

Only Viet Cong Dogs Shall Die

The League for Christian Decency in Warfare is appalled by developments in Viet Nam. Indeed, the League's director, the Reverend T.J. Parsons Brinkworthy, called an emergency press conference to express his outrage. The transcript follows.

Q—What are you outraged about this time, Reverend?

A—I assume you gentlemen have read of our recent huge raid on a stronghold of Viet Cong peasants only 30 miles from Saigon. We sent in 2,500 troops by helicopter. Discovering that all the peasants had fled, they committed unspeakable atrocities.

Q—But if the peasants had fled . . .

A—Allow me to read you the second paragraph They shot every dog that barked." That, gentlemen, is of the Associated Press dispatch: "Virtually unappreciated they shot every dog that barked." That, gentlemen, is

Q—Well, they were barking. a unspeakable atrocity.

Q—But, Reverend, there's nothing in the Rules of War about shooting dogs.

A—There is a higher law than man's. I am sure I speak for every American, and certainly every Christian, when I say we do not make war on dogs.

Q—But, sir, these were described as "hostile dogs." After all, it was a Viet Cong stronghold . . .

A—Exactly. Because it was a Viet Cong stronghold, it is easy to assume these were hostile dogs. But how do we know? In the tenseness of combat, can a soldier distinguish a Moscow-trained, Communist-bred dog from a freedom-loving, democratic dog loyal to the government?

Q—Well, they were barking.

A—Ah! The very fact that they remained behind when their Viet Cong masters fled bespeaks their loyalty to the government. There is little doubt they were barking a joyous welcome for their liberators. Out they bounded, wagging their little tails in ecstatic release. And RAT-A-TATT-TATT! Their furry little bodies crumpled to the earth, their soft brown eyes closed forever—victims of the callous cruelty of indiscriminate, un-Christian-like warfare.

Q—What action will the League take?

A—This atrocity leaves us who believed in Christian decency in warfare no choice. The turning point has come. We hope to form a coalition with the pacifists, the isolationists, and the S.P.C.A. to urge the withdrawal of our forces from Viet Nam. Our position is well summed up by the Holy Bible, Proverbs 26:17.

Q—What does the Proverb say, Reverend?

A—"He that passeth by, and meddleth with strife belonging not to him, is like one that taketh a dog by the ears."

Q—Do you expect much public support?

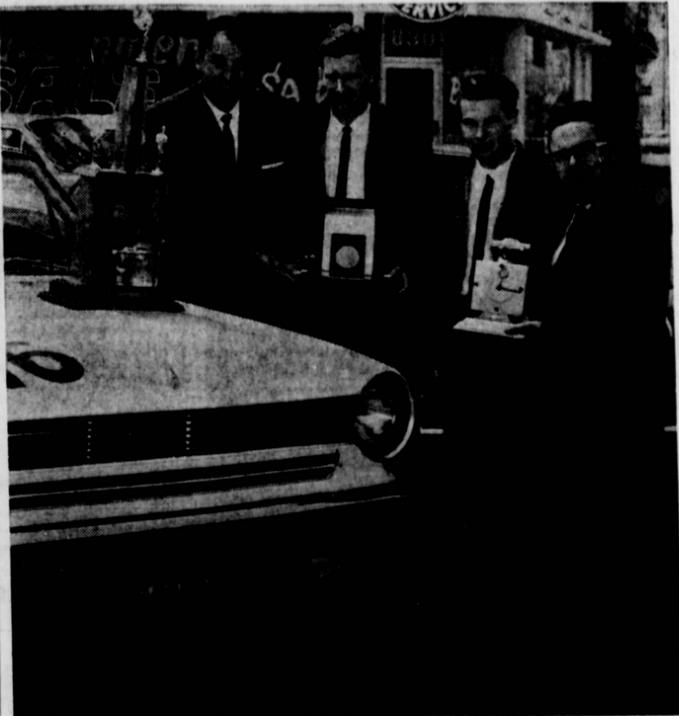
A—An outpouring. Every decent Christian American dog lover will be up in arms. Why, if we can indiscriminately kill dogs, the next thing you know we'll be indiscriminately killing mothers. And the League for Christian Decency in Warfare has long opposed indiscriminately killing mothers.

