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Thoughts

Noting continuing comment on the "sack," "trapeze" and other severe styles in women's clothing, The HERALD inquiring photographer this week asked:

"Do women dress to please men or do they dress to please other women?"
The following replies show divided opinion:

Mrs. Ruth Shrum, 603 W. 215th St., president of the Torrance Business and Professional Women:
"Well, I dress to please men because I believe they are our severest critics. Most of the leading designers are men—not women."

Rose Craig, 4110 Carmen, realtor:
"I'd say they dress to please men. I believe that women might be interested in their impressions on other women, but for the most part just like to be appropriately dressed for men and women at all times."

Pearl Jacobs, 22004 Marlposa, realtor:
"Women generally dress to please men. Very few of the men seem to care for the new sack and trapeze dresses, so they won't stay in style long. You must please the men."

Jack Hammett, 3921 W. 171st St., U.S. Navy:
"Women dress to please women, psychologically. I feel the women are actually the vainer of the two sexes and like to keep up with their sex. This is especially true with the new styles which come along all the time."

Chris Salazar, 522 E. 221st aircraft worker:
"Women more or less dress to please women. Some, of course, dress with an eye to pleasing men, but for the most part it is a matter of keeping up with the Joneses."

Alfred S. Evans, 2762 Carson St., steelworker:
"There's no question about it—women dress to please other women. If the dress happens to please us men, so much the better, but it's the women who really count."

Postman Saves Tots In Path of Stray Car



ALIVE TODAY . . . These youngsters are alive today because of the actions of a local postman. Jerry Watson (left), Richard, Laura, and Susan Loebel inspect the car which narrowly missed crushing them. Postman Tom Nicholls spotted the driverless car careening down the hillside toward the youngsters and snatched the children to safety. (Herald Photo)

Grabs Toddler As Car Crashes

Four Torrance youngsters owe their lives today to a quick-thinking postman who scooped them up and out of the path of a wildly careening driverless car.

Postman Thomas Nicholls was making his appointed round on a hillside street in WALTERIA yesterday morning when he heard the brakes snap on a car.

Looking up, Nicholls saw the station wagon rolling at high speed down the hill directly toward four toddlers who were playing on the sidewalk.

Nicholls yelled at the youngsters to get out of the way then dashed into their midst, scattering them.

Scoops Up Child
Just as the car smashed a tree, broke over a small brick retaining wall and bounced up on the lawn within a few feet of where the children were playing, Nicholls scooped Jerry Watson, 4, in his arms and dashed to safety.

Richard, 5, Laura, 4, and Susan Loebel, 2, had run into the back yard at Nicholls' warning.

Mothers of the children, Mrs. David Watson, and Mrs. Richard Loebel, still shaken from the near tragedy, could not find enough words to thank Nicholls for his actions.

"He's always been so wonderful to the children . . . today when he started yelling at them, they could not understand what was wrong," Mrs. Watson said.

Saved Lives
"He saved the lives of our children," Mrs. Loebel declared.
Mrs. Bob Chandler, 2609 Brian Ave., whose house finally stopped the car and in whose yard the children were playing, had just called her child in the house when the accident occurred.

The other families all live on the same hillside . . . on Brian Ave.

And Postman Thomas Nicholls? What happened to him? Like all good postmen who can not be stayed by rain, nor sleet nor gloom of night, he continued his appointed rounds.

He did stop for an Alka-Seltzer first.

City to Continue Collection Of Trash With Its Own Crews

The city will stay in the rubbish pick up business, the council decided after a lengthy hearing into the matter this week.

Discussing the mounting costs of rubbish collection, the short projected life of the city dump, overtime, and the high delinquency rate on rubbish fee collection, the council decided that the city still could do the job at less cost to the taxpayers than it would be to farm it out to private collectors.

The council agreed to extend the program for at least 90 days and called for a comprehensive report on the chargeable costs of the collection at the end of that time.

Survey Cited
Presenting the results of a study of the problems to the councilman was Don Mansfield, assistant city manager. Mansfield outlined the history of the city's rubbish collection service—emphasizing the history since the Oct. 1, 1957, ban on backyard incinerator burning.

History of the city in using

Mental Health Talk Set by Noted Doctor

Dr. L. A. Alesen, past president of the California Medical Assn., will be the featured speaker at the monthly membership breakfast of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce at 7:30 a.m. on Tuesday at the YWCA.

