

The Social World

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Xmas Fantasy Presented By Fern Pupils

Fern Ave. students were busy this week presenting "A Christmas Fantasy," an operetta by Lillian Cervenka.

Cast gave a performance of the show Wednesday evening at the Fern Ave.-Greenwood P.T.A. meeting and also performed at three showings for school children Thursday morning.

The production, directed by Mrs. Floy Boland, received enthusiastic applause from the audiences, Mrs. John R. Patrick, president, reported.

"Fantasy" told the story of six little girls who dreamed that angels took them on a Christmas journey to the North Pole. There they met Sant, Jack Frost, Merry Christmas, and White Christmas; saw brownies, Christmas trees, snowflakes, Christmas candles, and candy sticks dancing; and toy soldiers marching.

Between scenes a chorus of boys sang Christmas songs. Mrs. Emily Young, first grade teacher, accompanied at the piano.

Colorful scenery of the operetta was designed and painted by students in Miss Margaret Lawrence's fourth grade.



CHRISTMAS FANTASY... Posing after the last curtain on "A Christmas Fantasy," presented this week by students at Fern Ave. School, are leads in the cast, front row, left to right, Barbara Howard, White Christmas; Dalne Goode,

Doll on the Music Box; Rebecca Wenske, Sugar Plum; Ted Robinson, Jack-In-The-Box; and Chuck Litaker, Jack Frost. In the back row, left to right, are Marilyn Miller, Merry Christmas; and Santa, Mike Derouin.



CANDY BOX... Mrs. Dale Wickstrom takes charge of the candy booth at last Friday's Christmas Bazaar, sponsored by the Women's Society of Christian Service, Waleria Methodist Church, at the Waleria Recreation building. Surveying the wares are, left to right, Mesdames Dwight L. Gunn and John Monaghan.

BPW's Slate Xmas Dinner

Iron's Cottage in Redondo Beach will take on a Christmas air tomorrow night when the Business and Professional Women's Club holds a Yuletide dinner at 7 o'clock.

Singing of Christmas carols and presentation of gifts to "whozit pals" will highlight after dinner activities. Mesdames Edna Reed and Addie Parks are hostesses for the affair.

BARBARA BURNS, LAURENCE GREEN RECITE NUPTIAL VOWS

Many Torrance residents gathered at St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Long Beach last Friday evening to witness the marriage of Miss Barbara Belle Burns, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Robert Burns, 2324 Via Pinale, Palos Verdes Estates, to Laurence Andrew Green, son of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Hamilton Green, 1809 Via Cocher, Palos Verdes Estates.

The Burnses were early residents of Torrance and have a wide circle of friends here. The bride wore a cloud-like version in fragile lace, French-imported Chantilly, with count-fant, floor-length skirts. They less yards of dust ruffles of nylon tulle falling into an Elizabethan sweep. The bodice

laced molded over satin featured portrait shoulders and long light sleeves of lace tapering into graceful Juliet cuffs.

She chose a finger-tip veil of illusion held in place by a bandeau of pleated tulle and applique of lace and a sparkle of opalescent sequins. Her bouquet was lilies of the valley with satin streamers.

American beauty taffeta contrasted with white flowers to make a colorful bridal entourage. Attendants' gowns were fashioned with tight bodice, off-shoulder necklines, and bouffant, floor-length skirts. They carried white carnation muffs and wore neaddresses of the same flowers.

Miss Diane Sides was maid of honor, and bridesmaids were Misses Nancy Taylor, Donna Mae Morganstern, Joan Winter, Doryce Taylor and Mrs. John M. Dunkel.

Russell Hamilton Green Jr. served as best man. Ushers were Dr. James B. Rea, Almeron J. Field, Thomas Barron, Donald G. Wallace Jr., and Marshall S. Stewart.

The Rev. Robert A. Tourigny of St. Francis Episcopal Church, Palos Verdes Estates, performed the rites.

For her daughter's wedding, Mrs. Burns chose a silvery blue taffeta gown with matching lace bodice and fitted jacket of lace.

A satin hat of matching shade, silver accessories, and white orchids with fuchsia throats completed her costume.

The mother of the groom selected a gray crepe gown with jeweled neckline and matching cloche. She wore white orchids with yellow throats en corsage.

Following the wedding, guests attended a reception at Portuguese Bend Clubhouse, decorated with large bouquets of white flowers. A trio of musicians provided soft music for the many who lingered for dancing on the terrace.

The bride is a graduate of Stephens College, Mo., and the University of Southern California. She is a member of Kappa Alpha Theta Sorority.

Green, a graduate of Stanford University, is affiliated with Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity. When the young couple return from a honeymoon journey to Hawaii, they will make their home in Hermosa Beach.

Federation Leaders Feted At Luncheon By Woman's Club

Carrying out the neighborliness and good fellowship which are so much a part of the Christmas season, Torrance Woman's Club held a reciprocity and federation luncheon last Wednesday afternoon for county and district officers, representatives of clubs in nearby cities, and local club members.

Scene of the affair was the Woman's Clubhouse, 1422 Engracia Ave.

