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PRELIMINARY PROGRAM--NCFR ANNUAL MEETING
Eugene, Oregon, August 20-23, 1958

THEME: Marriage, the Family and the N.C.F.R.--1938-1978

The NCFR is celebrating its twentieth anniversary. As we take a twenty-year look in either direction, what developments with regard to marriage and family living have occurred, where do we now stand, what are the issues to be faced, the problems to be solved, the challenges to be met in the decades immediately ahead?

GENERAL SESSIONS

Wednesday:

TODAY'S FAMILY IN 1978. Dr. Aaron Rutledge, Leader of Counseling Service, Merrill-Palmer School, Detroit, Michigan; Vice President of NCFR.

Thursday:

TODAY'S FAMILY IN 1978 AS SEEN BY OTHERS. Panel discussion including:
Dr. Reuben Hill, Professor of Sociology, University of Minnesota
Rev. Troy Strong, President, Pacific Northwest Council on Family Relations; minister, Skyway Methodist Church, Seattle.
Rt. Rev. Msgr. Irving A. DeBlanc, Director, Family Life Bureau, National Catholic Welfare Conference, Washington, D. C.
Dr. Donald Brieland, Director, Elizabeth McCormick Memorial Fund, Chicago.

Following the panel there will be interdisciplinary discussion groups. Participants: Everybody attending the conference. Objective: Interprofessional exchange of ideas.

Friday:

THE MEASUREMENT OF MARITAL SATISFACTION. A symposium including:
Dr. H. D. Schalock, Oregon State College; Mr. James Rollins, University of Oregon; Dr. Theodore B. Johannis, Jr., University of Oregon; Dr. Owen Morgan, Merrill-Palmer School; Mr. Nathan Hervitz, University of Southern California.

Saturday:

PERSONAL VALUES, PROFESSIONAL IDEOLOGIES, AND FAMILY SPECIALISTS.
Dr. Gerald Leslie, Department of Sociology, Purdue University, acting editor, "Marriage and Family Living."

SECTION MEETINGS (Partial Programs)

EDUCATION FOR MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIVING IN THE SCHOOLS.

Chairman, Mrs. Florence Heal, Moorestown High School, Moorestown, New Jersey.
"Oregon Developmental Center Project", Curtis Avery, director.
"Preparation for Marriage Success in a Satellite Age", Dr. Ruth Shonle Cavan, Rockford College.
"New Materials for the Family Life Teacher", Elizabeth Force, Division of Education, American Social Hygiene Association.
"Explorer's Report--Public School Program for Adults", Mrs. Elba Crum, consultant, Seattle Public Schools.

"Interpreting Family Life Education in This Scientific Age", Dr. Richard Kerckhoff, Merrill-Palmer School; Miss Irma Unruh, Supervisor, Family Life Education, Detroit Public Schools.
Brainstorming and Workshop--discussion, questions, examination of materials, Donald Grey, Clara Elizabeth Fund.
Joint meeting with College Section

EDUCATION FOR MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIVING IN THE COLLEGES.

Chairman, Dr. Richard Kerckhoff, Merrill-Palmer School.
"Are Educators Afraid of Sex?"
Joint session with School Section--see above.
Joint session with Parent Education Section.

COUNSELING.

Co-Chairmen, Dr. Gerhard Neubeck, U of Minnesota & Dr. David Fulcomer, Iowa State.
Demonstration of team approach to counseling.
Joint session with Religion Section on pastoral counseling.

RELIGION AND THE FAMILY.

Chairman, Rev. William Genne, Dept. of Family Life, National Council of Churches.
"The Real Issue of Inter-faith Dating", Dr. Earle E. Emme, Florida Southern College.
"The Work of a Matrimonial Court", Rev. Kenneth O'Brien, The Archdiocese of Los Angeles.
Joint session with Counseling Section.

RESEARCH.

Chairman, Dr. Donald Longworth, Bowling Green State University.
More than 75 reports on research have been submitted, of which 12 papers will be selected for presentation.

PARENT EDUCATION.

Chairman, Mrs. Nona Goodson, Florida State University.
"Needs and Wants--As Parents See Them", panel of key parents from northwestern states.
Reports: descriptions and discussion of parent education programs which have proved their worth by successful and new approaches.
"What Training and Experience are Needed for Parent Educators?"
Joint session with College Section.