Q—Is that an anti-Johnson crack, Reverend?

A—Heavens no. We are non-political. However, I might say privately that this Administration appears definitely anti-dog.

Q—Excuse me, Reverend. But in bombing peasant villages we have unfortunately killed numerous women and children. Certainly some must have been mothers.

A—I was referring, of course, to freedom-loving, democratic mothers loyal to the government. In these ticklish moral questions, you have to discriminate.



SAFETY WINNERS . . . Chief of Police Walter H. Koenig (left) congratulates Bob Davis and Tom McCutcheon, grand sweepstakes winners in the 12th annual Youth Safety Run. Looking on is Dick Allen, owner of Dick Allen of Ingleswood, who loaned the two boys the Rambler American which they drove in the safety run. Davis and McCutcheon are members of the Pharaoh's Pacers Car Club.

Your Second Front Page

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Ann Landers Says

And What Do The Girls Call You?



Dear Ann Landers: You said in a column recently that a mother who streaked her 16-year-old son's hair with peroxide was off her rocker. I think maybe you are off your rocker, Granny. I am a boy, 17, and it so happens that I streak my own hair and it looks great.

My hair used to be a lifeless, dull brown. Now, girls who never knew I existed come over to me and tell me they think my hair looks terrific. In fact, a couple of the girls call me the "Blonde Bomber."

From the picture of you in the paper I would like to suggest that you do something with your hair. It looks terrible.—FORMER READER.

Dear Former: So the girls call you the "Blonde Bomber." What do the boys call you?

If you want to put your hair up in curlers it's all right with me, Bub, and it may even attract more attention than the streaks.

Dear Ann Landers: We have five children who are normal, healthy and well-behaved, thanks to the firm handling of my husband and my own belief that parents need not take any sass or

nonsense. Sunday we were visiting in the home of my husband's brother and his wife. They have three boys who do as they please. There isn't one piece of furniture in their home that isn't broken. The floors are scratched because the kids slide in their golf shoes. Holes have been punched in the wall by the kids on their tricycles.

The 7-year-old asked my husband if he could take his shoes off and walk in them. My husband said no. The boy asked, "Why not?" My husband replied, "Because my shoes are not toys." The youngster then said, "If you don't let me I'll sock you."

My husband said, "You'd better not." The boy struck my husband in the back with his fist and ran to his father. My husband got up and gave the child a hard swat on the rear.

The boy's father was furious. He shouted, "You have no right to strike my son. If you want to beat your own kids that's YOUR business, but our children are not accustomed to violence."

An argument followed and we left on strained terms. May I have your opinion? Frankly, I have mixed emotions. Please direct your re-

marks to my husband. Thank you.—Q. T.

Dear Q.T.: I have only two words for your husband. Heartiest congratulations.

Dear Ann Landers: I am concerned about our grandson. My daughter says it is just a "phase." I'm not so sure. Please tell me what you think about a 15-year-old boy who has a deep-seated fear of germs.

Frank washes his hands for at least 15 minutes before each meal. He scrubs up like a surgeon, then uses an antiseptic solution. The boy refuses to carry out the garbage for his mother because he is afraid of being contaminated. He will not shake hands when introduced unless he is forced by someone who grabs his hand. I can't tell you the hours he wastes washing things that don't need to be washed. He refuses to use the telephone until he has wiped the mouthpiece with an antiseptic solution.

My daughter says Frank is just overly clean. I say it's more complicated. Please state your views.—CONCERNED GRANDMOTHER

Dear Grandmother: My views would probably not carry any more weight than your views. So here are the views of three psychiatrists:

The boy's preoccupation is out of proportion to reality. He is sick and needs professional help.

