

Social World

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Entertains

Mrs. B. T. Whitney entertained her bridge club last Monday afternoon at her home, 4315 Via Frascati.

In the bridge games following a luncheon, the high score was held by Mrs. Delbert Thomsen and second by Mrs. Ralph McNeil.

Mrs. Whitney's guests were Mmes. B. W. Roberts, Laura Felker, William Crooker, Ruby Dix, Alma Smith, Thomsen and McNeil.

Mrs. Helen Adams will entertain the club at its next meeting in two weeks.

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YOUR PROBLEMS

by Ann Landers



"Ideal Place to Meet is Church"

Dear Ann Landers: You've never had THIS problem — so sharpen your wits and gird yourself for a toughie.

I was dialing my friend and got a wrong number. The voice on the other end was charming, cultured and interesting. I couldn't bring myself to hang up. Neither could he. We chatted for about 20 minutes and he asked for my number. I refused to give it, but promised to call him again "some time." I called him the following night, and twice since.

I confess I'm infatuated with this person although it sounds insane. He says he's 25, unmarried, college educated, gainfully employed and we are of the same faith. I'm 21, two-year college girl, living at home and bored with the local coffee-house drips. What shall I do? —WRONG (?) NUMBER

Dear Wrong(?) Number: If you two are of the same faith, an ideal place to meet is in church. Suggest that he bring a friend or a relative along, and you do the same. If he agrees it's worth the shot; if he refuses, he's a wrong number and should be promptly disconnected.

Dear Ann Landers: My mother-in-law buys something for my husband Oswald every time she goes downtown. It wouldn't be such a problem if she paid for these items herself, but she charges everything to us. He has dozens of pairs of socks that he hasn't worn, boxes of shorts and undershirts, and handkerchiefs still in the original boxes.

We have a tough time making ends meet and I break my neck to stay within a budget. Last month I paid out \$27 on unnecessary haberdashery. When I suggest to Oswald that he ask his mother to stop this business he said "She's my Mother and I can't insult her."

Why does she do these things and is there a way I can put an end to it without setting off a war? —OVERSTOCKED

Dear Overstocked: Mama "does these things" because she fancies Junior her little boy, and takes delight in pretending that he still depends on her.

Since you can get no cooperation from Oswald, simply tell Mom that your bills are getting out of hand — no fault of hers, of course, you just can't resist buying — so you're closing all charge accounts. Then close 'em.

Dear Ann Landers: I'm a fellow 17 and that letter about girls phoning guys just to yak, hit pretty close to home. Here's how it looks to the guys who get called.

About four or five nights a week I get called by one or two girls. Sometimes three. It's not flattering, it's embarrassing. My folks give me a knowing look and I get shook and hate to go to the phone.

The girls who call are usually silly and sometimes I can hear their folks yelling for them to get off. The same girls phone a certain clique of guys and the fellows talk about it. They are considered sort of cheap.

There are only one or two girls I really enjoy talking to. They NEVER call me. I call them. —A WORD TO THE WISE

Dear Wise: Thanks for The Word. I hope it comes through loud and clear.

Does almost everyone have a good time but you? If so, send for ANN LANDERS' booklet, "How To Be Well-Liked," enclosing with your request 20 cents in coin and a long, 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.

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Morharts Leave For New York

Mr. and Mrs. George C. Morehart, 18520 Kingsdale Ave. will leave by plane next Friday for New York City. Mr. Morehart, who is chairman of the Civil Service Board in Torrance, will attend the International Public Personnel convention there. He is also scheduled to conduct a roundtable program. The couple will also visit with relatives in Chicago during their month's vacation.



RUSSIAN FASHIONS... Though its a back view, fashions worn by Russian women are clearly seen in this picture of Mrs. Tom Rische, in colored glasses, with her guide at the extreme left. Attraction for this group are the Kremlin towers in Moscow in the background.

American Women Best Dressed In World, Says Local Teacher

American women are the best-dressed women in the world.

