



ROYAL NEIGHBORS INSTALL OFFICERS . . . Annual installation of officers was an outstanding event in the year's calendar for Torrance Camp. Seated, left to right are: Louise Walker, Angeline Disario, Stelma Norris, Mary Schroeder, Mamie Kirschner, District Deputy; Ila Mae Ambach, Marie Bankston, and Margaret Stavens. Standing: Hazel Hutton, Belva Brase, Jean Hanon, Sophia

Duncan, Dr. John Tippin, Jessie McCormick, Marie Bankston, Susie Walker, Cordie White, Vertie Grimm, Ethel Liske, Opal Hoy, Lucille Meyers, Dorothy Malloy, Martha Cooper, Alice Deaton, Dolores McVicar, Lucille Krusch, Rosa Shepherd, Velma Scanlon, Lillian Nelson, Mary Conner, and Mary Baker. (Sieman photo)

### RNA CAMP INSTALLS OFFICERS

In a beautiful garden setting, in Torrance Woman's clubhouse the officers who will serve Torrance Camp, Royal Neighbors of America during 1951, were seated in a most impressive ceremony. Installing officer was District Deputy Mamie Kirschner of Culver City, who was assisted by Margaret Stavens and Mary Schroeder, ceremonial marshals; Ila Mae Ambach, ceremonial chaplain, and an escort team led by Louise Walker and composed of Angeline Disario, Stelma Norris and Marie Bankston. The beautiful white and pastel formal gowns worn by the ladies, and their corsages completed the theme followed for the annual event.

Officers installed were: Oracle, Vertie Grimm; Vice-Oracle, Belva Brase; Past Oracle, Hazel Hutton; Recorder, Mary Baker; Receiver, Mary Conner; Chaplain, Rosa Shepherd; Marshal, Jean Hanon; Assistant Marshal, Sophia Duncan; Inner Sentinel, Cordie White; Outer Sentinel, Lillian Nelson; Color Bearer, Martha Cooper; Physician, Dr. John Tippin; Musician, Susan Walker; Manager, Alice Deaton; Graces, Modesty, Dorothy Malloy; Entertainment, Dolores McVicar; Faith, Marie Koshak; Courage, Ethel Liske; Unselfishness, Lucille Krusch.

Following installation, Past Oracle Hazel Hutton presented each of her officers with a ceramic gift. The brief program which followed featured accordion solos by Jerry Nichols accompanied at the piano by Joyce Brown. Fancy drills by the Torrance team concluded the enjoyable evening. Refreshments were served.

## Women's Activities

### Miss Joan Mumford Is Bridal Shower Honoree

Miss Joan Mumford, who will become the bride of Ralph N. George on Sunday, was the incentive for an attractively appointed miscellaneous shower arranged last Monday evening by Mrs. Floyd DeVore at her Arlington avenue home. Cohostesses assisting Mrs. DeVore were Mesdames Earline Staver and Pearl Sande.

Shower games occupied the group until the gift presentation and prizes were awarded to Misses W. C. George, Mary Davis, Jean Mendenhall and Beulah Popham.

Refreshments were served from a table lovely with white and yellow flowers and party appointments. A flower-filled inverted umbrella formed a most attractive centerpiece.

Beautiful and useful miscellaneous gifts were presented by Mrs. Luther Mumford, mother of the bride-to-be, and her house guest, Mrs. Mabel Ryehman of Chicago; Mrs. W. C. George, the bridegroom-elect's mother; Mesdames Alta Mumford, Inglewood;

Mary Davis, Jean Davis and Beulah Popham, all of Long Beach; Jean Mendenhall, San Pedro; Evelyn Cole, Mary Brockway, Helen Smith, Jackie Coburn, Kay Shelton, Martha Coburn, Rosemary Pryor and Margaret Kelton.

#### NEW YORKERS ARRIVE

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Dawson of 1906 Plaza del Amo are entertaining as their house guests his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Paul A. Goodwin.

The Goodwins arrived Sunday by TWA from their home in New York City and plan to locate in this area.

