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## YOUR PROBLEMS

by Ann Landers

'You Can't Trade Steadies As If Stuffed Monkeys . . .'

Dear Ann Landers: My girl friend and I are both 16. She goes with a fellow named Tom. I go with Jerry. They are both nice guys, but they have completely opposite personalities. Tom is quiet and reserved and Jerry is the life of the party and full of jokes.

We got to talking seriously about our fellows the other night and it turns out that I admire Tom and she goes for Jerry. I'm fed up on Jerry's jokes and she is bored with Tom's quietness. We would like to trade. This thought has crossed my mind before but I never had the nerve to mention it. Now that I know she feels the same way, how do you think we should go about it?—FAIR EXCHANGE

Dear Fair: You can't just trade steadies as if they were stuffed monkeys.

Since both of you obviously are dissatisfied with your boy friends why not simply break up the steady arrangement (which is for the birds anyway). With a little luck Tom may come your way and Jerry may go hers.

Dear Ann Landers: I was disturbed by the letter signed "London Observer." He made the statement that English and European children show more respect for adults than American children. The expression he used was "less cheeky."

I've had experience with both groups and it is my belief that while English and European children may seem better behaved it is a hypocritical type of behavior which does not reflect their true feelings. They are more terrified than respectful.

American children communicate more freely with adults. They are not stifled by an atmosphere of rigid authority. They feel free to be frank and outspoken which is a healthier climate for an adolescent. The "beautifully mannered" children often seethes underneath with hostility. Their problems come later.—NICHOLAS J. P.

Dear Nickey: I agree that "respect" rooted in fear may be flattering to the adult but can be damaging to the child. Children should not be terrified of their parents. But neither should parents be terrified of their children. I believe in a give and take relationship, but the parents shouldn't take too much—guff, that is.

Dear Ann Landers: I started to date Joyce in my freshman year of college. We were inseparable for two and a half years. As you can imagine, we became too intimate for our own good and on three separate occasions I thought we would have to get married.

I was willing to do the decent thing but she said she'd marry me only if it was absolutely necessary because her freedom meant too much. One day Joyce handed my fraternity pin back to me and said, "I've lost interest. Goodbye and good luck." I was deeply hurt.

I haven't seen her since November and have healed nicely, thank you. I'm dating several nice gals and am not involved with anyone.

Yesterday Joyce phoned and said she misses me and wants to get married at once. The tone of urgency in her voice suggests she might be in a tough spot. I feel an obligation to Joyce because I was her first serious boy friend, but I have no desire to marry her. Am I a heel?—LOOSE HANGER

Dear Loose: If you haven't seen Joyce since November the "tough spot" she may be in has nothing to do with you. Consider yourself lucky to have unwound from this girl and let this be a lesson to you—as well as to others.

Confidential to TONS OF TROUBLE: Some people who have tons of trouble grow wings and fly above it. Others get crutches and join the ranks of the crippled.

To learn the booby-traps of teenage drinking, write for ANN LANDERS' booklet, "Teenage Drinking," 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. ©1963 Field Enterprises, Inc.



DOING THEIR SHARE . . . Members of Volunteer Auxiliary to the Harbor General Hospital are keeping busy these days preparing the new hospital for its reception of patients now scheduled for Feb. 22, 23, and 24. Among their duties is the making of beds, of which there are only two and not more than four in each room. Mrs. Charles Groh, center, takes time left to apply lipstick at one of the new bed-tables as Mrs. Lambert Brownlee, left, fluffs a pillow and Mrs. Ward Melching tucks in the sheets.

### Will Attend Annual Meet

Annual business meeting and luncheon of the Episcopal Church Women of the Los Angeles diocese will be held Tuesday, Jan. 29. The business session will convene at the St. Paul's Cathedral with the luncheon to follow at the Pacific room of the Statler Hilton Hotel. Speaker will be the Rt. Rev. Gerald Frances Burrill, bishop of the Chicago diocese. His topic will be "Women in the Church."

Attending from the St. Andrew's Episcopal Church will be Mmes. Elsie Bubar, Mildred Evans, Melba Hartley, Anna Sandstrom, Virginia Montague, Dorothy Post, Betty Hollister, Josie Hollister, DeLores Pintarelli, Yvonne Scott, Melba Sprout, Vivian Percy, Betty Turner and Alma Smith.

