



## The Family Council

Editor's note: The Family Council consists of a judge, a psychiatrist, three clergymen, a newspaper editor, a woman'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.

Sally S. — I'm afraid to

elope.

Dick V. — I don't want to wait any longer.

Sally S. — I am 20 years old, the eldest of a family of six. I am very much in love with a man I've gone with for the past year and a half. Dick is 28 and has a good job and wants to get married right away.

When I told my parents I wanted to get married they hit the roof. My father says I'm too young, and that I should be working and contributing to the family's support for at least another five years. My mother says that Dick is too old for me. I now give my parents about three-fourths of my salary.

Dick wants me to elope with him and we made our plans, but at the last minute I lost my nerve. I don't want to make my parents angry. I'm afraid they'll never speak to me again. But I don't want to lose Dick.

Dick V. — I told Sally if she doesn't elope with me very soon, I'm just going to give up. I don't think it's at all fair of her parents to try to get us to wait five years. Even though we've known one another only a year and a half, it seems to me like five years already.

I realize I'm a lot older than Sally, but just the same I think she's old enough to get married and I don't want to wait much longer. My parents like Sally very much and are in favor of our eloping.

I think Sally's parents just don't want to lose her yet. But they've got to some day. Besides, it's unfair that they take so much of her money. She should be allowed to save something for her own home. Her parents will ruin her life.

The Council: If Sally is giving a true report of her parents' position, she is indeed, in a very unfortunate spot. Her father's demand for money for the support of his children is unfair and her mother's argument that Dick is too old is a very flimsy excuse.

In spite of this, we feel Dick should try to ease up a bit on his pressure for an immediate elopement. If he sincerely loves Sally he will give her a little more time to understand her own feelings and arrive at a decision.

Sally, on the other hand, should try to reach a clear-cut decision quickly and not

keep Dick on the string.

Most individuals have some doubts and hesitations about marriage. In a happy home with intelligent and cooperative parents, a girl like Sally would have a chance to talk out her feelings. If her parents had no reasonable objections to the young man, they would probably give her a little encouragement or advise her to wait until she feels more certain.

Sally cannot talk things out with her parents because their position is completely unreasonable. The normal amount of anxiety any girl might feel before marriage is intensified by her fear of her parents' anger. Possibly Sally has a notion that her parents are right — that she's too young, Dick is too old, and that she really ought to spend the next few years contributing to the support of this family.

If Dick keeps applying pressure, Sally will be forced either to give him up or to marry him in violation of her own conscience. Without pressure, Sally will be free to try to fully understand her own feelings and her parents' attitude. If she decides she really wants Dick, she should recognize that she is within her rights and should find the courage to tell her parents so.

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## Pooling Prison Facilities Aired

Denver — (UP) — Governors and attorneys general of 13 western states and Hawaii are studying plans today to pool prison facilities for better care of women and maximum security convicts.

The plan was agreed to Tuesday by Govs. Steve McNichols of Colorado, Milward Simpson of Wyoming and George Clyde of Utah at a meeting here.

It would permit a state to confine an inmate in an institution in another state if he could be handled better there. The state where the convict was sentenced would pay for his care and maintain jurisdiction over him.

The plan will be submitted to governors and attorneys general for study and it will be placed before the Western Governors Conference and each of the western state legislatures.

It must be approved by two or more contiguous states.



**U. S. TO SUSPEND TESTS** — President Eisenhower announced in Washington that the United States is ready to suspend tests of nuclear weapons providing Russia does not resume its tests and agrees to negotiate a world test ban. The President's announcement followed close on the heels of an agreement reached by scientists of eight nations, including the U. S. and Russia, that an international ban on the testing of nuclear weapons could be policed effectively.

## Slum Clearance Money Available

Washington — (UP) — President Eisenhower Wednesday made available \$2 million of federal funds for slum clearance and urban renewal.

His action followed failure by Congress to approve an administration-proposed housing bill calling for a six-year program of federal aid for urban renewal totaling \$1,300,000,000.

