

ANNE HIRST Your Family Counselor

MARRIAGE ALIENATES SON OF LONELY PARENTS

Dear Anne Hirst: Why do people always blame the mother-in-law in these heart-breaking family problems? For instance, have always tried in every way to be a good mother and mother-in-law, and never interfered in my son's married life. Yet still his wife has never shown any consideration for her mother who feels she has lost her son through marriage. She continues:

"They have been married a long time. Not once have we been asked to see us, and it hurts us so. They are even keeping our grandchildren away."

"Why are good parents supposed to suffer like this? It seems a son cannot love his wife and his folks too. (How can a man be so weak?) I must have failed in a big way. . . Is there too much thing any more as honoring thy father and thy mother?"

Heartbroken Mother.

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by Anne Adams

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For every neglected mother there must be a literally thousands who are loved and honored by their families — and now and then this column glows with their tributes to their children's thoughtful and continuing kindnesses.

The cruel fact that many others are treated as shabbily as you in the twilight of their lives is small comfort, I know, yet my mail brims with sufferings and there seems to be no consoling solution. I continue to print some of them, hoping here and there a pull-out son will be quickened into filial redemption.

It is, I conclude, the subservience of a man to his wife's domination that is largely responsible. She, racked by jealousy and selfish demands for ALL her husband's love and attention, drives a vicious bargain: Either it is she and the children, or his mother. The man is weak, sick of scapes, and he succumbs. Sometimes it is only as the years hasten by, and he is treated so by his own children that he comprehends the lonely years his parents endured. Then he must suffer such remorse as descends upon him.

"I don't try to analyze your self nor try to analyze where you may have failed your son. Too many other devoted parents have never found the answer. You did the best you could, and what human can do more?"

LONESOME DIVORCEE
"Dear Anne Hirst: I am 36, and divorced. (I married at 15). One of my children is married, and I have a teen-age boy with me. I live a very lonely life."

I like wholesome fun, smoke, and I should like to meet some decent man (I'm sure there are some left) but I am backward by nature, and it is hard for a woman to encourage new men and not be misunderstood. Have you any ideas?

Rita.
To other lonely women who write me I suggest they interest themselves in community affairs that attract other people of their age. The many activities of your church should be productive, and civic groups attract intelligent and worthwhile men as well as women.

Hospitals, institutions, and some libraries appreciate part-time volunteers, and their contacts might prove helpful as well as interesting. Any regular attendance and your enthusiasm will widen your acquaintance and keep your mind alert and receptive.

No lonely person needs new friends by sitting at home and wishing. You must go where nice people congregate, and attach yourself to groups that can use your talents. Good luck!

Cherish your parents while they are still with you. One day they will not be, and then the knowledge that you loved and honored them will be your consolation. . . Anne Hirst's opinion on family situations is sought by thousands. If you face a difficult situation, write her about it, Box 1, 123 Eighteenth Street, New Toronto, Ontario.



FISHING COMPETITIONS AND DEMONSTRATIONS will be one of the many features at the 1955 Canadian National Sportsmen's Show to be held in the Coliseum, Toronto, from March 11th to 15th. This big Springtime exhibition is again being sponsored by the Toronto Anglers' and Hunters' Association and the entire profits will be used to carry on an extensive programme of conservation. Here Margaret McGillivray shows the proper technique of reeling in "a big one."

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

R. Barclay Warren, B.A., B.D.

The Fellowship of Christian Love Acts 2:42-47; Colossians 3:12-16; 1 John 4:7-8.

Memory Selection: If God so loved us, we ought to love one another. 1 John 4:11.

People who study together, play together or work together usually develop some degree of fellowship. But the fellowship of the early church is the purest and most effective of which we have record. No one was left in need. There was unity and gladness. God was the object of their praise.

It is no wonder that "the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved." This fellowship was attractive. It was not designed to protect and further their own interests. Its purpose was to bring others into discipleship of Jesus Christ. It was not selfish. It had an outreach. This spirit should always characterize the church of Christ. Sinners are not drawn by such a cold and sterile form. Snobishness has no place in the Christian's life.

Paul calls for the church to put on "mercies, kindness, long-suffering, forbearance, one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any." These are to be easy to let the peace of God rule in our hearts. If many more people, including leaders, in the nations around the world had Love displace hate, the world would be a different place. Love displace hate, the world would be a different place. Love displace hate, the world would be a different place.

