

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.

Mrs. D. M. — We don't like his girl friend.
Ed M. — They're social snobs.

Mrs. D. M. — My husband and I are terribly upset about our 18-year-old son, Ed. For the past two years he has been going steady with a girl we don't like at all, and we are afraid that they'll elope or do something drastic.

We want Ed to go college and to make something of himself before he gets involved. He says that he isn't planning to get married, but we feel that his girl friend will start putting the heat on and he won't be able to get out of it. She doesn't show any consideration for him. He works hard at his school work and has a part-time job, but she keeps him out until all hours on their dates. She thinks his time is at her disposal and sends him on errands for her. We feel that she is a selfish girl, and she doesn't come of a nice family. But we don't know how to make Ed see these things.

Ed M. — I'm afraid my parents are social snobs. When I ask them what's wrong with Dora's family, they don't know what to say. They say that they're not in our class, that they're vulgar, etc. . . . But I don't see anything wrong with them except that Dora's father is an ordinary workman and not very well off.

They have been very nice to me. Of course my parents think they are out to "catch" me, but Dora says they don't want her to marry me. They think I'm too young and they want her to go out with older men.

Anyway, it's all so silly talking about marriage because I don't intend to get married until I get through college, and Dora knows how I feel about that. She says she'd be willing to work while I go to school, but I wouldn't

want that. What's everyone fussing about . . .

The Council: Arguing and nagging seldom convince anyone of anything. Teen-agers are particularly sensitive to this kind of pressure.

The D.M.'s are making things still harder by stabbing wildly in all directions at once. They are pushing Ed against the wall and forcing him to fight them and to go to his girl friend and her family for refuge.

Most teen-agers are fairly idealistic and resent any suggestion of snobbery. Ed is right to stand up for Dora's family since he has been treated kindly by them. His parents' innuendoes may be way off base. They should not give their own suspicions the weight and dignity of facts.

The D.M.'s would do far better to ask questions and get Ed to do the talking and the thinking. He will have to live his own life, and it is far more important for him to learn to make his own judgments than to accept his parents' opinions wholesale.

If they ask the proper questions in the proper spirit, the D.M.'s may be able to help Ed realize that he is unwittingly digging himself into a pit. He claims to be disinterested in marriage at this time, but hastily brushes aside the obvious fact that while he and Dora are thoroughly engrossed in one another, they cannot make contacts with others. Both are losing their initiative and sense of adventure in social experimentation. They fear being left high and dry and are growing increasingly dependent upon one another.

If Ed can be brought to recognize these things by himself, there is some hope that he will take action to change the status quo. Otherwise the D.M.'s are probably fighting a losing battle.

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Pacific Telephone Announces Earnings

Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company reported moderately higher earnings for 1958 in its annual report despite a recession-caused slackening in the rate of telephone growth.

The announcement was made this week in the company's annual reports which will be available in the business office here in the near future, Manager J. H. Creager reported.

President Mark R. Sullivan reported that the year was one of consolidation and adjustment for telephone expansion.

Earnings for the year were \$8.95 per common share as compared to \$8.50 in 1957. Orders for 145,000 telephones during the year brought the total telephones in service by the end of the year to 6,981,706.

There are about 25,000 known species of spiders.

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Pursuant to ORS 477.045, notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held at the office of the Southwest Oregon District Headquarters, Medford, Oregon, on Tuesday, March 17, 1959, at 10:00 a.m. for the purpose of providing all owners of lands an opportunity to be heard on matters pertaining to the budgeting of moneys required to defray the cost of fire protection and suppression within the boundaries of the Southwest Oregon State Forest Patrol District and for privately owned lands in Jackson and Josephine counties within the boundaries of the Rogue River and Sixtyfour National Forests. A copy of the tentative budget for the fire district may be inspected at the Southwest Oregon District Headquarters, Medford, Oregon.

BOARD OF FORESTRY

NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF JACKSON
PROBATE DEPARTMENT
In the Matter of the Estate of JESSE DAVIS SMITH, Deceased
Notice is hereby given that the Final Account of Jesse L. Smith, as Administrator of the above-named estate, has been filed herein and that 9:30 o'clock a.m. on Wednesday, March 18, 1959, in the Courtroom of the above Court in the County of Jackson, Oregon, there will be a hearing on objections to such Final Account and settlement thereof.
Dated and first published February 17, 1959.
Jesse L. Smith, Administrator
Van Dyke, Dellenback & McGowan
Attorneys for Administrator

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TABLE ROCK Abe Halfhills Move

By R. E. NEALON
Table Rock — The Abe Halfhill family is now living in Medford, having moved last week from their home here on the Table Top ranch. Abe had been foreman at the Table Top ranch for many years, coming here shortly after his discharge from the Army at the close of World War II. Elmo Stallings is at present acting as foreman.

