# ANN LANDERS

#### **Better Drop It, Buster**

Dear Ann Landers: Next door to us lives a divorced woman with her 16-year-old son. The problem is hers, but I'd like to do something about it if you say I should. My wife says. "Stay out of it."

The boy started to wear his hair very long about six months ago. Last week I was shocked to see that his hair had been dyed from a dark brown to a golden blonde. Also, he must have had a permanent because it was very wavy. This morning the boy was sitting on the front porch and seemed to be wearing a dress. I couldn't believe my eyes so I walked over to talk to him and, sure enough, it was a blue cotton jumper with lace on the pockets.

He said nothing about his outfit and neither did I. Don't you agree that I should report this to the 'authorities? Please advise. - NOT SURE

Dear Not: I can't imagine to what "authorities" you are considering making a report, but I suggest you drop the matter because there is no law against a boy wearing whatever he wants to on his own front porch-or anywhere else, provided he doesn't create a public nuisance. I don't know if the lad is a homosexual or a transvestite and neither do you. So take your wife's advice and mind your own business, unless he asks for help one day, in which case I hope you will suggest counseling. ٠ . 2.

Dear Ann Landers: I was very happy to see the sound advice you gave to the woman who signed herself "Need A Boost." She wanted to know if it was all right to take pep pills that had transformed her cleaning lady from a dragged out slow poke to a veritable ball of fire.

My sister worked full time as a waitress while raising four active children. She did all her own housework and laundry and even kept up the yard. I asked her many times how she managed to do so much and she said, "Pep pills. I couldn't get through the day without them." I pleaded with her to take it easy. I begged her to get help in the house (her husband could well afford it), but she said: "No, every dime we don't have to pay out is money we can spend on our children."

The children are now grown and on their own. My sister is in a mental hospital. She is only 58 years old but she looks 80. She weighs less than 100 pounds and doesn't recognize any of use when we come to visit her.

The first question the doctor asked when she collapsed was, "Has she been taking any pills that you know of?"

My sister, unfortunately, acquired the pills from a "friend," without the knowledge of her phsician.

Please print this story for the benefit of others 

Dear C.M.: Here's your letter and my thanks for the personal documentation. I repeat: No medication of any kind should be taken without the approval of a physician. A pill that saved someone's life could end yours.

If you have trouble gotting along with your parents you can't get them to let you live your own life, send landers booklet, "Bugged hy Parents" How to Get Mi dom." Send 50c in coin with your request and a long, self-addressed envelope. Ann. Landers will be glad to help you with your problems send them to ber in care of the Press-Herald, enclosing a stamped self-addressed envelope (C) 1967, Publishers Newspaper Syndicate



ADMIRE TROPHY . . . Pam Oliver and Richard Epstein, North High students, show trophy which they have just won in national competition to Lehr Mush-rush (at right), speech coach at the school. Miss Oliver and Epstein will rep-resent the West Los Angeles region in the National Speech Contest, to be held in Nashville, Tenn., June 19 through 26. This marks the third time a North High debate team has won the National District Qualifying Championship.

### Saxons То Кеер Trophy

A pair of North High School debaters has qualified to compete in the National Speech Contest to be held in Nashville, Tenn., June 19 through

Representing the West Los Angeles region in the nation-wide event will be senior Pam Oliver and junior Richard Ep-stein, who have just won first place in the National District Qualifying Championships. The trophy, which is award ed each year to the top team's school, will remain at North permanently because this is the third time a North High eam has captured it.

IN 1962 and 1963 the tro phy was won by Bud Baum garten and Mike Jones, who placed 20th in the nation in '62 and fifth in the nation in '63. Also representing North High in the national contest was Maureen Bereskin, who won national district qualify ing champion honors in origi nal oratory in 1964.

PLAN HOLIDAY . . . Duke Schneider, as Percy, and Fran Ward, who portrays Cyrenne, discuss plans for a holiday during a scene from "Rattle of a Sim-ple Man." Chapel Theatre is presenting the play weekends through May 6. Curtain is 8:30 p.m. Fri-day and Saturdays and 8 p.m. Sundays and reserva-tions may be made through the theatre box office.

Work Scheduled on West High Facility

A construction contract for the six, was \$79,000 above the ed to the general costs of school buildings with "de-istration building was award. Frank L. Mattox, assistant mands for fire-rated construc-

istration building was award ed by the Board of Education Monday night to Coy Atkins of Los Angeles. Atkins submitted a low bid of \$424,000 for the project. Six firms submitted construc-tion bids. Award of the contract had been delayed for two weeks when the bids were first materials, and rising 1 ab or considerably higher than the by architects for the project. ATKINS Low bidd y architects for the project. HE ALSO told the board weeks, Mattox said. Comple-ATKINS, low bidder among that state agencies have add tion is due next January.



