

YOUR PROBLEMS

by Ann Landers

'She Urged Us, Keep Active and Busy . . .'

Dear Ann Landers: I'm a girl, 16, who would like to comment on that letter from another teenager who signed herself, "Living But Respectful." When her father died, her mother insisted that the whole family cut themselves off from all social life and entertainment.

Our dad died two years ago. Mom told us even before the funeral she wanted us to go ahead and do everything just as we did when dad was living. She urged us to carry out the same routines—to keep active and busy.

Mom never allowed us to feel sorry for ourselves. She impressed on us that we were luckier than most kids because we had a wonderful father for a short time, which is better than having a poor father for a long time. We know, too, that God gives us as many years as he wants us to have.

Our dad's memory is something we must strive to live up to. I, for one, can't see myself doing anything that would disappoint him.

—LIVING, TOO.

Dear Living, Too: Thank you for a beautiful and sensible letter. Your dad must have been a marvelous man. And you were doubly blessed because you have a wise and understanding mother.

Dear Ann Landers: I am 27 years of age—old enough to know better—but I didn't. I am expecting a baby in June by a man who is married. He gave me the old line about being separated from his wife and promised to get a divorce as soon as her health would permit it. I don't want to bore you with the story, Ann, it's the same one you must hear 20 times a day.

I bought myself a wedding ring at the time store and everyone at work thinks I am married to an Army officer who had gone overseas.

I know, legally, this man must support my child but I don't want anything from him. All I want is to use his name when I check into the hospital. I'd hate to go in under "Miss," and I'd die if they stamped the word "illegitimate" on the baby's birth certificate. Please help me.

—DUNCE CAP

Dear Friend: You may not use the man's name. It belongs to his wife. Make up another name, or put a Mrs. in front of your own. Moreover, the word "illegitimate" is no longer stamped on birth certificates regardless of circumstances.

If you want a list of the homes for unwed mothers in your vicinity send me a self-addressed, stamped envelope. I'd be glad to help you. That's what I'm here for.

Dear Ann Landers: Congratulations on your down-to-earth (Continued on Page 38)

Neighbors 'Warm' New Gates Home

Mrs. William Gates, who recently moved into her new home on Avenida Felicitana, San Pedro, was honored at a surprise housewarming given on Friday afternoon by her neighbors on Charlotte Drive and Mindora Street in Torrance.

The guests went in a group to the Gates home, taking refreshments and coffee. Mrs. Gates was presented with a potted gardenia for her new patio.

Attending were Meses. Betty Stillwell, Merle Enslay, Virginia Burkett, Erma Huntington, Billy Gaynor, Jordan Post, Virginia Guarena, Ella Dillon, Lorraine Sultanin and Jean Forseth.

Out-of-town guests were Mrs. da Merrithew of Maine, who is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. E. Dillon, and Mrs. E. Edwards of Chicago, who is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Gaynor.



IN A SPRING SETTING . . . Floral arrangements, to be used at the South Bay Gamma Phi Beta Alumnae benefit fashion show and luncheon Saturday in the Banbury room of the Plush Horse restaurant, are being discussed by, from left, Meses. Samuel Needham, Torrance; Thomas Day, Torrance; Fred Virgo, Torrance; William Bell, Palos Verdes, and Virgil Hawks, Hawthorne. Mrs. Richard Naulty will serve as mistress of ceremonies for the fashion event.

Funds For Scholarship

Alumnae Fashion Benefit Saturday

Gamma Phi Beta Alumnae and their guests will gather in the Banbury Room of the Plush Horse restaurant Saturday, at 11:30 a.m., for a social hour prior to luncheon and a fashion show. Proceeds from this year's spring benefit will be used to award a scholarship to a graduating senior from South High School, who will be attending a four-year accredited college or university.

Mrs. Robert Jani is serving as general chairman of the show, with Mrs. Richard Naulty as mistress of ceremonies. Fashions will be provided by a Hollywood Riviera shop.

Decorating for the affair will be supervised by Mrs. Thomas Day, chairman. Prizes are being handled by Mrs. Donald Kraatz and Mrs. John Hines in charge of tickets.

Mrs. Donald Barber is supervising the programs; Mrs. Donald Moses, reservations; and Mrs. Samuel Needham is handling the publicity.

