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Change the Subject

Dear Ann Landers: Fritz is a good provider and has high morals. When I look around and see what some of my friends and relatives put with from their husbands, I feel guilty about complaining, but here goes.

The problem is that Fritz is a chronic knocker. I don't mind for myself, because after 20 years I am accustomed to it, but I'm afraid his negative attitude is bad for our children. He knocks the school system, the city officials, the church, the neighbors, the federal government, the A.M.A., the U.S.O., the A.D.A., and the D.A.R. He is neither reactionary nor liberal. He is simply against everything.

When we sit down to dinner, it's one destructive statement after another. I hate to say to the children, "Don't listen to your father." But I am deeply concerned that they will pick up his sour outlook on life. Comment, please. — THUMBS DOWN ON EVERYTHING.

Dear Thumbs: Attitudes are caught, not taught. When the conversation at home is weighted heavily on the negative side, the children are bound to grow up cynical and pessimistic.

Don't argue with your husband, change the subject. Turn the conversation to something you want the kids to be FOR. Praise the people who are doing the constructive things in the world. Talk about courage and justice and honesty. Kids need something to look up to more than they need something to look down on.

Dear Ann Landers: Can two women get married? I don't wish to go into detail as to the reason I am asking this question. You may assume it is either a gag (like to win a bet) or perhaps the women are lesbians and wish to live together as "man" and "wife." What I need to know is would a marriage between two people of the same sex be considered legal.

Please don't toss this in the circular file. I am serious.—G. C. N. Y.

Dear G. C. N. Y.—If you know a couple of women who want to get married, tell them O.K., but not to each other. The word marriage means the state of being wedded to a person of the opposite sex.

In Illinois, failure to consummate a marriage in the sexual sense is grounds for annulment. Since it is understood that marriage guarantees the privileges of a heterosexual relationship, two members of the same sex could not possibly be considered suitable marriage partners.

Dear Ann Landers: I was fascinated by the letter in your column from the mother whose son was going to Vietnam. She was annoyed with the relatives who came to his going-away party because not one brought a present.

Does this mother believe that going to war is something to celebrate? Does she think it is like going away to college, or being married? Perhaps the relatives understand the grim realities of the situation and this is why they did not come laden with gifts. Please tell her so.—NO HAWK.

Dear No: I did not feel (as the mother did) that the guests were clods because they did not bring gifts. Nor do I agree with you that gift-giving under these circumstances would be inappropriate. A gift need not be a memento of a celebration. It could be a thoughtful token or a little remembrance which might be useful.

Alcohol is no shortcut to social success. If you think you have to drink to be accepted by your friends, get the facts. Read "Booze and You—For Teen-Agers Only," by Ann Landers. Send 35 cents in coin and a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope with your request.



AID YOUNGSTERS . . . Monier Bowlus (left), sponsorship chairman of the Sertoma Club of Torrance, presents a \$500 check for dental care of needy youngsters to Dr. Stanley Challis, president of the Torrance Dental Health Association. Looking on is Mrs. Dorothy Anderson, supervising nurse for the Torrance Unified School District. The Sertoma Club also donated \$500 to Torrance schools to be used for psychiatric services of needy youngsters and \$100 to be used by the school district for welfare purposes.

Sertoma Club Gives \$500 to Aid Youths

A \$500 donation by the Sertoma Club of Torrance for dental care of needy youngsters will be turned over to the Torrance Dental Health Association, according to Mrs. Dorothy Anderson, nursing director for the Torrance Unified School District. The donation, together with a \$500 check for psychiatric services and a \$100 check for welfare, was presented to the district by Monier A. Bowlus, sponsorship chairman, and Duane Marshall, Sertoma president, to be used for the assistance of students in need of financial aid.

This is the second year Sertoma has made such a donation to the district. FUNDS donated to the Dental Health Association, according to Dr. Stanley Challis, president, are used for x-rays, cleanings, filling, extractions, dentures, and orthodontia services for underprivileged youngsters. Organized in June, 1952, by the Torrance Council of Parents and Teachers through the cooperation of the board of education, the dental health association to

date has assisted 1091 students. Children with dental needs are referred by the school nurse and screened by the dental health committee regarding income, need, and family circumstances, Mrs. Anderson said. Patients make repayment through a long-term, low-rate, interest-free plan. Work is done by the volunteer dentists in their own offices. During the 14 years the association has been functioning, close to \$42,000 has been expended on dental assistance.

