

Christmas Message Heard by PTA Council Members

Members attending the Lomita-San Pedro P.T.A. Council Tuesday morning at the Southern California Gas Company auditorium in San Pedro were conscious of the nearness of Christmas day after hearing the address of the morning and the presentation of Christmas music.

Rev. Roger W. Sawyer, pastor of the Wayside chapel, Lomita, addressed the group using the topic "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Man." He told his audience that Christmas is looked forward to by everyone as the promise of peace and in spite of all things which point otherwise there can and will be peace on earth. He further stated that good will starts with each one individually, not their neighbors.

Mrs. Don Wolf, program chairman, presented the Mother's Chorus of the council under the direction of Mrs. Don Olson and Mrs. Harold Limbacher accompanied the group on a small portable organ. They sang two selections, "O Holy Night" and "A Star Was His Cradle," and then the entire group joined the chorus in singing many of the familiar Christmas carols.

Mrs. E. R. Walker opened the meeting and Mrs. Arthur Ronistal, council citizenship chairman, led the group in the pledge of allegiance to the flag and urged all to read the Bill of Rights this month.

Preceding the delightful Christmas program Mrs. E. M. Bernardin, child welfare chairman, presided at a conference of all association child welfare chairmen; Mrs. Charles B. Humphrey, membership chairman, called a conference for chairmen of her department and Mrs. M. L. Thomas, publicity chairman, presented local press chairman with material for their work.

Mrs. Jane Rye, principal at Lomita Elementary School, gave a very interesting talk on the important work being done at her school in the development rooms for handicapped children. This school is one of those in three in this area who have special classes devoted to this

specialized work, she said. Barton Hill in San Pedro and Harbor City School are the others with Meyer Street School, San Pedro, used exclusively for handicapped children. Mrs. Rye explained how children can feel successful in doing many things at these schools rather than becoming truants.

Mrs. F. F. Allen, council art chairman, presented the posters and table decoration displays and introduced Mrs. J. J. Millard, P.T.A. harbor regional director, Mrs. Rolf Teuber, member of the Art Association and Mrs. E. R. Brucker, P.T.A. Health Clinic director, who were the judges.

In the poster division Bandini P.T.A. placed first in Class A, Halldale avenue second, and Harbor City third. In Class B Seventh Street placed first; Leland Street second and Bandini Street third. Halldale avenue won first and second places in Class C and Cabrillo Avenue was third. In the table decorations Mrs. Harry Cole of Seventh Street won first place; Mrs. Fred Kroil, Harbor City, second and Mrs. Olaus Qande of Leland Street third.

A health forum to be held Jan 11 under direction of David Dingilian was announced by Mrs. Millard.

Associations represented, at the meetings were Bandini Street, Barton Hill, Cabrillo Avenue, Channel Heights, Fifteenth St., Halldale Avenue, Harbor City, Leland Street, Lomita Elementary, Normont, Orange Street, Pt. Fermin, Seventh Street and Western Terrace.

Luncheon followed with members of Pt. Fermin P.T.A. acting as hostesses serving nearly one hundred members and guests.



MR. AND MRS. RAY STOCK

STOCK-OWEN VOWS TOLD IN REDONDO

A very lovely bride was Miss Norma Owen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Owen, when she exchanged vows with Ray Stock, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stock, of 1412 Manuel avenue.

Rev. Howard Smith performed the double-ring ceremony at the First Baptist church, Redondo Beach, in the presence of 150 guests. The chancel was a bower of ferns, palms, chrysanthemums and candles.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a gown of white moire taffeta, fashioned with a long train, high neckline and long sleeves. The veil was of net, with a coronet of lace. She carried a bouquet of chrysanthemums with white ribbon streamers.

Elsie Mason was maid of honor, dressed in blue moire taffeta, made like that of the bride. Her bouquet was the same, except for the ribbon tie, which was of peach color. Gloria Foxwick and Josephine Lancaster were the bridesmaids, both in peach moire taffeta and carrying chrysanthemum bouquets. Nancy Pratt, a niece of the bridegroom, was flower girl in a pink floor-length dress.

