

ANN LANDERS



Go Ahead, Ask Him

Dear Ann Landers: I am an officer in Job's Daughters and we are having a big dance in a couple of months. I want to ask Chuck, who is one of the nicest, most mannerly fellows in the whole school. All the kids are crazy about him. I was very surprised when my mother told me I should not ask him because it might injure my reputation. Chuck lives in a foster home and this is what my mother has against him. She says all kids in foster homes have parents who aren't married, or they are alcoholic, or in jail, or they don't want the kids. According to her, the family is trash no matter how you look at it. Is she right? I am just sick over this.—SO DISAPPOINTED.

Dear So: It's not true that all kids in foster homes have parents who are not married, alcoholic or in jail. Some foster children are orphaned, or they have only one parent who is unable to care for them. Even if the boy did come from the type of home your mother described, it would not necessarily mean that he is no good. Kids who have unfortunate backgrounds need acceptance and kindness from people like you—to prevent people like your mother from breaking their spirit.

Dear Ann Landers: I just finished reading the letter from the woman who screamed bloody murder because her husband retired and is now sticking to her like glue. Some people don't know when they are well off. Eight out of 10 wives in the U.S. would be thrilled to trade places with that woman. Me included.

Ask her how she would like to sit alone every night wondering where her husband is and what he is doing. Ask her how she would like to worry about whether he turned over in a ditch because he was drunk.

I could write a book about what I've gone through with a husband who let me know early in our marriage that he had no interest in me, his home or his children. Whenever I hear a wife complain because her husband spends too much time around the house, I wish I could tell her how lucky she is. Do it for me, will you please?—WHAT'S SHE GOT THAT I DON'T HAVE?

Dear What: Maybe she doesn't have anything that you don't have. Maybe her husband has something that your HUSBAND doesn't have. Namely, the maturity to accept responsibility.

Dear Ann Landers: My sister and I just learned two facts which really knocked us out. (1) Dad was married for three years to another woman before he married Mom. (2) Sis was adopted when she was two months old.

When we told Mom how let down we were, she said she wasn't trying to keep anything from us. She said it didn't occur to her to mention these "details." Sis cried for an hour when she heard the news. Now we both wonder what else is being kept from us. I have a feeling I'm adopted, too. Are we justified in feeling betrayed, or is Mom right?—HURT.

Dear Hurt: You and your sister should have been told about the previous marriage and the adoption many years ago. Had you grown up with the knowledge, it would have had no significance. This way, it looms large and important in your minds and has shaken your confidence in your parents. Sorry, but they made a big mistake.

If you have trouble getting along with your parents... if you can't get them to let you live your own life... if you are a "freedom" hater... if you are a "freedom" hater... if you are a "freedom" hater...



DEDICATE STREET . . . Torrance city officials last week officially dedicated a newly completed section of Maple Avenue between Sepulveda Boulevard and Monterey Street. Construction was completed under a \$26,934 contract awarded by the city. Pictured cutting the ribbon are (from left) Mayor Albert Isen, City Clerk Vernon W. Coil, George Ebert of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce, Councilman J. A. Beasley, and Walter M. Nollac, director of public works for the city. (Press-Herald Photo)

IN AREA CHURCHES

Services Slated For Thanksgiving

Members of the First Baptist Church of Torrance will have the opportunity to give personal testimonies of thanksgiving at a prayer service scheduled for Wednesday, Nov. 22, at 7:15 p.m. The Rev. Dr. Harold L. (Dad) Fickett Sr., pastor, will offer a brief message centered on the Thanksgiving theme.

A special program of music for the service has been announced by Mrs. Ron Mullens, director of music. The Chapel Choir will present "Sing to the Lord of Harvest" and a ladies' trio will sing "Thanks Be to God." Trio members are Mmes. Michael Medved, Joel Stanley, and Ted Johnson.

Other congregations joining in the worship service are the Church of the Nazarene, the Evangelical United Brethren, and the First Christian Church.

"A True Thanksgiving Spirit" is the sermon topic chosen by the Rev. Dennis Hendon, pastor of the Crenshaw Baptist Church. The service will be held Wednesday, Nov. 22, at 7:45 p.m.

Thanksgiving day services will begin at 7:30 a.m. when members of the South Bay Baptist Church gather for their sunrise service. Pastor J. C. Brumfield will deliver his message entitled "Thanks Be to God."

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church will begin the day with a Thanksgiving Holy Communion at 8:30 a.m. and a family prayer service at 10 a.m. At the family service, Sunday school children will present their in-gathering of canned food for the Episcopal Children's Home.

The Rev. Hugh R. Percy will deliver a Thanksgiving message.

Ascension Lutheran Church (Missouri Synod) will hold its Thanksgiving Day service at 9 a.m. with Pastor L. C. Warneke preaching.

