

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.

Tom S.—She tricked me into marriage.
Janet S.—Mother knew him all right.

Tom S.—My wife and I have been married for two years and have been bitterly miserable.

Janet and I had known one another since we were kids and dated steadily at high school. We had relations together and she told me she was pregnant. I wanted to do the decent thing and we got married. My parents didn't know the real reason for my marrying and were very much opposed. They always said Janet was no good.

Now I see how right they were. Janet had lied to me. We have a baby now, but he was born only four months ago. I can never love her because of the way she deceived me. I have been unfaithful, but Janet says she will never divorce me.

Janet S.—Tom talks about his parents posing our marriage, but what about mine? My mother told me he would walk out on me at the first chance. She knew him, all right. But I don't want to go back home now and have her say, "I told you so."

I never really lied to Tom. I just happened to be mistaken about my condition. It could happen to anyone, but Tom has always held it against me. The truth is that I was terribly frightened and so was he. Perhaps if we had told our parents they would have saved us from all this misery.

If I could meet another man I wouldn't mind getting divorced but I am tied down by the baby while Tom is able to gallivant.

The Council—Pity the poor, four-month-old baby who is being brought up by a pair of babies!

Tom and Janet seem to still see themselves as their parents' little boy and girl. They feel that they have been very, very naughty and they fear their parents' punishment, yet they would like their parents to save them.

Tom accepts his parents' verdict on his wife. He forgets the fact that his parents' words were spoken in opposition to a teenage marriage. It is quite possible that he has even distorted their words.

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SHADY COVE-TRAIL Shower Given For Woman

By EVALYN P. WATSON

Shady Cove-Trail — Miss Carole Sheppard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Sheppard of Shady Cove, will be approaching marriage to Bill Littlefield, son of Mr. and Mrs. Travis Littlefield of Shady Cove, will be an event of early May, was guest of honor at a wedding shower given for her by Mrs. Floyd Kelley at the Kelley home in Shady Cove Wednesday evening, May 9.

Games were played with high prize being won by Mrs. Ivan Hale. Refreshments were served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Pearl Adair, after the gifts had been opened. Guests were Mesdames Travis Littlefield, Earl Sheppard, Pearl Adair, O. L. Williams, John Wilson, Ray Chubb, William Ducker, D. Eggleston, Athel Dudley, Donald Harmon, Ed Houston, Ivan Hale, William Shepherd, Cecil Kee, Adolf Larson, Carl Hanson, Frank Fagade, Josephine Verdon, all of Shady Cove; Mrs. Irwin Howe of Trail and Mrs. Clarence Hedgpath of Prospect.

Those sending gifts but unable to attend were Mesdames E. S. Strother, Carroll Watson, Wendell Stalker, Ted Jantzer, Max Hawks and Harry Goode.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Burke of Medford were recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Cushman and family of Trail.

The Rev. and Mrs. Walter Hutchins and family of Fort Jones, Calif., were dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sanderson of Trail.

Mrs. Rufus Trusty of Elk Creek, Trail made a trip to Klamath Falls last week.

Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Hanan of Troutdale, Ore., visited at the home of his sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ole Hornseth of Shady Cove, over the past week end.

Rogue Elk Extension Unit held the regular monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Charles Morehead. Co-hostesses were Mrs. A. Mykleby and Mrs. Ted Shimek. Mrs. Mykleby also was project leader with a lesson being given on meat cookery. A report was given on the activities of the 4-H group by Mrs. Morris Bush and Mrs. Alma Mallory filled out a report on Safety. There were 16 members and one guest present.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Dudley of Roseburg, Ore., spent the week end visiting with Mr. Dudley's aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Athel Dudley of the Shady Cove cleaners.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Sheppard and daughter, Carole, made a trip Sunday to Glendale, Ore., where they visited with Mr. Sheppard's brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Sheppard, and his mother, Mrs. Leona Sheppard.

Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Tinnin and daughter, Rene, of Tacoma, Wash., spent the week end visiting with their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Spain and family of Shady Cove.

Logging operations are expected to get under way this week at the Trail Creek lumber company.

A number of men and their families as well as a number of single men, all employed by the Bureau of Public Roads, have moved into this area for an approximate six week's stay. Three families have trailer houses parked at the Rainbow trailer court and all of the cabins at the Shady Cove motel are rented to members of the crews and their families. Mrs. Nellie Chamberlain has a contract for the feeding of the men who do not have families here.

Eugene Eccleston, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Eccleston of Shady Cove, is undergoing six months basic training in the Army reserve at Fort Ord, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Chet Pfluke and children have moved from Santa Rosa, Calif., to Eureka, where they are living in the Lazy J trailer ranch. Mrs. Pfluke is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Segessenman of Shady Cove.

Deepest sympathy is extended to Ralph Barr and daughter, Patricia, on the death of Mrs. Jessie Barr Wednesday, April 9 at the Osteopathic hospital in Medford. Mrs. Barr had undergone surgery about three weeks previously. Funeral services were held Wednesday, April 16 at 2:30 p.m. at the Trail Community church.

