

COUNT MARCO SAYS—

Still Dangerous After 20 Years

Are you aware that your 20th wedding anniversary can be your most dangerous, possibly your very last one?

There are two peaks of divorce. There is the high point of divorce among teenagers, which is understandable because the girls in that age bracket think all that marriage consists of is a diamond ring and physical love.

When they discover that they also have to cook, keep a house clean and take a bath once in a while they throw up their hands in horror, dump their offspring on Mama or Mama-in-Law and hit the road.

The other peak is during the smug safety zone of too many years of marriage. One day you bend over to see what 20 years have brought you and you get a nice swift kick into the chasm of divorce.

Don't be fooled into thinking that every year added to your marriage gives you some sort of safety valve in staying together. It works just the opposite. The more years the more foolish you are, I have observed.

Here is where so many of you go wrong. You ignore his health. As he gets older and sees his youth falling away (with his hair), he finds other ailments to bother him: ulcers, high blood pressure, heart palpitations.

But did you know that many men have found that the best medicine for these aches and pains is simply another woman? And my dear, why can't you be the other woman?

Instead of telling him to watch his waistline, you do the watching. Get into the kitchen and plan his meals carefully. Use flattery with your service and modest servings.

Knowing his blood pressure is up—and you've heard the doctor's warnings with your own ears—cut down on your social obligations.

Set specific nights for partying and stick to them. Or do you dislike him so much that you can't spend a few nights a week alone with him?

Tell your friends, "No, thanks. This is the evening I enjoy spending alone with my husband." What a shock this will be to the neighborhood!

And here, finally, is the secret passed on to you by my dear aunt the Contessa.

Pretend you are a new wife to a new husband. Seek pleasant and exciting ways to please this new man of yours. He'll stay new, too, as long as you want him to.

If you don't he'll find his own new wife, and you know where that will leave you.

Storm Drain Contract Let

The Board of Supervisors has awarded a \$77,481 contract for construction of a Rolling Hills storm drain to L. H. Woods & Sons, Inc., Azusa.

M. E. Salisbury, chief engineer of the County Flood Control District, recommended the action. The Azusa firm filed a low bid with Salisbury on July 10.

The new contract calls for installation of 24-inch diameter reinforced concrete pipe spread over five separate drainage lines. All of the lines outlet into natural watercourses in the hills.

Streets to be partially affected by the work include Portuguese Bend Road, Southfield Drive, and Crest Road.

The project, financed as a part of the \$225 million storm drain bond issue, is slated for completion in about six months.

City Ills Noted

Two cases of measles and two cases of gonorrhea topped the list of reportable diseases in Torrance for the week ending July 18. Also reported was one case of salmonellosis and one case of tuberculosis.

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TRAINING LOCALLY... Sgt. William R. Dunn, left, husband of the former Patricia Kovacevich of 2056 W. 248th St., Lomita, and son of Elmer La Fountain, also of Lomita, reviews the day's operations schedule with SSgt. R. A. Smith and W. R. Bertagnolli, right. The three sergeants are stationed at Olathe, Kan., and are currently on deployment exercises at El Toro, near Santa Ana. They are serving as aides and advisors to Kansas Marine reservists on summer training there.

City, County Vital Statistics Combined

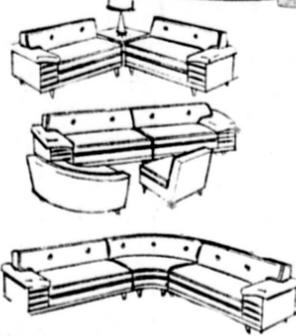
Transfer was completed Wednesday of records of births and deaths occurring anywhere in the city or county of Los Angeles, according to Dr. K. H. Sutherland, county health officer.

Effective that date, all requests for certification of birth or deaths that occurred more than two months prior to the request must be directed to the County Recorder, New Hall of Records, 227 N. Broadway, Los Angeles 12, not to the health departments. Delay will result from misdirecting these requests to the health departments. For the first time all city and county birth and death records will be under one roof along with other vital records in the office of the county recorder, the health officer said.

THE ONLY records of this type to be temporarily retained by the health department are the most recent ones. These will be kept for only two months, he said, in order to allow time for any special processing of the records which might be necessary.

"Parents are reminded that certification of birth as proof of age is usually required by schools for entering children," Dr. Sutherland said.

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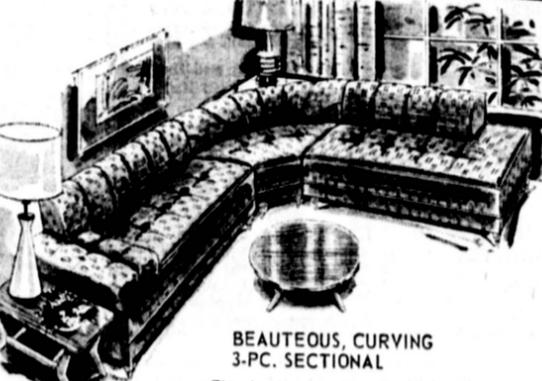


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