

Mary Ellen Mill Exchanges Vows With Topper Smith

Mary Ellen Mill, lovely daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick W. Mill, 1525 Via Montemar, Palos Verdes Estates, exchanged vows November 9, 8:30 p.m. with Topper Smith, at St. Luke's Episcopal church in Long Beach.



The New Mrs. Topper Smith

Mary Ellen Mill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick W. Mill, Palos Verdes Estates, recently became Mrs. Topper Smith in impressive Long Beach rites. She was a picture of exquisite simplicity in a gown of pure silk imported Italian taffeta.

—Seeman Photo

PTA Features Round Table Talks Tuesday

"Understanding the schools' responsibilities," will be the topic of the program at the North high school PTA meeting, Tuesday, November 20, 8 p.m. in the school auditorium.

Three important phases of the school service offered—Athletic program, Physical Education and the Driver Education course—will be featured in a round table discussion.

A representative group of teachers, one of the students and one of the parents will appear on the panel. Under the direction of George Zavislan, a choral group will present several selections.

The dual control driver education car will be on display, parents will have the opportunity to see first hand the methods employed in instructing students to drive. Also on display will be different types of athletic equipment used.

Mrs. Kenneth McVey is in charge of program direction. Mrs. J. R. Sanders, president will preside at the business meeting and Mrs. Herb Terhagen, membership chairman, will

Eastern Stars Say Farewell

Worthy Matron Dorothy Fyken and Worthy Patron Edward Morgan and their corps of officers will preside for the last time tonight when Torrance chapter No. 380, Order of the Eastern Star, observes "Farewell Night."

The meeting will be held in the Masonic Temple, 2336 Ca-brillo ave., at 8 p.m. Alethea Smith is chairman for the social hour which follows the meeting. All members of the Chapter, and visiting members of the Order, are extended an invitation to attend this last meeting for the 1956 officers.

The Installation of Officers for 1957 will be held on Saturday November 17, at 8 p.m. in the Masonic temple. All relatives and friends are invited. Joyce Miller will be installed as Worthy Matron and Frank Thompson as Worthy Patron.

give a report. Total PTA membership is seven hundred and 52 members which is more than doubling the membership of last year.

Mrs. William Sale, courtesy chairman, and Mrs. L. F. Kohler, hospitality chairman, will be in charge of the social hour.

BEGRUDGINGLY YOURS,
Molly Maudlin

THERE'S NO SUCH THING AS HAPPINESS

This last week I received the following letter from a young housewife:

"Dear Miss Maudlin—

"I have been married five years now. I have a wonderful husband and two lovely children. We have our own home. While we have problems like everyone else, I am, all in all, extremely happy. What I want to know is: should I be?" Mrs. Q. W.

Absolutely not! You think you are happy, but are you REALLY?

To begin with, there is no such thing as happiness. There is only pleasure and pain. What you feel right now is only the absence of pain.

And even if you WERE happy, you shouldn't be! There are so many people who are unhappy that it would be very selfish of you to be happy.

If you were happy, how could you understand their unhappiness?

But even more so, since no one knows what happiness is or how to be happy, it would be considered highly unconventional for you to claim that you are happy.

People would call you an eccentric, a non-conformist, a social misfit.

Therefore, I recommend that, if you actually do suffer from the illusion of being happy, you take immediate counter-measures.

It is hard for me to advise you as to the fastest and most direct procedure, but here are a few suggestions: learn to be more dissatisfied with your lot; make your feelings known to your husband whenever possible, nag him at the slightest opportunity, whether provoked or unprovoked; let yourself go; try to misunderstand your children; indulge them, become unreasonable with them, let them know that you are unpredictable so that they will grow up accordingly and thus assure you of continued difficulties with them.

Friends, acquaintances, and neighbors, I am sure, will be able to give you additional advice.

Let me know how you make out and—above all, keep smiling! (If you have a problem, don't write to Miss Maudlin. She can't stand problems, having enough of her own. If you don't have a problem, she'd love to hear from you—in writing.)

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Scout Troop Reorganized

Girl Scout troop No. 867 sponsored by the Perry school PTA has reorganized recently with Mrs. Carmen Chavez as leader. The seventeen girls in the troop have been very active with a varied program. A potluck supper was served to the parents at the Torrance Park; an overnight campout was held at the Alondra Park, and the troop spent last week-end at the Girl Scout camp cedar site at Adventura Glendora.

On November 17, homemade pies will be sold at a local market. Funds will be used to purchase camping equipment. Plans for a Christmas party are now in progress.

The troop also supplies child care for the Parent teacher association meetings, and take part in the opening ceremonies throughout the year.