OTHER EVILS AS GREED AND JUST FOR MONEY HAVE BEEN THE CAUSE OF WAR. CHRISTIANS MUST BE ALERT. WE HAVE

Wild Bear Did Baby-Sitting

Demetrios and Sophia Yatsopoulos, peasants in an isolated spot on the slopes of Mount Zygos, highest peak of the Pindus range in Greece, had a terrible fright recently when they saw their three-year-old son Constantine being cradled by a bear.

The couple had left their stone cottage, carrying a sack of old rags, a pair of bellows and a large earthenware jar, and gone into the forest in search of honey.

Constantine, meanwhile, stayed alone in his playhouse. That day a bear cub came prowling around the silent house. He went up to the open door, lifted his wet muzzle and sniffed.

A gleam of pleasure shone in his little eyes; his pink tongue licked his chops. He recognized the small honey.

He pushed against the door and approached a jar in a corner of the big room and turned it upside down.

Later, stuffed with honey, he went into the inner room where Constantine looked with amazement at the strange visitor approaching his cradle.

As Demetrios and Sophia walked home, they congratulated themselves on a magnificent crop of honey. They discussed the good price they would get for it at the market and how they would spend the money.

"I shall buy Constantine a bear cub — a plush one with black glass eyes," said Demetrios.

Sophia clapped her hands. "It seems I can hear him laughing already . . ."

She stopped suddenly. Yes, Constantine really was shrieking with laughter, and squealing as though someone was tickling him.

They entered the child's room and a strange sight met their eyes. Little Constantine was in his cot playing with a real bear cub! The unusual playmate was soon found to be harmless but he was made to leave just the same!

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THE Calvert SPORTS COLUMN

by Elmer Ferguson

Between thirty and fifty years ago, give or take a few years, the most prominent name in Canadian professional sport was that of Edouard "Nerby" Lalonde, a quiet, shrewd French Canadian who came out of Cornwall.

Every autumn, there was a war of dollars to decide who would get Lalonde for hockey in the spring the battle was renewed, with east bidding against west, to hire his great skill and color.

We mention Lalonde now because he, and not Rocket Richard of the present Canadiens, is the greatest goal getter in the history of professional hockey. Richard recently passed the 400-goals mark, a tremendous performance. But Lalonde scored 413 goals in major league play, in 20 seasons from 1908 to 1927.

Lalonde at various times led the scores in four different major professional hockey leagues: the National Association, which preceded the National League, in both of which he was top goal-getter at one time or another; the Pacific Coast League in its hey-day, when it rated superior to the National Association and had drafting rights on the eastern body, the Western League, when it was a major organization functioning on the prairies.

Some of the seasons in which Lalonde started saw only 14, 15 or 16 games. The longest season in Lalonde's history was 26 games. He played 314 League games in all. In one season, with New York Americans, he played only one game and with Saskatoon the year before that, he played only three.

Some of Lalonde's individual feats are truly incredible. He is one of only two players in all the history of major professional League hockey who scored nine goals in a single game. On March 17, 1910 Lalonde was playing for Renfrew Millionaires, one of the most fabulous teams of all time, and the victim of his dead-shot eye was the Cobalt club.

The other player who scored nine goals in a game ended his hockey career with Canadians. He was Tommy Smith, one of Ottawa's famous Smith family that included Alf and Harry Smith. Tommy was playing for Quebec Bulldogs in the National Association when he performed the 9-goal feat. Montreal Wanderers were the victims.

Some veterans think Lalonde's feat greater than that of Richard, but Lalonde is not among these. "Richard is the greatest who ever lived," Lalonde told the writer of this column. "It is true we didn't have the advantage of forward passing in the earlier years, but never were we forced to contend with the tremendous amount of interference that besets Richard and other modern stars."

Your comments and suggestions for this column will be welcomed by Elmer Ferguson, c/o Calvert House, 431 Yonge St., Toronto.

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C.P.R. President Sums Up Year

By W. A. MATHER, President, Canadian Pacific Railway Company

A year in which competitive factors, already evident in 1953, have become increasingly manifest, necessitating the most careful scrutiny of labor and other production costs in all segments of the national economy, emerges as the most significant feature of the Canadian business and industrial scene in 1954.

Staggered inflow of investment capital from the United States and abroad has served to offset in part the difficulties that would otherwise have been more evident by reason of Canada's worsened trade position. Continued expansion of the development of resources has also

been a sustaining factor in the economy.

