ANNE HIRST Your Family Counselor

"My Children Won't Help Me - I am So Ashamed!"

"Dear Anne Hirst: I am sure you must get dozens of similar letters, but I haven't seen my problem in your column for ages. I am 60 years old, and look older because I am physically sick and consumed with worry. I have three children, all married, and I need their help desperately; I am ashamed to they refuse any aid, and only remind me how much they've always done!

"I live alone, and I can't take an outside job because of a neuralgic condition. I need new glasses and dentures and medical care, and I have no hospital rance. My income is small and I only ask the children to help me regain my health. A small check each month would make all the difference, and I honestly believe it could cure some of my ailments. WHAT OF TOMORROW?

"Until they got married, the children were loving and kind; but since my health is breakng, I guess they just don't want to be bothered. . . . I have worked hard all my life; I supported myself before I married, and because of my husband's income was inadequate, I was out in the business world again as soon as I could leave my babies. . Now I sit alone, neglected and frustrated. I confess sometimes I cry myself to sleep worrying about what is to become of me. My church is my

one refuge. "What do other mothers do when this blow descends? What can I do? I don't mean to feel sorry for myself, Anne Hirst, I suppose I'm writing because I want some comfort from somebody who understands, and I know you do.

MORTIFIED" You are in one of the most * humiliating positions a mother can face. You are so ashamed of your selfish chil-* dren that you shrink from letting anyone know about it. * Yet some help must be forth-

coming.

If your children refuse to provide it, why don't you con-* fide in your minister? I am * sure many others of his congregation have brought their ubles to him, knowing they can trust his judgment and * tact. If you had to appeal to the city or province for re-* lief (which might happen) children would be * forced to take proper care of



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* you. How they and you de-* You need simple friendliterests it would supply. Your * minister will probably speak * quietly to kindly women of his church, who will drop in frequently to cheer you up. They may even think of small home that will add a little to your income. Anyway, their warm interest will be welcome. I hope you will not let another day pass before you talk with your pastor, so help will soon be on its way. Look for that day when phy-* sical disabilities that plague you will be relieved, and your health and spirits improved. You have years ahead of you, and they can be years

TEEN-AGE TRIALS

"Dear Anne Hirst: I am 14 and have a boy friend who likes me, but he won't come out and say so. He is always trying to make me jealous by talking to another girl or writing me about her - but it is me he walks home from school, and he doesn't pay any attention to her. "I do hope your answer will help us along in our love. STEADY READER"

of comfort and even service.

. . .

Once you show this boy that his ravings about any * girl don't interest you, he * will find some other way of * showing off. After all, so long as he takes you out and doesn't spend any time with her, why let it bother you? Words are the cheapest buy * in the dictionary of flirtation, * but deeds prove where a

* boy's real interest lies. * You are young to be talk-• ing of love, but I understand how such a habit annoys you. When the lad mentions her * name, change the subject, but pleasantly, and he soon will realize he will have to be even more attentive if he hopes to date you often. It would not be out of order to date another boy or two, and let him do the worrying

No matter how hopeless things look today, tomorrow always comes and can bring with it new confidence and hope. Anne Hirst will welcome your problems and give you her sympathy and honest counsel. Write her at Box 1, 123 Eighteenth St., New Toronto.

Helpful Tips On Home Decorating

The warm sunshine is bringing on the annual redecorating fever. But what can you do with small rooms and rooms with high ceilings? Here are some tips on home decorating which might help solve these and other problems.

If a small room is your problem, keep in mind that walls and woodwork painted the same color will make a room look larger. A light tint is better than a dark tint for the small room. . . .

Wall-to-wall floor covering will help create a feeling of spaciousness.

For the small bathroom, use the same color for tile, walls and fixtures to give the room that "bigger" look.

If you are bothered by irreguuar and unattractive lines in a room, paint the ceilings, waiis and woodwork the same color. The result will be a camouflage of the bothersome lines.

High ceilings may be lowered by painting them a deep color and possibly carrying the ceiling color down onto wall for a foot or two. Light tints, especially blue imitating the sky, will make a low ceiling appear higher.

If you want to change you bedroom scheme, choose a quiet color. Soft blue-grey and yellow are restful colors for such rooms. But don't be monotonous - add touches of stronger color. Artificial lights will soft-

en colors at night. Is your furniture light color? If so, remember that it will not show up to the best of its ability against a light background. Choose a darker tone to bring out the best in your furniture.