Glenn Stock was his brother's best man; Sam Owen, brother of the bride and Kenneth Beall were ushers.

Preceding the ceremony Miss Joan Waples sang "At Dawn" and "Because" accompanied by Mrs. F. J. Byrnes, who also played the wedding marches.

Both bride and bridegroom attended Redondo Beach elementary school and high school. The bridegroom, who spent one year in the Navy, later attending El Camino Junior College, is

Sibyle Pence Elected President of Lodge

Mrs. Sibyle Pence of Lomita was elected president, Mrs. Mary Smith of Harbor City vice president and Mrs. Ona Pence of Lomita, treasurer of the San Pedro Degree of Honor No. 144 Woman's clubhouse Thursday night when annual election of officers was held at the San Pedro.

Other officials included Effie Pence, past president; Mary Torgersud, recording secretary; Mabelle Dominguez, secretary; Nona Solski and, Eموant Mutchler, usher and assistant; Oretta Miller, left assistant; Annette Johnson, right assistant; Christine Patricia, inner watch; Anna LeBlanc, outer watch and Julia Doerfling, flag bearer. Gordon Pence will be advisor to the president.

Public installation ceremonies will be held on the evening of Jan. 6. Bess Eaton, state past president and organizer of the San Pedro lodge, addressed the assembly and congratulated the new officers. President Effie Pence announced the Study Club meeting of the lodge set for Dec. 30 at the Los Angeles home of Rose B. Wyatt, state director. A Christmas party, exchange of gifts and pot luck luncheon will be on the day's program.

Nona Solski, director of the Glee Club, announced the club's appearance at the Hollywood lodge on Dec. 7.

Retiring President Effie Pence entertained her officers

in the banquet room, presenting each with a gift. A large decorated cake centered the refreshment table and lighted tapers enhanced the setting for the happy occasion. Louise Fontes, Mary Torgersud and Edna Bechtold assisted the president in serving.

Fathers Night Church to Sponsor PTA Council Food Sale

Parent-Teachers Council of the Harbor City Christian School last week held its Fathers Night meeting following a 6 o'clock pot-luck dinner.

Paper drive plans for the near future and selection of school sweaters were discussed.

Attending were Mrs. Marion Plies, church pastor, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Grubb, Mrs. Ely, Mr. and Mrs. James McEwen, Mrs. Sladder, Mrs. T. White and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hazelbaker.

The food sale and Christmas gift sale previously announced by the Women's Society for Christian Service of Wayside chapel for last Saturday was postponed to take place Saturday Dec. 18 at Shank's Economy Store on Narbonne avenue. A number of homemade articles will go on sale for last-minute Christmas gift-buying and the occasion will afford the busy housewife delicious home-cooked foods, baked beans, salads and pastries.

Yule Party Precedes Busy Session of Halldale PTA

Halldale PTA executive board met Dec. 3 at the school with Mrs. H. T. Seeman, president, conducting the session.

Mrs. Amanda Bonwell, principal, was hostess to the board prior to the regular business meeting. Decorations were in keeping with the holiday season and individual favors artistically designed by Miss Barbara Shaver, Halldale teacher, added much to the occasion. A gift exchange immediately preceded the business meeting.

Assisting Mrs. Bonwell in serving were Mesdames Fox, L. L. Powell and Ward Galbreath.

A silver offering will be taken at the Christmas party to help pay for the material purchased by the teachers for the 50 choir robes to be used by the school chorus. PTA members will sew the robes.

Three board members resigned recently due to unforeseen circumstances and the following chairmen ratified to take their

places. Mesdames Minot Ruge, Life Membership; M. D. Hiebert, Magazines; and L. L. Powell, Radio and Motion Picture.