Do you lean on cigarettes as a social crutch? You may regret it later. Send for ANN LANDERS' booklet, "Teen-age Smoking," enclosing with your request 10 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. C 1963, Publishers Newspaper Syndicate

My Neighbors



COUNT MARCO

Black Plague Breaks Out Again

Right now I feel as miserable as a doctor who has fought for years to conquer a dread disease and, with the cure in sight, find the plague is being spread to a totally unsuspected new area.

Basic black and pearls is spreading its infection to teen-age girls. Recently I ran across one of those so-called fashion columns advising girls in their teens that if they wish to look smart they should dress in simple frocks of basic black adorned with pearls.

For years I have been campaigning against basic black and pearls. I have practically succeeded in wiping out that disgusting ritual of combining partying with mourning.

Many of you, however, still question me and my reasons for being against it. Like the woman from Sacramento who wrote: "Would you be so

kind as to clarify 'black dress and pearls'?" "In New York that is considered most acceptable for cocktails. (Shall I discard my beautiful pearls?)"

"Many fashion magazines show black. I have beautiful dresses in black chiffon and some striking ones in satin."

"Are you against all pearls and black, or simply the little demure black crepe and pearls for rest room attendants? Many of us gals are so confused. Do you always prefer colors? Won't you answer?"—Mrs. J. B.

Let me end your confusion here and now. Black was originally created to ward off evil spirits. By wearing black it was thought that evil spirits could not find the individual, i.e., they would not stand out.

The situation has not changed, at least as far as be-

ing a standstill in basic black. Black is not fashionable for anyone, let alone teen-agers, no matter what some self-styled expert tries to sell you.

Let's be realistic about it. If black were so fashionable, would servants be required to wear it at a fashionable party or dinner? Mais non!

Why, if black is supposed to be so exciting and glamorous, do ladies' rest room attendants wear it? In fact the most elegant hotels and restaurants now outfit their rest room attendants in gray, to avoid embarrassing confusion as to which was the patron and which was the money changer.

Why, when you walk through Macy's department store in New York City are you struck by the rows upon rows of saleswomen all dressed in black? Do you feel

sparkling, gay, and exciting when you slip into a black dress? Of course not.

Pearls, unfortunately, have been blighted by black. Of course if you wear what is called fake pearls nothing will help them.

But the wearer of real cultured pearls discover they take on a new, living glow which flatters your skin when worn with brilliant colors.

Make the test yourself. Hold your pearls against a black dress. Now put them against a vivid red or shocking pink. Notice how live, how vibrant and beautiful they are now.

So it is with you. After all, aren't you a pearl yourself?

Now, give your black dresses, all of them, to your favorite rest room attendant. Why should you wear a uniform?



DRIVING INDOORS . . . Jane Nance (foreground) and Garry Milne, both juniors at West High, feel as if they're driving on the open highways during a session at the driver training simulator at West High. The simulator uses motion picture film and a computer to test the reactions of students to various kinds of driving situations. Lecture sessions and several hours of actual driving are included in the high school course.

Films, Computers Teach Students How to Drive

Every eye in the room was focused on the screen. The scene was a tree-lined country road. Suddenly a child darted into the road.

In the room there was a sound of a dozen brakes screeching simultaneously as the viewers grabbed their steering wheels and reacted.

Viewing the motion picture was a class of students at West High School. The "theater" was a driver education classroom, and the seats were individual mock cars called driver simulators.

Each car had its own steering, braking, and mileage mechanism; and as the students watched the film, photographed from the driver's seat of a moving car, each student had the feeling he was facing the motoring problems on the screen.

PURPOSE OF THE simulators, according to teacher Dennis Haryung, is to give the students a systematic series of contrived experiences in handling all types of driving situations. Problems posed by the driving films range from pulling into a parking spot to avoiding collisions.

As students react to the film, a computer records the responses with the actual solutions which would insure safe driving within the Vehicle Code.

In addition to "driving" in the simulators, students get behind-the-wheel driving experience in dual-control cars loaned to the district by automobile dealers. Supplying

cars without cost this year are Scott Robinson Pontiac, Al Ortale Rambler, and Ray Vane Chrysler-Plymouth of Torrance and Newcastle Dodge of Hermosa Beach.

