

# Absentee Ballot Deadline November 2

Tuesday, November 2, is the last day that voters may vote on an absentee ballot without a proven emergency. Voting must be completed before the office closes at 3 p.m.

Charley DeLap in announcing the closing date said that it is probable that absentee balloting in this area will probably exceed any other election year. Such balloting is expected over the entire state. Information from the Nonpartisan Absentee Voters' Committee, Portland, indicates that some 30,000 Oregonians are expected to cast absentee ballots in this election.

Applications for absentee ballots if the voter cannot reach the county clerk's office must be in writing and signed by the applicant, to reach the county clerk's office not later than November 2. Physically handicapped persons who are and will be in their county on election day may apply for absentee ballots under the same procedure.

No absentee ballots will be counted after closing of the polls on election day.

## Survey Shows 576 Swans

PORTLAND (AP) — An aerial survey by the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service shows 576 trumpeter swans in the principal refuge areas of Montana, Idaho and Wyoming.

The agency said the bird — America's largest waterfowl — is making a definite comeback after being threatened with extinction. In the 1930s, there were fewer than 100 of the big birds.

# "DENNIS THE MENACE"



"IT'S NOT MY FAULT IF PEOPLE DON'T DUCK WHEN I SAY DUCK." THAT'S WHAT I SHOULD SAID!

## Mother Forgets That Son Is Wed

By ANN LANDERS

Dear Ann Landers: Many people write to complain about a mother-in-law. This will be a switch. My mother-in-law is a gem. It's my mother who is driving me nuts.

She simply can't accept the idea that I am a married man with a wife and family. She phones me at business several times a day, comes down to the store, brings food, and sits around and talks to me when I should be working.

She asks me to drive her all over town and do her errands. I have two brothers but they were smart. They moved out of the state. My wife is very sweet about it. She never says a word, but I can't take it much longer.

What can I do, short of spelling it out in the King's English?—SONNY BOY

Dear Sonny Boy: Your signature brought to mind some wonderful old lyrics. "Climb upon my knee, Sonny Boy, though you're only three, Sonny Boy..."

I take it you're more than three, Sonny Boy—so climb down off her knee and issue a declaration of independence.

Go over all the areas of irritation with your mother and get everything out in the open. Underground hostilities are ulcer material. The time is NOW!!!

Dear Ann Landers: I am 11 years old. I have a girl friend who is 12 years old. Whenever we go shopping together she steals something from the counter of a store. It's never anything big, just small things like a hairnet, or a handkerchief, or a package of bobby pins.

She doesn't know that I know. Shall I tell her that she had better stop now before she starts to steal bigger things and gets caught at it?

Please print your advice. I wouldn't want a letter coming to my house with Ann Landers' name on the envelope. Thank you.

Dear Friend: There are no letters with Ann Landers' name on the envelope. All letters from me are sent in plain envelopes.

I suggest you tell your mother about your friend. Your mother should then have a private conversation with the girl's mother. The mother, in turn, should discuss it with a specialist who deals in problem children. Kids who steal do so for a reason. The girl needs help.

Dear Ann: How can I protect myself against an over-friendly relative who insists on bringing over fruit, vegetables, flowers, baked goods—anything, just so she can get in my house?

She drives me batty, following me around, inspecting my cupboards, looking over the washing on the line, and lifting the pots to see what's cooking.

She has no interests, and no friends. Unfortunately she has plenty of time on her hands. She used to phone before coming, but I always said I wasn't going to be home—so now she just pops in.

If you can get rid of this woman for me I will be eternally grateful.—PESTERED BEYOND ENDURANCE

Dear Pestered: I can't get rid of her FOR you, but I can suggest how YOU can get rid of her. This may seem extreme, but from your description, drastic measures are needed.

Keep your doors locked, your front drapes drawn and your shades down. If the bell rings, take a peek and see who it is before you decide whether or not you wish to answer the bell. It's your home and your prerogative.

To learn the difference between a marriage that "settles down" and one that "gets dull," send for ANN LANDERS' booklet, "What To Expect From Marriage," enclosing with your request 20 cents in coin and a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope.

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

# Irish Playwright Behan Breaks Promise To Behave

NEW YORK (UPI) — Touseled-haired Brendan Behan, the celebrated Irish playwright and sometimes pub crawler, broke his promise to behave Wednesday night.

Behan, after an afternoon of quaffing champagne from a waiter tumbler, invaded the Cort Theatre where his play "The Hothouse" has become a Broadway hit, stalked down the aisle, heckled the actors, sang a song and made a speech praising America, the cast and his play. The audience clapped and cheered.

Behan made his exit dodging the falling curtain, cloaked in a theatrical robe and in the tow of Mrs. Behan who hustled him to their hotel where the playwright sang two more songs in the lobby before calling it a night.

Behan arrived in New York last Sept. 2 from London, preceded by a reputation as a hard-drinking pub crawler who often leaped from his seat in the audience to join in the dialogue of his play, and who regaled barflies with tales of the Irish army.

But Behan solemnly told reporters upon his arrival he had reformed and intended to drink

only milk during his stay in America. To prove it, he downed a quart of milk on the spot for photographers.

Behan kept his promise until Wednesday afternoon when he turned up in a restaurant near the theatre and began drinking champagne. He visited the theatre during the second act after an earlier try to enter was halted by ushers. He rushed down the aisle and leaned on the stage to help the cast sing "Nobody Loves You Like Yourself."

With an assist from a performer, Behan pulled himself onto the stage.

"Ladies and gentlemen, this is the most wonderful cast that ever

lived. I love America," Behan proclaimed loudly. "I didn't think I would but I did."

"I've brought you the finest actors and actresses in the world and a good play. If you don't believe it — I don't give a damn," he announced.

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The cast nudged the playwright offstage as the curtain fell, narrowly missing him. Mrs. Behan took charge, wrapping him in the borrowed cloak and heading for their hotel.

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