The girl scout committee consists of Mmes. Raymond Andicochea, Maurice Carriere, Dan Roth, Carl Miller, Charles Wagner, Cloyd Kirkpatrick, and Kenneth W. McVey.

Members include: Mary Ann Miller, Lonna Kirkpatrick, Patty Flanna, Linda Andicochea, Mary Lou Carrizosa, Linda Kirkpatrick, Deanna White, Sharon Carriere, Carol Hanna, Barbara Wagner, Karen Struble, Julie Mc Vey, Roberta Chavez, Judy Gattrell, Patty Hanna, Doty Laney, and Pat Singleton.

TOASTMASTERS AWARD TROPHY

"Live Modern — Smoke TV," was the winning speech topic by Ken McBreen at the semi annual speak off of the Torrance Toastmasters Tuesday.

With humor as the theme, four others competed with McBreen for the trophy. They were, Charles Smith, Virgil Steel, Aubry Gray and Edwin Wheeler.

The next meeting will be held November 20, 6:45 p.m. at the Fish Shanty restaurant in Wateria. The theme for the evening is "Guest Night" and each member is asked to invite a guest. However, the invitation is extended to all who wish to join the Toastmasters International 693.

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DURFEE PARKINS, Women's Editor

Lomita Amaranth Observes Annual Courtesy Night

Officers and members of Lomita Court No. 61, Order of Amaranth, assembled Thursday, November 8, at the Torrance Masonic temple, for the annual Courtesy Night.

PTA PRESIDENTS, SCHOOL HEADS DISCUSS PLANS

Presidents and principals associated with the Lomita-San Pedro PTA council met last week at White Point School with introductions being made by Mrs. William Shier, council president, and Mrs. Mary Maher, principal representative who was chairman of the meeting.

Mrs. Eleanor Swimm, school education chairman, and Mrs. Bess Akerson, welfare chairman, clarified policies of the respective chairmanships. Under discussion were the ways and means projects problems, policies on special events, the school and PTA year, all to promote better relationship between the principals, school and PTA.

Attending this meeting were the following principals, PTA presidents and their respective schools, in that order: Mmes. and Mesers. Thomas McNeill, Arthur Tousignant, Bandini; Eleanor Kennedy, Frank Almeida, Ivorton Hill; May Haslam, Harry Nishimoto, Ca-brillo; Irene Harms, Ray Groover, Channel Heights; J. Wear Pearson, M. O. Stevenson, Chestwood St.; Dorothy Kessen, Andrew Falsetta, 15th St.; Amanda Wilhelm, E. N. Reese, Halldale; Avis Creech, Leland Van Buren, Harbor City; Harry Sams, J. A. Johnson, Leland St.; Jane Rye, Frank Gorbet, Lomita; Linna Campbell, William Duncan, Pt. Fermin; Eleanor Swimm, Alfred Fisher, 7th street; Frances Dastarac, Palmer Orseth, 259th pl.; Elizabeth Danke, David Golsky, 223rd st.; and Mary Maher, William Asplin of White Point.

Escorted and presented from the Throne, were Honored Lady Pearl Mahaffie, assistant grand lecturer, and Honored Lady Estelle DesJardins, grand representative to the state of Oklahoma, five Past Royal Matrons and five Past Royal Patrons.

During the business session, Royal Matron Gladys Mothersell presided. Future events were discussed and the Royal Matron reminded everyone of the Amaranth breakfast, Sunday, November 18, in the Masonic temple, from 7 a.m.-1 p.m. Preparation and serving will be under the direction of Honored Lady Mattie A. Meyer, Past Royal Matron and Sir Knight Eugene Meyer, Past Royal Parton.

Everyone assembled in the banquet room after the meeting. Honored Lady Ethel Funk and her committee, provided the refreshments and Thanksgiving decorations.

Soroptimists Hear Stock Market Talk

John A. Richards of Long Beach, spoke informatively on "Stock Market and the Economy" after lunch at the regular meeting of the Torrance-Gardena Soroptimists.

Mrs. Margaret Neff, club president, turned the meeting over to the program chairman, Miss Frances Dimitri, who introduced Richards.

"Many years ago," he said, "a business man borrowed money in order to help expand, but now stocks are sold for this purpose." This has become very specialized and Richards advised not to buy stocks without investigating them thoroughly.

He believes the value of the dollar will improve and that President Eisenhower is doing all that can be done to stabilize the dollar. He explained the stock split; the Dow-Jones averages; the odd-lot broker; the New York and American Stock exchanges; and many other items of interest to his attentive listeners.

The next meeting, November 19, the Delegates who recently attended the District meeting at the Beverly-Wilshire hotel will report.

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AUCTION SUNDAY

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