CHRISTMAS DECOR

Golden angels, small decorated trees, and candles glittering with snow centered the head table to carry out the Christmas theme. Swirls of gold paper surrounded the centerpiece, and red streamers ran through the center of the table to fat red candles at either end.

Snow-covered pine boughs centered with red candles formed decor for the other tables. A village scene graced the snack bar, and a large snowman and pine boughs added color to the stage at the far end of the clubhouse.

Decorations were arranged by Mesdames J. W. Post, Grover C. Whyte, and H. C. Barrington.

LEADERS PRESENT

Heading the honored guest list were Mesdames J. Ellsworth Hicksen, Los Angeles County Council president, and Alan W. Young, Los Angeles District president.

Other district officers attending were Mesdames Harry B. Underwood, first vice-president; George F. Turechek, federation extension secretary; Carl C. Rodden, parliamentarian; and Joseph Wenger, dean of chairmen.

Women's clubs represented were El Segundo, Hawthorne, Hermosa Beach, Inglewood, Manhattan Beach, Newport, Playa del Rey, Redondo Beach, Los Angeles South Ebbell, Wilmington, Artesia and Torrance Juniors.

Following the luncheon, the county council president and district officers, introduced by Torrance Club President Mrs. A. F. R. Ewalt, presented short Christmas messages and compliments to the hostess club.

MUSICAL PROGRAM

Mrs. Grover D. Van Deventer, program chairman, then introduced Vera Jeap Vary, soprano, and her accompanist, Vera Vary, pianist.

Miss Vary opened the program with excerpts from Handel's "Messiah" to further add to the Christmas theme of the occasion. Other numbers included "La Boheme," by Puccini; Jerome Kern's "The Way You Look Tonight," and "Summertime," from "Porgy and Bess."

Mrs. Vary concluded with three piano solos, Cyril Scott's "Lento," Chopin's "Etude in A flat," and "Toy Soldier."

Mrs. B. T. Whitney, hospitality chairman, was in charge of the afternoon affair. Hostesses assisting her were Mesdames B. W. Roberts, Lee A. McCoy, E. L. Snodgrass, J. P. Montague; D. J. Thomsen, Raymond Rogers Sr., Hugh Bowman, W. P. Toombs, J. A. Eisenbrandt, H. L. Mitchell.

W. I. Laughon, J. E. Stavert, K. D. Higgins, M. A. Bauman, Herman Frey, Paul Vonderhe, and Miss Frances Dimitri.

Announces Grandchild

Mrs. Ada Green, 1622 W. Carson St., is announcing the birth of a new grandchild, Leslie Anne.

The 7 lbs. 11 oz. baby girl made her debut Oct. 1 at Fort Davis, Panama Canal, where her father, First Lieutenant Harry F. Green, is stationed. He has been directing radar and guided missile work there for the past four and a half years.

New addition to the family is welcomed by two brothers, Robert and Richard.

Students Set Xmas Pageant

Torrance Elementary school students will play an important role next Thursday, Dec. 11, when they present a 7:30 p.m. Christmas program at the school auditorium.

Combining their talents in the colorful pageantry will be the Boys' Glee Club, Girls' Glee Club, school orchestra, and individuals who will dramatize the Christmas story.

Miss Grace Hjerpe and Jack Russell were united in marriage on Nov. 1 at ceremonies in the El Monte Methodist Church. The couple are residing in Alhambra.



Grace Hjerpe, Jack Russell Marry, Reside In Alhambra

November bride, the former Grace Hjerpe, and her husband, Jack Russell, now are making their home at 1517-C S. Atlantic St., Alhambra, following a honeymoon journey to Palm Springs and Las Vegas.

The couple were wed Nov. 1 at 4 p.m. ceremonies in the El Monte Methodist Church. The Rev. William H. Hessel performed the rites.

'Stork Story' FROM TORRANCE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

A first child, 8 lb. 13 1/2 oz. Betty Jean, was born Thanksgiving morning, 3:02 o'clock, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Simmons, 1636 Arlington Ave. Simmons is lessee of the Union Oil station at 1640 Arlington Ave.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Yes Burlison, Wichita Falls, Tex.; Mrs. Orval E. Rubey, Inglewood; and R. E. Simmons, Brookings, Ore.

The Eugene L. Hill household at 3618 Newton St. is now home for three children, Gary Lane, 4; Sandra Jean, 6; and newborn Allen Lee. The new son arrived Nov. 30 at 4:03 p.m. weighing 9 lbs. Father is employed as machinist at Douglas Aircraft; David Hill, 3618 Newton St., and Mr. and Mrs. Nick Heile of Veneta, Ore., are grandparents.

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HOLD BREAKFAST

Torrance telephone operators got up in the wee hours yesterday morning to attend a "come as you are" breakfast at the home of Mrs. Peggy Wilson, 23516 Narbonne Ave. About 40 attended the affair.



FRIDAY BRIDE... The former Barbara Belle Burns and her husband, Laurence Andrew Green, now are honeymooning in Hawaii following their wedding last Friday evening at St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Long Beach. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Robert Burns, early residents of Torrance who now live at 2324 Via Pinale, Palos Verdes Estates.