

**Council Presidents, Principals Hold Parley**

Gateway Council principals and presidents met recently at Stephen M. White School to discuss membership drives, grad-night parties, and the proposed school-bond issues.

Administrators pointed out that students in secondary schools need to be "sold on PTA" in order to have a successful membership drive.

Grad-night party sponsorship is being studied by the National Congress of Parents and Teachers and local associations are awaiting the decisions and policies that will be issued by the parent body.

The school principals expressed hope of active cooperation and support of PTA members in the school-bond propositions that will appear on the November election ballots.

It was announced that the harbor area will gain one senior high school, two junior high schools, and six elementary schools if passage of these bonds is secured.

**Teen-Age Drinking Is It A Problem?**

How much do teen-age boys and girls drink?

Eighty-six per cent of high school students surveyed in some areas drink. More than half of 14-year-olds surveyed have had at least one drink. In a typical American community, 90% of all teens were party drinking by age 16. And many parents give their consent—grudgingly, fearfully or otherwise.

These are the facts of teen-age drinking revealed in the July issue of Seventeen Magazine in a comprehensive feature titled "Drinking... What's Right For You?" which reports that although many American boys and girls drink, only a minority drink to excess.

Why do these young people drink? Because they want to conform to the crowd, because parents often set an example, leave liquor around the house and readily give their consent, because they're anxious to try anything new,

and with younger teens because they're trying to show off and appear older.

However, fewer girls than boys drink; you are not looking down on if you don't; and driving after drinking is taboo.

Before a teen-ager decides what to do about drinking, she should know the following facts and fiction about alcohol:

**Fiction:** If you know your limit and stick to it, you're safe.

**Fact:** The first thing affected by alcohol is judgment. Even one drink can affect you so that you accept more without thinking.

**Fiction:** The more times you drink, the less effect it has on you.

**Fact:** The body builds no tolerance for alcohol.

**Fiction:** If you learn to drink at home you will know how it affects you.

**Fact:** An amount of alcohol can have different effects at different times.

**Fiction:** If your date has too much to drink, a walk around the block or a cup of black coffee will sober him up.

**Fact:** Alcohol is a sedative with the chemical reaction like that of ether. You can't speed it up or "work it off."

**Fiction:** Two drinks won't affect a person's ability to drive.

**Fact:** Legally, anyone with .05% alcohol in the blood may be considered to be "driving under the influence of alcohol." This means: two drinks for a person weighing 150 pounds, considerably less as the scales go down.



**MAKE A WISH**—Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Machuszek, she is the former Miss Joyce Marie Loeffler, pause for traditional toast at the reception following their wedding in St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Hawthorne, in June. The bride was graduated from Marymount School, Palos Verdes. Among the wedding attendants was James Rike of 20556 Avis Ave., the bride's cousin.

**Godfrey Nelsons Entertain Here**  
Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey Nelson, 1344 Carson St., entertained Mrs. Ruth Sanderson of Pasadena, Mrs. Godfrey's cousin, at a dinner at their home Monday.

**Wallners Greet Second Daughter**  
Mr. and Mrs. C. Richard Wallner, he is principal of Newton Elementary School, have announced the birth of their second daughter, Patrice Renee.

Petite Patrice was born July 7 at 6:44 a.m. in St. Francis Hospital, Lynwood. She weighed nine pounds, 12 ounces at birth.

The Wallners live at 28634 Gunter Rd., San Pedro. They have one other child, Jennifer, 2.

Wallner was appointed principal of Newton last autumn. Previously he was vice principal of Howard Wood and taught on the faculty of Fern-Greenwood.

**Sorority Swim, Luncheon Slated**

Members of the South Bay Alumnae Chapter of Delta Delta Delta will meet for a day of swimming, luncheon, and cards Wednesday at the home of Mrs. James White.

Assisting Mrs. White as hostesses for the event will be Mmes. James Dresbach, George Braham, and Dale Drummond.

