



Dorothy Downing and Fashion

COLOR... HOW TO USE IT...
In becoming your own fashion expert, it is not only important but imperative to know the basic fundamentals of how to use color. This is not to be confused with merely being cognizant of what your best colors are, for it could be safely ventured that every la femme who has reached a dozen years can relate at some length what shades and tones have proven to be her most flattering.

It is a well-known fact that every fashion-wise woman can become skilled in the art of adding and subtracting inches by merely knowing how to cleverly apply those notes of color.

Listed below are several points to be remembered...

1. Keep your color accents in the same third of the body. Avoid the checkerboard look. Example: Navy accessories with red. Wrong: red shoes and red hat... worse still, red shoes, red hat, and red gloves.
Right: Red hat with red flower at the throat—other accessories in navy; or matching hat and gloves or matching bag and shoes.
2. If you are short (under 5 feet 4 in.) keep your color accents ABOVE the waist. This will tend to draw the eye up, thus the illusion of height. By all means, avoid the costume with the bright shoes.
3. For the illusion of height, choose a one-color costume. Avoid the light blouse and dark skirt, the striped jacket and solid-toned slacks.
4. For the illusion of narrowness, avoid patterns, checks, plaids, polka-dots, and the like.
5. If you feel that you are too tall, cut your height by using a wide belt in an attention-getting color. If you are not tall, choose a narrow belt that blends with your costume.
6. If you are short avoid the long and brightly-colored glove. The shortie was made for you.
7. To minimize the neckline select a handbag that is flat and dark in color. To do otherwise would only call attention to the obvious figure imperfection.
8. To minimize the bustline, select a blouse or jacket that is dark or neutral in color.

Tip: Try one that features a diagonal closing.
Because of the golden rule in good fashion, we reiterate: **KEEP YOUR COLOR ACCENTS IN THE SAME THIRD OF THE BODY... TALL OR SHORT... AND DO NOT REPEAT MORE THAN THREE TIMES IN ONE COSTUME.**

Charles Coulson Jr., Bride To Established Texas Home

Preparing to join her husband, Charles Victor Coulson Jr., at Harlingen Air Force Base, Tex., where he is an airman first class, is the former Miss Delores Jean Mumford.

The couple exchanged vows Saturday, Mar. 20, at 2 p.m. ceremonies in St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, with the Rev. Arthur Bello officiating. The bride is the daughter of the Robert G. Turners of Redondo Beach while the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Benton R. Witt, 1617 El Prado.

Miss Mumford chose a delicately feminine gown of white lace over satin for her bridal costume. The bodice featured a beaded yoke and long sleeves ending in calla points, and a matching lace tiara held her ruffled net chapel train in place. She carried a white Bible topped with gardenias.

Blue net over taffeta accented with a bouquet of red roses formed the attire of the bride's sister, Miss Ruth Ann Mumford, who attended as maid of honor, while lavender net over taffeta and a bouquet of pink roses was selected by the matron of honor, Mrs. Maxine Mills. Also in the bridal entourage, wearing a teal green net over taffeta gown and carrying a bouquet of yellow roses was Miss Francine Hogan.

Rhonda Kay Morrison, niece of the bride, was a petite flower girl in a yellow net over taffeta frock trimmed with rosebuds to match the petals she scattered in the pathway to the altar.

Don Jay Coulson attended as his brother's best man, while little William Bailey served as ring bearer. Taking ushers' posts were Fred Abramson, James Rathbun and Bernard Burke.

"O Perfect Love" and "The Lord's Prayer" sung by Miss Dolores Wyatt to organ accompaniment played by Mrs. Catherine Mills set the wedding mood. At a post-wedding reception

Gets Reward

Getting the highest percentage of quota and organization in the Lomita-Harbor City area during the Red Cross Drive won Mrs. P. Orseth, 259th Pl. PTA Red Cross chairman, a trip to Terminal Island last week.

Along with several other workers, she took a tour of a submarine and a carrier and was treated to lunch at the Allen Center.
Mrs. Orseth also visited the Red Cross Health Center in Los Angeles for a recent workshop.

The Social World

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IN YOUR EASTER BONNET... All set for the Easter parade are Mrs. C. Albert (Louise) Smith, president-elect of the Junior Woman's Club, and little Marilyn Dabbs, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack E. Dabbs, 1640 Juniper Ave., as they show off styles from Levy's Department Store. Marilyn shows a pink polished cotton frock with rhinestone trim on the tiny collar and side skirt ruffles of pink and blue flowers on a white background. Her hat is a pink straw crowned with matching posies and banded in velvet. Of pure silk, Mrs. Smith's blue fleck suit features navy velvet trim at the neckline and rhinestone-studded buttons. Matching velvet bands the straw hat and forms two pom poms, also sprinkled with rhinestones. Both costumes will be on parade when the Torrance Woman's Club holds its annual fashion show at the Civic Auditorium Wednesday night, Mar. 31, at 8 o'clock. (Herald Photo)

Royal Neighbors Plan Dance. Will Attend District Meet.