Your Second Front Page

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Ask Why Before You Answer Him

If you're one of those exceptionally lucky young women who has taken my advice and have more than one man panting over your third finger left hand, just begging to put rings on it, don't play that children's game of eenie, meenie, miney, moe.

To avoid regrets when each man proposes (gives you goose pimples, doesn't it?), ask him point blank just one question: "Why do you want me to marry you?"

If he stutters and stammers around and says he doesn't know, tread softly. He probably misses his mother and just wants someone around to do his laundry and cook for him.

Being too popular can often be a curse. You get confused with so many suitors. Many of you American women finally flip a coin or, after a few martinis decide they all look pretty good to you.

Besides, you're tired of living alone and bored with your job. To yourself you mutter, "Oh, what the hell; they're all men and one's as good as the other. I'll take Joe. He's more handsome and at least at the beginning he can afford to let me stay home."

Years later, you look back and wish you had taken the one that got away.

If, when you ask that most important question, "Why do you want me to marry you?" he takes your hand, gently strokes it, and says, "I love you and need you," grab him, honey. The best years are ahead.

He is the wonderful type who reminds you constantly, as the joyous years go by, that, without your help, he would never have made it to the top.

But don't misunderstand. When I say "need," I don't mean the type who has to be pushed and shoved into everything. There are a few of that type around too, so choose carefully.

A lasting marriage must be based on more than how that beast curls up or how the other one entertains you. And on more than love, sweet love alone, too.

So, my dears, for your future happiness you can do no better than adopt the motto of our local cement firms: "Find a need and fill it."

New Vice Principal Appointed

Robert S. Gray, former eighth grade teacher at Victor Elementary School, has been promoted to the position of vice principal by the Torrance Unified School District. He will divide his time between Newton and Riviera Elementary Schools.

A graduate of Stanford University, Gray has been with the Torrance school system since 1957. Prior to teaching at Victor School, he taught for three years at Carl Steele Elementary School and for six years at Towers Elementary School.

Born in Upland, Gray moved to Sacramento at the age of 11. He received his high school education at C. K. McClatchy High School. After completing work for both his bachelor's and master's degrees at Stanford, Gray enrolled at the University of Southern California, where he is presently continuing with professional growth courses.

AT STANFORD he was a member of Phi Kappa Psi honorary fraternity, served as chaplain, was social director, and participated in baseball.

He held the post of welfare chairman for the Torrance Education Association for three years.

Currently, he is a member of the California Forty-niners and the American Radio Relay League.

In addition to amateur radio, Gray's hobbies include: California history, fishing, and gardening.

He makes his home in Torrance with his wife, Cornelia; and four children, Valerie, 11; Debbie, 9; Natalie, 8; and Robert Jr., 5.

College Sets New Deadline

The last day for all continuing, returning, and new students to file for admission for next semester is Friday, Jan. 5, William McMasters, assistant dean of admissions and guidance at Harbo, College, announced today.

While Jan. 5 is the latest time to file for admission, earlier filing is recommended to give students a better selection of available classes and help them avoid the long lines and hurried decisions that result in poor programs and excessive withdrawals.

Anticipating an enrollment of some 7,000 students this Spring, Harbor College officials have hoped to avoid overloading registration by moving up the application deadline thus allowing more time for registration of the accepted applicants.

Unfortunately, about 800 to 1,000 prospective students, mostly evening students, usually wait for the last few days to apply for admission.

Building Bridges in Math Will Be Lecturer's Theme

Dr. Lola May, nationally-known mathematician, professor, speaker, and writer, will speak to Torrance teachers at an in-service meeting Jan. 3. Her topic will be "Building Bridges in Mathematics."

Currently serving as joint professor of education, with Northwestern University and Winnetka Public Schools, Winnetka, Ill., Dr. May has been seen on nationwide television in 20 programs on modern math which she prepared for the National Broadcasting Company in 1963 and 1964. A second television series, "More Modern Math," completed last year, is scheduled for viewing during the coming year.

Dr. May has conducted workshops throughout this country and Canada and has been a featured speaker at regional and national meetings of the National Council

of Teachers of Mathematics for the past four years. She is a past master teacher of mathematics for the Harvard-Newton Plan, a training program of the Harvard Graduate School of Education, and has served as professor of math education at the University of Hawaii.

