



PRESENT MIXED CHORUS . . . South High PTA, Mrs. William Allen president, presented the school's Mixed Chorus, Glen Hawley director, at its Dec. 12 meeting. In the group are front row, from left, John Lucas principal, Sandra Witte, Karolyn Rountree, Kathy Reed; back row, Ford Kanzler, Bill Elliott and Dennis Crume. Mrs. William Poser, program chairman, and Principal Lucas gave the program "Attitude of Enjoyment." Serving refreshments were Mmes. Paul Lassen and Betty Stilwell.

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wife drinks. I don't mean just at parties. She drinks at home, starting in the morning. The gin is in the mouth-wash bottle.
Our oldest son is 11. He takes his mother's drinking as a matter of course. Last week he had a little friend in after school. The boy asked why his mother laughed so loud and talked so funny and kept saying the same things over. Our son replied, "She always acts like that when she's drunk."
My wife is an intelligent and fine person. Her mother was an accomplished musician and her father a distinguished attorney. I've tried to get her to see a doctor but she refuses. She says liquor makes her happy and relieves her of worry and tension. When I ask her what she's worried about she says she doesn't know.
I've suggested Alcoholics Anonymous but she says it wouldn't be dignified for a woman of her social standing to appear at an A.A. meeting. What can I do to help her?
—D.

Dear D.: Alcoholism is democratic. It happens to people on all social levels. Perhaps your wife thinks it is more "dignified" to appear intoxicated before her children and their friends?
I suggest Al-Anon for you. This branch of A.A. helps members of the family learn how to live with an alcoholic and often this knowledge helps persuade the alcoholic to change his attitude about getting outside help.

Confidential to TOO OLD FOR PARENTHOOD?: Contact the World Adoption International Fund, Division of

Friends Visit Here Enroute To New Post

Mr. and Mrs. George C. Abel, who are enroute to Rome, N.Y., where he has been assigned by the government, visited last week at the home of Mrs. A. E. Palmer, 1510 W. 214th St.
The Abels, who have been in Alaska for two and one-half years, announced plans to spend the holidays in Fort Worth, Tex., before going to New York.
Mr. Abel, an electrical engineer, is a civilian employee of the federal government.

Gift Trades Due Tonight

Members of the Golden Bear Council, Daughters of America, will hold their annual Christmas party and gift exchange this evening at 6:30 at the Torrance Women's Club, 1422 Engracia Ave.
All members and their families have been invited to be present at the gala affair. The regular meeting of the group has been scheduled for 7:45 p.m. Stelma Norris will be in charge.
Installation of officers has been scheduled for Jan. 3.

International Social Services, 345 E. 46th St., New York 17, New York. You may get some good news.
To learn the difference between a marriage that "settles down" and one that "gets dull," send for ANN LANDERS' booklet, "What to Expect From Marriage," enclosing with your request 20 cents in coin and a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope.
Ann Landers will be glad to help you with your problems. Send them to her in care of this newspaper enclosing a stamped, self-addressed envelope.
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Songwriters Plan Party

Entertainment and appearances by television and radio artists will highlight the annual Christmas party for members and invited guests of the Vel-De-Nez songwriters club to be held at the home of Inez Brombellow, 24208 Aliene Ave., Lomita, Saturday evening, beginning at 7:30.
Prizes, a gift exchange, and refreshments will follow the program, according to Henry Weaver Sr., spokesman for the club.
Among the entertainers will be 9-year-old Cheryl Depp of Rolling Hills, a member of the club who has won several trophies on television and radio and now is a regular performer on the Los Angeles Bureau of Music's community programs.

Party Honors United Church Women Mrs. Tracy Install New Officers

Mrs. Madaline Tracy of 6610 Monero Drive, Palos Verdes Estates, was given a house warming party recently by her sorority sisters, their husbands and other friends.
Those present from the Epsilon Sigma Alpha Sorority were Norm and Peggy Roy, Odie and Virginia Bry, Lewis and Marguerite Duke, Pearl

Torrance-Lomita Council of United Church Women held its annual Christmas luncheon and installed its
Giulino, Roy and Juanita Dudley, Fred and Elizabeth Launer, Bob and Jackie Tracy, and Bob and Shirley Turner.

new officers on Friday at the St. Mark's Presbyterian Church.
Invocation was given by the Rev. Eldon Durham, pastor of St. Mark's.
After the luncheon, women from the Harbor City Community Methodist Church, under the direction of Mrs. Oline Seims, presented a clever Christmas skit. Gene Benfor, soloist, sang "Jesu Bambino" and "He Shall Feed His Flock."
The new officers for the coming year were installed by Mrs. Schuyler Hoffman of Portuguese Bend, area chairman, who used passages from the Bible to bestow the duties on each new leader.
New officers installed were Mmes. Nicholas Betz, president, St. Mark's Presbyterian; Martin DeVries, vice president, First Baptist, Torrance; Chester Wiley, secretary, First Methodist, Torrance; Mrs. Leah Stanton, treasurer, Central Evangelical; Dean Lougee, Christian World Missions, First Christian, Torrance; H. G. Cassell, World Day of Prayer, First Christian, Torrance.
Others were Mmes. David Foote, May Fellowship Day and Christian Social Relations, First Baptist, Torrance; Bert Pemble, World Community Day, Walteria Methodist; Gene Anderson, Christian World Relations, Walteria Methodist; Russell Paxton, public relations, Torrance First Methodist; Charles Peyatte, Harbor City Community; Betty Turner, Church Woman magazine, St. Andrew's Episcopal, Torrance.

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