



Dorothy Downing and Fashion

FASHION... What IS it???

Last week we popped this question to some two dozen Los Angeles women... The definitions we received ran something like this:

- "Fashion is... the current fad in woman's clothes."
- To a downtown fashion buyer
- "Fashion is... what 'They' say is acceptable and smart." (who 'They' is will be determined at a later date)
- To a Brentwood designer
- "Fashion is... a distinctive manner of dress."
- To Webster
- "Fashion is... the shape or form of anything; the prevailing mode."

Fashions is many things to women. If we were called on to give our definition of fashion, it would probably read like this:

FASHION IS...

Your way of imprinting your personality... the WAY you wear a stole or carry a muff... a deep perfume for the lady in red... a honey-blond, pale and lovely in champagne chiffon... a pastel chapeau; a neat little head... a shorter skirt, 15 to 16 f.f.f... a rhinestone band bracelet worn ABOVE the elbow... the unbelted look of '54... the sailor collar... a size 18 wearing a size 18... a tangerine chambray blouse accessorized with lipstick that could have been dyed to match... the marriage of pink and red... hair combed without a part... more eye-brows... prints, prints, prints: pale 'n' pastel, big 'n' bold... a Palm Springs wardrobe of linen and packable Honan silk... smooth elbows and short sleeves... the cowl neckline... an armful of bracelets... the rustle of spring via paper taffeta... polka-dots and more polka-dots... the California way of dressing casually with an air of studied nonchalance... your way of expressing yourself perfectly... a matter of taste.



MR. AND MRS. SHIRD KELTON JR. Establish Home Here

Keltons Reveal Son's Marriage

Announcing the marriage of their son, Shird Jr., to Miss Nina Johnson, daughter of the Douglas Johnsons of Wilmington are the Shird Keltons Sr., 918 Fortola Ave.

The double ring ceremony was performed Dec. 28 in Las Vegas, at the picturesque Hitching Post Chapel of the Last Frontier Hotel. The bride's twin sister, Mrs. Nida Soule, attended as matron of honor, and George Krois served as best man.

After a brief honeymoon, the newlyweds returned to Torrance for a reception at the home of the bridegroom's parents. They are now making their home at 1830 Torrance Blvd.

The new Mrs. Kelton is an alumna of Banning High School. Her husband attended Torrance schools and El Camino College and currently is employed at Douglas Aircraft Co. here.

The Social World

AGNES BOLTER, Editor

Solve Lenten Meal-time Problem With These Tasty Cheese Dishes

In these Lenten days, the special problem of the housewife is to prepare meatless, yet tasty and nutritious dishes for her family. Super dishes that use cheese as a major ingredient are an excellent solution to the problem.

Here are a few recipes fine for Lenten meals. Add a crisp salad, buttered vegetable, and a pet dessert to the main dish made with cheese and you'll have a menu that's sure to please, says Margie Ewen, Southern California Gas Co. home service representative, who authored the recipes.

CHEESE SOUFFLE (Double Boiler Method)

- 1 tsp. butter
 - 1 tsp. flour
 - 1/4 tsp. dry mustard
 - Salt
 - pepper
 - 1/2 C. grated sharp American
 - 1/4 C. milk
 - 2 eggs, separated.
- Melt butter in top of 1 quart double boiler. Turn off flame and blend in flour, mustard, salt, and pepper. Stir in milk. Cook over slow flame, stirring constantly, until mixture thickens and boils 1 minute. Stir in cheese until it melts. Beat egg yolks in large bowl until thick and lemon colored. Pour and stir hot cheese sauce slowly into yolks. Beat egg whites until stiff but not dry; fold gently into egg-yolk mixture. Pour souffle mixture slowly into top of same double boiler. Cook, covered, over gently boiling water 50 minutes. Brown top under broiler flame, serve at once. Two servings.

CHEESE STRATA

- 12 slices bread
 - 1 lb. American cheese, grated
 - 2 eggs
 - 3 C. milk
 - 1/4 tsp. prepared mustard
 - 1 tsp. minced onion
 - 1 tsp. salt
 - 1/8 tsp. pepper
- Remove crusts from bread. Arrange 6 slices of bread in bottom of baking pan. Cover with one-half of grated cheese. Make a second layer of the remaining bread slices. Top last layer with remaining cheese. Beat eggs slightly. Add milk and remaining ingredients to eggs. Blend. Pour this mixture over bread layers. Let stand 15 minutes. Bake 40-50 min., or until puffed and browned, at 325 degrees. Serve at once. Six servings.

