

# The Social World

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**LITTLE TROUPIANS . . .** Mike Cox, seated, rehearses lines for his part as Martin in Tolstoy's "Where God Is, There Love Is Also," which the Ardath Ave. Players will present tomorrow and Saturday nights at El Camino College. Grouped around the nine-year-old lad are other tykes in the cast, left to right, Bobbie Graham, Leora Gatlin, Dickie Legere, Jeri Rae Green, Raymond Legere, Lavada Gatlin, Sandy Wegener, and Joseph Day. (Alex Keldrauk photo)

## Small Fry Fun Ardath Ave. Tots Stage Plays Tomorrow, Saturday

Ardath Ave. tots will use their dramatic talents to help needy families enjoy Christmas tomorrow and Saturday evenings, presenting two plays in the Administration Building, Room 8, at El Camino College.

Known as the Ardath Ave. Players, the tykes will show "The Littlest Angel," by Charles Tazewell, and "Where God Is, There Is Love Also," by Leon Tolstoy, on both evenings. Performance is scheduled to begin tomorrow night at 7:30 o'clock and at 7 o'clock Saturday.

Admission price is 25 cents, and all proceeds will be turned over to the Community Chest for Christmas welfare projects. Tickets may be obtained from any member of the group, which includes kids ranging from three to 11 years old under the direction of Mrs. David Osterback.

Jim Nichols and Tommie Swain, both 10 years old, will announce the program, while five-year-old David Barrett will take a spotlight as the "Littlest Angel." His brother, eight-year-old Donald, will play the part of the Understanding Angel.

Other tykes to appear in the Tazewell play will be Susie Swain, Terry Keldrauk, Donna Aldis, and Donna D'Amico, all seven years old, and Paul Lee, eight. Ten-year-old Sandy Jean Wegener will be the soloist, and Heather Meldrum, 11, will play the accordion.

Sandy also will be soloist for the Tolstoy play. Other carolers, who are combining musical numbers with character roles in the production, are Jeri Ray Green, eight, and Raymond Legere, nine. Heading the cast as Martin will be nine-year-old Mike Cox. Five other children, Joseph Day, Bobbie Graham, Leora Gatlin, 7; Lavada Gatlin, 4; and Dickie Legere, 12, will take supporting roles.

In addition, six three and four-year-old tots, David Dunlap, Paddy Green, Emily Habit, Dale Keldrauk, Ted Wegener, and Lavada Gatlin will play in a rhythm band.

Adults aiding the children in this dramatic project, third in a series, are Mesdames Walter Barrett and Alex Keldrauk, costumes; Alex Keldrauk, photography and lighting; Mrs. Al Wittner, art work; Mesdames Curtis Gatlin and Joe D'Amico, programs; and Mesdames Charles Wegener and Ted Wegener.

## Seasiders Meet Tonight

Plans for Christmas parties for Seaside School children will highlight the agenda this evening when the PTA executive board meets at 8 o'clock in the school homemaking room, Mrs. Charles Nollenberger, press chairman, announced this week.

## Wed Saturday

## Carl Deans Plan Fete for Daughter Karen, Husband

Plans to honor their daughter, the former Miss Karen Deans, and her husband, Lawrence Herin, with a post-nuptial reception Sunday, Dec. 13, are being made this week by Mr. and Mrs. Carl L. Deans, 2564 Torrance Blvd.

The attractive local miss and Herin, son of the Arthur C. Herins of Inglewood, exchanged rings and vows last Saturday at ceremonies in the Golden Circle Wedding Chapel at Las Vegas.



**MISS KAREN DEANS**  
Weds El Camino Man  
(Photo Artis Photo)

## New Baby in Gandsey Clan

Announcing the birth of her son's first child this week is Mrs. John W. Gandsey, 1610 W. 216th St., widow of the late John W. Gandsey.

The new grandchild was born to Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Gandsey at Providence Hospital in Oakland on Nov. 27 at 6:25 a.m. Named Lawrence Michael, he weighed 7 lbs. 8 oz.

The Gandseys have been making their home in the Bay City since the father, an alumnus of Torrance High School, graduated from the University of California at Berkeley. The paternal grandmother has been a resident of Torrance for nearly 30 years. Maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles DuPuis, live in San Leandro.

WEDNESDAY

## Trio Election, Initiation Set

New officers will be elected and new members initiated when Trio Rebekah Lodge 240 meets at 8 o'clock next Wednesday night, Dec. 9, at the California Hall in Lomita, Ruth Jacobs, press chairman, revealed this week.