McDaniel's Orchestra will provide dance rhythms for Torrance Camp, Royal Neighbors of America, and their guests Tuesday night, Mar. 30, at the Woman's Clubhouse, 1422 Emgracia Ave.

Fun will begin at 8 o'clock, prizes will be awarded, and refreshments will be served. Sophia Duncan is in charge of arrangements.

Also on the future slate for the "Neighbors" is a South Bay District meeting to be held at El Monte next Thursday, Apr. 1. Members of Torrance and San Pedro camps will charter a bus to the all-day session, meeting at the corner of Craven and Emgracia Aves. at 11:30 a.m. One of the program highlights will be fancy drills put on by the local drill team.

Nearly 100 "Neighbors" from Culver City, Ocean Park, Inglewood, Redondo Beach, and San Pedro joined the Torrance group for a district meeting at the Woman's Clubhouse here last Tuesday evening.
A Japanese motif was employed during the festivities, with all officers dressing in Japanese costumes and 22 Japanese girls from the Buddhist Temple in Gardena entertaining with interpretive dancing and singing native to their country.

Refreshment menu for the evening also carried out the Japanese theme, with rice delight, sugar cookies, Chinese fortune cookies, and tea making up the bill of fare.

Plan to Attend Pasadena Tea

Three members of the Harbor District Association will be on hand next Wednesday, Mar. 31, when the Centennial committee of the Pasadena YWCA honors National Board members at a 3 to 5 p.m. tea at its headquarters building.

These to be honored are Mrs. Laurence S. Ruckelshaus, National Centennial chairman; Mrs. Arthur Forrest Anderson, past president of the National Board; and Mrs. Savilla Mills Simons, executive secretary of the National Staff. The three are in this area to attend the Regional Conference to be held Apr. 3-7 at Asilomar.
Attending from the Harbor group will be Mrs. C. R. Halfpenny, president of the board of directors; Mrs. Elisa Morrin, executive director; and Mrs. Alonzo Hurley, vice-chairman of the local Centennial Committee.

Aid Dental Health Fund

Perry PTA members raised more money for the Torrance Dental Health Fund Wednesday when they served a hot lunch to school pupils at the school auditorium. Mrs. D. D. Kern, press chairman, reported this week.
Macaroni and cheese and tossed salad, hot dogs and beans with dessert and punch made up the menu.



MIRROR, MIRROR... Mrs. Harvey Spelman adjusts the wispy net stole topping her blue-in-a-mist ruffled formal which she will model Wednesday night, Mar. 31, when the Torrance Woman's Club stages its annual Fashion Show at the Civic Auditorium. Gown is featured at Levy's Department Store and will be shown during the climax of the "Around the Clock" show. (Herald Photo)

'Around the Clock' Styles Go on Parade at Civic Aud Next Wednesday Evening

"Around the Clock" fashions for women, teen-agers and small fry will be on parade next Wednesday evening, Mar. 31, when the Torrance Woman's Club stages its annual spring style show at the Civic Auditorium at 8 o'clock.

Morning wear, sun togs, bathing suits, afternoon frocks, dressy and tailored suits, cocktail ensembles, formal attire, bedtime styles, and lingerie each will take a spotlight while Mrs. J. H. Burchett plays background music on the piano and Rosemary DeCamp (Mrs. John Shidler), noted radio, television, and motion picture actress, gives a narrative description of each ensemble.

Showing women's fashions will be Mesdames Zoe Camborn, Harvey Spelman, Gill Derouin, William Garrity, J. R. Klunk, Joan Mitchell, and C. Albert Smith, president-elect of the Junior Woman's Club.

Showing teenage and junior styles will be Misses Shirlee Salzman, Barbara Whitely, and Cynthia Easley, while children's clothes will be modeled by Janice and Marilyn Dabbs.

Professional models will display the bathing suits and fashions in lingerie.
Guests will watch the parade of styles from tables decorated in early spring and Easter motifs. Majority of the decorations are being arranged by Mrs. Dean L. Sears and her committee, Mesdames Paul Loranger, John A. Tweedy, and Earl Clayton, but many of the clubwomen are arranging centerpieces for their own reserved tables.

Refreshments will be served during intermissions by Mrs. Nicholas Gregory, while serving as the "hospitality" committee for the evening will be Mesdames Grover C. Van Deventer, outgoing president; W. I. Laughon; D. J. Thomson; J. P. Montague; J. A. Eisenbrandt; and M. A. Bauman.
Tickets are priced at \$1.20 each and may be obtained by calling Mrs. Ray Rogers, duca chairman and president-elect, at FAirfax 8-8783.

Creative Family Living



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Helping your child to get along with others means preparing him for the give and take of group experiences. Having brothers and sisters is of course a big advantage for a youngster, since his first efforts in sharing are naturally going to involve the members of his own family. The only child needs to be exposed to contacts with others of his own or approximate age group.

