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FORECAST:

The Way YOU Look... Springtime, 1954. Not in recent fashion history have we approached a season that has allowed so much flexibility in milady's mode of dress.

YOUR Silhouette... choose those that are best suited for YOU. ...the sheath, hi-fashion... every line, a curve. It's molded from neckline to hemline and worn always without a belt.

...the princess or Empire... good fashion that allows freedom of movement, and blessed with a very feminine feeling. It's also molded at the waistline without the benefit of a belt and features a widely flared skirt.

...the costume look... has a way of looking well thought out. Off seen in dress with matching jacket or three piece ensemble with skirt, blouse, and coat. Special emphasis is placed on an attention-getting lining.

...the T look... smart, but extreme... to be selected by only the tall n' slim. It is molded and curved from bosom to hem, with width at shoulders via dolman or bat-winged sleeves. Again, unbelted.

...the narrow look in coats... a straight-up-and-down fashion that is flattering to almost all figures. Can be worn well over all silhouettes, except the full-blown doll.

YOUR Colors... choose those that are best suited for YOU. ...the favorites... navy and black with springtime touches of white.

...polka-dots... big news in dresses (specially silks), coats, and highly-endorsed for the important jacket lining.

...prints... soft and feminine combinations like pink and blue... big 'n' bold that feature the brilliant colors. It is important to resist the temptation of selecting the latter unless you have the necessary height to carry it.

YOUR Fabrics... choose those that are best suited for YOU. ...finishes are smoother. ...finishes are crispier. ...fluid fabrics as silks and crepes are important. ...weaves are ingrained with flecks of white. ...a decided trend toward the palest fleece coat.

THE IDEA OF SEASONAL FABRICS IS RAPIDLY BEING DISCARDED. THE NEW CONCEPT IS TO DRESS ACCORDING TO THE TEMPERATURE OF THE DAY RATHER THAN THE UNPREDICTABLE SEASONS OF THE YEAR.

Calendar Full For WSCS

Next week will be a full one the former meeting at 12:30 p.m. for the Woman's Society of and the latter convening at 12 Christian Service, Methodist noon. Church, for five Circle meetings are chartered, Mrs. Bruce Kyer, press chairman, reported this week. Two other Circles have scheduled evening meetings for Tuesday, Feb. 2, are calendared. Ruth and Esther Circles, which will meet respectively with Mrs. Page Hurley, 1820 Martina Ave., Apt. 2, and Mrs. William Speak, 1511 Acaasia Ave. Raymond Larverson will open her 17815 Atkinson Ave. home within a half hour of each other, to Deborah Circle at 8 p.m.



MARCHING MOMS... Mrs. E. S. Moon, general chairman, second from left, gives a few pointers to three of her area captains for Tuesday night's "March of Mothers," left to right, Mesdames William Crooker, Madrona; Joe Tardaguila, North Torrance; and Don Dutwiler, Riviera. (Herald photo)

Council PTA Tuesday Plans for Founders Day City Moms Go on Anti-polio March

Hit songs of the past, depicting the year each president served, will feature the Lomita-San Pedro Council PTA Founders Day program, slated for Tuesday, Feb. 2, 10 a.m. at Cabrillo Ave. School. The Cabrillo Ave. Mothersingers, under the direction of Mrs. Harry Nishimoto, will be featured in the vocal spotlight. Both the program and the climax of the day, the awarding of an honorary life membership to the person who has given the most outstanding service to the PTA, youth, or the community, will carry out the theme of the month, "The Parent Teacher Movement—A Living Ideal."



INITIATES... Shown admiring table decorations at Wednesday night's initiation dinner are five new members of the Junior Woman's Club, seated, left to right, Eva (Mrs. James) Lees; Mary (Mrs. Norbert) Fahy; Viola (Mrs. Johnny) Johnson; standing, Betsy (Mrs. Jack) Roberts and Jean (Mrs. Sterling) Bateman (Herald photo)



GLIMMERING... a series of 14 "treasure teas" held throughout the community during the past two weeks to benefit Torrance Memorial Hospital was the affair hosted by Mrs. Morrison Hornbeak at her 210 Calle de Madrid home Friday afternoon. Among guests discussing hospital needs and helping with decorations for the Hospital Auxiliary's Valentine Ball on Feb. 13 were, left to right, Mesdames Dale Brent Sexton, Vara Grube, Bernard Beard, and Charles Sturgill. Others attending were Mesdames Kenneth Dudley, Thomas Van Blankenburg, Gail McCall, Glen Grietsley, John Shidler, and Paul Reiter. (Herald photo)

