

Players Open '53 Season With Comedy

"The Glass Mountain," a modern comedy of manners, will be presented by the Hampton Players at Redondo High School Auditorium Jan. 16 and 17, with many personalities familiar to local theater-goers taking the spotlight.

The story, according to Grace

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Tillotson, production manager, concerns the bittersweet adventures of Laura, played by Mary Woodson, who tries to escape the disadvantages of a suffocating Mayflower background. Dorothy Tunis plays her caustically-tongued Aunt Cissie, who encourages Laura's romance with a young doctor.

Charlotte, Laura's domineering mother, will be played by Thelma Ledwidge, while Gordon Goodrich will play Doctor Hughes, a man out of Laura's past.

Other members of the cast include Gene Eberle, Jim Reeves, Jane and Grace Lafferty, and their mother, Mrs. Kate Lafferty.

Tickets for the show are now on sale and may be purchased from any member of Hampton Players, or by calling Frontier 5-3619. Members of the group are from all over South Bay, including the Torrance area.

STRUCTURE, FABRIC, COLOR ARE NEWS IN '53 FURNITURE

Women the world over are interested in the latest decorator's ideas which will make their homes more attractive and livable, and many will see the products of those ideas at the International Home Furnishings Market, which opened Monday at the Merchandising Mart, Chicago, Ill.

For the benefit of Torrance housewives who will not have an opportunity to attend the two-week exhibit, here is a preview of the new furniture offerings.

The spotlight is on Provincial and 18th Century styles, and modern design will be more popular than ever. The light weight, open, slender look makes the new furniture particularly suitable to present-day American architecture.

Wrought iron and other metals, such as brushed brass and polished aluminum, and combining these metals with textured glass, marble, plastics, and percolated masonite as well as wood.

Wood finishes on modern pieces continue warmer and darker—one designer has made wide use of dark rosewood and teak. By contrast, finishes on traditional furniture continue lighter, as in an extensive line of 18th Century being shown for the first time in a coppery finish. Ash is impregnated with red, yellow, or green in a group of Provincial furniture.

BEDS GET ATTENTION
Much attention has been given to sofa beds. In one model, twin sofa beds fit by a special suction device to a corner cabinet table, back rests lift up by the push of a button, and there is

storage space for bedding and luggage. Another bed has a writing table built into the footboards; still another has three-position adjustable arms.

New upholstery and drapery fabrics, more versatile than ever in color, pattern, and texture, are predominantly designed so they will provide interesting backgrounds for either traditional or modern decor.

Linen is being used for prints by several leading designers, and there are new nylon fiberglass fabrics. Patterns are generally smaller and include the modern provincial "feeling" as well as abstracts. Colors run the gamut of the spectrum, with earth tones, blue, and tangerine the most popular. Metallic thread is often used as underscoring for the pattern.

NEW ADHESIVE
Also new is a revolutionary wallpaper adhesive which will enable the homemaker to paper an average room in four hours. The adhesive is applied directly to the wall (it will adhere to any type surface, including enamel and metal) and the wallpaper is attached over it.

New floor coverings will show greatly increased versatility in fibers, textures, and highly styled decorator colors. Wools will be widely shown, especially in combination with a variety of man-made fibers.

Rough textured effects, with overall ribbed design in contemporary motifs, will be much in evidence, as will floral patterns made with twist yarns to blend well with provincial furnishings. As in upholstery, earth tones will predominate in floor coverings. Other highlights include gold tones ranging from lemon yellow to deep bronze, charcoal-like grays, and blue shades such as aqua and turquoise.

FOR CONVENIENCE
New appliances will incorporate a wide range of proven convenience features. There will be more refrigerators with automatic defrosting and built-in shelf area inside the door. Upright home freezers will feature greater storage capacity, and ranges will highlight automatic deep fat fryers and large ovens.

Fashion in the kitchen is taking another step forward with introduction of a coordinated showing of cabinets, decorative fabrics, and other kitchen accessories. Housewares will highlight an expanded use of plastic materials.

