



Pictured above is Mr. and Mrs. Edward T. Rickard, directors of the Three Arts Dance Studio, 2252 West Carson St., in Torrance who will present a full length colored movie, "Three Arts Dance Revue of 1951" which the public is invited to attend, Friday evening, December 28, at 8 p. m., at the studio. Mrs. Rickard is seen in the film dancing two Hawaiian numbers "To You Sweetheart Aloha," and "Sweet Lailani." Many other entertaining dance numbers will be shown. The movie will last one hour and a half. Be sure and attend Friday evening, Dec. 28 at 8 p. m. No admission charge.

### John Alcorn Buried With Military Honors

John Alcorn, age 66, of 2423 West Manhattan Beach Boulevard, died at the Veterans Hospital in Long Beach, Saturday noon, December 22. Funeral services will be held Friday, Dec. 28 at 2 p. m. at the Mottell Mortuary in Long Beach with Bishop William Bullock officiating, assisted by Thomas Dohata, Chaplain of Post 187 of Gardena. Interment will be in Green Hills Memorial Park with military services at the graveside. Mr. Alcorn was a veteran of World War I and II, but was a retired C-MM for some time past, he had been in the Veterans Hospital for 11 months, and had been sick for a much longer period of time. He was born in Highbridge, Kentucky, but had lived in Yakima, Wash., for 13 years before coming to Torrance to make his home.

Survivors are: Widow, Bertah, at the home address; two sons, James of Lawndale, and William of Glendale; a daughter, Doris, at home. Two brothers, Henry of Kansas City, and Joe of Natchez, Wash., and a sister, Mrs. Alice Lyons, Dubois, Wyoming.

### Yule Play Presented by Church Sunday

Sunday Dec. 30th at 7:30 p.m. the beautiful Christmas Program, "The Star that shined in darkness" will be presented in the Torrance Foursquare Church, located at 1207 El Prado. This play is put on by the Crusader young people of the church. Characters will be dressed in Oriental costume, and the scenery will feature Bible times. This play is directed by Mrs. Thelma Johnson. It is one of the Rodeheaver Series of Plays and has a spiritual message.

Watch Night Service, which has been an annual event in the Torrance Foursquare Church, will be conducted watch night Eve from 8:00 p.m. to midnight. Some of the speakers are: Rev. H. Timmons, Rev. Damon Rude, Rev. Bernice Busse, and Rev. Martha Bell. Everyone is cordially invited to attend all these services.

### Lions Party Held at Attebery Farm

Dinner, dancing, and a good time are on the agenda for the Lions Club's New Year's Eve Party. Attebery's Barn, at Hawthorne and Sepulveda Blvds., will be decked out in gay holiday trim to receive an expected crowd of 150, said Roy Peterson, club official. After dinner an orchestra will provide music for dancing, and hats and noisemakers will be given to the guests.

### Flyers Find Smog Free Area in Portuguese Bend

PORTUGUESE BEND—The new community of Portuguese Bend is fast becoming an eagles nest, a checkup of new residents discloses.

Nine professional airplane pilots have settled in this area on the Palos Verdes peninsula, four at the Portuguese Bend Club and five in the large home subdivisions.

Pioneer in the Portuguese Bend area were Hal Gregory, Jr., and Frank Aitken, senior pilots, respectively, for American Airlines and United Air Lines. Aitken has since become a test pilot for Douglas Aircraft. Gregory moved to the Palos Verdes Peninsula from Westchester, Aitken from Manhattan Beach.

OTHER PILOTS Two other American pilots, Russell Arden, formerly of Manhattan, and Peter Willis of New York City, followed Gregory to Portuguese Bend. Three company pilots—George Prudden of Lockheed, Rex Hardy of Northrop and George Matteson of North American—have homes at the Portuguese Bend Club, all moving there from the Los Angeles area. Prudden, senior pilot of the entire group, has almost 40 years of professional flying experience. He is a member of the "Early Birds" and "Quiet Birdmen," two select groups of aviators. Prudden is now chief of aircraft inspection and control at Lockheed.

