

Womens Activities

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Club Juniors Report Meeting; Outline Activities

Members of the Torrance Junior Woman's club were pleasantly entertained last Wednesday evening when Mary V. Hood presented an illustrated lecture "From the Desert to the California Arctic—Two Miles High." While Mrs. Hood told of the plant and animal life found in the different zones in California, her husband showed colored slides that had been taken by two naturalists on various field trips throughout the state. At the business meeting which followed the lecture, it was decided to proceed as soon as possible with plans for the queen contest to elect Miss Torrance of 1947. Mrs. John Ritchie, who is contest chairman, will announce her plans in the near future.

The Juniors voted to send a \$50.00 donation for the Auricular society which is the District Federation philanthropic project for this year. The money will go to help purchase a station wagon that is to be equipped with instruments to test the hearing of school children in outlying districts. In connection with the project, Mr. Tom Reagan has offered a cup to the club giving the greatest donation per capita member for this work in aiding the Auricular society.

Endorsements for the District Federation officers for the coming year were suggested by club members and included for president, Margaret Winter from Glendale; first vice president, Virginia Kurtz from Redondo Beach; recording secretary, Betty Lockett from South Gate, and auditor, Virginia Tilly, Eagle Rock.

A nominating committee was elected to select names of candidates for officers for the local club for the 1947-48 season. These candidates will be voted on at the next meeting to be held on March 26. Committee members include Mrs. L. A. McCoy, chairman; Mrs. Earl Clayton and Miss Beverly Holmes. Mrs. George Bradford reported on the activities of the Brownie troop sponsored by the Junior Woman's club of which she is leader. At present there are 14 girls in the troop, she stated. The next project to be undertaken by the Juniors is a food sale to be held March 29 under the chairmanship of Mrs. Robert S. Sleeth Jr. At the conclusion of the sale a lace spread will be given away, tickets for which will soon be circulated by club members.

ORTMAN SISTERS RETURN FROM EAST

The Misses Rosa and Katherine Ortmann, proprietors of Ortmann Inn, 1729 Cabrillo ave., returned from Kokomo, Indiana, where for the past three months they have been visiting relatives and friends in their former home. Of special interest during the trip was a tour of Florida and other southern states and an airplane trip to Havana, Cuba.

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Social Evening Is Scheduled For Catholic Daughters

A delightful social evening is scheduled for Monday evening, March 24, at Nativity parish hall, when March chairman Frances Forester has invited all Catholic ladies 18 years and older, to a "Get Acquainted" party. The Catholic Girl Scout glee club will sing under the direction of Mrs. Joan Donald. A flower arrangement demonstration by Mr. James Yeltema of the Torrance Flower Shop, promises to be one of the highlights of the evening. Two talented vocalists, Miss Phyllis Ann Yeargin of Lomita, and Mr. Jack Hertert of Inglewood, will also be featured. Several arch-diocesan chaplains and officers of the Catholic Daughters of America from the Los Angeles and Long Beach areas, have been invited to attend. Grand Regent Clare Farrell joins Chairman Mrs. Forester in assuring a pleasant evening to all who are present at the March 24 social.

On Thursday evening, March 13, Grand Regent Clare Farrell of Court St. Catherine No. 1378 C.D.A., accompanied by Mmes. Frances Forester, Lillian Schott, Mary Alford and Theresa Murray, attended a reception at Court Holy Name No. 1201 in Los Angeles.

A group from the Torrance Court, plans to attend the reception at Court Star of the Sea on Wednesday at Santa Monica.

Card Party Plans Are Completed At Sorority Meeting

Mrs. Helen Smith was a gracious hostess last week at her home, 2415 Cabrillo ave., to discuss additional plans for their card party, set for March 22. The group decided to add bingo to the games originally planned for the party, it is reported.

At the conclusion of the meeting Mrs. Wilma Johnson and her field director, representatives of a cosmetic house, demonstrated their products for the group. Bridge was the diversion with Ciella Mumford and Rosemary Pryor as high score holders. Refreshments were served.

Another recent enjoyable affair for the group was a "gallop" held at the home of Marguerite McLean, where breakfast rolls and coffee were served.

Caroline Delano Is Bride-Elect Of James K. Stewart

The engagement of Miss Caroline Delano, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward W. Delano of 2567 Sonoma ave., to Mr. James Kirkpatrick Stewart, son of Rev. and Mrs. James K. Stewart of Saratoga, New York, was revealed at a beautifully appointed tea Saturday afternoon in the home of Mrs. C. A. Peterson, 1273 E. Second st., Long Beach.

