

News of Society

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Coming Events At Civic Auditorium

- October 30 Evening, Japanese Junior League.
- October 31 Hallow'en dance, N. B. P. W. Club.
- November 6 DeMolay social dance.
- November 11 Bert S. Crossland Post American Legion Armistice Day program.
- November 25 Social dance.
- December 4 Grand opera and Symphony Orchestra Society concert.

JOE'S DAUGHTERS WILL DINE TONIGHT
This evening Joe's Daughters will hold a progressive dinner party which promises to be most interesting. The girls will have their first course at the Steinhilber home, 1739 Gramercy avenue, with Mary Ann Taylor as hostess; second course at the Post home, 1541 Post avenue, where Patty Post will be hostess; third at the Crandall home, 918 Amapola avenue, where Virginia Crandall will be hostess; fourth and main course at the Huber home, 1444 Post avenue, where Olive Bell Huber will be hostess. The dessert will be served at the Johnston home, 1340 Engracia, where Jane Johnston will be hostess.

State President Guest Speaker

At 19th District A. L. A. Meeting In Auditorium Friday

Mrs. Ruth Mathebat, President of Department of California American Legion Auxiliary speaking before the 19th District American Legion Auxiliary in Torrance Civic Auditorium Friday evening urged the women of the district to support wholeheartedly the American Legion in their national defense program. Briefly she recalled how only a few years ago the cry of peace with disarmament caused America to destroy her battleships only to find that today in preparedness she ranks not first (Japan is first), not sixth (Great Britain is sixth), but 13th. Think of that. The greatest country in the world ranks 13th.

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"The Living Jefferson" by James Truslow Adams. "Timely as this book is, it was thought over during many years, undertaken in America, continued and revalued in the light of European observation, and only recently brought to completion by an author who may well be estimated as one of the most original historians of our generation."

Writing with the present situation in mind and mindful always to show the unbroken continuity of three centuries of American democratic tradition, Mr. Adams has done something different in his biography. He has traced the fortunes and vicissitudes of the set of principles and tendencies which may be termed the doctrine of Americanism. Though this book is not wholly a history of liberal thought in America perhaps its essence is best presented by a quotation from the title page:

"The immortality of Thomas Jefferson does not lie in any one of his achievements, but in his attitude toward mankind."

Woodrow Wilson.

"Listen for a Lonesome Drum," a York State chronicle, by Carl Carmer.

Mr. Carmer who was born, reared and educated in New York State, has wandered all over that area to obtain material for a report and interpretation in the style of his "Stars Fell On Alabama." As a result we have a volume of most entertaining sketches; a book alive from beginning to end; full of admirable descriptions, good stories, amusing dialogue and valuable reviews of old folklore. He can capture the flavor of a countryside, the shrewd and direct folk who live in it and the little melodramas that enliven community life. As before, he has made a collection of good stories, the kind of stories that a neighborhood treasures for decades and that are always good for a chuckle.

A modern classic has just been published, by name, "The Hurricanes." It is written by two fine and well known writers, Nordoff and Hall. These men's tales of the sea stand fair comparison with Stevenson and Conrad. This story takes its place alongside the great storm pieces and the reader will be swept along in a yarn full of action told with unaffected beauty.

"Let the King Beware" by Honoré Morrow, continues Mrs. Morrow's study of American beginnings. In 1775 they said, "It couldn't happen," but it did—the Colonies revolted—and now in her finest and most exciting novel since "Forever Free," Mrs. Morrow deals dramatically with the opposing forces in Parliament and at the Court of George III out of which the young American Republic sprang. It is a book like a dispatch out of history and also a grand love story, the tale of a lovely English Whig, an ardent Yankee Tory.—New York Times.

Father of Nurse Dies In Chicago

Mrs. Mary Norton, nurse at the Jared Sidney Torrance Memorial hospital, received the sad news Monday of the sudden death in Chicago of her father, Judson Nichols, who passed away of a heart attack that day. He had been a sufferer from a heart ailment for some time.

Fern Avenue P.T.A. Holds Evening Meet

More than 100 persons attended Fern Avenue Parent Teachers Association meeting in the kindergarten room of the school Tuesday evening and heard Mrs. Lucock speak on Americanization and the Community Chest. Children of the sixth grade, under the direction of Miss Laura Thomas, member of the school faculty, presented a playlet, "Calling All Planets."

At the close of the meeting a reception was held for the teachers and principal of the school. Room mothers served refreshments consisting of pumpkin pie and coffee.

Mrs. C. D. Lowen, president of the Fern Avenue Parent Teachers Association, announces that at the close of the membership drive, Oct. 20, there were 124 paid-up members, or six more than last year's enrollment.

Elks Lodge Plans Charity Ball

Redondo Beach Lodge 1378 of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks plans to stage their annual charity ball at their club quarters, Nov. 14. This was announced last Tuesday by Esteemed Leading Knight Walter B. Heller who is in charge of the affair.

A fine orchestra has been secured, and other attractions will help to complete the evening. One of the features of the program will be the distribution of a number of gifts to the guests present. These include an expensive radio, a set of dishes, a large grocery order, a fine fishing tackle outfit, 12 turkeys and several other valuable prizes.

