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.....for and About Women

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PRETTY AS A PICTURE . . . is El Camino College's Vonnie Griffin, who is due home today from San Francisco where she entered Pacific Coast competition after winning first place in a student design contest open to Southern California students. A drum majorette at the college, the Torrance High school graduate was elected grid princess at the college last week.

Vonnie Griffin Wins First Place in Design Contest

Due to arrive home today from San Francisco where she has spent the past week is El Camino's college sophomore, Vonnie Griffin, first prize winner of the senior Division of the National Wool Bureau's annual contest. Miss Griffin, a Torrance high school graduate, went to San Francisco as the guest of the Women's auxiliary of the Wool bureau.

In the bay city Miss Griffin competed in a regional design contest, against students from all sections of the Pacific coast area.

If she wins the regional competition, Miss Griffin will travel to Salt Lake City in December for the national contest and the chance of winning the first prize trip to Paris.

Last week the coed was elected as grid princess and was honored at the El-Camino-Valley football game and again at the college's annual grid dance.

Miss Griffin, who hopes to become a professional designer, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Griffin, 234 Paseo de las Delicias, Redondo Beach. In addition to her activities as a college majorette she serves as pledge mistress of Chi Theta Chi sorority. At Torrance High school, she belonged to the scholarship society, the majorette staff and won an award for sewing.

Graduates of Local High School Wed

Miss Judith Judson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Judson of 22329 Red Beam St., Torrance became the bride of Edward Powell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred J. Powell, 2439 Cabrillo Ave., Torrance in a 10 o'clock ceremony Saturday morning, Oct. 23 at the Congregational Church in Redondo Beach.

For the ceremony, the bride wore a teal blue dress with pink accessories. She carried a bouquet of pink carnations.

Her matron of honor was Mrs. Robert J. Grieve of Lomita and Tommy Johnson of Torrance served as best man.

After the double-ring ceremony, a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents.

Both the bride and the bridegroom are graduates of the Torrance High School, where Mr. Powell was an outstanding football athlete.

The couple are now at home in Torrance.

REGALIA DRILL . . . Participating in the formation of the cross at the climax of their meeting are members of Trio Rebekah Lodge 240 from left, Ruth Jacobs, Margie Russell, Ellen Smith, Gertrude Kastrup, Irma Powers, Elizabeth Yerton, Bertha Ferm and Hattie Schroeder. The cross formation was part of a ceremony held in honor of the lodge visitors, Mrs. Dorathea N. Martin, president of the Rebekah Assembly of California.

Moose Unit Attends Meet In Glendale

Attending the convocation meeting of the Women of the Moose held with the Glendale chapter on Sunday Oct. 31 were the following from the Torrance chapter 44: Locilla Johnson, Mary Mazzola, Ethel St. Germaine, Marguerite Baudin, Peggy Peacock, Virginia Jenkins, Francis Smith, Lucille Meyer, Alice Harker, Martha Evans, Melva Hutchison and Betty Purnell.

Joyce Clay of Torrance chapter sang the opening songs "Oh What a Beautiful Morning" and "Hi Neighbor." When the Junior Graduate regents were capped with their "Green Beanies," Junior graduate regent, Alice Swanson of Torrance chapter was the first to be capped.

Torrance chapter 44 co-worker Betty Purnell sponsored a candidate Dorothy Brown, who was initiated.

Many dignitaries of the Women of the Moose were present and made short talks.

Junior graduate regent Alice Swanson presented the Deputy Grand Regent Hilda Lusk with Chapter 44's pledge to the College of Regents scholarship fund.

Torrance chapter 44, Women of the Moose, held its regular meeting at the Moose Hall Nov. 3 with the library chairman, Gladys Griep in charge. Guest speaker was Mrs. Pearson of the high school faculty who spoke on the ten most read books.

Two new co-workers were initiated, Hilda Conn, sponsored by Ethel St. Germain and Helen Benton sponsored by Junior Regent Dorothy Smith.

A catered lunch will be served at the Moose hall Wednesday Nov. 10 at noon, Alice Swanson is ways and means chairman. Cards will be played in the afternoon.

CHURCH BAZAAR SET FOR NOV. 12

Walteria Community Methodist church will stage its annual Bazaar Friday Nov. 12 at the Recreation Hall in the Walteria Park. Luncheon will be served throughout the day at a lunch counter.

This bazaar, sponsored by the Woman's Society of Christian Service, will be the society's largest event of the year. To the booths of past years, the following have been added: The Linen Closet, Noyelties, Cards, Candies, The Pantry, Post Office, Children's booth, Fish Pond, and Apron Booth. An auction sale will climax the day.