For the past five years, this group has aided the South Bay School for Exceptional Children.

Mrs. Donald Kraatz, president, has announced that Mrs. John Hines may be called for ticket information and that any Gamma Phi Beta in the South Bay area, wishing more information

concerning the chapter, which meets the second Wednesday evening of each month, may call her.

On Northern Trip

Returning to Torrance Wednesday were Meses. Lillian Dunhouse, H. L. Mitchell, John Keefer and Flora Owens, who had been on an eight-day trip to northern California.

Mrs. Dunhouse visited her son in Chico, Mrs. Mitchell was guest of an aunt in Yuba City, Mrs. Keefer visited a friend in Sacramento, and Mrs. Owens was guest of her son in Chico.

From Uplands

Spending last Friday here with Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Dillon on Charlotte Drive were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Rhodes, their daughter, Mrs. Jean Hooker and daughters, Kathy and Peggy of Uplands.



JUDITH HESSER . . . Teacher to Wed (Austin Studio)

Miss Hesser Plans June Wedding

At a party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James D. Hesser, 2715 Gramercy Ave., on Feb. 22, the engagement of their daughter, Judith, to Joe J. Lopez, was announced.

The couple will be married June 21 at the Morningside Park Christian Church.

The future bride was graduated from Torrance High School in 1957 and Long Beach State College in 1962. She now teaches the fifth grade at Seaside School in Torrance.

Her fiancé, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jose J. Lopez of Compton, was graduated from Fremont High School in Los Angeles in 1951. He served with the United States Air Force during the Korean war and was graduated from Compton Junior College in 1959. At the college, he was a member of the Chi Gamma Iota fraternity.

Mr. Lopez is a liaison engineer with Hughes Aircraft.

Russell-Bowen Nuptials Recited in Long Beach

Honeymooning in Palm Springs are Mr. and Mrs. John R. Bowen, who were married in a 7:30 o'clock ceremony Saturday evening, March 2, at the Calvary Baptist Church in Long Beach. Mrs. Bowen is the former Miss Mary Ellen Russell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore H. Russell, 6802 California Ave., Long Beach.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Bowen, 1327 Post Ave., Torrance.

As the wedding guests assembled, a string ensemble played a background of nuptial music and accompanied Miss Betty Robinson who sang "I Believe" and "I Love You Truly" in arrangements by the bridegroom.

On the arm of her father, the bride approached the altar wearing a floor length gown of Viennese lace fashioned with a fitted bodice, small collar and long pointed sleeves. A pearl princess tiara held the waist-length lace-edged veil and the bride carried a bouquet of white orchids and roses.

Miss Shirley Ann Russell, in blue taffeta, was the maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Mrs. Laurie Russell and Miss

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JUDY COMBS . . . Accepts Ring

Announce Daughter's Engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Combs, 2583 Maricopa St., announce the engagement of their daughter, Judy, to James Fluhrer, son of Mr. and Mrs. James P. Fluhrer, 3533 Eldorado Ave.

Aug. 17 has been set as the wedding day.

The bride-elect was a member of the June 1962 graduating class at Torrance High school. She is employed by the Pacific Telephone Co. in Los Angeles.

Her fiancé was graduated from Torrance High in 1959 and attended El Camino College. He is employed by Lucky Stores, Inc.

Group Attends Flower Show

Several members of the Torrance Terrace Garden Club and guests went in a group Wednesday to Farmer's Market for lunch and on to the Pan Pacific auditorium to attend the International Flower Show.

Making the trip were Messrs. and Meses. Homer Davis, Ralph Crook; and Meses. A. C. Turner, Fred Sandstrom, Marie Shanahan, and H. L. Hartley.

Auxiliary Will Meet Tonight

Harbor View Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Assn. Unit 217 will meet this evening at 8 p.m. at Upland Hall, 1125 S. Gaffey St., San Pedro. Mrs. Earl Rush, vice president, will preside in the absence of the president, Mrs. Tava Miekley.

Mrs. Harry Setzer is in charge of the social hour.



