

MARY HAWORTH

Children Cause Mother Worries

Dear Mary Haworth My young sister is in serious trouble—I can't make her understand how serious. I am the only one she will listen to, but I need help in advising her. We were very close as children, but our home life was miserable. At 16, Kay married a boy 19. The marriage never had a chance due to family interference. By the time they had two children, John was drinking and walked out on her. Later they reconciled and had two more children, but John's visits home from his army base were getting fewer and farther between. Twice he came home drunk and beat her. Kay was afraid of John and left him. But she left with a neighbor's husband—two years ago. She and John were divorced later and she has the children. She and Bob (the other man) are living together. He wants to have divorced his wife and married Kay, but he hasn't tried. Now while living with Kay, he is going with another girl.

MOST CONCERNED
Kay says she knows it's wrong to live this way; but she seems to love Bob and still has hopes he will marry her. But I don't think he will; he's had time enough.

John is overseas at present; but when he returns and looks for his children (as I am sure he will), Kay is going to lose them. That is, if she doesn't start leading a decent life before then. Kay does not think he can do anything, being a drunkard; but I know he can. If he doesn't take them, he will have them put in a foster home.

How can I make her see that she must stop thinking of herself, and think of the children? She owes them a better life than this. She isn't bad; just mixed up. I would appreciate any help you can give us. A.D.

DISTRAIT SINNER
Dear A.D. As you say, Kay isn't bad, just mixed up. Figuratively speaking, she is lost in a "dark night" of confusion and fear. She ignores your appeals to reason because she can't really "make out" what you say—in the sense of "feeling" the truth of it. And feeling is, of course, the motive power of human performance. Common sense considerations, as other (less frightened) folks might reckon them, just don't get through to her. They are dissolved on the wind; cut off like a crossed-wires telephone call, by the nightmarish commotion that goes on in her soul.

Whereas in childhood she leaned on you, and then transferred her dependency to John (her husband) now she holds separately to the idea that Bob is her lifeline; her salvation and security (eventually if not at present). It seems to her that she simply can't leave him, any more than she could tear herself in two—at least not unless and until another helpmate person is ready to receive her.

HIGHER POWER
No doubt she paired off with Bob just because he was available and sympathetic, and willing to elope, when John was brutally rejecting her. Now she feels trapped, with no where to go if Bob doesn't want her — because she isn't enough of a "self," psychologically, to grapple with life on her own.

As for how to help her, it's possible you can't, in terms of getting her launched in a decent life before John comes back. Maybe the best you can do is simply to love her, dependably, in a standby spirit of loyal devotion that never deserts her regardless of circumstances.

But may I remind when a problem seems beyond our power to help, it becomes a matter for intercessory prayer — which works miracles than many of us realize. For guidance in committing a concern to God you might read "The Golden Key" by Emmet Fox, a 15-cent brochure published by Harper and Brothers, M.H. Mary Haworth counsels through her column, not by mail or personal interview. Write to her in care of this newspaper.

COOK'S CORNER

BRAN MUFFINS

- 1/2 cup white sugar
 - 2 tablespoons melted shortening
 - 1 egg
 - 1/4 cup sour milk and 1/4 cup sour cream
 - 1 cup bran
 - 1 cup flour
 - 1/4 teaspoon soda
 - 1/4 teaspoon salt
 - 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
- Mix in order given, bake in a hot oven for twenty minutes.

HOUSEHOLD HINT

When the binding of a blanket is worn out, crochet an edge on the blanket with mercerized crochet cotton, edging both ends of the covering. Or get new blanket binding in a matching or complementing color and featherstitch it on the blanket edges.

WIFE PRESERVERS

Use the light flashlights that will fit into a man's shirt pocket. They are made of styrene (plastic) and are less than three inches long, about three-quarters of an inch thick, and weigh less than 1 1/2 ounces.

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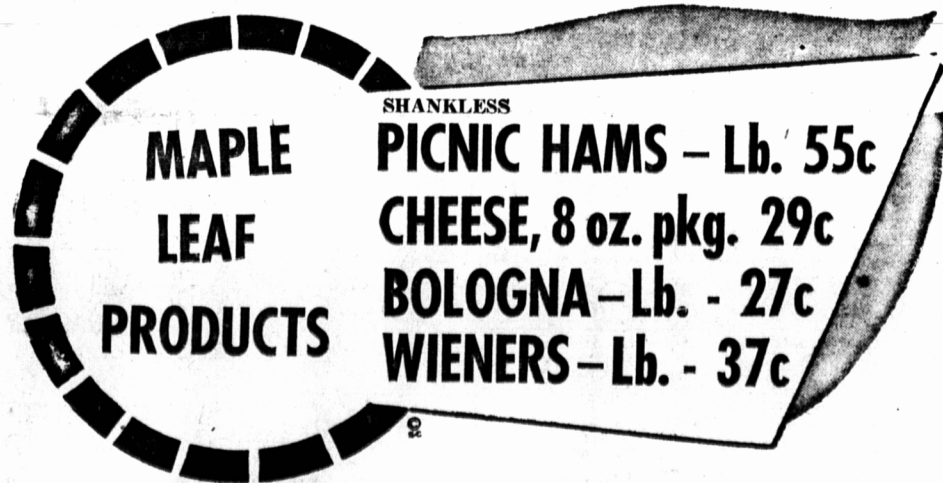


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