THEY ALSO have class work on health and driver instruction. Lectures dealing with rules of driver safety and the state Vehicle Code are supplemented with films and guest speakers concerning the effects of alcohol and narcotics, fire prevention and safety.

Although simulator-equipped drive-trainer laboratories were only introduced last fall at West, driver training is in its tenth year in the district.

Begun at Torrance High School in 1956, driver training was formalized into its present series of lectures on health and driver instruction and behind-the-wheel experience in 1959. Drive-trainer labs featuring the simulators made their debut at North and South High School in 1961.

WITH THE opening of a drive-trainer lab at Torrance High this fall, all four high schools will feature the additional form of behind-the-wheel training.

Health and driver instruction which includes fire prevention, the harmful effects of alcohol and narcotics, public safety and accident prevention, and driver education, as required by state law, is offered to sophomores as they reach the legal age for driving.

A Penny for your Thoughts

By HAL FISHER

"Do you think the United States should bomb the missile sites in North Viet Nam?"

Dave Krug, Redondo Beach:

"I think we ought to. These missile sites are operable or will be in the near future, and I think we should put them out of commission before they are used against our B-52 planes. This is a situation like Cuba where we have to take firm action."

Bill Harrison, Torrance:

"If we have accurate photos proving that these bases are being installed and built, I think it will be necessary to bomb them. Because of the possible consequences, this will be a difficult command decision to make, and I wouldn't like to have to be the one to make it."

Vic Pisciotto, Torrance:

"That's a tough question. Bombing the Russian sites could blow us into a big war, and this is probably being considered in Washington. But basically, I think they should be bombed to prevent their use against our planes."

Ken Vernon, San Gabriel:

"No, I don't think we should. It is feasible that the Russians are using these sites to gain influence over the government of North Viet Nam. Through their influence they may make Ho-Chi respond to negotiation. It will be a lot easier for the U.S. to negotiate through Russia than Red China. Bombing these missile sites could widen the war."

Gary Palmer, Torrance:

"Let's bomb them while they are still being constructed. Why wait until they fire on our bombers and the damage is done? That's like closing the barn door after the horse is gone."

Chace Warns Motorists Of Vacation Hazards

With schools closed for the summer months, motorists are urged to be doubly cautious when driving in residential areas or near public playgrounds, Supervisor Chairman Burton W. Chace warned today.

"Motorists should remain constantly on the alert to avoid a sharp increase in child pedestrian accidents," added Chace, chairman of the Board of Supervisors' Road Committee.

Citing figures compiled in a Road Department survey, Chace noted a marked consistency in accident factors involving school-age children.

CONTRARY to usual assumption, Chace said, less than 6 per cent of school-age pedestrian accidents occur in school areas.

Actually, less than 1 per cent of the accidents occur in school crosswalks. Nearly three-fourths of these mishaps are at mid-block locations with the majority of those at intersections in marked walks or at signalized locations.

"This," Chace declares, "points up the fact that traffic-control devices offer no sure remedy for pedestrian safety."

"OF PARTICULAR note," the Supervisor warns motorists, "is that this study shows that 80 per cent of school

children pedestrian mishaps involve those in the 5 to 11 year category—and that 60 per cent of these accidents occur in residential areas.

"These findings support the inescapable conclusion that the problem of school-age pedestrian accidents is concentrated in residential neighborhoods," Chace asserts.

The indication is, he adds, that the solution to reducing these accidents lies in safe driving habits by the motorist, combined with an educational and training program for the youngsters.

New Board Elected

Mrs. Francis Young has been elected president of the new executive board of the South Coast Botanic Garden Foundation. New officers were elected during a meeting of the foundation's board of trustees.

New vice presidents of the executive board are Robert T. Warner, Mrs. John M. Vanderlip, Donald W. Walker, and Ove Hoyer.

Alan True was elected recording secretary and Mrs. Richard LeDuc was named corresponding secretary. W. C. Cocks is treasurer of the board and Raymond E. Winters will serve as attorney.