The substantial decline in Canadian exports and the less prosperous condition of agriculture in Western Canada have undoubtedly contributed to the difficulties of the railway industry. A significant factor in the decline in rail earnings, however, is the growth of competition from highway transport which has emphasized the need of providing for the railways an early date, taken account of the views thus expressed.

Insatiable of an extensive programme of modernization and improvement of transportation and other passenger services was marked, by the delivery in 1954, of the first of a number of units of streamlined stainless steel equipment manufactured for the Company by the Budd Company of Philadelphia.

New equipment for service on transcontinental lines will include, when deliveries are completed, 71 sleeping cars, 18 scenic dome sleepers with beverage room and observation lounge, 13 day coaches equipped with scenic dome and coffee shop, 30 convention day coaches, 10 diners and 18 baggage cars with dormitory accommodation for dining car crews.

The stainless steel day coaches are equipped with adjustable reclining chairs fitted with head and foot rests, making them most comfortable for long distance travel. For the first time in Canada all coach seats may be reserved. The coffee shop in the day coach, as well as the seats in the dome, will be available to all passengers on the train.

The new dining cars are of the most advanced design, with harmonious interiors and kitchen equipment of modern stainless steel.

All new transcontinental passenger equipment now being delivered is expected to be in service by the Summer of 1955. The new scenic dome cars, now in service between Montreal and Vancouver, operate over a distance of 2,681 miles, the world's longest scenic dome operation.

Notwithstanding the difficulties experienced, the achievements of Canadian Pacific in 1954 mark a substantial advance in the quality and scope of transportation services both at home and abroad. All concerned have confidence that the government's public awareness of the need for equality of competitive opportunity in all fields of transportation, now apparent, will find recognition in the realm of national policy.

"LOOK OUT—IT'S LOADED"—Or so you'd think, from the horrified looks on these coppers' faces. Actually, Bill Simonovich, center, let the ball get away from him and Jim Brogile, left, and Harold Grant hadn't yet reversed gear.

There is a case on record of a man who determined to turn up the pack in a certain order, starting with the seven of clubs. He tried millions of times before he succeeded. It took him twenty years, though it might have taken him a great deal longer. He was an inmate of a lunatic asylum in Germany and the pastime kept him happy.

The fact is that, mathematically speaking, the odds against holding any particular hand are so enormous that even regular card-players probably never hold exactly the same hand twice in their lives. This offers a consolation if you get a really bad hand at bridge, you will probably never get exactly that hand again in your life. So you can look forward to a change of luck.

Even the odds against holding a hand with no card higher than a nine are big. Such a hand at whist or bridge is called a Yarborough, because the Earl of Yarborough, when he set down to play whist would offer 1,000 sovereigns to one against any player receiving such a hand.

The Earl was on quite a good thing. On an average the well-shuffled pack turns up such a hand only about once in 2,000 deals.

Every now and then we read of four players at bridge or whist being dealt "perfect" hands, each player getting thirteen cards of one suit.

According to an expert, with good shuffling of the cards this should only happen once in 2,235,197,406,368,368,301,599,999 hands! The odds against just one of the players getting all thirteen cards of a suit are smaller — he ought to do it once in 635,013,559,599 deals.

The point to bridge and whist players often forget is that the odds are exactly the same against holding any specified hand. The thirteen cards of one suit hand is talked about because it is useful and easy to remember. But it is no "unusual" than any other hand. If you doubt it and you are a regular player, write down 100 imaginary hands and then notice how many of them you hold during the next year — or ten years. It would not be surprising if you never held one of the hands in a lifetime.

If, of course, these are mathematical odds, not certainties. You might deal yourself one of the hands next time you played. According to newspaper reports the "perfect hand" with each player holding a complete suit, turns up much oftener than the mathematical odds suggest it should. In 1926 one player alone claimed he saw four such hands, whereas the mathematical odds suggest that it should turn up only at intervals of millions of years.

Perhaps it is something to do with the shuffling. Mathematicians work on "perfect" shuffling and in real card-playing there can be no such thing.

PIETER KRIEL, aged twenty-four, of Durban, South Africa, was swimming on the Natal coast in mixed company, including several pretty young women, who played at diving and grabbing each other's feet. He pulled one another under.

Pieter felt a soft, tender hand grip his ankle and tumble him over. Playfully he grabbed for the pretty girl — and came up with a good-sized octopus. The games stopped abruptly.

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