Service, Social Activities Spark Junior Club's Slate

Two events, one service, the other social, marked the calendar for the Torrance Junior Woman's Club this week. Friday afternoon, members joined the fight against polio, forming a ring of money around the city as they solicited contributions on busy downtown street corners and taped all coins and bills to the sidewalk. Proceeds, however, fell far short of last year's record of over \$600; \$183.59 was the final count. Juniors assisting Mrs. Howard Percy, chairman, were Mesdames Thurlow T. Weir, James Halle, Joseph Bay, Robert Mowry, George Glahnik, Joseph Helphand, Phillip Hoffman, Dick Rojo, L. E. Allen, V. T. Lovelady, Robert Fahy, Charles B. W. Roberts, club adviser; and Grover C. Van Deventer, Senior Woman's Club president, welcomed five neophytes and one re-instated member into the group. Newcomers are Mesdames B. Johnson, J. K. Lees, J. P. Roberts, N. J. Fahy, and S. L. Evers, Patricia Wilson, and Joan Owen. The candlelight ritual followed a program presented by Torrance High School students under the direction of Walter Shike and J. M. Baum, new instructor. Entertainment included

Chuckwagon Dinner Set By Seniors

The dinner bell will ring chuckwagon style for members of the Torrance Woman's Club and their guests next Wednesday night, Feb. 3, at the clubhouse, 1422 Ingracia Ave. Decorations for the 8 o'clock event will carry out the theme, "Echoes of Early California," to tie in with the program scheduled for 8 o'clock. Featured in the entertainment spotlight will be Tony and Anita, strolling troubadour and costume dancer. Mrs. A. E. Palmer heads the committee on arrangements. Assisting her are Mesdames N. S. Gregory, Victor Bernard, J. A. Eisenbrandt, W. I. Laughon, C. B. Carley, M. A. Bauman, Earl Miles, Otto Kreese and Charles Ward. Mrs. Palmer also supervised another ways and means project, a rummage sale held Friday at the clubhouse. Giving her a helping hand were Mesdames Hugh Bowman, Grover C. Van Deventer, Miles, and Bauman.

JAY CETTES, GARDENERS PLAN SHOW

Joint committees of JayCettes and Torrance Terrace Garden Club members will meet next Tuesday evening, Feb. 2, at the Chamber of Commerce building to continue plans for the Hobby, Arts, and Flower Show, slated for May at the Civic Auditorium. Session will begin at 7:30 o'clock, Mrs. Joseph Banks, press chairman, said. JayCettes also are planning a dinner meeting at Alondra Park on Feb. 16 and a membership dinner on March 9 at a place to be announced later.

New Brownie Troop Holds Investiture

Newly-organized Brownie Troop 698, sponsored by Hall-dale Ave. PTA, held its investiture ceremony recently at the home of the leader, Mrs. C. A. McNeese, 1540 W. 215th St. Receiving membership cards and Brownie pins were Linda Balko, Sherie Balko, Claudia Bowers, Regina Carlton, Melinda Dane, Charloee Mc Neese, Valarie Neal, Danelle O'Meara, Sandra Ruggles, Carol Salcido, Carolyn Schilling, Marilyn Schilling, Becky Tapla, and Anita Tracy. Story of the Brownie organization was read by Mrs. McNeese, then each girl in turn repeated the Brownie verse and looked at her reflection in a large mirror surrounded by ivy leaves to represent the pond in the woods featured in the Brownie story. Mrs. H. Ruggles, co-leader of the troop, and Mrs. A. G. Schilling assisted Mrs. McNeese in serving refreshments at the close of the ceremony.

PLAN PAPER, RAG DRIVE

Final plans for a paper drive on Feb. 9 will be made next Thursday evening when Seaside PTA's executive board meets at 7:30 o'clock in the school home-coming room. The drive will be held from 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the 5426 Sharynne Lane home of the president, Mrs. R. G. Parke, according to Mrs. E. R. Walker, third vice-president. This is a good time to clean your garage of all old papers and rags, Mrs. Walker said, urging parents to take an active interest in the drive. Papers and rags will be accepted if they are tied in neat bundles, she said, and a marionette show will be the reward to all students if the drive is successful. ed Dixieland-style numbers by the "Hungry Five," composed of Baum, Dan Buckley, Jack Johnston, Bill Trau, and Jim Thompson; and selections by a piano-guitar-bass trio, Marilyn Brooks, Virgil Benenstahl, and Charles Edmonds. Songs by the Girls Glee Club also took the spotlight. Participating were Shirley Ferrer, Joanne Jaida, Barbara Larned, Greda Lynch, Pauline Mansfield, Beverly McKell, Jackie Staute-mae, Patricia Wilson, and Joan Owen. Fifty-one members and guests, which included the three club advisers, Mesdames Roberts, R. Bingham, and E. L. Snodgrass, and Mesdames Dean L. Sears and C. T. Rippey, attended.

