

Encouragement May Help More Than Punishment

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Dear Dr. Whipple: We have two children, a daughter aged 11½ years and a son aged 9½ years. Our son Frank entered school when he was five and his teachers have all found him hard to manage. He is very stubborn, but up until two years ago he was quite smart in school. Now his teacher writes me that neither his behavior nor his school work has improved so far this year.

We have taken away TV and given him extra homework. We have to be very strict with him at all times.

Tonight I found his arm covered with inked cartoons he said he had done during class. He is always resorting to lies and tricks.

His music teacher says he is brilliant in music. Here he is not inattentive. For his music he would go without almost anything. We have threatened to take away the music if his schoolwork doesn't improve.

Are we right? Are we wrong? He is not a bad boy but he definitely needs something that he is not getting . . . Mrs. F. D. N.

Dear Mrs. F. D. N.: First take Frank to your doctor for a thorough check-up. Could his inattention in school be due to failure to see the backboard clearly? Maybe he doesn't hear as well as he should. Maybe he is tired or maybe there is some other physical reason for his lack of interest in school work.

Since there was some possibility of injury at birth with Frank, ask your doctor to arrange a consultation with a neurologist. Sometimes a brain-injured child will show aggressive, destructive and bizarre behavior.

If no physical defect can be found, the next step is an evaluation of Frank's mental capacities. Maybe he belongs in the second or third grade instead of the fourth.

If he cannot understand what's going on in school, of course he won't pay attention. He will be quite bored and will resort to all sorts of troublesome behavior to keep himself occupied. If Frank should prove to be a little slow you must ease up on your requirements of him and let him learn at his own rate.

If Frank's I. Q. is up to average then we probably have primarily an emotional problem on our hands.

How often do you compare Frank to his sister and urge him to be like her. This just confirms his feeling that you love her more than you love him. He may feel he never can succeed in doing anything that's approved of, so it's not worth trying.

Should these be the reasons for Frank's bad behavior what that youngster needs is a campaign on his parents' part to make him feel loved and wanted for what he is now. As soon as he can feel sure of his parents' love, he will no longer need his bad behavior and it will slowly drop away.

Under no circumstances ever take away his music. It's the one place he does have some sense of competence. Begin your campaign by admiring his music, by showing interest in what he enjoys. Don't urge him on to better and better performances. Accept him—like him and his work right here and now. His feeling of pleasure in your approval is the real stimulus to make him want to do more and better things. When a child wants to learn we can feel he is becoming educated in the best sense of the word.

The same with other phases of his education. Stop punishing (which you admit yourself is not producing the desired results), show an interest in what he can do. Let him feel you love the little boy he is right now. I am sure you do love him, but I'm not at all sure he knows it.

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Family Favorites

By JOY ROPER
Battalion Society Editor

BEEF CREOLE

A thrifty dish, "extended" with rice.
1 pound of beef stew meat, cubed
2 tablespoons shortening
¾ cups (No. 2½ can) canned tomatoes
½ cup water
2 cups diced green pepper
¾ cup sliced onions
1 clove garlic, minced
1½ teaspoons salt
1 tablespoon sugar
½ cup uncooked rice

Brown meat in shortening in a large heavy skillet and add all remaining ingredients except rice. Bring to boiling point, reduce heat and simmer for 30 minutes.

Stir rice into mixture, cover skillet and simmer gently for about 50 minutes or until rice and meat are tender. Stir once or twice during simmering time. If mixture becomes dry, a little water may be added during cooking time. Six servings.

PEACHY LEMON PIE

Quick to make, with a tasty combination of flavors.
1 No. 2½ can peach slices
3 eggs
1 cup sugar
1 teaspoon grated lemon rind
3 tablespoons lemon juice
2 tablespoons melted butter or margarine
pastry for single 9-inch crust

Drain peaches thoroughly. Beat eggs lightly, add sugar and mix well. Blend in lemon rind, juice and butter. Line 9-inch pie pan with pastry, making high fluted rim.

Turn in well-drained peaches and pour lemon mixture over them. Bake in moderately hot oven (375 degrees) until set, about 40 minutes. Cool thoroughly before cutting.

CHILI

An old stand-by, and wonderful these coolish days.
4 tablespoons bacon grease
1 large onion
1 pound ground round steak
1 large can tomatoes
1 tablespoon salt
chili powder to taste
1 or 2 quarts of boiling water
1 cup dried pinto beans, cooked

Brown onion, sliced, in hot fat. Add meat and brown. Stir in tomatoes, salt, chili powder, and water. Cook slowly at least an hour, then add beans and continue cooking 30 minutes. Long, slow cooking improves the flavor.

SHELL MACARONI SALAD

This serves well as a main luncheon or supper dish.
1 package shell macaroni
2 hard boiled eggs
2 large pickles
1 small onion
2 tomatoes
1 small can pimento
2 small apples
few stalks celery
salt and pepper to taste
parsley

Cook macaroni until tender; drain and rinse with cold water. Cut other ingredients fine and add to cooked macaroni, mixing well with mayonnaise. Add juice of one lemon.

Clubs To Return To Gay Nineties

Ballroom of the Memorial Student Center will be the scene Friday night of a "Gay Nineties" party for members and guests of the Campus Women's Social Club and the A&M Faculty Dinner Club.

While a best costume contest will be a feature of the evening, costumes are optional in the hope that both groups will participate fully.

Other highlights of the affair will be old-time movies, and dancing to recorded music. The program is being arranged by Mrs. Chris H. Groneman, and master-of-ceremonies will be Dr. Carrol D. Laverty.

Handle-bar mustaches will be presented free to the men in attendance, and later in the evening refreshments will be served.

The party is to take the place of the Oct. 18 dinner meeting originally scheduled by the Faculty Club.

