

Hannah's Harpoons

By HANNAH SAMPSON

A HOLE IN THE HORIZON

At last the day has arrived that I looked forward to with such longing: the children are finally off to camp.

NOW I can attack that long list of things I have saved through the months. The house is quiet, and nothing can interrupt my planning and thinking. At last!

Yet here I sit, a tear coursing down my cheek, my coffee left cooling in the cup, my mind immobile as my fingers.

How vulnerable they looked. Little tee-shirts tucked neatly into burmudas, socks pulled up and laces tied tightly on highly polished shoes. Such clean faces! Duffbags bigger than they, standing at the ready.

Well, the station wagon has finally arrived and now they are on their own. And they have left a hole on my horizon that is slowly being filled up with unutterable sadness.

From past experience I know that this feeling will last for perhaps one whole day. After which I will en-

joy their being away, and finally, look forward to their return, when they will be treated like visitors until they begin acting up in the usual way about going to bed, having third helpings of cake, and begging to be carted around to all of the entertainments offered in the city. Then, and only then, will this household return to normal.

ROCK FOR THE CRADLE-ROCKER

The rockhound in this family has been after me for years to develop an interest in things geological. I try. Heaven knows I try. But the closest I can come to a real interest in rocks is in the weight and clarity of a blue-white diamond. (Now THERE'S a rock!) But nothing daunts him, and here's what happened:

When Mother's Day roll round for me, What dainty present do I see?

Chiffon, or mink, to make me stammer? Nope. Nostirree: A sharp, ROCK HAMMER!

Women

RONNIE SAUNDERS, Society Editor



HARNESSING ENERGY of the pint-sized variety is Mrs. William Faulds, president of the Torrance Junior Woman's Club, who is strapping four-year-old Sheri-Lee into her car seat belt as sister Deryl, 13 and brother, Rod, 10, look on. A vehicle check and safety belt clinic will be held this weekend under sponsorship of the

Torrance Traffic Safety Council and Torrance Junior Chamber of Commerce. The clinic will take place from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday in the Bank of America parking lot, corner Hawthorne and Sepulveda Boulevards. The Junior Woman's Club assisted the Jaycees in the last car clinic.

—PRESS photo

WOMAN IN WHITE

By ETHELYN BATTLES, LVN

Every woman does some nursing in her lifetime.

Nursing is a real challenge to anyone caring for a patient in the home. The housewife alone must often make decisions — how to care for the patient, when to call the doctor. The more nursing knowledge she is equipped with the easier it is to meet this challenge.

Purpose of WOMAN IN WHITE will be to offer home nursing hints. The series will appear in THE PRESS for the next 13 weeks.

Clipped and pasted in a notebook, the series would be a handy reference for anyone to use — an easy to grasp form of basic nursing information. The information would be useful in everyday life or in a disaster and is intended to help meet the needs of patients discharged from hospitals who still require some nursing care.

Ethelyn Battles always wanted to be a nurse... a childhood ambition. But her goal was not to be reached until many years later. The motivation of serving humanity in the medical field had been a strong influence in her life with three generations of doctors in the family — one a horse and buggy doctor, the oldest in the medical reserve during World War I.

Following graduation from high school Mrs. Battles attended Lake Forrest College in Illinois, and Santa Monica College. Marriage



MRS. ETHELYN BATTLES, LVN

and raising a family followed. In 1959 she received a Certificate in the Licensed Vocational Nursing Course at Harbor College which is affiliated with Harbor General Hospital for Nurses training. She is now a licensed vocational nurse.

First in her series of articles on home nursing will appear next Wednesday.

AUXILIARY TO MEET

Torrance American Little League Women's Auxiliary will meet at 8:30 p.m. Monday, at the Seaside Field Concession Stand's Conference Room.

Following the business meeting there will be a social hour with games and prizes. Refreshments will be served.

Rabbi Front Attends Confab In Philadelphia

Dr. Henri E. Front, spiritual leader of Temple Menorah of the South Bay, is currently attending the seventy-fourth annual convention of the Central Conference of American Rabbis, the oldest assembly of Rabbis in the United States. The meeting is at the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel in Philadelphia.

Rabbi Front is on the committee for the separation of church and state, and is a member of the committee on theology.

Dr. Leon I. Feuer, of Toledo, Ohio, installed Thursday as president of the conference, is a cousin of Mrs. William Sloan, of Torrance, member of Temple Menorah.

Sewing Circles

By BECKY SCHAEFFER

Have you ever wondered why it is that one girl can sew her own clothes and they look marvelous, while another girl of seemingly equal ability produces a garment that looks "home made"? The difference may well be the care with which the first girl selects her sewing notions.

There are several musts in making a dress that looks professional. First, the thread must match, as exactly as possible. Next, the flat seam binding and bias tapes should be the same color. But the real difference comes in your choice of buttons and belt. Many women shy away from the kits which are available in many sizes and shapes because they feel their use requires some sort of skill. 'Tain't necessarily so. True, it will take a little practice to make

perfect, but that applies to all sewing.

Kits for making covered buttons come in several sizes and brands. On the back of each card, there is a circle which you may cut out to use for a pattern. When you have cut the pieces, dip them in a little water as you get ready to apply them to the mold. Then just smooth the cloth over the teeth on the underside and press with your fingers.

Snap on the back, and you have a non-rusting, reusable button. My favorite is the "Prims" kit, available at Sears and other local stores.

