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MRS. DONALD E. KOVACH
... nee Elizabeth Ann Webb

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Webb-Kovach Vows Pledged

At Nativity Catholic Church, Saturday, February 18, Miss Elizabeth Ann Webb, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Webb, 1303 Cota Ave., Torrance, pledged her vows to Donald E. Kovach, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Kovach of Wood River, Illinois are the parents of the bridegroom. Monsignor T. McCarthy officiated at the nuptials.

For her wedding the bride chose a Chantilly lace over satin gown fashioned with a scalloped neckline and fitted bodice above a bouffant skirt. A lace tiara accented with seed pearls held her fingertip illusion veil.

When she was escorted to the altar by her father, Miss Webb held a bouquet of white roses and gladioli.

Mrs. Beverly LeVier, matron of honor, and Miss Kathleen Stewart, bridesmaid, wore identical gowns of white lace over pink taffeta with matching pink shoes and veiled hats. Mrs. LeVier carried a cascade of pink carnations and gladioli. Miss Stewart carried a cascade of pink carnations.

Thomas Webb served as best man, Monty Ormsby was usher.

Mrs. Samuel Webb chose a beige pink lace over taffeta dress with matching accessories for her daughter's wedding.

Following a reception held at the home of the bride's parent, the newlyweds left on their wedding trip. Upon their return they will be at home at 8444 Elizabeth St., South Gate.

The bride is a 1955 Torrance High School graduate.

Betrothal Revealed

Mr. and Mrs. John S. Hall, 1718 W. 236th St., Torrance, announce the engagement of their daughter, Lorna, to Tom Robert Bevan. Parents of the benedict-elect are Mr. and Mrs. Thomas G. Bevan of Hermosa Beach.

The afternoon of June 24 at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Torrance has been set as the wedding date by the happy couple.

A graduate of Torrance High School, the bride-elect is now a senior at Long Beach State College.

Bevan, a graduate of Redondo Union High School, attended the Cornell University Hotel and Restaurant Management School in Ithaca, New York. He is now assistant manager of Jet Flight Foods, El Segundo.

Civic Symphony, El Camino Chorus, Soloists Present 'Aida' This Afternoon

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Six Soloists, a narrator and the El Camino College Community Chorus under Crist Mikkelsen, director, will be banked on risers in the pit in front of the stage. Soloists are: Stella Herman, "Aida," Wanda Waroos, "Amneris," John Hudnall, "Rhadames," Lyle Heck, "Ramfis," Enrico Porta, "Amonasro," Alessandro Sperti, "Pharaoh," and Maxine Dessau, "Narrator."

According to Stokes "Aida," is the most colorful and brilliant of all operas, it was Giuseppe Verdi's masterpiece, the culmination of his growth in dramatic power. Verdi, himself, wrote much of the text as well as the music. The opera was commissioned by the Khedive of Egypt for the festivities following the opening of the Suez Canal.

Since its first performance in Cairo, in 1871, where it proved a complete triumph for the composer, it has enjoyed the highest popularity. Every young tenor sings the wondrous aria "Celeste Aida," and every soprano aspires to sing Aida's beautiful aria "Qui Rhadames" which is reputedly the most difficult in all opera.

The fame of many artists has grown from this masterpiece. In 1886 an Italian opera company was to play "Aida"

in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Due to a mis-understanding, the audience became violently incensed because of the substitution of another for their



CRIST MIKKELSEN
Choral Conductor

local conductor. They refused to allow the opera to begin by making a frightful din for half an hour.

As "Aida" begins with the softest of pianissimos played by a single violin, it was impossible to do anything. Finally the opera cast begged their young cellist to try to direct. He had accompanied them on the piano in rehearsals. He was young and handsome and some-how they decided to listen. At the end the applause was tremendous. The name of the young maestro was Arturo Toscanini.

Bride-elect Honored

Last week at the home of Miss Rosemary Bunn, 121 Via Pasquale, Palos Verdes Estates, Miss Maureen Wheeler was the recipient of a luncheon bridal shower.

Miss Wheeler is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Fenner, 1617 W. 248th St., Harbor City. Her engagement to James Stephen Petty was announced recently and their wedding will take place on March 11.

For the affair, Miss Bunn carried through her decorations with shades of yellow, the favorite color of the bride-elect. At the close of the luncheon, a cake decorated with yellow roses and two gold rings entwines with the names, Maureen and Steve, was cut.

Among those who attended were Betty Beaman, Janice Russell, Brenda Reynolds and Charlene Ingram of Torrance; Carol Swan of Harbor City; Linda Combs of Lomita; Diana Root, Lynne Peterson and Nancy Weeden of Rolling Hills and Carol Sigman of Palos Verdes Estates. Mrs. Weldon Fenner, mother of the honoree, also attended.



LORNA HALL
... Betrothed

photo by Seaman

Art Scholarship Given Local Youth

Winner of the Torrance Woman's Club and the Torrance Junior Woman's Club's art scholarship is Thomas Leo Hubbert, Torrance High School Senior, announces Mrs. D. G. De Hoog and Mrs. Richard Dorothy, art chairmen of the two clubs.

Thomas Hubbert's work was chosen from that of seven applicants by Mildred Walker and Donald Green, art instructors at El Camino College.

When asked why he wanted to be an artist, young Hubbert answered, "I want to be an historian of man, not as a camera sees him, but as a human sees him. I want to put on canvas the joy and sorrow of life as we know it."

He has studied art under Macaray for three years at Torrance High School, and has also studied for one year at the Los Angeles Art Center. He is presently employed at the Art Gallery in Redondo and will enter Chouinard in Los Angeles this fall for four years of study. He then plans on some advanced work in Europe.