AIRMEN JOIN The two latest airmen to join the area are Harry Donnell and Frank C. Umhoefer, long-time

friends who flew together out of New York and Florida. They purchased adjoining homes last week in the Portuguese Bend Farmstead subdivision. They fly for Seaboard and Western Air Lines. A poll shows that three prime reasons drew the airmen to Portuguese Bend. In flying regularly over the area they noted that it was smog-free and had clear, sunny weather. They also were seeking a quiet residential area with ample room for gardening and hobbies. The third reason was boating and fishing. The pilots fish and trap lobsters on their days off.

### Lions Host Families at Christmas Lunch

Wives and children of the members of the Torrance Lions Club were guests of honor at the club's Christmas luncheon at the Ding How Cafe last Sunday. Santa Claus shared the honor spot when dinner was served to the 180 guests, according to Roy Peterson, club official.

Santa presented each of the children present with a gift bag containing candy, fruit, and a surprise gift. After dinner a colored film with a Christmas theme was shown. Peterson announced that the regular Tuesday meeting would not be held because of the holiday.

### Scouts Trim Trees in Childrens Wards

Christmas was brought into the children's wards of the Harbor General Hospital last week. Two teams of Explorers from Post 315 set up and decorated Christmas trees for the hospitalized children. Tom Marshall, Mathew Degutes, Bob Rose, and Dennis Coil were the four Explorers who trimmed the two five-foot trees. They arrayed gum and candy around the trees for the children to enjoy on Christmas morning.

The Explorers are the newest scout group in this area. It is under the sponsorship of the Torrance Moose Lodge. Don Andrade of the Moose Club is the Post advisor for the boys. Lynn Dane was the adult advisor of the tree decorating committee.

### Optometrist Pyeatt Marries on Christmas

Dr. Allen Pyeatt, Torrance optometrist and Miss Imogene Garland Roberts of Los Angeles were married Christmas at 6:30 in the evening. More than 100 guests were present. Miss Garland is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Stanford Garland of Los Angeles.

Ceremony was performed at the First Methodist Church in Torrance by Dr. Pyeatt's brother-in-law, Lt. Commander O. B. Salyer, a Navy chaplain. Salyer is stationed at Bremerton, Washington.

The newlyweds were high school classmates at Olney, Texas. Mrs. Pyeatt will receive her Bachelor of Science degree from USC in June. She is majoring in secretarial administration.

Dr. Pyeatt's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Leonard E. Pyeatt of 1648 W. 220th Street.

Shortly after the ceremony, the young couple left for Mexico City. They will return to Torrance Pan. 3 and make their home at 1808 Santa Fe Avenue.

Dr. Pyeatt is a graduate of the Los Angeles College of Optometry. He also attended Texas A and M and North Texas State College as well as USC.



DR. ALLEN PYEATT The optometrist's offices are located at 1439 Marcellina Ave.

### Small Fry See Santa

Santa Claus really went out of his way to see all the children of Torrance this Christmas. He parked his sleigh and reindeer at the edge of town and took to foot so that he wouldn't miss a single kiddie.

All day Friday, Saturday, and Monday this jovial gent carried his gift pack through the business section, stopping to present candies to all the children he saw.

Hundreds of excited children spied the familiar red costume and flowing white beard and rushed to confide their last minute gift wishes to Santa, telling him to be sure and not forget.

During the evening Santa reigned from a throne mounted on a truck in El Prado Park. Frank's Furniture donated the use of their truck for this Torrance Tee Vee supplied the loud speaker system. Generous aid and contributions were received from Georges Donut Shop; Roths Market; Strum's Dept. Store; J. J. Newberry; and Burke's Bargain Spot.

According to Louis Arbetter, the Business Merchants of the Sartori and El Prado area are responsible for the invitation extended to Santa. He said that the community stood right behind this effort to bring the Christmas spirit to Torrance and particularly to the small citizen set.