COOPERATIVE NURSERY SCHOOLS.

Co-Chairmen, Mrs. Margaret Maddox, California Council of Cooperative Nursery Schools and Dr. Dorothea Hinman, San Francisco State College.

EDUCATION FOR MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIVING IN THE COMMUNITY.

Chairman, Mrs. Marie Rousseau, Portland Public Schools.

GET-TOGETHERS

An outdoor dinner, northwest style, for families, which will take the place of a more formal annual banquet.
A luncheon at which there will be brief statements about what's happening abroad and in this country.
A session at which newer films will be previewed and discussed.
A social gathering on the first night to renew old acquaintances and make new ones.
Daily coffee get-togethers.

PLAN TO ATTEND

Interested in camping and sight-seeing as you go to and from the annual NCFR meeting next August? Drop a postcard to Ted Johannis, Dept. of Sociology, University of Oregon, Eugene, Oregon for special brochure.

Due to lack of space in this NEWSLETTER, news from State, Local, and Regional Councils will be included in the May NEWSLETTER. Send your news to the National Office by April 15th.

WORKSHOPS, SUMMER COURSES, FELLOWSHIPS

The Merrill-Palmer School--summer workshops: The Teaching of Infant Development, June 16-20; Interpersonal Relations, June 16-July 25; Family Life Education, June 30-July 11; Early Childhood Education, July 21-August 1; Inter-institutional Seminar in Child Development, August 3-15. Applications should be filed by May 15, 1958. For further information write: The Registrar, The Merrill-Palmer School, 71 East Ferry Avenue, Detroit 2, Michigan. Some graduate fellowships and scholarships for the study of human development and family life are available. Early application is advisable.

University of Oregon--workshop: Family Life Education (Graduate credit, 4 hours) August 4-15. The development of family life education programs including underlying philosophy, trends, methods and materials. Write Theodore B. Johannis, Jr.

Purdue University--"New Facts About Modern Families", July 7-18. This intensive course will be concerned with the many facets of family life education. Particular attention will be devoted to new facts in areas such as pre-marital behavior, sex education, and marital compatibility and to methods and techniques of instruction used in the classroom situation. Informal discussion groups will be arranged to center around topics of special interest to enrollees. "Recent Emphases in Marriage and the Family" (Sociology 559 or Child Development and Family Life 599) can be taken for either one or two semester hours of credit (one semester hour credit for each week.) Purdue staff members from Child Development and Family Life, Home Economics Education, Psychology and Sociology will lecture and lead discussion groups. Write Professor E. Z. Dager, Department of Sociology, Purdue University.

Vassar Summer Institute, July 2-30, 1958. Workshops, Seminars, Lectures for parents, teachers, professional and volunteer workers: on child development; marriage and family living; education--growth and learning; community--organization and participation; intergroup relations. School for children of adult registrants. Workshop for undergraduates and student nurses. For information write: Vassar Summer Institute, Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, New York.

The American University, Department of Psychology--3-credit course, 57.576 Marriage and Family Counseling, June 23-July 26, meeting Monday and Wednesday, 6:30-10:00. The text: "Readings in Marriage Counseling" by Clark Vincent. The instructor: Mrs. Patricia Schiller. The course will include consideration of the historical development and present scope of marriage and family counseling; the philosophy, ethics and procedures of the counselor; the role of the interview and the use of psychological tests and inventories in counseling practice; the distinguishing features of pre-marital and post-marital counseling. Case histories will be presented illustrating the typical problem areas in counseling and processes of helping clients. Role playing and other forms of group counseling as therapeutic techniques will be demonstrated. Opportunity will be afforded to students to present case studies for consideration and discussion of the counseling problems involved.

Pennsylvania State University--summer course: The Department of Child Development and Family Relations at the Pennsylvania State University is offering three courses of interest to teachers or extension workers in family life education. During Intersession, June 10-28, Marriage and Family Relationships has been scheduled. During the Main Session, courses listed are: Development Throughout Adulthood, and Seminary in Family Relationships. All three carry graduate credit. These classes will be taught by William M. Smith, Jr. For information write: Dr. Dorothy Houghton, 103 Home Economics Building, University Park, Pennsylvania.

