

YOUR PROBLEMS

by Ann Landers

"BEATNIKS AREN'T NEW..."

Dear Ann: What makes a well-educated girl turn into a tramp? Our daughter is 24 and a college graduate. She was reared in a God-fearing home. Eight months ago she started to run with a beatnik crowd that's the talk of the town.

Every week they meet at our home to read poetry. Although there are plenty of chairs they prefer to sit on the floor. I think they are crazy. The girls look as if they never heard of a comb and the fellows have beards and sweaters several sizes too large. The whole group could use a scrubbing down.

Two or three nights in the week she doesn't come home to sleep. She says she was "With Jim — or "John" or "Craig" — and she shows no hint of shame whatever.

What suddenly happens inside a girl's head that makes her take this peculiar twist?

—MOTHER OF A BEATNIK

Dear Mother: Your beat daughter took no "sudden twist." She's been heading in this direction for a good many years. Beatniks aren't new. Twenty years ago they also had unwashed poetry-readers around Greenwich village with matted hair and sandaled feet.

These disciples of Kerouac and Ginsberg are the lost tribe of the unloved, unleashing their fury against the world. For the most part they are the groping in-betweeners who, plagued by their own insecurity, can only withdraw from the world of reality.

If these flea-bitten roamers would clean themselves up and get steady jobs they might find that there IS a place for them in society.

Dear Ann: In regard to Helen's 5 point plan to improve divorce laws, forgive me for being trite — but isn't this closing the barn door after the horse has been stolen?

I suggest, instead, a 2 point plan which would cut down on hasty marriages and quickie divorces. Let's have the loudest, pressure group of decent people this nation has ever heard get behind the following program:

1. A month's waiting period between request for a license to marry and the actual ceremony.

2. At least six months waiting period in all states before a divorce is granted.

This program would improve the marital health of America and heaven knows we are sick sick sick.

— PREVENTIVE EVELYN

Dear Ann: On our honeymoon my husband took a picture of his deceased wife and a 5x7 sympathy card with the poem "Should You Go First." Also, he framed her death notice from the paper and hung it in our bedroom.

I loved my first husband and we had a happy marriage, but when he died I put away his belongings and have no desire to live in the past. Perhaps my mistake was marrying a man whose wife died less than a year ago.

I seldom refer to my first husband although a good many things remind me of him. My present husband, however, talks about his first wife constantly. Please tell me how to handle this delicate situation.

—SECOND VIOLIN

Dear Second Violin: Make no mention of the picture, card or framed notice on the bedroom wall. When he speaks of his first wife, be pleasant and sympathetic.

As time goes on and you have more experiences in common, there will be fewer references to the past — assuming, of course, you don't make the present so uncomfortable that he must flee to his memories for comfort.

To learn the difference between a marriage that "settles down" and one that "gets dull," send for ANN LANDERS' booklet, "What To Expect From Marriage," enclosing with your request 20c in coin and a large, self-addressed, stamped envelope. (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.



HONOR GUESTS . . . Conversation was spiced with nostalgia of years gone by and anticipation for the future at this table where the past presidents of the Las Vecinas were seated at the club's 11th birthday celebration Thursday at the Plush Horse. Honored guests were, from left, Mmes. Robert Pinkney, Henry Schmal, Richard H. Blakely, Thomas O'Malley, standing, David Hurford, Max Weber and Robert Matson.



MRS. ANTHONY DI MATTIO
... On Wedding Day
(Portrait by Seaman)

Brand-Di Mattio Nuptials Solemnized at Nativity

Nativity Catholic Church was the scene of the wedding of Miss Jacqueline Brand and Anthony Di Mattio at 11 o'clock last Saturday morning. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Wood, 829 Elm Ave., Torrance, and Mr. and Mrs. Dominick Di Mattio of Erie, Pa., are the parents of the bridegroom. Mr. and Mrs. Di Mattio came to Torrance for their son's wedding.

Mrs. Neil McConologue at the organ played a medley of nuptial music as the guests assembled.

The bride came to the altar on the arm of her father. She wore a gown of white silk organza and lace embroidered with pearls and sequins. The full skirt fell into a chapel train. The bridal illusion veil was secured by a seed pearl crown and the bride carried a bouquet of white orchids encircled by white roses.

Miss Donna Isbell was the maid of honor and bridesmaids were Miss Sharon Neeley and Mrs. Joan Krause. Their full skirted gowns were of shrimp pink taffeta. Each carried a bouquet of shrimp pink and yellow gladioli.

Robert Krause stood as best man and ushers were Ronald Soulis and Thomas Mathewson.

The Rev. Thomas Glynn officiated at the marriage and a reception followed at a Torrance Hall. Miss Donna Robinette was in charge of the guest register.

The newlyweds are spending a honeymoon in San Francisco. Their new address will be 17220 Gevillia Ave., Lawndale.

The bride was graduated from Torrance High school in June 1957. She is now employed as an x-ray technician at the Riviera hospital. Her husband received his

Hear Garden Expert Terrace Garden Club Has Membership Tea

Torrance Terrace Garden club held its annual membership tea last Wednesday afternoon in the lovely patio at the home of Mrs. John Ericson, 22407 South Denker Ave. Members and guests were greeted by Mrs. Ericson, membership chairman; Mrs. R. Goldstone, president; Mrs. M. L. Hatley and Mrs. A. C. Turner.

Refreshments were served from a table beautifully decorated in the Halloween motif.

