

Mrs. Fordice Helps Needy Women Sell Their Products Here

In addition to her own work as a capable, experienced dress-maker specializing in alterations, remodeling and repair of women's clothing, Mrs. Margaret Fordice is helping needy local women to earn a few dollars this Christmas season.

At her Margaret's Shop, 1001 Sartori avenue, Mrs. Fordice is displaying articles made by Torrance women who are using their needles and ingenuity to help maintain their families. She does not charge them a fee for this sales service, preferring to offer the display services of her shop as a friendly, cooperative gesture of real holiday goodwill.

Mrs. Fordice invites all residents in quest of modest-priced, home-made articles to see the articles in her shop.

Spn Survives Father Only Two Weeks

Surviving his father, Orr G. Johnson, only two weeks, Nathan Johnson passed away in Long Beach last Thursday, services being held in Long Beach Saturday morning.

The deepest sympathy of the community is extended to the bereaved wife, Clara; mother, Mrs. Orr Johnson and sister, Mrs. Louise Webb, to whom so much sorrow has come in such a short time. Mrs. Louise Webb and her brother, Nathan, were both ill at the time services were held for the father but it was thought both were on the road to recovery.

Nathan Johnson was 35 years old and formerly lived in Lomita, attending school in Lomita and San Pedro. He had many friends in the community who were shocked and grieved at his sudden passing.

Lembkes Feted On Anniversary

About the oldest married couple, in the number of years they have lived in this section, is Mr. and Mrs. Henry F. Lembke, who were married at Redondo Beach on Nov. 24, 1898.

It was also the birthday of the bride so on Sunday, Nov. 24, Mrs. Robert W. Kleid, daughter of the couple, entertained at her home, 25347 Fairview in honor of the dual anniversary.

Birthday gifts and anniversary gifts were presented to the couple, the family group attending the dinner being Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lembke and children, LeRoy and Charles of Alhambra, Mr. and Mrs. Kleid and three children, Kathleen, Carolyn and Peter and the honorees.

Mr. and Mrs. Lembke lived in Harbor City before it was named and on Lomita Boulevard before it was named Weston street. They were married nine years before there was such a place as Lomita Acres and no such place as Torrance ever had been planned. From the windows of their home they saw flocks of sheep on the Palms Verdes Hills where hundreds of homes are built now, and where there were no buildings then but a few ranch houses and barns.

Another daughter, Mrs. Ted Brunner of Sacramento, was unable to be at the family reunion.

Lomita Library Gets New Books

To help Lomita residents pass the long winter evenings, the Lomita library this week placed on its shelves the last of a shipment of 100 new books, including fiction and non-fiction for adults and children.

Recommended by Librarian Ella Cline for better understanding of world events are "Chaos in Asia" by Hallett Abend, New York Times Far Eastern correspondent; H. G. Wells' "Fate of Homo Sapiens"; "When There is No Peace" by Hamilton Fish Armstrong; "Crisis of Democracy" by William E. Rappard; "Inside Germany" by Albert G. Hoesnicki, and "The Seasons Roll" a survey of European military establishments by Hanson W. Baldwin, military and naval correspondent of the New York Times.

To high school girls who would every day wear party dresses to school, the librarian is recommending "Clothing, Simplicity—Economy for the High School Girl" by Mrs. L. Bald. And for younger readers, "Capt. Ezra, Privateer" by H. E. Jones; "Adventures of Billy Toppal" by R. Duncan, and "Lives of Poor Boys Who Became Famous" by L. M. Bolton, are suggested.

Parent-Teachers Unit Plays Vital Role at Torrance High School

Following is the tenth article in the series "Know Your Torrance High School," written especially for this newspaper.

By THOMAS H. ELSON
Principal of Torrance High School

No discussion of Torrance high school's public relations would be complete without a report on the position occupied by the Parent-Teachers Association in this program.

In no sense the P. T. A. is a liaison agency between the high school and its patrons. In another sense it is an institution of the community, with which the school carries on cooperative endeavors.

The local Association, through its affiliation with the Tenth District, is enabled to perform a third function which has been a real boon to many of our students. We refer to the furnishing of free milk to students who need it and cannot afford to pay for it.

Aid Student Welfare

The program of the Association each year is so planned as to supplement the various objectives of the school. As an example, during this year emphasis in the programs of the meetings is given to the principles which the school is trying to establish.

It means a good deal to students to have an organization which stands ready to assist in providing clothing, lunches and personal supplies when there seems no other way to secure them. These are items to be found on the P. T. A. list for every month of the school year.

