

Six Candidates Are Received Into OES Chapter

Torrance Chapter No. 380, Order of the Eastern Star, held a regular meeting in Masonic Temple Thursday evening. Presiding were Edna Babcock, worthy matron and Vincent Vielenave, worthy patron.

Received into the Order at the chapter meeting were Archie Peaverley, James Hedgecock, Frank Schmidt, Gerald Mittan, Russell Swigart and Gerald Crow.

At the conclusion of the evening Rolve Bever and her committee served delicious refreshments in the banquet room where spring flowers and greenery created a festive background.

Torrance Juniors To Be Represented At CFWC Convention

Mrs. J. P. Montague, president of Torrance Juniors Woman's Club, accompanied by Mrs. H. T. Olsen, attended the district conference held last week at Eagle Rock, previous to the CFWC Junior district convention.

Mrs. Robert Leroy opened the meeting, with Virginia Kurtz, first vice-president outlining the program for the convention in which the Redondo Beach Dianans will take an active part—presenting the Hawaiian Luau.

Adrian Despars, a Manhattan Dolphin, read the convention courtesy rules.

The Torrance Juniors were awarded the trophy for the best Junior-Senior achievements and cooperation. The award was made by Mrs. William Hirschy, district advisor.

Announcement was made that \$1511 had been collected for the Isotope Laboratory at White Memorial Hospital. This has been the year's philanthropic project for the Los Angeles district. Torrance Juniors have contributed \$80 to this fund.

At the conclusion of the meeting refreshments were served by the hostess club.

The attendance report for the closing meeting showed 392 juniors representing 32 clubs.

TROUT PROSPECTS GOOD

Prospects for the opening of trout season are excellent along the lakes and streams of Fresno County.

JUNIOR CLUBWOMEN, GUESTS ATTEND GAY HAT PARTY HELD WEDNESDAY NITE

Styles in millady's millinery achieved a definite "new look" last Wednesday evening at the Torrance Junior Woman's Club "hat party" held in the clubhouse.

Each member was asked to wear a hat of her own design and creation. Many striking models were shown.

Featured among the many materials employed in fashioning the unusual creations were such objects as lamp shades, kitchen utensils, fishing creels, paper plates, toys, bun baskets, and a large assortment of garden flowers and vegetables.

Three general classifications were made in judging the hats: pretty, original, and funny. Winners were selected by audience applause.

Miss Billie Nelson's gray knitted off-the-face model trimmed with lilies of the valley was chosen as the prettiest. The most original creation was worn by Mrs. H. T. Olsen. It was fashioned of yarn, knitting needles, and pieces of unfinished knitted articles in various colors. An "action model" number topped by a toy windmill which whirled as she walked won the prize as the funniest hat for Mrs. G. F. Long, a club guest.

Featured as the highlight of the evening's program was Miss Melinda Kay, known in the southwest as the "Lady with the Hats."

Attired in costumes appropriate to the era, Miss Kay modeled and discussed many hats from her large collection. Some of the hats featured were more than 100 years old. Outstanding in her collection is her group of religious bonnets including an authentic Quaker model. Many of Miss Kay's hats of the past bear striking resemblance to the "new look" in hat styles now being stressed in fashion.

Following Miss Kay's program, Mrs. J. P. Montague, president, conducted a regular business meeting.

The club voted to contribute \$10 to the American Cancer Society and to purchase a \$12 book of tickets from the Torrance Youth Band. At the close of the meeting refreshments were served by a committee composed of Mrs. R. B. Trezise, M. Orend, Merle Richardson and Mrs. L. R. Stewart. Mrs. G. C. Van Deventer and Mrs. S. V. Rauss, senior sponsors of the club, presided at the tea table.

Decorations for the hat party consisted of many brightly colored paper hats adorned with pansies, sweet peas, geraniums, nasturtiums and other garden flowers. Mrs. R. C. Morton and Mrs. W. K. Clinkenbender were in charge of decorations.

PLAGUE APPROACHES EAST

Public health authorities are seriously alarmed at the fact that the plague, that virulent disease of the Orient, carried to this country by rats, has advanced among rodents as far east as North Dakota. If the disease ever reaches the eastern metropolitan areas, epidemics of unprecedented proportions may result.

Womens Activities

By MARY VONDERAHE



MR. AND MRS. GEORGE W. KESSLER JR. Tell Nuptial Vows . . .

Final Arrangements Are Made For Junior-Senior Fashion Show

With the Torrance Junior-Senior Woman's Club annual Fashion Show, scheduled for next Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock in Torrance High School auditorium, Mrs. J. H. Hull and Mrs. J. T. Oursler are anticipating an outstanding success for the community project.