Beautiful arrangements of red camellias decorated the tea table where Mrs. Peterson's house guest, Mrs. A. W. Todd of Honolulu, poured. Assisting were the Misses Jean and Mardel Peterson. News of the engagement was cleverly revealed on tiny parchment scrolls attached to camellia corsages provided for each guest. A corsage of orchids, worn by the bride-elect, was a gift from her fiancé.

The bridegroom-elect, employed with the engineering department of North American Aircraft, was graduated from Wooster College, Ohio, and Caltech. Miss Delano, upon completion of her education, volunteered with the Women's Army Corps, and since has been engaged in secretarial work.

TOURISTS PAY
The tourist catering industry in the United States is estimated to have an annual cash income value of 5 billion dollars annually.

P.T.A. Council At Interesting Monthly Meeting

"We must have an understanding of the peoples of all nations although sometimes that understanding does not always mean peace," stated Mrs. Leroy Bailey, State and Tenth District chairman of International Relations, when she spoke before the Lomita-San Pedro P.T.A. council at its meeting in Barton Hill school last week.

Mrs. Bailey, who is well versed in her subject and intensely interesting, was equipped with a copy of the United Nations charter and a global map to substantiate the geographical as well as the political status of the world as it is today at the close of the second world conflict.

Continuing, Mrs. Bailey said: "If we keep our place as a world power, we must help protect the smaller nations against aggression, even though it will cause us to be disliked by larger powers."

"Child welfare is on the upward trend once more," Mrs. John Garner, council president, stated in her report of the Tenth district executive board meeting. "There are now 125 schools in the Los Angeles area, furnishing 265 children daily with free lunches," she reported.

Tenth district membership, of which the Parent-Teacher associations in this area are an integral part, now boasts 177,787. Mrs. Donald Olsen, chairman of the nominating committee, reported the following candidates for council offices preceding the election in April: Mmes. E. R. Walker and William Feeney, president; Don Wolf, vice president; M. L. Thomas, second vice president; Randall Munch and Arthur Ackerson, secretary; Hazel Stanton, treasurer and John Langen, historian.

Luncheon was served following the meeting.

Victor H. Chatten Takes Lovely Bride In Church Ceremony

In a beautifully impressive ceremony performed in Knox Presbyterian Church, Los Angeles, Miss Louise Maier exchanged wedding vows with Lieut. Victor H. Chatten, United States Maritime Service.

Lovely in a powder blue sheer wool suit with contrasting accessories and carrying a corsage of orchids, the bride was attended by Mrs. A. G. Schilling of this city, who wore black with white accessories and camellias. A. G. Schilling was his nephew's attendant.

The bridegroom, a veteran of three years overseas wartime service, is a son of Mrs. Florence E. Chatten of this city. The bride, a daughter of Mrs. Bertie Thompson of 1414 Cravens ave., is employed by Southern California Telephone Company as chief night operator of the Torrance office.

Following a reception for intimate friends in their new home, 1567 W. 215th st., the bridal couple joined family members at a wedding supper arranged by Mr. and Mrs. Schilling in their home.

Among the guests attending the wedding and reception were Mrs. Arvilla Owens, chief operator of Southern California Telephone Company, Torrance office, Mrs. John Keith and Miss Shirley Justice of the same office.

Torrance Studio Is Setting For Musicians Meet

Honoring Dr. and Mrs. John Mokrejs, Kathryn Buffington, assisted by Nadine Nickel, entertained members of the Creative Teachers' Group of Los Angeles Sunday afternoon in the home of the former, 1434 Post avenue.

Dr. Mokrejs, who instructs the Creative Teachers' Group in counterpoint, harmony and composition, is an internationally known composer and musician. The hostess, president of the Creative Teachers, presented a duo-piano team of her junior students, Ann Olson and Mickey VanDeventer, in one of Dr. Mokrejs' compositions for duo-pianos, "Peter Peter." The girls then played additional selections for the teachers followed by their original compositions for the honor guest.

A delicious buffet supper followed the program. Nadine Nickel and Kathryn Buffington have been attending classes in harmony, counterpoint and composition sponsored by the Music Teachers' Association of Los Angeles with Dr. Mokrejs for the past several months.

Teen-Agers Report Evening Party At Palos Verdes Beach

The Cave in Palos Verdes was a setting for an enjoyable beach party recently for members of the B. L.'s. Chaperones were Messrs. and Mmes. J. G. Nagy, Chairman and Charles Adams. The transportation committee included Mrs. Nagy and Fred Carstens, Bill Hadden, Bruce Lee, Jerry McIvaine, Richard Preston, Watters and Bob.