To make large, barn-like rooms more invi ting, use a rich, darker hue on the walls.



FINAL SCENE ? - Actress Grace Kelly is the focus of many movie cameras as she makes what may be her final appearance on Hollywood film. Occasion was the recent Oscar awards ceremonies.

When a Sailboat Hit An Omnibus

To me there was always an

infinite fascination in seeing these great Northern tracts of woodland awakening from their long winter sleep. The sweetness of the dawn, the delicious smell of growing things, the fresh young life springing up under one's feet, all these appealed to every fibre in my being. Nature always restores the balance of things. In Russia, as in Canada, after the rigours of the winter, once the snow has disappeared, flowers carpet the ground with a rapidity of growth unknown in more tem perate climates.

These Finland woods were plant with masses of small, white, waxy flowers. It was, I think, one of the smaller cranberries. There was an orangeflowering nettle, too, the leaves of which changed from green to vivid purple as they climbed the stalk, making gorgeous patches of colour, and great drifts of blue hepaticas on the higher ground. To appreciate Nature properly, she must be seen at unaccustomed times, as she bestirs herself after her night's rest whilst the sky brightens. . . .

We had an ice-boat on the Gulf of Finland as well. It is only in early spring, and very seldom then, that this amuse ment can be indulged in. The necessary conditions are (1) a heavy thaw to melt all the snow from the surface of the ice, followed by a sharp frost; (2) a strong breeze. Nature is not often obliging enough to arrange matters in this sequence. We had some good sailing, though, and could get forty miles an hour out of our craft with a decent breeze. Our boat was of the Dutch, not the Canadian type.

Ice-sailing was bitterly cold work, and the navigation of the Gulf of Finland required great caution, for in early spring great cracks appeared in the ice. On one occasion, in avoiding a large crack, we ran into the omnibus plying on runners between Kronstadt and the mainland It may be worth while recording this, as it is but seldom that a boat collides with an omnibus. - From "The Vanished Pomps of Yesterday," by Lord Frederick Hamilton.

CHRONICLES GINGER FARM

"It's a robin . . . see . . . on the poplar tree-a big fat cock robin, looking in at our win-"Huh," Partner scoffed,

self." So Partner came to the window and was finally convinced. The robin, meanwhile.

"When north winds blow, then we shall have snow

It happened one morning r ently. To be exact it was March 21. The dawn was just breaking when I jumped out of my bed and ran to the window. Partner said-"Now what's the

"probably a starling." "It isn't a starling it's a robin. Come and see for your-

perched motionless on the tree, surveying the world for signs of spring. Evidently he was not too impressed as not a sound came from him, not even a mating call. The robin was a wise bird for since that morning we have had bitter cold winds and some snow. Not at all the kind of weather for courting - at least, not in the bird world. For the human species any time is courting itme because we have protection of warm homes, theatres, dance halls, automobiles, indoor-skating rinks and many other comfortable opportunities for companionship. The notion that "in the spring a young man's fancy . . ." is outmoded. It is open season all the year round for those whose nelinations "lightly turn to thoughts of love". But the robin sticks to the laws of nature. And you can't fool the robin. Spring is spring. And springtime is mating time. No selfrespecting robin would go calling on his lady-friend until winter had had its final fling. I remember part of a poem from childhood days which began-

And what will the robins do then, poor things?" I forget the rest but I am sure that what the robins were likely to do didn't include courting. But it won't be long, my friends. Spring will soon be here. The robins know or they wouldn't be around at all. So maybe we who has to use a ladder to put had better hurry up that house- in a floor plug."

It's Refrigerated Clothing Now

cleaning. Remember last sum

ity? Let's enjoy the coolish reather while we can.

In the meantime I have a con

fession to make-and I feel like

a traitor in so doing. A month ago we traded in our nice little

English car on a later model-

Canadian make. In doing so

vielded to family pressure and

little car. It did all I wanted

it to do as I am not a city driver. But it was subject to

all kinds of derisive remarks

from other members of the fam-

folk called it. Well, why did

trade it in if I liked it, since

ing it? For the simple reason

that we live in a district where

there isn't an agent for English

cars, which makes it difficult

to get parts or get a repair job

willing to service my car sold

his garage so that left me out

on a limb. If we had a me-

chanic at home that would be a

doesn't even drive a car, left

alone repair it. He can handle

arthritis in his hand and feet-

and in the interests of safety-

he has always thought it better

to leave the car alone-except

that he is a most proficient

side-seat driver! The car we

have now is a semi-automatic

ransmission and it travels the

road with the greatest of ease.