Keystone for the year's furnishings is color, light weight, and the multiple use demanded by today's confined living patterns.



FIRST HOLIDAY DANCE . . . Nancy Viehhaus of Torrance (center), a student at the new Marymount School of Palos Verdes, was refreshment hostess at the first holiday dance held by the students the Sunday before Christmas. Assisting Miss Viehhaus was Carolee Glenn of Rolling Hills. The girls are pictured serving Clint Glenn and Jim Lynn, Loyola students and residents of Rolling Hills.

Ducats Ready For Sextet Performance

Torrance music lovers now may obtain tickets for the second concert to be presented this season by the San Pedro Philharmonic and Artists Assn. by contacting Mrs. Nadine Nickol, chairman for this city.

Others in this area desiring tickets for the performance of the National Operatic Sextet, to be held Jan. 30, 8:30 p.m. at the San Pedro High School auditorium, may contact the following chairmen:

Mesdames Almond B. Cockerill, Hollywood Riviera; Julius A. Eichhorn, Rolling Hills; and John H. Robertson, Palos Verdes-Portuguese Bend.

The Sextet, a unique singing group touring the United States for the first time during the 1952-53 season, will present duets, trios, quartets, and sextets from well-known operas and operettas.

The group is composed of singers who have received recognition as individual artists. Attilio Baggio, tenor, and Bruce Mackay, basso, are former members of the National Male Quartet. Equally famous are other members of the Sextet, Alice

Surprise Is In Store For Mrs. Torrance

Mrs. Torrance Housewife, who knows almost to the penny the amount of her weekly food bill, is in for a surprise about another, and usually more costly, whack at the family income.

According to the Pacific Southwest Research Council of the National Association of Manufacturers, Mrs. Torrance, along with other southern California housewives, is going to be shocked to find out how much of her family's income goes every week and month to pay direct and indirect federal taxes.

"For example," the NAM said, "if your family has a monthly income of \$400, it now pays out \$83 a month in federal taxes. The family with a monthly income of \$368 pays about \$84 a month for federal taxes, in most cases more than this family spends on food."

The figures quoted are part of a "family tax table" just released by the Council in the Rager, soprano; Arthur Rubin, tenor; Margaret Baxter, mezzo-soprano; and Mario Fiorella, baritone.

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The table shows that monthly federal taxes paid by lower and middle income families range from \$39 out of a monthly check of \$208 to \$130 out of a \$500 monthly income.

NAM said, "The reason most families will be unpleasantly surprised to learn how much of their earnings go out to the federal government in taxes is that withholding taxes deducted from wages and salaries are only a part of the full story. It's much more difficult for the family budgeters to put a finger on the great mass of indirect federal taxes collected on virtually everything they now buy, from eggs to automobiles, as a result of the expensive growth of big government."

Such an analysis of family tax bills, showing how great a tax burden is being carried by lower and middle income families "should help to bring home to them the need for cutting the costs of federal government by bringing government back home," the NAM declared.

Only when the people realize what waste and extravagance in civilian and military federal government spending is costing every taxpayer can we have an effectual demand for government economy, the report concluded.

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Chaykowski Small Fry Host Christmas Party

Sandra and Jonnie Chaykowski, children of Mr. and Mrs. Nick Chaykowski, 2719 El Dorado, played host Christmas Eve to playmates in their block.

Following a small luncheon, Bonnie Graven entertained with the hula, and Gerry Dilkus played Christmas carols on her accordion. The children then joined in singing carols to the accompaniment of piano accompaniment played by Carole Shinoda.

A gift exchange, grab-bag style, and distributing of Christmas stockings concluded the affair.

Joining in the festivities were Darlene and Tonya Jensen; Rickie, Sharon, Terry, and Joe Blackwell; Tommy Patrick; Carole and Mikie Shinoda; Dilkus; Whesley and Bonnie Graven; Tina Barfield; Benny, Larry and Bruce Champion; Rose Marie Wiseman; Carole Jensen, Sheila and Nora Thornberry; and Kathleen Blesser.

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