

ANN LANDERS



He's 'Mac the Thief'

Dear Ann Landers: Mac is no kid (past 30), so keep this in mind when you answer. We had dinner in a first class steak house Tuesday night. There was no checkroom, but the men hung their coats on hooks in the entrance way. Mac left his coat there. After dinner Mac's coat was gone. He went to the manager and was told that the cloakroom is a convenience and the management is not responsible. Mac was furious.

Last night I was surprised when Mac suggested we go back to the steak house for dinner. He didn't wear a coat, but on the way out he helped himself to a fine looking three-button number, which fit him perfectly. I was shocked and said so. Mac's defense was as follows: "I'm not stealing. The owner of this coat will raise the roof, and the management will replace it. He won't be out anything. In the meantime, the joint owes me a coat."

Is Mac guilty of stealing?—Chagrined

Dear Chag: When a person takes something that doesn't belong to him, it's stealing, no matter what the rationalization. Mac is as big a thief as the bum who stole his coat and you can tell him I said so.

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Dear Ann: A young bride-to-be just left my home. She was in tears. Her parents are divorced and it was one of the ugliest and messiest divorces that ever hit this town. The girl's blood father insists on the right to give her away at the wedding, but he is either unable to pay for the affair or he refuses to do so. The girl's stepfather has a lot of money but he refuses to pay for a wedding in which the blood father gets the honor of giving the bride away. Can you come up with a solution to this agonizing dilemma?—A Friend

Dear Friend: How does the bride-to-be feel about her father? How does she feel about her stepfather? The selection should be based solely on sentiment. If she wants her blood father to give her away she should be willing to forego the lavish affair and settle for a simple ceremony—whatever he can afford. If the girl feels closer to her stepfather, he should have the honor. Her blood father should be an invited guest and he can accept or reject the invitation, as he chooses.

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Dear Ann Landers: I'm bugged by something and I don't know who to ask. So, you're elected. We all know that a right-handed person wears his wrist watch on his left wrist. Why do left-handed people wear their watches on the right wrist?—Red Sails.

Dead Red: The watch is worn on the arm that is used less to diminish the chances for breakage. The doc chooses the watch arm when he gives a shot, for the same reason. Some shots produce discomfort and semi-incapacitation for a few hours and it's logical to put the less active arm out of commission.

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Confidential to Is Silence Golden: Not always. It would have been an act of friendship if you had told the woman that her false eyelashes had fallen into the soup.

Ann Landers will be glad to help you with your problems. Send them to her in care of the Press-Herald, enclosing a stamped self-addressed envelope.

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PLUG SAVINGS . . . Kathy Rooney gets in a plug for U.S. Savings Bonds while putting up a sign encouraging employees at U.S. Steel's Torrance Works to sign up for the firm's 1969 Savings Bond campaign.

Goal is to enroll new buyers and step up payroll deductions of present purchases. Miss Rooney is an accounting employee at the Torrance plant.

Two Win Trophies For Work

Two Harbor College drafting students, George Hamada and Tak Fukuman, were named winners this week in a plant layout design contest sponsored by the Fluor Corp.

Alex Marr, representative of the company awarded a \$100 saving bond to Hamada and a slide rule to Fukuman. They competed against representatives from 12 other colleges.

Hamada, second place winner in his area is a first year student at Harbor with plans to transfer to California State College at Long Beach to get a degree in tool and manufacturing engineering. A purple heart veteran of the Vietnam War, Hamada is a member of the Veterans Club, Alpha Gamma Sigma scholarship or organization, the American Society of Tool and Manufacturing Engineers and the International Students Club. He lives at 937 W. 223rd St.

Fukuman, 2253 W. Lomita Blvd., Lomita, is a math major and in his second semester at Harbor.

1,200 Will Get Degrees In El Camino Exercises

Graduation week begins at El Camino College with traditional baccalaureate services in the college auditorium Sunday for more than 1,200 candidates for the associate in arts degree and ends with commencement exercises Thursday in Murdock Stadium.

Sandwiched in between are the wind-up of final exams and the annual graduation luncheon in the campus center prior to graduation ceremonies.

The Rev. Richard I. S. Parker, rector of St. Cross Episcopal Church in Hermosa Beach, will speak at the baccalaureate services which begin at 7:30 p.m.

