



FORD FAMILY GATHERING . . . Two grandmothers, center left, Mrs. Veronica Ford Claypool of Michigan and Mrs. Harriett Worland of Torrance, are surrounded by the three Ford sons, who married three Worland sisters, and their children in a holiday reunion. This was the first time in 25 years that Mrs. Claypool had her family together and the first time she had seen her California grandchildren. In the fam-

ily portrait with the grandmothers are, from left, Charles, Kim, Charles Ford, Sr., Donna, Mrs. Charles Ford, Christie, Jackie, Cindy, Debbie, Mr. and Mrs. John Ford, Mark, Ernie, Linda, Sherry, Terry and Ernest Ford, Sr. Two members of the triple marriage event, unable to be present for the picture, were Mrs. Ernest Ford and son, Timmy.

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After 25 Years, Family United

Twenty Grandchildren See 'Grandma' For First Time

A Christmas she'll never forget has been the experience of Mrs. Veronica Claypool of Middleville, Mich.

For the first time in 25 years, she had all of her six California children together and for the first time she saw her twenty grandchildren, who make California their home.

The Michigan matron is the mother of 11 children. Her six California children, all married, are by her first

marriage when her name was Ford. In Michigan, she has five grown Claypool children, Norman, Judson, Mark and Roger, and a daughter, Merle Sears.

The jet plane trip to California was a Christmas gift from her west coast children.

Thirteen of her grandchildren are all double cousins, since they are the offspring of the triple marriage of three of the Ford boys to

three of the Worland girls, all daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Worland, 442 E. 219th St. Torrance. Chuck Ford and Delores Worland were married in 1949 and have three children, Charles, Donna, and Kim. They live at 23914 Janet Lane, Torrance.

Ernest and Margie Ford, 245 E. 232nd St., Wilmington are parents of six children, Linda, Sherie, Terry, Ernest, Thomas and Tim. And the other 1952 Ford-Worland marriage, John and Betty, who live in Long Beach, produced four daughters, Debra, Jacqueline, Christine and Cynthia.

Other California children are Mrs. Jess Neil of Coronado, mother of three, Karen, Mark and Gary; Mrs. Charlotte Mescheder, 1430 W. 225th St., Torrance, mother of two, Mike and Guy; and James Ford, 2605 Dalemead St., Torrance, father of two, Mark and Laura.

The 58-year-old grandmother arrived at International Airport on Dec. 19 to be welcomed by her six children, their husbands and wives and the smiling faces of twenty grandchildren.

There was a round of family dinners, parties, sight-seeing trips and last Saturday when "Grandma" boarded her plane to return to Michigan and her other family, the California contingent recorded the Christmas of 1964 as a highlight in their family story.

Here for Wedding

Mrs. Hubert Howard of Phoenix and Chicago arrived by plane Friday evening to attend the wedding of her great-niece, Miss Judy Pike and Bill Marshall, which took place yesterday afternoon at the First Baptist Church.

Canadian Holiday

Dr. and Mrs. Ralph Black, Valerie, Jamie and Patti, 2925 W. 226th returned by plane Sunday evening from Regina, Canada where they had spent the holidays with Mrs. Black's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Kilden.



LINDA DARBY
... Accepts Ring

Linda Darby Engaged to R. T. Wertz

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hopkins Darby of La Jolla announce the engagement of their only daughter, Linda Robin, to Michael Kent Wertz, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert T. Wertz of Del Mar, formerly of Torrance.

The bride-elect is a graduate of La Jolla High school and attended Mesa Junior College, from which she obtained scholarships to the La Jolla Art Center. She is presently taking a University of California Art Extension course.

Her fiancé, who with his family lived in Torrance for 17 years, was graduated from the Junipero Serra High school. He attended Mesa Junior College and is employed by Scripps Institution of Oceanography, Dept. of Marine Facilities.

The wedding will be solemnized on Feb. 26 at the All Hallows Catholic Church in La Jolla.

CLUB APPRECIATION . . . Mr. and Mrs. William Walton, long associated with the Torrance Scout Center, were guests of honor at a recent meeting of the Torrance Junior Woman's club, during which they were presented with a plaque of appreciation. Mr. Walton works with the Junior Club in setting up and conducting its yearly fireworks booth, proceeds from which are donated to the Scout Center. At the presentation are from left, Mrs. David Wade, Junior philanthropy chairman, handing the plaque to Mr. and Mrs. Walton.

Bride Judy Pike Feted At Pre-Nuptial Parties

Miss Judy Pike, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Pike, 401 E. Carson, who became the bride of Bill Marshall in an afternoon ceremony yesterday at the First Baptist Church, was complimented at two bridal showers prior to her marriage.

The home of Mrs. Dennis Wolney, 2220 Chestnut Ave. in Long Beach was the scene of a "pantry" shower for the future bride on Dec. 30.

Games were played amid appropriate party decorations after which the bride opened gifts for her kitchen. The hostess served refreshments, carrying out the party colors of pink and white.

Attending were Mmes. Marvin Pike, William Marshall, Roy Pike, T. M. Ward,

Jim Rice, Mike Marshall, John Stewart Pat Huffine, S. Kroeze, Gil Peters, George Meyer.

Also, Misses Sue Ward, Sherri Rice, and Diann Stewart.

On Jan. 5, the bride-elect was honored at a miscellaneous shower given by Mrs. Tony Cantabene, 1617 Ravenna Ave., Wilmington. An evening of games and refreshments was followed by the opening of the gifts.

