

YOUR PROBLEMS

by

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"The Party Was Rotten..."

Dear Ann: a friend pulled something last night which I felt was the height of bad manners. My husband says I have nothing to gripe about. We'd like you to decide.

We were invited to this dinner party three weeks ago. My cousin, his wife and sister drove in unexpectedly for the weekend. We couldn't go off and leave them so I phoned the hostess and asked if we could bring them along. After all, what are three extra people?

She was most ungracious so I finally said, "If we can't bring them we'll have to stay home." She then said, "All right, we'll manage somehow."

The party was rotten. She packed everyone around one table instead of being sensible and using two tables. They must have run out of wine as there were no refills. She did her damndest to make me uncomfortable.

I say a real lady could have handled the situation with aplomb and made everyone feel at home. Do you agree? —PUT OUT.

Dear Put: Since A. G. Bell and Sam Morse invented those wonderful gadgets there's no excuse for people to blow in from out of town "unexpectedly." If you allow yourself to be "surprised" this way a second time, you're a chump.

You should not have put the hostess on the spot. Far better to have phoned your regrets. Only if she had insisted you come and bring the three extras, should you have considered it. It still becomes you to criticize the crowded table and the wine shortage—particularly when you caused it.

Dear Ann: I'm a girl 12 years old who is taking piano lessons and do not enjoy them in the least. My mother keeps saying, "You'll thank me some day." I just hate for my father to spend all that money on lessons. He could sure put it to better use. I keep telling him but he says, "Listen to your mother."

My older sister took piano lessons for five years and she can't even play one song. I can just see myself following in her footsteps. Why should I be forced to take lessons if I don't want to? I know for sure I'll never be a concert player no matter what. Please set me free.—PIANO SLAVE.

Dear Slave: Even though you'll never be a "concert player," piano lessons are still worthwhile. We must do many things in life we don't enjoy, but it's good discipline to do them anyway.

Time and energy expended at the piano is better spent there than other places teenagers find these days. Stick with the lessons. This may sound familiar, Chicken, but "You'll thank me someday."

Dear Ann: Our only daughter married a spoiled, selfish mama's boy who won't work or accept any responsibility. She met him three weeks before they eloped. When she talked about marriage after the second date, we begged her to use her head. She refused to listen and accused us of trying to "lead her life."

Now she's pregnant and sick most of the time. We've had to pay their rent for three months and carry groceries over there. Her husband's divorced sister moved into their apartment with her baby boy and she smokes cigarettes all day and doesn't even take care of her own child.

Our daughter has to cook and clean up after all of them. The poor thing is miserable and keeps asking for advice. What shall I tell her? —RUSHED MOM.

She's asking for advice a little late. Suggest she see a marriage counselor or a clergyman and make every effort to keep the marriage together. This means educating her child-husband. In the meantime, keep her room intact. I suspect you're going to have company soon.

(Ann Landers will be glad to help you with your problems. Send them to her in care of this newspaper, enclosing a stamped, self-addressed envelope. Copyright 1959, Field Enterprises, Inc.)



LOOKING OVER PROGRAM... for an auxiliary being formed here to aid the newly completed Little Company of Mary Hospital are several members of the executive board. Pictured are, seated, left to right: Sister M. Carmelita; Mrs. Frank H. Forester, principal, and Mother Mary

Lucy; standing, Mrs. Glenn Howe, Mrs. R. L. Moffitt, Mrs. Laurence E. Smith, Mrs. Frank E. McAllister, Mrs. George Leverenz, Mrs. Lyle O'Hara, Mr. Jerome J. Kimmitt and Mrs. Robert O'Brien.

Little Co. of Mary

New Hospital To Form Auxiliary

Anticipating an early fall opening of the Little Company of Mary Hospital under construction at 4101 Torrance Blvd., women of the Harbor-South Bay area are this week organizing the Auxiliary to assist in the welfare of the hospital. All interested women are invited to attend the first meeting of the afternoon of Tuesday, June 2, at 2 p.m. at Nativity parish hall, Cota and Manual streets.

Torrance, first vice president; Mrs. Laurence E. Smith of San Pedro, second vice president; Mrs. Glenn I. Howe, Palos Verdes Estates, recording secretary; Mrs. Jerome J. Kimmitt, Redondo Beach, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Frank E. McAllister of Redondo Beach, financial secretary; Mrs. Robert O'Brien of Torrance, treasurer.

Standing committees will be named for membership, publicity, program, finance, volunteers, and executive. Mrs. L. J. O'Hara of Torrance has been appointed publicity chairman.

Preliminary organization work was accomplished at a meeting of the officers at the Torrance Gardens home of Mrs. George Leverenz, on Tuesday. Plans were formulated for the general meeting on June 2, at which time membership application can be made. About two hundred women have already completed applications, at a meeting some months ago, according to Mother Lucy. A variety of interesting jobs will be available to Auxiliary members, all aiding in some measure the welfare of the hospital and its patients, she stated.



EDNA CLOYD ... On Vacation

Society Editor Visits Europe

Edna Cloyd, HERALD society editor, departed by plane Friday night for a three-week tour of Europe.