RECTOR AT ST. CROSS Church for nearly 30 years, the Rev. Dr. Parker is active in church and community affairs and currently serves as president of the South Bay Ministerial Association. His topic at the baccalaureate will be "Having Something to Believe."

Addressing the graduates at



DR. B. LAMAR JOHNSON College Speaker

commencement will be Dr. B. Lamar Johnson, professor of higher education at UCLA. Exercises are scheduled to begin at 4 p.m.

The exercises will include the traditional march of gradu-

ates and faculty. The ECC band will provide the music. Degrees will be conferred by Dr. Stuart E. Marsee, president of the college.

DR. JOHNSON has been a member of the faculty at UCLA since 1952. Prior to joining the staff there, he was dean of instruction at Stephens College. He has been active in higher education for many years and has been director of the UCLA Junior College Leadership Program since 1960.

The author of several books on junior college education, Dr. Johnson has also written many articles for professional journals.

Dr. Johnson also serves as corresponding editor of the Journal of Higher Education for junior colleges, is a member of the editorial board of the Junior College Journal as well as an advisory and contributing editor in higher education to "Collier's Encyclopedia."

Credit Card Measures Introduced in Senate

Capitol News Service
SACRAMENTO — Californians who receive unsolicited credit cards in the mail may soon be able to rest more easily if two bills offered by Assemblyman James Hayes (R-Long Beach), gain Senate approval.

The measures, AB-1763 and AB-1764, are aimed at setting the liability for such credit cards.

AB-1763, which the Assembly approved 60-0, designates the issuer of such credit cards as being liable for any unauthorized use of the card before it is formally accepted by the person to which it has been issued.

HAYES said formal acceptance means that the person to which it has been issued accepts it when he puts it to use for the first time.

The bill also sets standards for the loss of such cards, if the issuing firm is given immediate and reasonable notice that it has been lost. A portion of the bill, which set a limit of \$50 liability on purchases made with a lost card, will be

amended out, Hayes said, because his investigations indicated that the issuing company normally does not attempt to collect for small purchases made with a lost card, but only attempts collection "when a very large purchase" has been made.

HAYES said that there will be "no liability" if the person who receives the card, refuses to accept it by making an original purchase.

The companion measure, AB-1764, which passed the Lower House by a vote of 62-2, requires the issuing company to present a separate statement of fees and charges being made against the credit card holder.

Hayes said the problem was created by the policy of many companies to mail unsolicited credit cards to individuals throughout the state. Some of these never reached their destinations, and yet were put into use by someone else, with the first party being charged with the purchases. He also said lost credit cards are covered by the measures.

Trio Wins Award for Design

Three Harbor College architectural students have been named preliminary winners in a contest to design a penthouse apartment suitable for a corporation president and his wife.

William Rabe, Richard Murillo, and Craig Richie now have their designs in competition with designs from students in other Southern California colleges.

They all received \$100 savings bonds from sponsoring Southern California Gas Co. and Southern Counties Gas Co. executives.

Winner of the contest will receive a \$500 bond and a \$1,000 scholarship.

Rabe lives at 1439 W. 179th St., Gardena; Murillo lives at 226 W. 228th Place, Carson; and Richie lives at 26640 Basswood Ave., Palos Verdes.

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For Summer Camp Plans Announced

Camping programs for children of every age have been planned for summer enjoyment in the out-of-doors by the Torrance Recreation Department.

Junior Day Camp, to be conducted for the first time this summer, will introduce children between the ages of 4 and 6 to camp activities.

On the Monday preceding each camp session mothers of the children will be asked to attend an orientation meeting which will be held at the Recreation Center, 3341 Torrance Blvd. from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

MOTHERS will also assist with the camp programs which include crafts, games, a cook-out, field trip, and a visit by the Nature Museum.

Camp sessions will be held at the following parks: Waleria, 3855 W. 242nd St., July 1 to 3; El Retiro, 126 Vista del Parque, July 8 to 10; McMaster, 3624 W. Artesia Blvd., July 15 to 17; El Nido, 18301 Kingsdale Ave., July 22 to 24; Torrance, 2001 Santa Fe, July 29 to 31; Entradero, 5500 Towers St., Aug. 5 to 7; and Guenser, 17800 Gramercy Place, Aug. 12 to 14. There is a registration fee of \$3.50 for the program, which includes materials, refreshments, accident insurance, and lunch on Thursday. Children should bring a sack lunch Tuesday and Wednesday.

