

TV THE FAMILY VIEWPOINT

What went Haywire?

by Beatrice Gross

We like to think that any disorder can be explained and repaired. For every failure, we hope to find a reason; for every problem, an invention, a medicine, a method, a corrective. The belief that this is possible serves us in many important ways—not the least of which is making sense of the world. And if we can find an explanation for why others had bad luck, we can avoid their mistakes—and thereby their misfortune.

Even those who meet up with disaster make an itemized list of what went wrong. Clearly, it is more comfortable to take blame on oneself (if one cannot find someone or something else to blame) than to imagine that the world is irrational and people's lives don't make sense.

'Haywire,' airing Wednesday, May 14 on CBS-TV (airdate tentative), is based on the memoirs of Brooke Hayward, one of three children of movie star Margaret Sullavan and producer Leland Hayward. It is not only her story, but the story of her famous parents, her difficult and unbalanced siblings, and the glamorous families of the Hollywood and Broadway worlds of the 1940's.

What is distinctive about this family's story is that the disease (and unease) of the children was not the product of insane behavior of a mother like Joan Crawford or, like Judy Garland's exploitation. The Hayward children were not abandoned or abused, as was Marilyn Monroe. According to daughter Brooke, Margaret Sullavan focused on her home, her husband, and her children. She invested her talents in their home—a place where everyday work and play were made exciting.

Both parents were consistent in their rigorous but reasonable demands and support of their children. They gave of themselves, of their time and patience. Although they both worked and were successful, nothing indicates that they made sacrifices of their children, or indeed of their marital relationship, on the altar of public success.

At home, the family engaged in charming and lively dinner conversation, played together, examined closely the beauty and basics of natural settings. When the children were sick, mommy Margaret would climb into bed with the ailing child and read to him or her until she was hoarse. The children were encouraged to share, to express themselves, to work hard. This fairy tale family should have lived happily ever after. But they did not—by a long shot.

One can more easily find an explanation for what happened in 'Haywire' by studying Job in the Bible and then studying the pages of psychoanalytic literature. But you be the judge. Perhaps I missed the essential piece of the puzzle. If you find it, write to me c/o TV Compulog, P.O. Box 123, Lyndhurst, N.J. 07071. I certainly will be relieved to know this world makes sense. In any case, watch two talented, glamorous people, Jason Robards and Lee Remick, play two other talented, glamorous celebrities. By the way, the show's producer is Brooke Hayward's brother Bill Hayward.

Beatrice Gross has edited several books on children and education.

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Monday

MONDAY
MAY 5, 1980
EVENING

6:00
MOVIE -(DRAMA) *** 'Same Time, Next Year' 1979 Ellen Bustyn, Alan Alda. A chance encounter becomes an annual glimpse into the lives of a man and a woman who laugh, love, and mature through three turbulent decades. (Rated PG) (119 mins.)

3 8 NEWS
5 MAUDE
13 STARKY AND HUTCH

6:30
3 JIM ROCKFORD, PRIVATE INVESTIGATOR
5 BOB NEWHART SHOW
8 PM MAGAZINE
10 ONCE UPON A CLASSIC 'Carrie's War' Carrie and Nick visit Druid's Bottom.

7:00
5 M.A.S.H.
8 HAPPY DAYS AGAIN
10 VICTORY GARDEN
13 KUNG FU

7:30
3 FACE THE MUSIC
5 M.A.S.H.
8 MUPPETS Guest: Beverly Sills.
10 MACNEIL LEHRER REPORT

8:00
RICH LITTLE AND THE GREAT PRETENDERS
3 LITTLE HOUSE ON THE PRAIRIE

5 STREETS OF SAN FRANCISCO
8 YOU'RE THE GREATEST, CHARLIE BROWN In spite of his unusual track record in athletics, Charlie Brown volunteers as a decathlon contestant in his school's Junior Olympics competition, giving himself 10 chances at disaster.