### LOS FIESTADORES DANCE ENJOYABLE AFFAIR 25th

Among the enjoyable affairs of the week was the dance Thursday evening in Portuguese Bend Club enjoyed by members of Los Fiestadores dance club.

Hosts who greeted arriving couples and registered their names in the guest book were Messrs. and Mmes. Harold P. Jensen, Lloyd G. Jones, and W. B. Levy.

Music for dancing was provided by Les Tronsier and his orchestra.

The club's next dance party has been scheduled for February 22 in the same clubhouse. Plans for the festive occasion are to be completed by the host committee, Messrs. and Mmes. J. Parke Montague, Lee A. McCoy, and W. B. Lewis.

### Club Calendars Two Outstanding Events

On Wednesday, February 7, Torrance Woman's Club will be hostess at an annual reciprocity luncheon. Mrs. B. Taylor Whitney, president, and her board have completed arrangements for this outstanding club affair of the year, and acceptances have been received from district, county and nearby city club executives.

Program for the occasion, arranged by Mrs. B. W. Roberts, first vice-president, will feature Franklin Lacey, comedian and internationally known American monologist.

Reservations for the catered luncheon to be served at 12:30 must be made with Mrs. Bob L. Haggard not later than Monday evening.

VALELEY LECTURE Friday, February 9, marks the second in the series of club-sponsored Lorita Baker Valley lectures and book reviews. Mrs. Valley will arrive promptly at 1

p. m. and tea will be served at 2 o'clock immediately following her program. Mrs. Fred E. Cooper will be hostess chairman for the occasion. Tickets may be procured at the door. Everyone is invited.

Backed with factual information gleaned from her recent trip to Washington and New York, the popular commentator on world affairs and reviewer of current books will take as her theme "Creating wells of friendliness among those nations not entirely under Russian domination."

Mrs. Valley also will review one of the much-discussed New York plays, and if there is time, two plays, in addition to giving her recommendations of worthwhile books. Among her book selections are included: "East Wind Over Prague," Jan Strinsky, "Europe Between the Acts," R. G. Waldeck; "The Hell Bombs," William L. Laurence, and "The Far Side of Paradise," Arthur Mizener.

### Sodaba Club Committee Plans Meeting

Members of the Sodaba Club will meet this week at the Acacia avenue home of Mr. and Mrs. Murray L. Rudnick to discuss changes in their bylaws.

With a closed membership of 40, the club now has 33 members on its roster. In addition to those listed in last week's story, members include Mr. and Mrs. John Melville, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Clayton, Mrs. M. N. Folker, Jane Johnston, and Boris S. Woolley.

### Welcome First Son

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Roberts of 1646 260th street are the proud parents of their first child, a son, David Loyd, born January 16 at Torrance Memorial Hospital.

The baby's mother is the former Miss Mfry Ellen Crawford, who was chosen as Miss Torrance of 1948. His daddy is field representative for Bookkeepers Business Service, Long Beach. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Petty J. Crawford of 1306 Anapola avenue.



FRAULEIN TO LIVE HERE . . . nieces of Mr and Mrs. John Hoepfner of 1326 W. 219th street, the Misses Annaliese Grampp of Saxony and Diene Sieglunde of Bavaria, who hope to make their home in Southern California. Miss Grampp is a nurse, and 12-year-old Diene hopes to become a teacher. The girls will accompany Mrs. Hoepfner, whose plans are to fly to Germany and return with them aboard an ocean liner, disembarking in New York.

### Garden Club Sets Annual Flower Show

Members of Torrance Terrace Garden Club gathered recently at Mrs. Albert Ewall's 215th street home for their January meeting. Mrs. Marion Hartley conducted the business meeting, after which Mrs. Ivar Broderson presented an informative program on "Planting and Care of Roses."

Plans have been started for the annual Flower Show which will be held May 25, 26 and 27 in Civic Auditorium. This show is open to all garden enthusiasts.

#### MIDTERM VACATION

Robert Warner, a student at College of the Pacific, Stockton, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl S. Warner, 1452 El Prado, during midterm vacation.