The money Eisenhower released will be allotted to various cities by the Housing and Home Finance Agency. It has received applications from cities for about \$400 million worth of slum clearance and urban renewal.

## Reserve Officers School Planned

Ashland — The Navy reserve officers' school at Southern Oregon college will go into its second year of operation this fall, according to Com. Leren E. Messenger, administrative officer of the local school.

Courses in Navy leadership, instructed by Lt. Com. Eugene W. Bowman, and in organization for national security, taught by Cmdr. Marshall E. Woodell, will be offered. Bowman is professor of mathematics and education at the college and Woodell is professor of social science.

Registration for the courses will be Tuesday, Sept. 2, at 8 p.m. in room 203 of Church-hill hall. Classes will meet every Tuesday evening in the same room from 7:30 to 9:30 o'clock. Officers may earn 12 promotion and retirement points for the 20-week session.

Further information may be secured from the administrative officer or any instructor at the school.

## Chrome Producers Plan Meeting Saturday

Members of the California-Oregon Chrome Producers association will meet at the American Legion hall in Cave Junction Saturday, Aug. 30, 2 p.m.

All interested persons may attend the meeting, at which time results of the death of the Congressional mineral and subsidy bill will be discussed and future procedural plans will be outlined. Proposals for continuation of chrome mining without federal aid will also be discussed.

## Grange News...

**GRIFFIN CREEK GRANGE** Griffin Creek Grange will meet tonight.

An open program will precede the meeting. This will be recreation night, and the program will start at 8 p.m. Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Davies from Australia, who are guests in the Sturgill home, will speak.

Grangers and friends are welcome. A short business meeting will follow.

**DESERTION CHARGED** Berlin — (UP) — Pfc. Frank E. Meyer Jr. of Stark City, Mo., will be court-martialed Thursday on charges of desertion for allegedly spending four months in Communist East Germany, the U. S. Army announced Tuesday night.

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## Shadows to Leave For Fair Sept. 5

The Shadows vocal group, talent winners at the recent Kiwanis sponsored county fair, will leave Sept. 5 to compete in the Oregon State Fair in Salem, according to Russ Jamison, local fair manager.

Members of the vocal group attend St. Mary's High school in Medford. Leader is Paul Smith and members are Tom Newcomb, Clare Mansfield, Bill Smith, Mike Feiss and Rick Carrara. Mrs. Mary Carrara, Medford, will accompany the group. They will appear on the state at the state fair on Saturday, Sept. 6.

Accredited judges of the talent contest here were Mrs. Scott McKendres, Klamath Falls; Mrs. Chester Main, Tulelake, Calif.; and Mrs. E. A. Bay, 156 1/2 Third st., Ashland.

## WARNER IMPROVES

Cannes, France — (UP) — U. S. movie magnate Jack Warner, 66, who suffered a skull fracture and crushed ribs in an auto accident here Aug. 5, may be released from the hospital in "several weeks," his doctors reported Tuesday.



**HOLDING 19TH CHILD**, 9 pound 12 1/2 ounce girl, Mrs. John Gallagher, wife of \$70-a-week laborer at Mahopac, N. Y., says she feels "very well." She is a grandmother.

## Portlander Raps Tax Support Idea

Portland — (UP) — State Rep. Shirley Field (R-Portland) said Wednesday she had seen a press release from former state representative Keith Skelton of Eugene suggesting that Portland taxpayers should pay part of the cost of Portland State college. Skelton is again a candidate for the state Legislature.

Miss Field released the text of a reply sent to the Eugene Democrat in which she made a counter suggestion that Eugene taxpayers should support the University of Oregon.

Miss Field's letter said Portland State college draws students from all parts of the state, not just from Portland. She added, "I assume this is the situation at the University of Oregon as well as Oregon State college."

The first medical school in America was established in 1751.



**DEFIANT** — Governor Orval Faubus (left), after a meeting with the Little Rock School Board, in Little Rock, Ark., indicated that he and the school board could not get together on means to keep Negroes out of Central High School. School Supt. Virgil Blossom (right) said, "We agreed to explore every legal angle" to keep from letting Negroes into the school.

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