Co-chairmen, Dr. Rodney Stetson and Keith Border, said Dr. Alesen's speech will be titled "Mental Robots," which deals with the pitfalls and dangers of the mental health program.

Dr. Alesen has a Bachelor of Science Degree and Doctor of Medicine Degree from the University of Illinois. He is a past chief of staff of the Los Angeles General Hospital and past president of the Los Angeles Surgical Society.

He is the inventor of the Alesen T-Tube to make stomach operations safer and the author of two books, "The Physicians Responsibility as a Leader" and "Mental Robots."

three-man truck crews compared to tests with two-man crews in other cities also was cited by Mansfield.

Delinquencies High
Delinquencies in collection fee payments was presented as a serious problem in some areas—namely the west central part of the city.

Citywide figures show an 18 per cent delinquency in single dwelling units, 17 per cent in multiple unit accounts; and a 3 per cent delinquency among commercial accounts.

Mansfield's figures indicated a net loss to the city of more than \$200,000 if the present program was continued. Several members of the council challenged his figures, saying he had placed the unit cost too high. Nick Draie asked for a cost per ton of rubbish breakdown as a more stable means of figuring the comparative costs with other cities.

Economy Gets Shot in Arm From Douglas

Local economy will get a "shot in the arm" tomorrow when employees of the El Segundo Division of Douglas Aircraft Co. take home an extra \$5,011,856 in annual vacation and sick leave pay.

Division Vice President-General Manager H. G. Hynd announced the sum is the area's share of some \$17,700,000 to be distributed to Douglas hourly employees throughout the United States. A total of \$15,076,084 will go to more than 52,000 men and women in Southern California alone, he said.

The El Segundo Division pay checks will be divided between 18,244 hourly employees—11,672 working at the El Segundo plant, 6437 at the Torrance facility, and 135 at the company's new final assembly and flight test facility at Palmdale.

The \$5,011,856 in vacation and sick leave benefits will be in addition to the division's normal weekly hourly and salaried payroll of \$2,220,899, Hynd disclosed. This means, he said, that a grand total of \$7,232,755 will be made available to the local economy in a single day.

City employees protested any consideration of putting the collection business into the hands of private operators.

John M. Simmons, chairman of a committee of city employees, presented a letter to the council stating that 13.5 per cent of the city employees outside the fire and police departments would be laid off if the city went out of the collection business.

Simmons cited the belief among employees that picking up the rubbish is a municipal job, and that under city operation, the job has been done with a minimum of complaints.

Reports requested by the council include a legal opinion on making delinquencies in the fees apply to the real estate so it can be included on the tax bill if necessary; closing the city dump to all but municipal operations; a review of the licensing ordinance to increase license fees of private contractors; and increasing supervision of the entire project.

Jointly Sponsored Dinner Planned by Local Councils

Community Chest-sponsored Welfare Planning Council and the Harbor District Mental Health Service in conducting the Mental Health Survey in the Harbor District.

The dinner is open to the public. Reservations may be made by phoning Mr. Reese McSwain.

School Election Candidates Give Views, Opinions

Nine candidates, including two incumbents, will vie for two positions on the Torrance Unified School District board of education in an election here next Tuesday.

Polls will be opened 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at most schools throughout the district.

Complete biographies, pictures and statements from candidates in the election can be found in today's HERALD on page 13.

Carson Civic Group Okays Library Site

It is the plan of the county library staff to close the two small branches, one on E. Carson St., and the other in Avalon Village, when the new branch is ready for use. A member of the library staff promised to give consideration to keeping the branch in Avalon Village open for an indefinite time pending further study. After the new branch is opened.

In another action of the Carson group, president Ray Wetzel was instructed to ask other interested groups to cooperate with the association in securing the completion of the Harbor Freeway to Pacific Coast Hwy. The freeway will pass through the Carson district.

The Carson Assn. first took similar action in this matter six months ago.

Harry Bowker President of Realty Board

Harry Bowker, operator of Bowker Realty in Lomita, has been named president of the Torrance-Lomita Board of Realtors to succeed Bob Haggard, who announced his resignation this week.

Changes in the board brought about by the shift in presidents include Ken Miller of Ken Miller Realty as vice president to succeed Bowker, and Roy Shaw added to the board of directors.

Lee Dawson of Alter Realty has been appointed to the post of California Real Estate Assn. director, succeeding Bowker.

Tenth May Festival This Week

A different facet of the community's art will be presented on each of the three days of the tenth May Festival of Arts this week end, sponsored by the South Bay-Torrance Civic Symphony. The festival will be presented in the Redondo Union High School auditorium.

