



MAURINE NEUBERGER HOME—Mrs. Richard L. Neuberger, wife of the late Sen. Neuberger (D-Ore.) has returned to Portland after closing the late senator's office in Washington, D.C. She was greeted by her mother-in-law, Mrs. Ruth Neuberger, right. This was the first time that the late senator's wife had lost control of her emotions in public. (UPI Telephoto)

Dog 'Reservoir' Urged in State

Portland — Creation of a "reservoir" of dogs in Oregon, protected against rabies by vaccination, was recommended by the board of the Oregon Veterinary Medical Association at a recent meeting here.

The OVMA, acting on a report from its public health committee, pointed to current rabies outbreaks in California and warned that upcoming summer months may see an increase in the movement of California dogs into Oregon during the tourist season.

At present Oregon is a rabies-free state. Dr. J. A. Hardesty, Portland chairman of the OVMA public health committee commented, but rabies might readily be introduced in Oregon from California because of the vast number of unvaccinated dogs in this state.

Dr. Monroe A. Holmes, vice chairman of the committee and public health veterinarian with the Oregon State Board of Health, Portland, reported that the state board was discussing a series of rabies institutes throughout the state for both professional and lay groups.

Discussions would center on the disease, its ramifications and information as to newer resources and measures of control, newer types of vaccines and methods for protection of humans.

The Family Council

Editor's Note: The Family Council consists of a Judge, a psychiatrist, three clergymen, a newspaper 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.

Mrs. L. G. — Why do the children keep things from me.

Ellen R. — She worries too much.

Mrs. L. G. — I am a widow in my late 60s. I have my own small apartment and a part-time job. I have a married son and daughter and I make it a policy never to interfere in their lives.

Just the same, I think a mother has a right to know a few things about what is going on in her family. My children don't tell me anything. Last year my son had a serious operation and I wasn't informed until a week later. They told me he had to go out of town on business. Last week I learned from outsiders that my son-in-law had given up his job and was going into business for himself.

Why should they keep things from me? Am I so old that I shouldn't hear about things any more? Don't I

count? Why do they push me out of their lives?

Ellen R. — Mother has always been a great worrier and she seems to feel deprived if we don't give her things to worry about. We feel she shouldn't have to worry about us any longer. We are capable of running our own lives.

If we had told Mother about my brother's operation, she would have been hysterical for weeks. As things are, she was hysterical when she found out. Since she has found out about my husband's plans she has been making a nervous wreck out of me with her worries about whether or not the business will succeed. I am trying to be calm about it but she upsets me.

I don't know why Mother considers it a reflection on her age when we don't tell her things. We don't think she's really old—just a bit too old to worry about us.

The Council: The motives of the two children in keeping worrisome facts from their mother is understandable, yet we wonder if this policy is altogether desirable.

It is true that Mrs. L. G. was spared a certain amount of advance worry about her son's operation, but the bad feelings she experienced afterward were also extremely unpleasant.

Mrs. L. G. states her feelings quite explicitly. When she is excluded from important knowledge about her children, she feels canceled out by them. Elderly individuals naturally feel that their time on earth is limited and they don't want to hasten the end of active living. If they feel great anxiety about the shortness of life they may want to participate in more activity than is good for them.

To Mrs. L. G. worry is probably a substitute for doing many of the things she was once able to do for her children when they were young. It is unfortunate that she has not been able to relinquish a bit more of the old relationship and involve herself in a multitude of other interests, but the fact is that she cannot readily change her feelings.

She should recognize, however, that she acts as a most disturbing force in her children's lives at moments when they must muster all their strength. She must control her emotions for their sake if she wants to share things with them.

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