THE CHILD'S birth certificate and the name, address, and phone number of the child's doctor will be required when registering.

Children 7 to 11 years old who want to learn camping skills such as firebuilding, trail finding, camp cookery, and first aid are invited to attend Chippewa Day Camp.

Children will also participate on a field trip which emphasizes Indian and nature lore, as well as having an overnight encampment.

ON THE overnight which will begin 3:30 p.m. Thursday, ending at 10 a.m. Friday, campers will be able to enjoy camp-fire activities and singing activities as well as making their own breakfast and supper.

Camp sessions will last from Monday through Friday at the following parks: El Retiro,

June 30 to July 4; Torrance, July 7 through 18; El Nido, July 14 through 18; El Retiro, July 21 through 25; Waleria, July 28 through Aug. 1; and Entradero, Aug. 4 through 8.

COST of the program is \$6.50 which includes material, Thursday dinner, meal-time drinks, Friday breakfast, insurance, and transportation for the field trip.

For further information on the day camp program, contact Jo Ann Marsh.

Registration for both of these programs will be taken at the Joslyn Center, 3335 Torrance Blvd.

Welding Program Expanded

As the demand grows in the field of welding, the El Camino College program in welding continues to expand to meet the demands for professional tradesmen.

"The need for welders has never been as great as it is at present. As industry grows, more jobs are created in welding than can be filled by qualified men," said George Davis, EC welding instructor.

El Camino College has a two-year vocational course which leads to an associate in arts degree in welding and gives a variety of training from an introduction of basic fundamentals and study of gasses to advanced welding technology, welding metallurgy and advanced arc welding.

The main objectives in this two-year program is to better prepare the student with the fundamentals necessary to perform as a well qualified individual in the welding trade. To round out the student's training, Camino helps prepare the student for the California State Civil Service exam for welders.

Classroom work, theory and actual practice in the field are all offered at El Camino. The students receive additional experience from time to time by doing welding jobs for campus maintenance.

A Letter . . . To My Son

By Tom Rische

High School Teacher and Youth Worker

Dear Bruce,

One of the silliest things parents do is to assume that if they don't talk about sex, their children won't know anything about it.

Maybe there was a day when that was true, but today TV, movies, and grocery store pocketbooks push sex ideas whether we like it or not.

Top book on the best seller list, "Portnoy's Complaint," an extremely detailed and frank discussion of one man's sex life, is the kind of things we boys used to pay high prices for and hide in the garage so our parents wouldn't know.

Although ads for "I Am Curious—Yellow," supposedly the frankest sex movie yet, say absolutely no one under 18 will be admitted, several students told me that nobody questioned them when they bought tickets.

Who's kidding who? The question is not—and really never was—whether kids would find out about sex, but what they would find out. My formal sex education consisted of some pamphlets my mother put on my bedside table and a supposed "health education" course in high school. An obviously embarrassed football coach announced one day, "Today, we're supposed to talk about sex. Anybody got questions?" Nobody was brave enough, so we moved on to safer ground—first aid.

Most men my age say they got most of their sex information from friends, and that too often was misinformation or ignorance.

A while back, a high school boy I know for some reason felt a need to tell me about his sexual exploits, which had been going on since junior high.

"What are you going to do if the girl gets pregnant?" I asked.

"Give her an abortion pill," he replied.

He seemed really surprised that there is no such thing—at least yet. He had a miscellaneous collection of facts—but little wisdom.

If society is going to push sex in ads, books, and movies, it should be prepared to give kids accurate information. If parents are too embarrassed to do the job—and many are—then schools or youth groups should.

James Bond is as much a fairy tale as Cinderella.

—YOUR DAD



PRESENT AWARD . . . John J. McKinnon (center), superintendent of building and safety for the city, accepts an award naming him an outstanding citizen during Realtor Week activities here. Pictured are (from left) Ken Miller, a Realtor and City Councilman and chairman of the Realtor's Civic Day events; Mayor Albert Isen; McKinnon; Milt Isbell, president of the Torrance-Lomita Board of Realtors; and Roger Adams, general chairman for Realtor Week.