



Once Over Lightly  
by Dorothy Downing

COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS. EVAH SO QUIETLY

"May I help you?"  
"Yes, thanks, I'd like a suit with a straight jacket, something to go with navy accessories. Size nine."  
"For yourself?"  
"Er - yes. Yes, it's for me."  
"Please sit down, I'll bring out a few (Pause) We'll start with this number. Honestly, dah-ling, isn't it just *dee-lish!*"  
"Yes, it is lovely . . . but I believe I'd rather have a suit."  
"Ohhh, very well. But do keep this in mind. You know, New York is *simply losing its head* over dresses this year!"  
"Er - yes . . ."

"Now, here is a pet . . . I thought of it the first second I saw you, dah-ling. It has your straight jacket and a *dee-vine* pleated skirt! You know, Paris is *going wild* over pleats this fall!"  
"Oh yes! This is the type. May I slip it on?"  
"Well . . . you *can* if you *like*, but it'll be a little large. Unfortunately, we only stock this in twelve-to-twenty, but I just had to show it to you!"  
"Oh."

"Now, dah-ling, I know you *said* just a suit, but here's a doll that'll just *drive you mad!* Isn't this theater coat just . . . well . . . just the *chic-est evah?*"  
"Yes, but . . ."  
"Notice the new Puritan collar?"  
"Yes, but . . ."  
"And get a gander at the low-slung belt. We call it a *martingale.*"  
"Er - yes . . . but what I really need is a suit."  
"Oh, why of *course* you do, dah-ling."  
"?????"

"Now, here's a nine that'll be just peachy-keen with your navy shoes. Perky, huh?"  
"Yes. Yes, it surely is that. But I don't think it's for me . . . Something about those SCU and Stanford banners on the jacket."  
"Oh?? Ohhh yeesss . . . I see what you mean. I guess we get a little carried away at football season."  
"Yes, I guess so."  
"Say, did you happen to notice that stunning black tweed in the window? It's *simply a must*, dah-ling. Let's go take a peek . . . alright?"  
"Miss er - er . . ."  
"I'm number 24."  
"Miss Twent . . . Er - Miss, I did see it, but I can't use black."  
"Oh, those *navy shoes*. You *could* use black accessories, you know."  
"But, I want to use navy!"  
"Well, in that case, why don't we slip on this little suit?"

"Oh yes, that's what I want. I'll try it." — "It's perfect. I'll take this one. Doesn't need a stitch of alteration."  
"It was just *made* for you, dah-ling!! You know, Paris and New York are *simply insane* about it."  
"Er - yes. Now if you just send it to Dorothy Down . . ."  
"Pardon me, dah-ling . . . someone is calling. Yes, I'm in here . . . Scuse me for a minute, won't you. I'll be right back." — "Dah-ling, you're just going to *hate* it! I'll ole me. Now, *guess* what I've gone and done!"  
"What?"  
"Well, it seems this suit was a special order for another customer. As a matter of fact, all those things I showed you have been sold. Now, wouldn't you know I'd go and do something *silly* like that. But don't you fret . . . You just sit right down here, and we'll find you something else, from the *right* rack this time. It just so happens that I have several imports that Italy is *simply* . . ."

"Miss! Miss, I've changed my mind. I believe I'll stick with my fitted suits that I bought last season. They're feminine and sorta flattering . . . and besides, California says they're *simply the most!*"  
Thus concluded my Fall shopping tour. One hour and twenty-seven minutes, all told . . . (End)

Group Plans All-Day Meeting

Women's Society of Christian Service will hold an all-day combination business meeting, luncheon, and afternoon program at the First Methodist Church today, beginning at 10:30 a.m. Mrs. John L. Taylor will speak on "World Federation" at the business meeting. Plans for the annual bazaar set for Nov. 4 will be discussed, and committees will report. Luncheon will be served. Theme of the afternoon program, which will begin at 1 p.m., is "Jesus Christ - The Way." Mrs. R. W. Bishop will give a short reading. Guest speaker is Mrs. Laurence Brown, Long Beach district president, who will talk on "The Fourth Assembly" which was held last May in Milwaukee. She will explain how ideas formulated at the assembly can work on a local level. Mrs. Sidney Gans will sing.

CARNIVAL PLANS

C. S. Connors is the chairman for the carnival sponsored by the Fern-Greenwood PTA, on Oct. 29, from 6 to 9:30 p.m. The affair will be held on the grounds of the Greenwood School.

The Social World  
...for and About Women



SERVING AS HOSTESS . . . at a recent luncheon of the El Camino College Faculty Wives were, left to right seated, Mmes. Stanley F. Wilson, John I. Hartley, and Clyde E. Mitchell. Standing are, left to right, Mmes. Forrest G. Murdock, in whose home the luncheon was held; Eugene F. Timpe, Merl F. Sloan, Holmes W. Smith, Donald H. Bradford, Fernand E. DeLoume.

El Camino College Faculty Wives Club Holds Recent Luncheon to Launch Social Season

Launching their 1954-55 social season, members of the El Camino college Faculty Wives' club met for a recent luncheon in the home of Mrs. Forrest G. Murdock, 3428 W. 80th St., Inglewood.