Tomorrow, the display of paintings and other art will open the show for its three-day run. The show will be open from 2 p.m. until 10 p.m. tomorrow and Saturday, and from 2 p.m. until 6 p.m. on Sunday.

Highlighting the art presentations will be the noted collection of paintings by Stowitts, "The Golden Age of Ballet."

Saturday evening will be devoted to the ballet with an 8 p.m. program featuring "Caprice Espagnole," March from "Aida," and others.

A choral festival at 3 p.m. Sunday entitled "A Litany of Song" will be presented. A total of 10 choirs will participate.

Admission to all events of the May Festival is free, although reserved seats for the symphony-ballet program may be obtained at the door. Reservations may be made through Mrs. Alfreda Headley, 206 Ave. H, Redondo Beach.

Painful Pasteur Treatments in Offing for Lad

Unless the dog that bit Christopher Helland, 4609 Newton St., is found this week, the seven-year-old youngster will have to undergo the painful Pasteur treatment for rabies.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph C. Helland, parents of Christopher, said their son was bitten Saturday noon by the dog. Described as either a cocker or a water spaniel, the dog was black with some white coloring.

Last seen, the animal was headed toward the Walteria area and was dragging a long chain.

Anyone having further information concerning the dog should phone the health department or the Hellands immediately.



HE'S UNWANTED . . . Police Matron Maxine Hahn holds the three- or four-day-old, blue-eyed infant found abandoned Monday in the Nativity Catholic Church. The baby was taken to Los Angeles General Hospital, pending identification. (Herald Photo)

Unwanted Baby Left in Church

A mother abandoned her most precious possession Monday afternoon . . . a blue-eyed baby boy, only three or four days old.

The infant was found in an empty pew at the Nativity Catholic Church, 1447 Engracia Ave., by H. B. Schooler of Manhattan Beach.

Schooler, who had entered the church to say a prayer for his wife who is hospitalized next door, heard the whimpers of the child.

Church officials summoned by Schooler, notified Torrance juvenile department officials who picked up the infant and took him to the Torrance Memorial Hospital.

At the hospital, attendants changed the baby's diaper and soothed his cries, before transporting him to Los Angeles General Hospital.

Meanwhile, police are searching for the mother of the 6 pound, 11 ounce baby who was clad only in a ragged shirt and diaper and bundled in a faded white and blue receiving blanket.

No note was found with the infant. Juvenile authorities would like the name of the mother in order to facilitate adoption proceedings.

Public Hearing for Dairy Ban Scheduled

Public hearing on an ordinance which would abolish dairies in Torrance will be held by the city council June 10 at 8 p.m.

The controversial proposed law declares the city's 11 dairies to be public nuisances and orders them removed by Jan. 1, 1960, according to City Attorney Stanley Remelmeier.

The ordinance would prohibit the enlarging of any local dairy after July 1 of this year, and also provides the granting of individual time extensions at the discretion of the council.

Dairymen have indicated they will fight the adoption of the ordinance at the public hearing.

Stanley Vegas, spokesman for the dairymen, said the order to abandon the dairies would affect buyers of products sold at "cash-and-carry" retail stores operated here. He estimated 24,000 quarts of milk are sold here daily at dairy outlets which sell milk for about 2½ cents a quart less than other retailers.

Candidates to Meet North Torrance Voters

Candidates for the board of education election next Tuesday have been invited to appear before North Torrance residents at the Edison Elementary School tomorrow evening at 7:30 p.m.

The meeting has been arranged by the North Torrance Civic Improvement Assn. to give area voters a chance to meet those seeking election to the board.

Safe Crackers Failed

Yeggs who burned open a safe in the offices of the General Aluminum Co. near Crenshaw and Jefferson Monday night went away emptyhanded, police report. There was nothing in the safe, according to Det. Capt. Ernest Ashton, who investigated the matter.

ARE YOUR PARENTS NOT VERY BRIGHT?

Do you think your parents are too strict, too narrow-minded, and maybe not very bright? Do they want to know the life history of everyone you date? Have they no understanding of the problems you're battling? Believe it or not, parents respond to logic. In her new booklet, "How to Live With Your Parents," Ann Landers helps you to benefit from the experiences of the thousands of teenagers who confide in her. She may help you to judge when you have a valid complaint, and to put over your point without needling. For details on how to get this booklet, turn to Ann Landers' column on Page 6.



DR. L. A. ALESEN