

Library Personnel Plan to Attend ALA Conference in SF

Jackson county will be represented at the 77th annual conference of the American Library Association in San Francisco, July 13 to 19.

One of the nation's largest professional gatherings, the ALA conference will have more than 3,500 librarians and library trustees from all parts of the country and Canada participating.

Attending from Jackson county will be Miss Florence Williams of the Southern Oregon college library, Mrs. Lois Martin of the Medford public schools libraries, Miss Helen Webster, Jackson county librarian; Mrs. Harry Fuller, Medford; Mrs. Leland Mentzer, Jackson county library trustee, and Miss Enid Holmes of the Veterans Administration Domiciliary at Camp White.

Conference Theme
The conference theme is "International Responsibilities of the ALA." Luther Evans, director general of UNESCO, will address the first general session Monday, July 14, evening; O. Meredith Wilson, president of the University of Oregon, will discuss "Libraries in Education" at the second general session Wednesday, July 16, and Quincy Howe, news analyst and historian, will be the speaker at the third general session on Thursday, July 17, when the \$15,000 ALA Liberty and Justice Book awards will be announced and presented.

ALA President Lucile M. Morsch, deputy chief assistant librarian, Library of Congress, Washington, D. C., will preside at the first general session and at the fourth general session on Friday evening when new officers will be introduced and first vice president and president-elect, Emerson Greenaway, director, Free Library, Philadelphia, Pa., will make his inaugural address. There will be more than 260 business and program meetings during the week, covering all phases of librarianship.

Mrs. Leland Mentzer will attend an all-day pre-conference workshop of the American Association of Library Trustees Sunday, July 13, at the Bellevue hotel in San Francisco, in which she will participate as recorder, and a briefing session for program participants on Saturday evening, July 12, as well.

A talk by Dr. Glenn S. Dumke, president of San Francisco State college, on "The Role of the Library in a Changing Society" will be followed by discussions and a symposium on "These Are Our Problems," "The Tools of Our Trade," and "Working Together." "The Citizen Looks at the Library" will be the subject of the banquet talk closing the workshop, by Edward S. Marcus, of Neiman-Marcus, in Dallas.

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.

Cell F—Harriet shouldn't break up her marriage.

Harriet S.—Anything would be better than this.

Cell F—My sister is about to break up a marriage of ten years and I feel she is making a big mistake, especially in view of the fact that she has four small children. I know Harriet's husband is a very hard man to get along with. He gives her a terribly small allowance every week

and makes her account for every penny. He is sometimes harsh with the children and is very stubborn in general. Nevertheless, he is a good man and sincerely devoted to his family.

If she leaves him, I know Harriet can't go around looking for another husband with four children on her hands. Her children will grow up and leave here and she'll be left alone.

Harriet S.—I've thought about all the things Cell brings up and realize how hard it's going to be, but I feel almost anything would be better than enduring what I am now going through.

I haven't had a new dress in four years. Every week there is a big battle over the allowance. My husband checks the prices of every item of food in the house. He becomes furious if I slip up on some bargain that is offered or if anything goes to waste. I don't want to bring up the children without a father in the home, but I think no father would be better for them than to have to witness these weekly scenes. The children are gradually getting to hate their father.

The Council: The life Harriet describes is indeed almost unendurable, yet she would be making a mistake to break up her marriage without a strenuous effort to change things.

For one thing, does she really believe she will be any better off financially when she has to collect an allowance from this same husband while he is supporting two households?

She will have certain legal rights. It is true, but the actual amount of money available under those rights may be much less than she supposes—and she may have her troubles collecting.

For another thing, does she believe her children will love their father more when they are deprived of whatever good they can gain from his company? Like most children in this situation they will probably feel their father has deserted them.

There must be good reason for Cell to say this man is basically good and sincerely devoted to his family. His children must in some way be aware of this devotion.