Assisting Mrs. Murdock as hostesses were officers of the organization, Mmes. Stanley F. Wilson, president; John I. Hartley, vice president; Fernand E. DeLoume, corresponding secretary and treasurer, and Gerald W. Brown, recording secretary.

Members of the hospitality committee also assisted. They were Mmes. Donald H. Bradford, W. Holmes Smith, Clyde E. Mitchell, Eugene F. Timpe, and Merl F. Sloan.

Special guests for the occasion were wives of new faculty members at the college this year. Mmes. Arthur N. Fillman, Irl C. Greer, Theodore A. Thomas, and Robert Patch. Fifty members enjoyed the outdoor luncheon in the Murdock gardens.

Among projects to be assumed by the organization this year will be the offer of assistance to foreign students enrolled at El Camino. Members will invite students into their homes and assist them to solve their problems while enrolled at the college. Foreign student representative for the clubs is Mrs. John McQuerry, retiring president of Faculty Wives.

Mrs. Dobson Heads Chapter

Gertrude Dobson was elected president of the Torrance Memorial chapter, American Gold Star Mothers, at the chapter's meeting Oct. 6 at the American Legion hall.

Elected to serve with her during the coming year were: Ruby Ashcraft, first vice-president; Ida Creighton, second vice-president; Ophelia Wilson, chaplain; Phyllis Hamilton, secretary; Violet Brooks, treasurer; Gertrude Lawrence, sergeant-at-arms; Edith Erbe, color guard; Opal Andrews, historian; Helen Smith and Regina Cunningham, ritual color bearers; and Regina Cunningham, publicity chairman.

COUNTRY FAIR THEME

The patio and parish hall of the St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 1432 Engracia Ave., will be the setting for the annual bazaar on Nov. 6, from 2 to 8 p.m.

The country fair theme will be carried out in the eight booths. Parcel post booth with packages from Florida, New York, and Texas which may be purchased. Parcels have been donated by members of the parish.

Woman's Club Slates Fall Fashion Show for Oct. 28

The latest in fashion by California designers will be shown at the fall fashion show sponsored by the Torrance Woman's club Oct. 28 at the civic auditorium. Luncheon at 12:30 p.m. will precede the fashion show. Miss Cleo Lambro will serve as coordinator and fashions will be modeled by professionals. Tickets for the affair may be purchased from Mrs. M. A. Bauman or at the auditorium Saturday, Oct. 23.

Background music for the show will be provided by Mrs. E. Brundin and Mrs. Toothaker. Commentator will be Mrs. Claude E. Ferrel.

Fashion show committee members are: Mrs. M. A. Bauman and Mrs. H. J. Osborne, tickets; Mrs. W. C. Boswell, publicity; Mmes. J. A. Eisenbrandt, A. R. Fiorcelli, and J. P. Montague, decorations; Mrs. R. Bingham, luncheon; Mrs. K. D. Figgins, dining room; Mmes. R. J. Rogers, L. Mitchell, W. I. Laughon, hospitality.



GETTING IN THE MOOD . . . for their Halloween dance to be held Saturday evening are these members of the Torrance JayCettes, from left, Mmes. Charles Herren, William Sturges, Joseph Banks and Ed Karlow. Harborlites orchestra will provide the dance music and guests will be in costume. Gala Halloween decorations will furnish the setting for the dance to be held in the Alan-Richard hall, 1931 W. Carson St.

Witches, Goblins Gather For JayCette Hallowe'en Dance

Witches, ghosts and goblins will decorate the Alan-Richard Hall, 1931 W. Carson St., this Saturday evening for the Torrance JayCettes' Hallowe'en dance to be held from 9 p.m. until 1 a.m. The Harborlites will provide music for dancing and guests will be in costume.

Mrs. Joseph Banks is in charge of the decorations for the affair. An electric pumpkin will adorn the entrance to the hall and balloons and pumpkins will hang from the ceiling. A big black cat will decorate the back drop at the bar and suspended from the ceiling will be the traditional witch riding her broomstick.

Mrs. William Hebestreit is dance chairman. She is being assisted by Mrs. Charles Herren, doorprizes; Mrs. William Sturges, refreshments; Mrs. Joseph Banks, decorations; Mrs. Howard Percy and Mrs. Fred Hansen.

CLUB TO ENJOY WELK ORCHESTRA

Members of Sobada Dance club received unique invitations, ornamented with champagne glasses, bubbles and musical notes for their regular dance this Saturday, at the Aragon Ballroom, Santa Monica.

Several dinner and cocktail parties are being planned, after which the members will sojourn to dance to the music of Lawrence Welk.

Committee members in charge of the affair are Messrs. and Mmes. Gilbert Dorouin, Frank Rogers, Mrs. Farrell and Frank Cavanaugh.



WORKING OUT DETAILS . . . are these members of El Nido PTA, who will stage their annual carnival on the grounds of the El Nido School, 4404 186th St., Saturday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. They are, from left, Mrs. Philo Mellor, Mrs. Frank Desher, Mrs. Paul Herring, Mrs. Harold Sexton, and Mrs. Glen Rusted, PTA ways and means chairman. Entertainment for all ages is promised.