It also has a sticker on the

windshield which indicates it

has passed its road test. Which

means that I went after the po-

that was in full bloom last

Christmas, will be blooming

again for Easter. Looks like

anything can happen around

here—and often does. The other

plenty of exercise that morning.

Was I glad I wasn't the guilty

Andy High was one of the

smallest infielders ever to play

major-league ball. At one time

he owned an electrical appliance

shop in St. Louis, moving Charlie

Grimm to observe that "Andy

is the only electrician I know

day Partner left the gate open

tractor, but, because of

different matter. But Partner

. The one man who was

"Puddle-jumper" the young

One trouble about spring by ing just around the corner in that it reminds us a semitronical summer is not far off either. True, we now have air cond. tioning in homes, offices, store motor cars and many even ban it in taxicabs if New York's et. periment with a fleet of 50 air. conditioned cabs proves so cessful. But the pedestrian

still left out in the heat. Nevertheless, air-conditioned clothing now seems on the way A New York engineer who president of several successful companies — no crackpot he has designed and patented jacket and helmet with builtrefrigeration. The inventor, Vegil Stark, tried these out su essfully on his son one day lat summer in Washington who the temperature was 90 But this project has encountered or snag - fashion . . . which now emphasizes the form-fitting garment. For refrigerated cloths must have compartment to hold dry ice. In Mr. Stark's jacket they are in the shoulder pada Yet shoulder pads are definitely But this conflict may yet be

resolved since hats are getting larger in the crown. And the hat industry, which falls upon lean days in the summer, might welcome the refrigerated chapeau. If so, air-conditioned living would be complete. -Washington Post.

Wardrobe Wonder

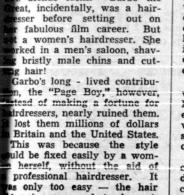


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collarette! You'll be well-dres-

world — was the "Page Boy." edit for that simple fashion st go to the film studio hair-esser who dressed Greta Gar-s blonde locks. Garbo the



Mouse-Trap

flight hair fashion artists tylists in the famous sale now busy planning their season's coiffures. Why do undertake this highly exbusiness? A stylist can a hair fashion that will

Yet he gets little or no-

out of it, except perhaps grudging admiration, if he

that he invented the

m then does the for-

It goes to thousands

on owners who cater for

ght to a hair style. Once

on, any competent hair

or Montreal can copy

sell it to women as his

unknown London hair

er produced a fashion about time of the first world war not only earned hairdress-

permanent waving a pay-

ess. This was the "Bob,"

And the man who created

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them in this branch.

cutters of hair. Few

hairdressers can compete

"Shingle," which followed

osition and created the

women's hairdressin

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been introduced and it

A Hat

as only too easy — the hair id not even need to be cut, ast brushed smoothly over the ead and the ends lightly curled Hairdressers have never forven Garbo for publicizing this shion with such unwitting but adly effect. The fact that she worked in the business mereadded a load of salt to the

e people of great importance



an art."

stylist, whose work outshone his own. Styles were highly ornate and complex. As many as six hair-dressers would work on one coiffure. Towards the end of the eighteenth century, hair was often dressed up to the height of these creations had to sit the floors of their carriages, and

en rests made for their shoulders and neck. Because flour was used a good deal in the dressings to keep them stiff and in shape, one notable lady always went to sleep

eating her coiffure! which stylists could repeat today if they were ever required, sometimes cost their wearers well over \$500 a time, plus the high cost of maintenance. One of the most remarkable styles in the whole history hair fashion was that produced during the French Revolution. It was called a la Victime au Sacrifice. The hair was draw: up well from the nape of the neck, forward and over the crown, as it was arranged for

the scaffold, the only difference

Pale face make-up was used

being that it fell on the fore-head in a bunch of curls.

for the guillotine.

mostly have curly or wavy hair. don to take up his old job
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every crime from blackmail to forgery, ever return to civilization again

returned from this wilderness over rules. Though, of course, no who inhabit the area owe allegiance to no country except heir own. The Portuguese

who rule Angola, and the South-West African admiinistated by Hepburn, are about

sembled and sent to fetch the 10,000 strong, but being cursed with too many girl babies, men and any other wanted criminals hiding among the more than 6,000 of the tribe are aboringals. women and girls. there wasn't a trace of the and the rest of Ovambo-

