

ANNE HIRST

Your Family Counselor

"Dear Anne Hirst: My in-law problem is different from other I've read. My parents are dead, and I have no relatives to help with my five-year-old girl except my husband's mother, who lives two blocks away. We are buying our home and my husband has taken on extra work to help out, so we can't even afford a sitter. We ask my mother to baby sit only about once every three months, and she always complains that it puts her behind in her housework or her sewing . . .

"Yet she minds my sister-in-law's children one day a week so she can go places, though there's a part-time maid there. I don't resent this, believe me, but I expect another baby in a month and I've been very sick; she has not offered to help out at all, she is even planning to be away the week I am expecting. This means my husband will have to take time out from work while I'm in the hospital, to look after my little girl. "My friends and neighbors talk about my mother-in-law, and I try to cover up. She tells them and everyone here, how much she likes me, but why won't she prove it? If my own mother were living, how different things would be!

MRS. B. D.

NOT UNUSUAL.

In many a family, such favoritism arises because the older woman favors one son's wife and does not feel so close to another daughter-in-law. You probably do not know the cause of this, and it may even be started with your marriage; this and other factors are nobody's fault, and there seems nothing you can do about it. One would think that the coming emergency would inspire her to ease your husband's burden, but it seems this is not to be. You and he are concerned with practical details, so here are a few ideas that may be useful:

- Confide your situation to your doctor, and ask him about the social service agency at the hospital you have chosen.
- Sometimes the Red Cross or similar groups take over if you lose your husband.
- Can your husband arrange to take that week at part of his vacation, so he will not be charged?
- Isn't there a married couple with children among your friends or neighbors who would take your little girl for the week? They would not charge you, I am sure, and a little household gift is always proper expression of your gratitude.
- Hereafter you will be wise to count your mother-in-law out for any help at all. Hope deferred is depressing to live with, so why hope any longer? She is as she is, and your plight does not move her. I am relieved that you do not resent your sister-in-law's lack (which would be natural) and I hope you make a point of being as friendly terms with her.

Your situation, deplorable as it seems, is not unique, I repeat. Accept it as permanent and use all your wit and practical common sense to manage as best you can.

HOME IS BEST

Dear Anne Hirst. We have been married five years and have three wonderful children. Everything has gone beautifully for all—until now, when I am so confused I'm almost crazy.

"Recently I met again a man I was in love with until my family made us part. I find I have never really gotten over him. What on earth am I to do?"

CONFESSED.

- Do what you know is right. You cannot separate your children from their father, nor can you deliberately leave him. The lives of you all would be blighted, and as the cause of it, you would take on a terrific responsibility.
- When we marry, we stop living for ourselves and begin living for others. We have no right to seek a new personal happiness when we know that others must pay for it. Tempted as you are, you will pay for strength to resist and take on your rightful job as you must see it if you are being honest with yourself.
- Being good may be dull for a while, but I know of no surer road to peace.

"When a busy mother realizes she has no one on whom she can depend for help in her domestic schedule, somehow she arranges a routine that sees her through. Anne Hirst has ideas that may prove helpful in such situations, and her readers are welcome to them. Write her at Box I, 123 Eighteenth St., New Toronto, Ont."

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DO-IT-YOURSELF QUEENS — Contestants for queen of a "Do-It-Yourself" show, held swims just as if they knew how to use them. Left to right: Joyce Winfield, Judy Bomber, Judith Berry, Audrey Lowell and Pat Malloy.



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GO ON WITH THE WEDDING—The bride makes mockery of a mock wedding as she tearfully pleads to get away from it all. Shirley Lamb, wasn't caught in the spirit of the occasion, but the bridegroom — Shirley's brother, James—finally convinced her to stay, and the make-believe ceremony went on as scheduled.

What Became of Mussolini's Millions?

When Mussolini, on the run, was planning his northward flight he drew a thousand million lire, then worth about \$6,000,000, from the bank at Milan. He took with him, according to the Italian press, treasure which included over a hundred weight of gold, sixteen million French francs, 200,000 Swiss francs, an unspecified amount in pounds sterling, both paper and gold, plus dollars, Spanish pesetas and Portuguese escudos.

The gold was not only in bars and pieces but scrap, some comprising gifts made by the Italians to the state treasury, including rings and all kinds of jewelry.

What happened to this vast treasure which was stored in the cars of the column held up by partisan first at Museo and Donago then at the Poste del Passo? What became of important documents and other materials which Mussolini feverishly prepared and collected for his defense before any war-crimes tribunal he might have to face? All completely vanished. Their whereabouts is still a mystery.

