

# The Family Council

Editor's Note: The Family Council consists of a Judge, a psychiatrist, three clergymen, a newspaper editor, a women's editor and two writers. Each article is a summary of an actual case history. The Council reports on problems that have been dealt with by responsible agencies and counselors.

**Rhoda S.**—George should apologize to Uncle Karl.

**George D.**—He owes me the apology.

**Rhoda S.**—My fiance and I are both in our early 20s and are planning to be married in the spring. The way I feel right now I don't know whether there ever will be a wedding.

It all started when I brought George to visit Uncle Karl. He is a bachelor and simply loaded, and I'm his favorite niece. I had every expectation of a marvelous wedding gift from him—and of inheriting a good sum of money some day. My parents thought he might even offer to pay for the wedding.

I know that Uncle Karl is pretty hard to get along with, but George acted just awful with him. In fact, there was a big blow-up and Uncle Karl said if I married that jerk I won't get a cent of his. Everything could be straightened out if George would apologize, but he won't.

**George D.**—I think I'm the one who should get the apology, not Uncle Karl. But it Rhoda prefers Uncle Karl to me, she can just take him—nasty temper, smelly cigars and all.

I thought I was just being introduced to a member of the family when I met him. I didn't think I was being brought before an emperor. He looked me over as if I was dirt. Then he told me he didn't think much of the college I went to, he didn't like the career I've chosen and acted as though I had no right to think of marriage to Rhoda.

I don't have to take that kind of guff from anyone. I told Uncle Karl what I thought of his attitude. I think the old codger kind of admires me for it. Now all he wants is for me to knuckle under with an apology. I think if I hold off he'll come

through with the money anyway.

**The Council:** This case seems to have the necessary ingredients for a very poor movie comedy. The rich, tyrannical old uncle and the fresh young whippersnapper are cut of the same childish cloth—each seeking homage for their 5-year-old egos.

Rhoda and her family are also part of the farce. A family who caters to the childish whims of a tyrannical man in the hope of a large inheritance deserves to be at the mercy of those whims. It is more than likely that the old man will pass on his estate to a pet cat in one of his temper fits.

If Rhoda wants to live her life on this level and have relationships of this childish sort, we think she has chosen the right young man for it. We can merely point out that it is possible to live a fuller, more interesting life by trying to create relationships based on real interest and respect for another person—not simply on what can be taken from him.

It is quite likely that Uncle Karl has other facets to his personality. He may have knowledge and interests that Rhoda knows nothing about. We suggest that she find out about these things and offer her uncle some real respect on a more mature and human level. If she does, she may find that the man will show her and her fiance respect and interest in return.

If George is willing to risk losing the girl of his choice because he can't "knuckle under" enough to apologize to an elderly man he had no right to insult, we don't think much is at stake in the whole relationship. The superficial quality of all the relationships in this case make it unworthy of serious consideration.

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## Administration To Fight Removal of Interest Ceiling

Washington - (UPI) - Treasury Secretary Robert B. Anderson has served notice on Congress that the administration will fight vigorously for removal of the 4 1/2 per cent ceiling on the interest on new government bonds.

Anderson said in a major policy speech before the American Economic and American Finance associations that the need for such action is more pressing now than last summer when President Eisenhower said it was the most important issue before Congress.

**Tax Cuts Unmentioned**  
In the new session starting Jan. 6, Anderson said, "we shall urge action on the request with all the vigor that we can command."

He made no mention of any tax cuts.  
Congress refused last session to lift the lid on interest on new Treasury securities expiring in five years or more.

Anderson said this has forced up short term interest rates by compelling the treasury to do all its borrowing through short and intermediate term securities.

## Holiday Traffic Deaths Set at 320

Chicago - (UPI) - The National Safety council has called for drivers to show "moral responsibility" in their New Year's holiday driving, and said that unless extra care is shown by motorists, 320 persons may die in the 78-hour week end.

An additional 9,000 disabling injuries might result, the council estimated, in traffic accidents between 6 p.m. New Year's Eve and midnight the following Sunday.

"But of course that doesn't have to happen," the council said. "And it won't happen if enough people make up their minds that it won't."

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**TO TAKE 11TH BRIDE**—Much-married asbestos heir Tommy Manville and his 11th bride-to-be, German beauty Christina Erdlen, discuss plans for their Jan. 11th wedding over coffee at a New York club. —(UPI Telephoto)

## Small Worlds Around Us

By Lynn M. Watkins

**Roots, Herbs, Bark and Berries Still Important**  
Roots, herbs, bark and berries composed a pretty important foursome a few years ago. From them was derived about every medicine then known for the correction, or relief of human ills. Of course today they still make up a large part of pharmaceutical preparations, but their compounding and extraction is done in modern laboratories and not in the kitchen of the pioneer housewife.

Time was when no garden was complete without a growing collection of herbs. In the early spring, when the family was hungry for green things, and appetites were jaded from a long period of canned or dried foods, the herb garden became the most important part of early American family life.

Many of these people had been taught by their parents and their parents' parents, what growing things were good, and what herbs were beneficial for tonics, salves and poultices.

**Grew Thyme**  
Grandmother always grew her own thyme and flavored gravy, eggs and different stuffings with the leaves of this shrublike plant. Thyme is a perennial. Neither did she think her garden was complete without parsley. This herb is as popular today as it was in grandmother's time. We still use it, and another herb called chives, for garnishes and also for seasoning. Parsley, unlike thyme, is a biennial.

The older gardens were replete with sage, basil, marjoram and tansy. The rosemary, penny-royal and tansy were highly aromatic, and flavored foods, such as dressings and salad, with a fresh spiciness, and added a touch of spring to jaded appetite.

The rue and germander, both perennial, were used for decorative purposes, both were attractive in bouquets.

**Flavored Leaves**  
The leaves of the lemon balm plants were often dried and brewed as a tea. When green they imparted a delicate flavor for cold drinks. The mints, of course, have always been a favorite for this purpose.

Grandmother probably never stopped to think about what an herb really was, or why it was called that. It is still a little confusing. Technically an herb is any plant that dies to the ground each season.

Some of the so-called herbs of course, are perennials; plants that make underground arrangements each season for growth the following spring. Theoretically these root clumps will grow year after year, in the same spot until the end of time. Some common perennials are goldenrod, waterlilies and strawberries.

From many of these common herbs pharmaceutical laboratories extract many medicinal substances, which are even more important today than the old herb garden was in grandmother's time.

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Mobile, Ala. - (UPI) - When Theodore J. Richter, a state official seeking to collect back salary, returned to court 11 minutes late from lunch Monday. Judge William McDermott fined him \$25 for contempt. Then the judge paused, said "I'm still filled with the spirit of Santa Claus," and dismissed the charge.