



SOCIETY

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DISPATCH



MISS MacDUFF TALKS ON JAPAN

Fern Avenue P. T. A. will have its regular meeting, April 23, at 2:00 p. m. Election of officers will take place.

Miss MacDuff and her group of A5's and B6's will present "A Day in Japan." Miss MacDuff will dress in Japanese costume and will speak of her experiences in Japan. She taught for more than five years in a boys' high school in Tokyo, taught six months in a girls' school, and was in Tokyo during the earthquakes of 1923 and 1924. She has traveled extensively in Korea and Manchuria. Miss MacDuff's talk will be most interesting and she will be glad to answer any questions she can about the Orient and the customs of people who live there.

A furnished Japanese house in miniature will be on display. At the close of the meeting the speaker and her pupils will serve Japanese tea and cakes.

W. B. A. MEETS AT WATER'S HOME

Mrs. Flora Waters, 1951 Carson street, returned Sunday from the Women's Benefit Association convention in Oakland. Tuesday evening, 15 members of the Torrance association met at the Waters home to hear a report of just what had transpired at the convention. Mrs. Waters was the local delegate. Mrs. Luella Currier, who attended the convention with Mrs. Waters, is enjoying a brief vacation before returning to her home.

WILL ENTERTAIN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Thursday, April 25, Torrance Elementary and Fern Avenue Parent Teachers Associations will be hostesses to the Lomita-San Pedro council at the Evangelical church, corner of Marcelina and Arlington. The meeting begins at 9:30 a. m.

Mrs. W. R. Harriman, chairman of home reading for Tenth District, will be there with her model library. Mrs. R. B. Waldo, council parliamentarian and historian for Tenth District, will have charge of election of officers.

The following ladies have been nominated: President, Mrs. L. A. Stump, of Lomita; vice president, Mrs. J. C. Stegall, of San Pedro; secretary, Mrs. G. A. Carvill, of Lomita; treasurer, Mrs. Bessie Schatz, of Harbor City.

All P. T. A. groups in the Lomita-San Pedro council are to have their delegates present to vote.

MASONS' DINNER AND CARD PARTY TONIGHT

All Masons, Eastern Star members, their families and friends, are invited to the 6:30 dinner and card party in the Masonic temple this evening. Prizes will be awarded for high scores in pinocchle and bridge.

INDIANA FOLKS GET TOGETHER

Mrs. O. W. Hudson, 1758 Andree avenue, attended a dinner party at the home of Mrs. Frank Reisner, Los Angeles, Thursday. Guests at the affair were all former residents of Muncie, Indiana.

RETURNS FROM PALM SPRINGS

Mrs. Lester Dillinger, 1308 Beech avenue, returned Sunday from a week's vacation at Palm Springs.

NEWS OF TORRANCE RELIEF CORPS

Regular meeting of Stephen A. Phillips Relief Corps will be held in Torrance Social hall, corner of Torrance boulevard and Portola avenue, this evening at 7:45.

Sewing circle will meet with Mrs. Flora Waters at her home, 1951 Carson street, Friday, April 26. All members welcome; pot-luck luncheon at noon.

May 2 is the date chosen by the Relief Corps for their card party in the Torrance Social hall. Everyone welcome. Secure tickets from Relief members.

JUNIOR AUXILIARY PREPARE EASTER BASKETS

A lovely Easter party was that attended by members of the Junior American Legion Auxiliary in the Legion hall, Friday afternoon. At this party the members filled Easter baskets for children in the children's hospitals. These were delivered to the district chairman at the meeting in Long Beach for distribution.

Games and an egg hunt furnished plenty of real fun. Prizes were won by Jeanette Barkdull, Magdaline Semonetz and Janet Lewellen. Maxine Smith, chairman of the juniors, and Lucille Lewellen, auxiliary president, were in charge of the party.

LEAVES FOR EAST TO BRING MOTHER

Mrs. Mary Sana with her sister, Mrs. Butler, and her niece, Mrs. Dillon, left Saturday by motor for Walter, Oklahoma. They will return in about three weeks with Mrs. Sana's and Mrs. Butler's mother.

Cooking School Opens April 30



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Paris Styles

By MARY KNIGHT
United Press Staff Correspondent

PARIS, (U.P.)—If it is smartly sedate clothes you are looking for, we would suggest some of the things from Marcelle Dormoy's last collection.

The line is the main thing that is sedate here, with the material and detail of the most discriminating sort. The colors are the contrast and prove that brilliant shades can be as discreet as somber ones. It all depends on how the line and detail develop.