Jean Down, vivacious commentator for the show, is the holder of the coveted Founders prize and a scholarship for a year's course of study at Wannamaker Institute in Philadelphia. There she completed a course of study in the art of clothing design, body culture and personality development.

Miss Doren has skillfully blended the unique and colorful art of magic in a breathtaking manner of mystery, excitement and surprise. Her refreshing ideas leave her audiences stimulated and ambitious.

Models for the show have been chosen from the Junior and Senior clubs. One of the highlights of the show will be the introduction of the contestants in the Miss Torrance 1948 campaign, who are the Misses Beverly Jean Crook, Donna J. Lewis, Mary Ellen Crawford and Marie Kelton. Stores presenting costumes to be modeled include Benson's, Adams, Gay Shop, Levy's, Mode O'Day, La Salle Shop, Trend O' Fashion and Lea's.

The grand finale of the show will be a presentation of fashions for the bride and her attendants.

Miss Pat Mullin will supply the background piano music for the show and Mr. Elmore and his dramatics students will do the background work and stage lighting.

Local merchants donating door prizes for the fashion show include: Levy's Department Store, Benson's Gay Shop, Adams Dress Shop, Emma Roberts Beauty Salon.

Armstrong-Clevenger Nuptials Are Read In Yuma Chapel Rites



MRS. GILBERT ARMSTRONG Wed Friday in Yuma . . .

In a simple ceremony performed Friday in Gretna Greene Wedding Chapel, Yuma, Arizona, Miss Natalie Clevenger became the bride of Gilbert Armstrong.

The bride, whose parents are Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Hammack of 1817 W. 213th street, is a junior at Torrance High School. The bridegroom, a son of Mrs. Sarah Armstrong of 1218 Amapola avenue, received his diploma from Torrance High School and has been attending Comp-ton Junior College.

Temporarily the young couple will live at the Amapola avenue address.

Mrs. Kenneth Beight Other Officers, Are Elected At PTA Meet

At the April meeting of Torrance Elementary PTA Mrs. Kenneth Beight was elected president for the ensuing year. Other officers elected to the board include:

Mrs. D. Boone Kirks, and William E. Clinkenbender, vice-presidents; Mrs. Clarence Richardson, Jr., recording secretary; Mrs. Charles A. Curtis, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Katherine Reibold, treasurer; Mrs. Gertrude Powell, historian; Mrs. Otto B. Wickett, parliamentarian and Mrs. Bernard Lee, auditor. The meeting was opened by Mrs. Kenneth Ruppel leading the salute to the flag and the singing of the "Star Spangled Banner."

Announcement of the change of date for the PTA carnival to May 28 was made by Mrs. Verne Barlow, wa's and means chairman.

Members were asked to save small toys and to donate cakes, cookies and small household articles, such as aprons and pot holders for the various booths.

The delightful program hour consisted of five acts presented by the students:

"Kindergarten", a play and dance, was presented by Mrs. L. L. Douglas, class; Mrs. Doris J. Freeman's second grade danced a spirited "Virginia Reel"; a demonstration of "Choral Verse Speaking" was given by the class of Mrs. Marcia McCloskey and "Sweetwinds" by students of Abe Milestein, presented a brief review of the work accomplished this year.

The program ended with a cleverly enacted play on "First Aid" by Mrs. Amelia Grace's students.

May 20 has been set at the final meeting of the year to be marked by the installation of the new officers.

EL NIDO CHURCH

Motion pictures of the 1947-48 Pasadena Rose Parade will be shown in full color at 7:00 p.m. Sunday at El Nido Community Church, 182nd street west of Hawthorne boulevard. The sound motion picture, "The Door to Heaven" also will be shown.

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At home at 1618 Cravens avenue following their wedding in First Baptist church are Geo. W. Kessler, Jr., of Redondo Beach and his bride, the former Helen Carolyn Antrim, niece of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Northington, of 1609 Beech avenue, with whom she had made her home. Rev. C. M. Northrup officiated at the church ceremony.

Given in marriage by Mr. Northington, the bride was beautifully attired in ivory satin, fashioned with pearl-embroidered yoke and leg o' mutton sleeves. Her fingertip veil was held by a coronet of seed pearls and her flowers were white roses and bouvardia.

Mrs. Robert Brewster as matron of honor, wore yellow marquisette and carried lavender sweet peas. John Steven Northington, cousin of the bride, was ring bearer and John William Kessler attended the bridegroom as best man. Ushers were Robert E. Brewster and William D. Sauer.