## **Supervisors Get Report On Storm Drain Projects**

County supervisors have|trict Chief Engineer Walter J.|included in the 1964 program received and filed a report Wood in answer to a Board not the status of the 1958 and 1964 storm drain bond issue Chace said the report shows Chace said. Of these, 28 per 1964 storm drain bond issue programs, Supervisor Burton W. Chace said today. Chace said to report shows chace sh bids. The rundown was prepared in the 1958 program have under the direction of Dis-been received for processing. in the 1958 program have bus. been received for processing. In construction funds, Of these, 96 per cent or 176 \$25,000,000 out of a total al-projects of 184 have been ad-location of \$194,000,000 has been spent or committed to

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#### **Police** Week Proclaimed For County

A REVIEW of the over-all County Supervisors, on the County Supervisors, on the status of the 1958 program-motion of Burton W. Chace, both regular and supplemen-have proclaimed May 14-20 as police Week in recognition of the county's thousands of law turned in for processing, and 1964 bond issues, plans for

Peace Officers Memorial Day Dollar-wise, a total of \$157, gineer for unincorporated ter-in honor of officers who died 291,000 of a total construct ritory. forcing the law.

"Every effort should be made to honor the men and women who risk their lives to

citizens," Chace said.

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### **Engineer** Named

Fatties Raise Count's Wrath

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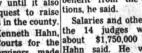
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plans for half the projects Chace said. committed.

### safeguard the rights and free-doms of Los Angeles County GOP Leaders Sees Vote The scroll proclaiming Po-ree Week will be presented I- 46th as Reagan Win

The special primary elec-will face J. O. Lee Solomon, tion for the 46th Assembly Democrat candidate, in ballot ty. The nonprofit corporation District held last week has ing slated for May 9.

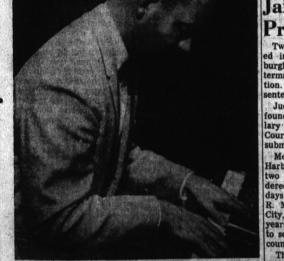
ty. The nonprofit corporation been hailed as a "thundering motion of National Police Week and of the image of law enforcement agencies. This is another significant step forward for the Republi-can party," Soderstrom said. (This is another significant step forward for the Republi-can party," Soderstrom said. (This is another significant step forward for the Republi-can party," Soderstrom said. (This is another significant step forward for the Republi-can party," Soderstrom said. (This is another significant step forward for the Republi-can party," Soderstrom said. (This is another significant step forward for the Republi-can party," Soderstrom said. (This is another significant step forward for the Republi-can party," Soderstrom said. Speaking at a leadership meeting in the 46th District, Soderstrom said Republica.



Other trophies won by Hahn Seeks Delay in recent qualifying district event were: Rita Reis, humor-

event were: Rita Reis, numor-ous interpretation, fifth place trophy; Sheila Levy, extem-poraneous speaking, fifth place; Richard Epstein, boys' The State Legislature has such as law suits, divorces, been asked to withhold action on a request for 14 additional Superior Court judges for Los Angeles County until it also benefit from the court ac-Promotion of Del C. Shin

**State Vote on Judges** 



IN CONCERT . . . Dr. Robert Haag, a music instruc-tor at El Camino College and newly named coordina-tor of community services, will be featured Sunday at 3:30 p.m. in the fourth and final concert of a series of chamber music programs. The Scheenfeld Sisters —Alice and Eleanore—will appear on the program. The concert is scheduled in the Campus Theater. Tickets are \$1.50 per person.

Superior Court judges for Los Angeles County until it superior court filing fees in the county. Lehr Mushrush.
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Judge Bernard Lawler found the trio guilty of burg-lary March 16 in Superior Court after the matter was submitted to him. nitted to him.

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Merwyn A. Sargeent, 24, of Harbor City, was placed on dered to serve the first 186 days in the county jail. Frank R. Millard, also of Harbor City, was placed on three years probation and ordered to serve the first year in the county jail. The third man, Carl p. Broekshire, 18, of 1341 W Carson St., was ordered to ap pear Friday for probation and sentencig. The trio was arrested last February by Torrance police investigating several burglar-ies in the Torrance area.

How is a fat woman like a steam locomotive?

They both snort loudly shake, rattle and roll, wheeze and shriek horribly. Both are usually in black, the locomotive covered with paint, the fat woman in basic black with pearls.

You poor dear fatties, don't you know that if you're fat you'll look just as fat in black as you will in any other col-or? Fat is fat and thin is thin.

All of this introduces my objection for the day. The idiotic remark that "everybody loves a fat person" 'must undoubtedly have been orig inated by an unloved fat woman to hide not only her own blubber but her laziness well. If the tent fits, my dears, wear it.

Hove you ever noticed how much louder a fat woman is than her slimmer sisters? And, mon Dieu! How fat women laugh—long, hard and loudly! It seems obnoxious-ness and obesity go together.

You insecure oversized women know in that heart buried deep in the mountain of you that fate decrees, "laugh, clown, laugh." I have no sympathy for you

who stretch beyond the bounds of common obesity. And don't make excuses to me, I've heard them all-how you have tried diets but haven't found a successful one, how dieting makes you so nervous your femily life and friends insist you stay fat, how your husband likes you so fat, and finally that overworked excuse. "I suffer from glandular trouble."

The medical world has made fantastic strides in the reduction of obesity It is a rare case indeed that can't be reduced to humanity and very few of you are that rare, indeed.

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