

Women's Activities

By MARY VONDERAHE

ANNUAL SPRING REVIEW ARRANGED BY THREE ARTS STUDIO SET FOR MAY 23

Final preparations for the annual Spring Review are this week being made by Martha Jean Rickard and Edward T. Rickard of the Three Arts Studio. The review, to be staged in the Torrance Civic Auditorium on the evening of Thursday, May 23, is not a recital but a climax of the season's work, they point out.

An all-star performance of dancing will feature tap and ballet groups and many outstanding artists in tap, adagio, ballet and acrobatic solo and team numbers will be presented. The dramatics department will be represented by snappy skits and monologues and outstanding two-piano teams playing on two grand pianos. Accompanying for the review will be done by artists from Los Angeles, Long Beach and Pasadena.

Glamorous costumes will be worn by the ladies of the cast, including younger and more mature students, all of whom represent local talent. Elaborate stage settings and effective lightings will add much to the presentation.

The more than sixty participants in the program will meet at the auditorium for dress rehearsals on Saturday and Sunday May 11 and 12, and again one week later.

The introduction to the program will consist of piano numbers by Mrs. C. E. Cade, teacher at the Pasadena Conservatory of Music, and her son, Charles A. Cade, of the conservatory, will play violin selections.

MOTHER VISITS
Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Deininger have been entertaining as their house guest her mother, Mrs. Marianne Lykke, of Santa Ana.

Past Matrons, Patrons Feted At OES Meet

At the regular meeting of Torrance Chapter, No. 380, Order of the Eastern Star, held Thursday evening in Masonic Temple, past matrons and patrons of the chapter, as honorees, filled the officers' stations. O. E. S. hostesses, in charge of arrangements, used as their theme music and May flowers.

Several duets were beautifully sung by the Misses Elsie Mae and Doris Church, accompanied by Mrs. Effie Mitchell. Accordion selections were presented by Mrs. Bette Thomas, Miss Caroline Mitchell and Mrs. Lois Babcock. Later, members and guests adjourned to the banquet room where tables were gaily decorated in May bouquets with Maypoles as the centerpieces. Refreshments of angel food cake and coffee were served. Many compliments were received by the committee from past officers for the enjoyable evening.

NUPTIAL SHOWER HONORS LOCAL COUPLE

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Bell, whose marriage was solemnized recently at Foursquare church of Torrance, were honored at a nuptial shower arranged Saturday evening in the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Furedi, 745 Boyder avenue. About 50 guests attended and many beautiful gifts were presented.

Mrs. Bell is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wade, of this city. Her husband had recently received his honorable discharge following several years of Navy service.

VEW Post, Auxiliary Install Officers

"Warsaw Concerto," (Addinsell) remony at Torrance Civic Auditorium last week officers of V. F. W. Post No. 3251 and its auxiliary were installed.

President Clara Conner introduced as guest of honor State President Helen Cantua of San Francisco and Commander C. Earl Conner presented Congressman Cecil King and other distinguished guests.

Hazel Garrity of Huntington Park, 4th District president, as installing officer for the auxiliary, inducted Mable Weigand, president and her staff of officers. Alvin Kime of Inglewood, 4th District commander, officiated as installing officer for Post 3251 when C. Earl Conner, elected to head the post, and his staff of officers were seated.

Guests of honor for the evening, in addition to those named above were Ruby Stroth of Inglewood, national chaplain; Mary McFall, of Los Angeles, national transportation chairman; Madeline Fick of Los Angeles, national publicity chairman; Vivian Jones, of Culver City, 5th District president; Bertha Bryson, of Riverside, 2nd District president.

Beautiful personal gifts were presented to the outgoing officers by Mrs. Conner, who in turn was the recipient of a handsome V.F.W. auxiliary ring, a gift of the organization. An orchid corsage, worn by President Clara Conner, was a gift from her husband. The Post's gift to Commander Conner was a gold watch.

FRIENDS SURPRISE MR. AND MRS. BENZEL

Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Benzel, of Anaheim and formerly of this city, were the surprised honorees at an informal party in their home recently. Their guests were members of Torrance Camp No. 8908, Royal Neighbors of America. Some gift was presented.