### Semi-Annual Initiation Gala Occasion for Club

Sixteen new members were added to the Junior Woman's Club at an impressive initiation dinner Wednesday evening, January 24, in the clubhouse. Mrs. R. C. Morton presided and welcomed the new members, who are: Mesdames J. H. Hull, J. H. Van Dyck, K. O. Lockman, R. H. Tolson, W. H. Tolson, V. T. Lovelady, T. A. Eyrick, J. F. Morehead, Joseph Helphand, W. J. Cavanaugh, D. L. Richards, C. W. Lookey, M. L. Hansen and Joyce Guttenfeller, and the Misses Lavina Valle and Evelyn Coll.

Special guests at the affair were Mesdames B. T. Whitney, Senior Women's Club president; B. W. Roberts, Dean L. Sears, J. E. Stavert, Lee A. McCoy, and Miss Charlotte Lukes, YWCA program director. Immediately following the

dinner, Mrs. Albert Posner, program chairman, introduced Mr. Franklin Lacey, comedian and writer, who presented several comedy acts.

The large dinner table was decorated in winter theme, with snowmen, evergreens and yellow candles. An impressive candlelight initiation ceremony concluded the program.

### Red Cross To Meet

A meeting of the Torrance Branch of the American National Red Cross will be held at 1:00 p.m. tomorrow in the Chamber of Commerce building. Mrs. Melvin Hyde, chairman, will preside.

### Golden Wedding Anniversary Marked by Open House Fete

Open house Saturday afternoon and evening marked the 50th wedding anniversary for Mr. and Mrs. Joe C. Higgins of 2107 Arlington avenue, who have been Torrance residents for the past 16 years.

Arriving for the occasion were the couple's son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur L. Schaller of Portland, Ore., who were accompanied by their son, John Schaller, USMC, and Mrs. Schaller. Also present for the event was the celebrant's son, Joe A. Higgins, of Wilmington and formerly of Torrance.

Wearing a blue crepe afternoon dress and a double orchid corsage, Mrs. Higgins was assisted in receiving by her daughters, Mrs. Schaller and Mrs. Marshall Tappin of the Arlington avenue address, both of whom wore dresses of green and gold. Marsha, 9, and Barbara, 6, daughters of the Tappins, also assisted with festivities.

Approximately 25 Torrance and out-of-town guests were entertained, and a three-tiered anniversary cake, appropriately decorated, was served from a buffet table lovely with mixed spring blossoms ornamented with gold ribbon bows.

Mr. and Mrs. Higgins, who were married and spent their early years in Missouri, later migrating to New Mexico, have seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Mr. Higgins is a former Columbia Steel Company employee.

### St. Cecilia's Plans Pancake Dinner 6th

St. Cecilia's Guild of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church will sponsor a pancake dinner from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Parish Hall on Shrove Tuesday, February 6.

This customary pre-Lenten dinner has been planned for church members and the public by the finance committee of the guild. Una Dalton, Emma Roberts, Irene Hopkins, Doris Mahon, and Sarah Muehleck.

### Annual YW Membership Drive Opens

The annual YWCA membership drive starts today with the goal set at 150 new members. Mrs. Mary Ulmer, membership chairman, announced that all new members will be welcomed at a tea to be given at the close of the drive at a time and place to be announced later.

With the Torrance YWCA building now under construction, expansion of activities is planned to include young married women, as well as the teen age groups in the present program.

Persons interested in joining this rapidly growing organization please call the YWCA office, Torrance 1356. The annual dues are \$1.50 which includes membership in the National and World YWCA.

The Y is a place where one can live, work, and play with friends and strangers who become friends, a place where one belongs.

### Mrs. Post Entertains

Mrs. James W. Post was a gracious hostess when she entertained bridge club members at luncheon Friday in her home. Colorful spring flowers formed the centerpiece for the dining table where places were set for eight.

Winners at bridge were Mesdames C. C. Schultz, and Grover C. Whyte. Other guests were Mesdames C. T. Rippey, J. S. Lancaster, J. R. Klink Sr., George Peckham, and R. J. Deininger.

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