### Peggy Celebrates First Birthday

The first birthday of Margaret (Peggy) Sue Doyle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Doyle, 24455 Madison St., was celebrated with a family dinner at the Doyle home.

After the dinner, the decorated cake holding one candle, was served with ice cream.

With Peggy and her parents were her two-year-old brother, Patrick, her grandmother, Mrs. Bertha McNeil, and her grandfather, Mr. Gregory Doyle of Lomita.

### Episcopal Women Elect New Officers

New officers of the Women of St. Andrew's, elected recently, will be installed at services on Episcopal Church Women's Sunday, Feb. 24.

Mrs. Betty Turner will be installed as president. Others are Mmes. Ross Skiver, first vice president; John McMurry, second vice president; Robert Hollister, third vice president; Louis Deiningner, recording secretary; Lester Bubar, corresponding secretary; Nat Williamson, treasurer; Dorothy Post, parliamentarian; Adam Krauszer, junior past president; and Miss Ruth Hollister, United Thank Offering.

The church women will be hostesses to the Long Beach Convocation luncheon and workshop on Feb. 19, and on Feb. 26 they will sponsor a Shrove Tuesday pancake supper.

### Arts and Crafts To Install Feb. 15

Arts and Crafts club will install its new officers at a dinner meeting at the Tasman Seas restaurant on Feb. 15.

The installation date was set at a meeting of the club Friday at the home of Mrs. R. E. Moffitt with Mrs. L. G. Barkdull as co-hostess.

## P T A ACTIVITIES

**COUNCIL**  
Torrance Council PTA will hold its two important workshops, Tuesday, Jan. 29.

The Treasurer's Workshop will be held at the home of Mrs. William McDade, 911 Felbar Ave., at 9:30 a.m.

The Historians will meet at Madison School, 17515 Alme Ave., at 9:30 a.m.

Both these workshops are planned to assist officers in making annual reports.

**DISTRICT**  
The 1963 Midwinter Conference with Mrs. Leonard Hummel presiding, will be held at Compton Senior High School, 601 S. Acacia St., Compton, Jan. 31, 9:45 a.m. to 12 noon. The 1962-63 theme "Our Heritage—American Family, American Faith, American Freedom" will be continued with guest speaker, Rev. J. Whitcomb Brougher, discussing "Our Faith." Rev. Brougher is pastor of the First Baptist Church of Glendale.

Highlights of the program will include presentation for the pledge of allegiance by the Drum and Bugle Corps of Compton High School; Founder's Day salute for past presidents of 33rd District; and a presentation of an honorary life membership.

Torrance PTA Council will join other councils in displaying outstanding corsages from local associations.

**ARLINGTON**  
"Enlarging Our Knowledge" was the theme of the Arlington PTA meeting held January 10 at 7:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

Music was furnished by the Reyes twins, Thomas and Tyson, fifth grade students at Arlington. They played two selections on their accordions.

The following members were elected to the nominating committee Mmes Wayne Pearson, William Bunting, Ken Lemke, J. Prince and Mr. Henry Behrens, principal.

After adjournment of the business meeting approximately 45 members drove to Torrance for a conducted tour of the educational materials building. Following the tour, coffee was served in the conference room during a question and answer period.

Monday, Jan. 21, Mrs. P. Auri, Mrs. W. Harmon and Mrs. William Bauer attended the Board of Education meeting.



IN APPRECIATION . . . Mrs. Donald Walker, president of Victor Women's Club, entertained at a buffet dinner honoring her board, chairmen and members of the press as a "thank-you" for their work during the past year in helping the club raise money for a Recreation building on the Victor Park site. Here, Mrs. Wendell Thompson, civic chairman, chats with Edna Cloyd of the TORRANCE HERALD and Mrs. Donald Walker, president.

### Soroptimists Meet Jan. 29

Dinner meeting of the Palos Verdes-Redondo Soroptimist club will be held at the Plush Horse restaurant on Tuesday, Jan. 29, at 6:30 p.m.

Guest speaker will be Attorney Fred W. Benson, whose topic will be "Humor-in-Law."

Mr. Benson, district attorney for the South Bay area from June 1959 to December 1961, is now in private practice. He is adult education instructor for both Redondo Beach and Torrance school districts, teaching real estate law, criminal law, family and business law, and law for the layman.

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