



**REMONA PLAY**—Shirley Schreder who appears in role of Margarite, the famous heroine, and Charles ... plays role of Luigi, the young ... in famed Remona Out- ... which opens for 22nd ... this month at Remona Bowl ... Playing dates for pro- ... will be on Saturday and ... afternoons only, April 23 ... and 24, April 30 and May 1, and ... May 7 and 8.



**HOME NUMBER** . . . Betty Ball, who was a "G.P. queen" last week, enjoys one of the royal privi- leges as she dictates a letter to her boss, Robert L. Minckler, president of General Petroleum Corporation.

California Department of Motor Vehicles is reported to have issued 98,469 licenses during December 1948 to bring the total number of licenses outstanding at the end of that month to the 4,935,122 mark. Of this total, 4,507,748 were operators' licenses and 427,374 were chauffeur's licenses.

**CINDERELLA QUEEN GOES BACK TO WORK**

Still slightly "flashy" and "sporting" a new wardrobe—Betty Ball this week went back to work.

"It was more than a little hard getting into the grind of things," commented the attractive Torrance girl after the 10 days of "luxury life" which she experienced as a General Petroleum queen.

Betty, who lives with her mother, Mrs. May Ball, at 1606 West 203rd street, works in the accounting department of the G. P. refinery here and was chosen by more than 1500 Southern California employees of the company to represent them at the dedication of the G.P. building in Los Angeles last week.

The list Betty rattled off of things done and places seen is enough to impel any reporter to clamp a new ribbon in his typewriter.

She received a complete wardrobe valued at \$400, including suits, dresses, hats, shoes and purses; stayed at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles; spent a day aboard a yacht, toured Santa Catalina island; flew to Las Vegas, stopped off on the way at Palm Springs; hit all the Hollywood "high spots"; appeared on a radio program along with city, state and county officials; witnessed a television broadcast and had her picture portrait taken by a well known Southland photographer.

During the 10 days of "Cinderella life" Betty passed the point of becoming used to flashbulbs—now she dreads them. She said that the photographers snapped many more than the 250 pictures which G.P. presented to her in an album.

Betty was "wined and dined" along with six other girls representing approximately 4500 other G. P. employees in the western states. However, the thing she remembers most was flying over Hoover dam.

Before the start of the temporary "Alice in Wonderland" life" employees at the local refinery, where she has worked for the past five and a half years, presented her with several gifts to help make the "queen's reign" a little nicer.

**Six-Lanes Under Airport Assured by State Action**

The long fight of Torrance and the South Bay communities to obtain a six-lane, instead of a four-lane, Sepulveda boulevard passage under the Los Angeles Municipal Airport came to an end this week.

Authority for the six-lane underpass was granted by the state as a new and final agreement was signed this week by C. H. Purcell, state director of public works.

The six-lane plan for the improvement of the western artery and "front-door" to Torrance had been supported by both the City Council and the Chamber of Commerce.

As finally approved the plan calls for six traffic lanes, each measuring 10 feet, 8 inches in width. There will be a three-foot sidewalk on each side of the tunnel.

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warned the employers that small business employers must band together if they intend to survive the pressure of national labor groups.

Selover said the council is accepting memberships from employer groups, such as grocery associations, but if bargaining is to be done by the council, members of the groups must join the council as individuals.

Council directors are: H. W. Smith, San Pedro, vice president; Harry Carr, San Pedro, secretary-treasurer; J. C. Caldwell, Wilmington; Paul Diamond, Torrance; Leon Ferrier, San Pedro; and Walter C. Hooke, Los Angeles.

The Council maintains offices at 1524 Cravens avenue, Torrance. Membership meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month. Directors meet at 1 p.m. Wednesday in the Council office.

**CHARTER PRESENTED TO TOASTMASTERS CLUB**

Tweed Jolly accepted the charter of the newly formed Torrance chapter of the Toastmaster International at a banquet-meeting of members and their wives in the Hollywood-Riviera Country Club Monday night.

The charter was presented by District Governor Clement B. Penrose who also installed the officers.

Other than President Jolly the officers installed were: Walter Schafer, vice-president; Henry D. Watkins, secretary-treasurer; Raymond W. Staver, sergeant-at-arms; Lester Foster, education chairman; and Delbert Vaughn, deputy governor.

Guests of honor for the evening was the founder of Toastmaster International—Ralph C. Smedley.

Speakers for the evening included Dr. Don C. Moshes, G. S. Evans, Bud Warren, Jim Warren, and C. B. Walls.

The speakers were introduced by Jack O. Baldwin, toastmaster of the evening.

Harry Burkholder, chief critic, called upon Bud Beach, Dr. Allen Pycatt, George Patridge, Harry Peterson and Gerald Alter to do the individual criticizing of the speakers.

Grammarian of the evening was Arthur Sykes. Timer was Woodrow Battle.

Assignment of the table topics was handled by Luther Mumford.

George W. Stevens, city manager, welcomed the fledgling club into the folds of the city family.

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