

Salem — **UP** — The Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs is transferring \$3.5 million from its veterans' bond sinking fund to the state's general fund, Director H. C. Saalfeld said Thursday.

## The Family Council

Editor's note: The Family Council consists of a judge, a psychiatrist, three clergymen, three editors and a women's editor. Each article is a summary of a family disagreement presented to the Council. The Council deals with problems, major and minor, encountered by guidance counselors and social workers. Edited by Mrs. Alma Drany. (Copyright by General Features Corp.)

**Geraldine N.** — Three years of mourning is enough.  
**Felice T.** — My interest in social life died with my husband.

**Geraldine N.** — I'm disgusted with my sister. She's only 40 and has two teen-age children, yet she acts like 90 and some 90-year-olds have more oomph than she. We can't get her out of her home except to go marketing. She says she wants to be alone with her memories of her husband — she's turning the home into a funeral parlor.

**Felice T.** — I've always been a quiet person. Any social life I had was inspired by my husband, and had meaning to me only as his wife and companion. Now I don't fit in anywhere — our married friends don't need a widow around to cheer them up, and I've lost touch with the unmarried folk I knew from school days. Gerry should stop nagging me.

**The Council:** When the Good Book warns that "it is not good for man to be alone," it means women and children too, of course, and it expounds a vital rule for mental health. People need people. One must

reach out to one's fellowman and communicate — or one shrivels up. Geraldine can't bear to sit back and see what Felice's withdrawal from life is doing to her and to her children. We applaud her "nagging," for it keeps her sister from sinking completely into the unhealthy quagmire of self-pity, self-dramatization, and self-indulgence. If only for her children's sake, she must get back on the beam of human give-and-take. Both sisters will be glad to know that there's a chapter of Parents Without Partners, Inc., in Felice's community. It welcomes women like Felice, as well as those teenagers, as members. They'd receive guidance and enjoy Saturday bowling, Sunday picnics, holiday tours — all aimed at instilling a comfortable feeling of "belonging." Mourning is important, Felice, but so is high noon.

### Central Point Youth Receives Scholarship

Salem — Leslie L. Dewey, 222 South Seventh st., Central Point, has been awarded a \$100 college scholarship by the Oregon State Employees Association.

Leslie, a June graduate of Crater High school, plans to enter Southern Oregon college in September. He is one of 11 scholarship and grants-in-aid winners named by the association for the coming academic year.

Washington — **UP** — The Senate Finance committee voted Thursday to extend high wartime corporation and consumer excise tax rates another year to prevent a \$4.2 billion annual loss in federal revenues.

## Attitudes Against Media Editorials Breaks Into Open

Washington — **UP** — Congressional feeling against radio and television editorializing broke into the open Thursday with announcement of an investigation of the practice starting July 15.

The hearings, to be conducted by a House subcommittee, are expected to last for about a week.

Politicians and broadcasters will testify. Government officials probably will be called too.

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) in recent years has been encouraging stations to editorialize on the ground that it could elevate the quality of programming.

But apparently many politicians — especially those in office — are upset at what they feel is an abuse of the privilege.

During debate in the House Wednesday on a related matter, several members denounced broadcast editorializing. The criticism was intense at times.

Rep. John Bennett, (R-Mich.) said "there are broadcasters who criticize one party and defend another, who criticize one candidate and defend another, all under the guise of editorializing."

Rep. Harley Staggers (D-W. Va.) spoke of the "unfair tactic" of broadcasters, who he said allowed attacks on an office holder but did not allow him free time to reply.

During the debate Commerce Committee Chairman Oren Harris (D-Ark.) said one of his sub-committees would start hearings on the subject July 15.

### Received Complaints

Rep. Walter Rogers (D-Tex.), chairman of the subcommittee, said he has received at least 20 complaints from congressmen of both parties.

Under the FCC's "general fairness" doctrine, broadcasters are supposed to seek out comment from both sides of controversial issues. In addition, the so-called "equal time" rule requires that all political candidates be af-

forded equal broadcast time. Rogers said there was a "gray area" as to the legal application of these two rules.

He indicated that the subcommittee will look into this. The basis for Wednesday comment on the floor was the

House's debate and passage of presidential campaigns. A similar waiver in 1960 permitted the four televised Kennedy-Nixon debates.

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## Small Worlds Around Us

By LYNN M. WATKINS

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### Freeloading Not Confined To Human Race Alone

It looked pretty silly, a tall grown youngster, strong, healthy and active, chasing after his mother with his big mouth wide open, and begging for food. Like mothers everywhere, she was patient, tolerant, and obviously long-suffering, for she humored him. When his whimpering became insistent she would hunt up

a worm, or a bug and stuff it down his throat, when she might better have eaten it herself.

If the three bluejay babies turn to this doting mother only junior, the biggest of the brood, insisted on hanging to her apron strings. Of the three, he was the one that remained dependent. His two nest-mates hunted their own food, asked nothing of mother and had in fact, just about adjusted to a life of their very own.

### Freeloader

Junior, the freeloader, like his human counterpart that asks for and demands more than he wants to give in return, insisted on accompanying mother wherever she went, mouth open, wings drooping and quivering with nervous frenzy. If mother happened to be a little slow on food giving, he would literally stamp his feet, and come very close to emitting a pitiful whimper.