That's the opinion of Mrs. Gerry Rische, 22920 Carlow Rd., who just returned from a summer touring in Europe. Her travels took her to 13 countries, including Russia.

"There's no place like home," declared Mrs. Rische, who teaches French and social studies at North High School. "The people look wonderful and the food is something that I really missed."

On the whole, American women are far better dressed than their European counterparts, she feels.

Of course, individual French women do wear beautiful clothes, but the average Paris woman on the street doesn't compare with the average American," she declared. "I really think that the English women are more stylishly dressed than any other Europeans."

Traveling in Russia proved interesting, Mrs. Rische reported. There, very stylish clothes appear in department store windows, but few of the people

wear them.

Most common apparel is flowered cotton dresses, at least during the summer, she said. Most of these were not particularly stylish. On the streets, she saw many old ladies, with kerchiefs and baggy peasant dresses so familiar in pictures. Many of the Intourist guides wore clothes styled like those of the west.

Many of the women wear sandals, because shoes are extremely expensive. A pair of sandals which would sell for \$2.98 or so in America costs about \$18 or \$20 in Russia, she said. The women also frequently wear anklets, rather than full-length hose, which are expensive and of poor quality.

None of the women in Russia wore make-up, but some of them wore lipstick.

"Really, however, the men from America are more distinguishable than the women," she said. "We were told by the Russians that a man's clothes were more noticeable because of their cut. Double-breasted suits still are popular there, and few of the men wear white shirts and ties. The trousers are cut differently, many of them

with bell bottoms and no cuffs."

She and her husband saw many women working at what would ordinarily be men's jobs here. They saw many women digging ditches, carrying bricks, sweeping the streets, and many similar jobs.

"My husband told me that's true equality, but if that's what they have, I don't want it," she laughed.

A visit to GUM, famous department store in Moscow, showed her that prices were high. Clothing cost from four to 10 times as much as it does in America. She was told that people frequently came from great distances to shop at GUM, because it was so well-supplied.

"We really wanted to bring back some souvenirs, but the things we found either weren't worth bringing back or were too expensive," she said.

Although she had heard that a great many Russians spoke English, Mrs. Rische said she found little evidence of this fact. As a language teacher, she made a point of asking English-speaking Russians how long they had studied.

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Invitation To Join Local YW

Torrance YWCA invites all women and girls 12 years of age and over, to become members of the Torrance YWCA. Electors are members, who wish to take responsibility, help form the policies and choose the leader, such as the board of directors. Electors must be 17 years of age or older.

Men and boys are invited to become associate members of the Torrance YWCA.

The program of the YWCA seeks to meet local needs and to provide services not being offered elsewhere in the community or by other agencies. It puts special emphasis on activities for teenagers, young employed women and young wives.

Anyone wishing to contact the membership committee may write to the Torrance YWCA, P.O. Box 398, Torrance, Calif.

Rev. D. Bebek To Address Mothers Club

The Rev. Dominic Bebek, M. A. Theology, Gregorian University, Rome, Italy will be the guest speaker at the dinner meeting of the South Bay Mothers of Twins club Monday evening at 7:30 p.m. at the Fish Shanty in WALTERIA.

Father Bebek, assistant pastor at the Mary Star of the Sea parish in San Pedro, has chosen the topic "Parents, Children and the Facts of Life." A question and answer period will follow.

All fathers of twins and guests are especially invited to hear this discussion since Father Bebek feels that too often the education and home instruction of children are left to the mothers, and that more fathers should be equipped to answer their children's questions and to instruct them wisely.

There will also be an exchange table for mothers of twins to exchange outgrown clothing at "gesture prices" with other mothers of twins.



THE POLITICAL WHIRL... These members of the Viva Kennedy Committee for their luncheon on Oct. 27, at the Hacienda enthusiastically work out plans for the gala affair. They are, standing from left, Mmes. Leon Rothstein, office chairman, Arnold Ramirez, program chairman, Robert Soto, hostess. Seated from left, Mrs. Henry Barreras, decorations; Rosemary De Camp, honorary chairman, and Mrs. Raul Hernandez, official chairman. (Photo by J. Nevarez)

Y-Teen Club Installation

Imea Athena Y-Teen club of North Torrance High School held a combination installation and surprise come-as-you-are breakfast on Saturday, Sept. 17 at 8:15 a.m.