Mrs. Frank DeCaro and Mrs. Wilbur McFarland are co-chairmen of the bazaar.

CAMP FIRE GIRLS HOLD GALA PARTY

Ah Wahn Dah Camp Fire Girls, under leadership of Mrs. George Furtado and Mrs. Owen Bertrand, recently held a Halloween party and weiner roast in the

The girls were costumed for the occasion, and were treated with big Halloween cookies bearing individual names. After games were played, the girls surprised Mrs. Bertrand with a birthday cake which they had made, and presented her with gifts.

Members of the group are: Donna Beftrand, Kathleen Johnson, Charles Harris, Florine Weiner, Mary Jan Bates, Donna Mangiagli, Toni Mangiagli, Jeanette Babajian, Joann Babajian, Luana Alford, Christine Gauld, Karen Peterson, Sandra Peterson, Joan Vann and Kathy Mitchell.

Mrs. Bertrand has announced that membership in her group will be closed for the present time.

HOME FOLLOWING KOREAN DUTY

Roland A. Homolka, Airman 3/C, has just returned from a year's duty with the Air Force in Korea. His wife is the former Joyce Bever, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bever, 2520 El Dorado Ave., where she has been making her home while her husband was overseas.

A party honoring Joyce on her birthday was held Sunday at the Bever home. Guests included Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Homolka, Roland's parents; his sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Allen and daughter Susan Lee; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bever, Roland Homolka, and his wife Joyce, the honoree.

Plans for the future are indefinite, awaiting Air Force orders.

Soroptimists Hear Reports

Soroptimist club of Torrance-Gardena held its monthly business meeting Tuesday of last week at the Western club cafe at which time a report on the recent pot-luck supper at the home of Mrs. Ruth Smith was given by Addie Park. Service funds were augmented through games played at the supper.

A report of the executive board meeting held at the home of Mrs. Pearl Groot was given by Edna Salhus.

Eddie Walther, Winona Ellis and Dr. Virginia Tyler attended the First district meeting of Pacific Region of American Federation of Soroptimist held at the Hollywood Roosevelt hotel Saturday Oct. 30.

A report of this meeting will be given at the luncheon tomorrow.

Torrance Represented at YWCA Planning Conference

Enthusiasm ran high as members of the Harbor District YWCA participated in an all day Centennial Planning Conference for Southern California held at the Los Angeles YWCA.

"Already $1,490,000 of the $5,000,000 Centennial Fund has been raised," Mrs. W. L. Stanton, State Chairman, announced. She also stated that this is the first time that the YWCA has gone out on a capital fund drive and that it would be a "once in a lifetime" event as only the income or approximately $250,000 would be used. "This fund, she continued, would finance 21 units of work at the cost of $12,000 per unit. Seventeen of these units have been earmarked for the United States and four for the work abroad. Three of the United States units will be used for student work, for at present only one in six student associations have staff and those are only on a part time basis," she concluded.

Following lunch, plans for the observance of the Centennial nationally as well as locally were discussed.

Krista Nelson, Centennial Coordinator on the National Staff, told of plans for the Kickoff Luncheon to be held January 11, 1955, at the Waldorf-Astoria. Secretary of State John Foster Dulles will be the guest of honor and principal speaker. On the same day, the Washington, D. C. YWCA will hold a parallel luncheon in the nation's capital, she stated. There, Mrs. Dwight D. Eisenhower, honorary chairman of the National Centennial Citizen's Committee, will join in heralding the start of the Centennial year's festivities and the local Birthday Gifts appeal.

Mrs. O. R. C. Crow, Harbor Centennial chairman, reported on progress made thus far in the Centennial Observance and introduced local chairman: Mrs. Mervin Schwab, Torrance; Mrs. Kenneth Lapier, Wilmington; and Mrs. C. R. Halfpenny, San Pedro.

Those attending the Planning Meeting were: Mmes. Lee Stamps, Kenneth Clutter, Schwab, Charlotte Lukes, Tirash Harrel, Lapier, Arnold Ecklund, Grow, Elsa Morris, Mary Michel, Floyd Latham, Halfpenny, Otis S. Blackstone and Louise Larsen.

Local BPW Attends Meet

Virginia Beck, president of the Torrance Business and Professional Women's club accompanied by three delegates, Bess Tuffs, Mollie Marshall, Ellen Blackshire and alternate Muriel Whiting attended the annual Winter conference of Los Angeles Sierra Mar district B. and P. W. held at the Lafayette Hotel in Long Beach last week-end.

Principal speaker at Saturday's meeting was Helen J. Maddex of Ukiah, president of the California Federation BPW. She spoke on the national theme "Achievement—Our Hope for the Future."