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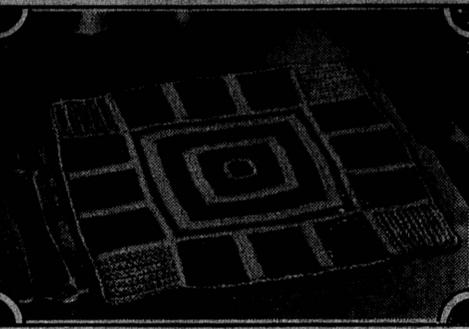
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Shower Fetes Nov. Bride-Elect

A profusion of autumn flowers decorated the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Shawger, 1521 Acacia avenue, Thursday evening, when Mrs. Shawger and Ladeene Banks entertained at a pre-nuptial shower for May Guy, who will become the bride of Carl Benner, Nov. 10.

Games furnished diversion after which a number of lovely gifts were presented to the bride-to-be. At a late hour a buffet supper was served on bright colored pottery to May Guy, Willa Thebus, Martha Greaves, Essa Palmer, Marjory Huber, Betty Albright, Dorothy Fritts, Bee Christensen, Dorothy Reddington, Ethel Ward, Kathryn Robinson, Fay Lewis, Ruth Yager, Estelle McMullan, Ruth Landreth, Inez Smith, Maxine Smith, Francis Moss, Carolyn Stroh, Laura Strong, Bernice Guy, Mrs. Laura Wise, Mrs. E. E. Banks and the hostesses.

Artisan Drill Team Organized

J. P. Beckley, Artisan Life Association manager of Harbor District, has just returned to San Luis Obispo which district he also has charge of, after spending several days in this community on business and visiting friends. Torrance assembly was very happy to have Mr. Beckley down here a this time as it made it possible for him to witness the first initiatory work put on by the newly organized drill team, for which they received many compliments.

Dr. Etta Woods, on behalf of the Lomita drill team, presented Torrance team with a beautiful bouquet of flowers. San Pedro drill team furnished music for dancing and also put on a few numbers consisting of dancing and singing, after which refreshments were enjoyed by a happy group from the harbor district. Mr. Harris, Southern California state manager, and Mrs. Harris were also present.

LOMITA-SAN PEDRO P.T.A. COUNCIL MEETING

Mrs. V. E. Hopkins presided at the meeting of Lomita-San Pedro Council Parent Teachers Association in Point Fermin school, San Pedro, Thursday evening, when they observed Father's Night. James Samuel Lacey, principal of Dayton Heights school, was the principal speaker. Rev. Dorsey of the Presbyterian church of San Pedro spoke on propositions 3 and 9 on the November ballot. Brief talks were given by Mrs. W. G. Johnson, president of Point Fermin Parent Teachers Association; by John Mill Richardson, principal of Point Fermin school, and by Mr. Sewell of the Community Chest committee.

NOTED TRAVELER TO BE CLUB SPEAKER

Chas. S. Swift, traveling lecturer, will give an illustrated talk on Mexico at the afternoon session of Torrance Women's Club, which will start with the usual luncheon in the clubhouse, 1422 Engracia avenue, Wednesday, Nov. 4, at 12:30 p. m. Miss Betty Dalton, pianist, will play several Spanish numbers. Mrs. Paxton Lytle, Los Angeles district highway safety chairman, will be the after luncheon speaker.

F. E. LADIES PLAN ANNUAL BAZAAR

Mrs. Nettie Steinhilber, former Torrance resident, was the principal speaker at the second meeting of the year for Pacific Electric Woman's Club in their clubhouse at Los Angeles Thursday. Mrs. Steinhilber gave an interesting and humorous talk on "Covered Wagon Days."

Principal business of the day was the formulating of plans for the club's annual bazaar, which will be held Dec. 3 and 4. This year the club will add to their booths and will have a tea room where a gypsy will read the cups.

Mrs. D. A. Barnard presided at the club meeting and introduced the speaker.

Guests Introduced

Pauline Elliston, state community service and district distinguished guest chairman, introduced the state president and other distinguished guests among whom were Mrs. Ethel Hearst and Mrs. Martha Decker, past department presidents; Mrs. Starkey, county council, president, and Jack Dunn, 19th District American Legion commander. Mrs. Elliston then introduced the captain of the Maywood drill team who presented the team in review. These ladies recently returned from the national convention. They are the official team of California. Mrs. Maxine Smith, director, then presented the Torrance unit glee club who sang "There Is No Death" and "Dark Eyes."

Presiding Officers

May Algeo, district president, presided at the meeting. She was assisted by Lucille Lewellen, district vice president and membership chairman. Co-hostesses with Torrance were Evelyn Hawthorne, Gardena, Harbor City and Redondo Beach.

Frances Hostess At Birthday Party

Frances Barrington, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Barrington, 2368 Torrance boulevard, was a charming little hostess when she presided at her eighth birthday party in the Barrington home Saturday.

The luncheon table where 15 guests were seated was graced at one end with a birthday cake baked in the shape of a doll with doll head and old fashioned dress. On the other was an old fashioned lady from which the guests pulled Hallow'en novelties such as clowns, poppers and candy pumpkins. In the corner of the napkins were black cats. Similar cats marked places for Frances, Doris Lee Quaggin, Marlene Quaggin, Marion Smith, Marilyn Modglin, Neva June Lowen, Jane Scott, Myrna Lou Fossum, Dolores Fulton, Lois Sevrens, Shirley Sevrens, Leona Van Kralingen, Naomi Edwards, Billy Rogers, J. A. Barrington and Betty Godden, of Long Beach.

SAM RALSTON HOME THIS WEEK

Sam Ralston, of Tucson, Ariz., is spending the week with his mother, Mrs. Lon Ralston, 1667 Gramercy avenue.

WINTER VISITOR

Bert Lindberg, of Marinette, Wis., is a recent arrival in Torrance, where he has property interests. Mr. Lindberg expects to spend some time here.

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