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Small Worlds Around Us

By Lynn M. Watkins

Ringtail Monkey Made A 'Monkey' Out of Author
Babe was a monkey. A little ringtail from South America. By every look and action she was a very unhappy monkey.

Then a well-meaning lady made a suggestion. "Why keep Babe tied to the stake?" she asked. "Allow her the freedom of the entire area by the simple method of attaching her chain to a grappling-hook affair. Then the monkey could pull the contraption along but the hooks on the grapple would catch on a fence if she tried to escape." The idea, on the face of it,

sounded reasonable inasmuch as the area was large, completely surrounded by a high, wire fence that kept most animals safely inside but of course offered no agile barrier to an agile monkey. The grappling hook would certainly tangle in the fence and prevent Babe from extending her horizons too far.

Resembled an Anchor
When completed the hook looked a great deal like the hook used by fishing boats that usually anchor over a sandy bottom. It consisted of four, sharply curved hooks welded together with an "eye" to which the chain could be secured.

Babe seemed pleased with it. She started out on a trip of exploration, dragging the hook along behind her. As long as she walked everything was just dandy, the hook more-or-less tumbling and rolling along in a series of jerks. If she started to run, one of the prongs would catch and fetch the monkey up with a neck-wrenching jolt.

To overcome this she held the chain with one hand, thereby saving the strain on her neck. I was elated. Babe was now almost at liberty to go anywhere within the fenced area.

Naturally I could not know what was going on in the little, round monkey-head. I never suspected that an idea was hatching there. She fooled me by always acting terribly bored; ignoring the drag. She tolerated the thing and as far as I could see, never gave the thing any thought whatsoever.

Then one day, Babe was gone. Two days later, came a report that a monkey carrying a hook-like contraption was seen a couple of miles away running across yards and climbing trees. I drove out there. It was Babe high up in a tree. She glared down scornfully at me. When she wanted to climb higher or even leap to another nearby tree, she picked the drag up in one hand, coiled the chain carefully around her wrist and jumped.

After a few jumps she became tired, so she wedged the drag in the crotch of a branch and rested.

She had figured out the combination. The fact that she had always seemed to ignore the drag is pretty good evidence that she had it all figured out early in the game. She made a "monkey" out of me.

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One of Seven Americans May Be Mentally Normal

Denver—(UPI)—A university professor told the National Congress of Parents and Teachers here that only one of seven Americans may be mentally normal.

Harold D. Lasswell, professor of law and political science at Yale University, also told the group's 63rd annual convention that more than 1,500,000 Americans suffer mental disorders which require hospitalization; that an equal number are mentally retarded, and that 1 in 16 is afflicted with unmistakable mental and personality disorders.

Adding to that the number of persons estimated to suffer from undiagnosed mental ailments, Lasswell said, only one in seven persons can be expected to be normal.

Most Crucial Role
Lasswell said the family has the most crucial role to play in developing a personality.

"We have learned to recognize the disastrous consequences that often follow the break-up of homes and the equally catastrophic results of failing to modify homes where unstable and warring parents do a wrecking job on their children."

Michael Beck Name Lions Club Head

Michael Beck was elected president of the Medford Lions club for the year beginning July 1 at the regular meeting Tuesday, Alan Jewett, outgoing club president, has announced.

Beck, president of Beck's Morning Fresh Bakery, has been a member of the Medford Lions club since April, 1932, and has been active in the club's activities since that time.

Other officers are first vice president, Tony Capello; second vice president, Ray Barnett; tail twister, Louie Ruhl; Lion tamer, Millard Hoffman; secretary-treasurer, Lee Knox; and directors, Ed Setzler and Vern Chapman. Hold over directors are Tom Esslinger and Dr. Bob Harlan.

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.

Kenneth S.—We'd like to take the boy.

Helene S.—I'm capable of bringing up my own son.

Edward S.—I want to live with Uncle Ken.

Kenneth S.—My brother died four years ago, leaving behind a young widow and two children. The boy, Ed, is now 15 and a great problem to his mother and I would like to help both of them.

Ed came to my home several weeks ago after a serious bout with his mother. He said he can't stand her nagging any more and he wants to live with my wife and me. Our children are married and we wouldn't mind having Ed with us. Perhaps we could help the boy.

My sister-in-law seems to think that we are trying to steal him away from her. She has always been a very nervous woman and was inclined to be jealous of others in the family. I think it is about time she realized we don't mean her any harm. We only want to help.

