

ANN LANDERS



She Weds Fashion Plate

Dear Ann Landers: When I started to date I wouldn't consider going with anyone who wasn't at least five feet ten, well-built and handsome. I made fun of the boys who were a little too fat or a little too thin. If a fellow's nose was too big or his teeth weren't straight, he was automatically off my list.

A boy's clothes were important, too. If he didn't look like a fashion model I wouldn't consider being seen with him. My mother warned me that I was making a big mistake, but I wouldn't listen. I made fun of her, too. Guess what happened? I married the best looking, best-dressed fellow in town. All the girls were green with envy. Our wedding pictures were great.

We now have five children. My handsome, well-dressed husband never takes me any where, not even to church. I haven't eaten in a restaurant for three years. He prefers to go places alone.

I am disgusted and fed up, but I am determined to keep our marriage together. This rotten husband happens to be a good father.

Please warn the girls out there in Dateland not to pass up the short, homely fellows. I'm sorry I didn't have sense enough to grab one for myself. —SUSAN

Dear Susan: You're so right. Marrying for looks is a lot like buying wax fruit. You can starve to death looking at it.

Dear Ann Landers: Our son is having a fifth birthday party in a few weeks. The problem is that the mothers always bring their children and sit around as if the party were for them.

I know from experience that young children behave much better when their mothers are not around. Our home is very small and it would be so much easier for me if the mothers did not stay.

If I come right out and tell them how I feel, will they be angry and perhaps retaliate by not allowing their children to come? What shall I do? —J.B.B.

Dear J.B.B.: Be frank. When you speak to a mother ask her to drop her child and leave him in your care. And you can sweeten the situation by arranging to take the children home when the party is over.

Dear Ann Landers: I am an 18-year-old girl who is in love with the most wonderful guy on earth. I know he is the man I am going to marry. The problem is his mother. I've worked like a dog to get on her right side but she hates me.

Three months ago he dropped me to please her, but we got back together again. His mother doesn't know we are dating and he can't bring himself to tell her.

My boy friend is 20 and I think it is crummy that we have to sneak around behind his mother's back. Tell me what to do.—INVISIBLE INK

Dear Ink: Stop seeing this fellow. If he doesn't have the courage to tell his mother he is dating you, he will never find courage to marry you.

Go with others and tell him he is free to do the same. If he loves you he will come back. And if he does come back, make sure his mother knows it or you'll waste some mighty precious years.

Do you feel ill at ease... out of it? Is everybody having a good time but you? Write for Ann Landers' booklet, "The Key to Popularity," enclosing your request, 25 cents and a local address, stamped envelope.

College Picks Dr. Shery To Serve on Convocation

Kurt T. Shery, M.D., member of the Torrance Board of Education and a prominent Torrance physician, has been invited to serve on the Casa Loma College Convocation, it revealed the invitation had

'Singing Nun' to Appear During Benefit Barbecue

Sister Germaine Habjan, Knights of Columbus, Bert L. Gagnon of 5014 Newton St. is president of the group. Rudy C. Wittal, 4607 Hallison St., is general chairman of the event, which will be held at the "Boys Town of the West," 21000 Plummer St., Chatsworth, from 11:30 a.m. until 3 p.m.



INSTALL OFFICERS... Newly elected officers of the Riviera Senior Citizens Club were seated during a regular meeting of the club held last week at El Retiro Park. Pictured following the installation are (from left) Mrs. L. E. Abbott, elected to her third term as treasurer; Mrs. Henry R. Kelley, vice president; Mrs. Paul Whitcomb, retiring president; Mrs. Coralye Swan, new president of the club, and Mrs. Mary F. Toombs, elected secretary. The club meets each Friday at El Retiro Park. (Press-Herald Photo)



AT CHAPEL... The cast of "Rattle of a Simple Man," now playing at Chapel Theatre, 4164 W. Pacific Coast Hwy., is pictured in a scene from the play. Pictured are (from left) Fran Ward as Cyrenne, Duke Schneider as Percy, and John Chilton as Richard. Performances are scheduled through May 7 at the theatre. Tickets may be reserved by calling the box office.

'Rattle of Simple Man' An Audience's Delight

The newest success on the little theater circuit is now playing in Torrance at Chapel Theatre, where Charles Dyer's play, "Rattle of a Simple Man," is on stage.

There isn't much of a plot to this rather simple comedy, which deals with a single night in the life of a 39-year-old mama's boy. On this particular night, being spent in London, the star — Percy — pays a visit to the basement flat of Cyrenne, a prostitute.

Percy, very inexperienced in such matters, offers to bet with a friend that he'll go home with Cyrenne. He becomes a little wary of the whole situation once inside Cyrenne's flat, setting the stage for some fine comedy.

Schneider, a Redondo Beach resident and veteran Chapel performer. Schneider's characterization is nothing short of perfect—down to the Manchester accent which he sustains for some three hours without a mistake.

As Cyrenne, Fran Ward is both charming and convincing. Her beguiling portrayal of this difficult role is pure delight.

John Chilton is perfectly cast for his brief appearance on stage as Richard, Cyrenne's holler-than-thou brother, come to fetch her from her life of shame. The brief scenes between Cyrenne and Richard are tense and effective.

DIRECTOR Fred West has carefully staged the play to reveal every emotion as two outwardly happy people confront each other—only to reveal to each other, and to themselves, just how lonely they really are.

Registration Open for Day Camp

Registration is now open for the Gardena Christian School summer enrichment day camp program which will begin June 19 and continue through Aug. 25.