It has been announced by Mrs. Carl T. Haller, national president of the sorority, that almost 2,500 girls have completed their education with local and national Tri Delta scholarships which to date amount to approximately \$325,000.

More than half of these grants have gone to unaffiliated women and the balance to Tri Deltas and members of other sororities.

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**OES Welcomes New Member**

A stated meeting was held by the Torrance Chapter 380 Order of Eastern Star Thursday evening in the Masonic Temple. John Pennington presided as host. Violet Wolfe was welcomed as a new member.

The meeting was called to order by worthy patron, Raymond Lougee. The flag was

posted in the East. The chapter was opened by worthy matron, Bernice Ruppel. Past Patrons and Matrons were presented from the sidelines. Hostess for the evening was Fern Mead. Her committee comprised Earl and Lea Wells, Caroline Hedrick, Florence and Ethel Pevery, and Suzie Myers.

**RELIEF OFFERED WEARERS OF THICK-LENSED GLASSES**

Freedom from the unpleasant appearance and burdensome weight of thick lens glasses is now possible, according to J. M. Soss, optometrist in the Harbor Area for 32 years. Dr. Soss cites the opinion of eye authorities that most people suffering from far sightedness, near sightedness, astigmatism, keratoconus (swelling of the cornea) and postoperative cataract can enjoy improved vision through the use of new-type contact lenses. The field of vision is much greater and sight is clearer. Plastic contact lenses improve the appearance dramatically and the psychological effect on the wearer is amazing. Modern plastic "contacts" are easy to apply and they are designed to be worn comfortably all day. Dr. Soss suggests that those who are wearing thick lenses glasses stop in at his 1288 Sartori Ave. offices and find out how easy it is to wear contact lenses. There is no obligation, and no appointment is necessary. The phone number is FA 8-6802. Come in or write for fascinating illustrated booklet.

**Alpert's WINNERS!**

Below are three names who have won door prizes in celebration of Alpert's recent Grand Opening. Watch next issue for additional winners.

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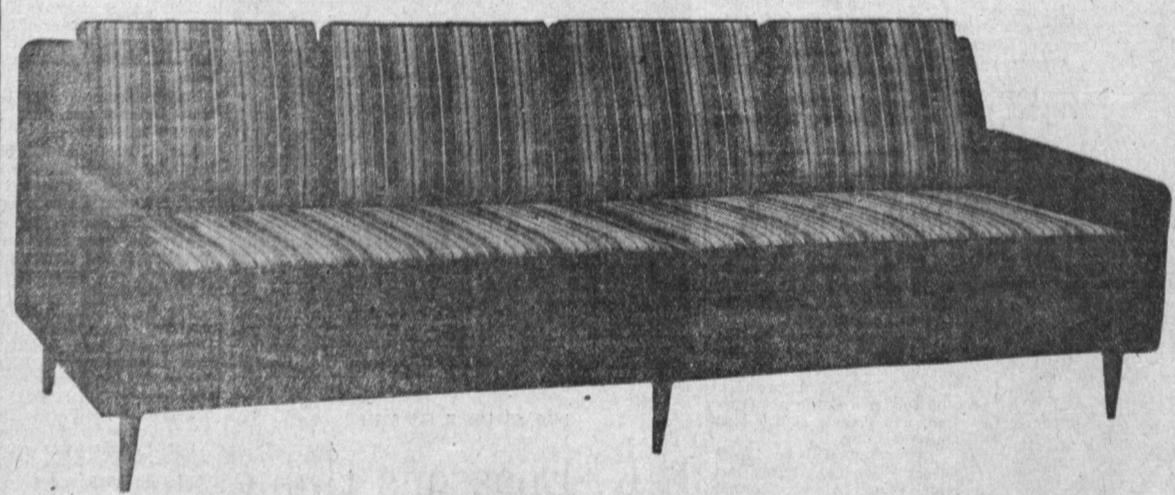


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