Sharing with adults and sharing with children are two different things, just as sharing experiences involving a younger and an older child differ greatly.

For instance, some children prefer playing with older children, which of course means much less give on his part. The older child often caters to the younger one (outside of his own family) which creates much less friction in the play situation. However, the younger child in a sense gives up a degree of initiative since the older may tend to direct his activities more than one of his own age level.

Difficulties in situations in which the child is involved only with adults also can arise, since the adult goes one step further and often anticipates the child's need before he himself is aware of it. Gradually the child can develop the need to be amused or entertained to the place where it can be a real problem to encourage him to put forth his own effort in this direction.

Too much direction of children's play activities is just as bad as none at all. Helping the child to depend upon his own creativity and resources is an important part of his preparation for group play outside the home. The child who has too many toys can be just as bored as one with none whatsoever. I find it a good practice to sort through children's toys periodically (with their help of course) and alternate play things.

It is quite simple to place aside a group of toys in a box for several months, then bring them out and fill the box with some of those the child has been playing with regularly. Often young children are as intrigued with the "new" toys as when they were originally received.

One can keep alternating in this fashion endlessly and even have a series of three boxes if the youngster has many toys that appear to go unused. A good idea is having a small box for "company" toys or "sharing" toys; these are produced when friends arrive with their children, etc. Three and four-year-olds love to go shopping for these toys to put away for sharing. Please allow for one full evening of their playing with them before they are put aside!

Having something to share is a greater incentive toward sharing and sharing is one of the first steps in getting along with others.

Sharing food encourages fellowship. Notice the difference in feeling when your hostess says "how about a cup of coffee." Children are no exception. Tea parties are a perennial favorite... and so it should be. Have "sharing" foods on hand, things that go far without taking the edge off too many appetites.

However, we have to beware of the "professional moocher." There is usually one in every neighborhood. His technique varies, but he generally manages in hush hush tones to get your youngster to come in and ask for cookies, etc.

Of course your youngster "butches" it and usually says: "Bobby want to know if he can have some cookies!" Immediately Bobby goes on the defensive with "I did not." Keeping your tongue in your cheek throughout is a big help. Often beating him to the draw so to speak and greeting him with "Wouldn't you and Billy like to take some cookies outside?" and a big smile helps him to set a more positive pattern, minus all the selfishness.

Toys and food are just two areas in which your child can begin his sharing experiences. Guiding him intelligently in these areas will actually prepare him in later years to be hospitable when he is established in his own home... believe it or not!

259th Pl. PTA Plans Style Tea; Elects New Officers

A fashion tea, with clothes for Easter taking the spotlight, will be held by 259th Pl. PTA at the school auditorium next Wednesday, Mar. 31, at 3 p.m.

PTA mothers, teachers, and school children will model the costumes, to be furnished by Benson's of Torrance, Kanastar's Shop in San Pedro and Loy's Kiddie Togs Shop in Lomita. Refreshments will be served at tables during the show, and child care will be provided.

Admission tickets at 50 cents each may be purchased from any PTA board member or at the door the day of the event. Proceeds are earmarked for extension of child welfare work.

Plans for the affair were made after the Association elected new officers at its March meeting. Named as president was Mrs. W. E. Zell, while assistant officers selected were Mesdames J. W. Creager, first vice-president; R. P. Bodeman, second vice-president; L. R. Ruzie, kindergarten teacher and school representative, third vice-president; R. E. Franin, secretary; F. Orseth, treasurer; P. Deak, parliamentarian; and C. E. Asplitt, historian.

Other business highlights of the day included plans for a dance festival on the school grounds, Apr. 9 at 10 a.m. and an open house for parents and friends on Apr. 29 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in conjunction with Public Schools Week.

A skit, "Fresh Variable Winds," which told the problems of a father and his ten-year-old son, highlighted the program.

Participating were Mesdames P. M. Wilkins, C. E. Beal, P. Jacobely, Franin, and C. R. Chitwood.
Mrs. Beatrice Woodbridge, parent education teacher, gave a talk covering the material in the skit. She stressed that children should be allowed to explore at their own age level. "A parent who does not recognize that it is necessary for a child to expand his personality by exploration should remember his own childhood and the things that were done wrong because of lack of this knowledge," she said.
Selections by the upper grade chorus under the direction of Mrs. Gertrude Nordgren completed the program.

HOLD COMMUNION

Among some 4,000 alumni of the University of San Francisco observing holy communion services throughout the world last week was a group brought together in Chinatown by LA George Carley, son of the Clay B. Carleys, 1515 Arlington Ave., who is now serving with an Army artillery outfit.
Carley is a former USF half-back.



THE CHARLES COULSONS JR.... traditionally cut their wedding cake after marriage rites Saturday, Mar. 20, at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church. The bride is the former Miss Delores Jean Mumford, daughter of the Robert G. Turners of Redondo Beach; the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Benton R. Witt, 1617 El Prado. (A1 Frederic Photo)