

YOUR PROBLEMS
by **Ann Landers**



... and I Was Married at 17 ...

Dear Ann Landers: Please keep encouraging girls as well as boys to get a high school diploma and then go on and get some sort of training which will enable them to earn a living later in life if they have to.

I knew it all. Nobody could tell me anything. My husband was 22 and had a college degree. I was beautiful and sweet and he didn't think it was important for me to stay in high school and get my diploma. Why should I have to know anything? He would take care of me for the rest of my life! So, my heavy-hearted father walked me down the aisle and I was married at 17.

We had three children in six years. I devoted myself to my family. My husband went to night school and got a master's degree in business administration. Strange that he appreciated the value of education for himself—but not for me.

Five weeks ago my husband dropped dead of a heart attack at the age of 42. He left \$15,000 in insurance and a \$20,000 mortgage on our home, plus some big bills. I have three children to send to college within the next five years. I must go to work but I'm not trained for anything. I realize now as never before the necessity of preparing for the future, since none of us knows what it may bring.

Please print this letter as a warning from someone who had to learn the hard way.
—SAD SANDRA

Dear Sandra: Many thanks for your letter. I hope the thousands of young girls see it and take the hint.

Dear Ann Landers: I work in a plant which has an unattended newsstand. It is the habit of certain employees to help themselves to the newspaper which prints your column. They take it into the cafeteria and read for about 10 minutes before the work day begins.

When they put the paper back, it usually has doughnut grease, breadcrumbs or coffee stains on it. Poor chumps (like me) who pay have to read a crumpled, paved-over paper.

It would not upset me so if these people were destitute and couldn't afford the few pennies. But as is usually the case, the ones who have the most money are the cheapest.

I am writing in the hope that you will print my letter so the people involved will see how petty this practice (Answer on Page 14)



YULE SHOP DELICACIES . . . Members of the Women's Fellowship of the Neighborhood Church are busy making cookies and other items for the Yule Shop at the church on the days of their Yule Parlor Parade, Dec. 6-7. Many items, such as Christmas candles, decorations, aprons and other handmade gifts, will be on sale at the church fol-

lowing the homes tour and tea. Busy in the church kitchen making the traditional gingerbread cookies are, from left, Mmes. Ernest Oberheim, Robert Jones, bake sale and cookie chairman, Paul Peterson and John Comeau.

(Herald Photo)

Barbara Flynn Becomes Bride of Robert Laina

Miss Barbara K. Flynn, 1643 W. 255th St. Harbor City, became the bride of Robert B. Laina, 25937 Viana St., Lomita, in a mid-afternoon nuptial ceremony on Saturday, Nov. 16, at the St. Lawrence Martyr Catholic Church. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence W. Flynn of Visalia. Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Patsy Laina of Cleveland, Ohio.

The bride came to the altar on the arm of her father. She wore a gown of silk organza over taffeta, fashioned with a scoop neckline, outlined in re-embroidered lace and seed pearls, and long pointed sleeves. The bouffant skirt, which fell over a hoop, had side panels of re-embroidered lace and pearls and fell into a chapel train. A princess pearl tiara held her full illusion veil. The bridal bouquet was a cluster of white orchids and stephanotis.

Mrs. Joseph G. Kalina was the matron of honor. She wore an empire gown of teal blue crepe and carried blue and green carnations. Joseph G. Kalina stood as best man and the 150 guests were seated by Doyle Hanewinkel and Michael Andrews.

The Rev. J. O'Byrne officiated at the marriage and the background of nuptial music was played by Mrs. Mary Stoeger.

A reception was held at the Torrance-Lomita Board of Realtors hall, 22833 Arlington Ave. Miss Linda Meyers registered the guests. Immediately following the

reception, the newlyweds left by plane for Cleveland, Ohio, where on Sunday, Nov. 17, they were honored at a reception given by the bridegroom's parents.

After Nov. 30, the bridal couple will be at home at 25937 Viana St., Lomita.

The bride, a 1959 Torrance High graduate, is employed by a Gardena firm. Her husband is an employee of a division of Nortronics.

Special guests at the wedding were the bride's grandmother Mrs. Helen Belden and her uncle, William E. Belden of Berkeley.

Dance on Nov. 30

The 11th annual Banning Alumni Dance, sponsored by the Wilmington Junior Women's Club, will be held Saturday, Nov. 30, in the Grand Ballroom, Lafayette Hotel, Long Beach.

Dancing to music furnished by the Rae King orchestra will begin at 9 p.m.

Wilmington Juniors are headed by Mrs. William Brown, president. Los Cerritos district, California Federation of Women's Clubs, junior membership.



Mrs. Robert B. Laina . . . On Wedding Day (Photography by Stanfords)

Yule Party Set Dec. 4

"Christmas in Mexico" is the theme for the Little Company of Mary Women's Auxiliary annual Christmas Party to be held Wednesday, Dec. 4, at the Monaco House, Palos Verdes Peninsula, at noon.

Mrs. Theodore McNeer, chairman of decorations, has selected fresh pine cones with poinsettias as table decorations. Ornaments will be 3-foot Santa Pintas, and a Mexican hat, five feet in diameter. Mrs. Karl Ransom has arranged for a Mexican strolling guitarist to play the old favorite Mexican tunes and Christmas songs.

President of the Auxiliary, Mrs. Clarence Van Lingen, will conduct a short business meeting prior to the party, beginning promptly at 11 a.m. At this meeting, the election of new officers will be conducted.

Following the meeting, the party will begin the serving of a buffet luncheon provided by the Sisters of the Little Company of Mary Hospital.

Victor Woman's Club Plans Holiday Party

Victor Woman's Club will hold its Christmas party on Tuesday, Dec. 3, at 8 p.m. at the home of Mrs. William Drale, 5205 Emerald St., Torrance.