Miss Phyllis Edwins played the organ accompaniment for Mrs. Robert Lindley, who sang "Because," "I Love Thee" and "The Lord's Prayer." A reception at the Northington home for family members and intimate friends immediately followed the church ceremony. The bride was educated in Oklahoma schools and is now employed here. The bridegroom, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Kessler of 609 N. Junata street, Redondo Beach, was graduated

T. H. S. Alumni To Meet Tonight In School Library

Graduates of Torrance High School are being asked to assist in the reorganization of the school's Alumni Association. Eligible persons will meet in the school library at 7:30 p.m. this evening.

Names of interested alumni, supplied by those attending, will facilitate the formation of the new group.

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From Redondo Union High School and attended El Camino Junior College. The young couple spent their honeymoon trip at Laguna Beach.

Box Social Plans Are Completed By Halldale PTA Group

Plans for a box social to be held Friday evening, April 24, at Higgins Brick Pit, were completed at a meeting at the home of Mrs. Don Wolf, 1614 W. 216th street, attended by Mmes. E. G. Spratt, Charles Howry, E. M. Bernardin and Evelyn Simerly.

Proceeds of the box social will be used to defray convention expenses.

A fine program has been arranged and a good time is promised all who attend.

Torrance Juniors Attend Eagle Rock District Meeting

Mrs. J. P. Montague, president of the Torrance Junior Woman's Club and three delegates, Mmes. L. A. McCoy, H. T. Olsen and G. A. Bradford, will attend the CFWC Juniors' district convention to be held April 23 and 24 at Ambassador Hotel, Santa Monica.

Eight members of the local Junior group also have made reservations to attend the formal banquet scheduled for Friday evening at the hotel.

High School PTA Is Represented At Convention

Representing Torrance High School PTA at the First District annual convention held Thursday in Civic Auditorium, Pasadena were Mmes. A. C. Turner, W. C. Bowen, Verne L. Barlow, I. O. Kasten and John Spiller.

Featured speaker was Dr. Gertrude Laws, director of Women's Education in Pasadena schools.

AT MURRAY HOME

Mrs. Theresa Murray was a gracious hostess to Court St. Catherine CDA executive board members who met recently in her home.

Reports of the various officers and chairmen were compiled to be sent to national headquarters. At the close of the business session, refreshments were served at a table beautiful with flowers and the hostess' lovely collector's pieces of china. Pouring were Mrs. Frances Forester, grand regent and Mrs. Lucy Greaves, of Redondo Beach, district deputy, CDA.

MORE RATS THAN PEOPLE
In an anti-rat campaign in Bell County, Texas, where the human population is less than 50,000, more than 315,000 rats were killed in six weeks. That is over six rats per person, yet the campaign fell far short of getting all the rats.

Phil Thatcher's Tenth Birthday Is Gala Affair

Phil Thatcher, 10-year-old son of George P. Thatcher, celebrated his birthday Thursday afternoon by exchanging gifts with his violin teacher, Mrs. Ralph E. Lewis, who also noted her natal date the same day, and returning to the family home, 3908 Newton street, was greeted by 35 "surprise" and "happy birthday" greetings from his classmates and his teacher, Mrs. Isabelle Showler.

Also present were Phil's sister Georgelyn, his aunt Mrs. Martha Riggles, whose birthday is on the same date, and Mrs. James Fluor and her son Jimmie, all of Torrance.

Present from Phil's class were Carlos Skazzs, Craig Edman, Eleanor Patchney, Edith Zack, Diane Witney, Tex Conger, Mike Baile, Ann Louise Murray, Sally Franklin, Sally Beebe, Judith Powell, Beverly Quinn, Michael Sampson, Jackie Johnson, Lawrence Kail, Bettye Nishimoto, Judith Greenwood, Alexandria Merola, Mary Lawrence, Austin Beasley, Harry Wells, Eldon Hall, Alan Rainwater, John Nishimoto, James Borton, Gary Patton, Bobby Wood, Billy Wood, Sylvia Gragg, John Clausen, Jerry Foley, Carolyn Nowhill, Constance Hurley and Donald Adamson.

Games were played but most of the interest displayed by the youngsters was centered around Phil's shetland pony, Gypsy Rose. Ice cream and birthday cake were served.

Legion Auxiliary Sets Member Dinner For Social Night

Plans are being completed by Mmes. Fan Wilkes and Elita Robinson and their committee, for a membership dinner to be served Monday evening in St. Andrew's parish hall to members and guests of American Legion Auxiliary of Bert S. Crossland Post No. 170.

Reservations must be made by Saturday by calling Mrs. Roxie Sleeth at 283.

Doll Collection To Be Exhibited At Fern Avenue

The public is cordially invited to attend a unique program in Fern Avenue School to be presented at 2:30 p.m. Friday, April 23, when Mrs. Norma Walker, prominent Los Angeles doll collector, will display an exhibit of dolls and give an interesting talk on the hobby of doll collecting.

Everyone is invited. There will be no admission charge.

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