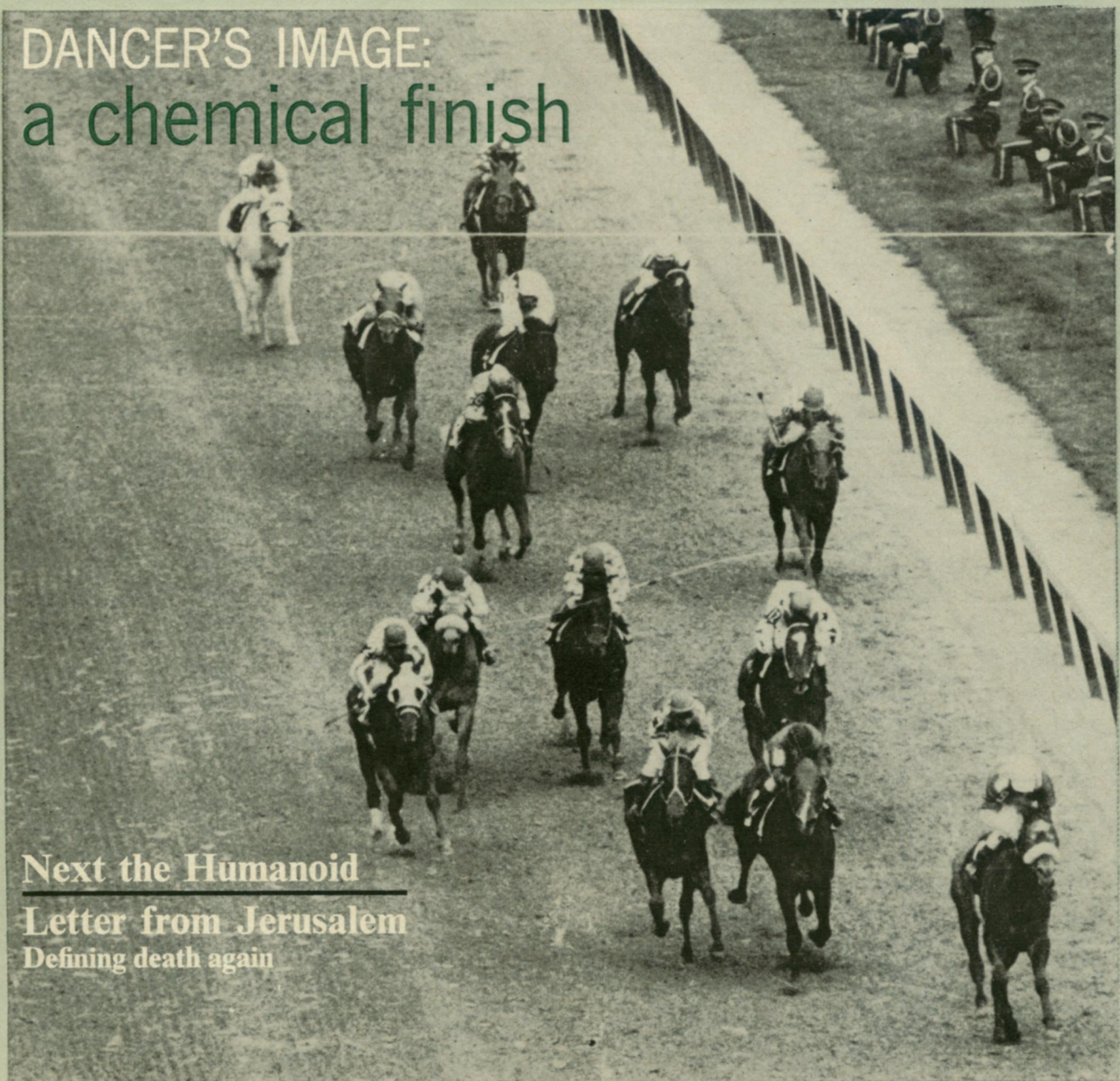


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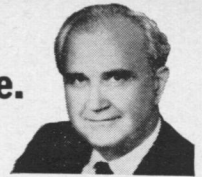
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**Americans work harder than any other people on earth to make adequate financial provision for their families after they are gone. BUT much of their hard-earned money is wasted, siphoned off by a scandalous probate system before it ever reaches their loved ones**



# Why Haven't You and Your Family Been Told These Facts?

- On average, it takes one to five years to close out an estate. During that time your spouse can draw a pitifully-small "widow's allowance" but your children can't draw a cent.
- It costs three to ten times as much proportionately to settle a poor man's estate as that of a millionaire.
- Under the existing probate system, complete strangers may share your estate with your family.