Those attending the Thanksgiving service at the First Lutheran Church of Torrance will see a display of canned goods collected for the Rockpoint Mission (Navajo Indians). There will also be boxes available for donations of used clothing for Lutheran World Action.

Pastor William J. Roleder will conduct the 10 a.m. service.

A Thanksgiving offering for missions will be collected at the Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd when members gather for their service at 10 a.m. The Rev. Louis Smith will preach.

A 10 a.m. service is also planned by the First Baptist Church of WALTERIA. Special feature of the program will be the musical contributions of a quartet from a neighboring church.

Seaside Community United Church of Christ has planned its Thanksgiving Day service for 10 a.m. with the Rev. Francis A. Rath preaching.

Another joint service is planned by the Peninsula Council of Churches. Member churches will gather at 10 a.m. in St. Peter's by the Sea Presbyterian Church in Palos Verdes for interdenominational worship.

Riviera Methodist Church is one of the churches participating. The Riviera youth choir will join with other area youth choirs for the musical presentation.

Well, that's for starters.

Harbor Area United Crusade Nears End

Some \$160,000—or about 72 per cent—of the money raised last year for the Harbor Area United Crusade has been raised to date this year. "In order to serve all the increased community needs, more money is needed," H. D. Holland, Harbor Area United Crusade chairman noted. Holland is manager of the downtown Torrance branch of the Bank of America.

To accomplish this goal and to keep the cost of campaign to a minimum, (8.5 per cent), all volunteers are being urged to complete their assignments and to have all materials returned to their Crusade leaders by Tuesday.

HOLLAND POINTED out that once the holidays draw nearer the collection of campaign funds slows down as individuals make preparations for seasonal festivities. Telephone crews will join the ranks of other United Crusade volunteers to contact potential donors within the professional, small business, and residential divisions, who have not made contributions to date this year.

Persons contacted this way will be asked to make pledges over the phone. The United Crusade then will bill the individuals for their tax deductible gifts that will enable 244 United Way agencies and 12 American Red Cross Chapters in Los Angeles County to provide much needed services through the coming year.

"EVERY concerned citizen knows that we are living in a time of crisis. Getting together to meet urgent human needs through United Crusade is a proven American way of giving the most help where it is needed with the least cost. If every one of us adds one quarter to each dollar given last year, we can cope with mounting problems," Holland said.

Chamber of Commerce Unit Forms Three Study Groups

The Torrance Chamber of Commerce Governmental Affairs Committee has announced the formation of three sub-committees which will study and recommend action on important governmental issues which affect the Torrance business community. Chairman Harry L. Weaver made the announcement this week as he assigned committee members to the several groups. Members and committees are: Congressional Action—A. L. Holiday, chairman, and Anthony Paonessa. State Legislation—Don E. Martin, chairman, and Noell Marble and William Martens. Local Government—O. P. Heppy, Clifford J. Peterson, Arthur L. Reeves, Robert L. Reis, and Paul C. Schwartzhoff.

Press-Herald Sunday Crossword

(Answer on Page C-2)