Mrs. Lucille Case and son Stanley have left for Salt Lake City where they will be the guests of Mrs. Case's mother, Mrs. Bernice Davis.

### 1100 Children Attend Party at El Camino

Eleven hundred children trooped into the auditorium of El Camino College last Saturday evening for the annual North Torrance Children's Christmas Party.

Santa Claus listened to all the requests of the kiddies and presented each one with gifts of toys, candy, and nuts.

Later a colored cartoon entitled "The Christmas Story" was shown, according to Mrs. B. Runsted, publicity director.

The children played games and sang Christmas carols before they went home to wait the weed-end for Santa Claus.

### Moose Invite Public to New Year Party

Guests at the Moose Lodge's New Year's Eve party will really be whooping it come the last eve of the year.

The orchestra will strike up at 8:30 and dancing will continue until the wee hours of the morning.

Gay hats and noisy favors will be given to all merry-makers and the bar will serve refreshments until 2:00.

James Evans of the Lodge announced that the party is free and that the whole town is invited to share in the festivities. The Moose Lodge Clubhouse is located at 1744 West Carson st.

### Bible Quote Subject of Sunday Sermon

The Bible reference for Mr. Barnum's sermon, the title of which is "The Mind That Jesus Used" is taken from John 1:12, "But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God." States Mr. Barnum, "Jesus stressed the responsiveness of God. Perhaps our greatest human yearning is to feel that someone responds to our love and is interested in what happens to us. This great need is met in God's responsiveness to man. Even before we call, God has turned toward us. The Bible, over and over again emphasizes God's watchful care over us. We are his beloved. Whatever we ask for, believing, we shall receive."

Sunday services are held at 11 o'clock in the Masonic Temple, Ruby and Catalina in Redondo Beach, at which time the Children's Church, under the direction of Dr. Evelyn Earle, and the Teenage Church, under the direction of Adrian Bibee also meet. Nursery service is available for the pre-church school little ones and infants.

Midweek service, The Workshop of Life convenes at 1 p.m. each Wednesday on the first floor of the Masonic Temple with Mr. Barnum as speaker.

Persons wishing to avail themselves of the services of the Healing Department are invited to write their requests to the Department, at the Church Headquarters.

Lillian Beauchamp, soloist, accompanied by Carol Rash at the organ will sing Schubert's "Omnipotence."

### Keystone Selects Best House Trim

Christmas eve was the night of the judging of the best outside decoration in the Keystone area, according to Ben Cluff, chairman of the Keystone-Avalon Chamber of Commerce Christmas decoration contest.

Cluff and a committee of judges viewed all decorated homes in that area. Winners and prizes will be announced next week.

### Dance Studio Will Present Color Film

Every Friday evening since October the 12, 1951, the Three Arts Dance Studio has presented a Dance Workshop at the studio located at 2252 West Carson St. in Torrance.

The public is always invited to attend these workshops, which consist of a short program starting at 8 p. m. of dance and dramatic numbers followed by a social period with refreshments being served.

This Friday, December 28 at 8 p. m. the public is invited to see the full length colored movie, "Three Arts Dance Revue of 1951." This beautiful entertaining film will be shown at the Three Arts Studio.

It is very important that all of the students that are now studying or intend to start studying dancing attend the showing of the movie. For those that were in the

1951 movie be sure to see yourself so you may improve in the movie of 1952.

In a short time the filming of the Three Arts Dance Revue of 1952 will be started so be sure to attend the 1951 movie showing at 8 p. m. Friday, Dec. 28 at the Studio on Carson St.

RETURNS FROM TEXAS Miss Jo Ann Sumpter of W. 242nd St., WALTERIA, has returned from a visit in San Antonio, Tex. She was accompanied by Mrs. Frances Sumpter and children.

RECEIVES CPA William Harold McCarthy of 3224 Torrance Blvd., Torrance, has received his CPA certificate from the California state board of accountancy this week.

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