Speaker for the afternoon was Joe Littlefield, well known gardening expert. Mr. Little-

Club Will Hear Noted Speaker

Nancy Holme, TV and radio commentator-reporter, will be the guest speaker at a silver eat to be given by the Torrance Woman's club on Wednesday, Nov. 4, at 1 o'clock at the clubhouse, 1422 Engracia Ave. Miss Holme's topic will be "The World Today A Woman's Way" which will highlight the new trend in thinking for girls, mothers and grandmothers.

As director of public relations for CBS in the late 1940's, the guest speaker started a separate career in community affairs, which she has continued personally and professionally in an enlarging area of people and organizations.

Miss Holme has been active in the Los Angeles Advertising club, the Radio and TV News club, Assn. of Women Broadcasters, Women's Division of the Chamber of Commerce, AAUW, Theta Sigma Phi, Zeta Phi Eta, Vista del Mar Associates, the Museum Assn., YWCA and other civic and cultural groups.

Mrs. John Thuss, president, will conduct a business meeting prior to the program.

Mrs. Earl Miles is serving as tea chairman. On her committee are Mmes. Chris Jones, C. W. Crook and C. E. Cook.

Fern Ausbern Married to Kenneth Wages Saturday

Western Avenue Baptist Church was the setting last Saturday evening for the wedding ceremony uniting Miss Fern Ausbern, 1507 W. 252nd St., Harbor City and Kenneth Wages of Los Angeles. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Ausbern of Phoenix, Ariz., who came to Torrance for the wedding. Mrs. Joyce Gambill of Oklahoma City, Okla., is the mother of the bridegroom.

Mr. Ausbern walked to the altar with his daughter and gave her in marriage. She wore a gown of handclipped Chantilly lace and tulle, an Alfred Angelo original. The gown had a sequined lace bodice and a full tulle skirt ornamented with lace medallions. Her veil of imported English silk illusion fell from a crown of applied pearl daisies. White orchids encircled by stephanotis formed the bridal bouquet.

Miss Gayle White was the maid of honor. She wore green tissue taffeta and carried a bouquet of chrysanthemums in the fall shades.

Dan Russell performed the duties of best man and guests were seated by Mel Weston and Marvin Craig.

The Rev. Walter Graham conducted the marriage service and nuptial music was furnished by Jim Roberts at the organ. Miss Esther Howe was soloist.

A reception was held in the church social hall and Misses Janet White and Lorelei Gerber registered the guests.

Organized in 1949 Las Vecinas Club Stages 11th Anniversary Meeting

Members of Las Vecinas celebrated the 11th Anniversary of the founding of the club Thursday by honoring its past presidents at the October meeting in the Banbury Room of the Plush Horse.

Mrs. R. H. Blakely, Las Vecinas' first president, gave a resume of how Las Vecinas, meaning "The Neighbors", was organized Oct. 28, 1949 by women residents of Hollywood Riviera and Seaside Ranchos.

She then introduced the past presidents in the following order: Mmes. Claude Ferrel, Frank Hanover, Max Webber, David Hurford, L. M. Nash, Robert Pinkney, Robert A. Matson, Henry Schmal and Thomas O'Malley.

Mrs. J. B. Mosley, Home Liaison and Placement chairman, with the American Field Service introduced the panel of summer Exchange Students as the second feature of the pro-

gram. The following students were placed in homes in the various countries that they were sent to this past summer for a period of about nine weeks: Mike Robbins from South High was sent to Finland, Mary Smiley from Torrance High School was sent to Austria and Jerry Duncan from North High School was sent to Germany. Following the panel discussion by the students there was a question and answer period.

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SPRING BLOSSOMS . . . Members and guests of the Torrance Terrace Garden club were given expert advice for colorful spring gardens at their membership tea Wednesday afternoon. Their guest speaker was Joe Littlefield, garden expert, pictured here with, from left, Mmes. John Ericson, Ted Van Guyzen and Marion Hartley. Mr. Littlefield is author of the syndicated column "Garden Chats."

AAUW Fashion Show, Brunch Slated Nov. 5

Arrangements are nearing completion for the "Brunch, Bridge and Fashion Show" planned for Thursday, Nov. 5, by the American Association of University Women, Palos Verdes-Rolling Hills branch.

With La Venta Inn in the Palos Verdes Hills as a setting, the affair will begin at 11 a.m. around a fruit juice punch bowl on the patio. Brunch will be served indoors at tables decorated by the art and crafts sections with fall centerpieces.

Daytime wear will be emphasized at the fashion show presented during the brunch hour by a Waleria shop. Bridge, canasta or conversation will fill out the afternoon. Members are completing

their tables of friends or planning to join one of the "open" tables for this annual fall fund raising event. Proceeds will go to the AAUW Fellowship Fund, which aids women in advanced education and research both nationally and internationally.

General chairman is Mrs. H. C. O'Brien, who heads the branch fellowship committee. Her assistants are Mmes. Edwin N. Bobrow, Robert M. Brown, Robert W. Burson, John W. Faherty, William K. Ford, James K. Huntoon and Robert W. Vance. Branch president is Dr. Mildred S. Miller.

Welcoming guests at the punch bowl will be Mrs. Donald A. Limerick, first vice president, and Mrs. Harold O. Simar, treasurer. Assisting Mrs. William A. Bailey, crafts section chairman, with decorations are Mmes. Ragnar Thorsen, Bernard D. Young and James D. Conant.

Reservations must be made by Nov. 1, with Mrs. Donald L. Leonard.

All residents of the community are welcome.



MRS. KENNETH WAGES
... To Live in Harbor City
(Portrait by Seaman)