

Don't Let Little Things Upset You

By ANN LANDERS

Dear Ann Landers: It happened again last evening. I swore the next time it happened I would write to you and try to find out what is the matter with this woman.

My wife is a college graduate and the mother of three healthy, normal children. She holds a high office in one of the women's clubs and is considered bright by our friends. Yet, whenever I go to the refrigerator to get ice cubes I find empty trays. Why in heaven's name would anybody want to return a tray without water to the freezing compartment? And after all, Ann, how long does it take to run water in an ice-tray?

If you can explain this to me I will be immensely grateful.—TOTALLY MYSTIFIED

Dear Mystified: Why do some people leave lights burning — or throw a coat on a chair when it would take only seconds to flip a light switch or to hang the coat up? Because it's easier — and some people always take the easy way out.

If this bugs you, appoint your self Keeper of The Ice Cube Trays and check them every evening. It's better than apoplexy.

Dear Ann Landers: Our mother drinks. I don't mean just a cocktail at parties, I mean all by herself — during the afternoon. Sometimes the woman next door comes in and they get crooked together.

When my sisters and I come home from school mom is usually in terrible shape. Most days she doesn't make the beds or clean the house. We have to do the housework or it doesn't get done. Then I go to the market and beg for credit so I can have dinner on the table when dad comes home.

The weird part of the story is that mom will not admit she drinks. She says she has a headache or gall bladder trouble or dizzy spells from high blood pressure.

We notice in your column that you sometimes suggest Alcoholics Anonymous for problem drinkers. How can we get them to send a member over to talk to mom? Please help us. — DESPERATE KIDS

Dear Kids: Alcoholics Anonymous will send a member to talk to an alcoholic only if the person who needs help will admit he is an alcoholic and asks for the intervention of A.A.

Your mother, unfortunately, does not qualify.

Dear Ann Landers: Our 15-year-old daughter, Darlene, is at the stage where she thinks her parents are the most stupid, narrow-minded, old-fashioned and ignorant people in all the world.

You have expressed many views in your column which we have voiced first, but coming from us these judgments meant nothing. After Darlene read the very same advice in your column

she conceded there was something to be gained from doing as you suggested.

Will you please say a few words about girls who telephone boys "just to talk"? Our daughter is on the phone at least an hour and a half every evening. She calls up one boy after another — as many as four or five. She insists the boys like it. How about this?—DINOSAUR SET

Dear Dinosaur Set: Girls who telephone boys "just to talk" are considered aggressive. The boys who "like it" may be flattered to be chased by a girl but it doesn't do much for the girl's stock.

Tell Darlene the telephone works both ways. If she's smart she'll stay off the horn so a boy can call her once in a while.

Confidential to Wondering: You can stop wondering about this situation. The true measure of a man is how he treats people who can't possibly do him any good.

If alcohol is robbing you or someone you love of health and dignity, send for Ann Landers' booklet, "Help For The Alcoholic," 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.

Future Ships May Bubble Above Water At 100 Knots Or More

PHILADELPHIA (UPI) — Naval and commercial ships of the future may "bubble" above the water at jet-propelled speeds of 100 knots if a principle being tested here is successful.

A nine-ton, 52-foot research test vehicle resembling an elongated

speed boat has been built here. It rides on a "captured" air principle developed by Allen Ford, a physicist at the Naval Air Development center (NADC) at nearby Johnsville, Pa.

Developers said the day may come when the same theory can be applied to many types of larger vessels, including the largest troop transports, ocean liners and aircraft carriers.

The theory of the Captured Air Bubble (CAB) Vessel involves air trapped beneath the hull of the vessel which is powered by a jet engine on the stern.

The current research test vehicle has sideboards and movable back and front flippers extending into the water which permits the hull to ride two or three feet

above the water—pushed up by the "captured" air.

The jet engine is located above deck on the stern between two fins. Auxiliary power for docking and maneuvering in basin areas is provided by a conventional 110 horsepower marine engine.

The test vehicle, known as the XR-1, was built under the direction of Walter Simmons, a project

engineer at the Naval Air Engineering Center at the Philadelphia Naval base.

The XR-1, with a crew of four, made its first successful run on the Delaware River, adjacent to the naval base, on May 24 and further trials are being conducted.

The top speed of the experimental craft is approximately 35 knots which developers said was equivalent to approximately 250 horsepower in a conventional marine propulsion system.

John Triem, program director, said studies of the applicability of the vessel would be made during the next six months, with the next development step a 300-ton craft.

Soviet Says 'Hot Lines' To Start In September

MOSCOW (UPI) — The Soviet Union announced today that the

Kremlin — Washington "hot line" communications link will go into operation next Sept. 1.

Military Pay Raise Asked

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Defense

Secretary Robert S. McNamara appealed Wednesday to the Senate to restore pay raises for junior military officers to induce more of them to stay in the service.

The House had cut proposed pay hikes for lieutenants, captains and majors an average of 5 per cent from the 20 per cent hike proposed by the administration.

The land line, which will be supplemented by a radio-teleprinter link, will be routed through Moscow, Helsinki, Stockholm, Copenhagen, London and Washington.

Messages from Washington to Moscow will be sent in English and messages from Moscow to Washington will be sent in Russian, Psurtsev said.

The radio-teleprinter link, which will also operate 24 hours a day, will supplement the cable circuit and enable the two governments to maintain contact with each other in the event of cable failure.

MR. AND MRS. LEROY SCORGIE and Peggy and Wayne Bucknell, Seattle, spent July 4 with Mrs. Scorgie's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Carleton in Klamath Falls.

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