## ANN LANDERS



## Why Not Get Smart?

Dear Ann Landers: You must be cracking up. Your answer to the girl whose boy friend left her flat when she told him she was pregnant was the last straw. What makes you think ALL boys are heels and will run out on a girl when she is in

Three months ago the same thing happened to me. I thought I was pregnant and told my boy friend. He was just wonderful. He said, "Don't you worry about a thing, honey. I will give you \$100 and arrange for a first-class abortion."

It turned out that I was not pregnant. But I wanted you to know that my boy friend came through like a perfect gentleman. I dare you print this. — GEMINI.

Dear Gem: How lucky can you get — a great boy friend who was willing to give you \$100 and let you risk your life in the hands of some butcher — and then you weren't even pregnant! Why don't you get smart before your luck changes?

Dear Ann Landers: Our daughter, now 21, at-ded a morning wedding recently. Sherri left the se at 10 a.m. She said she might be home "a

house at 10 a.m. She said she might be home. As the hours went by — midnight, 2 a.m., 3 a.m., 4 a.m. — my husband and I became worried. By 8 o'clock the following morning we were frantic. We telephoned one of Sherri's girl friends to learn when our daughter was last seen. The girl said Sherri and her boy friend, Carl, and two other couples had left the wedding celebration before midnight. They said they were going into town to dance.

dance.

My husband called the others, only to learn that they had dropped off Sherri and Carl at 2 a.m., where he had parked his car. We then phoned Carl's parents and learned that he hadn't been home all night either.

At 9 a.m. Sherri telephoned to say she and Carl were at his parents' house having breakfast. She was furious with us for calling all over town to locate her. She says a girl who is going on 22 years of age should not need to account for her whereabouts and that we humiliated her.

I would like to add, the girl is living at home and we are supporting her. What are your views?

—TORONTO.

Dear Toronto: My views are that you have a very inconsiderate, self-centered daughter who ought to be told in no uncertain terms that, regardless of her age, as long as she lives with you, she has an obligation to let you know where she is.

Of course, it's awkward for a young lady to telephone her parents and say "I am spending the night with my boyfriend," which was her real hang-up. But that's another letter, my friends.

Confidential to A House Divided: I am with you, Mother. A knuckle sandwich is no solution for trouble with a 16-year-old boy who has been sassy and rebellious since knee-pants. He needs guidance from someone outside the family. I hope he gets it—and soon. Call Family Service. They provide superb counseling service.

Ann Landers will be glad to help you with your problems. Bend them to her in care of the Press-Herald, enclosing a long, asif-addressed, stamped sevelops. Sevelops a Syndicate (c) 1897, Publishers Newspaper Syndicate.

## Hire 40-Plus Worker Week' Begins Tomorrow



## **Tighter Bail Bond System Saves** Taxpayers \$1 Million Each Year



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WORKING in close cooperation with the County Clerk's office, the County Clerk's new policies have resulted in the Superior Court from Ball bond forfeitures to rise from \$81,801 in 1985 to \$224,953 in 1986.

A similar program in the Municipal Court has caused revenues to rise from \$288, 146 in 1985 to \$312,901 in 1986.

# An increase in revenue of \$100 per day was recognized in a single division of the Municipal Court and Hahn indicated that if applied to every Superior and Municipal Court in the county this procedure could result in over \$1 million annually in revenue. As Heroes As Heroes Capitol News Service SACRAMENTO — Govern Ronald Reagan has nomina from the county of the county californians for evenue.

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## New Licensing System Proposed for Marriage

While I have previously maintained that the issuance of marriage licenses should be changed to offer 1, 5, 10 and 20 year plans, with renewal options at end of each cycle for the husband, a famous woman anthropologist proposes instead one license but two kinds of marriage.

riage.
Couples would have to make a choice between "parental" and "individual" marriages. Those

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deciding too hastily on the parental version might be faced with something akin to a life sentence. First they would have to undergo a series of examinations, probably with the help of one of today's monster electronic marvels of snoopiness, to see if they were fit to be parents and compatible enough to stand each other for the long miles ahead.

Once the cards were punched and the match approved, the couple would swear to do their utmost to bring children into the world and be good parents:

Divorce would be automatically out of the question, or at least until the children were no longer

The individual type marriage, on the other hand, would be a pick-a-quickie thing.

Individual marriage would be a sort of wifely apprenticeship to give youth "experience and dig-

nity," the anthropoligist claims.

With birth control almost a certainty, "individualists" would tainty, "individualists" we ulta merely try each other out and, if at the end of the first year one or the other—or both—were dissatisfied, disillusioned or dis-gusted, each would be free to apply for a quickie divorce and try, try again. No nasty bicker-ing, no outlandish property set-tlements, and no alimony.

Can a woman who has been an "individualist" for a number of years be salvaged eventually to become a producer in the "parental" group?

Critics see defeat in such a pro-posal, particularly in the individ-ual marriage plan, because such marriages would always carry the stigma of being a sort of poor relation setup. No fancy wedding, no bridesmaids, no honeymoon, no nothing.

The critics say no woman wants to start her marriage off in a second-rate category. Whether she plans on lasting a lifetime with one or to take the hurdles with many, she still wants a big, fancy wedding with all the trimmings.

If she doesn't, one complainer noted, then the stores selling wedding merchandise do, and their public outcry against "instant" marriages would defeat the proposal before it could get to the slot machines. I think he's right. But it was such a good idea.

## Press-Herald Sunday Crossword

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Shake with cold
Tomb of a saint (pl.)
Monopoly
Student at West