The Shady Cove-Trail Lions Auxiliary held their May business meeting at the Rogue River lodge. Mrs. Delbert Spain, president, presided over the business session following the 7 p.m. dinner. Candidates for the 1958-59 officers were announced by the nominating committee. They are, president, Mrs. Earl Sheppard; vice-president, Mrs. Harry Goode; secretary, unfilled; treasurer, Mrs. Don Harper and lion-tamer, Mrs. Frank Fagade.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Vincent of Shady Cove are attending the district Rotary convention in Salem this week. They will also visit with friends and relatives while there.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Brown of Shady Cove are attending the Oregon Diocesan convention of the Episcopal church held this week in Portland as delegates from St. Martin's Episcopal church in Shady Cove. The Rev. Bruce MacHenry, Vicar of St. Martin's, is also attending.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hanson and children, of Trail, and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hanson of Shady Cove were dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Esten of Trail recently.

Mrs. Max Hawks of Shady Cove was guest of honor at a birthday card party given for her by Mrs. Floyd Kelley Friday, April 11 at her home. Bridge was played during the evening with prize for high score going to Mrs. Dolf Larson and consolation prize to Mrs. O. L. Williams. Following the serving of refreshments, a gift was presented from the group to Mrs. Hawks.

Guests were Mesdames Bob Vincent, Dolf Larson, Arley Spain, Pat Hawks, O. L. Williams, Carl Hanson, the honored guest and the hostess, Mrs. Floyd Kelley.

Mrs. Harry Goode and Mrs. Blaine Williams attended the annual City Association bowling meeting and breakfast at the Medford hotel Sunday, April 13. Trophies and money from the city tournament were presented.

Miss Barbara Logue of Ontario, Ore., spent several days visiting with her uncle and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ducker, of the Cove Valley Supply, Shady Cove. Miss Logue came over as a chaperone with a group of girls belonging to Job's Daughters from her town.

Work on the country playhouse has been progressing well with the building far enough along now that meetings can be held there.

The wiring of the building is done and the plumbing was expected to be finished soon. Mrs. Alma Ruthstrom became a new member at a recent meeting.

Mrs. Dick Bartuss of Shady Cove is ill with a chest and bronchial condition.

Mrs. Ernest Segessenman of Shady Cove spent several days last week undergoing medical treatment at Sacred Heart hospital. She returned home Saturday and although she has a very bad cold is progressing well.

Saturday, April 19, at 8 p.m., members of the Corp of Army Engineers and the Oregon Water Resources board will be at the Shady Cove School Gym under the sponsorship of the Shady Cove Grange.

The program will explain the progress made in water studies, flood control and water storage in the area by the Army Engineers and other governmental agencies. Developments in the Rogue Basin Flood Control and Water Resources Commission that have taken place since the last meeting will be explained. General discussion will be held and everyone in the area is urged to attend. Word has

Is That So?

By EUGENE BURNS

Ranger-Naturalist

Swordfish may not be the only one, but certainly they are one of the very few food fishes that have ever been responsible for increasing marine insurance rates.

The reason is that, since Roman times at least, they have been attacking and even sinking ships.

William Yarchich, of Paterson, N.J., has a picture of a swordfish sword that transfixed the five-inch wooden hull of his mine-sweeper while under Japanese fire at Balikpapan. The Japs didn't hit the vessel, but she had to go to the drydock because of the swordfish.

Some of his friends don't believe it, but the story is good enough for me.

Back in 1884, a swordfish, angered at being hooked by one of the crew of the British ship, "Dreadnaught," broke the line and then punctured the vessel's hull. The ship, three days out of Colombo, put back to port for repairs.

The owners billed the insurance company, and the firm refused to pay.

They maintained the swordfish didn't do the damage because it left no sword. Other-

wise, they would have paid.

But the London Court of Common Pleas awarded damages because counsel proved that sometimes the fish can safely extract its weapon.

The largest swordfish I have been able to find recorded is one killed by Capt. Benjamin Ashby, off Edgartown, Mass., in the mid-1800's. It weighed 639 pounds when ready for salting. Its sword was six feet long.

The vessel of Captain Ashby, who killed over 300 of the fish during his career, was attacked 20 times during one season. On one occasion, a sword came up through the bottom where a member of the crew was standing and tore through his heel, permanently injuring him.

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Brussels—The Soviet pavilion at the 1958 World's Fair is publishing a four-page weekly newspaper called The Sputnik. Printed in Russian, French, German, English and Flemish, it contains photographs, cartoons and stories by Russians.

just been received that Mr. Malcolm Carr, investigating engineer for the State Water board will also be present to speak and answer questions.

The National Honor Society of the Eagle Point High school held a meeting with an initiation of 13 new members at the high school Monday evening, April 14. Committee chairman for the event were Georgia Weidman, Suzi Shubb and Susie Palm. Speakers for the evening were Suzi Chubb and Delberta Spait of Shady Cove, Carol Scott of Trail and Margaret Cearley of Point.

HOUSE DESTROYED

Midland, Va.—Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Cunningham, who lost the roof of their home in a windstorm Jan. 30, lost the entire house Thursday in a fire. The only things saved were a sewing machine and a refrigerator.

Arizona Escapade Taken in Washington

Vancouver, Wash.—An FBI agent, police and a sheriff's deputy arrested Blaqueire one year to the day after he had escaped from a work gang at the Arizona prison where he was serving a 14-year sentence for armed robbery.

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