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Fuchsia Society Ball a Success

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Amidst the striking background of a white Christmas theme, a bevy of beautiful ladies from North Torrance and their mates celebrated the first Christmas Ball of the Fuchsia Society.

In the crowd of exquisitely gowned women was Lois Matson, looking very smart in a cocktail length gown with black velvet bodice, sweetheart neckline, elbow length sleeves, with a black net skirt over one of those charming plaid petticoats that are so much the rage.

Peggy Sale, whom we didn't recognize as a raven-haired beauty, wore red lace over white satin.

Maxine Crossley, whose beauty, incidentally, is very handsome, wore a strapless black chantilly lace.

Lynn Hale, lovely as ever, came dressed in a cocoa beige satin with nylon bodice insert. It is rumored that Lynn was asked by the fashion coordinator for the frothy black lace chemise and negligee that everyone is talking about . . . some compliment, huh?

Eleanor Black's brunette beauty was enhanced by her teal blue princess cut dress trimmed in what may well be MINK!

Sweet and heavenly in pink was Ruth Bruce, who wore a lace studded with pearls and rhinestones, halter topped bodice that hugged the hips and cascaded to a cocktail length in clouds of pink tulle.

Helen Holbrook was looking very ingenue in Navy blue tulle.

Vivacious Marge Bertrand wore fiery red bengaline, while Janis Beeson's stately blonde beauty was set off with a slip of a black satin sheath and dazzling rhinestone accessories.

We spotted Ilene Allison with her chic haircut and champagne and "spangles" gown (looked like fragile angel's cloth).

It was difficult to catch the popular Ruth Towell still long enough to describe her gown adequately. It was a red velvet baller top with bouffant skirt of white net falling over white tulle, trimmed with an appliqued leaf design in red velvet.

Connie Gastelum was beautiful in a strapless red velvet with a cloud of red net for the skirt.

Ruth and Jim Snell were most elegant; Jim in black tie and Ruth in a very smart model in black crepe and tulle!

There were so many more women in such beautiful clothes but space just won't allow me to describe any more.

Clarko Harris, 17010 Crenshaw Blvd., has been elected president of the Los Angeles Astronomical Association.

It came to me that Ann Collins, 17025 Crenshaw Blvd., wore an orchid to church, so it comes that I know that Ann and Eddie celebrated their 14th wedding anniversary at Bilt O' Sweden.

William Sale, 17002 Almsworth, may be trying to keep his wife close to the hearth; for their 14th wedding anniversary he gave Peggy two fireside benches.

The Northrop Recreation Club's Square Dancing group held a party for the children at the Northrop Recreation Center and treated the kids to sacks of candy and punch. PLUS a visit from Santa! The children square danced with Mom and Pop!

Dr. J. H. Hull addressed an inspiration message on Faith to the El Nido Elementary PTA. Fourth grade students presented GAL 2—NO. TORRANCE TATLER.

Christmas has come to the Executive Board of North Torrance Elementary PTA! At their December meeting in the home of Mrs. Ralph McBee, 17315 Atkinson Ave., they exchanged gifts and played games.

Present were Mrs. M. Rogers, Charles Stauffer, W. J. McCausland, K. Stevens, Robert Payne, Francis Stock, Mary West, Charles Denmarsh, William Wilson, Lloyd Van De Vort, Robert Clarke, Harry Van Belle, Ralph McBee, Curtis Johnson, Clarke Harris, J. B. Perello, Diane Sherwood, and S. K. O'Dell.

The Canasta Ladies met at the home of Edith Runstead, 18236 Roslyn Ave. Ruth Reeves won booby prize while Wanda Hart won first prize.

A novel idea for PTA room mothers started at El Nido Elementary this week when the room mothers decided to meet the first Friday of every month at their various homes.

Mrs. Pauline Parson was appointed Room Mother Chairman. Earl Eckert, principal of El Nido Elementary, outlined a room mother's duties for the group.

Boy Scout Troop 761 and Explorer Post 761-K are having their Christmas party tonight at McMaster Hall.

Employees of A&P Stores To Get Holiday Bonuses

Employees of the Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company throughout the country will share more than \$2,225,000 in pre-holiday compensation this year, it was announced this week by Ralph W. Burger, president of the food chain.

Every employee with as much as six months' service will receive a part of the annual fund voted by the company's board of directors. Distribution is scheduled for Dec. 18.

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INDIANS GET SCHOOLING
Canada maintains 367 schools for native Indians.

December meeting with a Christmas party.

Hostesses were Mrs. Helen Woods and Mrs. H. Miller. The home was decorated in beautiful Christmas candles, holly, angel's hair, Christmas balls, and plates of Christmas candies and nuts.

The ladies played games, made snowmen out of marshmallows, picking cotton snowballs, etc.

Good Scout of the week honors go to Ilene Allison of Glenburn Ave., who returned \$100 to a grateful mother who had lost it while Christmas shopping for her three children.

Marcella Fannon, 17520 Cerise Ave., attended "Life of a Camera" Saturday night.

The parsonage of the Hope Evangelical United Brethren Church, 17802 Crenshaw Blvd., was gay as the ladies of the Alpha Society celebrated their

Air Force Needs 900 from Area

Opening an Air Force Recruiting Station in his home this week at 2611 W. 176th St., was First Sgt. Merle Davis, who will handle recruitment in the Torrance, Gardena, South Bay, and Harbor area.

Sergeant Davis announced that he would be "at home" for persons, both men and women, interested in the Air Force between 6 and 9 p.m. every day of the week. He may be reached during those hours by telephoning ME 9-1714. At other times the sergeant will be visiting schools and other centers where potential Air Force personnel may be gathered, he said.

"We are going to need about 900 men and women from this area in the next two and one-half months to meet our quota," he reported yesterday.

A limited number of men between 17 and 26 without prior military service are being enlisted in the Air Force Reserve to fill existing vacancies in the 77th Air Depot Wing, Sergeant Davis said. Persons who have not been classified 1-A may qualify for such an enlistment.

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