



FOLLOWING Fashion with Dorothy Downing

PUT YOUR BEST FOOT FORWARD this spring by selecting your footwear with the same sensitive eye toward fashion that you use in choosing an Easter bonnet.

To get started on the right foot, observe the following rules:

- 1. Keep it simple... the keynote of all good fashion. 2. If in doubt, choose a basic color... as black, brown, or navy. 3. For a slimmer 'n' trimmer ankle, choose a high, narrow heel. 4. Avoid the brightly-colored shoe, if you are short. 5. Select your footwear with one eye on the clock. 6. Select your footwear according to the mood of your costume. 7. Avoid the box-toe and any horizontal interest if the foot is not narrow. 8. Handle With Care: the ankle strap. 9. Highly Recommended: the basic opera pump. 10. Get On The Ball: above all, make sure the shoe fits. 11. Remember the label.

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GETTING A MENTAL PICTURE... of how Hollywood Riviera Clubhouse will look with the finished result is Mrs. Marion Phillips, while left to right doing the groundwork are Mesdames Preston Nix, Peter Jurisch, and Fred Filgiano.



TALK ABOUT TICKETS... Mrs. William Clarke hands dance tickets to Mrs. Charles 'Lindy' Jones at one of this week's 'treasure teas' held at the 2714 Crosshill Ave.



STRUNG WITH STREAMERS... are these women who were among several gathering at the 312 Camino de las Colinas home of Mrs. James M. Hall Thursday afternoon.

WEDDING DATE SET

Mrs. Waldo Calvin Darnell, former society editor for the Herald, and her husband, a

Glendale doctor, this week revealed nuptial news concerning their daughter, Sondra Gene, and Raymond Bruce Purdy Jr.

Ceremonies uniting the pair in marriage will be held Saturday evening, 8:30 o'clock, Feb. 6 at North Glendale Methodist Church.

Local Women Continue With Treasure Teas

Ticket sales soared and hall decorations took shape this week as many more 'treasure teas' were held in preparation for the Torrance Memorial Hospital Auxiliary's annual Valentine Ball.

At each event, the women were given two sets of tickets—one to the ball itself and one for the giant treasure chest of \$500 to be awarded at midnight.

Gathering at the home of Mrs. William Clarke, 2714 Crosshill Ave., Tuesday evening were Mesdames Hugh Brady, Elgin Elliott, James Reinhardt, Paul Retteger, Stanley Patton, Keith Euford, Robert Moser, and Charles 'Lindy' Jones.

The 5347 Bindevald home of Mrs. Marion Phillips formed the setting for Wednesday's event, with Mesdames Edward Thorne, Preston Nix, Bruce N. Wilson, Peter Jurisch, Fred Filgiano, Frank W. Callahan, and John Shidler assembled.

On Thursday the locale moved across the highway to the Hollywood Riviera section, with Mrs. Chris Hall doing hostess honors at her 312 Camino de las Colinas home.

Entertaining at a luncheon in her 5427 Reese Rd. home Friday afternoon was Mrs. David Hurford, president of Las Vecinas Woman's Club.

'Stork Story' FROM TORRANCE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

It's three of a kind now at the 2432 Ave. home of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Rutledge since the arrival at 11:18 a.m. Jan. 20 of a 6 lb. 9 oz. baby girl.

Another infant born this week, at 2:30 a.m. Jan. 19, is 7 lb. 5 1/2 oz. William Anthony, son of the Edwin A. Abbots, 25425 Fejosa Ave., Lomita.

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HEART STRINGS... Tying satin ribbon to some of the red hearts other women throughout the community have cut out of cardboard this week are, left to right, Mesdames Robert A. Matson, Edward Fay, David Hurford, J. M. Pomeroy, and E. W. Chaffield.

Creative Family Living

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'Clinging Vine' Dependent, Must Learn Self-reliance

Those of you who have a clinging vine about usually know it!

When this personality pattern is a dominant one, it is usually quite apparent in the personality set-up. One of the main characteristics of this pattern is the individual's need to depend upon others.