Marcella Sheldon, Arcadia, district president was the presiding officer. Workshops were conducted during the afternoon and Saturday evening at the banquet a visual program on "Civil Defense and Disaster Relief" was presented by the U.S. Naval Station and the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Co.

The two day conference closed with a Sunday morning breakfast with district vice president, Helen Scrivner in charge.

Lioness Club Plans Party

Lioness Club met for a business session to make plans for its annual Christmas party Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Kenneth Olson, 2849 Sonoma Ave. Mrs. A. B. McTee, president, conducted the meeting. The party will be held Dec. 14.

The door prize was won by Mrs. Frances Dimitri and the hostess served refreshments.

The next meeting, a social, will be held at the home of Mrs. H. J. Osborne, 3026 Torrance Blvd. Nov. 16.

NEW RESIDENTS

New Torrance residents are Mr. and Mrs. Carl B. Ball and daughter Jean, of 1317 Portola Ave. The family moved here from Bakersfield. Jean Ball is a sophomore at Torrance High School.

HAWAII VACATION

Mrs. Gertrude Schwartz arrived home Wednesday from a three week trip to Hawaii. Mrs. Schwartz, who is associted with the Francis Real Estate office here, made the boat trip to the islands and returned by plane.

Annual Cardinal's Christmas Party to be Given Dec. 19

Patrons, patronesses and co-operating organizations have been invited to participate in the Cardinal's Christmas Party for Children, it was announced yesterday at an organizational meeting and tea at the residence of His Eminence James Francis Cardinal McIntyre.

Proceeds of the sixth annual affair will provide a pre-Christmas treat for the least privileged children and wide-spread Christmas good cheer for hundreds of Southland needy families and individuals through the Catholic Welfare Bureau, St. Vincent de Paul Society and other Archdiocesan charities.

Because His Eminence has been designated papal legate to represent Pope Pius XII at a Marian Year Congress in Nigeria, Africa, in early December, the date of the party has been changed from Dec. 12 as previously announced, to Dec. 19.

For young children from orphanges nurseries and foster homes throughout the Archdiocese, the affair will be held in the Embassy Room of the Ambassador Hotel at 2 p.m. with Cardinal McIntyre as host.

It is the only party throughout the year personally sponsored by His Eminece. With Santa Claus, presents, a sparkling tree, clowns, laughter, entertainment and goodies for some 150 tots, it is a party that warms the hearts of all adults attending.

Patrons and co-sponsoring organizations are asked to get their names in early for inclusion in the invitation to be mailed about Nov. 15.

SISTERS HAVE BIRTHDAY PARTY

A birthday party at the home of Mrs. Thomas Cobb, 3536 W. 187th complimented her two daughters, Linda, who was 5 years old on Oct. 29 and Ellen, who was 7 years old on Oct. 28.

The twenty little girls invited to the party were classmates from Crenshaw school. They wore colorful costumes and appropriate Hallowe'en games were played.

After a number of games, Mrs. Cobb served refreshments to the youngsters.

DAV Chapter, Auxiliary Hold Gala Costume Party

South Bay Chapter and auxiliary of the Disabled American Veterans held a Hallowe'en party for members and their families at the YMCA building 2080 Washington St., Torrance.

Decorations for the evening were the traditional orange and black colors with witches, goblins, black cats and pumpkin faces.

In charge of arrangements were Charles Portnoy and Emil Settlage. William Hardesty, chapter commander, and Mrs. Bernice Niles, auxiliary commander, welcomed the guests.

At a short business session Clarence Kiefer, chairman of the Forget-Me-Not Drive outlined plans for the drive which will be held during Veteran's Week Nov. 8-13.

Games for all ages were enjoyed. Prizes for the best costumes were won by Marcia Portnoy, Evonne Portnoy and Robert Niles. The prize for the best original homemade mask was won by Gatle Hardesty.

Children present were: Robert and Dennis Niles, Betty Lou, Virgil and Marie Clark, Tracy and Truman Timmons, Gayle and Claudia Hardesty, Leanne Justice, Robert and Anthony Romero, Ann Thomas, and James Livernash, Cynthia, Evonne and Marcia Portnoy, Mary Ann and Mike Christianson, Margie and Patty Reitmeier and Robert Gish Jr.

Members present were: Mrs. Henry Niles, Mr. and Mrs. William Hardesty, Mr. and Mrs. Verne Clark, Clarence Kiefer, Sidney W. Timmons, Mr. and Mrs. Clovis Justice, Mr. and Mrs. Tim Romero, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Livernash, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Portnoy, Cy Weber, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gish Sr., Mr. and Mrs. James G. Caldwell, Mrs. Margaret Bradford, Mrs. Ella Megill, Mrs. Eleanor Browne, Mrs. Margaret Weber and Mrs. Elsie Rush.