TEEN AGE MISS—Miss Winkie Gilbert, South High School student, won second place in the Junior Woman's Club, Marina District Teen Age Miss competition. Winkie is interested in public speaking and has won several awards in this field.

Technical Talk Heard by Toastmasters

Color slides and diagrams were used by Fred Strible of Manhattan Beach to illustrate a technical talk on helicopter vibration at a recent meeting of Southbay Toastmasters 280. The speech served as a dress rehearsal for a technical paper to be presented at the March meeting of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers in Los Angeles.

"Myths and Facts About George Washington" was the theme of the impromptu table topics contest. Top honors were won by Tom Eadie of Hollywood Riviera for his talk "A Scotsman's View of George Washington."

March meetings will emphasize humor and entertainment in speech making. Men interested in these and other aspects of public speaking are invited to attend any Wednesday meeting at Redondo Beach Elks Club, 6:45 p.m. Further information may be obtained by calling Fred Strible at FRontier 4-4990.

Teen-agers Set Retreat

Annual Retreat for Catholic students attending Torrance public High Schools will be held on Wednesday, March 15 from 9 a.m. to 2:50 p.m. at Nativity Catholic Church.

To be eligible for this retreat, each student must obtain a card, fill it out properly and have it signed by parents and himself. This entire card must be returned to Nativity Rectory, 1447 Engracia Ave., not later than Sunday, March 12. If you do not receive a card in the mail, you may obtain one at the Rectory.

Mass will be celebrated at 11:45, giving everyone an opportunity to receive Communion. You will then be served a most refreshing lunch. Late registrations cannot be accepted, so don't miss out through forgetfulness. Father Flanagan will be your retreat master and will give you much to think about.

Julius Leathan to Address Republican Women's Club

Julius A. Leathan of the Los Angeles County Republican Central Committee will be the featured speaker of the South Bay Club of Federated Republican Women at their

noon luncheon meeting, Thursday, March 9, at the Fish Shanty, 4020 Pacific Coast Highway, Waverly.

Julius (Jud) Leathan was elected Chairman of the Central Committee in January, 1961. His election to this position climaxes many years of service to the Republican Party. Jud Leathan has

worked with the Party in practically every phase of its structure, including volunteer, precinct, and fund raising activities, as well as being an elected member of the County Central Committee. Subsequent to his election as chairman of the committee he resigned his post as chairman of the 25th congressional district.

Leathan is a graduate of Stanford University (A.B.) and of Harvard Law School (LL.B.) He is a practicing attorney, and also holds the position of Federal Jury Commissioner of the U.S. District Court (Southern Division). He was in the United States Army for over four years during World War II, and on duty in the South Pacific for the bulk of that time. Jud Leathan is married and they have three children.

Mrs. Sid Carnine, legislation and education chairman, will conduct a study group prior to the luncheon, commencing at 10:30 a.m.

For luncheon reservations call Mrs. Bertha Walters at FR 2-2382 or Miss Maude Smith, FR 2-2357.

All interested women are invited to attend the study group and the luncheon-meeting.

LIGHT FEEDING

Light feeding this month will insure that your lawn gets off to a good start next month as weather warms up.

Birthday Luncheon Slated by Seaside Women's Guild

Seaside Community Church Women's Guild will hold its Annual Birthday Luncheon at 12 noon, Tuesday, March 7, at the church located at Ocean Ave. and 230th St. This event commemorates the seventh birthday of the Guild, and also celebrates the birthdays of the women of the church.

Reservations may be made through Mrs. Harry Dice, FR 5-4284, and Sunday, March 5, is the deadline. Admission will be \$1.50 per person. Baby sitting will be provided at a charge of 50 cents extra.

The varied program will include a skit by Mmes. Roger Schriever and George Hollowell entitled, "Telephonitis," a piano duet by Mmes. William Parker and John Blair, and vocal selections by the "Sea Notes," a trio composed of Mmes. Clyde Martin, Richard Evans and Roger Schriever.

The committee planning the event are Mmes. Clyde Martin, chairman; Harry Dice; Dean Fisher; George Hollowell and George Powell.

Gold Key Winners In Art Awards Contest Told

Gold Key winners in the Southern California regional scholastic art awards contest were nine local area students. Where a student's work received the gold key, and has been selected to go to New York for national judging, it is indicated with a blue ribbon (BR).

The students include: Torrance — Tommy McClure, Stephen White Junior High School; Lomita — Cheryl Levy, Alexander Fleming Junior High; and Gardena — Sharon Smith (BR), Gardena High School.

Harbor City — Jim Price, Glen Evans, and Jesse Gutierrez all are blue ribbon winners and attend Narbonne High School.

Wilmington — Rachel Cervantes, Pamela Guthrie (BR) and Linda Murphy (BR) students at Banning High School.



BIRTHDAY LUNCHEON—Plans for the annual Birthday Luncheon held at Seaside Community Church by the Women's Guild, at 12 noon, Tuesday, March 7, were completed when Guild members (left to right) Mmes. C. G. Hollowell; C. L. Martin, (seated) chair-

man of the affair; G. Powell and H. Dice, reservation chairman, met to test the delicious menu and complete decoration details. A varied program is planned to entertain those who attend.



GUEST SPEAKER—Jack LaLanne, TV personality, author and lecturer on body building, will be guest speaker at the monthly luncheon meeting held by the Torrance Welcome Wagon Club at 12:30 p.m., March 16, at the Elks Club, 315 Esplanade in Redondo. Reservations may be placed with Mrs. Richard Cramolini, DA 3-6083, or Mrs. Ralph Black, DA 5-0378.