

# New Recreation Hall in Park Begins to Take on Final Shape

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Our deepest sympathies are extended this week to the Bill Landis family of Madison Court. Mr. Landis has spent the last three weeks in Minneapolis at the bedside of his father. The elder Mr. Landis passed away on Sunday, Feb. 26. Bill expects to arrive home some time this week.

Have you noticed that the new recreation hall at the park is now taking shape with some of the larger girder now in place? It will be a welcome relief to this community when the building is completed, since there are very few places for group meetings while the recreation hall is not available.

Mrs. William Mitchell of Danaha St. was more than pleasantly surprised on Sunday, Feb. 25, when friends gathered to give her a surprise stork shower. The attractively packaged gifts were stacked on the table in back of a sheet cake decorated in pink and blue with "Welcome Baby" while crepe paper runners of blue and pink made the table even more attractive. Those who entered into the fun of the afternoon included Mrs. Kay Grogan, Mrs. Mae Ranspley, Mrs. Mary Hunter, Mrs. Elaine Nixon, Mrs. Inga Matlock, Mrs. Clara Pembie, Mrs. Dixie Lee Smith, Mrs. Bernice Pickering, Miss Jackie Van Camp, and Miss Jimmie Lou Hoy.

Martha Cleve held its monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Beth Landis, Madison Court, on Tuesday, Feb. 24. Fifteen ladies were present to enjoy another lesson on Bible study led by Mrs. Jean Cramer. Business and fun were combined for the rest of the evening, with Mrs. Gloria Rose presiding. Mrs. Carol Allison was surprised by a gift of "money" given by the circle members in honor of the approaching blessed event. Apple pie and coffee put a pleasant end to the evening.

Sorry to hear that Al Frels of Danaha St. is in the Torrance Memorial Hospital for surgery. Hope all goes well and he is soon home hale and hearty.

A repeat of that successful fashion show held last year is being given on March 16 in social hall of the local Methodist Church. Last year the affair was attended by well over 100 who watched the parade of styles. This year even a bigger turnout is expected for the show. Chairman for this year is Mrs. Peggy Randall, and from all reports she is doing a bang-up job. The show on the 16th will have, in addition to the latest fashions for "her," fashions for the man. The well-known Admission is \$1, with 50 cents admission for those under 16. Anyone interested in obtaining a ticket may do so by contacting Mrs. Randall, or any member of the WBCS.

The Walters, PTA is holding its monthly meeting Thursday evening, March 6, at the school auditorium. The program should be one of great interest to all the members of this community since the topic is Civil Defense. A panel discussion will be held with Dr. Kurt Shery as the guest panelist. Dr. Shery is chief of staff of the Torrance Memorial Hospital, medical officer of Torrance civil defense, and alternate medical co-ordinator of Area C. Well-known also on the panel will be Mary Johnson, a mother; Mr. Arturo, as school executive; and a student. The inspirational for the evening will be given by the "Mother Singers" group led by Miss Cleve. The classes of Mrs. Hicson and Mrs. Showler will present a study on the state of California. Hostesses for the evening are fifth grade mothers.

A First-Aid Class is now being signed up, classes to begin immediately. If you are interested in joining the class contact Mrs. Henry Fink at FR 5-1926.

There is another new arrival in our town. He is little Don Leo Menger who has come to live with Father Don, Mother Rowena, and two sisters, Ginger, 8, and Cleo, 1, at the family home on Crickwood. Don Leo weighed in at one-half ounce under eight pounds at the Gardens General Hospital. He measured 21 inches long from tip to toe. Proud grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Boyd of Portland, Ore.; and Mr. and Mrs. Claude Roy, also of Portland. Mrs. Roy's mother, Mrs. Menger, is making an indefinite visit at the Mengers, enjoying her three grandchildren. She arrived here on the 19th.

Speaking of the Mengers, little Cleo burned her hands badly on a wall heater the very morning mother was expected home from the hospital with the new arrival. She still has some ugly burns from the sad experience.

There was a lot of merriment on Winlock Dr. last Saturday when little Blanche Hebestri-

celebrated her sixth birthday. Twenty little guests, neighborhood chums, and school friends, came to wish her happy birthday and bring gifts. The afternoon was a busy one spent playing several games at which prize winners were Dibble Guthrie, Timmy and Tommy Jauch, and Bonnie Farmer. The party ended after the little merry-makers gathered around for cup cakes, ice cream and punch. Each celebrant had a fancy cap, a nut cup filled with candy and nuts, balloons, and blowers. In the evening more guests dropped in to wish Blanche a happy birthday. They were Mr.

and Mrs. Bill Allenbaugh of Redondo Beach, and Mr. and Mrs. Gene Bruno and daughters Andrea and Kathy, of Inglewood.

The small and big of a hamburger fry was on the air last Saturday night when the boys of the Explorer Unit of Boy Scout Troop 240 got together for a party at Nickels' Ranch on Newton St. They enjoyed a feast of hamburgers, potato salad, and all the trimmings and had a really good time. Adults at the gathering were Mr. C. W. Johnson, the Explorer advisor, and Mr. Maurice

Wiley, and Mr. Robert Waeger. Still another party was held in our town. This was a surprise dinner party held for Mr. Bob Sleeth. We hear that he was really surprised when he got home and found a beautifully set table and guests all ready to help him celebrate his birthday. After a steak dinner with all the trimmings, including a birthday cake frosted in chocolate and trimmed in white with white candles, the couples enjoyed dancing and visiting. Guests included Mr. and Mrs. Jack Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Jim

Shidler, and Mrs. Robert Sleeth, Sr. Sorry to hear that Mrs. Mary Johnson has been having trouble with her arm recently and has been under a doctor's care. Here's wishing her a speedy recovery.

The Walters Business Women's Club will hold their meeting this evening, Thursday, March 8, at a local restaurant. The dinner meeting will be a get-acquainted affair in honor

of their new members. The program will be on home decorating ideas with Jack Brown as guest speaker.

Those who are interested in finding solutions to appropriate recreation for juveniles will enjoy attending a series of lectures given by Ben Solomon in the Torrance Civic Auditorium. The first lecture to be given on March 8, Mr. Solomon is a nationally recognized expert on recreation and is vitally interested in juvenile problems. This

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## Scouts To Have Rally

Harbor District Boy Scouts will hold a rally of volunteer leaders on March 8, 7:30 p.m., at Narbonne High School.

The meeting will be held primarily for representatives and chairmen of cub packs, scout troops and explorer packs. Principal speaker will be Jack Perez, director of training for the Los Angeles Area Council.

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