

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 Denny. (Copyright by General Features Corp.)

Hannah C.—He can consider me another gambling loss.

Ferdinand C.—She can't leave now. My luck must change.

Hannah C.—After 35 years of panic and humiliation, I'm determined to leave my husband. Our children are all married now and I can go to live with one of them. Ferdie is an inveterate gambler. I stuck it out with him, hoping he'd straighten out. But now, with a mortgage on our home, a loan on our car, he's still approaching relatives for money to pay his debts. I can't face anybody any more.

Ferdinand C.—My gambling suited her fine when I was winning. And you notice she won't deny that I managed to provide for the family all through my ups and downs, even though they were mostly downs. Now that I'm in the deepest hole of my life, the woman who's supposed to stand by me is ready to bury me in it. I can't lose all the time. It's her duty to stay with me and wait for things to balance out again.

The Council:—One expects a marriage to go through a few crises, and some 35-year-old one falls victim to "middle-age madness." But this one has

been nothing but crisis, with a few lulls for paying bills. And all because Ferdinand has a ranging disease now classified a long with alcoholism and drug addiction as a destructive compulsion. Why is gambling "in his blood?" Because the "antibodies" are weak-factors such as self-confidence, patience, sense of responsibility. We urge Hannah to regard her husband as sick and, instead of deserting him now, to turn her full attention to nursing him back to health. Gamblers Anonymous, P. O. Box 1498, New York, offers the help of others who may convince him that he can lose all the time. Above all, they work on the cause which they say is "feelings of rejection stemming from early childhood." Hannah may relent when she understands that Ferdinand has merely been trying to "buy love."

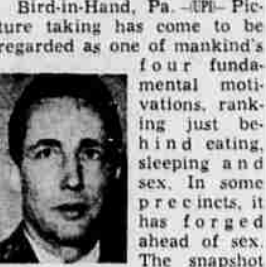
Earth Mover Kills Washington Worker

Goldendale, Wash. — Wayne O. Wilkes, 50, White Salmon, Wash., died Monday after being crushed against a stump by a runaway earth mover at a logging operation about 50 miles north of here.

The Mark of a Tourist

Shutter Bugs Meet Match in Pennsylvania's Amish Country

By DICK WEST



Bird-in-Hand, Pa. — Picture taking has come to be regarded as one of mankind's four fundamental motivations, ranking just behind eating, sleeping and sex. In some precincts, it has forged ahead of sex. The snapshot urge shows up most strongly in the American tourist, who can be instantly identified by the camera that dangles from a strap around his neck.

The camera is his badge, his escutcheon, his caste mark, his elk's tooth, his security symbol. He feels it is a part of him, and eventually it will be.

It is only a question of time until the process of evolution incorporates this function into the bodily mechanism and each person will be born with a camera growing out of his chest.

It was my interest in the subject that brought me to Bird-in-Hand. This village in the heart of the Pennsylvania Dutch country is the scene of an interesting conflict between the tourist and the Amish.

The Amish are one of the groups of "Plain People" that inhabit Lancaster county. For religious reasons they still use the horse and buggy, wear old-fashioned clothes, shun telephones and electricity, and otherwise try to keep their homes insulated from the outside world.

All of this naturally has made them a prime tourist attraction. Being gentle, passive people, the Amish have refrained from driving away the tourist with buckshot, as they might be justified in doing. Insofar as possible, they try to ignore the invasion.

It is, however, against their religion to permit themselves to be photographed, and a tourist with a camera is not easily ignored.

Thus has been created the classic case of an irresistible force (tourist with camera) confronted with an irresistible subject (the picturesque Amish).

I would like to report that the tourist has at last met his match and is being compelled to retire from the field with shutter unclicked and film unexposed. But the Amish are vulnerable to long-range lens and there are signs that camera shyness is abating in the younger generation. As they say in Latin, "E pluribus Kodak."

El Paso Gas Gets Pipeline Easement

Salem — The state land board has granted a 99-year easement to El Paso Natural Gas Co. to construct a gas pipeline across the Columbia river at Hood River.

The new gas transmission line will be attached to the Hood River bridge. Port of Portland was granted permission to remove and sell 10,000 cubic yards of dredged material from the Columbia river.

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Dennis the Menace



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