

Around Hollywood

By ALINE MOSBY



Hollywood — (U.P.) — Ann Sheridan, the "oomph girl" of the '30s, today handed out some wise advice for Marilyn Monroe and the other bottom queens of 1956: Don't come plain about cheesecake.

It's the current trend for well-trended glamour girls to crawl into high necklines, attend an acting school and frown upon any publicity about their figures.

Marilyn Monroe wants to play Shakespeare. Even the Italian beauties such as Gina Lollobrigida are cutting down on cheesecake poses.

Silliness Confessed
"I was very silly; I beamed about it at the time," she confessed. "Day after day I had to go to the still gallery at the studio and pose for cheesecake."

Paul Muni, she went on, helped her see the light. One day in the Warner Bros. studio commissary he gave her a stern 15-minute lecture. "I told him the cheesecake poses embarrassed me," grinned the actress.

"He said don't be embarrassed! It would add up to great experience. He was right. I never would have gotten out of 'B' pictures and into 'A' pictures without that publicity. It snowballed and I became a star."

"B' Films Valuable
Miss Sheridan got her training in "B" pictures—another point she thinks beginning actresses shouldn't complain about.

Now is her first MGM picture, "The Opposite Sex," in a fabulous wardrobe recalling those she used to wear at the Warner studio. In recent years she has been commuting between Mexico City and Hollywood and only takes a role if it's "easy and worth while."

"I love to work once in a while," she said. "But as far as the drudgery is concerned, I've had it."

Columbia Flood Potential Told
Washington — (U.P.) — An Army engineer said yesterday a "great potential" exists for a late spring flood on the Columbia river.

Maj. Gen. E. C. Itchner, assistant chief of engineers for civil works, made the statement in testimony before Senate interior and foreign relations subcommittees.

He said that a flat prediction of a flood could not be made. But he said a "serious situation" exists and a flood is quite possible when the snow melts.

Itchner was questioned by Sen. Wayne Morse (D-Ore.), who said the weather bureau has predicted a maximum flow in the Columbia of 700,000 to 850,000 cubic feet per second. Morse said that an 850,000-foot flow would equal the flows that caused five of the 10 most serious floods in the river.

A Nichol's Worth of...
Comment On This and That
By HARMAN W. NICHOLS
United Press Feature Writer

Washington—(U.P.) — At this time of year the internal revenue people are as unhappy as the rest of us.

They have to soak up abuse and read a lot of nasty letters. All 64 districts of the Internal Revenue service are being bombarded.

The service, Harman Nichols, anxious to share its misery, let me run through some of its mail. A great deal of it had to do with squawks about delay in refunds.

TV Coverage of Political Conventions Will Attract Millions of Viewers

By WILLIAM EWALD
United Press Correspondent
New York—(U.P.)—The largest audience in the history of television will peek in this August on the most complex event ever undertaken by the TV networks.

The occasion will be the back-to-back Democratic and Republican national conventions.

This August the nation is expected to have some 36,000,000 TV homes. It's estimated that four out of every five of those homes will be tuned in to the conventions during the high points.

This compares with the same four-out-of-five average in 1952 when this nation boasted only 19,000,000 homes with TV sets.

GOP in San Francisco
What will make this convention year so difficult to televise is the closeness of the two conventions. The Democrats kick off their clamor in Chicago on Aug. 13. The Republicans open in San Francisco exactly one week later.

If the Democratic convention runs for more than one week, the networks are in trouble. CBS and NBC both say, however, that they will attempt to cover both at the same time.

ABC had no statement on the matter, but presumably will follow suit.

However, even if the Democratic convention does not overlap the GOP meeting, the three

networks will have a whopping job on their hands. Each must build the equivalent of a full-sized television station, complete with studios in Chicago and San Francisco. And each must manage to ferry small armies of personnel from one convention city to another. NBC says it will send about 400 members on the road and ABC and CBS will almost match that number.

Large Personnel Corps
This corps includes reporters, producers, directors, editors, writers, executive personnel and technicians. CBS is sending 25 newsmen, including Ed Murrow, Walter Cronkite, Bob Trout and Charles Collingsworth. NBC's crew will include John Cameron Swayze, Bill Henry and Morgan Beatty. And ABC will dispatch such anchor men as Erwin Canham, John Daly, Quincy Howe and Martin Agronsky.

All three networks hope to move everywhere. Six cameras will be pooled by the networks and will operate on the convention floor. Each network will also have 25 to 30 cameras of its own peering into committee meetings, caucus rooms, hotel lobbies and corridors.

Mobile Film Crews
Each network will have three mobile units working for it. And each will have film crews out roaming the cities.

There are reports that both major parties will gear their

conventions this year more toward the TV medium. That would mean fewer long speeches, fewer unexplained pauses and perhaps, shorter demonstrations.

There's no doubt that both parties learned the importance of TV technique in '52. That was the year, you may remember, when some people wound up talking about Dwight Eisenhower and Adlai Stevenson while others wound up talking about—Betty Furness.

As We Live

By ELIZABETH HURLOCK, PH.D.

