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 case history. The Council reports on problems that have been dealt with by responsible agencies and counselors.

Karen E. – I want to tell Lee our real opinion.

Dianne B. – It may make us appear to be jealous.

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Karen E. – My friend Dianne and I are having a big dispute about a matter that concerns another friend of ours.

We are all girls of 19, quite popular and have been close friends for the past year. We belong to the same church group and have dated many of the same fellows. Recently, Lee started going out steady with one of these boys and it looks as though they may get engaged soon.

Now it happens both Dianne and I have gone out with Jim and we both think he's awful. He is no gentleman, tells off-color jokes and we think he's kind of stupid too. We know for a fact that Lee can do better and I want to tell her so. Dianne is against it.

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Dianne B. – I spoke to my mother about this and she is definitely against doing anything like that. She says it might look as though we are jealous or something, about Lee's being the first to get engaged.

Of course, it's not at all true about our being jealous. Neither of us would have Jim, but I certainly wouldn't want Lee to think anything like that.

I have promised my mother that I wouldn't go to Lee and say anything against Jim, but I think it may be okay to say what we think if she asks us. Since they aren't engaged yet, there would be no harm done. We have all often discussed different fellows together. But Lee has never said anything about Jim.

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The Council: We are with Dianne. Her mother gave her the right advice, but she is going off the track again in her idea that it would be all right to say something anti-Jim if Lee asks for an opinion.

In the first place, we don't think Lee will ask for an opinion. These three girls have behaved on a somewhat immature level by discussing their dates with one another. This is something girls in their early teens do as a sort of warm-up to developing a real acquaintanceship with the boys. A young woman ready for marriage limits personal discussions about the boy's character to her parents. The fact that Lee hasn't talked about Jim may be one sign that she is growing up.

In the second place, we don't think that Karen and Dianne have any right to set themselves up as judges of this young man's personality. It is entirely possible that he behaved in one way with them and quite another with their friend. He may have matured since their contacts with him, or Lee may have brought out something better in him.

In the third place, Karen and Dianne may easily rue the day they ever said anything unpleasant against Jim. It is entirely possible that Lee will marry him – no matter what they say. Then they will have lost a friend in the silliest and most embarrassing way.

Last but not least, Karen and Dianne should be aware that this is a situation in which it is almost impossible for them to be entirely objective. We all know that jealousy is a very ugly word and we don't like to be caught with such a feeling. Most of us have felt its twinges, but few have admitted it. As young women whose future is still uncertain, Karen and Dianne could easily experience such a feeling in relation to a friend who is on the brink of finding personal happiness. Of course, they also wish their friend the best, but their judgment of what is best can so easily be colored by unworthy feelings.

We suggest that these girls try to see something nice about Jim and that they say it if a discussion ever arises – or if Lee announced her engagement.

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Meyer Receives Three-Year Contract

Central Point – C. A. Meyer, superintendent of school district 6C, recently signed a three-year contract, the board has announced.

The district includes Central Point, Gold Hill and Sams Valley.

Meyer became superintendent of the district a year ago, when H. P. Jewett resigned after serving the district more than 30 years.

Dawkins Has TWX Service Installed

William Dawkins and Associates, public relations firm, last week became the first organization of its kind in the Pacific Northwest to have Pacific Telephone's TWX service.

The installation permits fast written communication between the firm's offices in Portland and Medford as well as with its clients and news media, according to Ron Schmidt, Portland manager for Dawkins and Associates.

It now costs $2.07 to buy what a dollar bought in 1940.

Grants Pass Woman Being Held in Jail

Willa Dean Vollmert, Grants Pass, is being held in the county jail on charges of contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

She is charged with inducing a 17-year-old Gold Hill girl to run away from her home last week end.

The girl did not return home from a basketball game at Crater High school in Central Point last Saturday. She was apprehended by Josephine county and Jackson county sheriff's deputies at Mrs. Vollmert's home near Grants Pass Wednesday.

The teenager was lodged in the Jackson county juvenile detention home. Mrs. Vollmert was arrested at the same time.

Cottage Grove Man Rescues Children

Cottage Grove –(UPI)– Alton Garrett was hospitalized with severe burns Friday after rescuing seven children from a burning home while his wife was in Texas to attend the funeral of her slain brother.

Garrett suffered first and second degree burns about the hands and face as he helped the children to safety when fire destroyed his frame home at nearby Culp Creek.

He is a brother-in-law of Roy Lee Bell, 32, who was shot to death last week in a local tavern. The Bell family had recently moved here from Texas and Garrett's wife went to Texas for her brother's funeral.

The children included four youngsters of Mr. and Mrs. Garrett and three of Mr. and Mrs. Bell.

