

Eastern Star Observes Birthday With Dinner Party in Masonic Temple



Paris Styles

by MARY FENTRESS

PARIS (U.P.)—The young girl who is looking for romance and gaiety when school days start will discover without searching very hard that Paris designers have gone as romantic and feminine as one could wish. One big dressmaking house, in fact, is limiting its talents to clothes just for the 16-to-18 age.

Evening dresses are made most often of pastel-toned laces, their skirts so fully gathered that the gathers overlap in pleats at light waists. Starched petticoats frequently underlie billowing waltz frocks and presentation gowns; sprays of flowers or scarfs of cloudy tulle add a touch of naivete to the debutante's dress.

A demure square-necked evening gown is made of wide vertical bands of moire in sweet-pea shades. A "basket-woven" bodice combines the pastel moire bands with navy. A turquoise tulle dress, very full skirted, has a corsage of seven pink roses nestling in the cowl of a fichu neck. A pleated yellow chiffon has ribbon bows cascading down its back.

Light-weight flannel in a heavenly pale blue color is used for a long-sleeved dinner dress which features a floor-length skirt all of unpressed boxpleats. Wide panels of red and gray brocade stripe the bodice and form bands around the bottom of the sleeves.

Members of the Alpha Sigma Chi fraternity of Compton Junior College met at the home of Bob Sleeth, 1616 Post avenue, Monday evening.

Regular Lodge Session is Held; Four Official Guests Present

A dinner in the Masonic banquet hall Thursday evening marked the 17th birthday of Torrance Chapter, Order of Eastern Star. Autumn blooms and colored tapers decorated the long tables, where covers were placed for 130 guests. Bunches of grapes and autumn leaves served as favors. Beatrice Hughes was chairman of the decorating committee and Clara Conner was dinner chairman.

Seated at the head table were the worthy matron, Jean Mosher; worthy patron, Fred Bever, and past matrons and patrons of the chapter. Sally West, associate worthy matron was in charge of the dining room. Her committee, all officers, were: Theresa Hill, Lola Hoover, Edith Wertalla, Alice Ruppel, Maude McNeil, Helen Miller, Bee Hughes, Leell Kerber, Rosearnold Winters, Jennie Moore, Elizabeth Brod, and Dorothy Prince. Assisting Mrs. Conner in preparing the dinner were Clemma Watson, Jean Mosher, Marie Paour and Rolive Bever.

Matron Receives Gift

Regular meeting of the Star was then held in the temple, after which the group adjourned to the banquet hall where birthday dainties were served and Mrs. Mosher was presented with gifts of rock crystal.

Guests at the affair were Mrs. Anna Hamer, Grand Electa of Oklahoma, house guest of Carrie Parks; Lucille Davis, worthy matron of Wilmington chapter, Order of the Eastern Star; Rena Pierson, worthy matron of San Pedro Harbor chapter, and Frances Pruitt, worthy matron of Inglewood chapter.

Members of the Matron's party committee were Hazel Fossum, Bettina Miller, Mary Lewis and Florence Evans.

October Bridal Pair Feted at Round Of Parties

A round of gay parties have been planned to honor Miss Aggie Lou Rippy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Rippy, 1444 El Prado, and Don M. Coulson of West Hollywood, prior to their wedding in Hollywood Riviera, October 23.

The first will be a dinner party at the home of one Miss Rippy's bridesmaids Saturday evening. Miss Louise Clover will entertain in her Westwood home for Misses Aggie Lou Rippy, Marge Powell, Beth Ann Stevens, Beth Volland, Doris Clegg and their escorts.

The following Saturday, Marge Powell, who will be Miss Rippy's maid of honor will entertain at her Hollywood home with a linen shower. Invited to this affair are members of the Alpha Delta Pi Sorority, of which Miss Rippy and Miss Powell are members.

Harold Helvinston, talent director at Paramount studios will entertain with a cocktail party at his Hollywood home Oct. 1.

Parent Teacher Officers Listed

Each of four schools in the city has its own Parent Teachers Association. These groups have as their chief objective the welfare of children and furnish a means of creating better understanding between home and school.

Mrs. Harold Smith is president of the Elementary school unit. Mrs. William H. Tolson is first vice-president and Merle Helbach, principal of the school, is second vice-president. Mrs. M. J. Bowers is president of Fern Avenue association, Mrs. Ethel Moore is first vice-president and Mrs. Oda B. Vans, principal of the school, is second vice-president. Walteria school unit has as its president, Mrs. R. J. Deurloo. Mrs. Lenore Young is first vice-president and Mrs. N. Nickelson is secretary.

The Torrance high school association has Mrs. Charles Woodcock as president. Mrs. J. W. Post is first vice-president. Mrs. Elizabeth Parks, vice principal, is second vice-president. Elementary and Fern Avenue groups meet in their respective schools the fourth Tuesday of each school month at 2 p. m. Walteria P.T.A. meets the third Wednesday of each school month at 7:30 p. m., and the high school school association assemblies the second Monday of each school month at 2 p. m.

PRIZE WINNERS AT W.B.A. PARTY

Anna Stadig captured the prize for ladies and Mark Wright Sr. captured the prize for men at the Women's Benefit Association and held in McDonald Hall Tuesday evening.