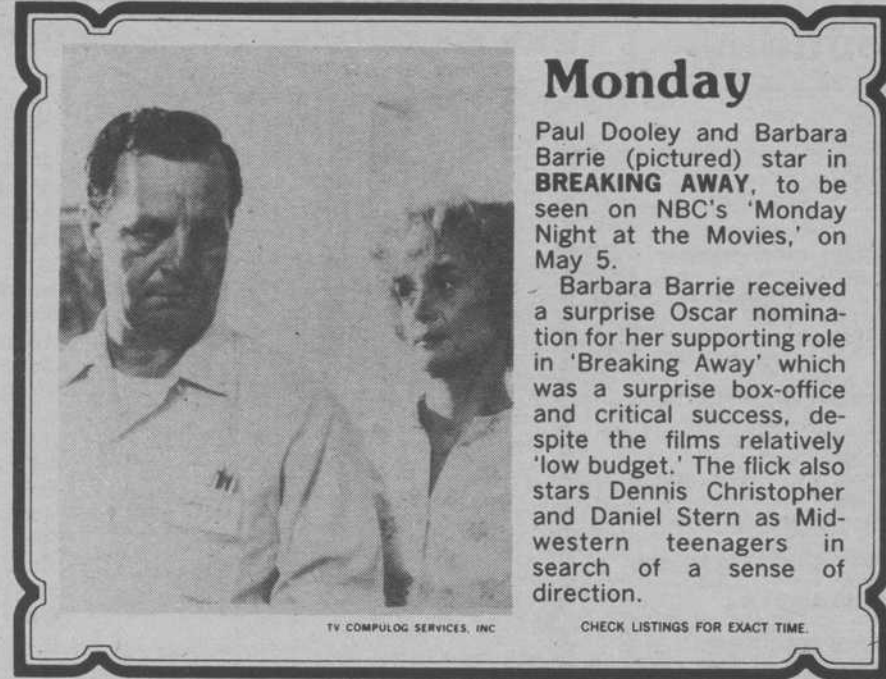
10 MARK RUSSELL COMEDY SPECIAL A half-hour of comedy with political humorist Mark Russell.

13 THAT'S INCREDIBLE
8:30
8 WKRP IN CINCINNATI

While the nation's baseball fans are captivated with this year's World Series, the WKRP staff play their own unique baseball game against rival radio station WPIG (Repeat)

10 GREAT PERFORMANCES: LIVE FROM LINCOLN CENTER 'The Film Society of Lincoln Center Presents - A Tribute To John Huston' Lauren Bacall and Richard Burton are among celebrities who pay tribute to the actor, screenwriter and director. (90 mins.)

9:00
3 MONDAY NIGHT AT THE MOVIES 'Breaking Away' 1979 Stars: Dennis Christopher, Barbara Barrie. The Oscar-winning movie, set in an Indiana town, tells of four boys coming to grips with life after high school, and how one of



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Paul Dooley and Barbara Barrie (pictured) star in **BREAKING AWAY**, to be seen on NBC's 'Monday Night at the Movies,' on May 5.

Barbara Barrie received a surprise Oscar nomination for her supporting role in 'Breaking Away' which was a surprise box-office and critical success, despite the film's relatively 'low budget.' The flick also stars Dennis Christopher and Daniel Stern as Midwestern teenagers in search of a sense of direction.

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them is determined to beat the odds and become a bicycle racing champion. (2 hrs.)

5 MOVIE -(DRAMA) *** 'Royal Hunt of the Sun' 1969 Robert Shaw, Christopher Plummer. The story of the Spanish explorer Pizarro and his quest for gold in South America. (2 hrs.)

8 M.A.S.H. The arrival of a wounded Korean woman sparks conflict at the 4077th. (Repeat)

13 MONDAY NIGHT MOVIE 'Off The Minnesota Strip' 1980 Stars: Hal Holbrook, Michael Learned. A teenage runaway who has worked as a prostitute in New York returns to her Midwest home and desperately struggles to regain the family values and the innocence she left behind. (2 hrs.)

9:30
HBO SNEAK PREVIEW
8 THE STOCKARD CHANING SHOW Love, in the guise of a fair damsel, smites Brad and it takes all Susan's ingenuity to convince him that she is a dangerous dragon out to impale him.

10:00
MOVIE -(COMEDY) **½ 'An Almost Perfect Affair' 1979 Keith Carradine. A young American filmmaker who sinks his soul and his savings into his first feature film, only to be disillusioned by the wheeling and dealing of the movie moguls at the Cannes. (Rated PG) (88 mins.)

8 LOU GRANT A story in the news hits close to home for Billie, who is horrified to learn she could be a victim of cancer caused by a miracle drug given her mother. (Repeat: 60 mins.)

10 ABC CAPTIONED NEWS
10 MACNEIL LEHRER REPORT

11:00
3 8 13 NEWS
5 PRISONER: CELL BLOCK H
10 VEGAS DIGEST

11:30
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3 THE TONIGHT SHOW Guest host: Bill Cosby. Guest: Norm Crosby. (90 mins.)

5 MOVIE -(ADVENTURE) *** 'Fighting Seabees' 1944 John Wayne, Susan Hayward. Tough construction foreman and a Navy man organize a work battalion to repair installations close to Japanese lines. (90 mins.)

