

Woman Hurt in Accident Finds Neighbors True Friends in Need

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Mrs. Albert Ottobro, of 418 Calle de Arboles, is thanking her stars for helpful neighbors after a freak accident last week laid her up temporarily.

She pulled a pyrex dish out of her cupboard when the lid fell off, broke on the drainboard, and slashed her leg badly. Since she was alone in the house with her three babies, she had to walk until her son, Ronald, 8, came in from school and sounded the alarm to neighbors, who called the Police and a nurse.

Officers Mickey Fischer and Robert Hammond arrived to help out, and the nurse came to administer first aid. Then the officers took her to the hospital, where a four-inch piece of the lid was removed from her leg and eight stitches taken.

In the meantime, her neighbors took care of the children, fixed dinner, and helped around the house. The officers returned several days later to see how things were going.

Mrs. Ottobro said the help she received was indispensable.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. William J. Miller, 112 Via Colusa, on April 24 at St. John's hospital in Santa Monica was a 7 lb. 10 oz. son whom they have named Thomas Peter. Young Thomas arrived promptly at 6:05 a. m. He joins sisters Patty 3, Margaret 5, Mary Ellen 12, and brothers Billy 8, and Michael, 10, at the Miller home.

Mrs. Thomas J. von Blankenburg, 700 Calle de Arboles, long-time Girl Scout executive in the South Bay area, announced this week that Mrs. Rex Hayes, 421 Calle de Aragon, is the new district chairman of Girl Scouts for this area. She replaces Mrs. von Blankenburg in that office.

Mrs. von Blankenburg also noted that a new office of publicity head has been set up for this district. Mrs. J. M. Stuart, 171 Via Los Miradores, has been appointed to this office.

Born to Mrs. and Mrs. Jim Carmack, 505 Calle de Arboles, on April 6, at St. John's hospital in Santa Monica was their second daughter, who weighed 8 lb., 7 oz. at birth. The arrival

has been named Elizabeth Spaulding and she joins sister Cathy, who is 3.

Johnny Johnston, 10, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Johnston, 153 Via Monte de Oro, and a student at South Bay Christian School, has just returned to school after a major and minor operation.

The Hollywood Riviera Sportsmen's Club, whose last social event was the successful New Year's Eve dance at the Riviera Beach Club, will celebrate their annual spring dance at the club on Friday, May 20. Fred Klingler and John Walti are co-chairmen in charge of the informal affair.

So reports Bob Surber, chairman of the ticket committee, who adds that any Sportsman or their guests may obtain tickets by contacting him at FR 5-4916.

Harry McNaughton, new manager of the club, will furnish hors d'oeuvres for the assembled party-goers, Surber said.

Speaking of the Sportsmen, last Thursday evening Harry McNaughton, new manager of the Hollywood Riviera Beach Club, played host for the entire club, and their prospective members.

McNaughton served a huge spaghetti dinner with the compliments of the Beach club to the Sportsmen's assembly. Sportsmen officers reported the affair a huge success.

From Riviera's Hampton Players comes the announcement of a Pacific Coast Tournament of One-Act Plays, to be staged in Santa Monica on June 8, 9, 10 and 11. Hampton Players of course will compete and are prepping on "Day Before Yesterday," a one-act play by Norman Holland. Mary Woodson will direct the play while Helen Ferrel, also is stage manager.

Shot Hits Window
Someone shot a beehive hole through her front window, Mary J. Taalay, of 1188 W. Flat St., told sheriff's deputies Thursday.

Three more locals are in the cast of seven players. The part of Bertha will be played by Dominica Hauser, while Dorothy Tunis plays Alicia Spokesby and Carl Rogers plays Bernard Playmill. Other players include Dwight Mize, as Neil Boyd; Miriam Wilson, as Fenella Caswell; Bruce Wilson, as Vincent Owen; and Gall Swatman, as Mola Worrall.

R. L. Bache, of 123 Via Buena Ventura, was named treasurer of his company at the recent annual meeting of stockholders in Petrolene Gas Service of Long Beach, marketers of liquefied petroleum gas.

William E. "Pat" McGowen, 109 Via la Circula, longtime Riviera, last week accepted a position as police officer with the Redondo Beach Police Dept. McGowen began his work last week on the 3 to 11 p. m. shift with the radio car units.

McGowen, 31 and his wife Sheila, have two sons, William E. III, 7, and Davis Michael, 2½, and two daughters, daughter Janet, 4, and Juanita, 17, a foster daughter.

Pat, an active member of the

Sportsmen's club was employed formerly by General Petroleum Refinery in Torrance.

May 25 is the date set for the South Bay Girl Scout Council meeting, to be held at North Redondo Community Hall. All adults registered in Girl Scouting in this area are eligible to attend this important meeting and luncheon, reports Mrs. Thomas von Blankenburg, local Girl Scout official. Reservations may be made by phoning Mrs. von Blankenburg at FR 5-3278.

Cathy Carmack, 8, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Carmack, 505 Calle de Arboles, celebrated her third birthday with a party at her home on Sunday, April 24. Highlight of the festivities was the extra large and fancy decorated birthday cake. Guests included Margo MacLeon, Jeff and Michael Kurtz and Chipper Whitney.

Chairman of the clubs and organizations for this year's drive for the Sister Kenny Foundation in this district will be Mrs. S. D. Johnston, 153 Via Monte de Oro, it was announced last week.

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Mrs. Johnston this week put out an urgent plea for volunteers to aid in this worthy cause. The Kenny Foundation drive will continue until the end of May and anyone who can give even a couple of hours is urged to call Mrs. Johnston at FR 5-1082.

Parents of pre-school children, from 2½ to 5, who are interested in a parent-participation nursery school are urged to attend a meeting at Riviera School, room 5, on Tuesday, at 8 p. m.

Mrs. Virginia Foyle, director of the Torrance Cooperative Nursery School, and Raymond Collins, director of adult education in Torrance, will be there to discuss this program and to answer any questions parents may have.

"He Who Dares to Teach," a color movie, is scheduled to be shown also. The movie boasts a cast of characters drawn from members of the Torrance Cooperative Parent Nursery group, and is a story on the parent education program.

Interested parents from surrounding areas are invited to attend the meeting.

Chris Dobrick, 63, 245 Via Linda Vista, collapsed and died last week at his store in Redondo Beach.

Artificial respiration by life-

guards was administered for 20 minutes in a vain effort to revive him after an apparent heart attack.

Mr. Dobrick, a well known local figure, was born in St. Louis, and opened his garden supply and seed store here some 30 years ago.

He leaves his widow, Margaret; a son, Norman, and a daughter, Virginia Dobrick.

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