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When never a friend

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tribe, but more determined officers led an expedition into the the Kunene into the the sacred crocodile, he is safe. mountains to seek out the tribe and the murderers. Of some forty well-armed men who ventured into the mountains. Only Four Came Out Alive. In the night, poison-To The Fellow Who Takes My Place

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"Come and get us if you want
us." It was signed "The Bank
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JUNK LINE TRUNK LINE - Edward Heintz, never quit working on railroad cars when he retired. He simply transferred his affections from the Railroad, where he was a car carpenter, to a brand-new attic railroad. Now 68, he's been working four or five hours a day on his hobby since he retired. He has built 150 cars—gondolas, coaches and cabooses—mostly out of oil cans from gas station rubbish bins and scrap lumber. He has two miles of track, has built switches and even a three-level elevator. His only purchase was a pair of locomotives. "It makes me forget a lot of the world's troubles," says Heintz. in society and they amassed con- | to emphasize the macabre effect | vice of blow waving and discreet siderable wealth. In Napoleon's and a scarlet ribbon was tied round the neck. This coiffure time they had carriages and livuse of permanent waving. eried servants. Frederic, hair-The biggest men's hair stylist was worn by young aristocratic of the century was the hair-dresser, now dead, of the Waldresser to Napoleon's Josephine, ladies to show their contempt had a special position and privdorf Hotel. He was the famous ileges at court which would nev-The new styling among men er be accorded to the royal hair-Browne who invented the clipwill undoubtedly lead to the use of the new hair make-up techniques. This will be due to the lead given by certain middleaged TV stars and stage stars pecting for gold in South Af-who never seem to go grey and rica, and then returned to Lon-

dresser in England. Hair fashions in those times were the key to dress and millinery styles. The dress designer was compelled to follow the work and ideas of the hair

those who slept in their coif-fures had to have special wood-

with a mousetrap concealed in her hair to prevent mice from







BRAIN IS FILM STAR—The functions of the human brain were recently filmed for the first time at a demonstration in Vienna University. Above, a laboratory assistant holds an anesthetic mask over the patient's face. After a contrast substance has been injected into the bloodstream, X-rays are directed through the skull. The X-rays are converted into electronic rays by a complicated apparatus and then photographed by the movie comera at right. The camera can take more than 300 pictures of the brain within 12 to 15 seconds.

Two hundred men live in exist to be made, the girl victims ile in the land of Mtumbu, the land to the centre of the are led to the centre of the stockade close to the river, sacred crocodile, and more where they are prepared with than half of them are wanted for murder. The land lies mida pagan ceremony which in-cludes the anointing of the way between Angola and South-West Africa, in the arid region of Ovamboland. body with oil. The crocodiles know when Neither the murderers, nor victims are to be brought to them. They sense it in the beatany of the other fugitives who ing of the tom-toms and the chanting on the river-bank. are wanted by the police for

Slowly the first one comes

from the river and moves to-

rican police, but with no suc-

cess. A system of espionage

warns the tribe days before-

hand of the approach of police,

with a result that everyone is

hidden in the rocky mountains

arrive.

crocodiles.

wards the first girl. As the cro-In the past thirty years only

codile nears the girl, the tribe fall on 1 r faces, and a low one man, John Hepburn, has moan escapes them.

For some years raids were carried out on the area by which no government

stration have stated that they want nothing to do with this piece of infertile, barbarous land fringing on the muddy, dangerous Kunene River. The tribe of Ovahimba, it was

At infrequent intervals the warriors made forays into Anand to steal male children aged from a year to five years. These children are reared as members of the tribe, and are prought in to swell the diminishing number of males. Every quarter, at at the full noon, two girls, who must be under fifteen years, are sacriprocedile, in order to ensure a

Pambegele is the recognize chief of the tribe, and to him the white outlaws go when they arrive in the territory ruled over by the crocodile. Presents are given, and the men are welcomed regardless of what they might have done in the past. The great scarcity of males forces the dying tribe to adopt any male who arrives. There is only one condition attached to entry into the area. That is that the wanted men will take from four to six wives from girls among the tribe and father children. The men have a free choice,

but adultery is punishable by death—death at the jaws of the crocodiles which infest the Ku-On the day when a sacrifice i