

TORRANCE NEWS ITEMS

Mrs. C. Van Hellen of Arlington avenue has been very ill with an attack of the grippe.

Wm. Sikes of Keystone Acres visited his wife in Long Beach over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Fitzhugh of South Arlington were week-end visitors at Catalina Island.

Mrs. J. M. Fitzhugh of Arlington avenue attended the Alumni Reception of the Marlborough school in Los Angeles last Thursday.

Mrs. M. A. Hughes and son and Miss Grace Kite of St. Louis are visiting at the home of their brother, R. C. Kite, Arlington avenue.

Mrs. G. Isaacson is suffering from a badly sprained ankle.

Mrs. J. Johnson and daughter of San Pedro were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Isaacson.

H. F. Schmidt of the Lomita Market entertained Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Cheeseburg of Taft on Sunday.

Miss Mabel Riley of Eshleman street was a week-end guest of her aunt, Miss Grace Lee, of Compton.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Guth of Atwater were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Davis on Sunday.

John Holm, contractor and builder, has begun work on the seven Pacific Electric houses which he recently secured by contract.

Mrs. J. M. Van Buren of Cota avenue is suffering with spinal trouble.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Rolfe of Los Angeles were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Ackley of Andree avenue on Sunday.

Mrs. McFadyen and daughter from Canada, who have been visiting at the home of their aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Woodington, of South Arlington, have located in Long Beach, and expect Mr. McFadyen to join them soon.

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Judge and Mrs. L. L. Folly and daughter of Vista Highlands were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. Wilcox of Flower street on Sunday.

Little Bobby Allen, of Los Angeles, nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lessing, has been spending a week here.

W. J. Morgan of the Keystone Acres, who was employed at the Ft. MacArthur in charge of construction work, has gone to the Southwestern ship yards.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hull of the Keystone Acres were week-end guests of relatives at Riverside. Mr. Hull returned home Sunday to care for his chicken ranch. He has at present 1000 fryers. Mrs. Hull is to make an extended visit while having their Essex car overhauled and painted.

Robert Woodington, son of W. W. Woodington, South Arlington, who had the misfortune of losing two of his fingers in his right hand at a drill press in the Union Tool ten days ago, is doing very well at the Golden State Hospital, Los Angeles. He will be home in a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Kite entertained Tuesday evening at a dinner party for Mr. Kite's two sisters, Mrs. M. A. Hughes and Miss Grace Kite, of St. Louis, and Mrs. Kite's uncle and sister, James Buchanan, of St. Louis, and Mrs. Rose Pfunder, of Los Angeles.

BIRTHDAY SURPRISE

Chas. Hatfield, Sr., was agreeably surprised last Sunday when invited to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hans Anderson of South Narbonne, when upon entering the dining room he beheld a sumptuous spread, together with a large birthday cake, decked with forty-four candles. Pink and white were the colors predominating throughout the room, table and cake. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hatfield, Emma and Charles, Mr. and Mrs. Hans Anderson, Viola and Baby Anderson.

ARRIVES FROM BISBEE

Clint Keller of Bisbee, Arizona, was a week-end visitor at the home of his sister, Mrs. C. E. Trotman, and invalid father, who makes his home with his daughter. This visit was of particular interest because it was the first meeting after twenty-three years. Mr. Keller expects to locate in Lomita.

ENLARGE OFFICE

The Tolson Transfer Company is enlarging their office by removing the partition. The room will thus be extended to the opposite street, and will enable them to stock a quantity of building materials which they will carry.

New Five-Room House

C. A. Paxman of Torrance is building a new five-room modern bungalow on his property on Cypress street. Chas. Hatfield is doing the work.

May Return To Lomita

John Schmidtsroder, ex-service man, who owned property in Lomita several years ago, expects to return here and invest in property with the idea of locating permanently.

LEAVES FOR PITTSBURG

Mrs. Nelson T. Zuver of Redondo, but a former resident of Torrance, will leave next Saturday for Pittsburg, where she will visit with her parents for several months.

RETURNS TO SAN DIEGO

S. C. Dyke left Wednesday for San Diego, where he will make his future home with his son, who is located on the battleship Prairie. Mr. Dyke had been employed at the Torrance school for several months until the death recently of his wife.

OWNS NEW CAR

H. H. C. Hammerton of the Hammerton Subdivision Townsite had a new five-passenger Liberty Six automobile with Continental motor, delivered to his garage last week. Mr. Hammerton is experiencing some difficulty in manipulating his feet at critical times when his right foot becomes confused with the brake and gas feed, and persists in "stepping on it." No casualties.

BIRTHDAY SURPRISE

A surprise party was tendered Mr. and Mrs. Harry Thorsen of the Palos Verdes Hills last Wednesday, when the birthday anniversary of Mrs. Thorsen was remembered by the following guests who were present: Mr. and Mrs. H. Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. J. Phillips, Mrs. Harry Jones, Mrs. Axel Sandstrom and mother, Mrs. P. Rydahl and Mrs. J. McNamara of San Pedro; Mrs. Geo. Taylor of the Palos Verdes Hills and Mrs. Harry Phillips of Miller street, Lomita.

BIRTHDAY SURPRISE

Dewey Fix of Palm street, Lomita, was the honor guest last Saturday evening in honor of his twenty-third birthday anniversary. A crowd of Torrance and Lomita relatives and friends gathered at the home of Mrs. J. T. Price of Pepper street, where an evening of jolly merrymaking was spent. The home was very prettily decorated for the occasion in red and white, this color scheme being carried out in the refreshments. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Mildred Fix of Long Beach, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Tolson, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Tolson, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Tolson, Mr. and Mrs. John Smith and children, Mr. Clarence and Lester; Curtis Tolson, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Price and children, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Tolson and the honoree.

Afternoon Tea Party

Mrs. G. H. Crittenden was hostess at an afternoon tea last Saturday in honor of her daughter, Mrs. H. S. Crafe, of Bisbee, Arizona. The affair was held in the home of Mrs. Crittenden's mother, Mrs. L. M. White, of Olive street, whose home was tastily decorated with Cecil Bruner roses and carnations. Mrs. Ella B. Miller gave a reading and Mrs. E. W. Brumpton sang very sweetly, after which refreshments were served. Those present were: Mrs. A. C. Doane, Mrs. L. J. Hunter, Mrs. M. P. Richey, Mrs. Ella B. Miller, Mrs. Wm. Boyes, Mrs. Wm. Smith, Mrs. G. H. Crittenden, Mrs. L. M. White, Mrs. E. E. Clark, Mrs. H. S. Crafe, Mrs. Groat, Mrs. E. Schriver, Mrs. Hewett, Mrs. E. W. Brumpton, Margaret Rapson, Mrs. O. W. Thistle, Mrs. A. B. Terry, Mrs. Bert Reiff, Mrs. Nell Maloy, Mrs. Jas. Freyer and Mrs. J. H. Pickering.

EDISON DIVIDEND CHECKS ARE COMING

The directors of the Southern California Edison Company have declared the regular quarterly dividend on the Common Stock of the company, according to advices received by District Manager C. E. Houston today. The checks will be sent out to the local stockholders who reside in Torrance and Lomita on the 15th of this month.

This is the 45th regular consecutive dividend on this stock. In line with other large utilities of the country, Edison Company has recently increased the dividend rate from 7 to 8 per cent.

On the theory that the people residing in the territory served are entitled to be partners with the company in this project, the company has recently been selling large amounts of stock and now numbers over eleven thousand (11,000) stockholders, by far the largest part of whom are residents of Southern California and the San Joaquin Valley.

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