Roman Dombrowski in "Mussolini: Twilight and Fall" says that Mussolini shared out part of the cash among his Fascist companions. "Renzo," the partisan who wrote an account of those dramatic last days before any war-crimes tribunal he might have to face? All completely vanished. Their whereabouts is still a mystery.

"Renzo," who estimated the treasure's total value at 200 million lire, said it was all concealed in Hoffmann's villa, and immediately after Mussolini's death both the gold and currencies were sent to Como car in a sealed chest. But it was found that one of the escort soldiers shot the chest and vanished with the chest.

Pavolini, another Fascist, also had currencies in his car, and when it was brought to Donago a crowd rushed to see and some took "souvenirs." Consequently, only twelve million lire were found where it was searched. This sum "Petru" posted in a local bank. But on

Great-Grandma Serves Dessert

While the preparation of soups, joints, and gravies is left to the younger generation, the delicate fingers of the lady of the household are best fitted to render the proportions of exquisite desserts. It is absolutely necessary to the economy of the household that this art should be taught to every lady's education. For these reasons we offer this book to the public. It will be found useful both by the rich and by those of more moderate means; the common mistake of giving none but expensive recipes having been carefully avoided.

Before entering upon our main subject we think it will not be out of place to offer a few remarks on that very important subject, the arrangement of dishes with an eye to proper effect. On the style and elegance in a dessert-table is spread, much of its success depends. In arranging the table, the greater number of handsome dishes and high stands that can be available the better. The artist must rely, however, on the appearance of natural flowers tastefully interspersed throughout the table heighten the effect, and should never be absent. It is considered out of taste to mix cake, fruits, and bonbons on the same dish or stand; each kind should be grouped in its separate receptacle, and these alternated on the table according as taste will suggest.

Less, of course, will be served moulded into pyramids or other effective forms; and there are numerous designs to be seen which are highly artistic and ornamental for iced puddings, jellies, and blancmange, all of which will add beauty and elegance to the table. Even with the most minute directions we can give, the artist must rely, after all, on his own taste as to the proper disposition and grouping of colors, shades and sizes; but a little experience will enable him to produce the finest effects, which will well repay the trouble and study it may cost. — From "The Dessert Book," by a Boston Lady, 1922.

Modern Etiquette...

Q. When one does not believe in the custom of tipping, is he not in one's privilege to omit it?

A. Although there is nothing compulsory about tipping, still a person who tries to omit it must be hard-shelled enough to shake off the black looks he will receive from those who have served him, and the possible accusations of "stinginess."

Q. When a young man accompanies two girls to the theater, is it all right for him to sit between them?

A. Yes, unless there is an aisle seat. Then he should, of course, sit next to the aisle.

Q. Does a man seal his woman dinner partner on his right or left?

A. On his right.

Q. When a man invites another man to luncheon on dinner which fell into the hands of the state, is it proper to believe that the rest passed into the Italian Communist party coffers, which would explain the contradictory reports and stories put out to obscure the truth concerning Mussolini's death?

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BEFORE DARKNESS CLOSED IN — Four-year-old Mike Sibole gets a last look at his toy puppets before being taken to the hospital for the removal of his only eye. Mike's right eye was taken out two years ago because of cancer of the retina, and specialists said the left eye had to be removed because of a similar growth.

Moneymen in Fabled Guests

Confetti and rose-petals showed the end of the smartest streets in the West End of London as the handsome young engineer gave his bride away on their wedding day. Elicited the word honeymoon. Elicited the word honeymoon. Elicited the word honeymoon.

Preparations for the lavish wedding reception were held in a grand room at the Grosvenor. The bride had been given the bridal pair in a box. Quickly they rent a room at the Grosvenor. The bride had been given the bridal pair in a box. Quickly they rent a room at the Grosvenor.

New-style honeymoons have underlined June bride news. In Glasgow kind-hearted Margaret had been given the bridal pair in a box. Quickly they rent a room at the Grosvenor.

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Then the "Petrel" resumed her placid voyage.

"Where to this time?" asked Carley once he'd handed the receipts over to Mr. Hopolous.

"Yankee cigarettes for Genoa," he was told. "We've got a tip to go canny for a while."

"Suits me." The pay wasn't so good, but far from negligible, and the risk, enough to breed pleasurable excitement, Carley carried his earnings to an international bank, and remitted them home. He asked for letters. Only one awaited him—from his wife. It held scanty scanty news, except that Dick, having taken a good degree, still had to do his National Service.

But Carley had a bit of influence here and there, and an account of favours done, it would be all right; Dick would be a conscript, but he'd be taken care of. A nice cushy clerking job could be arranged as easy as winning. He wrote to various addresses to that effect, and loaded up with contraband cigarettes with a light hearted "search."

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