

ANNE HIRST

WIDOWERS IN LAWS
RESENT REMARRIAGE
"Dear Anne Hirst: My wife died five years ago and she always read your column, so now that I face a delicate situation I ask your advice. I have a son of seven, and his mother's parents have been raising him for me. Nearly a year ago I fell in love with a fine girl, and we plan to marry soon so the boy can have a real home. Here's the rub: "I took her to see my wife's family and they seemed to like her—but they vigorously oppose my marrying again. Unfortunately, they have tried to influence the boy, too.

"When we do marry shall we take him to live with us right away, or wait a while? Or do you think it is my duty to renounce this sweet girl and let these older people have their way?"

UNEASY DAD

"It is not unusual that older people resent anyone taking their daughter's place in her husband's home. They forget that for him life is not over, and especially where a child is involved, the satisfactory answer is to provide a well-balanced home life for him. Nonetheless you have this opportunity. I think you should take it. The boy's grandparents are naturally loath to part with him, but after all, they want what is best for his future.

"Your son should get acquainted with your fiancée now. I suggest you take him to visit her on Saturdays or Sundays, when you three can have the day together. Plan real outings that will appeal to the boy, and he will come to associate his future step-mother with the happy times you and she share with him. All week long he will look forward to these visits, and so will be eager to come and live with you when you return from your honeymoon.

"Then you will, of course, see that his grandparents visit him regularly, as they see him contented in his new life, they will give credit to his stepmother's influence. It is usually works out this way, and I expect it will for you.

"Don't worry about them. It is almost impossible in winning this fine girl brings your son back to you again and opens up a richer life than his grandparents, with all their love, can offer him. They will grow reconciled to the idea and realize he is where he belongs.

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QUEEN VISITS WAR MEMORIAL—THIS IS A GENERAL VIEW OF QUEEN ELIZABETH'S WREATH-LAYING CEREMONY AT THE WAR MEMORIAL IN OTTAWA.

CHRONICLES OF GINGER FARM

By Gwendoline P. Clarke

Such a wonderful Thanksgiving weekend—and so much for which to be thankful!—beautiful weather, glorious colours, and the visit of our Queen and her husband, Prince Phillip. I am sure nearly everyone will be following the Royal couple by radio and television as they make their various appearances. We who remember

and for three years I've been going with a man 45. We have exciting times together, going always where I choose, and in other ways, too, he is most considerate. I think it will be wonderful to marry him, which he has begged me to do more than once.

"I've been told by three friends that he has a wife, but he denies it. Even my Dad feels I would regret marrying him. I have always heard that older men are kinder husbands than young ones, and anyhow, I can't get interested in boys who aren't certain I couldn't marry anybody else; if I couldn't have his love I'd be miserable.

"RITA"
"I hope you will not consider marrying a man more than twice your age. While he is dating you is he generous and thoughtful, but after marriage he may find a quieter life more to his taste. In 20 years you will be in your prime, while old age will be creeping up on him and he will not enjoy the recreations that delight you.

"Why have your parents allowed you to date a man of his age for so long, with no other boy friends on your list? "I'm afraid you have been so dazzled by his sophistication that your mind is closed to anyone younger. Your present uncertainty is a hopeful sign; unconsciously you sense how unfit would be such a union and your common sense cries out against it.

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Giant Pies and Even Bigger Cakes

Centre of attraction at a recent Leicestershire village fair was the biggest pie ever made—a monster three feet high and six feet in diameter. Two huge pies were needed to fill it and more than 1,000 portions were cut from it and sold on souvenir plates to celebrate the 700th anniversary of the granting of a charter for the fair.

English cooks have achieved some marvellous feats of cooking at various times. The Leicestershire pork pie was tiny compared with the giant pie produced by the people of Denby Dale, Yorkshire, seventy years ago—on August 24th, 1887 to commemorate Queen Victoria's Jubilee.

It weighed two and a half tons. It contained 1,850 lbs. of beef, twenty-one ducks, 100 small birds, forty-two fowls, forty pigeons, sixty-four rabbits and half a ton of flour for the great crust.

Ten horses were used to pull the pie to the feasting arena and hundreds looked forward to a meal, but they were disappointed. By the time the pie could be cut it was a trifle "high" and only a few people dared sample it.

Colossal cakes? The record probably goes to a Miami, Florida baker, who a few years ago made a cake weighing 2,000 lbs. It contained 14,000 eggs, 3,500 white eggs, 2,800 pints of milk, 1,400 lb. of flour, 1,068 lb. of fats and butter, 3,490 lb. of sugar, 90 lb. of baking powder and 65 lb. of salt.

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Modern Etiquette

By Roberta Lee

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There's A Quarrel In Every Sport
We hardly think of chess as a dangerous sport. Yet recently one player, after a tempestuous, painful clash during a game, went to law, each accusing the other of assault.

The row arose over queens. To pinch your opponent's queen suddenly in the eyes of conventional chess is a breach of etiquette. Ordinarily, the player who takes an opponent's queen, you warn him by crying "Guard."

Something similar enters into cricket. Batsmen, moving out of their crease at the bowler's end before the bowler has delivered the ball, are generally warned. Some bowlers, of course, whip off the balls at the first opportunity, and appeal.

In the chess dispute, tempers became very heated and one player alleged that the other had thrown the chessboard in his face and aimed a kick at his chair. The friendly, placid game, one of the quietest and soberest in the world, dissolved into turmoil.

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LAST HERE'S DAINTY French Caron as "Gigi", her Hollywood movie in two parts. But it's her last, she says, as a young, adolescent role. "I'm not allowed to play my own character, does she play?" A trollop—with a flop.

Southpaws!
Are children two more likely to write left-handed than they once were? Very definitely, says Dr. Eric A. Entom, a research consultant who has studied southpaw writers for the last eight years. Fifteen years ago, the percentage of left-handed writers among children was only about 5 per cent. Now, Entom says, more than 11 per cent of the children write with the "other" hand.

Speaking to the Handwriting Foundation in Chicago, Entom said that his survey of 92,000 children in 1956 showed that more boys (12 per cent) than girls are lefties. Teachers used to tell youngsters to write with the right hand, a tactic believed to lead to stuttering. At present, Entom says, "they just let them alone."

Now They'll Go Their Separate Ways—Portrait artist, Siamese twins from Long Island, who have been posing after they were successfully separated in the twins were born September 26, joined at the



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