the same toe. Also around game time.

The Navy Subsistence Office has learned how to peel a potato without wasting much of the taxpayers' money. A new peeler does everything but dig the eyes from the spuds. For that, you have to use a knife. And the potatoes aren't pared down to the size of peanuts any more.

The United Givers, which puts all of our giving into a single parcel, had a little luncheon. The sponsors asked Goldie Ahearn to march to the platform. A fast marcher, the fight promoter did.

He fell to talking about when he was a boxfighter and came upon an opponent named "Mike Murphy." That was in London. "We went around and around," Goldie said. "I was fighting under the name of 'Tony O'Hearn.' And I was gloomier dig the bum, until the eighth, 'Mike' sez, 'Take it easy, Tony—weez both Jewish.'"

The Army reports that it has word from Army Specialist 3rd Class John T. Piper, Portland, Ore., that the soldier believes in the samaritan business. The 11th Airborne Division paratrooper, stationed in Germany, has two for-instances. He bailed out, and landed on rough sod and his bilowed chute was lugging him toward a main express highway. A German lady did a flying tackle to save him. The lady disappeared, but when he inspected himself he found his hip pocket had been ripped off in the leaping. That held his entire estate—his wallet. A couple of days later, Piper got a note from another German lady. She had found the soldier's wallet, marks and identification inside.

The soldier kept his credentials, but sent what marks were in it, along with the hip pocket, back to the German lady for a souvenir.

St. Paul Postmaster Faces Embezzlement
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Around Hollywood

By ALINE MOSBY
United Press Correspondent

Hollywood—(U.P.)—Hollywood has a new Hungarian beauty that surprised the town by not murdering the English language or being a curvaceous blonde.



Eva Bartok is the first actress from Budapest to find stardom on the American screen since Zsa Zsa Gabor. In Hollywood, Eva also found people expecting her to murder the English language like Hungarian director Michael Curtiz or throw around some "dahlinks" like Zsa Zsa.

Quiet Hungarian
But Eva (pronounced Ava) has soft brown hair, big brown eyes, a figure more like Grace Kelly and a face more like Garbo.

She's the star of 20 pictures made in Europe, and MGM imported her to co-star with Dean Martin in "10,000 Bedrooms." "On the set they say I'm the first quiet Hungarian they've met," smiled Eva, who is tall and trim.

"The Hungarians who have been in show business—well, Gabriel Pascal, God rest his soul, nobody could speak such bad English. I think many Hungarians in show business encourage the legend about themselves."

"Actually every country has different types. You can't make generalizations."

"When I went to England, people thought Hungarians were gloomy. Others get the impression of Hungarians from operettas. Don't people remember that Prof. St. George of Hungary won the Nobel Prize for Vitamin C? We have so much ballet and fine opera in Hungary, and our composer Bartok (no relation). We have less gypsy music than in Spain."

Unfortunately, she says, the average American chuckles at those jokes about "this Hungarian would not only sell his mother, he'd deliver her."

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