

# Ethics of the Crew

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THE twentieth century home is not unlike our most recent method of conveyance—the aeroplane—for it must cover a great deal of ground and must be above the fog if it would be successful in these days of complicated living. Landing fields are quite as essential for this ageold institution and the five of greatest importance bear the names:

Health for the Entire Family.  
Wise Use of Family Resources.  
Beauty in Every Day Life.  
Right Family Relationships.  
Right Community Relationships.

The first three have been reached and the plane is about to start for the field called Right Family Relationships. Instead of a seat for one pilot, there is ample space for two. This means that there is not a day shift and a night shift or a work shift and a play shift, a week shift or a Sunday shift, but two on duty full time. In the rear, but near the pilot, are seats which fold and allow for one or more people. These, we are told, are for the helpers—the crew—and the number varies in the different planes. Some seats are large! others are small, in order that old and young may each find the one which is most comfortable for him and from which he may learn the A B C's of successful piloting.

Air currents, low hanging clouds which conceal the distant field, and jagged mountain peaks make piloting much more difficult over this air-route which has been used less frequently than the other three. It is essential that the plane have special lighting to safeguard the crew and make landing possible. Just in front of the pilot's seat is a switch board with many buttons. Each is labelled and pilots must become familiar with the entire board before they are equal to the privilege of directing the plane's flight. One light avoids one hazard, another prevents a second mishap and only with all lights on can the destination be reached in perfect safety.

The keyboard just below labels the first one "respect." Having this light on means that each home pilot recognizes the individuality of the other and of the crew and aims to help him develop. In an adjoining plane a crew forgot to turn on this light and the inevitable happened. The father, a small town merchant, was money-minded. His one ambition was to accumulate more, tho not always thru methods approved by his business associates. The "good deals" put across at the expense of someone else were told with pride at the family table. Occasionally the man was called away and in his absence neighbors observed the family returning from the store, laden with packages, and the delivery boy making frequent trips. The provisions and dry goods, which the father refused to let the family have, could be taken without his knowledge. Lack of respect for the father resulted in barriers of untruth and mountain peaks of misunderstanding.

The second button reads "Openminded-

ness." One crew meant to turn it on but failed to press hard enough and the younger members, one by one, lost interest and made their escape at an air filling station. The smaller felt they hadn't had a "fair deal" and the larger couldn't see ahead so they had given up in despair. With another crew one of the pilots felt she was being misjudged and decided she couldn't tolerate it indefinitely so she had said, "Eventually, why not now?"

The third button said "Consideration." Perhaps the pilots who had but one member of the crew were most unfortunate there. They had anticipated desires, dreamed dreams and built aircastles, but the seat for the one lone member had been too comfortably cushioned and somehow the light didn't work. She had come to have the idea that things and people were made for her, a center about which all might revolve. Things went smoothly until she found herself in college with a group of strangers. Food didn't always appeal, but there was that—or nothing. Waffles in wholesale lots on Sunday morning had been unquestioned in her home, but here with fourteen girls she found she had two choice, one section at a time instead of four or wait until fourteen had been served. She waited until the fourteen were thru and then began. In another crew there must have been a short circuit, for the woman pilot said, "I'm sure the meal was all right for no one mentioned it."

The fourth button one needed to look at several times and sometimes even then you missed it for it was very long to read and hard to press. "Willingness to share" duties and pleasures both. In many, many home planes both pilots fall into the error of going their own way, solving their own difficulties and frequently enjoying their own avocations—play time, if you choose—without bringing back to the home crew that which stimulates, that which encourages real comradeship, that which makes home life something that is more precious because of the associations. Father and mother fail to show their real selves to the children; children in their turn become misunderstood. Mother says Jane must not help because she is too slow or because the china will be broken. Father says, "Herbert, Dad will take you some other time." Little by little the children, not willing to take "no" for an answer always, start looking about for new interests and later these same parents say, "Why is it that boys and girls enjoy every other place more than their own home?"