- ACROSS: 1 Ben Low Wallace novel among... 2 Love feast among... 3 Tennis out... 4 Car group with legal authority... 5 Native metal... 6 Symbol for astronomer... 7 Wooden pins... 8 Bird of north... 9 Daughter of Minos... 10 Car crisp cracker... 11 Part of spider's nest... 12 Football team... 13 Mounds in Friesland... 14 marking old settlements... 15 Blow moving regimen... 16 Concern... 17 Lie on violin bow... 18 Kind of palm... 19 Lam (contr.)... 20 Car engine... 21 Size of shot... 22 Direction... 23 Part of flower... 24 Part of flower... 25 Seal of Deere... 26 Sea eagle... 27 Old world finch... 28 Bird of Mexico... 29 Old pronoun... 30 Spanish conqueror... 31 Bull... 32 Loop with running knot... 33 Servant slave... 34 Lake U.S.S.R... 35 Drawing room... 36 Part of ship... 37 Attempted... 38 Part of harness (pl.)... 39 Biblical city... 40 Place... 41 Syllable of scale... 42 student... 43 Auto's rear seat compartment (pl.)... 44 Word of negation... 45 Skill... 46 Artist's stand... 47 French astronomer... 48 Falls in drops... 49 Veterinary incision... 50 Fall to follow suit in cards... 51 Morbid poison... 52 Flush... 53 Precipitous... 54 Physical bulk (pl.)... 55 Bird's home (pl.)... 56 By... 57 Publicize... 58 A direction... 59 Swedish measure... 60 Cuts lengthwise... 61 To right... 62 Snowing creature... 63 Irish poet... 64 An enzyme... 65 By... 66 Leather strip... 67 Ecclesiastical council... 68 Pintail... 69 Tactless deity... 70 Short for animal doctor... 71 All right... 72 Part of a joint... 73 Ruthenian... 74 Pronoun... 75 New Zealand ear-shells... 76 Sweetpot... 77 European... 78 Win an overwhelming victory... 79 Detroit Tigers' outfielder... 80 Year into narrow strips... 81 Roman roads... 82 Country of Asia... 83 Having left a will... 84 Thrust back... 85 Bearing... 86 Collection of facts... 87 Child's textbook... 88 Swap... 89 Drinking spell... 90 Operated... 91 Quincy adviser to FDR... 92 Russian mts... 93 Allude to... 94 Takes into legal custody... 95 Earth goddess... 96 Suitable... 97 Bird of lovely plumage... 98 Horn of a crescent moon... 99 Land measure... 100 Among (poet.)... 101 Reconnosed... 102 Killed... 103 Gone by... 104 Correlative of either... 105 Transgression... 106 Levantine ketch... 107 Icelandic tales... 108 Traps... 109 Chooos... 110 Cry of the bacchanals... 111 Decorate... 112 Jump... 113 Baseball team... 114 Location... 115 Impervious to pain or pleasure... 116 Back of neck (pl.)... 117 Manners... 118 Part of a joint... 119 Glorified... 120 Amiant Russian cathedral city... 121 Babylonian numeral... 122 Sacred Hindu word... 123 Japanese measure... 124 Sun god... 125 Win an overwhelming victory... 126 Detroit Tigers' outfielder... 127 Year into narrow strips... 128 Roman roads... 129 Country of Asia... 130 Having left a will... 131 Thrust back... 132 Bearing... 133 Collection of facts... 134 Child's textbook... 135 Roman numeral... 136 Opera star... 137 Country (abbr.)... 138 Name of island... 139 Mary Widow composer... 140 Names (abbr.)... 141 Alpacas... 142 Olive machine... 143 Angry... 144 Evert... 145 Fog... 146 Russian communist... 147 Mythical monster... 148 Incites... 149 Rows... 150 Revised version (abbr.)... 151 Color Venetian red... 152 College officials... 153 Symbol for germanium... 154 Pigeons... 155 Resonance... 156 Growing fragment from fire... 157 Greek philosopher... 158 Postage item... 159 Dappers... 160 Bill of fare (pl.)... 161 Cut of meat... 162 State (abbr.)... 163 White... 164 Therefore... 165 Seat of university of the South... 166 Ceres; musical... 167 Robe to fasten... 168 Design... 169 Piece for two... 170 Musical transcription... 171 Concise... 172 Apparent... 173 Japanese measure... 174 Ancient city of Babylonia... 175 Brittle... 176 Look at malignity... 177 Early Irish tenant... 178 Stratagem... 179 To belate... 174 Never by Zola... 175 Ardur... 176 At no time... 177 Father... 178 Mineral spring... 179 Oliver's title... 180 Symbol for tellurium... 181 Mfr. Sullivan... 182 Symbol for selenium

COUNT MARCO

She Just Needs Some Assurance

There's an expression in this country, "hot potato," which pertains to something too hot to handle.

Being the brave, brave man that I am, I toss these hot potatoes around a bit until perhaps they cool off.

You may depend on it, I don't make too many friends among the men when I mention certain things.

Some of my next columns will deal with misunderstood husbands who get that way by not trying to understand their wives. I am pleased with those of you who wrote in answer to the wife who became involved simply because she needed flattery and assurances that she was feminine.

Most of you are not bitter but present intelligent appraisals and/or defenses of her situation. Like this letter:

"She is not wrong, nor necessarily right. To be treated like a woman... to be considered' are surely minimum desires of a woman making a home for a man and his children.

"I could not tell from her own account if perhaps her needs for 'flattery'... (being noticed), remembered, surprised' are extreme, but if she is such an attractive person to these other men I would guess her needs are not extreme.

"My own experience is that my husband does love me deeply and lastingly, but he is altogether short on the things of each day, the courtesies and considerations that bring sunshine among the hassles and routines.

"Burnt toast is a colossal tragedy, proof of my mon-

strous incapacity in the kitchen, while a good meal has always been taken completely for granted, even in the days when there was no money, only two burners and one table on crates.

"I can work hard, do without, have considerable insight, but my sense of starvation caused by not feeling appreciated, the loneliness of it, has made even putting one foot before the other very hard at times.

"And when one is reminded by male friends (his) that one is indeed intelligent, good company, good to look at, a friend that they have also come to desire, why... may be one does, as I have done, sometimes accept and return this so-much-needed fulfillment."

Well, that's for starters.