



OSCAR FAVORITES—Favored in tonight's Oscar Derby for best actress and best actor respectively are Audrey Hepburn, upper left, "The Nun's Story," and Charlton Heston, upper right, "Ben Hur." Also in the running are, center, left to right, Katherine Hepburn, "Suddenly Last Summer"; Doris Day, "Pillow Talk"; Paul Muni, "The Last

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 on problems that have been dealt with by responsible agencies and counselors.

Harold J. - My niece told lies about me.
Evelyn J. - It's hard to believe she'll tell a lie like that.

Harold J. - I am an engaged man of 24 involved in a peck of trouble just because of a sneaky, lying little girl - my 13-year-old niece, Doris.

I have been living with my brother and sister-in-law for the past year, trying to get a start in a new line of work. Recently I brought my fiancée to the house and my brother and sister-in-law were out. Doris (I thought) was in her room doing homework. I took my fiancée to my room, leaving the door open, to show her some new records.

The next day my sister-in-law said Doris had seen us engaged in intimacies. This is absolutely not true. My sister-in-law is terribly upset and I don't blame her. It's true we did a little mild necking, but is that a criminal offense?

Evelyn J. - My husband and I are doing our level best to bring up our three children with the proper standards of behavior. It isn't always easy in these days when they are subjected to such terrible influences from the outside. I want our home, at least, to be a center of clean living.

My husband and I have always considered Harold a fine man and have held him up as an example to the children. Doris is crazy about him and his fiancée and has often said she hopes she'll be like her and gets a husband like Harold.

What am I to tell my little girl now? It's hard to believe she would tell a lie like that. I also find it hard to believe that Harold and his fiancée would take such liberties in my home. It's not like them.

The Council: When two ordinarily upstanding individuals tell conflicting stories, it is probably safest to assume there has been a misunderstanding.

Harold and his fiancée were wrong and foolish to remain in his room when there were no adults in the house. He should acknowledge his error and apologize to his brother and sister-in-law for this abuse of hospitality.

We also feel Harold has weakened his case by referring to his niece as a "sneaky."

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by it and could easily imagine she saw something she didn't see.

However, it is a mistake to keep after either her or Harold in an effort to shake the truth out of them. Both are committed to their stories and there is little point in getting at the actual truth.

What should Evelyn tell her daughter? She can tell her it is normal and natural for an engaged couple to kiss and embrace, but that it is wrong and foolish of them to indulge in full physical intimacy. She can also say that nobody should jump to conclusions about others on the basis of a glance or word because it is too easy to make mistakes.

However, she should not be given the idea that her parents assume she is telling an untruth.

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Iron Curtain, Once Imaginary Line, Now Fortified Barrier

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Berlin - (UPI) - The "Iron Curtain," once only a Churchillian phrase dramatizing the ideological barrier separating the Communist and Western worlds, today is a fortified line of barbed wire, steel and concrete running from the Baltic to the Black Sea.

Prior to the Hungarian Revolt in 1956, there was one break in this long prison fence walling off the satellite peoples from their European brothers. That was the border between Hungary and Austria. The Soviets were powerless at the time to prevent the flood of refugees streaming into Austria.

Within a few weeks, however, the gap was closed. Today all along the hundreds of miles of what once was an imaginary line the refugee torrents have dwindled to a trickle.

Physical Description
Physically, the Iron Curtain, except in city areas, is a hundred-foot wide strip of land along much of which has been built four barbed wire fences. Three of them are six feet high and the fourth is ten feet high and electrified. Land mines are spotted between the fences. There are passages through it, but they are surrounded by alarm systems and rocket-flare warnings.

Watchtowers constructed so that each is in visual contact with another are manned twenty-four hours a day to make certain no desperate citizen from the Eastern area escapes.

Apparently the Communists now envision this as a permanent barrier, for the wooden fence posts are being replaced by concrete ones, and the wooden towers are being converted to steel.

Always a Problem
Berlin was a problem for the Russians almost from the start. Before the blockade of 1948 people moved in large numbers back and forth across the line between the east and west parts of the city. Barriers started to go up in that year, but were torn down when the allied airlift forced the Russians to give up their efforts to starve out West Berlin.

As recently as 1950, 84,000 East Berliners still worked in the western part. In 1952 the Communists got tough again and established special controls regulating the Soviet-West German border. At the same time they began to

harass East Berliners working in the West.

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