The program will include remedial study, arts, crafts, recreation, field trips, swimming, and films.

The planned program will be from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. but services will be available for working parents from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. without extra charge.

Basic cost for the program is \$10 for the first child of a family and decreases for two or more in the family.

Palmer and is especially interesting because it does not compete with the characters for attention. Ed Linakey rates special mention for his light design.

"Rattle of a Simple Man" is pure delight for the audience. It will play through May 7 with performance on Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays. It is, however, an "adult" comedy, so call the babysitter. —J.R.

Pack 785 Names New Cubmaster

The March pack meeting of Cub Scout Pack 785-C was held in the parish hall at St. Catherine Labourer Church.

Newly elected cubmaster Ken Roberts presented a program on tools and their uses and a nail driving contest was conducted. Winners of the contest were Mike Engles, Ralph Engleman, and Paul Reis.

Danny Harrigan was selected as the Cub of the Month. Awards were presented to: Daniel Biscan, Wolf badge, gold arrow, and two silver arrows; Gary Satterlee, gold arrow; Mike Engles, two silver arrows; Mark Garby, silver arrow and Denner stripe; Steven Smith, assistant Denner stripe.

Other awards were received by: Chris Lynch, one-year pin; Eddie Rhoads, gold arrow; and Michael DePrez, wolf badge.

Greg Anderson, Barry Croxen, Dan Gleason, Tom Satterlee, and Eddie Urban received Wabeco badges and Randy Roberts, John Graves, Ray Curtin, and Mark Lackyard were inducted into the pack as Bobcats.

Unruly 11-Year-Old Boy Strikes Back at Mother

Many times in my columns I have commented that American mothers seem to have children merely to use them as an excuse for their own laziness. "I can't find the time for my husband — I have children now, you know," is the Number One excuse. Some mothers write me asking what to do with their children, and in many cases I'd like to tell them what they can do with them, as

COUNT MARCO

I will with the one who wrote:

"Dear Count Marco: I am interested in knowing if when a mother raises an 11-year-old boy she should not be anything to him like a companion or play children's games with him. He is out of hand because when I hit him he hits me back. He's lousy in school too. He is a refined looking child and gets along swell socially. But he uses bad words, is mean to me and hits me back when I hit him. He is about a head shorter than I am. I can still handle him physically but it takes a lot of strength on my part. Can I correct this myself at his age? Please help me by telling me how to handle this situation, please." —B.V.

I'd suggest you knock his brains out except that it is obvious he doesn't have any. Next time he swings at you be diplomatic. Kneel him in the groin, and when he doubles up give him a judo chop across the back of the neck, all the time remembering that the family that swings together stays together.

For bad measure, here is a charming note you must read.

"Dear Count. I've never written to a jerk before so I thought I'd write and tell you what I think of you. I think you're a sex maniac. I think your advice can go to hell. You're a bad influence on everybody. I'd like to throw you right out this country. I would like to know what awful mistake did the United States do to get you. You're such a jerk it isn't even funny. I think you're wrong about the wife giving her husband a bath. That's just like painting a nude picture of your mate." —INNOCENT

Painting a nude picture of your husband is not just like giving him a bath. Oil and water don't mix, you know. Next time try soap, and while you're at it, wash your mouth out too.

You can't beat statistics — especially involving motherhood. "Marco, I feel sorry for you. I can prove it — a man never had anything if it wasn't for a woman, you DOG. A man wouldn't have a thing, you slob. What do you mean a woman don't do anything for husband. I scrub, wax floors, make beds, wash dishes, clean shelves, clean garage, wash clothes, iron, darn clothes, cook, vacuum, clean stove, ice box, work in the yard, do the shopping in four hours and I have triplets besides which my doctor told me happens once out of about 800,500 times, so I know what I'm doing. I'd like to smack your ugly face."

Imagine that, 800,500 times. When in the world did you find time to do all that housework you're bragging about I'd like to know.

Press-Herald Sunday Crossword

(Answer on Page B-3)

ACROSS

- 1—Belongs to the vicar
- 7—Greek letter
- 10—Boulder
- 11—Black Sea peninsula
- 12—Expand
- 13—Tolans
- 14—Hebrew letter
- 15—Apoor
- 16—Departing unit ship
- 17—Loyd Register
- 18—Headless
- 19—The dill
- 20—Fugitive from Soviet Russia
- 21—The linden
- 22—Fores (pl.)
- 23—Wanted room only
- 24—Greenland Salome costume
- 25—Wing
- 26—Japanese measure
- 27—Symbol for zinc
- 28—Link of an animal
- 29—Talk informally
- 30—Eagle's nest
- 31—Church officials
- 32—Nursing surveying nail
- 33—To estimate
- 34—Seat for gathering
- 35—Directed
- 36—Puts up poster stanch
- 37—Translated
- 38—Of old times; poetic
- 39—Scientific name
- 40—Verbal noun
- 41—To aid
- 42—Frog
- 43—Olivine
- 44—Playwright
- 45—Daisy of Kaffir warriors
- 46—To be composed of
- 47—Sentimental fear
- 48—Roman arena
- 49—Ponders
- 50—Whorly
- 51—Reduces in thickness with tongue
- 52—Tentative date
- 53—Form of "as is"
- 54—Weight of India

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- 1—A suburbic
- 2—Wife
- 3—Prominent
- 4—Characteristic of the cow
- 5—Fruit
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- 10—American Indians
- 11—In opposition to
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