Yale University--16th Annual Summer School of Alcohol Studies, June 29-July 24, 1958. For a prospectus describing the course, and information concerning admission and academic credit, write to the Registrar, Yale Summer School for Alcohol Studies, 52 Hillhouse Avenue, Yale Station, New Haven, Connecticut.

Utah State College, Logan, June 16-July 18, Instructional Problems in Family Life Education: Methods, Materials, and Contents for Teachers. 3 credits. The Family: Middle and Later Years. 3 credits. Both taught by Dorothy Dyer.

University of Alaska, College, Alaska--A Family Life Education workshop, August 4-8. Leader, Judson T. Landis.

Montana State University, Missoula--Family Development workshop, August 4-15. Leader, Bruce Brown.

Eastern Washington College of Education, Cheney--Family Life Education workshop, June 16-27. Leader, Ruth Osborne.

State College of Washington, Pullman--Workshop on Methods of Teaching Family Relations. Leader, Aisle Stevenson.

Brigham Young University, Provo--The Dept. of Human Development and Family Relationships is sponsoring a 3-day institute with the theme, "Understanding Human Behavior", July 8-10. The featured guests will be Dr. and Mrs. Harry A. Overstreet.

Smith College School for Social Work--A program of advanced study for graduate case-workers, July 23-30; graduate seminars for experienced social workers, July 14-24; and a public welfare seminar program, July 14-24. Write: Howard J. Parad, Director, Smith College School for Social Work, College Hall 8, Northhampton, Massachusetts.

The Central Council for Health Education, London--An International Seminar on Health Education in London, April 22-25, 1958. For information write NCFR Office.

The Elizabeth McCormick Memorial Fund announces that it will consider applications for post-doctoral fellowships in the fields of child development and social welfare designed to permit investigators to conduct full-time research with children or on their behalf. The amount of each fellowship will be \$6,000 per year, payable in 12 monthly installments. For consideration in 1958, applications must be received before April 1. Write Dr. Donald Brieland, Director, Elizabeth McCormick Memorial Fund, 155 East Ohio Street, Chicago 11, Illinois.

The following Pacific Northwest colleges and universities are offering one or more courses on the family during their 1958 summer session: U of Hawaii; U of Idaho; Linfield College; General Extension Division, Oregon System of Higher Education, 1633 Southwest Park, Portland; Oregon College of Education; Oregon State College's School of Home Economics; U of Washington; Eastern Washington College of Education. For more information, write the college or university.

The theme of the World Family Congress to be held by the International Union of Family Organizations in Paris June 15-23 is "Rediscovery of the Family by the Present Day World: Mutual Give and Take by the Family and Society". Lectures and Workshops on: The Family Within the Institutions; Family Living Standards and Financial Assistance Toward Family Expenses; Housing Problems in Relation to the Family; Family Welfare and Social Services Particularly in Countries Undergoing Development; Inner Stability and Happy Development of the Family and the Child.

The American Institute of Family Relations will hold its 11th annual workshop in the Techniques of Counseling, August 4-16. Full information may be obtained by writing them at 5287 Sunset Boulevard, Los Angeles 27, California.

Montana State College, Bozeman--Family Life Conference, June 26-28, Dr. & Mrs. Overstreet.

Information regarding annual conference fees, housing, etc. will be mailed with the May NEWSLETTER.

To indicate your advance reservation now, please mail to:

National Council on Family Relations Annual Conference
Dr. Theodore B. Johannis, Jr.
Department of Sociology
University of Oregon
Eugene, Oregon

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Dear Fellow Members of the NCFR:

The response to the invitation to help us grow that we gave you in the last NEWSLETTER has been gratifying. Perhaps you have thought of someone else who should be one of us, or perhaps your good intentions haven't been put into action as yet. Anyhow, we'd like to give you another opportunity to help us grow by obtaining at least one new member by May and by sending the names of other prospective members to the National Office.

Cordially,

Theodore B. Johannis, Jr.
Chairman, Membership Development Committee

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I nominate the following for membership:

NAME _____ ADDRESS _____

NAME _____ ADDRESS _____

NAME _____ ADDRESS _____

() You may use my name.

() Do not use my name.

MEMBER'S SIGNATURE _____