Helene S.—My brother-in-law has always made little snide remarks about the fact that I am not as good a manager or homemaker as his wife. When my husband died he came over and asked me to let him and his wife go over my finances so they could help me with the budgeting. I was so furious I really lost my temper that time.

Whenever Kenneth sees Ed he makes a point of telling him to be sure to come to him if he needs help and that's what made Ed run away to him. I am quite capable of bringing up my own son.

Edward S.— My mother complains and nags all the time about this, that and the other thing and my big sister is also a pain in the neck. I know I would grow up much better if I could live with my uncle and aunt.

The Council.—Kenneth appears to have definitely overstepped the limits in his efforts to be helpful to his sister-in-law and nephew. He appears to have scant respect for the area of privacy that surrounds every family. He is, perhaps, flattered that the boy turned to him in his hour of crisis.

A boy like Ed can well use an uncle as a kind of substitute father. The relationship could and should be a fine one, but it can't be if the

uncle intrudes himself too far into the family life.

It is not unusual for a boy to run away to a favorite relative when he believes he is being mistreated at home. In such a case it is the relative's responsibility to be sympathetic without in the tiniest degree implying that the parent's authority is to be challenged or even questioned. Kenneth must be in some way have given Ed the idea that he could live with him if he found his mother's home unsatisfactory.

Once Kenneth accepts the fact that it is not his business to interfere with or judge his sister-in-law in her management of her home and family, he can set up a far better relationship with his nephew. It is not necessary for him to make statements about his desire to help the boy. If he is normally friendly and man-to-man with Ed, the boy will get the idea that there is an older man in the family he can turn to for a special kind of understanding and guidance.

Ed should realize that his place is with his mother—even if things are sometimes tough at home.

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Indian Tax Exemption Urged

Washington—(UPI)—Sen. Richard L. Neuberger (D-Ore.) has introduced legislation to exempt from federal and state income tax \$26,500,000 paid to Oregon and Washington Indian tribes for loss of fishing rights at Celilo Falls on the Columbia river.

The historic site was flooded by the reservoir from The Dalles dam.

The money was paid to the Warm Springs, Yakima, Nez Perce and Umatilla tribes.

Neuberger said the Internal Revenue Service has ruled that if tribes want to divide funds on a per capita basis among members, the money will then become taxable. He said that in the past Congress has consistently provided that monies paid to Indians in land acquisition and termination proceedings are to be tax free.

He said that any other policy would be unfair since Indians have lost their salmon fishing rights permanently. The Interior Department has endorsed the bill, he said.

Scientific Study Said Hampered by Government Secrecy

Washington (Science Service)—Space research and all other fields of scientific study are hampered by the Government secrecy policies, a University of Maryland physics professor charged here.

Dr. Fred Singer told the House Space Committee of his unsuccessful attempts to obtain information on the Russian moon shot, Mechta, which was launched into an orbit around the sun last January. He said he tried several times in various ways to learn what U. S. Government agencies had learned from the Russian moon shot.

When these efforts proved

fruitless, Dr. Singer reported, he obtained the desired information from translated Russian sources. He blamed a tendency on the part of personnel in both military and civilian Government agencies "to sit on data," since the requested information was not under secrecy wraps.

However, Dr. Singer said, the problems of obtaining information are "much broader than space research," and affect all scientists connected with the Federal Government's research programs. Even though he has clearances from more than one agency, including the Atomic

Energy Commission, Dr. Singer said he had to establish his "need to know" before the information could be given him. Dr. Singer charged the "need to know" was a device used to keep persons from finding out the information was available at all. It is difficult, Dr. Singer pointed out, to establish a need to know when you do not know that another person has the desired information.

Recent Example
A recent example of this in Dr. Singer's field of rocket and space research was the Argus experiment in which atomic bombs were exploded high above the Atlantic Ocean late last summer and the resulting radiation trapped in space was measured. Dr. N. C. Christofilos of the University of California, who suggested the explosions, and Dr. Singer could not discuss the theory of such trapped radiation for several months,

JUST IN CASE
New York—(UPI)—A store offered air conditioners for sale today with "no payments until temperature hits 95 degrees." Last summer it never did. But the store had some fine print to take care of that... or July 15, 1959.

Alaska's great river, the Yukon, carries about as much water to the sea as the Mississippi system.

even Dr. Singer had suggested the existence of trapped radiation high above the earth's surface some three years ago, because the experiments were not disclosed until March.

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