Attending the party were Zada K. Barnes and Bruce Lee, honorary members and the following club members and guests: Tallulah Nagy, Fred Carstens, Zada K. Barnes, Walter Bacon, Wanda Hollomon, Dick Gannon, Rose Rosenberg, Bill Hadden, Betty Fagen, Don Hartel, Joyce Wold, Ted Jacobs, Marie Kelton, Bob Kelton, Bob Jonen, Donna Morgan, Bruce Lee, Bunky Quaggin, Jerry McIvaine, Arlene Kaiser, Frank Norris, Elissa Mats, Richard Preston, Bob Suttle, Joanne Sandstrom, Betty Burns, Jack Wallis, Janet Davis and Bob Watters.

Sewing Club Group Meets Thursday At Vanderpool Home

Members of the Thursday Sewing club were entertained last week at the home of Mrs. Genevieve Vanderpool, where Mrs. W. J. Glenn, of Long Beach, was honored on the occasion of her birthday.

Club guests at the enjoyable luncheon were Mmes. Charles H. Rankin and John R. Gyan. Members present were Mmes. Alice Wasson, Margaret Webb, Ethel Polts, Margaret Stewart, Fern Mathews, Peggy Peck and Ada Kalina.

Complimenting the honor guest a decorated birthday cake was served.

Mrs. Stelma Norris will entertain the club at her home, 1508 Madrid ave., on Thursday March 27.

ENJOYABLE VISIT
Mrs. O. A. Kresse returned Thursday from ten days' visit with friends and relatives in San Francisco and other northern California cities.

Merola, Lutes Exchange Vows In Church Ceremony

Catholic Church of the Nativity was the setting for the recent impressive rites in which Miss Marjorie Fay Lutes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Lutes, of 2070 S. Vermont, became the bride of Mr. Louis Joseph Merola, United States Navy. Rev. P. J. McGuinness officiated in the presence of relatives and intimate friends of the couple.

Attractively attired in a beige gabardine suit with white accessories complemented by a bouquet of gardenias and bouvardia, the bride was attended by her sister, Miss Ella Mae Lutes, as maid of honor. Her costume was of sheer wool blue crepe and she carried a corsage bouquet of red roses. John McGinnis of Maywood was the bridegroom's attendant.

A reception followed at the home of the bride's parents and subsequently Mr. and Mrs. Merola left for a brief honeymoon at Laguna Beach. They will make their home temporarily in Plainfield, N. J., with his mother. At the conclusion of 18 months and the completion of his Navy service the couple will return to California to live.

Jones, Leggett Exchange Vows In Arizona Rites

Mr. and Mrs. Paul H. Jones are at home at 1116 Sartori ave. following their recent marriage at Yuma, Arizona.

Mrs. Jones is the former Mrs. Dorothy Leggett of Las Vegas, Nev. Her husband is chief schedule planner for the rolling mill at Columbia Steel Company here.

The marriage culminates a friendship which began several years ago when both were Los Angeles residents.

MRS. FESS ATTENDS O. E. S. LUNCHEON

Mrs. Persia K. Fess joined a party of 20 for luncheon Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Sue Hamilton, 5623 Hillcrest dr., Los Angeles. Guests were members of the 1926 Southern California Matrons' association, Order of Eastern Star.

Philathea Class In Presentation Of Hilarious Comedy

"Henpeck Holler Gossip" will be presented in Torrance Methodist church at 7:30 o'clock Friday evening, March 21, by the Philathea class of the church.

What do old maids talk about when nine of 'em get together? Well, just come and see "Henpeck Holler Gossip."

Appearing in the hilarious comedy sketch will be Violet Hamersley as Matilda Brown; Peggy Leming as Mary Potter; Lucille Hill, who portrays Belinda Snodgrass; Alice Swanson, as Angelina Beanblossom; Ruth Tunks, as Calamity Blueberry; Rosalind King, as Violet Lobelia Aster; Sophia Duncan, as Phoebe B. Green; Neta Hof, as Polly Sidemember and Betty Sandstrom as Sophronia Doolittle.

Additional program features will follow and refreshments will be served in the church parlors. A voluntary offering will swell the improvement fund. Everyone is invited.

SECOND DAUGHTER IS WELCOMED

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald G. Grubb, of 1625 Elm ave., are receiving congratulations upon the birth of their second child, a daughter, Jerry Lynne, born March 10 in Torrance Memorial hospital. The baby has a three-year-old sister, Linda Carol. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Henry Grubb, of 1640 Beech ave., and Mrs. Alice Spehger, of 1307 Portola ave.

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