

They'll Do It Every Time By Jimmy Hatlo



The Family Council

Start of End Seen For Faubus

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.

Lillian R.—My husband and I have been married for 20 years and have four children, ranging from 10 to 18. I have been very busy bringing them up and didn't give much thought to myself or my husband in all these years.

I realize it was a big mistake. My husband has gotten accustomed to doing without me. He always goes alone to conventions and other affairs, while most of his business associates bring their wives. Sometimes his secretary is my stand-in.

Some gossip came to my ears recently indicating that this secretary has been my stand-in in more ways than one. My husband denies all, but refuses to fire her. I think it is his duty to do this, even if it is a big sacrifice from the business point of view. He says she is indispensable.

Robert R.—The woman in question is several years older than I am and a person with a great deal of dignity and good sense. I really felt quite safe from vicious gossip when I went with her to various functions. She was very helpful to me in making contacts and gathering information at such affairs.

I don't feel that Lillian has a right to complain in view of the fact that she never wanted to go to such functions when I tried to take her. The few times she did go, she was miserable. She worried about the children and didn't seem to know how to behave with either men or women. She did not wear the right clothes and was uncomfortable about it all evening.

The awful truth seems to be that she has not kept up with me over the years.

The Council: This kind of problem can sneak up on a couple without their being aware that much is amiss. It takes a violent shock, such as Lillian has had, to force the couple to face issues.

Probably Lillian's social discomfort at her husband's functions drove her to burrow deeper than necessary into family and home problems—the area where she felt most secure. Robert's pain at seeing that his wife was not socially adequate among his business associates probably drove him toward ignoring the whole problem and seeking a way of escape. If he had been more frank with his wife at an earlier stage much unhappiness could have been avoided.

Lillian's recognition that she is, in some measure, responsible for this situation is a step in the right direction. It may be an uphill fight for her to arrive at the point where she can function smoothly socially, but if she sets her mind to it she'll surely win. She should not expect too much of herself at first and avoid blaming herself or getting discouraged if things don't go as well as she would like. She'll find experience an excellent teacher.

If Lillian has any faith at all in her husband, we believe that her demand that he fire his secretary is way out of order. If there has been gossip, this woman might be crucified as a result of the firing. Lillian should realize that it is very likely that at this time she has an emotional need to blame someone else for her own failing. She will find much greater satisfaction in the long run if she

Little Rock, Ark. (UPI)—A segregationist split has been credited with causing a split between so-called "moderates" and segregationists for the six seats on the Little Rock school board and one "moderate" called the result "the beginning of the end for Orval Faubus, a 20th Century Machiavelli."

Complete, unofficial returns to United Press International gave seats to Russell H. Matson Jr., Everett Tucker Jr., and Ted L. Lamb of the "moderate" slate, which was condemned at the last minute by Gov. Orval Faubus as being "integrationists."

Ed I. McKinley, unopposed for the seat he sought, Ben D. Rowland Sr., and Municipal Judge R. W. (Bob) Laster, all backed by the Segregationist Capital Citizens Council, won the other three posts.

"Our victory is the beginning of the end for Orval Faubus, a 20th Century Machiavelli," said Lamb, a Little Rock advertising executive.

"This is the first crack in the Faubus edifice, and I predict his entire political empire, founded as it is upon deceit, misrepresentation and bigotry, will soon be crumbling at his feet. The attempts of this unscrupulous demagogue to control the Little Rock school district have been thwarted."

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recognizes her own shortcomings and tries to do something about them.

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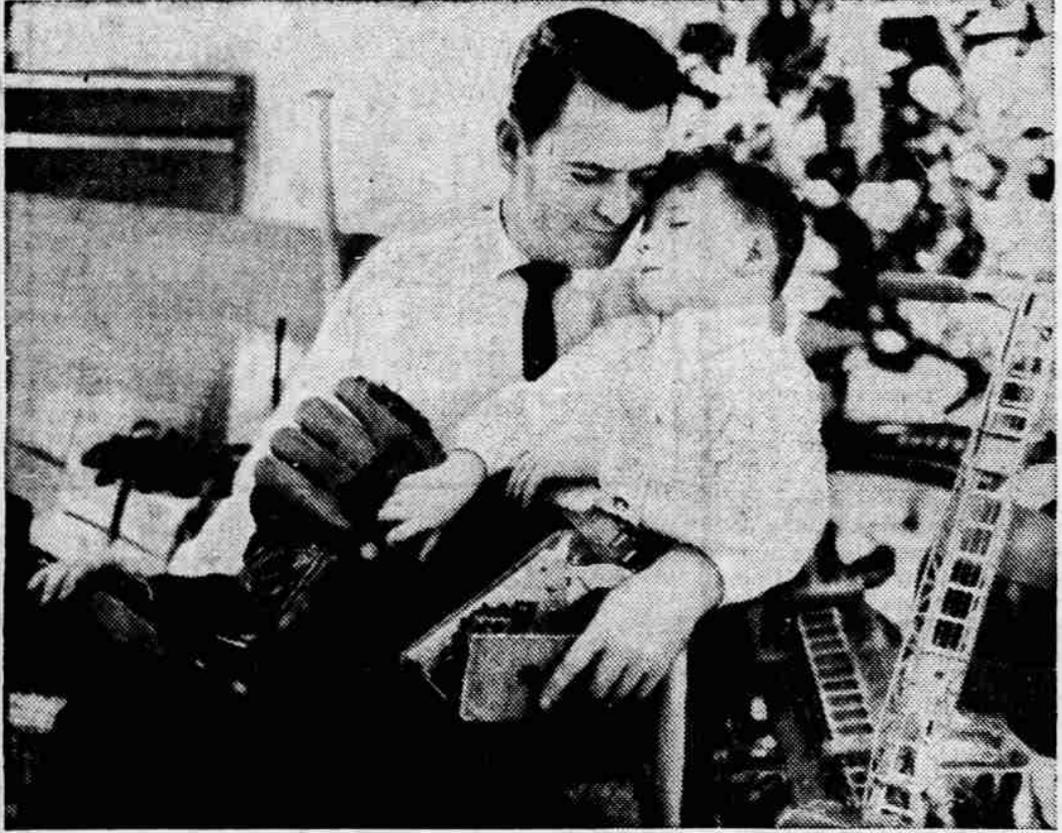
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