Annually the membership campaign cash prize is awarded to the leading homeroom. These prizes enable the students to purchase fine things for their own rooms or for the school, some of the outstanding cases of cooperation which have contributed to the student activities are as follows:

Practical Cooperation

Through the solicitation of the P. T. A. \$70 were contributed by the Coordinating Council for the purchase of band uniforms. The Association also made an appreciable cash contribution to this cause. Members and mothers of band members contributed 220 working hours in making these uniforms.

Three Life Memberships of

\$25 each have been awarded members of the faculty.

A concert was staged for the purpose of raising funds for band and orchestra instruments.

Contributions have been made to Thanksgiving and Christmas funds.

The annual reception given to members of the high school faculty has been a splendid medium for the interchange of ideas and the development of better understanding among

teachers, parents, and leaders of our community.

While space does not permit the detailing of the work of the Association it can be truly said that the Torrance High School Parent-Teachers Association is an outstanding example of a community and school organization operating on a practical basis.

(The 11th article in the "Know Your Torrance High School" series by Principal Elson will be published next week)

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2. "Opening Night" Perfume by Lucien Lelong
3. "Indiscreet" Perfume by Lucien Lelong
4. "Mon Image" Perfume
5. "Jabot" Cologne
6. "Tailspin" Cologne
7. "Imprudence" Cologne
8. "La Castel" Package
9. Lucien Lelong's Plume Package
10. Imprudence Perfume

P.T.A. Publicity Heads Attend Conference

Conducted by Mrs. H. R. Williams, publicity bureau manager for the Tenth District California Congress of Parents and Teachers; Mrs. Harold H. Worth and Mrs. Agnes Burson, district publicity chairmen, a conference was held last week for publicity chairmen of the various units.

Those attending from this community were Mrs. H. D. Rose, Orange Street School, Mrs. Curtis Brown, Torrance Elementary, Mrs. Frank Frye, Lomita Elementary, Mrs. J. L. Abbott, Narbonne high school, Mrs. Edgar W. Lock, Torrance high, and Mrs. F. L. Glynn, chairman for Gateway Council.

State Increases Home Building

According to figures released by the California Savings and Building-Loan League, California's spending 16.1 percent more money for residential building than in 1939.

The national percentage of home-building increase over last year is 20.9 percent, but the lesser percentage in California really accounts for a greater dollar volume of building as this state led all others in the nation in 1939.

Consequently, savings and loan institutions in California are financing a much larger volume of home construction than last year, with an increase of 38.8 percent over their activities during a similar period in 1939.

Walteria Church Women to Meet at Butterfields

The Walteria Full Gospel Women's Missionary Council will meet Tuesday, Dec. 10, at the home of Mrs. Oscar Butterfield, 24426 Los Codona avenue. The business meeting will start at 10 a. m., with Mrs. Clyde Getchel in charge of devotions.

Mrs. Vernon Hendershot, a returned missionary from Singapore, will be speaker of the day. A potluck luncheon will be served at noon. Visitors are welcomed to these meetings.

Santa Soap

MAKE IT A SPARKLING CHRISTMAS

Give them jewelry, says Santa! He means your mother, your cousins and your sisters and aunts. If you're looking for something new, something "different" in gift jewelry—buy yourself down to your local stores today. Open your eyes to the giant "jewels," the heavy "gold" bracelets and necklace and pins and clips. Particularly smart are the eye-catching "jewelled" lapel pins, brooches, rings, and bracelets that feature two removable clips. Perennially popular, lustrous pearls are seen in one, two, three and multi-strand effect—and you can have bracelets to match!

As a Last Resort There's Always the Gift Certificates

Despite the wealth of Christmas gift ideas for men, there are always one or two men on the list "who have everything." This problem is best solved with a gift certificate which can be purchased in any denomination and presented in an attractive gift package. The gift certificate can then be taken to the men's store from which it was bought, and any item selected according to the value of your certificate. These gift certificates may be bought for any amount you wish to spend.

BIRTHS GAIN

SACRAMENTO (UP)—A total of 53,883 babies were born in California during the first six months of 1940, reports to the state department of public health showed today. The total was an increase of more than 3,000 over the same period of 1939.

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Lomifans' Daughter Due Home Soon From Philippines

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Durant have received word from their daughter, Mrs. Fred Calfee, that she and daughter, Beverly Jean, are on their way home from the Philippines and will be back in the United States early in January. Mr. Calfee has been transferred to Hawaii after several years in China and the Philippines. The family have been living at Manila for several years.

Navy wives in the far east are being sent home and Mrs. Calfee is leaving as soon as she can get transportation.

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