Dormoy has three silhouettes: the first brought about by the long tunic over the fairly short skirt—short and sleek. The tunic with sleeves are often slit and button in the back. The second silhouette is achieved with coats—plain sleeves and yokes—and a scarcity of trimming. The third line comes in the tailor-mades, and these are sedate but with clever cross-cuts due to a unique technique which isn't any of our business.

Evening gowns are two-fold: flimsy fabrics with fulness drifting backwards; and more rigid silks, failles and heavy satins and cellophane taffetas, very puff and sharply tightened at two places—mid-thigh and knee.

With smartly sedate foundations, accessories may go a little silly without altering the effect or sobriety. Contrast is important, both in color and design.

TODAY'S FASHION TIP

Sedate backgrounds call for interesting accessories.

CONVALESCING AT HOME OF SISTER

Mrs. Fred Bowen, of Los Angeles, who recently underwent a major operation at the Jared Sidney Torrance Memorial hospital, is convalescing at the home of her sister, Mrs. May McKinley, 1417 Cota avenue.

Among those who visited with Mrs. Bowen recently were Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Ball, of Los Angeles, and Miss Emily Millon, of San Gabriel.

ATTORNEY SPEAKS ON LEGAL TOPICS

Miss Augusta Rosenberg, attorney at law, practicing in Westwood, spoke before the National Business and Professional Women of Torrance at their dinner meeting held at Earl's Cafe, Tuesday night, on laws affecting women. Miss Rosenberg spoke principally on community property and wills and gave the members a great deal of valuable information and free advice on these important phases of legal business, particularly on the subject of wills.

As most people put off the making of a will until the last possible moment, very few take the trouble to inform themselves on the technical aspects, and as a result many wills when presented for probate are found to be invalid.

Miss Rosenberg cited several interesting examples, in some of which the courts had upheld a document on the ground that it expressed the intention of the testator, in spite of its flaws of construction. In others, many times a purported will has been refused admission to probate because of a small defect, such as the omission of a date, improper signature or similar error.

Miss Rosenberg dwelt at some length on holographic, or written wills, which to be valid must be entirely in the handwriting of the testator, and complete as to the proper date and signature. Such a will, written on a piece of paper which contains printing of any kind is invalid, which makes the use of printed forms with blank spaces left for writing in the bequests, undesirable.

Naturally, Miss Rosenberg advised all who were thinking of drawing up a will to consult an attorney.

In addition to the young attorney's informative talk, the club had the pleasure of hearing Lewis Dreyer, baritone, in three songs, with piano accompaniment by Madame Teala Billini, and two numbers by Miss Elleen Maskroy, talented young dramatic reader.

Mrs. Theo Thistle, publicity chairman, arranged the program, which was one of the most interesting of the year. Miss Ada Chase arranged the decorations with the Easter motif dominating. A beautiful pink rosebud at each place and a tiny basket filled with candies were favors.

At the next meeting of the club, May 6, delegates to the state convention at San Francisco, and new officers for the coming year will be elected.

N. B. P. W. BANQUET AT SANTA MONICA

Generous applause greeted Madame Teala Billini when she played for the more than 400 persons attending the banquet of National Business and Professional Women of the Los Angeles District in the Mira Mar Hotel, Santa Monica, Sunday evening.

Dr. Raymond C. Brooks, head of the department of religion at Pomona College, delivered an address, "Challenge of the Present World Situation"; Miss Winifred Guay sang the federation's song, and Mrs. Eugene E. Tincher sang two groups of songs. Kenneth Marston Stead played the piano accompaniment. Anne B. Laiden, deker presided and introduced the newly-elected officers as follows: Mrs. Georgia E. Shropshire, president; Miss Kathleen Head, first vice president; Mrs. Gertrude L. Westing, recording secretary; Mrs. Amy Skinner, treasurer; Miss Sue Brobbie, auditor; Miss Sue Brobbie, parliamentarian.

Torrance members attending the banquet were Miss Beatrice Hughes, president; Mrs. Addie Montague, Mrs. Roxie Sleeth, Madame Teala Billini, Miss Lute Fraser and Miss Ethelwyn Niles.

BROTHERS' NIGHT AT O. E. S.

More than 100 persons attended the meeting of Torrance chapter, Order of Eastern Star, Thursday evening. Brothers were in charge of the meeting and program, with Archer Lewis, worthy patron, as general chairman.

Dr. George P. Shidler delivered an address on "Our Public Schools." Dr. W. H. Neelands and Charles Curtis sang several selections. A character skit was presented with Fay Parks, Archer Lewis, Hal Stanger, Willis Brooks, Harry Given, Earl Babcock, Glenn Babcock, Wallace West, Abner Shriner, Warren Scrivner, appearing in the cast.