8 CBS LATE MOVIE 'HARRY O: The Admiral's Lady' Harry races against time to thwart a deranged killer stalking the wife of a retired admiral. (Repeat) 'MCCLLOUD: 42nd Street Cavalry' Stars: Dennis Weaver, Julie Sommars. (Repeat)

10 DICK CAVETT SHOW Guest: Jorge Luis Borges, poet and author.

13 ABC NEWS NIGHTLINE
11:50
13 BARNEY MILLER 'Discovery' One of Barney's detectives is accused of extortion by a member of the gay community. (Repeat)

1:00 -
3 TOMORROW
5 DICK MAURICE AND COMPANY

13 NEWS
2:00

3 MOVIE -(ROMANCE-COMEDY) **½ 'Interval' 1973 Merle Oberon, Robert Wolders. A lovely, mature woman falls in love with a

young man half her age. Problems arise because of the age difference, which lead to tragedy. (2 hrs.)

2:38
8 NEWS
3:08
8 SIG'S SUPERSTARS

Tuesday

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MAY 6, 1980

EVENING

6:00
3 8 NEWS
5 MAUDE
13 STARKY AND HUTCH

6:30
3 JIM ROCKFORD, PRIVATE INVESTIGATOR
5 BOB NEWHART SHOW
8 PM MAGAZINE
10 FORSYTE SAGA 'Swan Song' (60 mins.)

7:00
PRESTON CHANGO, IT'S MAGIC!
5 M.A.S.H.
8 HAPPY DAYS AGAIN
13 FUNG FU

7:30
3 FACE THE MUSIC
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8 FAMILY FEUD
10 MACNEIL LEHRER REPORT

8:00
MOVIE -(DRAMA) *** 'Love And Bullets' 1979 Charles Bronson, Rod Steiger. An Arizona police detective sent to Switzerland to safely bring back a gangster's moll who's been accused of knowing too much. (Rated PG) (103 mins.)
3 THE MISADVENTURES OF SHERIFF LOBO To trap a gang

This Week's Daytime Programming

MORNING

5:30
8 SUNRISE SEMESTER
6:00
3 VARIOUS PROGRAMMING
8 700 CLUB
13 PTL PROGRAM
7:00
3 TODAY
5 NEW ZOO REVUE
8 MORNING SHOW
13 GOOD MORNING AMERICA
7:30
5 BUGS BUNNY; YOGI AND FRIENDS
8:00
8 CAPTAIN KANGAROO

8:30
5 PAGE 5
9:00
3 CARD SHARKS
5 PHIL DONAHUE SHOW
8 MERV GRIFFIN
10 SESAME STREET
13 MARY TYLER MOORE
9:30
3 HOLLYWOOD SQUARES
13 ALL IN THE FAMILY
10:00
3 HIGH ROLLERS
5 DINAH AND FRIENDS
8 PRICE IS RIGHT
13 LAVERNE AND SHIRLEY
10:05
10 EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING (UNTIL 2:30)
10:30
3 WHEEL OF FORTUNE

13 \$20,000 PYRAMID
11:00
3 CHAIN REACTION
8 YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS
13 THE SULLIVANS
11:30
3 PASSWORD PLUS
5 MIKE DOUGLAS
13 RYAN'S HOPE

AFTERNOON

12:00
3 TODAY AT NOON
8 JEFFERSONS
10 EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING (UNTIL 2:30)

13 ALL MY CHILDREN
12:30
3 DAYS OF OUR LIVES
8 SEARCH FOR TOMORROW
1:00
5 MOVIE 'Blue Hawaii' (MON.); 'Legend Of Valentino' (TUE.); 'With Six You Get Eggroll' (WED.); 'Junior Bonner' (THUR.); 'Jenny' (FRI.)
8 AS THE WORLD TURNS
13 ONE LIFE TO LIVE

1:30
3 DOCTORS
2:00
3 ANOTHER WORLD
8 GUIDING LIGHT
13 GENERAL HOSPITAL
2:30
10 GRIN AND REPAIR IT

(MON., TUE.) Old Houseworks (WED., THUR., FRI.)

3:00
5 ANDY GRIFFITH SHOW
8 ONE DAY AT A TIME
10 OVER EASY
13 EDGE OF NIGHT
3:30
3 ODD COUPLE
5 GREEN ACRES
8 MATCH GAME
10 DICK CAVETT SHOW
13 BIG VALLEY

4:00
3 SIX MILLION DOLLAR MAN
5 POPEYE
8 PLAY THE PERCENTAGES
10 VILLA ALEGRE
4:30
5 GET SMART
8 JOKER'S WILD

10 ELECTRIC COMPANY
13 FAMILY FEUD

5:00
MOVIE (TUE.) 'The Prisoner Of Zenda' (TUE.)
3 WELCOME BACK KOTTER
5 SANFORD AND SON
8
10 MISTER ROGERS
13 ABC NEWS

5:30
3 NBC NEWS
5 RHODA
8 CBS NEWS
10 SESAME STREET
13 NEWS