Norman Matteson, the pharmaceutical salesman, appears to have the most flourishing and conspicuous beard in the community, with Ernest Smith a close second.

Mrs. E. E. Robinson returned recently from Vallejo, Calif., where she spent several days at the home of her son, Doug., and family.

Several cases of measles and chicken pox are reported in the community among the small fry.

Bob Sage, the Medford teacher and would be grower of Christmas trees, was out this way Saturday inspecting his grove, and found that the weeds were easier to find than the Christmas trees. They seemed to be squatting down to hide. Probably they were hiding just in case Ezra, the bunny rabbit, came along and took another bite out of their growing support.

Elmer Sherrill of Medford, a salesman of the W. L. (Bill) Fasel realtor, was a business visitor here Thursday. He says his firm has many would-be farm and home purchasers, and need more listings. Many of those looking for locations are from California. A Thursday visitor was Henry McCabe, circulation and insurance salesman for the Oregon Farmer.

Those from here attending the recent Centennial dinner and program at Central Point Grange were delighted with a wholesome dinner and the highly entertaining, informative program following.

In the whiskers contest, first prize went to Bob Vroman, which was not surprising as he had head start of the others, beginning his whisker enterprise Thanksgiving day, 1958.

Ernest Leavitt was a close runner-up, but was disqualified when the tweezers test showed his raven locks were not stationary.

In the prettiest ankle contest for ladies, some seemed to be a bit shy about lifting the skirt at the judges step over centerpiece. Perhaps it wasn't shyness, they might have been trying to act like they thought the ladies of a hundred years ago would have acted, for we know that if fashion designed a knee length skirt tomorrow, there would be a stampede to be first in the new style.

There were many old-timers present, not just imitators dressed for the part, but the real thing, with many years behind them to prove it, and all seemed to be enjoying themselves.

A baby shower was held Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Frank Myers for Mrs. L. H. Elder, whose baby girl, Lucinda, weighing 8 pounds 6 ounces, was born Feb. 6, at Rogue Valley hospital.

Ray Ryan, a cousin of Elmer Blurke, blew in here the other evening, and said he had a buyer for a piece of our farm for a home site at a price that would make us happy. Ray has a lovely variegated Centennial beard, with white chin whiskers, which, if he was a horse, we would call him an albino.

Elmer Young was down this way Thursday from the tall

Small Worlds Around Us
By Lynn M. Watkins



Pity the Poor Tree—It Can't Dodge Danger
Did you ever stop to think what would happen to you if you could not dodge, run or escape a danger by moving?

Yet there are a great many living things on this earth that do not have the ability to dodge, duck, or to escape by movement; yet they have to stay and take what comes, and survive or perish as the fates decree.

The ability to move out of the way of threatened danger is one of the saving factors that animals have that helps to assure their continued survival. The agility of a pedestrian keeps him alive for other encounters that may occur the next minute or the following day.

Hide and Move
Animals in the wild hide from their enemies and, of course, move rapidly away if the need arises. They can thus escape not only enemies but

the elements too, such as storms, floods or fires. On the eve of a cold spell animals have been observed to seclude themselves in some sort of a sheltered retreat where they wait out the cold.

Sudden and instinctive blinking prevents foreign objects from injuring the eyes of animals. They can jump to escape falling objects, or things that are thrown or hurled through the air. Animals not only defend themselves, but use the power of movement to procure food, comfort, pleasure, as well as to avoid excessive heat, cold or pursuit, and to find a home, whether home means a den, a hole in the ground, or a nest or a house.

But the very complex living organisms that we call trees, plants and shrubs; in fact all the members of the very large kingdom of plants, do not have this privilege of running away. No matter what happens they must remain in one fixed spot and take what comes, literally "on the chin."

The evening papers prophesy a cold wave, or a period of cyclonic winds, the plant must remain where it is, regardless of the outcome, and try to weather the storm. Neither can it brace itself, there is no time for that; if the roots are shallow or the soil loose, over it goes — blown down and destroyed by the wind, the fire or the storm.

Forest fires may roar down upon it in the darkness of night, but the tree must wait where it stands, and survive if it can. There is no way it can duck or dodge out of the way. Insects, cold, winds, fire, disease, drought or the man with the axe and the saw, finds the tree waiting. Remarkable, that so many have lived so long.