Don't Get Serious Now And Frighten Steady

Real love, or the adult type of love on which happy marriages are founded, often develops from the infatuations of teenagers.



Dr. Hurlock

(Q) "I am 16 years old and a sophomore in high school. For the past two years, I have been dating a boy in my class. We have lots of fun together, always joking and having a good time. In school, he makes a big fuss over me, waits to walk home from school with me every day, and stops off to be with me at my home after school. My parents are very fond of him and his parents seem to like me too. In the past year, I have fallen in love with this boy and would like to marry him after we finish school. He has never told me he loves me and has never mentioned marriage. Do you think this will ever lead to marriage or is it just a crush I have on him?"—J. P.

(A) Your affection for this boy and his for you could readily turn into real love and eventually lead to marriage. On the other hand, it could end as you and this boy grow older and discover you were not meant for each other.

At the moment, you are both much too young to be thinking of marriage except as off in the distant future. You and this boy have two more years of school, at the least, and he will then either complete his education at college or in a training school, or will get a job and try to find a place for himself in the business world.

Will Make Big Mistake
Until he is in a position to consider marriage, you will make a mistake if you allow yourself to get too serious. This boy will sense that you are getting serious and this may frighten him off. So, watch your step.

At the moment, he wants to have a good time and he finds you an enjoyable companion. You and he have fun together and that is all he wants at the present time. As he gets older and can see his way clear to supporting a wife, you will be the logical choice if he continues to feel as he now does about you.

However, you could ruin this whole relationship if you tried to press him into becoming serious too soon. You will be much more likely to have him fall in love with you if you do not let him see you are already in love with him.

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Have you ever heard someone say "I love reading but I never have a minute to read"? The Medford Public Library reminds that even a few minutes spent each day in reading adds up at the year's end to much profit and pleasure.

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On The Side

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Oh, my beloved! How divinely sweet is the pure joy When kindred spirits meet! —Moore.

Couple I know of had five sons. They always wanted a daughter. After 23 years of trying, they finally have become the parents of a female. So, if you have an all-son family and desire a daughter, don't become too easily discouraged. Keep trying. However, I also know of a couple who kept trying for a daughter and never made it. They ended up with eleven sons.

Horses and Women
Saw a woman wearing a hat that looked exactly like an inverted salad bowl. The adjective ridiculous, silly and curious are not adequate for describing some of the feminine headgear being currently worn. Stupid is the word for it. Isn't it stupid for a woman to wear something that handicaps her looks?

A strangely shaped hat that doesn't fit a woman's face and is worn flat on the head makes her look very stupid. The hats shaped like inverted salad bowls, upside down ice cream cones, reversed flower pots and manhole covers are the worst in that respect. They are closely followed by the very small flat hats.

Sidelights
The world's most difficult language to master is Urdu, spoken in India. In Urdu the word "vidyudwanekshepakano-grakayantra" means radio. . . . Do you consider yourself a well informed sports fan? Did you know that the New York American League club, the Yankees, never won a pennant until "Babe" Ruth joined the club?

Asking
Queries from clients. Q. How old was Lillian Gish when she

appeared in the D. W. Griffith film "The Birth of a Nation"? A. Sixteen. . . . Q. How much did Gene Tunney get for his two fights with Dempsey? A. For the first bout, \$204,000, and \$990,445 for the second.

So They Say
A Virgo (Aug. 24-Sept. 23) man wants plenty of comfort and superb service in the home. He should marry a Cancer (June 22-July 23) woman. Females of that sign are usually good cooks and enjoy making men comfortable.

A Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) woman should marry a Scorpio. Only a Scorpio man can really understand a Scorpio woman. Besides Scorpio have a magnetic attraction for each other and though they often battle bitterly remain much in love. Or, so say the stargazers.

Asides
It was that great horses and women expert La Rochefoucauld who observed, "One can find women who have never had one love affair, but it is rare indeed to find any who have had only one." . . . The Hotel Roosevelt in San Francisco is named after Theodore Roosevelt. So is The Hotel Roosevelt in New York City.

Please Note
How conscientious are you about voting? How many times have you failed to vote since the privilege has been yours? How about your wife? I heard of a Pittsburgher who voted in every local, State and Federal election in 67 years! Can you top that?

Almost Confidential
Recent research is said to indicate that expectant mothers who eat meat during the period of their pregnancy give birth to healthier babies than those who adhere to a vegetarian diet. . . . Men unemployed to pick up stray or uncensored dogs are very sensitive about being called "dog catchers." In some sections they are officially referred to as "canine control officers."

Gold Garnet Ring Found in Scrap Paper
Grand Rapids, Mich. — (U.P.) — Ralph DeRita, a Detroit shoe salesman, has his gold garnet ring back thanks to an alert paper mill employee who found it in tons of scrap paper.

Charles Samalot, an employee of the American Box Board Co. here, found the ring while working in hte company's mill and turned it over to the personnel department, which checked with the many firms that ship scrap paper here.

The personnel department finally located DeRita who said the ring apparently fell off his hand and dropped into a shoe box while he was fitting a shoe on a customer.

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