Often the 'clinging vine' consciously feels insecure in meeting the demands of everyday living. It is so much easier to let someone else do it for them.

This type enjoys attention and a concern for their needs; in some cases they will make demands upon the environment if they feel a lack of it.

One youngster I know of had an attack of asthma each time his mother went out for the evening; consequently when she returned the whole household was in an uproar.

As this mother learned to meet her child's needs in more healthy ways, the child began to develop more resourcefulness and less anxiety.

The 'clinging vine' child can be fearful and apprehensive... he has several important steps to take in order to bring out the potentials within.

Since he is easily apt to fall into a pattern of over-dependency, he needs help in developing his self-reliance.

He needs encouragement to make decisions as well as to take the consequences for the resulting action, as long as it is in keeping with his age level and ability to learn and understand.

In the healthy expression of this pattern, the over-dependency gives way to interdependency. A co-operative feeling is developed, the 'I need you, but you need me too' feeling.

The opposite of this is true in the egocentric 'clinging vine'... he wants someone else to carry the ball... make decisions... take the responsibility.

Actually, too much sympathy is not a good thing for anyone. The healthy 'vine' learns empathy, which is 'feeling with others,' not feeling sorry for them.

This person can often express the real meaning of love far better than other types once he achieves balance and integration in his inner life.

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Lack of feeling loved can make people sick; in some cases it has caused lasting scars in the emotional life. It is essential to good mental health to love and to feel loved.

Next week I'll discuss the 'tyrant' pattern.

Democratic Way Parents Should Keep 'No' At Minimum, Let Teeners Choose, Says Lecturer

Should parents say 'no'? According to a group of teen-agers in Pasadena, mom and dad should say no when the consequences might prove disastrous, but on other occasions the boys and girls want to make the choice themselves.

This was reported to a large group of Torrance parents Wednesday morning when Dr. Robert B. Haas presented his first audience-participation discussion at the Fern Ave. cafeteria.

"Don't be so nervous, and let us have more family fun together," Dr. Haas elaborated, carrying the teen-agers' message back to the parents.

"It's hard to grow up in a country that gives so much freedom," Dr. Haas said, "because the individual always has to make a choice. Growing up

in a country where the government tells you what to do is less difficult for young people, for the choice is made for them."

This is an anxious age, the speaker continued, but we are trying to do something about our anxieties and to find ways to resolve our conflicts. "If you can learn to handle time," he added, "you will have less anxiety."

According to Dr. Haas, however, people should become anxious about important things. The problem is to learn what is important and how to make a choice.

In learning to make a choice, he said, our steering posts are our democratic values. "People are important, and we must help them maintain their dignity; cooperation is necessary, but we must have authority in the end; and peaceful procedure is the best way whenever possible," he elaborated.

"It is not possible to achieve perfection," he went on, "but we require vision of perfection."

Dr. Haas, who is head of extension education at the University of California at Los Angeles, was accompanied by Dr. Hans Floeter, director of Adult Education Agencies for the city of Bremen, West Germany. Dr. Floeter gave a brief summary and answered questions at the end of the discussion.

The next discussion period, with 'What Parents Think About Education Today' as its topic, will be held in the Fern Ave. cafeteria next Wednesday, Jan. 27, at 8:15 a.m.

The series is sponsored by Torrance Council PFA under the auspices of the Torrance School of Adult Education and is open to the public without charge.

TOMORROW

Camp Fire Group Seats New Chiefs

New board members and officers will be elected and installed tomorrow night when the Harbor District Council of Los Angeles Area Camp Fire Girls holds its first annual meeting at 7:30 o'clock at the Gardena Teen-age Recreation Center.

All leaders, sponsors, and parents of members are urged to attend the meeting. Mrs. Thomas G. Smith, public relations chairman said, Reading of accomplishment reports and discussion of goals for 1954 also will highlight the agenda.

The evening's program will be provided by girls from Camp Fire's three age divisions, Blue Birds, Camp Fire Girls, and Torrance Club members. A social hour will follow.