MISS CYNTHIA APPLWHITE

Zamperini Engagement Announced

OF SOCIAL INTEREST here and in Florida is the engagement of Miss Cynthia Applegate and Captain Louis S. Zamperini, United States Army Air Forces, which has been announced by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eric L. Applegate, of 5582 Pine Drive, Miami Beach, Florida. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Zamperini, of this city. The wedding is scheduled to take place early this fall.

The Applegates, former residents of Larchmont, N. Y., have been living in Miami Beach for the past five years. The Debutante Register lists Cynthia Applegate as youngest granddaughter of Amos Johnson Battle, founder of Wake Forest College, Wake Forest, N. C. She also is a great niece of Kemp Plummer Battle, noted historian and president of the University of North Carolina, a lineal descendant of "Light Horse" Harry Lee, famed revolutionary general.

Won Fame
Miss Applegate was graduated from St. Patrick's high school, attended Lakeside School for Girls, Los Angeles; Miss Bennett's School, and the American Academy of Dramatic Art, New York.

Captain Zamperini, who met his bride to be when he was in Florida this year, was graduated from the University of Southern California and is a member of Kappa Sigma fraternity. In 1936 he won fame as the youngest Olympic star, and holds the intercollegiate mile record and the national collegiate mile record.

Survived Ordeals
During his service with the Army Air Forces he survived 47 days on a life raft, 45 days in a dungeon and two and a half years as prisoner of war. Since his return to the United States he has been on lecture tour and is now writing a book on his athletic and war experiences.

Miss Applegate will arrive here next week, to spend approximately two months with the family of her fiancé.

186TH STREET P. T. A. PLANS SUPPER MEET
The May meeting of the 186th Street School P. T. A. will be a "fisher" night program in Torrance City park. A potluck supper will be served at 6:30 p. m. Those attending are asked to supply silverware and cups.

ENJOY CRESTLINE VISIT
Mr. and Mrs. H. Glen Babcock and daughter B. Marie accompanied by her little friend, Freya Hodges, spent a very delightful weekend at their mountain cabin, the "Three Bees," at Crestline.

Miss Ruth Kerber, Bride-Elect, Is Much Feted

Among the lovely pre-nuptial affairs given to compliment Miss Ruth Kerber whose marriage will take place here Saturday evening was a buffet supper at the home of her parents Sunday evening. Those attending were members of the wedding party. Later that evening Miss Kerber was honored at a shower given by the maid of honor, Miss Grace Forsberg, of Long Beach, a sister of the bridegroom.

Games occupied the group and the following guests were prize winners: Perolla Cunningham of Barbon Island, Mrs. Jean Armstrong of North Long Beach, the Misses Lucy Briganti, of Los Angeles and Dorothy Tennant, of North Long Beach.

Following the presentation of the honoree's beautiful gifts, decorated ice cream cakes were served. Those present were: Miss Grace Forsberg, Mrs. Arnold Zulk, Mrs. C. R. Forsberg, Miss Sandra Zulk, Miss Dorothy Tennant, Mrs. Jean Armstrong, Mrs. Dorothy Irish, Miss Toni Zulk, all of Long Beach; Mrs. Gene Long and Miss Lucy Briganti, of Los Angeles; Mrs. Annette Collier and Miss Lavonne Mello, of Wilmington; Mrs. Betty Spangh Masie, of Gardena; Miss Barbara Watson, Avondale; Miss Billie Nelson, Lomita; Miss Perolla Cunningham, Barbon Island and Mrs. A. E. Kerber and the honoree, of Torrance.

Local Delegates Return From PTA State Convention

Arriving home from the three-day state convention of the California Congress of Parents and Teachers held in San Francisco last week, delegates were enthusiastic regarding the assembly's achievements.

Five leaders of the 10th and First districts were elected to office in the State Congress, including Mrs. Rollin Brown, Los Angeles State president; Mrs. Edward T. Walker, West Los Angeles, third vice president; Mrs. L. E. Sutherland, Pasadena, fifth vice president; Mrs. E. W. Raith, Los Angeles, secretary; Mrs. Kenneth Spencer, San Gabriel, treasurer.

