

# Responsibility Factor In Child Development, Success in Family Life

This is the second in a series of six articles based on actual, typical case histories from the files of Family Service of Oakland County. The material is disguised to protect the families served.

There is little disagreement that the future of our society lies in the hands of our children and that happy children produce happy adults.

We also know that maladjusted and miserable children tend to strike out later at the community in anti-social behavior such as criminal acts.

Thus, the community is faced with paying the cost of unhappy living and individuals involved are faced with despair and grief in their personal difficulties.

Prevention of social and emotional breakdown of a child can occur when parents are concerned and alert to early signs. In the previous article we learned how unhappy marriages affect emotional development of children, but what about reasonably happy marriages where parents have problems in understanding and handling their children and are unable to solve these problems themselves?

FOR EXAMPLE, the case of Bobby, age eight, a tense and unhappy little boy. Jeff and Nancy, his parents, really began to wonder what was wrong with Bobby when consistent bickering became a habit.

On the surface, Jeff and Nancy seemed like many young couples in this country. They were in their early thirties, suburban home owners and Jeff had an up and coming

job. Bobby was one of two children. The family had economic security but something was lacking. After talking with their family doctor, they followed his suggestion to consult a family service worker at Family Service of Oakland County, a Torch Drive Agency.

THE COUNSELOR, in a sensitive way, helped Jeff and Nancy feel free to look at their family life. In college, they felt they were "meant for each other." Jeff felt he needed to struggle and succeed above all else. There had been rigid standards imposed on him by his mother.

His job, building a house, being important in community life meant that Jeff had little time and later little patience with his family.

Nancy came from a family that was free in their expression of affection; however, her mother tended to be overcritical and exacting.

Nancy married Jeff, knowing that he could provide for her. However, as their life together progressed and children arrived, she found little affection from Jeff. And his exacting ways were as irritating as her mother's had been when she was young. Her marriage was not all "peaches and cream" and though irritations began to pile up, she held her tongue.

When the Family Service caseworker saw Bobby, tension was noted in addition to desire for constant acceptance and encouragement by adults.

The success of a child's life, his ability to give and take in later life all depend upon a firm foundation of love and respect for himself. All this is engendered by family relationships as he is grow-

ing up. Parents' feelings about themselves and other people affect their attitude and handling of their children.

IN INTERVIEWS, Nancy could see how her built-up anger around

her marriage oozed out when she blew up at Bobby for minor things. She realized that this real anger was a carry-over from her relationship with her mother.

Anger, unfavorable comparison and ridicule will neither allow the parent to appreciate the child for his own strengths and weaknesses nor will it allow the child to grow at his own pace.

If we are to see that no two children are alike, then we, too, must be free of irritations and anger towards children.

As Nancy was helped to sort out her feelings and judge them in the light of what she wanted for her self in her own behavior, she found she was able to control her temper when dealing with Bobby.

SOON AFTER, she was amazed that Bobby's bickering stopped when she held a hammer as if Daddy, Daddy could now be satisfied that he did not have to face his mother's

uncontrolled outbursts.

A parent's control of his own feelings does not mean overgiving, overloving, or the lack of setting limits for a child. It does not mean that a child grows up in a chaos of freedom.

Children need to know the do's and don'ts of life. Part of growing up means to learn to accept limitations and responsibilities that adult life will place on a child's shoulder.

Jeff, too, was a part of the picture with Bobby. He could see that his exacting standards for an eight-year-old were high and Bobby needed encouragement.

he was trying. Such comments as "you ought to see him throw a ball" hit the broadside of a barn.

Thus, Bobby's bickering brought forth an unrealistic marital problem. His parents were helped to control their reactions, accept Bobby for what he was and encourage rather than belittle his efforts.

We can easily see how Bobby's feelings of rejection and anger, which would have been greater in adolescence, might have led to dire problems had not this family sought the help of Family Service of Oakland County.

(The next article will look at the problems which individuals present on their jobs and how the agency can help.)

## Community House To Feature Debate

Students of Troy and Royal Oak Kimball high schools will match wits in a debate Thursday at the Birmingham Community House to highlight the meeting of the Oakland County chapter of the United Nations Association for the United Nations.

## Pryor Named Head Of YMCA Campaign

Robert Pryor, 18188 Magnolia Parkway, Southfield, has been selected as a co-chairman of the tenth annual Northwestern Branch YMCA membership drive.

Pryor will be chairman of the renewal campaign. Membership enrollment will begin Feb. 1 and continue through Feb. 28.

The Northwestern Branch, which now has a membership of approximately 5000, plans to solicit 2200 renewals and 400 new members.

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**Chocolate Pinwheels** Nabisco 12½-OZ. PKG. 39c  
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### LEGAL NOTICES

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STATE OF MICHIGAN—In the Probate Court for the County of Oakland.

In the Matter of the Estate of Mabel Hamilton, Mentally Incompetent.

At a session of said Court, held at the Court House in the City of Pontiac, in said County, on the 10th day of January, A. D. 1961.

Present, Honorable Arthur E. Moore, Judge of Probate.

That Wilson, Guardian of said estate having filed in said Court her annual account, and petition praying for the confirmation and allowance thereof.

It is Ordered, that the 20th day of January, A. D. 1961, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Court in the Court House in the City of Pontiac, Michigan, be and is hereby appointed as the time and place for hearing said petition.

It is further Ordered that notice be given to all interested parties as shown by the records in this cause, by mailing a copy of this order to each of them personally, or by mailing addressed to each of them by registered mail with return receipt, demanding address as their respective last known address as shown by the files and records in this cause.

