

# Women's Activities

By MARY VONDERAHE

Raymond J. Casey,  
New Principal,  
Will Address PTA

Raymond J. Casey will be introduced to members of Torrance high school P.T.A. at the scheduled meeting, Tuesday, Jan. 29. He is to succeed Principal Harold E. Perry on Monday, Principal Perry having been transferred to Verdugo high school.

Mrs. F. S. Selover, president, also will present Mrs. L. F. Watson, past president and Mrs. J. J. Millard, Tenth District P.T.A. program service chairman, who will bring important messages. A musical program will augment the afternoon session. Everyone is urged to attend.

### BARKDULL HOME IS PARTY SETTING

The home of Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Barkdull on Beech ave. was a setting for a delightful dinner party Saturday evening. Covers were arranged for Messrs. and Mmes. Wayne Talkington and Snow of Harrington, Wash., J. C. Snow and Mrs. Bessie Myers of this city, L. C. Doan of Long Beach, Richard K. Brown of Ontario and Kelly Carrol and Tom Marsh of Cedar Falls, Iowa, both recently returned from overseas service.

### O.E.S. MEMBERS ENJOY SOCIAL EVENING

Members and guests of Torrance Chapter No. 380, Order of the Eastern Star, enjoyed a delightful program following their regular chapter meeting Thursday night. Mrs. Inez Allen, as chairman, presented a humorous reading, "Tall Tale Told." Later, the group adjourned to the dining-room where sandwiches and coffee and birthday cakes, honoring those with birthdays occurring in November, December and January, were served.

Members' Courtesy Night will be observed at the chapter meeting Thursday evening Feb. 7.

**MRS. BENZEL HONORED AT HANDKERCHIEF PARTY**  
Complimenting Mrs. C. A. Benzel, a resident here for the past 25 years, who leaves soon to make her home in Anaheim, members of Torrance Royal Neighbor Camp presented her with many beautiful handkerchiefs following the regular meeting at Torrance Woman's clubhouse Tuesday evening Jan. 8. Lighted candles and pastel blossoms decorated the refreshment table where about 40 were served.

The social evening followed the regular business meeting at which Wilma Larsen was received into the organization.

### ROBERT REED IS FIVE, NOW

Robert Reed, five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Reed of 1408 Crenshaw Blvd., celebrated his birthday with a gaily appointed children's party Saturday afternoon. Following a game period, with prizes for contest winners, refreshments were served at a table colorful with party hats, lolly pops and favors. Those present were Bobby and Kathy Schott, Carol Cook, Rhio and Henry Saffen, Charles and Donnie Baker, Jackie Lynch, the honoree and his sister, Barbara, all of Torrance, and Jon and Jerry Heiskell, of Long Beach.

**P.T.A. COUNCIL ARRANGES MEETING**  
The Lomita-San Pedro P.T.A. Council will meet at Harbor City Elementary school promptly at 9:30 o'clock Friday morning, Jan. 25.

Founders' Day will be observed and Mrs. O. I. Johnson, Founders' Day chairman, has planned an interesting program. Past presidents of the council are to be honored.

Mrs. John R. Garner, president, asks for the co-operation of everyone to support the Victory Clothing Drive.

**ATTENDS CONVENTION**  
Mrs. Mary Fleming, of Fresno, was a house guest of her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Haslam, when she attended the recent hotel convention, held in Long Beach.

### Moose Family Night Variety Program Is Enjoyable Occasion

Family night for members of Moose Lodge No. 785 was enjoyed by a large number of members, their families and friends at Moose Hall last Friday evening.

A well arranged program presented by Mrs. Gladys Evans' students featured Doris and Violet Popovich in a sister team, presenting, "Bell Bottom Trousers;" Patty Dummer in song and dance selections, "My Dreams Are Getting Better" and "Alice Blue Gown;" Beverly Holdsworth in an accordion solo, "El Spanola;" Doris Popovich a Pacific Talent Academy student, concluded the program with a military dance, "God Bless America" and a Scotch dance feature. Mrs. Esther Dandoy was pianist for the program. Selected motion picture shorts and comedies, shown by Urtis Garrity were also thoroughly enjoyed. James Barker, secretary of the lodge, announced that Family Night will now be a monthly affair to be held on the second Friday of each month. Everyone is welcome.

### MESSES. MILLARD, GARNER ATTEND BOARD MEET

Attending the Tenth District P.T.A. executive board meeting held Wednesday in Los Angeles were Mrs. J. J. Millard, 10th District program service chairman and Mrs. John R. Garner, Lomita-San Pedro P.T.A. Council president.



AT THE STORK CLUB . . . Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Hill of Arlington ave., Torrance, pictured with arms about each other as they pose at the bar of Sherman Billingsley's Stork Club in New York.