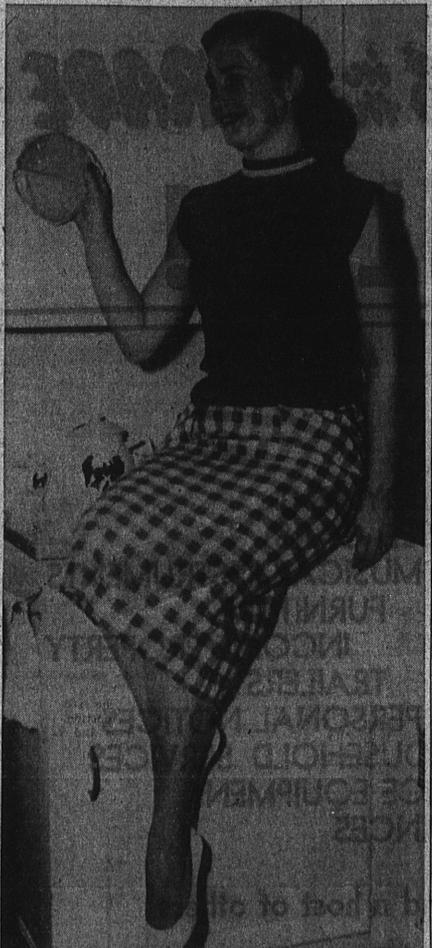
BAKED EGGS WITH CHEESE

- 1 tsp. butter
- 4 tsp. dry bread crumbs
- 4 eggs
- salt
- paprika
- cayenne
- 1/2 C. grated nippy cheese
- 1/2 C. cream

Spread a shallow baking dish with the butter and sprinkle in the crumbs. Carefully break the eggs into the dish and season with salt, paprika, and just a touch of cayenne for each egg. Top with grated cheese and pour in cream. Bake at 350 degrees until eggs are desired firmness.

SPECIAL RABBIT

- 1 small green pepper, chopped
 - 1 small onion, chopped
 - 2 tsp. butter
 - 1 C. canned tomatoes
 - 1/2 C. whole kernel corn
 - 2 tsp. quick-cooking tapioca
 - 1/2 tsp. salt
 - 1/8 tsp. pepper
 - 1 1/2 C. grated American cheese
- Lightly brown green pepper and onion in butter in saucepan. Add remaining ingredients except cheese and cook over low flame, stirring often, for 5 or 6 minutes. Add cheese and stir until melted. Serve over crisp toast. Four servings.



REAL CHEESECAKE... Miss Shirley Salzman, 1630 W. 205th St., poses with fat found cheese, culinary conversation piece around the household during these Lenten days. Miss Salzman, graduate of Gardena High School, currently is employed at Torrance Pharmacy. (Herald photo)

Red Cross Hits New High In Blood Collections Here

Volunteers of Torrance Branch, American National Red Cross, hit a new high goal last Wednesday when they assisted in processing 483 donor at the Douglas Aircraft Co. here, Mrs. Gordon Jones, blood recruitment chairman, reported.

Fifty-six of these donors were temporarily rejected, with the final count making 436 pints of whole blood donated by plant employees from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., she said.

Mrs. Jones was assisted by her co-chairman, Mrs. Davis McMillan and Mrs. William Cochran. Typists, receptionists, and donor room aides were Misses William Coburn, Walt Sharon, Joe Helphand, G. Douglas Thomas, W. E. Walton, Blandford, and Pat Rhyno.

Assisting Mrs. John Stoddard, canteen chairman, were Misses: Walt West, Walter Coon, T. T. Babbitt, and Melville B. Millar. Monday, these volunteers also worked at the Shell Chemical Plant, processing 99 donors. Nine of these were rejected, making

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New Volumes Available at City Library

Outstanding current literature reviewed by Mrs. Dorothy Jamieson, Torrance librarian, at last Wednesday's Woman's Club meeting, is now stocked on city library shelves. Mrs. Jamieson revealed this week.

Included among the new volumes are "The Wise Bamboo," a story of Army life in Tokyo by J. Malcolm Morris; "Gold Mountain," a tale of pioneer days in the Northwest by Charlotte Paul; and "Sky Block," a detective thriller by Steve Frazer.

"Unconquered" by Ben Ames Williams, who also authored the popular best-sellers, "Strange Woman," and "Leave Her to Heaven"; and "Sands of Karakorum," by James Ramsey Ullman, author of "The White Tower," also are available, Mrs. Jamieson said. The first is set during the period following the Civil War; the latter utilizes an Asian setting.

Miss Torrance To Model in Fashion Show

Sandra Lea Constance, Miss Torrance of 1953, will be among models showing latest styles next Wednesday evening when the Sisterhood of the Gardena Valley Jewish Center holds a fashion show at 8:30 o'clock at the Gardena Community Center.

Other models will be Diane Feld, Ann Mentell, Lillian Norman, Lillian Stern, Margie Fink, Sarah Lieberman, Jean Rothman, Estelle Parkash, Mildred Appel, Bess Weinstein, and May Massaler.