For belts, buckle and backing are available separately or in kits. The sticky paper that holds the cloth can be bought with a dark and a light side (Dritz) and one or two tries will make you an expert.

Just be sure you cut into the corners carefully, not too deep, so that no bare metal will show. Then mold the cloth gently over the corners and sides. For the belt itself, there are two methods of applying the material. One is the tube method, shown on the package.

The other is to turn the edges of the material and top-stitch directly to the backing. Allow enough belt backing for your waist measure plus six inches, plus another inch if possible. (If you are under a size 14, the amount in the kit is more than enough.)

As you come to the point of the belt, turn under first one angle then the other, and continue down the opposite side. Do not trim the belting that extends beyond the point until you have finished sewing.

Holes may be made with your smallest button hole, simply punched in the material (if it does not ravel badly) or you may use the hole making kit, available for one dollar, including pinchers.

The only tool you'll need is one of your husband's pliers, to attach the hook.

Next time you sew, make a list of the items mentioned, gather your courage, and see if your dress doesn't bring you many compliments.

TODAY'S HINT:

When you get your next permanent or haircut, save those bits of hair. They are the perfect filling for a firm, long lasting pin cushion. (Courtesy of Mrs. Sloat, seamstress for Torrance Hospital.)

Seat Belts Prove Key To Summertime Safety

With school out and the house suddenly overrun with active, anxious, articulate youngsters, the time has come when Mother realizes anew the varied virtues of the family car.

More than a mere means of transportation to the tailor, Springtime's sleepy sedan in Summer becomes the home away from home—the haven for harried housewives who wish to escape.

With toddlers poking out between the picnic baskets and infants draped over the diaper bag, the cluttered car can easily become the gateway to grief.

Sister squirming in the back seat or baby bouncing up front can distract mother as she chauffeurs the children about town. In Summer — more than ever — the harried homemaker can use an extra hand to hold

back the boisterous brood each time her foot hits the brake.

Up-front solution to her summertime situation, as well as her year-round passport to peace, are a pair of car seat belts.

To assist Torrance mothers, fathers, and teenage drivers in selecting and installing safety belts, the Torrance Traffic Safety Council and Torrance Junior Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a voluntary vehicle check and safety belt clinic next weekend.

The clinic will take place from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday in the Bank of America parking lot corner Hawthorne and Sepulveda Boulevards.

Price of belts will be \$6 for regulation seat belts and \$9 for shoulder harnesses. Installation will be free.

Saracco-Roloff Vows Exchanged

Miss Valeria Jean Saracco, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest R. Saracco of 26127 Cayuga Ave., Lomita, became the bride of Edward Allen Roloff, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter C. Roloff of 2010 Caddington Dr., San Pedro, in a ceremony performed at 1 p.m. Saturday, May 18 at the Lomita Wayside Chapel.

Rev. Harold Bynr officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attired in a gown of white alecnon lace over tulle fashioned with long sleeves which terminated in points at the wrist and a scalloped neckline decorated with seed pearls. Her crystal and pearl tiara held an illusion veil. She wore a single strand of pearls and carried a cascade bouquet of roses and stephanotis.

Matron of honor was Mrs. Jack Mayhorn, who was dressed in a gown of lavender lace and nylon over taffeta. She had a matching headpiece and veil and carried

ried a bouquet of orchid carnations and yellow roses.

Bridesmaids were: Mrs. Donald Wallace, sister of the bride; and Miss Stephanie Smith. They wore gowns of maize lace and nylon over taffeta with matching headpieces and veils, and carried cascade bouquets of maize carnations.

For her daughter's wedding Mrs. Saracco was dressed in a coral sheath of lace over taffeta with white accessories and a green cymbidium corsage. The mother of the bridegroom was attired in a gown of turquoise lace and peau de soie with matching accessories and pink cymbidium.

James Firth was best man. Ushers included: Donald Wallace, Jack Mayhorn and Richard Jenkin.

A buffet dinner was served at Royal Palms Grove, San Pedro. Mrs. Nanette Saracco, sister-in-law of the bride, presided at the guest book. Assisting at the reception were: Messrs. and Mmes. Robert Christie and Peter Wasserberger of San Bruno, cousins of the bride.

The couple are at home at Fairfield, where the bridegroom is stationed at Travis Airforce Base, following a Morongo Valley honeymoon.

A graduate of Narbonne High School and the Los Angeles County Hospital School of Nursing, the bride has been employed at Kaiser Permanente in Harbor City. Past worthy advisor of Gardena Assembly, Order of Rainbow Girls, she has been a member of the San Pedro Eastern Star and a board member of the San Pedro Rainbow Girls.

Prior to entering the armed forces, the bridegroom attended Narbonne High School and Harbor College. He was a member of Lomita De Molay.



MRS. EDWARD ROLOFF ... former Valeria Saracco (photo by Crotty)



STOCKING UP ON FIREWORKS between ball games are (l-r) Peter Lamaestra, 13 of West Torrance Pony League Cardinals; Ricky Gros, 11 of Minor League Browns; Kerry Stidham, 11 of Major League White Sox; and Quito Felix, 8, of Green Training Squad, Torrance American Little League. Salesman is Bob Surber. Fire-

works stand will be operated at parking lot of Von's Market, Pacific Coast Highway and Calle Mayor by the little league and pony league from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily beginning Friday. Proceeds will be used towards upkeep of fields of purchase of equipment.

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