### Royal Neighbors Hold Candlelight Open Installation

Torrance Camp No. 8909, Royal Neighbors of America, held a formal candlelight installation ceremony Tuesday evening at Torrance Woman's Clubhouse. Lizzie Benzel, a charter member and past oracle of the Camp served as installing officer and Louise Walker was ceremonial marshal. Dancing followed.

A highlight of the evening was the presentation of many beautiful gifts from Mrs. Marie Bankston, retiring oracle, to her staff of officers who served in 1945. She in turn was presented with a handsome gift from her officers.

Louise Walker, Mary Baker, Elsie Smith, and Lizzie Benzel also each received a special award for perfect attendance during the year from the retiring oracle.

The following elective officers were inducted: Vertie Grimm oracle; Marie Bankston, past oracle; Zoe Dethiers, vice-oracle; Mary Baker, recorder; Mary Conner, receiver; Katherine Coslatux, chancellor; Vera Lilien, marshal; Wilma Larsen, assistant marshal; Rosie Shepherd, inner sentinel; Lela Heglin, outer sentinel; Belva Brase and Dorothy Smith, managers.

The following graces appointed to serve during the ensuing term will also be installed: Stelma Norris, Faith; Lottie Phillips, Courage; Bertha Stevenson, Modesty; Ionia Steele, Unselfishness; Ethel Folts, Endurance.

Martha Cooper was installed as flag bearer, Lucille Meyers, musician and Louise Walker, degree staff captain.

**CATHOLIC PARTY THIS EVENING**  
Hostesses for this evening's Catholic card party are the Misses Rosa and Katherine Ortman and Mmes. Finlayson, Stapelfeld, Derwin, Shaner, Mentzer, Newton, Vonderahe and Schroeder. Everyone is invited. The first door prize will be presented at 8:00 o'clock and games of contract and auction bridge, pinochle and 500 will begin immediately. Refreshments will be served.

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### CARSON ST. P.T.A. AT INTERESTING MEETING

At the regular meeting of Carson Street P.T.A. Thursday afternoon, Jan. 17, "The Diary of a Sergeant," a War Department special film, was shown. An unrehearsed reading lesson by Mrs. Howard's first grade pupils was staged before the P.T.A. assembly. This demonstration gave the parents an insight into modern teaching methods and a better understanding of pupil and teacher problems.

An interesting talk was given by Mrs. Swinney, school nurse on the Yale Street Clinic and its benefits to this community.

The Yale Street Clinic, sponsored by the P.T.A. and the Community Chest, was founded in 1911 and serves underprivileged and needy children in Southern California.

**GIRL SCOUTS ENJOY TOUR OF LOS ANGELES**  
Enjoying luncheon at Clifton's Olive st. Cafeteria Saturday afternoon were 24 members of Girl Scout Troop No. 184, sponsored by First Christian Church. Later the group enjoyed a tour of downtown Los Angeles aboard a chartered Tanager bus. The project will give the group credit toward their community badge and at the same time afford them an opportunity to become better acquainted with their community and with what it has to offer. Accompanying the group were Mmes. Gladys Plettschke, McWald, Campbell, Wright and Sevier.

**BARBIE-KAPSH BETHOTHAL IS TOLD**  
Mr. and Mrs. John S. Kapsh of 20602 Normandie ave., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Patricia Ann, to Mr. Joseph W. Barbie, Jr., of Detroit, Mich. The bridegroom-elect had recently received his honorable discharge from the United States Marine Corps following four years' overseas service. He is a son of Mrs. Vanessa Sheets, whose home is in Detroit. No date has been set for the wedding. Miss Kapsh is a student at Torrance high school.

**BETSY ROSS CLUB CARD PARTY JAN. 26**  
Betsy Ross Star Club members will be hostesses at a benefit card party to be held at Masonic Temple, Saturday evening, Jan. 26. The first door prize will be awarded at 8:00 o'clock and games of contract and auction bridge, pinochle (with or without the kitty) and 500 will follow immediately. Refreshments will be served. Mrs. Hazel Fossum will serve as chairman for the party.

**TOM RUSSELLS WELCOME SON**  
Mr. and Mrs. Tom Russell of 1319 Crenshaw Blvd., are the parents of a son, Forrest Dean, born Jan. 16 at Torrance Memorial hospital.

### Doreen Livermore, James M. Weir Exchange Vows

Mr. and Mrs. James E. Livermore have announced the marriage of their daughter, Doreen, to James M. Weir, United States Navy. The bridegroom is a son of Mrs. Lillian B. Weir, a former Torrance resident, now living in Sparta, Ill.