JUNIOR MUSICIANS PLAN ENTERTAINMENT

Thursday evening, September 29, at 7:30 p. m., Junior Musicians of America will present an entertainment in the Torrance Civic Auditorium. A small admission will be charged and the proceeds placed in a fund with which members of the club hope to visit "Treasure Island" next year.

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DAUGHTERS FETE MOTHER AT PARTY

The Guyan home, 1807 Andrew avenue, furnished the setting for a birthday surprise party Saturday evening, when daughters of Mrs. Guyan entertained for their mother.

SURPRISE PARTY FETES MRS. BOICE

Mrs. Fred Boice was guest of honor at a surprise birthday party held at the home of Mrs. Elva Kelton, Border avenue, last Thursday.

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Club Group Hears Speaker Expose Fraud Practices

Fraud is a 3 1/2 billion dollar industry in these United States; the loss to individuals is three billion dollars greater than loss by fire and affects every home, according to L. B. Spaeth of the Los Angeles Better Business Bureau, who spoke before the Torrance National Business and Professional Women in McDonald hall Monday evening.

"Man is the only animal that can be skinned more than once," Spaeth said and to prove this he cited many of the tricks used by individuals over and over to get something for nothing. Spaeth advised against allowing names to be used in connection with charity or other projects unless properly investigated.

The speaker begged all present to remember "You cannot get something for nothing and Santa Claus always wears a red suit."

MRS. STEVENSON ENTERTAINS AT BRUNCH

Mrs. A. P. Stevenson, 1504 Post avenue, entertained at a brunch in her home last Wednesday. Her guests included Mrs. R. Ludlow, Harley Haynes, E. M. Johnston, L. M. Pierce and her mother, Mrs. Selby of Hermosa Beach, Margaret Danford of Los Angeles, and Mrs. R. Cuthbert of Ohio.

LOCALS ATTEND A.L.A. STATE DINNER

The annual state dinner, always the most colorful event of the national convention of the American Legion Auxiliary, held last night in the Biltmore hotel was attended by 2,000.

The Bowl transformed into an early California patio. The landing of the stairs down which women from all parts of the country entered the bowl was changed into a scene from "Ramona."

Sixty women in California pioneer costumes acted as hostesses at the various state tables. Leo Carrillo was master of ceremonies. Stage, screen and radio artists entertained.

A number of Torrance ladies attended the dinner, while Lucille Lewellen, junior past president of the 19th District American Legion Auxiliary, was one of California hostesses.

ELEMENTARY P.T.A. TO OPEN YEAR

"Activities of Tenth District Parent Teachers Association" a motion picture will be shown at the first meeting of the Elementary Parent Teachers Association" a motion picture will be shown at the first meeting of the Elementary Parent Teachers Association, which holds its opening meeting of the year in the school auditorium Tuesday, Sept. 27, at 2:00 p. m.

Merle Helbach, principal of the school will introduce new teachers. Tea will be served at the close.

MRS. HASTIE OBSERVES 88TH BIRTHDAY

Sixty-three visited the home of Mrs. Carrie Parks, 1003 Portola avenue, Tuesday, when she and her son Jimmy held open house for Mrs. Parks' mother, Mrs. Zada Hastie, who on Tuesday celebrated her 88th birthday.

Guests came from 1:00 to 10:00 p. m., enjoyed a brief chat with the honoree and presented her with flowers, plants, and many lovely gifts.

Assisting Mrs. Parks were Mrs. F. J. Raymond of Los Angeles, and Mrs. Whitmore of Torrance.

CHAMPION TOURISTS

Californians are the world's champion motor tourists. Wyoming now reports that California cars lead the field in touring to Yellowstone and Grand Teton National Parks and other parts of the state.

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One Thousand Club Women Enjoy Day In City

Torrance Woman's club opened its season in stirring manner last Thursday by playing hostess to Los Angeles District Federation of Women's Clubs at its opening council.

Mrs. John Stearns Thayer, district president, complimented Mrs. H. C. Barrington, president of Torrance Woman's club and her 85 members for the manner in which they were received.

Service clubs, city officials and Chamber of Commerce welcomed the visitors and presented lovely floral offerings.

Subject of the first council was "Legislation." Mrs. E. M. Lassard, former president of Los Angeles League of Women Voters and legislation chairman for the district reviewed the 25 measures listed and urged all women to study their ballots with care. The only measure on which the district permitted the chairmen to instruct the women was single tax, the district having voted to oppose this measure.

Mrs. Lassard then presented George Wright, chairman of Los Angeles Speaker's Bureau, who spoke on the single tax.

Mrs. R. J. Morrison, issued an invitation to all to come to the fair at Pomona and patronize the Federation food booth operated under the direction of Mrs. E. H. Brockway. Funds from this food booth are used for the upkeep of the beautiful district headquarters building, which is used continuously and enjoyed by the large membership thru-out the district.

Two new clubs were presented to the district at Thursday's session, their presidents were introduced by Mrs. C. O. O'Neill, federation secretary. They were

ENLISTS IN NAVY

Anthony (Tony) M. Nady of 1015 Amapolia street, a graduate of Torrance high school with the class of 1937, has been accepted for enlistment in the U. S. Navy.

Chaminade Lyric club of Monrovia, Mrs. Robert Beech Mobre, president, and Central Gardens club of Lynwood, Mrs. Arthur Redwine, president.

Luncheon was served in the Torrance Civic Auditorium by the Woman's club of Torrance.

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