*But, in the next 60 seconds I will tell you of an astonishingly simple way to transfer absolutely everything you now own to your loved ones after your death without delay, without red tape and without the excessive probate costs which your estate may otherwise be called upon to bear.*

If you don't take the steps I suggest, my advice to you is "Don't die," because complications will start the moment you do. Your estate will come under the jurisdiction of a special court. Sometimes called the "orphans," "chancery" or "surrogate" court; its most common name is "probate" court. If you've left no will, it will dictate one for you in accordance with your state's law which won't necessarily read as you would wish. Now your children can start their long one-to-five-year wait to get what is left of their inheritance after the appraiser fees, executor or administrator fees and probate court costs are deducted.

## THE UGLY SIDE OF PROBATE

Senator Robert F. Kennedy recently charged that courts handling probate are "shot through with scandal, scandal that has been documented over the years."

Fiorello LaGuardia called the probate system "the most expensive undertaking establishment in the world." The New York *Herald-Tribune* editorially denounced those "clubhouse lawyers" who "profit to the extent of one million dollars annually in fees, many taken, at a large percentage, from small guardianships where every dollar is needed." The Bridgeport *Post* called the probate system a "gravy train." An article in the *Journal of the American Bar Association* called the Connecticut probate system "one of the most viciously corrupt."

Probate judges on average are the highest paid judges in America. Many of them work on percentage and may earn more than the governors of their states. The income of one judge was 20% higher than that of the Chief Justice in Washington.

The clerk of a Chicago probate court appointed 691 "special guardians" in a nine-month period. One of his friends got 76 guardianships—an average of two a week. A probate judge has reported that 90% of the appraisers appointed by a probate court perform no service whatever for the fee they receive. Many conscientious members of the bar are worried about the corruption built into our probate system but most lack the courage to speak out.

It is up to you to do something to help yourself. Sooner or later some of your own family's money will be involved. Don't wait and let your family and your children face this problem. Learn now how to avoid the probate system.

## THE MAGIC KEY TO AVOID PROBATE

How can you give your loved ones the very maximum estate in the very minimum time after you have gone? By *avoiding* probate. Yes, virtually everything you now own can be quickly and easily transferred to your heirs after your death—and exactly as you specify, without any red tape, without publicity, without strangers meddling in your affairs and draining off the financial security you worked so hard to build for your family.

You can achieve all this very simply by a method which few laymen know about called an "inter vivos" or "living" trust. Indeed, only a small proportion of lawyers fully understand its use—the American Bar Association has just issued a training film to be shown to local bar associations to educate them on its advantages.

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It's amazingly simple: Let's assume that you own a piece of real estate which you wish to leave to your wife at your death. In a simple "declaration of trust" you say in part: "I declare that I am holding this property in trust for my wife. Upon my death my successor trustee is to turn the property over to the beneficiary and terminate this trust. I hereby appoint as successor trustee the beneficiary hereunder." Upon your death, your wife, acting in her capacity as successor trustee, simply turns the property over to herself as beneficiary. She is then immediately the complete and absolute owner of the property. That's all there is to it—no executor's fees, no appraiser's fees, no probate court cost. No one-to-five-year wait. No piece in the paper telling all your business.

## VITAL IF YOU OWN A SMALL BUSINESS

Passing on a small business, incorporated or unincorporated, to relatives or employees is extremely important. If necessary, your business can be quickly sold by the beneficiary-trustee if that is your and their wish. Otherwise, it could be tied up in probate court for years. A distress sale under probate procedures may produce little or nothing . . . may even create obligations. With an "inter vivos" trust, your successor trustee can quietly, privately and immediately investigate possible buyers . . . then take his time to make the deal that will give your family the very maximum, with no undesirable publicity to harm the sale.

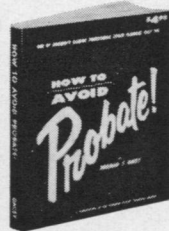
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*Norman F. Dacey*

