

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.

Mrs. J. R. — Our daughter should move to the city.
Mr. J. R. — It's dangerous.

Mrs. J. R. — My husband and I are having a serious dispute about our 18-year-old daughter, Eileen.

Most of Eileen's friends have gone to college, but we were unable to send her. She accepted this quietly because she knows it couldn't be helped. The trouble is that she is now very much alone in our small community. She has a job, but it is not one that puts her in touch with any young people. She spends nearly every evening alone in her room or going to the movies with me.

I feel this is very bad and I would like to see her get a job in a city about 80 miles from our home. She could live at the Y or in a home with a nice family. My husband doesn't want to see her go.

Mr. J. R. — Eileen is our only child and the house would be empty without her. Besides I think it is very dangerous to send such a young girl away from home. You read about all kinds of terrible things happening.

I have spoken to Eileen about it and she says that although she is lonely, she would hate to leave us. She is a very shy girl and I think she would be lost and bewildered in the city.

My wife is in too much of a hurry to get Eileen married off. It will do her no harm to live a quiet life here. Her friends will be coming home from school regularly and she can meet them and go to dances and parties during vacation time. In the summer she can get a job as a camp counselor and she will meet young people there.

The Council: If Eileen herself doesn't wish to live away from home at this time, she should not be urged to do so. It takes quite a bit of courage and aggressiveness for a young girl from a small community to make her way socially in the city. As an only child, Eileen may be rather overprotected and it is likely that she would retreat into a shell in the city. A girl can be just as lonely, if not more so, in the city than in a small community.

Mr. J. R., however, is being a bit too complacent about Eileen's problem. It is not a question of being in a hurry to get Eileen married off. What is in question is the possibility of her enjoying life at this time. A "quiet

life" is one thing, but being lonely is another and Eileen admits she is lonely. When Eileen's friends return from school, she will find herself even lonelier. She may be invited to their parties, but she will feel left out because she is living a different kind of life. Gradually she will grow away from those old friends.

Eileen needs help in finding a social life. She and her parents ought to investigate all the community activities to find out if there is one that particularly attracts young people. They ought to investigate the nearest religious center. Nearly all have social activities for young people. There is also probably a nearby small college or school that offers evening courses. Eileen cannot only meet people at such a place but explain her interests and gain confidence in herself.

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Officers, Directors Reelected at Bank

Officers and directors of the Rogue Valley State bank were reelected at a recent meeting of stockholders, according to officers of the bank.

W. H. Young was reelected president, and Clarence H. Young was reelected executive vice president and manager. Other officers reelected included Leonard Bradshaw, vice president; Ralph E. Pierce, cashier; and Gertrude F. McCorkle, and Ron E. Cordon, assistant cashiers.

Directors reelected were W. H. Young, Clarence H. Young, Leonard Bradshaw, Ralph E. Pierce, J. H. Stanley and Frank P. Farrell.

Clarence Young gave the annual report for stockholders, and noted a substantial growth in all departments.

GRANGE

Phoenix Grange
The Phoenix Grange will sponsor a Koffee Klatsch at the home of Melvin J. Lattie, Monday, Jan. 14, between 2:30 and 6 p.m. Co-hostesses are Mrs. Lattie and Mrs. Mark Norton. The public has been invited to attend.

Koffee Klatsches are held for the benefit of the March of Dimes. The Lattie home is located on the Hillcrest-Phoenix rd. one driveway south of Coalmine rd.

Great Decisions Program Discussed At Recent Meeting

Dr. Clifford Miller, professor of sociology at Southern Oregon college, told a group of citizens interested in the "Great Decisions . . . 1937" program that residents of the United States have a unique opportunity to make their opinions known to the government after studying unbiased and factual information.

Dr. Miller was one of two speakers at a meeting of about 50 persons interested in participating in the program, which starts its eight weeks of informal discussion Jan. 20.

He discussed the purpose of the program, and noted that fact sheets for discussion groups are prepared by foreign policy experts.

Use of Films
Dr. Curtis Ried, head of the visual aid instruction department of the general extension division, Portland, spoke of the use of films in home discussion groups and presented two motion pictures, including one on Africa, prepared by Edward R. Murrow.

Mrs. Mabel Mack of the Oregon state college extension service gave instructions concerning successful discussion groups, and William L. Smith, Central Point, leader of one of last year's groups, talked on group participation.

Mrs. Mack explained that the Great Decisions program is available to all persons interested in informal study of United States foreign policy and urged that use be made of fact sheets on eight subjects.

Fact sheets are available at the Medford public library, according to Mrs. John Ousterhout, county Great Decisions chairman.

Snider Opens Traffic Safety Drive in City

Medford Mayor John Snider has officially opened a year-long campaign in Medford to combat the rising toll of traffic accident deaths.

In issuing a statement for the Medford Safety Council designating January the start of the "back the attack on traffic accidents" drive, he noted that the "highway" toll of a record high 40,300 lives in 1936 should serve to shatter any complacency we may have had that the nation



CAPTURED in Bronxville, N. Y., Irving Potash, top Red deported in 1954, is arraigned for illegal entry, held in \$35,000 bail for deportation. (International)

Speech Conference Scheduled at SOC

Ashland—Sigma Alpha Sigma and Sigma Tau, speech honoraries at Southern Oregon college, will sponsor the eighth annual high school speech conference Jan. 25 and 26 at the college.

High school speakers will demonstrate abilities in such fields as debate, extemporaneous and impromptu speaking, radio, poetry reading and oration. Residents of the area have been invited to attend the conference.

Qualified persons to help in the speech conference as critics are needed, officials said. Persons who can act as critics are asked to contact either Dr. Dorothy Stolp or Leon Melling at Southern Oregon college.

Magazine Illustrator Is Student at SOC

Ashland — Carl Grossman, sophomore student in elementary education at Southern Oregon college, illustrated the Future Teachers of Oregon handbook for the current school year.

Published by the Oregon Education association for the F.T.A., the booklet's various sections have served as the motif for Grossman's line drawings.

The national capitol site was removed from New York to Washington, D. C. during the period of the administration of President John Adams.

has made much progress in reducing death on the highways." He called for a stepped-up program of traffic safety in the city and encouraged residents to support the Safety Council's work.



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