After a stopover in New York City, Miss Cloyd will arrive this morning in London, England, where she plans to visit Buckingham Palace and other famous landmarks.

Upon leaving England Wednesday, she will travel by boat to Holland, where the tulip season will be at its peak. While on the continent she will spend time sightseeing in the major cities of Germany, Austria, Italy and Switzerland, returning home in mid-June after a three-day visit to Paris, France.

Among the highlights of her tour will be a visit to the University of Heidelberg in Germany, scene of the famous opera "The Student Prince"; a boat ride on the Rhine; a trip to an Alpine mountain chalet; tours of the historic landmarks of Rome and canals of Venice; and a trip to perfume factories and wineries of France.

Picnic Set For Senior Citizens

Redondo Beach Senior Citizens club has extended an invitation to all Senior Citizens of the community to join them at the Region IV picnic of the Los Angeles County Senior Citizens Assn. to be held Thursday, May 28, in Centinela Park, Inglewood.

A chartered bus will leave the Gardena Bus Terminal, 15350 Van Ness in Gardena at 9 a.m. Passengers may board the bus at 8:45 a.m. They are asked to bring a lunch. Hot coffee will be served. A program will be held at 1 p.m. and there will be all kinds of games. Bus will park near the picnic grounds.

There is a nominal fare for the trip. Anyone interested is asked to contact Mrs. Elsa Stone.

SPAGHETTI DINNER

Oracle Mary Chiara will be hostess at a spaghetti dinner to be held by the Royal Neighbors Tuesday from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Woman's Club, 1422 Engracia. Donations of \$1 per adult and 50 cents per child will be accepted. A public card party will follow. Hostess will be Mrs. Floella Whiteacre.

Mothers Are Entertained By Students

A novel feature of the May 12 meeting of the Nativity Mothers club was a presentation by the 7th and 8th grade students under the direction of Sisters Michael and John Paul.

The chorus presented "Tingalayo" and "Sambalela." These West Indian folk songs were accompanied by Joseph Walker and James Gross on rhythmic bongo drums. Songs played were "Battle Hymn of the Republic," "Cuckoo," and "The Streets of Loredo." The latter was accompanied by John Erickson on the guitar.

A novel solo by Richard Hernandez, costumed as Dr. Ironside depicting "The Medicine Man," typical of street gatherings in early America, was presented.

Mrs. James McClain accepted chairmanship of the club's bi-monthly paper drives.

Under the chairmanship of Mrs. Peter O'Brien, the membership attended a Mother-Daughter Team and spring fashion show April 4 at the Broad-

Seventy-Five Guests at Dinner Dance

Seventy-five persons attended the annual Armed Forces dinner dance presented by the Ladies' Club of the Centinela Valley Reserve Officers Assn. at the Air Force Ballistic Missile Div., Officers Open Mess, Inglewood, last weekend.

Chairman of the dance committee was Mrs. Allan Affleck of Rolling Hills assisted by Mrs. William Boell of Torrance and Mrs. Joseph Silvera of Inglewood.

Carried out in the decorations was the theme "Welcome to Statehood, Alaska and Hawaii." Mmes. B. Heshon, P. Lewis, and D. Fradkins were presented with honorary membership and Mrs. Guy Flunk, Southern Area Director, was presented with a gift of silver.

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Unexpected entertainment

Linda Howsley Sets Date With Donald Kirkpatrick

Another local girl has joined the ranks of June brides-elect. She is Miss Linda Darlene Howsley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Forrest M. Howsley, 4002 W. 242nd St., Walthers, who today are announcing their daughter's plans to wed Donald Edwin Kirkpatrick. Parents of the future bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Edwin C. Kirkpatrick, 2551 W. Rockingham Rd., San Pedro.

The wedding will be solemnized at 3 o'clock on June 28 at the First Presbyterian Church in San Pedro. The bride-elect was graduated from Torrance High school in 1957. She then attended El Camino college.

Mr. Kirkpatrick, a San Pedro High graduate, attended Harbor Junior college. He is now serving with the United States Navy stationed in San Diego.



MISS LINDA HOWSLEY ... June Bride-Elect

(Photography by Crotty)

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PASSES GAVEL... Mrs. Donald Waldrop, outgoing president of the Torrance Newcomers club, sponsored by the Welcome Wagon, hands over the gavel to Mrs. Arthur Bordley, Jr., incoming president, as Mrs. Gale Lowder (left), new first vice president, and Mr. Frank Ketterer, new second vice president, look on. The new officers were installed at the Plush Horse Restaurant last week.

Alpha Deltas Close Year With Social

The month of May had a full calendar of events for members of the Alpha Delta Pi South Bay Alumnae Association as they anticipate their second-to-last monthly meeting for the year.

In a pre-summer mood, the group will meet at the home of Mrs. Jerry Davidson, 1025 Duncan Pl., Manhattan Beach, Wednesday evening, May 27, at 8 o'clock, to see a colorful Hawaiian movie to be presented by Mr. Bob Garber, public relations representative for United Airlines, who will be guest speaker.

Presentation of the slate and election of new officers will be held during a coffee-cup hour following the movie, at which time co-hostesses for the evening, Mmes. Charles Penny and John McGovern will serve refreshments.

