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# Aspirin Not Always Good for Children

Almost every family medicine cabinet contains aspirin and probably no single drug

is used so freely by the public. During the influenza epidemic last winter the advice given by press, radio, and tv for the treatment of flu was "stay in bed, drink plenty of fluid, and take aspirin." Unfortunately some children were given aspirin with such abandon as to account for a significant number of cases of aspirin poisoning.

Aspirin is the most common cause of fatal poisoning among children in this country. Too often it is given in larger dosages than a child can tolerate and is given too frequently and for too prolonged periods of time.

There is no doubt that aspirin is extremely effective in alleviating many types of pain and discomfort in both children and adults. In certain diseases — such as rheumatic fever and rheumatoid arthritis — it has a specific therapeutic effect. But many parents mistakenly think aspirin should be given to children for the sole purpose of reducing fever. This may be useful in alleviating the anxiety of the parents, but it is not the best nor the safest way to treat a fever.

WHEN A CHILD has fever, the important first step is not to bring the temperature down to normal, but to find out what is causing the fever. A child's fever may be reduced by repeated dosages of aspirin, but this may obscure an important warning that something is amiss. Lulled by the drop in temperature, the parents may postpone calling in a physician and thus delay diagnosis and appropriate treatment.

If the physician prescribes aspirin — as he might to relieve the discomfort of influenza or some similar infection — his instructions should be carefully followed. A single dose is often all that is suggested. Sometimes another dose is permitted in 4 to 6 hours if needed. Within a 24-hour period, the child should not be given more than three doses. If the height of the fever is the only problem, it can be reduced by tepid baths and the use of a fan.

Aspirin should be stored where it cannot be reached by small children. This is a precaution which is equally appropriate for all drugs which have any therapeutic effect. Any drug which is potent enough to be valuable in treatment is probably not devoid of dangerous effects in overdosage, especially for children.

## Suggestion Earns \$244 For Employee

Robert G. Sterner, 4528 Talisman Ave., has been awarded a check for \$244.62 as the result of a suggestion he made for doing work at the Hyperion Treatment Plant more economically.

Sterner was one of nine employees of the city of Los Angeles Department of Public Works honored for suggestions. Amount of the award is based on the actual savings to the city.

Sterner, a mechanical repairman at the Hyperion Treatment Plant, made a suggestion which resulted in considerable reduction in the breakage of chains, flights and bearing boxes in primary and final settling tanks at the plant.

# Assignment TV

By TERRENCE O'FLAHERTY

With the exception of John Fitzgerald Kennedy, no one's death in this century has been the cause of more speculation that that of Marilyn Monroe. (She passed Warren Harding two years ago, making him a poor third.)

A former husband named Arthur Miller dissected her publicly in a vicious charade titled "After the Fall." Two years after the suicide, even Clare Boothe Luce reopened the case with a life story titled "What Really Killed Marilyn?" which I had supposed locked the door shut on the subject forever with such prose as this:

"Above all, Marilyn was profoundly suspicious of the motives of everyone in her own regard. It was why she walked like a cat, alone, in the midnight alleys of her soul, rejecting lovers and friends before they could get around — as her mother and all her foster parents had done — to rejecting her..."

If that line about the midnight alleys of her soul couldn't close the case nothing else can — but sure enough, producer-director Terry Sanders of the Wolper organization reopened the tomb recently with HIS walk through the midnight alleys of the poor girl's soul in what he described as an attempt "to do something striking and original and something that went way beyond what had been done before."

HER STORY has every ingredient necessary to keep a soap opera afloat, including illegitimacy, a major league ball player and Our Boys Overseas. But most important to its survival it has a tragic ending, and Americans are queering for tragedy. Like the endless retellings of the sinkings of the Titanic, it is the knowledge of the disaster to come that makes the drama that precedes it tolerable.

Such was the case with the "ABC Stage '67" documentary. No human being who had ever brushed by her was left unquestioned, no film undeveloped, and the result was so exhaustive an investigation of the subject that at last it came into focus for me: Never has so much been said by so many about so little.

I am not certain that is what Sanders expected, but suddenly Miss Monroe became just a pretty little girl who should be cuddled, not quoted. Although those interviewed were excessively reverent with that politeness Hollywood reserves only for the dead, I have always had the hunch that offstage, Marilyn was a crushing bore. She

## Sadie Rhinehart

Funeral services for Sadie Rebecca Rhinehart, 69, who died Dec. 12, were held last Thursday in Downey. Interment followed in Valhalla Memorial Park.

Born in Hastings, Mich., Mrs. Rhinehart lived at 613 E. Carson St. and had been a resident of this area for 43 years.

Surviving are her son, Vernon Rhinehart of Gardena; a daughter, Martha Jean Mason of Compton; a brother, Breck Houghtalin of Battle Creek, Mich., and five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

## Carrie Stein

Funeral services for Carrie Ann Stein, who died Sunday at the age of 37, will be conducted at 1 p.m. today at the Halverson-Leavell Mortuary Chapel. Burial will be in Inglewood Park Cemetery.

