

# for and about Women

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## Tip to Toe

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Women . . . Revolt!

Return of the sack? Believe it or not . . . that's the grim question being hurled at us poor defenceless dames by the advanced designers of New York and Europe.

Picking up last Sunday's Magazine section of the New York Times was a horrifying experience. There was a picture spread of five or six outfits and all . . . mind you all . . . featured waistlines dropped far below normal, tops bloused to the point of no fit, and skirts bulbously baggy.

These all were forecast fashions for the new spring-time. You . . . unless you rise up in the same righteous indignation you used so effectively two years ago when you rebelled against the sack . . . and refuse to look like a bunch of rags tied indiscriminately together.

Mind you, we are talking now of dresses that cost your right arm and left leg . . . couturier designs. But, in the traditional fashion of the fashion world, these designs will be "adapted" (copied is a franker word) by manufacturers of lower priced clothes until they flood the market. And again, it will be a fearsome fight to look like a girl with a girl-type figure.

We say unequivocally, from the depths of years of fashion experience . . . women should look like women!

Clothes should have ease of look, mobility of movement, understated elegance. Designers should not substitute bulk for draping, odd fabric for dressmaking ingenuity, sensationalism for originality.

That's why we show you today an outfit we feel is a symbol of fine fashion by a fine designer. This is a classic . . . couturier designing at its dignified best.

You gals who can afford the Helen Rose original are fortunate. For those who can't . . . it's a guidepost to what to look for in lower priced but well made clothes.

Description? See for yourself . . . a navy summer-weight alpaca coat dress with tapered, softly pegged skirt, large notched collar softly shaped, soft beige vestee finished with handmade rose.

The key word here is SOFT . . . it whispers of unmistakable loveliness . . . from tip to toe!



SOFTLY SMART—A signature dress by noted California designer Helen Rose. Navy alpaca with notched collar.

## Wit's End

By CELIA JOYCE

Dear Miss Joyce,

For the past year I have been dating a young man off and on. I am 19 and he is 24. He acts very wisely but is very confused as far as love and future plans are concerned.

Around Christmas time he proposed to me and a week later broke it, giving the reason "I am not ready and don't want to get married." As you can well imagine, this broke my heart.

We are still dating very steadily and getting along fine. He is starting to bring up the same subject again, which I am carefully ignoring at this point.

My parents and friends think I am foolish for seeing him but I love him and I know way down deep his feelings are the same.

Do you think I am right? How can I help him and myself and at the same time keep him? Do you think it is all a daydream on my part or is there some hope of becoming Mrs. . . . ?

—HIS SLAVE

Dear Slave,

What a way to sign yourself! Untie those chains quickly and find someone who will eventually be a partner, not a master. It's no fun to be a slave for life—ask the girls in the harems out in the East.

This guy who is blowing hot and cold is keeping you a slave by his technique instead of the more obvious chains-and-whip routine.

You can help him and yourself too by waking up from your daydream. Arise Slave, you have nothing to lose but your chains!

Dear Miss Joyce,

I have been dating a guy steadily for the past four months. He is 25 years old and I am 20. He is a perfect date; he takes me every place!

My problem is that during this courtship we have more or less played a game with our emotions. Neither of us say much although he has stated several times that he needs me and likes me a lot. I am sure that he loves me and I love him, but I am afraid to state this fact because if he didn't return this feeling I don't know what I'd do.

I want him to propose to me, but I don't know how to go about doing it.

—UNCERTAIN

Dear Uncertain,

Take your time. If you don't, someone will. Where's the fire? I know a lot of people rush into matrimony—and out of it again—faster than the speed of light, but that doesn't set a precedent for you to follow.

It would certainly be a great mistake for you to say anything or try to high pressure this man into saying anything. If he is the right guy for you, he eventually will say so.

If not, you both have had a good time and no hearts broken.

Take your time and have fun. You only have a few bachelor years and you're a long time married. Make the most of the present!

Rummage Sale Planned by Gamma Phi Beta

The Gamma Phi Beta Alumnae of the South Bay will hold its annual rummage sale tomorrow and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., at 114 N. Pacific Ave., Redondo Beach.

Proceeds from the sale will benefit the School for Exceptional Children, Redondo Beach.



PINNED—Mmes. Leo Fischer (left) and Louis Bisou are awarded honorary life memberships in Carl Steele PTA. Mrs. John Lambert is making the presentation.

## Carl Steele PTA Gives Life Honors

A surprise presentation of honorary life memberships in the California state Parent Teacher Association was made to two outstanding Torrance women at the Feb. 11 meeting of the Carl Steele School PTA.

Mrs. Leo Fischer and Mrs. Louis Bisou were recipients of what Mrs. John Lambert, chairman of the honorary life membership committee, called, "one of the highest awards to be presented to an individual by her community."

Selected for their outstanding work for youth as well as the PTA participation, received membership pins, and certificates stating that donations to the state scholarship loan fund had been made in their names.

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## CLUB FORMS TO SHED POUNDAGE

A new chapter of TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) will be formed at Carr School, 3404 W. 168 St., 7:30 p.m., tonight. Principal objective of the nationally-known group is to help overweight members lose excess weight. The theory is based upon group therapy. Meetings are held once a week and each member is weighed in. Records are kept on weekly progress.