Before the installation of the new officers, the old officers were presented with pins for their excellent service to the club. Corsages with ribbons lettered with gold were given to the new officers, each telling the office of the girl.

Before the breakfast was over each member was presented with an address book with her initials on it. The club presented Mrs. D. E. Newton, their sponsor, a house plant and planter. Miss Barbara Sirkovski, program director, was presented with an address book.

Talent Galore Gala Luncheon Planned By Democratic Women

Local Viva Kennedy Club has announced a luncheon at the Hacienda Hotel, 301 Western Ave. in San Pedro for Thursday Oct. 27 at 1 p.m. Chairman for this gala affair is the actress, Rosemary DeCamp or Mrs. John Shidler of Hollywood Riviera.

Entertainment will be provided by such well known personalities as Mmes. Steve Allen, Sammy Cahn, Milton Berle, John Roseboro, Don Drysdale and Nat King Cole. Their skit is entitled "The Better Halves."

Guests will include Councilman and Mrs. Edward Roybal, plus other notables from the Democratic party.

Further information and reservations may be obtained by calling Mrs. Raul Hernandez, the official chairman, or the Viva Kennedy Gardena Democratic headquarters.

Local Woman To Receive Honor at CPS Luncheon

Mrs. Howard Smith, 1836 W. Sepulveda Blvd., Torrance, president of the South Bay Chapter, National Secretaries Association (International), has achieved the coveted and honored title of Certified Professional Secretary, and will be awarded her certificate at the Southern California CPS Awards Luncheon, Oct. 29, at the Bel-Air Hotel in West Los Angeles, hosted by the Satellite Chapter.

Mrs. Smith is a charter member of South Bay Chapter, having transferred from Queen Beach Chapter in Long Beach. She first joined NSA (I) in 1943 as a member of the Gopher Chapter, Minneapolis.

Presently employed as secretary to the Hearing Examiner of the Eleventh Coast Guard District, Long Beach, Mrs. Smith worked for the Coast Guard previously for ten years in the Merchant Marine Safety Division. Prior to her employment in the Coast Guard, she was secretary in the Department of State, Washington, D.C., seven years; and served six years as secretary to the General Manager of the Farmers Union Grain Terminal Association, St. Paul, Minn., the largest cooperative grain marketing organization in the United States.

Mrs. Smith earned the CPS status by taking a twelve-hour, two-day test.



MRS. W. H. SMITH ... Now a CPS

Members Participate Teacup Tea to Feature Woman's Club Meet

Artistic abilities will be displayed by members of the Torrance Woman's club when they gather for their regular meeting next Wednesday at the clubhouse, 1422 Engracia Ave. The club's garden section, Mrs. Victor Benstead, chairman, will be hostess for the "Teacup Tea."

All members are asked to bring a flower arrangement in their favorite teacup.

Garden clubs of the area will be guests for the day.

The entries will be judged for the most beautiful, most original and a one-color creation. There will be first, second, third and honorable mentions in all three categories.

Oil Women to Honor Bosses

Desk and Derrick Club will hold its annual "Industry Appreciation Night" Thursday, Oct. 20, at the Petroleum Club. This is the night when the local petroleum women honor their bosses and say "Thank You" for their support during the year.

The program will feature members of the club in a skit entitled "Miss Oilyverse." Along with this will be professional entertainment.

President Marian Ramsauer (California Southern Oil), will introduce the nominees for officers of 1961.



TEACUP ARRANGEMENTS... Choosing their favorite teacups these members of the Garden Section of the Torrance Woman's Club work out miniature arrangements to be entered in competition at the "Teacup Tea" to be held Wednesday at the clubhouse. They are, from left, Mmes. Rufus Sandstrom, Victor Benstead, chairman of the Garden Section, Sid Gans and Hazel Ward.