A TOUCH OF ERIN . . . Shamrocks, leprechauns and pixies will be much in evidence in the International ballroom at the Thunderbird Hotel, Saturday evening, March 16, when the South Bay Pharmaceutical Assn. and Auxiliary stage their annual Shamrock Ball benefit. Working on decorations for the dinner dance are from left, Meses. P. S. Aspen, Douglas Ingle and Ralph Rector.

For Pharmacy Scholarship Fund

'Shamrock Ball' Set Eve of St. Pat's Day

Their annual "Shamrock Ball" dinner dance will be staged by the South Bay Pharmaceutical Assn. and Women's Auxiliary Saturday evening, March 16, in the International Ballroom of the Thunderbird Hotel in El Segundo.

Guests will gather for the social hour at 7 p.m. and dinner will be served at 8:30 p.m. Dancing to the music of the Henry Miranda orchestra will be enjoyed until 1 a.m.

Mrs. Robert A. Sherrill, president of the Women's Auxiliary, announces that all proceeds from this event will go to the Pharmacy Scholarship Fund, which assists worthy pharmacy students in completing their necessary education. Pharmacy is now a six-year course. Two students at the University of Southern California are being sponsored at this time.

Reservations are being handled by Mr. Ed Lalonde, president of the men's association, as well as Meses. R. A. Sherrill and C. E. Brauer of the auxiliary. The reservation deadline is March 12. Committees working on this

Calendar for Council Given

Mrs. Mike Marinovich, president of the Women's Council of the St. Philomena Church, has announced a bake sale by the St. Catherine Guild for Sunday, March 10. Chairmen are Meses. Burton McPherson and John Geerer.

The council will hold social meetings on March 14 and 28 at 8 p.m. at the school hall.

On March 17, a dime-a-dip pot luck supper will be held at the school hall and the general council meeting is scheduled for March 25.

Mrs. Mullin, Pioneer, Marks 91st Birthday

Mrs. Annie Mullin, 1323 Cota Ave., who remembers when Torrance had a population of 250 people and the only grocer in town was Jack Isen, father of the present mayor, Albert Isen, celebrated her 91st birthday last Sunday with family members and close friends.

Mrs. Mullin and her late husband, Arthur Mullin, with their four children, came to Torrance in 1916 from Canada.

The children are Mary, Edna, and Katherine of Torrance, and a son, W. T. Mullin of Downey.

Mrs. Mullin has a granddaughter, Mrs. Patricia Mullin Miller of Canoga Park and three great-grandchildren.

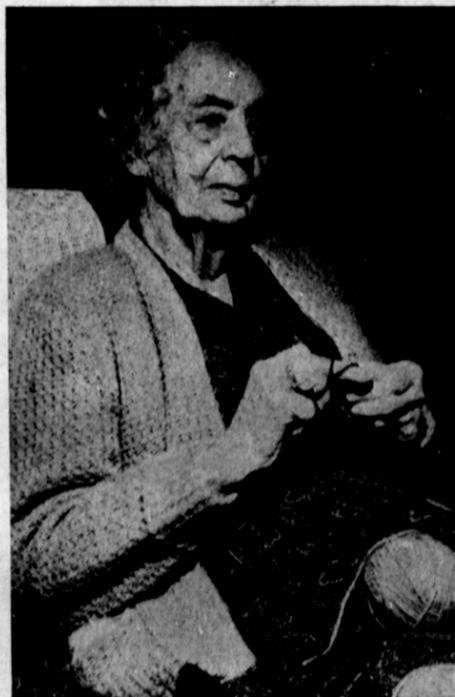
Mr. Mullin owned the "Mullin Service" including the Oldsmobile agency, which was located at 1885 Torrance Blvd., where the Rambler agency is now.

Among the first Catholics in the vicinity, the family members would attend mass in homes and would drive to Gardena or other surrounding towns to import a priest for Sunday services. The Mullins were instrumental in the building of the Nativity parish hall where services were conducted until 1938 when the Nativity Church was built.

The Mullin children attended a one-room school on Cabrillo, along with 25 other students. To get to school they walked through bean fields.

Last Sunday, neighbors, long-time friends and family shared the birthday cake and other refreshments with the nonagenarian.

Making the day brighter for Mrs. Mullin was the presence of her nephew and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Fitzgerald of Canada, who are spending the winter in California.



MRS. ANNIE MULLIN . . . Came to Torrance in 1916