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Household Workers May Lose Security Benefits

Some local household workers may lose social security benefits because the housewife neglects to make social security reports on their cash wages, W. V. Nusbaum, manager of the Medford social security office, said today.

He added that compliance with the reporting requirements by household employers is generally good, but in some cases workers have had difficulty in establishing rights to benefits due to failure of the employer to file social security tax returns.

Nusbaum explained that the law requires that a household employer report for social security purposes all cash wages of \$50 or more paid in a calendar quarter to a maid, cleaning woman or other household worker. These reports are filed with the district director of internal revenue in the month following

the end of each calendar quarter, which ends with the months of March, June, September, and December.

With the reports the employer remits 2 1/2 per cent that he holds out of the employee's wages and adds another 2 1/2 per cent as the employer's tax, a total of 5 per cent. The reporting procedure is simple for a household employer, he added. The quarterly report is made on an envelope form that can be completed in a few minutes.

"It is from these reports that the central accounting office of the Social Security Administration in Baltimore posts the record of earnings to the employee's social security insurance account," Nusbaum stated. "When a claim for benefits is filed the employee faces the possibility of being deprived of his benefit, or being paid benefits in a smaller amount, if quarterly social security returns have not been filed by all employers."

Unander Seeks Opinion on Warrants

Salem—UPI—State Treasurer Sig Unander said Monday he has asked the attorney general for an opinion on whether the secretary of state can issue a warrant and the state treasurer cash one for payment of the salary of Col. Robert Irving, new acting adjutant general.

Sen. William Grenfell Jr. (D-Portland) earlier questioned the legality of the Irving appointment.

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Pack 8
Pack 8 held its monthly pack meeting Thursday, Feb. 26, in the gym of the Jackson school. The annual Blue and Gold birthday party took place and the Cubs, families, and friends attended. Approximately 175 persons attended the party.

The meeting opened with the flag ceremony given by Mrs. John Wimer's Den 5. The Rev. William Hurn of the Nazarene church gave the invocation.

Introduction of guests was by Cubmaster John Lynch. Due to illness and another commitment, Harry Barneburg and Mrs. Stuart Forbes were unable to attend, but Neighborhood Commissioner Herb Wing attended. After introduction of the Pack committee, the following awards were given by Joe Beach, awards chairman.

Den 4, Mrs. Dick Phillips, Den Mother; Lee Grimes, bear badge, gold arrow and silver arrow; Dan Hawkins, bob cat; Paul Chinn, silver arrow and year pin; Bobby Phillips, year pin.

Den 5, Mrs. John Wimer, Den Mother; Rick Singler, bobcat; Mike Ford, wolf badge.

Den 6, Mrs. Raymond Hanson, Den Mother; Jack Rice, lion badge, gold arrow and silver arrow.

Den 8, Mrs. Milo Hardin, Den Mother; Richard Orr, wolf badge; Stephen Rothboeck, wolf badge; John Hardin, gold arrow; David Rowe, silver arrow; Steven Buck, denner stripe.


Den 11, Mrs. John Lynch, Den Mother; Jack Young, wolf badge, bear badge, gold arrow and denner badge; Richard Cole, bear badge, gold arrow, silver arrow and assistant denner; Richard Champion, bear badge, gold arrow and silver arrow; Steven Wilcox, gold arrow and two silver arrows; Gary Custance, gold arrow and 1 year pin; Michael Clark, bear badge and denner badge; John Yynch, two silver arrows; Spence Webber, bear badge; Mike Updike, bear badge and gold arrow; Pete Updike, lions badge, gold arrow and silver arrow.

Den 12, Mrs. John Russell, Den Mother; David Uhrine, gold arrow; Ricky Frazier, silver arrow; Paul Greeny, silver arrow; Bobby Kolke, silver arrow; Larry Russell, silver arrow; Gordon Wiseman, silver arrow.

A movie on fire fighting equipment was shown, after which ice cream, cake and coffee was served by mothers.

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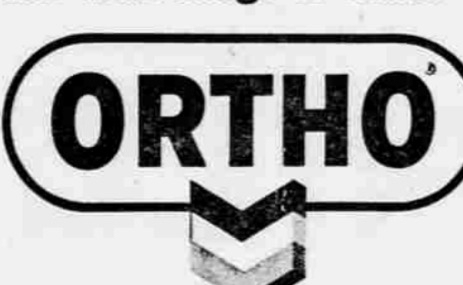
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