From 1959 to 1966 she served as mathematics consultant to the Winnetka Public Schools. She previously taught nine years in Winnetka, three in Fort Atkinson, Wis., and three at the National College of Education.

Articles by Dr. May have appeared in "The Arithmetic Teacher" and "Grade Teacher Magazine." She has also authored nine booklets on modern math, a series of enrichment booklets for third through sixth grade, and three books: "Major Concepts of Elementary Modern Math,"

"Mathematical Background for Primary Teachers," and "New Math for Adults Only."

Her degrees include: bachelor of science, University of Wisconsin, 1945; master of arts, Northwestern University, 1950; and doctor of philosophy, Northwestern University, 1964.

Guitar Lessons To Be Offered At Rec Center

Beginning guitar lessons will be offered by the Lomita Recreation and Parks Department starting Wednesday, Jan. 10, 1968, at 7 pm.

There will be a \$15 charge for the 12-week course. Students may rent a guitar or bring their own. Class enrollment is limited and registrations are being taken now.

PROFILE: DR. J. H. HULL

Superintendent Helped To Build School System

Except for venetian blinds, local classrooms were completely bare when the Torrance Unified School District took over from the city school system in 1947.

The changeover brought with it a man who has come to be one of the area's most respected educators and leaders—Dr. J. H. Hull—who has just been appointed to his sixth term as superintendent of schools.

Dr. Hull has built the Torrance school system from scratch in his 21 years as the area's top educator. The number of schools in Torrance has jumped from 4 to 42 in that time and school enrollment has jumped from 2,000 to 34,000. The town's population in those days was a tenth of what it is now.

This phenomenal growth of course thrust greater administrative responsibilities on Dr. Hull's shoulders and he must now "trust others to help with the job."

Familiar with many phases of the educational world, Dr. Hull has taught both high school and college and has served as a high school principal. Prior to accepting the Torrance position, he was assistant superintendent of schools in Corona, Calif.

Dr. Hull volunteered for the Navy six months after Pearl Harbor, serving as a commander. He is now in the Naval Reserve.

Beginning his own higher education at the University of Redlands, Dr. Hull earned his B.A. in economics and business administration, and then took a master's degree in educational administration from Colorado State.



DR. J. H. HULL

Torrance district, Dr. Hull completed work on his doctorate in education at USC. He has published 48 articles and pamphlets on various aspects of education.

A family man, Dr. Hull and his wife, Doris, have contributed two students to the Torrance Unified School District. Named for their parents, the children are John Henrich Hull Jr. and Doris Ann Hull, both enrolled at Torrance High School.

In the community, Dr. Hull is a "privileged member" of Kiwanis Club and a representative on the Boy Scout Council. He served for two years as vice president of the Torrance National Little League.

Both Dr. and Mrs. Hull are active members of the First Christian Church. The outdoors type, Dr. Hull

is an avid trout fisherman. Favorite haunts for this sport are the High Sierras, the Rockies, and the Idaho area. He also plays golf occasionally.

The Hulls are thinking about building a weekend retreat on some property they own at Juniper Hills, near Pear Blossom.

Born in Iowa, Dr. Hull was the son of a YMCA missionary whose work took him to such South American cities as Rio de Janeiro, Buenos Aires, and Santiago. Dr. Hull spoke fluent Spanish at the age of five but has now lost touch with the language.

Capsulizing his current thoughts on education, Dr. Hull said:

"There is excessive pressure on children to achieve. The world would be better off if children had a chance to live a little as they go along."

"The climate is often too tense for good learning."

"More money should be spent in developing reading skills, especially among those youngsters who enter high school unable to read. Many juvenile delinquents are in this category."

Looking to the future, Dr. Hull has decided that he will retire or turn to some other work after his new four-year term expires. "A quarter of a century is a long time to be on one job," he said, expressing his need for an eventual change.

Dr. Hull emphasized that he's appreciated his good relationship he has always had with the community and credited his "excellent" school board members with helping him do the job.



TOP SALESMAN . . . Marvin Donsker (right), retiring president of the Torrance-Lomita Board of Realtors, presents a trophy and plaque to Bennie Friberg, who was honored at an awards luncheon as the Salesman-of-the-Year for 1967. Friberg, of Lipard Realtors, is a state director for the Torrance-Lomita board and a member of the California Real Estate Association's veterans' committee.