The Past Noble Grands Club will provide refreshments and entertainment for the gathering, she said.

Hot plum pudding baked by the chairman of the evening, Mrs. Mayme Wells, climaxed last week's meeting with a traditional Thanksgiving touch.

## Shuster to Lead Homeowners Group

Ed Shuster will conduct his first meeting as president of the newly-formed Sepulveda Gardens Homeowners Association when the group meets Monday night, Dec. 14, 8 o'clock, at Seaside School.

Included among topics of discussion during the evening will be action on street lights in the area, Mrs. John Hills, press chairman reported.

Shuster, elected at last week's meeting, will be assisted by Willis Smith, vice-president; John Hills, secretary; Parker Pappi, treasurer; and Ray McCann, liaison officer.



**EASTERN STAR DIGNITARIES . . .** Posing after installation rites are new leaders of Torrance Chapter 380, Order of the Eastern Star, front row, left to right, Dorothy Moore, conductress; Vincent Viellenave, worthy patron; Florence Viellenave, worthy matron; Frances Weston, district deputy; Phyllis Peverly, associate matron; Earl Wells, associate patron; Joyce Miller, associate conductress. Second row, left to right; Ruth Hardin, Electa; Juanita Thompson, Martha; Frances Peverly, Esther; Lois Suckles, Ruth; Bernice Ruppel, Adah. Back row, left to right, Earl Clark, flag bearer; Leonard Babcock, reader; Lois Lougee, organist; Vivian Cook, secretary; Alice Ruppel, chaplain; Juanita Mann, marshal; Frederic Cook, prompter; Ada Drake, warder; Horace Mann, electrician; and Margaret Raymond, treasurer.

## New OES Leaders Hold First Meeting Tonight; Many View Installation

First meeting of Torrance Chapter No. 380, Order of the Eastern Star, under the new corps of officers will be held tonight in the Masonic Temple on Sartori Ave., Alethea Smith, press chairman, revealed this week.

Committees will be appointed and plans for the year will be outlined during the business session, while Mildred Edwards, past matron, will be in charge of the social hour to follow the meeting, she said.

Florence and Vincent Viellenave, worthy matron and worthy patron, will preside over the gathering, installed at impressive ceremonies in the Masonic Temple Saturday night last week, the duo will be assisted by the following officers:

Phyllis Peverly, associate matron; Earl Wells, associate patron; Margaret Raymond, treasurer; Dorothy Moore, conductress; Joyce Miller, associate conductress; Alice Ruppel, chaplain; Juanita Mann, marshal; Lois Lougee, organist.

Bernice Ruppel, Adah; Lois Suckles, Ruth; Frances Peverly, Esther; Juanita Thompson, Martha; Ruth Hardin, Electa; Ada Drake, warder; Ray Lougee, sen-

ior matron, Joan Simpson and Thomas Foster, were then escorted, followed by the installing officers, Mildred Edwards, matron; Leonard Babcock, patron; Edna Babcock, chaplain; and Alethea Smith, marshal.

The officers-elect entered the room and formed a heart around the altar, the feminine leaders adding beauty to the picture in formal gowns. All the officers except the worthy matron were attired in white nylon net

and carried contrasting shower bouquets of acacia-colored spider chrysanthemums tied with royal amethyst ribbons to carry out the Chapter's color scheme for 1954. The colors were also carried out in baskets of flowers decorating the chapter room and in the banquet hall, where a reception followed the installation.

Shimmering pale pink nylon tulle and a shower bouquet of pastel pink roses centered with a tiered, sunlit-yellow trimmed birthday cake, topped with a basket of yellow flowers, entered the refreshment table Saturday when Betty Lou Grenzow celebrated being eight years old.

Mrs. Harry Grenzow planned the natal day fete for her daughter, opening her 1304 Beech Ave. home to 11 contemporaries of the little girl for an afternoon party and to several adult relatives and friends for a "real grown up" evening dinner.

Joining the small honoree in favorite childhood games were Rebecca Wenske, Kathleen McKiernan, Carol Barthelme, Nadine White, Sharon Mascola, Beverly Poster, Michele Green, Mary Gertrude Green, Terry Cullen, and Mary Simpson.

Aunts and uncles, Louis Gates and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Campanella of Hawthorne were seated at the dinner table with the little miss and her parents. Also attending the festivities was a friend of the family, Miss Molly Marshall of Torrance.