During a social hour after a short meeting, a gift exchange will be held followed by refreshments.

The committee for the Christmas party is composed of Mmes. James Bruno, Richard Champion, William Drale, Herbert Coe, Joseph Latara and Wallace Pollack. Information regarding club membership may be obtained by calling Mrs. Roy Wiseman, membership chairman.

The bridge group of the club met at the home of Mrs. John Reinhold, 5526 Sara, Torrance. Mrs. Art Schmid held the high score. Co-hostesses Mrs. Reinhold and Mrs. Herbert Coe served refreshments.



PARTY PREPARATIONS . . . This miniature Santa Claus and other decorations, typical of the season, are being planned by these members of the Victor Woman's club, from left, Mmes. Jack Reinhold, William Drale and Richard Champion, for the club's Christmas party. The affair will be held Dec. 3 at the Drale home, 5205 Emerald St. (Herald Photo)

Christmas Tea Follows Homes Tour

Annual Yule Parlor Parade Announced for Dec. 6-7

Seventh annual Yule Parlor Parade will be presented by the Women's Fellowship of the Neighborhood Church of Palos Verdes on Dec. 6 and 7 from 12 noon to 5 p.m. both days. The event, which is becoming an established tradition in the Palos Verdes Estates, is a combined home and garden tour, bazaar and tea.

Four distinguished homes have been selected and will be decorated in keeping with the architectural mood of the house and for special hospitality and homecoming at Christmastime.

Homes for the 1963 Yule Parlor Parade are those of Dr. and Mrs. E. R. Jennings, 1821 Paseo del Sol; Mr. and Mrs. Albert W. Hinz, 2124 Paseo del Mar; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schmalz, 976 Via Rincon; and Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Learned, 2716 Via Elevado.

Florists of the area will decorate each home to represent a special occasion. The Jennings' home will portray a traditional Christmas Eve; the Christmas Wassail will be

featured at the Hinz home; Christmas Buffet at the Schmalz home and the Learned home will be the scene of the Christmas Dinner.

The Christmas Tea and Yule Shop will be at the Neighborhood Church, on Paseo del Mar. Tea will be served in the former salon of the Italian villa, now the church. Christmas music will be furnished under the direction of Betty Fisher and Ruth Graham. In the Yule Shop, presented in the old fashioned general store manner, will be jams, jellies, baked goods, candles, ornaments, aprons and many other Christmas gift novelties.

Chairmen for the tea are Mmes. Lewis Andrews, Donald Felgar and Walter Levy. Yule Shop Chairman is Mrs. Lloyd Armstrong and Mrs. Carl Hoffman is in charge of the candle display.

Mrs. H. C. Portman is serving as general chairman of the Yule Parlor Parade with Mrs. L. C. Perssons as her assistant.

Other chairmen are Mmes. W. Holmes Smith, home coordinator; Sneldon Spellman, church hostesses; Allan Lind, tea hostesses; Donald Hannum, aprons; Evan Jones, John Connors and Lucille Boileau, glitter contributions; G. Conners, bake sale; Robert Jones, cookies; Ned Bailey, Earl Gard, Jr., and J. S. Gates, publicity.

Proceeds from the annual event are used to support the Southern Christian College in the Philippines, pay tuition for one year for a theological student at the Pacific School of Religion in Berkeley. Locally the funds are used to aid the YMCA, American Field Service, Toberman Settlement House, and Congregational Women's Fellowship.

Mrs. Louis Payne, ticket chairman, announces that tickets may be purchased at the Neighborhood Church on the days of the parade, Lunada Bay Pharmacy, or Palos Verdes Flowers and Gifts.

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Club Plans Yule Party

Knolls Travelers Club of Torrance will meet Wednesday, Dec. 4, at 7:30 p.m. to complete arrangements for the club's first Christmas party and dinner. Members must make their reservations at this meeting.

The club has completed its sightseeing tours with 50 members attending the "Icecapades" in Long Beach.

Next potluck dinner for the club is set for Saturday evening Dec. 7. Baked ham will be served. June Gartner is hostess. A movie "Holiday in Hawaii" will be shown.

Las Vegas Trip

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. LeBlond and Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Lorenz are leaving this morning for Las Vegas where they will spend the rest of the week, returning Sunday evening.

Holiday Fashion Parade

Junior Club Will Stage Benefit Show

"Frosted Fashions" has been chosen as the theme of the fashion show to be sponsored by the Torrance Junior Woman's club on Dec. 11 at the clubhouse, 1422 Engracia Ave. at 8 p.m. Mrs. Ronald Hoover is serving as general chairman of the benefit.

Mrs. William Faulds, president, has announced that seven shops of the area will parade their holiday fashions. An array of new fashions in wigs and the latest in hairstyles will be shown by area hair stylists.

On parade will not only be fashions for women but for men and children as well as a display of holiday gifts.

Mrs. Peggy McNary will serve as commentator as the Juniors, their husbands and children model the fashions.

Stage decorations will be the work of Sam Rumley.

Tickets are now on sale, proceeds from which will go to the Junior Woman's Club's main philanthropy, the Torrance YMCA.

Refreshments will be served. Enclosure cards will be sold during intermission. Money derived from the card sale will go to the club's scholarship fund.

Anyone wishing further information may call Mrs. Keith Pierson, ways and means chairman.



SELECT COSTUMES . . . Mrs. Peggy McNary, who will serve as commentator at the Junior Woman's Club "Frosted Fashion" benefit on Dec. 11, looks over two new creations modeled by, center, Mrs. John Bailey and Mrs. Rod Newlin. Tickets are now on sale for the show, proceeds from which will go to the club's YMCA philanthropy. (Herald Photo)