

### COUNCIL HOST TO VISITORS

Chicopee Council No. 267, Degree of Pocahontas, entertained visiting council members at their meeting Monday night at California Hall.

Vera Hampton, Pocahontas, who presided, welcomed the visitors and announced that Mohawk Tribe, (Improved Order of Red Men) No. 297 of Tomita would sponsor a dance on Friday night, Aug. 19, for all council and tribe members and their friends.

Sylvia Van Devander, Daisy Pearson, and Mary Meins were introduced from Naomi Council No. 113 of San Pedro.

Refreshments, served later in the evening, were in charge of Lydia Farquhar, Intha Glenn and Emma Applin.

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### YWCA Director Reviews Year's Accomplishments

Highlights of YWCA program year include: beginning of YWCA teenage work and formation of two Y-Teen clubs in the fall of 1948. Y-Teen Timers, (adviser Mrs. J. A. Barrington and later in year, Mrs. Max Smart.)

Tri-Y-Teens, (adviser Mrs. Marvin Kent.)

Besides individual social and program events, such as dances, beach parties, Christmas caroling, trips and money raising projects, the clubs had a joint Recognition Service and tea in February at which parents and YWCA members were guests.

Tri-Y-Teens participated in a Mid-winter conference held in Westwood in February and sent a delegate to the Y-Teen Summer Conference at Asilomar in June.

Three Torrance girls attended Camp Tahquitz Meadows, the YWCA summer camp sponsored jointly by the Los Angeles, Glendale, Pasadena, Long Beach, San Pedro, and Santa Ana YWCA's.

Young Adult department continued some of the activity started last year, the Theater Night and a Young Adult Club. Outstanding programs were a

Christmas dinner at which a Hollywood hair stylist demonstrated care of hair and an illustrated talk on interior decoration given at a meeting at Mrs. Robert Williams' home in March.

National YWCA week was celebrated with a Torrance membership meeting in April featuring the lovely American Indian princess, Ataloo.

Another innovation this year was "Personality Plus," a series of eight lecture-discussions on various phases of charm given for high school girls during July. Swimming instruction at Riviera Beach Club and a Y-Teen softball team which is participating in the City Girls League completed the summer program.



**RESIGNS POSITION . . . Mrs. Ben Mostmark, who leaves Torrance at the conclusion of a year's service as program director of the local YWCA. After a vacation trip to Colorado, the former Miss Elaine Allsbrook, will move to Los Angeles where her husband is employed with Bank of America. She plans to devote her efforts to homemaking. Prior to her arrival in Torrance,**

### Instructions Will Aid PTA Executives

September is "back to school" month for PTA parents as well as teachers and children. But before the school doors open Tenth District PTA's Schools of Information will be held to give officers and chairmen the necessary information and materials to do their PTA job.

This fall will be the eighteenth consecutive year of Tenth District Schools of Information. Three regional conferences will be held beginning September 2 to be followed by the downtown Central conferences. Attendance is expected to be greater than the 1948 conferences when 5294 officers and chairmen registered.

The regional School of Information for the harbor area will be held Tuesday, September 6, from 9:45 a.m. to 12 noon at Narbonne High School, 25425 Walnut street, Gateway, Gardena-Wilmington, and Long Beach-San Pedro Council representatives will attend.



MRS. PERSIA K. FESS

### LEGION AUXILIARY INSTALLS OFFICERS

American Legion Auxiliary Torrance Unit No. 170 last Tuesday evening held its annual installation of officers in American Legion clubhouse.

Persia Fess, newly installed president, is well known in Torrance for her various civic, lodge, and club activities. Installing team was the drill and ritual team from Wilmington unit, with Elsie Cook as installing officer, and Ruth Blake drill team captain.

Gertrude Boyle, retiring president, welcomed the members, guests, and friends and gave a resume of accomplishments of the unit during her term of office.

Roxie Sleeth, distinguished guest chairman, introduced the guests, including Tom Watson, newly installed commander of Torrance Legion Post and Bea Warren, president elect of the 19th District. Out-of-town visitors and many guests from Torrance, also were introduced.

The clubhouse was beautifully decorated with flowers, an especially attractive centerpiece gracing the buffet table. Serving on committees were: Betty Sherwin and Daisy Watson, flowers; Roxie Sleeth, Fan Wilkes, Bea Burchett, and Phyrne Laughon, refreshments.

Outgoing and incoming officers were presented with corsages and during the evening the retiring and incoming presidents were recipients of beautiful red roses.

Bea Warren, as guest speaker, discussed the various accomplishments of the Auxiliary and the need for a large membership to carry on the organization's expanded program.

An enjoyable musical interlude was a program of accordion numbers beautifully played by popular and youthful Janeene Colombo.

Officers installed to assist Mrs. Fess during 1949-50 were: Annie Oleson, first vice-president; Ella Robinson, second vice-president; Muriel Whiting, secretary; Mayme Atwood, treasurer; Clara Dunbar, chaplain; and Mary Schultz, sergeant-at-arms.

Mrs. Fess will preside at her first meeting at 8 o'clock Tuesday, August 11 in the clubhouse, 1109 Border avenue. A full attendance is requested.