Junior had developed this wing-quiver to a high degree of perfection, a universal signal, on the part of the young bird that activates the mother to drop whatever food she has into the hungry mouth. The big lummo, "lazy as a pet coon," wanted an easy life; perfectly willing to eat without lifting a feather to feed himself; dependent on his parents in spite of the fact he was bigger than either of them. Always, that wide open mouth, with its red lining, and the quivering wings, melted mother jay, and she babied her big son by acquiescing to his demands.

### Had No Shame

Other jay mothers in the neighborhood looked askance at junior, each probably thinking to herself what she would do if she had such a good-for-nothing son. But junior had no shame, and mother jay was apparently too much a mother to put her foot down and insist on him being a grown-up bird.

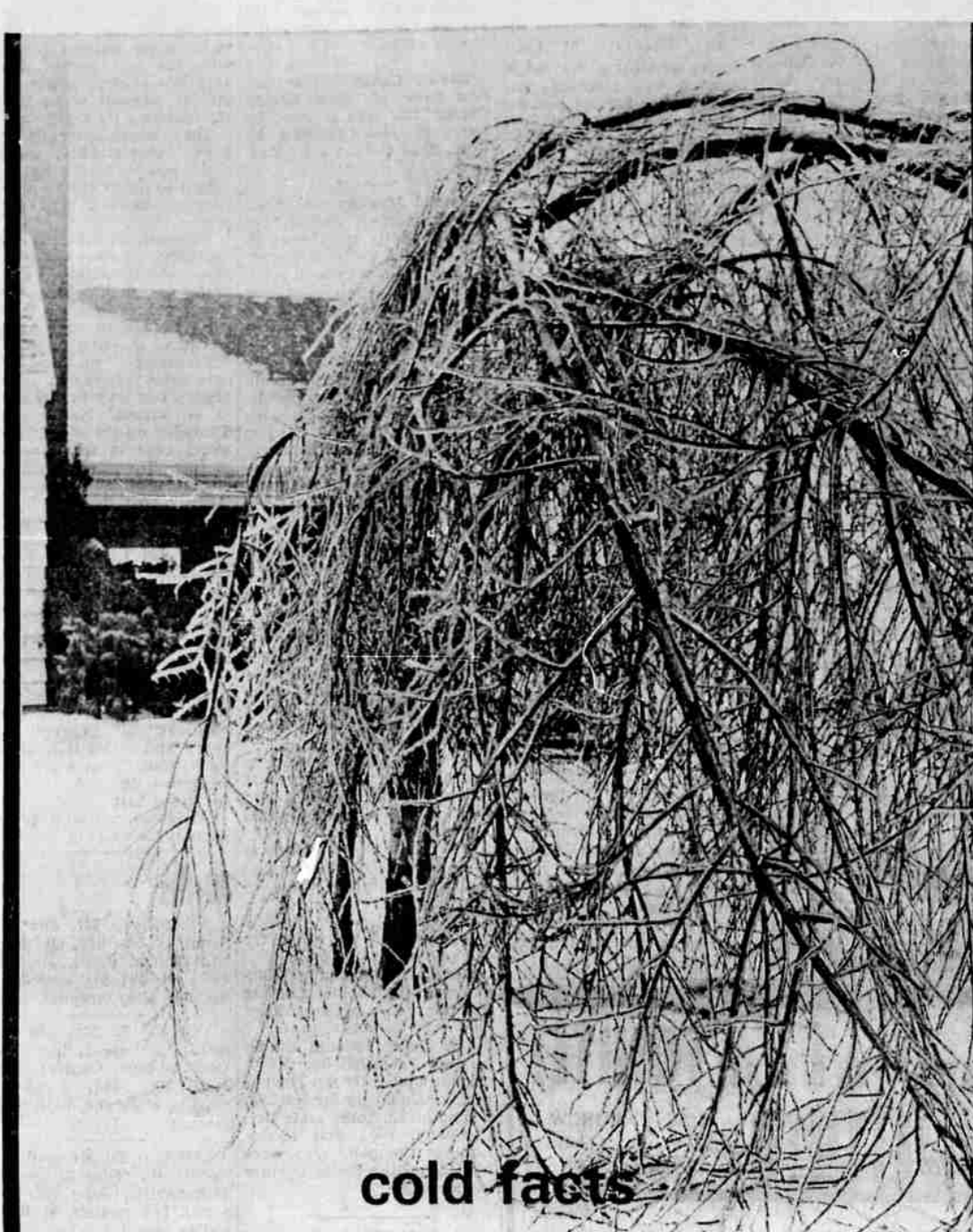
Perhaps Mrs. Jay heard some of the bird-gossip, with so many wagging tongues she could hardly help hearing, for one day her patience ran out. The decision came one bright summer afternoon. She was hungry and worms that day were in short supply. She had only found three in as many hours, and her sponger-son had begged them all away. Up till then, she had no thought of rebelling, but he was quivering his wings and pleading, when she hauled off and socked him with her wing. She whipped him soundly.

Junior screamed in shocked surprise. Mr. Jay joined the melee, adding his two cents worth, and got in a couple of licks himself. Junior, his feathers ruffled, his ego shattered, flew up into the leafy top of a tree. Somehow he knew the party was over. He knew the apron string had parted and he was now on his own. He knew he must depend on his own resources, for birds, like most humans must realize that a time comes when the home ties are severed.

### GOP State Chairmen Open Denver Meet

Denver — **UP** — Republican state chairmen from across the nation opened top-level party meeting in Denver Thursday.

The main order of business will be selection, probably Saturday, of a site for the 1964 Republican National convention by the GOP national committee.



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