Aquarium Society

The Brazos County Aquarium Society will hold a re-organization meeting Tuesday at 7:30 p. m. in room 107 of the Biological Sciences building. Persons interested in ichthyology are invited to attend. Refreshments will be served.

Like cooked vegetable salads? Try mixing cooked carrots and peas with diced raw celery and minced parsley; moisten with French dressing.

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Pattern Saves Fitting Time

By DOROTHY ROE
Associated Press Women's Editor

Women who sew know that fitting is the most important single factor in making a dress. But pattern alterations, endless dressing and undressing for try-ons, pinning, basting, stitching, ripping and re-stitching can be discouraging for even an experienced home seamstress.

Local sewing center experts have come up with an idea to speed up dressmaking and cut down fitting time. This is a new basic pattern developed by a pattern company, designed to be made up in muslin and used as a basis for any number of variations.

The lines of the pattern are lines of a basic dress including set-in long sleeves, straight skirt, fitted bodice with waistline seam and round neckline. Using explicit directions for alterations given in the pattern envelope, the home dressmaker achieves a basic dress

of perfect fit, and alters all her patterns according to the alterations made on this dress.

Complete directions are given for such fitting problems as too-long or too-short waistline, sleeves and skirt. Also given are instructions for adjusting pattern to fit narrow shoulders, wide back, rounded back or large bust. Clear diagrams show how to make alterations right on the printed pattern.

In addition to these adjustments

to be made on a dress with standard lines, a sheet is included for alterations on dresses of unusual cut.

For example, the seamstress might admire the lines of a dress with a surplice front or kimono bodice, but hesitate to try to make such a dress because of the intricate alterations involved. Clear diagrams show how to make these alterations without disturbing the style line.

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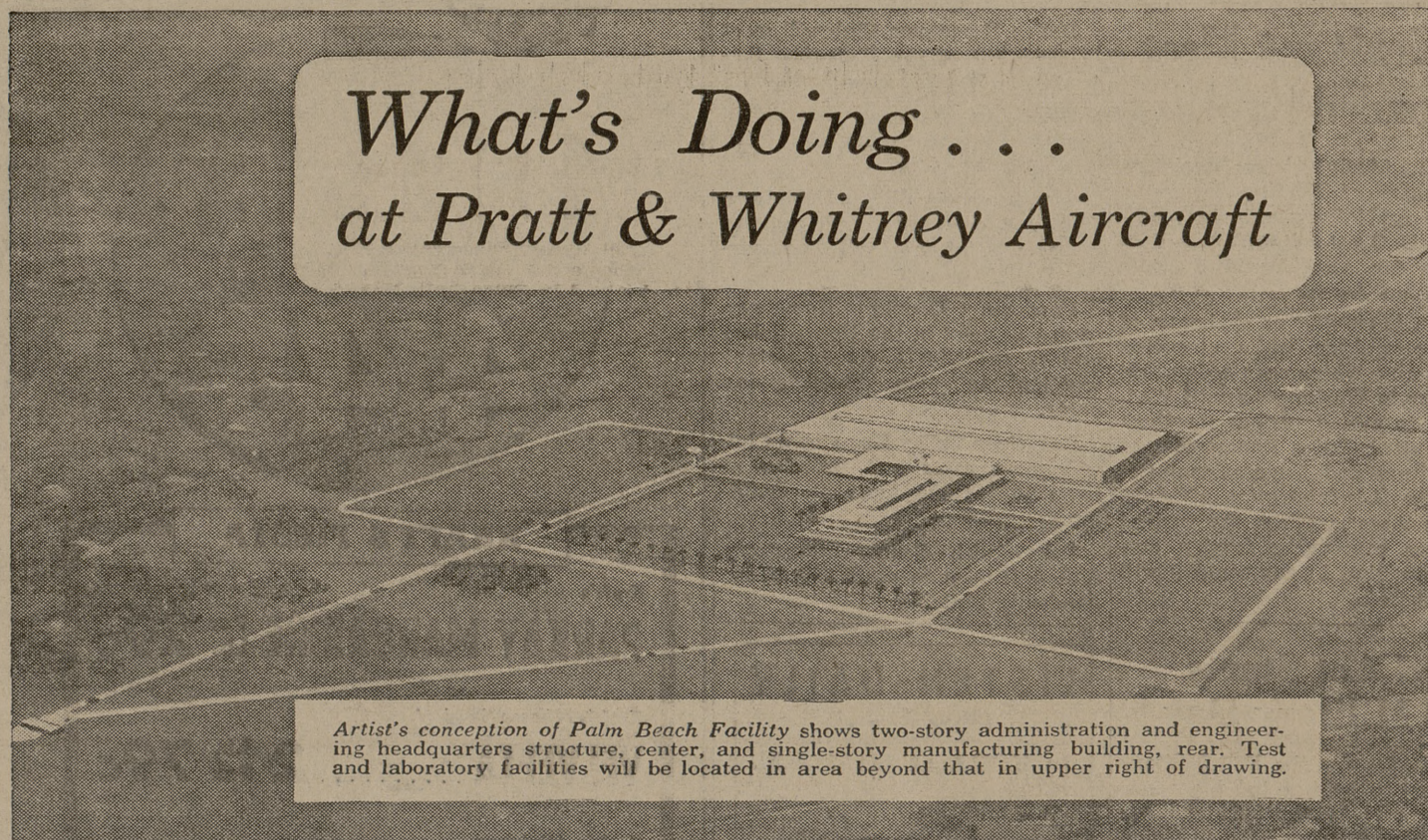
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Artist's conception of Palm Beach Facility shows two-story administration and engineering headquarters structure, center, and single-story manufacturing building, rear. Test and laboratory facilities will be located in area beyond that in upper right of drawing.



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