### Church Group Picnics At City Park

Torrance Park was a busy place last Sunday, as usual, but no one had more fun than the folks of the First Christian Church, who were holding their annual picnic there.

The food was brought pot-luck, and the picnic committee, consisting of Mrs. Elva Howell, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Huizing, and Mr. and Mrs. Art Barnett, saw to it that everyone had all the coffee and hot rolls they could use.

To help digest the meal, a baseball game followed, under the direction of Elmer Moon. Hilarity was the keynote, with such familiar names in the line-ups as: Mr. Cecil England, Mrs. Ed Pietzchke, John Steinbaugh and son Bobby, Howard and Betty Huizing, Howard Foster, Bob Moon, Warren Edwards, Mrs. C. B. King, Harold Ritko and daughter Dora, David and Barbara Howard, Harold Means, and Fred Lincoln.

### Pandoras at Shower For Mrs. Conger

Members of the WALTERIA Pandora club Thursday gathered for a potluck dinner at the home of Mrs. Edith Pendleton, 24454 Hawthorne.

Mrs. Marjorie Conger, who announced that she is planning to move to Torrance, was honored at the meeting with gifts of handkerchiefs from each member.

In the absence of President Mrs. Adelaide Kirk, Mrs. Neva Wanda presided. Mrs. Lorene Stevens served as secretary.

Plans of the group include a family picnic August 25 in WALTERIA Park.

### Birthdays Celebrated Thursday

Three birthdays, all falling on the same day, were celebrated by Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Germain, 1651 W. 251st street, Harbor City Thursday, July 28 with Rose Maye and Freddie, twins, celebrating their eighth birthday and David, his fifth.

Two decorated birthday cakes heralded the big event of the Germain household with pink and white used in the decorations and refreshments which were complete with jello, ice cream, the birthday cake, and dainty favors.

The guests enjoyed fascinating games and later the three honored children were seated to open their many gifts.

In the group were Joseph DeSalva Jr., Marcia and Gary Lee, Radford, and Russell Bushnell, Donald Germain, Melody Ann, LeRoy, and Oswald Carpenter and Marvin Germain of Wilmington; Mrs. J. DeSalvo, Mrs. G. Bushnell, Mrs. Gary Carpenter, and Mrs. E. Germain of Wilmington.

### TESTS EVERY FRIDAY

Applicants for the Red Cross beginning swimmers' certificates are tested every Friday morning in municipal, county and school pools participating in the "Learn to Swim" program being conducted in the territory governed by the Los Angeles chapter. It was announced today by Roger C. Plaisted, water safety director.

Nearby Red Cross-sponsored pools are Hermosa Blinnore, Leuzinger, Hollywood Riviera, and Gaffery street, San Pedro.

### RED CROSS SLATES RECRUITMENT DRIVE FOR VOLUNTEERS

Plans for an "all out" recruitment drive for volunteers to serve in nine major Red Cross services this week were formulated with the naming of a recruiting advisory committee by Mrs. John T. Simpson, chairman of group cooperation for Los Angeles chapter.

Comprising 20 social, club, and organization leaders, the advisory committee, through the remainder of the summer, will initiate the project to be climaxed with a month-long campaign starting in mid-September, Mrs. Simpson disclosed.

Red Cross is seeking 1,000 volunteers in its scheduled recruitment drive—enough to adequately staff all services for the anticipated expanded program facing the local chapter through the 1949-50 fiscal year," Mrs. Simpson explained.

The drive will seek the volunteer services of women who can be scheduled for duty at least one day per week in the following services:

Arts and skills, canteen, Gray Lady, motor service, nurses' aids, production, staff aids, social welfare aids and the community service to camps and hospitals. Hundreds of volunteers are being sought to see service in the Red Cross program being brought to nearby Veterans Administration hospitals, while others will be trained for work in the Los Angeles regional Red Cross blood service center here and for acceptance of assignment with the mobile units of the blood service program.

### Women Will Picnic In Torrance

The Altar Society of St. Margaret Mary Church will move their next regular meeting to Torrance Park with plans for a potluck luncheon to precede the business meeting. The date is Wednesday, August 10. Mrs. Rolene Habousch, president, will conduct the business meeting.

Those planning to attend are reminded that they are to take their own table service for the luncheon. Children of the members will be welcome to attend.

**CATALINA VISITORS**  
Enjoying a trip to Catalina Wednesday of last week were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schmidt and sons Frank Jr. and Jimmy and their nephew, Frank Biscanti. They were joined by Mrs. Schmidt's mother, Mrs. John V. Aronzo Sr., of Torrance; her aunt, Mrs. Frank De Guilio and her cousins, Miss Louise De Guilio and Mrs. Pat Janicelli, all of Newark, N.J.

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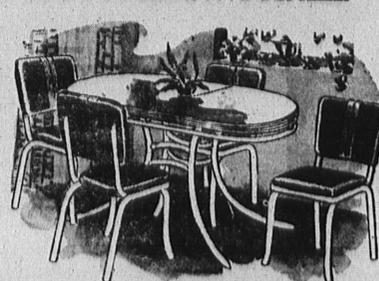
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