Interested persons may call Olive Vincent, DA 3-6450 or Ellen Spooner, FR 9-8741.

## PTA News

### Skits Honor Founders

Perry PTA will view skits entitled "Perry Fashions" and "Perry Flashbacks" in observation of the anniversary of the National Congress of Parents and Teachers today at 7:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

"Perry Fashions" will be presented by the school's eighth grade students; PTA members will enact "Perry Flashbacks."

Following the program Mrs. Birtrel will award the Honorary Life Membership.

### Foreign PTAs Discussed

Members of the 259 Place PTA heard a discussion of parent-teacher organizations in four foreign countries at its recent Founders' Day meeting.

Panalists were Stephen Lee, Korea; Gordon Valgarden, Canada; Gamel Fernandez, Mexico; and Budimer Matek, Yugoslavia. A consensus of opinion appeared to show that the countries discussed were vitally interested in the cooperation of parents and teachers.

The meeting concluded with the presentation of honorary life membership awards to Murriel Gasser and Helen Chitwood.

### Book Workshop Slated

The Gardena Council record-book workshop will be held tomorrow at the home of Mrs. Gery Olsen, 18438 Catalina Ave., Gardena.

Mrs. Olsen, council book-record chairman, recently attended the district book-record seminar at the health center.

On Feb. 26 the council will meet at 10 a.m. in the social hall of the Alondra Methodist Church, 3153 W. Compton Blvd., Gardena.

### Mrs. Hangar Honored

Mrs. Mildred Hangar was the recipient of the honorary life membership award presented by Grace Barker at a meeting of the Hillside PTA last Thursday.

Mrs. Hangar, a multi-grade teacher and a member of the Hillside faculty since it was organized in 1955, has been active in PTA work and also serves as parliamentarian on the Hillside Executive Board.

Mrs. Francis Davidson, president of Hillside PTA was given a bouquet of flowers, and past-presidents were honored with corsages.

The group viewed a scene from the "Villain's Last Stand," previewing the forthcoming "Gay Nineties Review," scheduled Feb. 25 and 26 in the Hillside cafeteria. Tickets may be obtained by calling Mrs. John Derry, DA 6-2062.



MISS JANICE VALBERTHA GREEN —Photo by Seaman

## Green-Kish Engagement Told at Valentine Fete

Mr. and Mrs. Elga L. Green, 1556 W. 226 St., revealed the engagement of their daughter, Janice Valbertha Green, to William Joseph Kish, at a surprise birthday party in her honor on Valentine's Day.

Mr. Kish is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Kish, 1640 W. 253 St., Harbor City.

The fete, given by the parents of the bride-elect in their home, was in joint celebration of their daughter's birthday and her approaching wedding. The couple plan to marry May 20 in Western Avenue Baptist Church.

Miss Green met her future husband in 1955 when they enrolled in the same science class at Narbonne High School. She is a member of Theta Rho, Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

The benedict-elect also attended Harbor Junior College and is now a cable

## Harbor General Needs 'Mothers'

A membership drive to enlist substitute mothers to assist in the care of patients in the children's wards of Harbor General Hospital is underway by the hospital's Volunteers for Children.

Persons interested in visiting children during the week for the duration of their stay are being requested to call Mrs. R. M. Eatherly, FR 4-6877 or Mrs. R. M. Robertson, FA 8-7385.

A tour of the hospital is being planned for new members.



MRS. RONALD E. SULLIVAN —Photo by Seaman

## Patricia Kline Bride of Ronald E. Sullivan

Miss Patricia Ann Kline became the bride of Ronald E. Sullivan in a double-ring ceremony Feb. 6 at Church of Christ, Hermosa Beach. The Rev. Loran Biggs heard the exchange of vows before an altar decorated with varied white flowers.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. I. J. Potts, 9116 S. Manhattan Pl. L. A., formerly of Torrance. Her husband's parents are Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Hurst of Lindsay.

Given in marriage by her father, the new Mrs. Sullivan wore a waltz-length gown of chintilly lace featuring a V-neckline detailed in pearls. A fingertip pearl crown and she carried a cascade of white carnations cased with a white orchid.

Miss Shirley Reed was maid of honor. Mavis Noah was bridesmaid. Both were attired in pink chiffon over pink taffeta and carried pink carnations. Linda Gibbard also was in pink

for her role as flower girl. She carried a basket of pink carnations.

Robert Sullivan was his brother's best man. William Kabey ushered and Michael Sullivan was ring bearer.

The couple welcomed guests to a reception at the Passport Inn following the service.

After a wedding trip to Palm Springs, they are now at home at 24-22 Court, Hermosa Beach.

Mrs. Sullivan attended Torrance High School and El Camino College. Her husband was graduated from Freeman High School, Lindsay, and is now with the U.S. Navy.



KONYA INVITATIONS—Mmes. Leonard H. Rardford (left), Lloyd Fossum and Richard Florence of the JayCettes check guest list for the Konya reception Feb. 27.