List for this party included Mmes Sandra Scheer, Doug Gonzales, Terry Moore, Mike Marshall, William Marshall, Boyd Guffman and Marvin Pike.

Others bringing gifts were Misses Barbara Gray, Carol Allen and Sue Ward.

WSCS Will Meet Jan. 14

Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Torrance First Methodist Church will hold its monthly general meeting Thursday Jan. 14 at 10 a.m. in the Friendship room at the church.

All members are invited to the prayer service to be held in the chapel at 9:30 a.m. with Mrs. Don Huxman in charge.

Mrs. Chester Wiley, president, will conduct the business meeting and the Esther Circle will be in charge of the worship service.

The program "A Story Without End" will be followed by Rev. Arthur Nagel speaking on his personal missions to Mexico.

The luncheon, with a Mexican theme, will be served by the Ruth Circle.

Installation Wednesday

Hospital Auxiliary Elects New Officers

Mrs. George Olivieri has been elected president of the Little Company of Mary Hospital Auxiliary for 1965, succeeding Mrs. Lyle Peters.

The new president of the 350 member group has served as financial secretary for two consecutive years and is a charter member of the auxiliary. Mrs. Olivieri was one of the 15 auxiliary members capped in September for having served over 1,000 hours at the hospital.

Assisting Mrs. Olivieri in directing the activities of the auxiliary will be Mmes Curt Millsap, first vice president; Robert Brown, second vice-president; Leonard Heron, third vice president; Harold Spores, treasurer; Galvin Claypool, corresponding secretary; and John McCarthy, financial secretary.

Committee chairmen named were Mmes William S. Watt, membership, Leonard Heron, desk; Robert Brown, hours; Laura Deport and Charles Hosler, gift shop; Richard Cosgrove and John Wilson, baby photos; and Lyle Peters, library.

Floor chairmen are Mmes Arthur Grayson, first; T. H. Roevens, second; Jerome Hinman and Robert Jenkinson, third and fourth.

Mrs. Ted Whitting will

Senior Citizens Note Holidays

A gala Christmas party was enjoyed by members of the Hollywood Senior Citizens club. Gifts were exchanged and refreshments, representative of many countries, were served.

The club meets every Friday at 12 noon for bridge and canasta. Coffee and cookies are served. All newcomers are welcome to join the club of which Mrs. Leona Arcq is president.

Menorah Sisterhood Notes 18th Birthday

Temple Menorah Sisterhood will celebrate its 18th anniversary, or "Coming of Age" at a luncheon to be held Monday, Jan. 11 at the Community Hall of Temple Menorah, 1101 Camino Real, Redondo Beach. The celebration will denote 18 years of service, friendship, learning and readiness to accept her responsibility as a citizen of the world, according to Mrs. Bernard Spanier, president.

Past presidents will be honored guests for the afternoon. A festive musical program, featuring the talents of Mmes. Bernard Strickman, Eugene Port, Howard Scheckman and Alan Steen, will highlight the birthday celebration. For eighteen years, Sis-

terhood's service to Temple Menorah has earned for it the coveted title of "The Strong Right Arm" of the Temple. Through the dedicated efforts of its members, Sisterhood contributes to the financial support of the religious school, operates the Judaica Shop, where religious articles for ceremonial and educational uses are sold, and equips and supervises the Temple kitchen.

Sisterhood provides for the Jewish women of this community a way of life which brings personal satisfaction, friendship and companionship while it gives needed service to the Temple and community, stated Mrs. Bernard Rivo, publicity director.



TIME TO SIGN UP . . . Dr. Edward O. Mitchell, chief of staff at Riviera Community Hospital is first to sign up to be a blood donor in a drive that will bring the American Red Cross bloodmobile to the hospital Monday, Jan. 11, from 3 to 7:30 p.m. Here Mrs. Lyle MacDonald, president of the hospital's women's auxiliary, hands the doctor a pen to sign the blood donor honor roll. Riviera is a non-profit, inter-denominational hospital located at 4925 W. 226th St., Torrance. All friends of the hospital are being asked to give blood in this drive. Appointments are necessary and may be made by calling the hospital.

Newlywed John Wilsons At Home in Santa Ana

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Wilson, who were married in a seven o'clock ceremony on Dec. 19 at the St. Andrew's Episcopal Church are now at home at 1105 N. Flower St., Santa Ana. Mrs. Wilson is the former Sharon Ricci, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Ricci, Sr., 1024 Beech Ave., Torrance.

Parents of the bridegroom are Mrs. Kenneth Ratale of Huntington Beach and Mr. John Wilson Sr. of Santa Ana.

As the 275 guests assembled to witness the marriage, Mrs. Mimi Anderson, organist, played a medley of nuptial music and accompanied Miss Verna Butcher, who sang "The Lord's Prayer."

Mr. Ricci escorted his daughter to the altar and gave her in marriage. She wore a traditional gown of bridal white taffeta fashioned with a lace overskirt embroidered with seed pearls. A pillbox headpiece of taffeta held her bouffant silk illusion veil and she carried a bouquet of white poinsettias.

The bridal entourage consisted of Miss Susan Hammack as maid of honor; Mrs. Roy Brummett, Mrs. Jack Taylor, Jr., and Miss Susan Winters as bridesmaids.

They wore two piece gowns designed with azalea pink shells and long satin skirts reembroidered in



MRS. JOHN M. WILSON
... Former Sharon Ricci

(Adams Photo)



MRS. GEORGE OLIVIERI
... Auxiliary President