**Y-WIVES TO ELECT LEADERS TOMORROW**  
Y-Wives of Torrance will elect new officers when they meet tomorrow morning at the YWCA, Mrs. Floyd V. Miller president, announced yesterday.

The special business session will follow the regular dance program held each Friday morning at 9:30 o'clock. Newly-elected officers will begin their term in January.

All young women of the community are invited to join the group.



**MISS LOIS PHELPS**  
Plans Wedding This Month

## LOIS PHELPS TELLS TROTH

As the holiday season approaches, Miss Lois Phelps, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde H. Phelps, 24457 Park St., is busy making plans for a wedding.

Engagement of the local miss to William C. Harrison, son of the Glen E. Lockharts of San Pedro, was revealed this week by her parents. The marriage will take place in mid-December, when the benedict-elect is on leave from Camp Gordon, Ga., where he is serving as a private in the U. S. Army.

Both Miss Phelps and her fiance are graduates of Torrance High School, where she was active in the Girls Athletic Association and Tartar Ladies.

## Miss Edmonds, Navyman Tell Nuptial Plans

Plans for a June wedding were revealed this week by Miss Carolyn Melinda Edmonds, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Edmonds, 17214 Della Ave., and Navyman Lawrence H. Garrett, son of the L. J. Whites of Sacramento.

The couple sealed the engagement with a ring last Saturday night and celebrated the romantic event with an evening of dancing at the Palladium. Joining the fun were Gene Edmonds, brother of the bride-elect, and Dan Quella of Westchester, both of whom served on the USS Bradford in Korean waters with Garrett; Julie Rhone, 1019 Beech Ave., and

## Torrance Woman's Club Hostess to Federation

District leaders headlined the guest list yesterday when the Torrance Woman's Club hosted a reciprocity luncheon at the Clubhouse, 1422 Engracia Ave.

Representing the president, Mrs. George Cornelius, who was unable to attend because of a conflicting board session, was the district auditor, Mrs. C. W. Bozley, Mrs. Tracy Fewell, district parliamentarian, and Mrs. Elsie Ries, regional supervisor of the Los Angeles County Federation, also took honored guest spots.

Among presidents and representatives of women's clubs throughout the district who joined in the afternoon festivities were Mesdames Alfred Newman of Hermosa Beach; Ervin Graf of Inglewood; J. O'Hara Smith of Manhattan Beach's Neptunian Club; Carl P. Staal of Playa del Rey; Phyllis Rush of the Wednesday Progressive Club of Gardena; Guy Kingsbury of Hawthorne; Vincent Karmelich of San Pedro; M. E. Hupp of Wilmington; Stewart Scott of Redondo Beach; and J. A. Barrington and Robert H. Tolson, president and junior-senior coordinator of the Junior Woman's Club.

Introduction of guests by Mrs. Grover C. Van Deventer followed the pledge of allegiance led by Mrs. W. H. Toombs; singing of "America," led by Mrs. V. Laughton and accompanied by Mrs. W. H. Burchett; and an inspirational message delivered by Mrs. John Taylor.

Glowing red candles banked by greenery and Christmas bells formed runners down the full length of luncheon tables, arranged by Mesdames Victor Beary and Nicholas Gregory. At each place setting was a silver fan covered with pleated net and tied with gay ribbon and ornaments to carry out the Yule motif, plus a miniature bottle of perfume donated by Marl-Lyn Dress Shop.

## PUPPET SHOW SET FOR TORRANCE TOTS

Torrance tots will get a treat Saturday, Dec. 5, when North Torrance PTA sponsors a puppet show, "Rumpelstiltskin," at the school auditorium. Performances are scheduled throughout the day, beginning at 10 a.m. Mrs. Tone Rogers, publicity chairman, reported, and each will last for one hour. Tickets at 20 cents for children and 30 cents for adults may be obtained at the school.



**MISS CAROLYN EDMONDS**  
To Marry in June  
(Photo Artis Photo)

Jeanette Harris, 1007 Acacia Ave.  
Miss Edmonds, a 1953 graduate of Torrance High School, is currently studying at El Camino College with a major in research chemistry. Winner of the Bank of America cup in science and math while at THS, she is a life member of the California Scholarship Federation and has been active in the local Bethel of Job's Daughters.

Garrett, a graduate of C. K. McKelvey High School in Sacramento, has just completed his third tour of Korean duty on the U.S.S. Bradford.

**SLATE SATURDAY SALE**  
Nativity Mothers Club will hold a food sale next Saturday, Dec. 5, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. according to Mrs. I. G. Colton, publicity chairman.