Refreshments were served under the direction of Mrs. Niles and Mrs. Caldwell.

FORMER RESIDENT IS RECUPERATING

Mrs. R. M. Robertson, 1551 W. 221st St. and her brother Marcus Milford and a sister-in-law, Mrs. Paul Boulanger of Hawthorne returned Sunday from Springfield, Mo. where they had been called to the bedside of their father L. O. Milford, who had been seriously ill. Mr. Milford, who moved back to Missouri eight years ago, was improving when the group returned to California. He resided in this area for many years and is a retired business agent for the Lumber Union Workers in San Pedro.

VISITING HERE

Mrs. V. C. Vance of Bellingham, Washington formerly of Torrance is here visiting with Mrs. Jimmie Crawford, 2064 W. 220th St. and relatives. Mr. Vance is associated with the new General Petroleum plant in Bellingham.

State Prexy Visits Trio Rebekahs

Carrying a silver musical note decked with red roses and silver birds, Mrs. Dorathea N. Martin, president of the Rebekah Assembly of California, was introduced by her marshall, Elizabeth Johnson, to Trio Rebekah Lodge 240 on Wednesday evening Oct. 27.

Other dignitaries were Erma Fream, vice president of the Rebekah Assembly and Mrs. Elizabeth Tappin, past president of Arizona, and Orville Grubbs, grand color bearer of the IOOF.

Mrs. Martin was presented with a large red rose formed by the vice grand, Mrs. Robert Jacobs making the nucleus and six members forming the outside petals. As the rose was formed a quartet sang "Moonlight and Roses."

Mrs. Martin informed Trio that her project, linoleum for the Childrens Home, would be fulfilled in time for Christmas. She also requested Rebekah Lodges to participate in Civil Defense work.

A white cross was formed by the officers while Miss Erlene Anderson sang, "When Day is Done" accompanied by Ruth Deems at the piano. Miss Anderson also sang "Bless This House."

At tables on which minute truck loads of linoleum for the Childrens Home raced between miniature smoke trees filled with red and silver birds, sandwiches, cookies, candy and coffee were served, Mrs. R. L. Russell and her committee had decorated the hall in red and silver.

SEWING CIRCLE

The Royal Neighbors' Sewing circle will have a pot luck luncheon at the Woman's clubhouse, 1422 Engracia Ave., tomorrow at noon.

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TO MAKE PROMISES . . . These ten Brownies will make their promises at the Scout house today when they are invested into Troop 631, sponsored by the Fern-Greenwood PTA. The girls are, from the left, Carol Morse, Connie Lee Sudmeier, Jerye Lynn Grubbs, Sheila Ree Bainer, Linda Davis, Nancy Barnard, Paula Jonnson, Sherry Northington, Cynthia Carlin, and Nancy Whitcomb. Mothers of the girls will be honored guests.

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AT INVESTITURE CEREMONY . . . these Brownies will receive their pins and wings after repeating their Girl Scout laws and promises. They are from left, Marshal Bainer, Roxanne Barnard, Susan Sparks, Joann Porlock, Linda Baker, Mary Ellen Jack, Sharanne Miller and Susan Stamps.

EIGHT BROWNIES TO BE INVESTED

In an impressive candlelight ceremony Tuesday at St. Andrews' Episcopal Church, several Brownies will receive their wings and be invested as Intermediate Girl Scouts.

The girls will accept their wings from leaders, Mmes. D. W. Barnard and J. K. Clutter of Troop 631, sponsored by Fern-Greenwood PTA.

Leaders of Girl Scout Troop 416, which is sponsored by the church, are Mmes: Walter Mathlin, E. M. Dilkus and Harold Woodman presented the girls with their pins after they repeated their Girl Scout Laws and promise.

Surprise Party Fetes Husband

Mrs. Jimmie Crawford entertained with a surprise party at her home 2064 W. 220th St. Wednesday evening of last week complimenting her husband.

Cocktails served after which card games were enjoyed. Refreshments were served after the game.

Enjoying the affair were Messrs. and Mmes: Jack Freeman, John Vallandingham, Tony Aquini, Carl Gotts and Isabelle

DR. DE LAHAY WILL SPEAK

The final in a series of lecturers sponsored by the Adult Education department in conjunction with the Torrance Council PTA will be held Wednesday evening at 7:30, in the Fern Avenue cafeteria. Dr. Albert De Lahay guest speaker will talk on "Democracy in Action."

PTA PAPER DRIVE

The Crenshaw Elementary School PTA has scheduled a paper drive for Nov. 10. Volunteers are needed to help measure and sort bundles.

Persons wishing papers picked up are to contact Mrs. William Drake or the school.