Mesdames O. P. Tibbs, William Roberts, H. T. Seeman, C. B. Humphrey and Howard Norris are sewing on the accessories for the teachers room.

A colorful handmade plaque presented to the school by Mrs. A. O. Mooneyhan was graciously accepted by Mrs. Bonwell. A brief talk on UNESCO and the "Save the Children Campaign" now being staged in the schools was explained by the principal. Mrs. Don Wolf, Exceptional Children chairman, will arrange for the board to visit Meyer Street Exceptional Children's School, San Pedro, some time in January.

Walteria PTA By GENEVIEVE SIMPSON

The Christmas spirit is mounting as everyone gets ready for the PTA program to be held in the auditorium at 7:30 o'clock tonight, Dec. 9.

The fourth grades will present a Christmas play depicting the Spanish Christmas customs with songs and interesting costumes.

The kindergarten teachers, Mrs. F. Beasley and Mrs. R. Lawson, are also working on numbers for the program, as well as the first grades of Mrs. F. Springer and Mrs. Esther Theriault. The children will wear costumes for their numbers.

At the meeting held Dec. 2 in Mrs. Eva Kelly's home, 2386 1/2 Park street, Mrs. Paul Roettger presided. Mrs. Ray Palmer was asked to fill the office of recording secretary, and that of financial secretary also.

Mrs. W. Scouley and Mrs. N. Harvey, room mothers, were present at the meeting. They will help with the refreshments at the Christmas program.

Christmas trees have been presented to each classroom as well as additional gym apparatus for the playground by the PTA. Letters of thanks were sent to the business men of Walteria for their kind and generous help and gifts for past events sponsored by PTA.

Harry Oster Welcome Son

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Oster, of 2405 Torrance boulevard, announce the birth of a son born Monday, Dec. 6 at Torrance Memorial Hospital. The baby, who weighed 7 pounds, 7 ounces at birth, and his mother are reported to be doing fine. The baby's father is the owner of Universal Furniture Store on Sartori avenue.

Polio Nurses Being Sought

Los Angeles Red Cross has been requested by the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis to recruit 25 "replacement" nurses for assignment on the polio wards of General Hospital.

"Scores of the nurses who have come to Los Angeles from all parts of the United States must now return home to accept commitments interrupted by the emergency appeal for aid here in Los Angeles," Miss M. Louise Floyd, director of nursing service for Los Angeles chapter, stated.

Registered nurses who can accept duty in the polio wards are asked to contact Red Cross at 1200 S. Vermont avenue

Christmas Theme for Church Tea

The annual Christmas party for the Women's Society for Christian Service of Wayside chapel and their friends will take place this year at the church Wednesday, Dec. 15.

With Mrs. Max Schatz, Mrs. A. B. Rozell and Mrs. Roger Sawyer as hostesses a delightful program will be presented followed by an informal get-together and an exchange of simple Christmas gifts.

Music will be presented by Mrs. Rita Hurley, pianist and songs by Dorothy Hanna and her mother, Mrs. H. Groskrej. The Christmas story will be read by Mrs. J. M. Robinson. A tea hour will follow.

TROOP 610 IN INVESTITURE, INSTALLATION

Girl Scouts of Troop No. 610, under the leadership of Mrs. Keith Jones recently held installation of officers, followed by an impressive investiture service.

Officers who will serve the troop during the ensuing term include:

Muriel Gately, president; Shirley Moody, vice-president; Jane Gately, secretary; Maxine Cully, treasurer; Rose Marie Morris, reporter; Willa Jean Whitten, leader of senior patrol; Marjorie Lowell, co-leader; Sharon Folker, leader of patrol No. 2; Patsy Green, co-leader; Elizabeth Webb, leader of patrol No. 1; Sandra MacArthur, co-leader.

Invested were Sheila and Mary Moore and Carol Armstrong. Members of the senior patrol were hostesses recently when they entertained troop members at an enjoyable party.

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