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Mother's Day Celebrated

The Huddle Imperial was the setting for the Temple Beth Torah's Mother's Day affair which was arranged by Mrs. Miriam Hirsch.

After a buffet luncheon the Sisterhood members and their guests were entertained by piano selections by Mmes. Clark and Herman and Miss Francine Sklar, pantomimist. Mrs. Natalie Berkowitz, program chairman, surprised Mrs. Mollie Lepow with a take-off on the TV program "I Could Be You" and honored her as "Mother of the Year." Mrs. Lepow is mother of Sisterhood President Mrs. Selma Greenbaum.

Prizes were given to the youngest mother, oldest mother and the grandmother with the most children. All the mothers received lovely corsages and beautiful lipstick cases were given to all as a reminder of the affair. The table decorations were made by Mrs. Elsie Koff.

Dinner Guests

Mr. and Mrs. James D. Dore of Torrance were recent dinner guests at The Polynesian restaurant in Walthers.

Hawaiian Motif

Newcomers Club Installs Officers

Mrs. Arthur B. Bordley Jr. was installed as president of Torrance Newcomers club at a Hawaiian luncheon for 250 new residents of the city held under auspices of the Welcome Wagon at the Plush Horse Restaurant Wednesday, May 13.

Entering through a bamboo hut, each guest was bedecked with two leis. Tables decorated with hibiscus, palm fronds, and fish netting carried out the island decor. In keeping with the Hawaiian theme, hula dances were performed by Juan Fietas and Dolly Lao.

Highlighting the entertainment was a fashion show presented by Helen's Boutique Shop in the Riviera. Hair styles of the Jeanne Barnhardt models were by Hal and Madelyn, also of the Hollywood Riviera Village. Articles modeled included casual, cocktail, and intimate apparel.

Mrs. Victor Irons, Welcome Wagon supervisor, acted as installation officer. Besides Mrs. Bordley, officers installed were: Mmes. Gale Lowder, first vice-president; Mrs. Frank Ketterer, second vice-president; Mrs. Robert Bradley, third vice-president; Mrs. Conrad Koveil, secretary; Mrs. Harold Koveil, corresponding secretary; and Mrs. Carl Farrington, treasurer.

Unexpected entertainment

N. Y. Woman Honored at Shower Here

Mrs. Ronald Johnson was absentee guest of honor Friday evening, May 15, at a stork shower given at the home of Mrs. T. F. Johnson, 2621 Martha St. by Mrs. Jacques Johnson.

Gifts for Mrs. Johnson, who is now living in New York, were opened by her mother, Mrs. Gilbert Owens, and wrapped by her mother-in-law, Mrs. T. F. Johnson, to be mailed to New York, where the Ronald Johnson are temporarily stationed while Mr. Johnson serves as a television technician for the Army Pictorial Center.

Highlighting the shower was the playing of games. Winners were Mrs. Alma Fees, Mrs. Barbara Marquardt, Mrs. Melvin Copeland, and Mrs. J. E. Wistol.

Other guests were Mrs. Robert Johnson, Mrs. Jim McNabb, Mrs. Bob Fees, Mrs. Jack Fees, Dorothy Steinkamp, Mrs. V. Nichols, Mrs. Bob Smith, Mrs. Dick Owens, Mrs. Betty Mello, Mr. Carol Cussan, and Mrs. Charles Williams. Mrs. Jack Todd and Mrs. Pat Neal were unable to attend.

was provided by Disc Jockey Johnny Grant, surprise visitor, of KMPC, one of the Welcome Wagon sponsors.

Other sponsors present, introduced by Mrs. Francis Stoeckle, hostess, were: Virginia Agnew of Agnew florists; Glenn Pfeil, Torrance HERALD; Ralph Wood, Woody's Smorgasburger; Lester Cross, Foods Co.; John Tweedy, Southwest Savings and Loan Assn.; Mona McClure, General Telephone Co.; Sam Myerson, Alonda Drugs; and Robert Boomer, Boomer Insurance Agency.

Lifetime membership in the club was awarded to Mrs. Joe A. Carter. Mrs. R. Goodson received a gift of two nights at the Hacienda Hotel in Las Vegas.

Mrs. Lucille Forsythe was decorations chairman.



MRS. S. A. BLAISDELL ... April Bride

Marriage Announced

Mr. and Mrs. William Glasson, 1544 W. 220th St., are announcing the marriage of their daughter, Anabel Helen, to Lt. (jg) Sela Arthur Blaisdell which took place in the chapel at Puget Sound Naval Depot in Bremerton, Wash., on April 17.

Chaplain Anderson officiated at the 2 o'clock ceremony. For her wedding the bride wore a smoke grey suit with white accessories. Her corsage was of white roses.

Mrs. Margaret Felt, a former Narbonne High classmate now living in Washington, was the bride's attendant.

The newlyweds took a trip through Canada before driving to Southern California. They are making their home at Mr. Blaisdell's new assignment, Port Hueneeme.

Mrs. Blaisdell was graduated from the Narbonne High school and attended Harbor Junior college.