Time Remains To Correct Education Problems of Child

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Now is the time to evaluate your child's progress in school. There is still sufficient time to correct problems. Tutoring may be helpful if the proper situation exists.

Difficulties in adjustment which are common in September should not continue now. Any problems which are present should be given careful consideration.

Analyze the problems and their causes. You can obtain assistance at your school. Your child's teachers can describe the problems in detail. A check for the possible causes is important. This can be done in cooperation with the school. Perhaps, you will want to seek outside advice from your family doctor or other specialist. Remember that physical eyes, ears, general health, etc., and emotional problems interfere with a child's ability to learn.

Tutoring can be more successful if specific difficulties which block learning are corrected. In some cases the tutoring will be helpful in easing emotional problems, while in other cases it may be harmful.

Your decision to begin tutoring should be a joint one between you, the school, other specialists, and the child. The child's attitude must be considered. If he objects, you should not begin tutoring until he has been convinced of the value.

Once a decision for tutoring has been made, chances for success will be highly dependent upon the choice of an instructor. This should be based upon the type of problem and causes. Should the teacher be male or female?

There could be a good effect from a male in the family in which the father is not home very often.

Should the tutor be a regular teacher or a remedial specialist? This really depends upon the individual and the child's problem. Look for someone who is familiar with the particular difficulty. The tutor should have a warm friendly personality. The relationship with the child must be enthusiastic, but relaxed, encouraging, and properly structured. There should be a feeling of progress. Although major results may be slow, the child needs to see some early success.

Careful thought should be given to the length and number of sessions. Three quarters to one hour appears to be an appropriate time. A longer period may be too tiresome while a shorter period is not sufficient to accomplish any real instruction in the academic subjects.

The number of times per week depends upon the type of problem and the child's total schedule. In most cases, the child has many other responsibilities. He needs time for regular school work and relaxation. This matter should be discussed with the tutor and the student. The sessions should be close enough so that there is continuity in the instruction.

Tutoring generally serves a particular need. Do not continue it beyond this point. You do not want it to become a "crutch." Perhaps it should be dropped gradually so that the child maintains his new confidence.

You should recognize that tutoring is not the answer for all academic problems. It can be valuable if the atmosphere and conditions are proper. Base your decision upon the problems and causes. Look for answers. Do not make a hasty decision without careful searching.

Dennis the Menace

Forestry Program Lauded in Report

Salem —(UPI)— The pilot summer camp program of the State Board of Forestry left participants "with a healthier attitude toward society and life in general," State Forester Dwight L. Phipps said Wednesday.

The comments were included in the forestry board's biennial report.

The program was authorized by the 1961 legislature, and 70 potential high school dropouts participated in the first two camp sessions.

The program cost the counties $27,208, and the state $39,680. The report also noted:

—1962 was the most favorable fire year in the history of northwest Oregon, with only 8,441 acres burned, compared to 65,000 acres in 1961.

—Reforestation efforts resulted in 26,139 acres being seeded, and 13,573 acres planted with seedlings.

—Pay for state foresters should match U.S. government pay scales to retain trained personnel.

New Regulations on Applications for Small Tracts Noted

Portland—Swindlers who cheat elderly easterners out of their savings with land selling frauds in the West will find it more difficult in the future under terms of new regulations announced by Secretary of the Interior Stewart L. Udall.

The bureau of land management has called attention to the changes which permit automatic rejection of applications for small tracks of federal land unless the land has been opened to application. The regulation removes one of the major selling points which illegitimate promoters have used to defraud victims.

"Now that Congress has turned the spotlight of publicity on a vicious racket in private lands in the West we hope the public will also wake up to the tricks some promoters are using to fool the public about federal public lands," Udall stated, describing the change as the latest step taken over the past 20 months to safeguard applicants for public lands.

Subcommittee on Aging

Chairman Pat McNamara's special senate subcommittee on aging is investigating widespread complaints of quacks and crooks preying on aged Americans. Charges of mail order frauds in palming off useless private land were among the first accusations aired by the inquiry.

"No federal land is involved in these cases," Udall said. "But we want people to be aware there are sharp dealers who charge sizeable fees for filing useless applications for public land which the victims don't have any chance whatsoever of obtaining."

"The Interior Department's bureau of land management has small tracts available for sale from time to time in the western public land states," Udall continued. "They are parcels of up to five acres suitable for residential business or community sites. Promoters with an eye out for a fast buck have talked people into paying them for filing applications for the land.

"Thousands of gullible people have thought they were putting down payments on the lands when in fact they were only paying a promoter to do what they can do free for themselves or have the government do for them free or for practically nothing."

Use Same Approach

Secretary Udall said unscrupulous promoters use the same approach in describing federal land which they cannot sell as they use in describing private land, claiming that it has water and other utilities, easy access and plots for occupancy when the land is usually raw desert miles from water and lacking in developments that would make it habitable.

The new order authorized the department's bureau of land management to reject small tract applications if the land has not already been found to be valuable for such disposal, Udall explained.

Even if the land has been so classified it will normally be sold at public auction so there will be no reason to file an application, he said.

Ashlanders To Attend Shrine's National Meeting

Ashland – Hillah Temple of Ashland will be represented by a delegation at the Shrine convention in Chicago July 7 to 11 for the 1963 Imperial Council session, Lyndel W. Newbry, potentate of Hillah Temple, has notified Walter H. Vartan, president of the session.

Newbry is directing plans for Hillah Temple's participation in the convention.

This will be the 89th Imperial Council Session and it is expected to be the largest convention in Shrine history, according to Vartan.

Hillah temple is among the first of the 167 temples throughout North America to announce plans for attending the convention, which is expected to draw 500,000 Shriners and their families to the Illinois city.

More than $35 million is expected to be spent in Chicago by the visiting Shriners for accommodations, transportation, shopping and services.

Shrinedom is known as the playground for all Masons but the 800,000 members contribute to the spiritual and financial support of the 17 Shriners hospitals for crippled children, one of which is located in Portland. Many Jackson county children have been treated in the Portland unit, which is supported by Hillah Temple.

'MISS M.'

Sydney, Australia —(UPI)— Pan American World Airways officials had good reason to refer to a young Fijian girl who booked passage on a jet flight simply as "Miss M." She is Miss Mouarkuarkuarkuarkuarrier.

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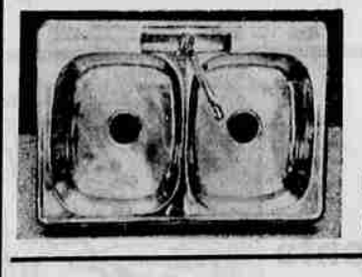

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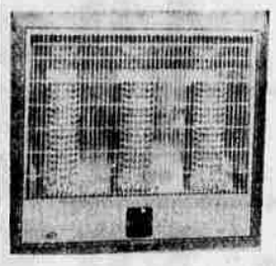

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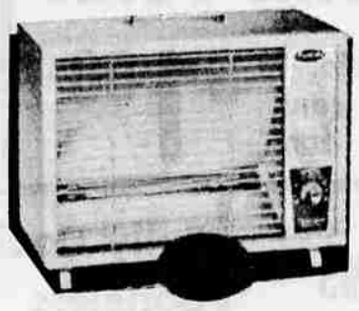

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