Mrs. Stein, who lived at 15426 Atkinson Ave., had lived in Torrance for 22 years. She was born Feb. 7, 1879, in Indiana.

Surviving are a son, William Bales of Palos Verdes, and a sister, Nell Hampton of Indiana.

## Pearl Buchanan

Funeral services for Pearl Ella Buchanan, 70, of 21926 S. Vermont Ave., were scheduled at 11 a.m. today at the Halverson-Leavell Mortuary Chapel with burial in Green Hills Memorial Park.

Mrs. Buchanan, a native of Oklahoma, had lived in Torrance for three years. She died Sunday in a Torrance hospital.

Surviving Mrs. Buchanan are two daughters, Artie Mae O'Laughlin of Torrance and Dorothy Conley of San Pedro; four brothers, three sisters, eight grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren.

## Gledhill Opens New Facilities

Fred Gledhill, new car dealer in the South Bay Area since 1946, announces the opening of brand new headquarters for Gledhill Chevrolet on Pacific Coast Highway just off the Harbor Freeway.

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ON SATURDAY, Jan. 7, live entertainment will be provided by radio station KFOX and winner of a free color TV set will be chosen between 3:30 and 4 p.m. You may register for the drawing now. No purchase is necessary.

## 15 Members Join South Speech Club

Fifteen new members have been installed by the South High chapter of the National Forensic League, according to Mrs. Marsha Bradley, faculty sponsor.

New members include Chris Williams, Jack M-Taggart, Richard Ulyate, Kathryn Shelley, Lynn Curtis, Brian Rix, Joella Gabbart, John Thornton, Michael Geddes, Rick Smith, Lance Saville, David Brenner, Robin Boys, William Hall, and Mitchell Horowitz.

Lee Pearce, president of the chapter, conducted the ceremonies.

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## Robert Lofton

Funeral services for Robert Lee Lofton, 66, of Oceanside, Calif., were conducted at the Stone and Myers Mortuary Chapel yesterday with the Rev. Robert Coburn, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Torrance, officiating.

Mr. Lofton, who died in Oceanside Sunday, was born in Arkansas and came to California 23 years ago. He had lived in Torrance until recently. A carpenter, he was retired and had worked for many years for a local contractor.

Surviving are his widow, Rachel of Oceanside; a daughter, Virginia McLelland of Torrance; four brothers, Walter of Long Beach, Roy of Santa Maria, and Floyd and Bill of Arkansas, and two grandchildren.

## Ruth Davis

Funeral services for Ruth Pauline Davis, who died Sunday at a Torrance hospital, will be conducted tomorrow at 10 a.m. in the Torrance Ward of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Burial will be in Green Hills Memorial Park with Halverson-Leavell Mortuary in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Davis, who was born May 27, 1915, in Utah, had lived in Torrance for more than 30 years. She was a cosmetic consultant and for many years operated her own cosmetic shop in the city.

She is survived by her husband, George; a son, John of the Palos Verdes Peninsula; a daughter, Leda Ann Davis of Hawaii, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Harchbarger of Torrance. A grandson also survives her.

## Patrick Harkins

Funeral services for Patrick Joseph Harkins Sr., 67, of 1852 Reynosa Drive, were conducted Monday at the Halverson-Leavell Mortuary Chapel. Interment was in Green Hills Memorial Park.

Mr. Harkins, a native of Texas, died Friday. He had lived in the Torrance area about 10 years.

Surviving are two sons, Pat of Redlands and Mike of San Dimas, four brothers, and three grandchildren.

## Ernest Lucero

Funeral services for Ernest G. Lucero, 5112 Sharynne Lane, were conducted yesterday at the Halverson-Leavell Mortuary Chapel with burial following in Westminster Memorial Park.

Mr. Lucero, who was 76, died Saturday in a Torrance rest home. A native of New Mexico, he had lived in Torrance for the past 22 years.

He is survived by his widow, Aslanita; three sons, Henry of Torrance, Ernest Jr. of Lomita, and Alex of Castro Valley, Calif.; four daughters, Rose Yost of Lomita, Lucy Vigil of Wilmington, and Delia Roberts and Doris Flack of Torrance, and two brothers, Max and Eugene of Denver, Colo.

## Martin Ostby

Funeral services for Martin Ostby, 69, of 1847 Marinette Ave., were conducted at Christ the King Lutheran Church yesterday with the Rev. Elmer Christiansen officiating. Burial was in Green Hills Memorial Park.

Mr. Ostby, a native of Minnesota, died Sunday. He had lived in Torrance for 13 years.

He is survived by his widow, Helen; a daughter, Lorraine Sands of Torrance; two brothers, Bennie and Henry, both of Minnesota; two sisters, Lillian of North Dakota and Julia of Fremont, Calif., and a grandson, Timothy. Halverson-Leavell Mortuary was in charge of arrangements.

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