Singers Will Give Recital

Nadine Nickol Singers will be presented in recital Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, at St. Andrew's Guild Hall. They will feature music from "La Boheme," "New Moon" and late popular numbers.

Students participating will be Mildred Arndt, Patricia Ciere, Ann Flanagan, Sandra Gish, Yvonne Graham, Mary Lou Hutchison, Edward Hutchison, Elizabeth Hedgecock, Shirley Hobson, Lee Hughes, Keith Kittrell, Ruth Ellen Larson, Tommy Larson, Phillip John Nickol, Leo Robertson, Rochell Scott Hudson, Dolores Smith, Deanna Shirley, Bill Szeff, Adoree Thom, Shirley Washburn, Janet Williamson, and Sharon Zupan.

Annual PTA Carnival Set for Saturday at El Nido School

An old-fashioned carnival, which has become a tradition at the El Nido school, will be staged this Saturday from 11 a.m. until 6 p.m. on the school grounds, 4404 186th St. under the sponsorship of the El Nido PTA. There will be fun and amusement for young and old with a variety of booths, games and all kinds of homemade foods. Supervising the serving of food will be the PTA council president, Mrs. Vera Wright playing the role of Aunt Jemima.

Juniors Hold YWCA Meet

Members of the Torrance Junior Woman's Club met last evening in the YWCA building at 2320 W. Carson St. for their regular monthly business meeting.

Highlight of the meeting was a tour of the building after which a program was given by the Y-Teens under the direction of Mrs. Robert D. Evans, junior representative.

Members brought decorations for the annual Children's Christmas Party. These were presented to Mrs. Sid Gans, decorations chairman for the event.

Old nylon hose and magazines were collected by Mrs. Harry Lewis, international relations chairman, during the business meeting.

"A Penny an Inch" (a penny an inch of waistline) was used as a ways and means project. Mrs. B. F. Townsend was chairman for this event.

Modern Dance To Be Studied By Y-Wives

An hour's session on modern dancing will be enjoyed by members of the Y-Wives tomorrow morning at their meeting to be held at the Torrance YWCA at 9:30 a.m. Conducting the session will be Miss Anne Douglas, dancing instructor.

At 10:30 a.m. the Handicrafters Hobby shop will have a representative bring materials available for purchase for future work. Women interested in starting a hobby such as flower making, ceramics, painting, jewelry making, and other interests are invited to attend this craft session and obtain material for their project.

Hostesses for the coffee hour are Mrs. William West and Mrs. C. Ellison. Special guests include Agnes Mosely, Vera Wright, Viola Klug, Sonnie Tomchak, Mary Webb, Sue Burk, Helen Amor, Adaline Cortez, Betty Mitchell, and Teo Cunningham.

Thursday evening, Oct. 21, a pot luck supper will be held at the YWCA building, 2320 Carson St. after which Myrtle Rockas of the Beauty Crest shop will give demonstrations in cutting and setting hair in the latest styles.

Octogenarian on First Visit Here

Frank Lundberg of Ottumwa, Ia., arrived last week-end to spend several weeks here with his granddaughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. John Wolfe, 22711 Linda Dr. This is the 85-year-old visitor's first trip to California. He is being entertained with extensive sightseeing trips, having spent last Monday in Hollywood.

Prizes for Youngsters

Other outstanding booths will be the plant shop, featuring all kinds of plants and shrubs, the parcel post booth, trombola booth, and a white elephant booth. In charge of the latter booth will be Mrs. Ella Killian and Mrs. Helen Deschler.

The El Nido PTA president, Mrs. Philo Mellor, will supervise the cakelation.

In the handicraft booth, hand-embroidered and hand-decorated aprons, pillow cases, toaster covers and other items will be offered.

To make the day complete for youngsters attending, there will be a clown on hand and every hour a cartoon movie will be shown.

Epsilons Are Given Talk On Skin Care

Tips on how to be "A Prize Package" provided a delightful program at the meeting of the Epsilon Sigma Alpha sorority held recently at the home of Martha Sherwood, 17204 Ardath Ave.

Adrienne Supplee and Evelyn Prentice of the "House of Hollywood" were in charge of the program. Miss Prentice of Gardena is the firm representative for the Torrance area. In her absence Miss Supplee, a Hollywood Epsilon, presented the informative lecture on the care of the skin and proper makeup. She pointed out that in order to be a "prize package" emotional stability, outlook, poise and good grooming were the essential steps.

Emphasizing that diet, too, was necessary, the speaker explained that persons with oily skin should avoid chocolates, spicy and fatty foods. She advised those with dry skins to maintain a diet of dairy products.

After the lecture the cosmetician gave facials to several members including Wills Lee Harris, Harriet Ryland, Paula Fuhrman, Carol Sue Jackson and Sara Sue Ward. After the facials, the proper use of make-up was demonstrated.

Yellow and blue corsages were presented to the president Winona Jackson and to each guest attending the meeting.