Rev. Paul Moore officiated at the wedding ceremony at St. Andrew's Episcopal church Thursday evening, Jan. 8. Given in marriage by her father, the bride was beautifully attired in powder blue with contrasting accessories, and she carried a white orchid on a prayer book belonging to her great-grandmother. Mrs. Adelaide Venema was her sister's matron of honor and Thurlow F. Weir, a brother of the bridegroom, was his attendant.

Following a brief honeymoon at Santa Barbara, Mr. and Mrs. Weir left for San Francisco, where he rejoined his ship. Mrs. Weir will live with her parents at 1716 Watson ave. until her husband receives his discharge from the Navy.

### Lambrigger-Biglin In Surprise Wedding At Yuma, Jan. 12

Miss Kitty Claire Lambrigger, of Lomita, and Tommy Biglin, of Yuma, Ariz., were married Saturday, Jan. 12, in Yuma, Ariz. Attending the couple were the bridegroom's sister, Ellen Burfield and Al Lambrigger, a brother of the bride. Upon their return Sunday afternoon, a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Lambrigger of 1884 25th st. About fifty guests gathered to celebrate the happy couple.

Mrs. Biglin was graduated from Narbonne high school. Her husband was graduated in Colorado and, before his enlistment with the United States Marine Corps, he was employed at National Supply Co. He had just returned from four years' overseas service. Following a brief honeymoon in Colorado with the bridegroom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Biglin will return to make their home here.

**ROYAL NEIGHBORS ATTEND INSTALLATION**  
Torrance Camp No. 8908, Royal Neighbors of America, was represented at Pacific Royal Neighbors Camp, Los Angeles, Thursday evening. The occasion was that camp's installation service with Christiana Hamill, B.N.A. State Superintendent, served as installing officer for her home camp.

Those present from Torrance were Mmes. Mary Baker, Louise Walker, Mary Conner, Vertie Grimm, Marie Bankston, Mary Bachiero, Nell Snyder, June Etheridge and Lela Heglin.

**JOB'S DAUGHTERS PLAN DANCES**  
Torrance Bethel No. 50, Job's Daughters, held a regular business meeting Tuesday evening at Masonic Temple. Plans were outlined for a monthly dance at Civic Auditorium to be held in co-operation with the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Admission for the dances will be men, 60 cents; ladies, 40 cents. A special secretary's rate of 40 cents has been arranged.

**G. S. TROOP 416 REPORTS PLANS**  
Girl Scout Troop No. 416, sponsored by St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, plans to resume swimming lessons Saturday at Hermosa, Biltmore Plunge. Senior girls will transfer to the Lomita Mariner's Troop but will retain their identity with Troop 416. Several of the septors will remain here to teach younger troop members Scout technique, it is reported.

**COL. AND MRS. KEEFER WELCOME FIRST CHILD**  
Lt. Col. and Mrs. William E. Keefer are the parents of their first child, a daughter, born Jan. 22 at a Phoenix, Ariz., hospital.

Col. Keefer had recently been transferred from Williams Field, Chandler, Ariz., to Texas where he is in command at Childress Army Air Field. Temporarily, Col. and Mrs. Keefer are maintaining their home in Tempe, Ariz.

The baby's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Keefer, of 2269 Torrance Blvd., and Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Lee, of Clovis, N.M.

**CHILDREN ENJOY GRANDMOTHER'S GIFT**  
Enjoying a gift of a Shetland pony, which they promptly named "Mitzel", are Gail Robin, Janice and Gary Dalton. The pony, presented by the children's grandmother, Mrs. L. F. Dalton, is kept with the family's other horses, Sugar, Pony and Star.

**DINNER PARTY AT HANSEN HOME**  
Entertaining at dinner Saturday evening at their home on Cota ave. were Mrs. Verda Hansen and her daughter, Miss Cassie Hansen. Covers were placed for Mr. and Mrs. Jay Allen, of South Gate; Mr. and Mrs. John H. Fess, of this city and F. Sader, of Los Angeles.

**MRS. LESSING RECEIVES BRIDGE CLUB MEMBERS**  
Mrs. Robert F. Lessing was a gracious hostess to bridge club members who met Tuesday evening at her home. At the close of play, refreshments were served and Mrs. John W. Beman and Mrs. Edward Rhone were presented with contract awards.

**NEELANDS' HOME IS PARTY SETTING**  
The home of Mrs. W. J. Neelands was an attractive setting for a luncheon when she entertained bridge club members Thursday afternoon. Covers were placed for eight guests and at the conclusion of play, prizes for high scores at contract were presented to Mmes. R. J. Rogers and H. E. Massie.

**TORRANCE HIGH SCHOOL P.T.A. BOARD MEETS**  
Torrance high school P.T.A. executive board met Friday, Jan. 18, to discuss plans for a meeting to be held in the school library at 2:15 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 28.

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