Creative Family Living



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Those who have a "tyrant" personality as a dominant one are often all the \*word tyrant implies. These are the persons who dominate those about them. This dominance can take several forms.

In some, it is verbal, comes through the issuing of orders and giving commands, there is a need to control others' behavior. Many tyrants have the attitude of "always being right." They may resent those who try to question their ideas or challenge their opinions in any way.

Egocentric "tyrants" also can dominate through physical force; some dominate through creating fear in those about them.

These tyrants have a great need to rule others and are happiest when the control of a situation is in their hands. They can push others around to a great degree and often attract the very submissive type of individual to them, one who unconsciously enjoys being dominated.

They have a strong power drive and a high aggression. They usually "know what they want," which is a healthy thing, but not if we hurt others in the process of reaching our goal.

Egocentric "tyrants" can be very possessive in their domination; they tend to need to control those they love the most. One husband I know was a tyrant in the area of handling money. He would dole out money to his wife, make her give an accounting for every penny she spent. In this way she was completely dependent upon him, which gave him a neurotic egosatisfaction. He actually enjoyed her helplessness.

Many tyrants can develop unconscious sadistic trends which means that situations in which others were hurt or subjugated would give them pleasure. This can happen when they themselves have been hurt or mistreated as a child, and in adulthood they form an adaptive pattern of "you have to hurt them before they get a chance to hurt you," as one man put it.

When the small child seems to have the need to hurt others, it is often the beginning of this side of his personality development. It is important that he have healthy ways of "getting off steam," so to speak, to have toys which allow him to use his aggression in healthy ways.

Objects can be dominated but people cannot; there are some adults who treat the people about them in the same fashion as they do objects. This is unhealthy and causes many difficulties in human relations.

Objects do not react to us—people do. We cannot disregard the relations of others.

MUST LEARN SELF-RULE

Self-government is a healthy thing. It is a goal in modern child guidance to create within the child the ability to discipline himself. The best gauge of how well a child is disciplined is not how he behaves when those in control are about, but how he conducts himself when there is no external authority present.

It is the tyrant side of the personality, when it is developed in a healthy and balanced way, which produces this ability to govern one's own actions without the need for strong rules and restrictions. The person with the egocentric tyrant pattern is so busy trying to run everyone else that he fails to develop his own inner authority.

Children with strong tyrant patterns tend to antagonize those about them. They have a strong ego and need firmness and consistency from the adults in their world. They also need to learn consideration for others' ideas.

OFTEN REPRESSED

If any of the patterns we have discussed would be more apt to be consciously denied or unconsciously repressed, it is this one. In our culture, the tyrant is not admired—in fact some persons shudder to think that they would in any way try to dominate.

However, this domination of others can be very skillfully concealed at times; it is an aspect of ourselves that we need to look deep within to find, so that we don't kid ourselves about it.

Simply recognizing the need is a great step in the direction of channeling and guiding it in more wholesome ways. Next time I'll discuss some of the ways in which the personality patterns can be grouped together and the result in personality expression.

Home Owners' Membership Meeting Set

Plans to increase ranks of the Allied Gardens Home Owners Association will be made Wednesday, Feb. 10, when the membership committee holds a 7:30 p.m. meeting at the 22714 Crosshill Ave. home of William Clarke. All interested are invited to attend the session, Gilbert Reinhart, chairman, announced.

Those affiliating at this meeting will have an opportunity to join in nominating permanent officers at the next session, slated for Feb. 15, 7:30 p.m., at Seaside Elementary School.

Among business conducted at the January session were acceptance of the constitution and by-laws and discussion of the street lighting problem and property damage caused by recent heavy rains.

MRS. JANES HONORS MOM-TO-BE. A large stork carried out the infant-impending theme at the refreshment table Friday at last week when Mrs. George Janes opened her 917 Acaasia Ave. home for a layette shower honoring Mrs. Frank (Ann Olson) Sclarrotta. Yellow and white daisies added early springtime touches to home decor, and guests played traditional shower games during the evening, with prizes going to Miss Alice Olson, sister of the honoree, and Mesdames Robinson and Lane. Included on the guest list, in addition to the grandmothers-to-be Mesdames Oscar Olson and Frank Sclarrotta, were mothers of the honoree's dance students. Attending were Mesdames Borgesen, Bingham, Sysym, Jacobs, Cooper, Adamson, Foster, Colburn, Brennan, Strohn, Platisha Robinson, Lane; Misses Carol Janes and Olson.