The fifth button reads, "Patience." And again the home plane needs to see that this light is on. The father who had worked for years in building up a splendid relationship with his son lost much ground in a very few minutes when he gave way to a fit of anger before the hired man. True, the hired man had been in error, but lack of self control did not right it nor did it make for improvement in the future. 'Tis a button that does get over-

worked and perhaps frequent repair thru vacation is the best way to keep it in first class condition.

The switch board is a long one, but each button serves a very important purpose and we must not pass by any one. "Sympathy" is on the next and if willingness to share has been lighted earlier this one can be pressed very easily. It makes for a close bond among the members and helps not only the one in need but the others in the group to see the mountains. Appreciations, which grow out of understanding, make each member bigger and more nearly equal to his privilege of piloting.

But among the pilots one sees those who wear habitually dark glasses "to keep out the glare" they tell us, but in reality it means that they lose sight of even the faintest rays of the sun. For them day and night look not just gray, but blue, not a clear starlit night blue, but the kind you have on Monday. And so the button of Cheerfulness needs pressing. It brings a new perspective and helps to show in their real size the valleys and the heights.

The next label reads "Resourcefulness." We are reminded that the woman in the home plane lives a very monotonous existence with three meals a day, dish-washing, bed-making and all the rest. But where there are more emergencies? Anything from finding small Dorothy drinking kerosene, the young son cutting the tail off the family cat, entertaining the minister or perhaps the Home Demonstration there any occupation in this wide world? Training the family to know how to act under normal conditions, but also how to right about face and handle an emergency on the spot is part of the pilot's job.

And finally we find ourselves at the end of the long row with but one button left. This gives a brighter light than any of the others with the exception of the first. The last reads confidence and the first the plane, in each member of the crew, in reads respect. Belief in the mechanics of the landing field and in the route chosen—this is necessary to make the journey in safety.

So the crew is aboard, the lights are all on, the flight is accomplished and the field reached. As each member alights he finds himself at the entrance to a beautiful building. From the steps of Right Family Relationships they pass between the pillars of

Respect  
Openmindedness  
Consideration  
Willingness to Share  
Patience  
Sympathy  
Cheerfulness

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is made to give them any amount desired. The funniest thing I noticed here was a sign which read, "No Smoking—This Means You and I." Our guide gave us a very interesting talk in his office, emphasizing the brands of goods carried, explaining to us their origin and what they are attempting to make them mean. The company has been organized since 1912 and the plant is owned entirely by retailers over the state and a few in Missouri and Minnesota. They have no traveling men and return this saving to the retailer in the form of lower prices. They do have promotion men selling stock, however.

We stopped to see Mr. Redfern, but were all so tired we could hardly stand to listen to him. He told us about the classes A, B, C of weights, and their regulations, and showed us thru his chemistry laboratory.

The return trip was peaceful, indeed, some sleeping, some eating, all resting after a strenuous but very interesting and happy day.

## 4-H Club Girls Give Scholarship

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### III. Responsibility of Applicant:

1. To stay in school for at least one quarter beginning March 24, 1926.
2. Apply for and fill out application blanks, returning same to 4-H Girls' Club Department, Iowa State College, Extension Service, Ames, Iowa.

### IV. Responsibility of 4-H Club Department:

1. Judge applications impartially.
2. Announce successful applicant not later than March 1.
3. Present successful applicant with \$100.00 on March 24.

## Housecleaning

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equipment. It really costs no more in the long run for each piece of equipment lasts just twice as long. Almost as valuable as the cleaning closet itself is the cleaning kit, in which to put the small things needed, when carrying them from one room to another.

Of course, each housewife has to decide for herself just what methods are best to use in her own case. And she can do this by taking the professional attitude toward her work, determining to make it efficient in every detail. By this we mean the methods that obtain the best results with the least expenditure of time, money and human energy. Surely that is a worthy goal toward which any housewife may strive!

## Ethics of the Crew

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Resourcefulness  
Confidence

and under the lintel of Social Fitness, enter together into the Temple of Right Community Relationships, which has over its altar the inscription:

"Whatsoever ye would that men should do unto you, do ye even so to them."