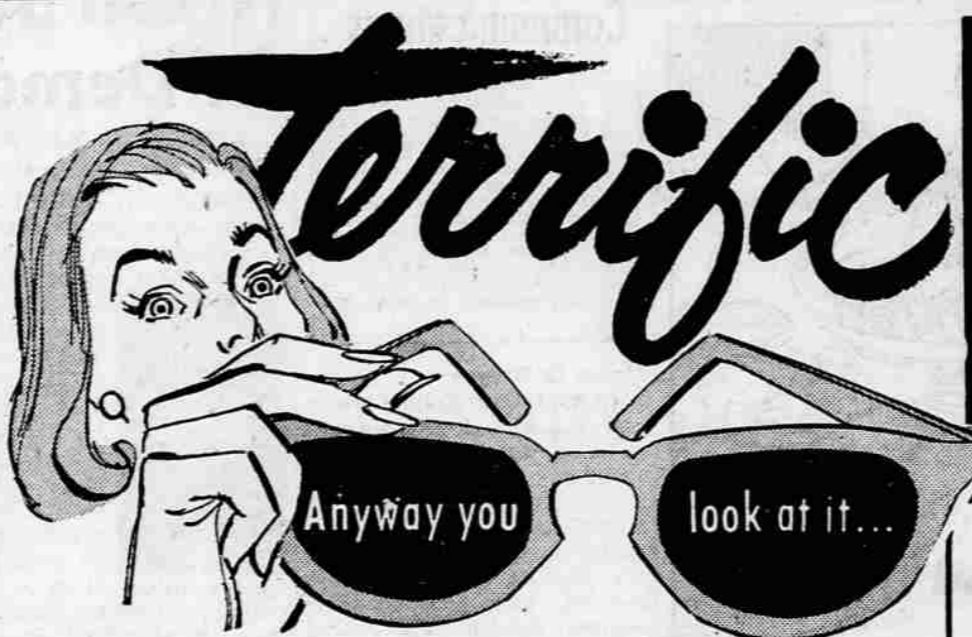
Harriet should recognize her husband's behavior is the result of some personality disturbance. She must try to make him recognize this too.

Money in itself does not cause anyone to behave in any specific way. It is a powerful symbol, representing power and the ability to offer or withhold good.

Harriet's husband is probably in need of some psychiatric help, but he will have to be led in easy stages.

Possibly Harriet can first lead him to the office of a community agency dealing with family problems or to a clergyman with the object of discussing their marital difficulties.

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Shoelaces Saved Life of Climber, Rescuers Told

Alamosa, Colo. — (UPI)—A fisherman who spent five days and nights without food and water on a crumpling cliffside ledge told his rescuers Thursday he would have plunged to his death had he not used his shoelaces to tie his legs around a tree.

John Sanders, 35, of Albuquerque, N.M., was rescued Wednesday by mountain-trained soldiers. They scaled a 1,000-foot escarpment and then lowered themselves to the five-foot-wide ledge where Sanders clung.

Slipped on Rock
Sanders' ordeal began July 4 when he and a companion, William E. Garver, 28, also of Albuquerque, slipped on loose rock while searching for Garver's wallet and tumbled down a mountainside.

Garver fell several hundred feet and was killed. His body was recovered Tuesday.

But a slender pine tree broke Sanders' fall. He continued to slip but grabbed the tree and tied himself to it with the shoelaces.

Too Weak To Climb
Don Bewley, 22, an employee of a mountain lodge 15 miles from the rugged scene, reached Sanders Tuesday. Bewley was able to leave the ledge and climb back but Sanders was too weak from lack of food and could not follow him.

Mountain climbers from Fort Carson, Colo., trained in Alpine techniques, then were called in. They reached Sanders and lowered him to the Comejos river below in a harness fashioned from nylon rope.

Sanders was reported in good condition except for fatigue and exposure.

AWOL LONG TIME
Edinburgh, Scotland—(UPI)—Army Private Hughie A. Smith was sentenced to nine months in prison Wednesday for being absent without leave for eight of the 10 years he has been in the service.

CRASH KILLS THREE
Dacca, Pakistan — (UPI)—Authorities said today all three crewmembers were killed Wednesday when an Indian Airlines cargo transport crashed into a swamp near Pupshi, 10 miles from here.

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