Students Talk About Parents Tuesday Night

"What Kind of Parents Do Young People Want?", a panel discussion, will feature next Tuesday night's meeting of Torrance High School P.T.A. to begin at 8 o'clock at the high school cafeteria.

Students from different grade levels and three parents will participate in the discussion, with Ivan Malm, student council advisor, as moderator, according to Mrs. Frank Lane, program chairman.

Boys 'n' Girls To Entertain Seaside PTA

Seventh and eighth graders at Seaside School will take the program spotlight next Thursday, Mar. 11, when the school P.T.A. holds its monthly meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the school auditorium.

On exhibit for the first time will be articles boys in the woodworking shop have been making during the past year. The staff side in the homemaking class will present a fashion show.

Plans for the meeting were told last Thursday when the executive board met at the school homemaking room. Child care will be provided, Mrs. Lorne Bristol, first vice-president, revealed.

Creative Family Living



By Dorothy H. Law
COUNSELOR, LECTURER, INSTRUCTOR IN FAMILY LIFE EDUCATION

Can we expect full responsibility from the child? ... Can one who is not yet fully responsible for himself be responsible for another?

As we look about us we see adults, those who by all standards of physical growth are mature, each with a varying degree of the feeling of responsibility. I wonder how many of them could agree they express this level of responsibility...

ADULTS HAVE BETTER EXCUSES Fully means no ifs, buts, ands, ors, etc. Some wit said "actually, adults are no more responsible than children; they just make better excuses."

Responsibility is an attitude toward life, it is a feeling which must come from within the individual. Telling a person his responsible does not make him responsible.

Yet how many of us are not deceived by this "magic of words"? Is the word the feeling? No, of course not, you say... but how many times do we act "as though" this were not so.

We make our mistake emotionally when we forget there are varying degrees of this responsibility. We expect full responsibility and are hurt, disappointed or deceived when the other person is not capable of this level of responsibility.

Each child must grow and develop physically, emotionally, mentally, spiritually—as a whole, in a balanced way... this is a goal in the development of our whole personality. Yes, the attitude of feeling fully responsible (as well as our other attitudes must undergo a process of growth and maturation.

REMEMBER, WHEN SHE'S YOUR AGE, SHE WILL PROBABLY BE DOING THE SAME THING FOR HER DAUGHTER!

LETTER FROM A READER

FROM TORRANCE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

"Stork Story"

SEWING CIRCLE SETS TUESDAY POTLUCK

"I have an 11-year-old daughter who has a cat that she is supposed to care for. She will go for several days without ever a thought for the cat unless I remind her. She is a responsible child in most ways, and I feel that she should think of the cat twice a day without being reminded. Can you give us any suggestions for help with this problem?"

G. H. Since your daughter appears to be responsible in other areas, perhaps you can help her to feel more responsible for the cat through some of the following ways:

1. enjoyment of
2. appreciation of
3. pleasure with, etc.
4. Establish the cat's need for the child (we are more interested in the things we understand)
1. your library can help with books on the child's level.
2. the history of cats
3. their care and feeding
4. their needs and habits.
5. Establish the child's agreement that she is to feed the cat (remember agreement comes from within, not without) through family discussion (we usually carry through more readily on the rules we make ourselves).
1. So that all involved can present their ideas on the subject
2. Encourage a daughter to say what she thinks, etc.
3. Allow her to choose the time or times by the clock when it would be best to feed the cat.
4. Allow her to establish any procedure which would help her to do the job more easily.
5. If you use commercial products, allow her to do the shopping and choosing of the foods, etc.
6. Give her the feeling that she is "in charge" of this project.
7. Praise her for her efforts when she carries through. Recognize her ideas and contributions.
8. If she does not carry through:
1. For the first week let the cat in at the designated feeding time. Go about your way and plug your ears. Allow the child to recognize the cat's need—even if it takes all the cotton in the house!
2. Give hints; use humor
3. Avoid direct orders and commands
4. Allow for "forgetting"

PTA to Take Trip to Africa

Fern Ave. Greenwood P.T.A. members will take "A Trip to Johannesburg, Africa" via slides presented by Meral W. Hinshaw, formerly of Felker Mfg. Co. of Torrance, at next Thursday night's 7:30 o'clock meeting.

These slides were taken on Hinshaw's trip to the African diamond mines and show how the stones are mined, cut, and put to use for industrial purposes, Mrs. K. O. Bowdoin, press chairman, said.

Election of officers and plans for a paper drive on Friday, Apr. 2, will spark the business side of the session. Third grade mothers will be hostesses for the social hour to follow.

Jimmy Deems Family Tells of Son's Birth

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