Refreshments were served in the banquet hall.

At the next meeting of the chapter, Thursday evening, April 25, members of the White Shrine drill team of Long Beach, will be special guests.

MRS. PARKS APPOINTED REGISTRAR FOR CONVENTION
Torrance Women's Club has been honored by having one of their past presidents, Mrs. Carrie Parks, appointed to serve as registrar of voters at the club convention in the Del Mar Club, Santa Monica, April 23, 24 and 25.

Mrs. Grace Y. Hudson, president of the Southern Division, California Federation of Women's Clubs, made the appointment.

NORTHERN VISITORS AT KRESSE HOME

Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Kresse, 1443 El Prado avenue, had as their house guests several days, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. von Plank, of San Francisco. The group were week-end visitors at San Diego and Agua Caliente.

Jolly Party Held

By Past Presidents of American Legion Auxiliary

Forty auxiliary members were pleasantly entertained at the Auxiliary hall Monday evening when past presidents of the organization entertained with their annual party. Dessert was served at the beginning of the evening. Mrs. Barkdull gave each person a bag of beans.

Every time they said yes or no the person hearing them collected a bean. At the close of the evening Mrs. Margaret Carson received a prize for having the most beans in her possession.

Entertainment for the evening began with presidents singing the verses and the group joining in the chorus of "No, No, a Thousand Times No." This sure put a hole in a number of the bean bags. Jean Patterson then started what she called the "Pottsville Center Gazette," a small town newspaper. She chose her staff of editors and gave them 15 minutes in which to compile their columns. Each person read her own column. Issues of the paper will be distributed at an early date. Those contributing to the paper were—Velora Murphy, news flasher; Virginia Scott, voice of the people; Roxie Sleeth, foreign news; Alice Thompson, household hints; Eloda Barkdull, theatre and radio; Lucille Lewellen, sports; Essie Strom, society; Gertrude Ralston, editorial, and Maxine Smith, advertising.

Dorothy Harrier and Roxie Sleeth then chose a cast of characters from the audience and directed them in the presentation of Tenneyson's "Caddy," a small town play. Velora Murphy and Hallie Doan headed the cast and were supported by Alma Smith, Lucille Lewellen, Fannie Wilkes, Esther Lowen, Gertrude Ralston and Jean Patterson. Eloda Barkdull, Corlita Reeve and Lucille Lewellen conducted contests for which prizes were awarded to Lillian Barrington and Olive Lee.

Committee in charge were Eloda Barkdull, Dorothy Harrier, Phyllis Budge, Corlita Reeve, Jean Patterson, Lucille Lewellen and Roxie Sleeth. The auxiliary will entertain the Legionnaires at a box social in Legion hall, Monday evening, April 29.

WOMAN'S CLUB REMINDER

Mrs. Juliette Johnson requests all members of Torrance Woman's Club desirous of attending the club banquet and installation at the Del Mar club, Santa Monica, Thursday, April 25, to make reservations with her at once; phone 319-R. A motion picture conference will be held in Whittier, Friday, April 26. Luncheon reservations should be mailed to Mrs. Miller, 234 North Painter, Whittier, not later than Tuesday, April 23. Motion pictures will be shown at a Whittier theatre at 2:30 p. m.

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MOTOR TO BAKERSFIELD

Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Lanz, 1448 Engracia avenue, recently motored to Bakersfield and vicinity to view the display of wild flowers. They stopped for several days at the Mission Inn, Riverside, where they were joined Sunday by Mr. and Mrs. John W. McMillan and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Levy. A dinner at the Inn Sunday, celebrated the Lanz wedding anniversary.

BRIDGE LUNCHEON IN LONG BEACH

A prettily appointed luncheon was that given by Mrs. Elizabeth Howell, Engracia avenue, for members of the Entre Nous Club at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Bertie Day, in Long Beach, Thursday.

Contract bridge furnished diversion. Prizes for high scores were awarded to Mrs. F. W. Mineck and Mrs. Juliette Johnson. A consolation prize was awarded to Mrs. F. C. Winkler. Others included were Mesdames Carrie Parks, Alda Hudson and Naomi Steel.

DANCE AT HOLLYWOOD RIVIERA

The regular monthly dancing party sponsored by Torrance Woman's Club will be held at Hollywood Riviera, Saturday evening, April 21. Everyone is invited to attend. Committee in charge of arrangements consists of Mesdames Harry Higgins, Carl Marsteller and Lon Ralston.

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