Resolutions reaffirmed the organization's stands for the things which promote better relationships and greater intergroup helpfulness between home, school and communities. They also promised cooperation with agencies striving to check staveation in other countries and full support of educational changes named in the Strayer report, with special emphasis on need for more financial aid for remote districts and for adequate teachers' salaries.

Health Program Backed
Other resolutions named health activities of the state as worthy of support; more and better detention facilities for the juvenile delinquents and better provision for the leisure time of the school children.

That is great service to be done by the P.T.A. in fields of practical education for service in the practical work of business and industry, in building up homes suited for the rearing of sound citizens, and above all there is work to be done in promoting the true culture which makes for the best service in all of the phases of living, was the consensus of speakers in various symposiums.

Delegates representing local associations were Mrs. John R. Garner, president, Lomita-San Pedro Council; Mrs. J. J. Millard, 10th District treasurer and Mrs. H. T. Markham, president Fern Avenue, (both representing Fern Avenue) Mrs. Don Wolf, president Torrance Elementary and Mrs. B. C. Conner, president-elect of WALTERIA P.T.A.

AT CONVENTION
Mrs. E. W. Lancaster, president of Carson Street P. T. A., has returned to her duties as school clerk after spending last week in San Francisco attending the P. T. A. State convention.

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THE GIRL SCOUT PROMISE

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Buffington Pupils Present Work For Noted Composer

Kathryne Buffington, pianist and teacher, presented four students of advanced standing before Dr. E. K. Plisk, the noted musician of Redlands University, on Saturday May 4 at Compton Junior College. Tests were held under the direction of the Music Teachers' Association of California and judged by Dr. Plisk. The program follows: Bach duo "Sillienne," (Bach-Harper); Faren; "Polonaise A Major," (Bach) Geraldine Faren; "Sol-fegietto," (Bach) Clair de Lune; "Debussy" "E Minor Waltz," (Chopin) Mary Louise Accord; "Liebestraume," (Liszt) "Warsaw Concerto," (Addinsell) Bill Morgan.

In response to Dr. Plisk's request to hear examples of Mrs. Buffington's students' creative work, Ann Olsen was presented in original compositions. Praising her work, Dr. Plisk invited her to play again at a future date. In addition to her own compositions, Ann played Schumann's "Medley" and O'Toole's "Dance of the Elves."

TOY LOAN CENTER IN OPERATION HERE
The Toy Loan Center, sponsored by Carson Street P.T.A., was officially opened last week and will distribute toys each week on Monday and Wednesday.

Any school child is eligible to take out toys, the only requirement being that the toys be returned on time and in reasonably good condition. Upon returning the toys under the specified conditions each child is given a "good" mark. When 20 such marks have been received a girl may "adopt" a doll and a boy is entitled to borrow a large wheel type toy for a set time. Such a program promotes responsibility, promptness and care of property.

PERRY SCHOOL P. T. A. SPONSORS AFB DRIVE
Students at Perry school on Prairie avenue are working this week on a paper drive. The children will turn in their papers at the school on Monday and Tuesday. The cooperation of all interested persons is solicited by the Perry School P. T. A. sponsors of the drive. The room bringing in the largest volume of paper will be awarded a prize, it is reported.

Marriage Licenses
John Tupy, 20481 S. Vermont, Torrance, and Ruth W. Roberts, 928 Poplar, Compton.
Robert W. Anderson, 565 East L. Wilmington, and Ruth I. Boynton, 231 E. 223rd st., Torrance.
Charles Shelton, 1211 1/2 N. Hicks, Los Angeles, and Virginia June Wolfe, Harbor City.
Pedro Villanueva, Box 263, Torrance, and Andrea Hernandez, Box 23, 293 st., Torrance.

TO NEW HOME
Jack F. Coley, recently discharged from the Navy, this week left for Detroit to make his home with his uncle, W. B. Fisher, of 14074 Eastburn ave. His mother, Mrs. Galen Stokes, lives at 1829 Cabrillo avenue.

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