Court Records

DISTRICT COURT

Lloyd M. Overass, violation of basic rule, $15.
Charles B. Barnes, failure to operate on right side, $15.
William O. Webber, insufficient binders, $15.
Charles E. Clark, no operator's license, $10.
Norman A. Caster, failure to stop, $10.
John D. Colley, truck speeding, $15.
Vaughn R. Beer, failure to dim lights, $7.50.
Francis M. Watkins, no operator's license, $10.
Darrell R. Hageman, violation of basic rule, $15.
Frank F. Ayres, failure to stop, $10.
Ken C. Smith, failure to obey one-way traffic sign, $10.
Welden J. Singley, failure to dim lights, $7.50.
Charles McHenry, improper signalling device, $10.
Randall L. Surgeon, no operator's license, $10.
James H. Balderson, no brakes, $10.
Larry E. Sundman, violation of basic rule, $15.
David D. Blair, no rear view, $6.
Lawrence E Jones, failure to stop, $10.
Helen E. McFadden, failure to stop, $10.
Robert W. Varney, no public utility commission permit, $15.
Ruth L. Holmes, violation of basic rule, $15.
Joseph R. Cone, no public utility commission permit, $15.
Floyd T. Jenkins Jr., violation of basic rule, $15.
Linda M. Medford, violation of basic rule, $15.
Murray R. Simpson, failure to stop, $10.
Tyrus R. Stephens, violation of basic rule, $15.
Herben W. Schietert, failure to stop, $10.
Thomas A. Carlton Jr., failure to dim lights, $7.50.
Betty J. Surgeon, no operator's license, $10.

DISTRICT COURT

Robert F. Mason, failure to stop, $10.
George Earl Gregg, no muffler, $15.
M. Walner, disorderly conduct, $30.
Lawrence L. Lawther, disorderly conduct, $30.
Ray Johnson, no operator's license, $10.
Patricia C. Stewart, no operator's license, $10 and $10 (two offenses).
James D. Smith, violation of basic rule, $15.
Otis J. Cobble, violation of basic rule, $15.
Richard D. Hayes, violation of basic rule, $15.
Cornell A. Sabo Jr., failure to stop, $10.
Verdell C. Halet, no operator's license, $10.
Gerald L. Lyons, over-length, $15.
William H. Brooks, violation of basic rule, $15.
Richard A. Duncan, violation of basic rule, $15.

CIRCUIT COURT

Donald Charles Miller vs. Sue Carolyn Miller, divorce complaint.
Evangeline G. Brain vs. Charles E. Brain, divorce complaint.

MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATIONS

Dace Allison Maddox, route 2, box 2, Jacksonville, and Mary Louise Wehrman, 511 Dakota st., Medford.
Elden Robert Harrison, route 1, box 487, Central Point, and Carolyn Valeda Hillyer, 13 Modoc ave., Medford.

David Campanella Released on Bail

Glen Coye, N.Y.–(UPI)– David Campanella, 16, stepson of Roy Campanella, was free on $5,000 bail Friday to await trial on charges of petty larceny and criminally receiving stolen goods.

No date has been set for the General Sessions Court trial of the former Brooklyn Dodger catcher's stepson and two other youths. They were arrested last Friday with a carton of candy, cigarettes and groceries from a New York grocery store. It was young Campanella's third arrest within a year.

The other arrested youths were Isidor Fisher, 20, and Ronald Garnett, 18.

Too many people do not recognize the importance of a good breakfast. To help emphasize the benefits of a hearty morning meal, cereal and breakfast food manufacturers increased their national newspaper advertising 30.1 per cent in 1958 over 1957.

Suggestions for Those Who Retire Are Given

"Help us to help you" is the advice of Edward Jacobson, manager of the Medford social security district office, to persons planning to retire soon and apply for their social security benefits.

"We can get that first check to you a lot sooner if you bring the necessary proofs with you when you come in to file a claim for benefits," he said.

He pointed out that many people retire early in the year. They are coming to the social security office to file claims for benefits. The claims can be completed much faster when needed proofs are presented at the time of filing, he said. A telephone call to the office before retirement may save a great deal of time by insuring that all evidence will be produced promptly, Jacobson added.

Generally, a claimant for monthly benefits must establish his age. This may be done with a birth certificate or some other record that is old and reliable. Also, evidence of the claimant's earnings for 1959 is necessary.

A copy of Form W-2, withholding statement, for 1959 is acceptable if the income was earned as an employee. The self-employed should bring a copy of their 1959 income tax return, including Schedule C or F which shows their self-employment income, and the cancelled check, money order stub, or bank receipt which shows they paid the tax.

"Bring your proofs with you," Jacobson stressed, "for prompt payment of your first social security check." The Medford social security office is located at 1005 East Main st.

Two hundred and fifty million pounds of gum were chewed by Americans last year. To reach the "sweet tooth" market, confections manufacturers invested over $4.5 million in newspaper advertising.

Marine Officers to Be at SOC Campus

U. S. Marine Corps aviation and line officer programs will be explained on the Southern Oregon College campus, Ashland, Feb. 11 and 12, by a Marine officer selection team, according to M/Sgt. Bill Rayner, Medford.

Interviews will be held by Capts. R. C. Schulze and W. O. Bonsall from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Britt lounge Feb. 11 and 12.

Training for qualified freshmen, sophomores and juniors is conducted under the platoon leaders class, Sergeant Rayner explained. This leads to a commission and advanced training as an aviation or field officer when the bachelor's degree has been earned.

Jet Plane Skids Off Airport Runway

St. Louis –(UPI)– A Boeing 707 jet airliner with 123 persons aboard skidded off a rain-washed runway at Lambert-St. Louis Airport Thursday but all escaped injury.

The Trans World Airlines plane, on a flight from Miami to Los Angeles, had received proper clearance and the landing appeared normal until the mishap occurred, a TWA spokesman said. The cause of the crash was not immediately determined.

The wheels of the 100-ton, $5 million airliner sank two feet into mud when it came to the end of the 6,000-foot runway.

Emergency vehicles sped to the plane to take passengers and crew members to the air terminal.

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