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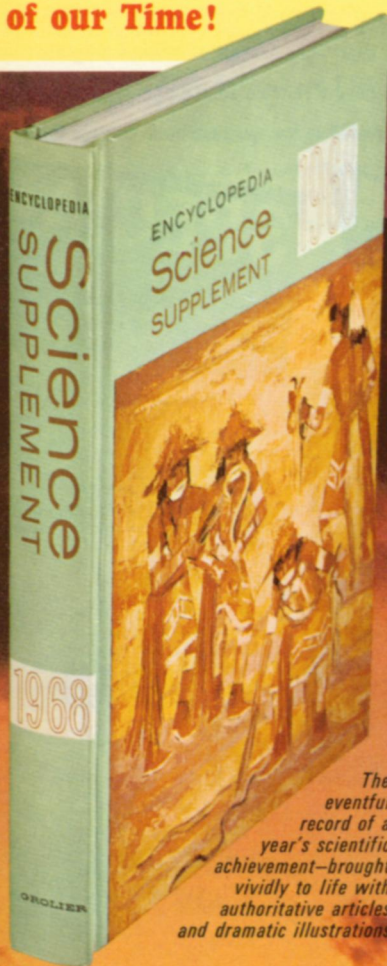
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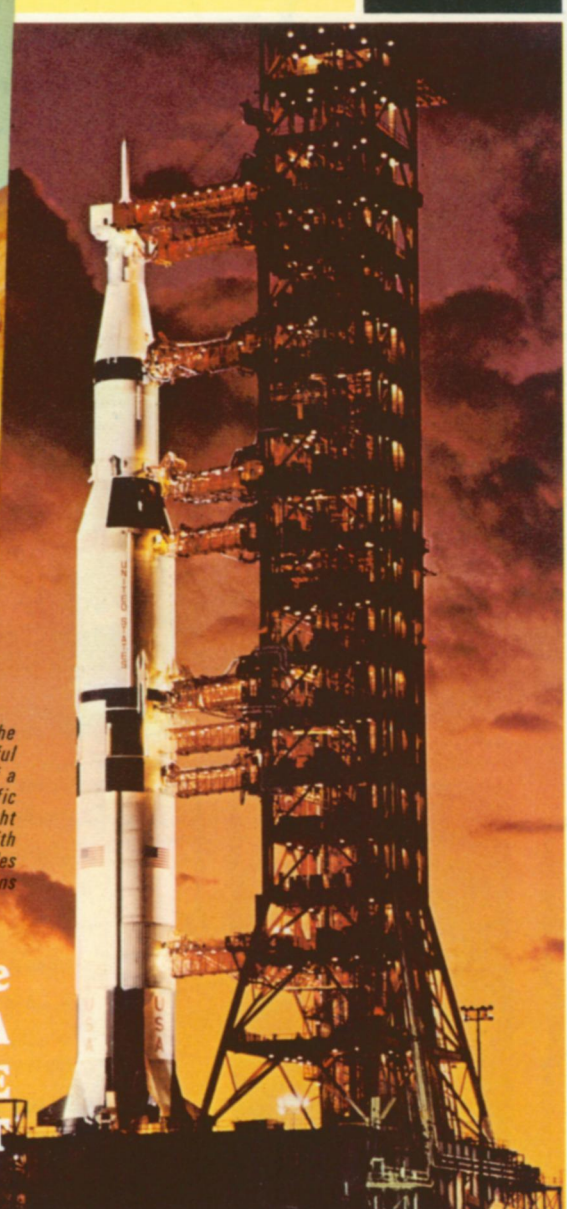
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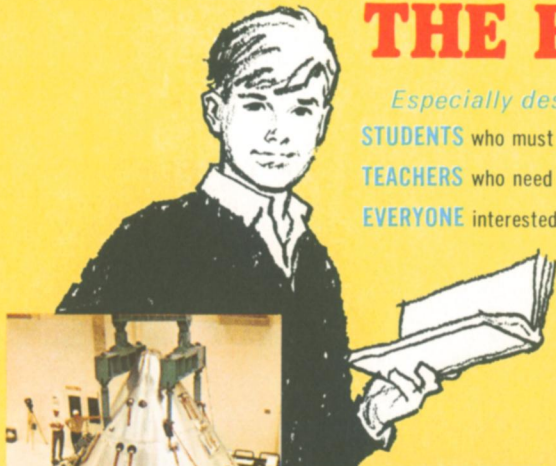
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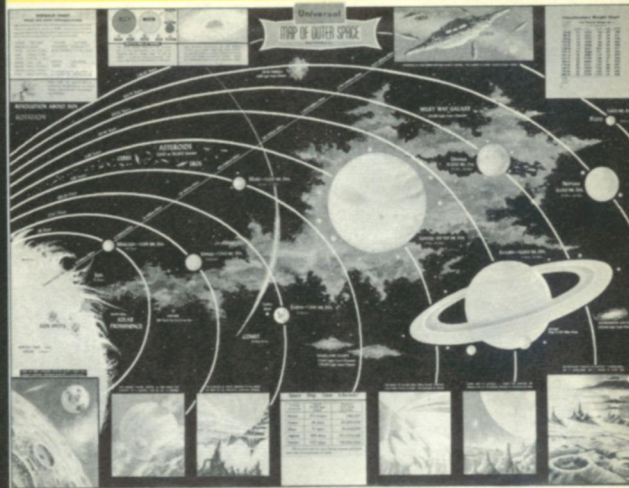
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