And it is further Ordered that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order once each week for three successive weeks previous to said date of hearing in the Birmingham Enterprise a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

ARTHUR E. MOORE, Judge of Probate, 46, 47, 48

OFFICIAL NOTICE OF SALE \$100,000.00 1961 SPECIAL SANITARY SEWER ASSESSMENT (District No. 103)

UNIMPROVED OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN

Sealed bids for the Township of Bloomfield Special Assessment Sanitary Sewer Bonds will be received by the Township of Bloomfield, 4269 Telegraph Road, Bloomfield Township, Michigan, until 5:00 o'clock p.m., Monday, January 9, 1961, at which time and place said bids will be publicly opened and read.

Said Special Assessment Sanitary Sewer Bonds shall consist of one hundred three (103) bonds of the denomination of \$1,000.00 each, maturing progressively in direct order of maturity from 1 to 103, both inclusive, on or after November 1, 1960, and will mature serially as follows:

\$22,000.00 February 1, 1961  
 \$22,000.00 February 1st of each of the years 1962 and 1963;  
 \$11,000.00 February 1, 1964.  
 \$22,000.00 February 1, 1965.

Bonds numbered 92 to 100, both inclusive, maturing in the year 1965, of said issue, may be redeemed at the option of the Township in advance of maturity on or after February 1, 1962, at an interest accrued to the date of redemption. Notice of redemption shall be given to holders of such bonds not less than thirty days prior to the date fixed for redemption, at least once in a newspaper or publication of general circulation in the State of Michigan which carries as part of its regular service, notice of said municipal bonds. No further interest shall accrue after the date fixed for redemption, provided the Township has money available for such redemption with the saving of their legal and other costs.

The holder of such bonds shall bear interest from their date of maturity to the date of redemption, and shall bear interest from their date of redemption to the date of maturity, at a rate of one-half per cent (1/2%) per annum, compounded in advance of maturity. Said interest shall be payable on February 1, 1961, and semi-annually thereafter on August 1st and February 1st of each year. The interest on any portion of any bond shall not be paid on any one bond until all interest coupon, both principal and interest will be payable at a bank to be selected by the purchaser of the bonds. Arrangements for the date of delivery of such bonds shall be made by the purchaser at time of delivery.

Said 1960 Special Assessment Sanitary Sewer Bonds are issued in anticipation of the collection of a like amount of special assessments on Special Assessment Roll No. 103.

In addition to special assessments, said bonds pledge the full faith and resources of the Township of Bloomfield for their payment.

Under the pledge of full faith and credit, in case of insolvency of any interest derived from said bonds as the same become due, the Township of Bloomfield is required to pay amount of such deficiency out of its general funds, or if necessary, taxes on all taxable property within the limits of taxation provided by the Constitution and laws of the State of Michigan.

The purpose of awarding the bonds, the interest cost of such bonds to be computed by determining at the rate of rates specified therein, the total value of all interest on the bonds to be paid therefrom on any premium or discount, and the amount of such interest on the bonds to be paid therefrom on any premium or discount, less than the amount of \$2,660.00, drawn upon the unappropriated funds or trust funds payable to the order of the Treasurer

The Township of Bloomfield, must accept and hold as a condition of good faith on the part of the bidder, to be a resident of the Township of Bloomfield, Michigan, and the bidder fails to take up and deliver to the Township will be returned promptly to such bidder's representative by registered mail.

Sealed bids shall be conditioned upon the unqualified approval of Miller, Canfield, Padlock & Stone, Attorneys at Law, Bloomfield, Michigan, of the legality of the bonds to be delivered, and the Township shall pay the cost of printing the bonds and of delivery thereof.

All conditions or claims against the above estate are further notified and ordered to prove their claims at said hearing and notice to said hearing to be filed in the Probate Court with this Court and to be filed in the file of this cause, and to be filed in the file of this cause, and to be filed in the file of this cause, and to be filed in the file of this cause.

It is further Ordered that notice be given to all interested parties as shown by the records in this cause, by mailing a copy of this order to each of them personally, or by mailing addressed to each of them by registered mail with return receipt, demanding address as their respective last known address as shown by the files and records in this cause.

And it is further Ordered that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order once each week for three successive weeks previous to said date of hearing in the Birmingham Enterprise a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

ARTHUR E. MOORE, Judge of Probate, 46, 47, 48

STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Oakland.

In the Matter of the Estate of CHARLES BRINDE, Deceased.

At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Court in the City of Pontiac, in said County, on the 12th day of January, A. D. 1961.

Present, Honorable Arthur E. Moore, Judge of Probate.

That the Township of Bloomfield, Michigan, being the executor of the will of said deceased, has filed in said Court her annual account, and petition praying for the confirmation and allowance thereof.

It is Ordered, that the 20th day of January, A. D. 1961, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Court in the Court House in the City of Pontiac, Michigan, be and is hereby appointed as the time and place for hearing said petition.

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STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Oakland.

In the Matter of the Estate of OTIS K. BECKER, Deceased.

At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Court in the City of Pontiac, in said County, on the 12th day of January, A. D. 1961.

Present, Honorable Arthur E. Moore, Judge of Probate.

That the Township of Bloomfield, Michigan, being the executor of the will of said deceased, has filed in said Court her annual account, and petition praying for the confirmation and allowance thereof.

It is Ordered, that the 20th day of February, A. D. 1961, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Court in the Court House in the City of Pontiac, Michigan, be and is hereby appointed as the time and place for hearing said petition.