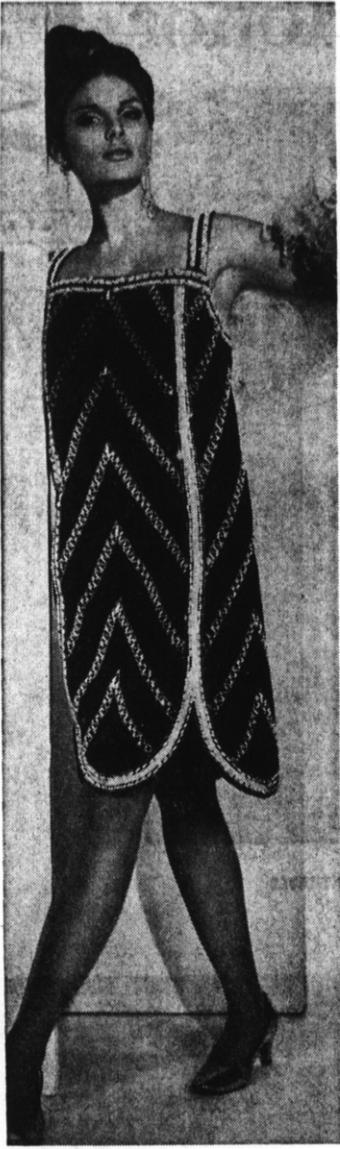




CANDLELIGHT

It's the color and mood of this beautiful brocade theater suit designed by Harrods. Newly-curved jacket shapes the figure, is highlighted with glistening jeweled buttons. Under it, the silhouette of the dress follows the contour of the jacket widening at the hemline.



V IS FOR VAMP

Fashioned in California by Mr. Blackwell this elegant after-five creation is boxed in scallops of navy silk worsted and jeweled in white chalk and crystal v's. This short formal, made for dancing, comes in navy, white and candy pink.



KNITS MADE NEW

In an elegant ensemble from Sebastian, simple as they come, yet somehow managing to dazzle with fresh, young chic. In bright tulip red wool, the impact of the swing-along coat is heightened by wide-cuffed bell sleeves and welt seamed collar.



FLOWER POGODA

In the Japanese water garden at the Century Plaza Hotel, Dominique sets off a red and white flower brocade with the wide obi-like sash of solid red. The simple sleeveless bodice tops a skirt, the fullness of which is tucked into the obi, to give a new shape to resort and spring fashions for 1968.

New Year's P T A Party Given By Wrights

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Wright entertained at a gala New Year's Eve party at their home, 1727 W. 242nd St., Lomita, as a special honor for their weekend houseguests, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Beaver of Sacramento, formerly of Torrance.

Awaiting the arrival of the New Year, guests spent the evening visiting and dancing. At midnight this group of old friends gave the new year a warm welcome and at 12:30 a buffet supper was enjoyed.

With the Wrights and Beavers for the party were Messrs. and Mmes. Bill Rich, Redondo Beach; Ted Rosner, Long Beach; Guy Pace, Ron Russell, Richard McGinley, Lomita, and Mrs. Madayn Wayt.

Torrance guests were Messrs. and Mmes. Fred Jenkins, Cloyce Helsinger, Jack Ryan, Curt Owens, Byron Wright, Mel Goddis, and Joe Helphand.

Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. John Ryan of Sacramento, who were spending the holidays here with their son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ryan.

EDISON
A narcotics film entitled "Insight or Insanity," will be shown at the regular monthly association meeting of the Edison PTA Jan. 11 at 1:15 p.m. This showing will serve as a preview for parents of 7th and 8th grade students who will later see the film with parent permission.

A speaker, Mr. Ellsworth, will be on hand to explain the film and answer questions. Mrs. Lee Rock, program chairman, feels this program beneficial to all parents and wishes to extend an invitation to them at this time.

HALLDALE
Halldale PTA will meet Tuesday, Jan. 9, at 1:30 p.m. in the school auditorium. Mrs. Arnold Hunstead, program chairman, announces that the topic will be "A Child's Fitness."

Harry Phillips, supervisor of physical education, Harbor Area, Los Angeles Board of Education, will be the guest speaker. His subject will be "Is Your Child Physically Fit?"

Fourth grade room mothers will serve as hostesses.

CARSON
The newest method of rescue breathing, mouth-to-mouth resuscitation, will be demonstrated by Pacific Telephone's Carole Baldwin before the Carson Elementary School Parent Teachers Association Jan. 9.



IT'S A FAMILY AFFAIR

Court St. Catherine, Catholic Daughters of America, proudly boasts of some kind of a record in this national organization, since it has three generations in one family actively involved in the CDA program. Mrs. Elles Cook, center, grand regent of the local chapter, during her regime has initiated her mother, Mrs. Emma Burroughs of Torrance, left, and her daughter, Mrs. Richard Molony, of Palos Verdes. (Photography by Stanford)

Designers Present Peek Preview

Fashions for Spring '68—Soft, Curved, Mobile

It's the story of a poseur... Spring '68's dresses appear to be coats—or suits—or shirts. Or they are chameleon-like... able to change posture with removal of a belt or jacket.

Whatever the guise, the silhouette is newly graceful, flattering and feminine. The new ease is embodied in modified fullness gathered from a high yoke; or in a form-enhancing A, wider at the bottom, and waist-defined; or side-wrapped and buttoned full-length. Pleats dominate... falling from a yoke or from the waistline.

Belts are an important addition—more and more at the natural, others at a lifted or lowered waistline.

change: Softness. It's a softness that clings, that flares, that moves.

California loves linen, silk, cotton brocade, splashed-on prints in cotton and synthetics.

Softer styling takes to softer color as well... not washed-out and pale, yet not 'hot.' Remember the charm of an apple green, blossom pink, creamed yellow. Remember how cool black can look... the 'rightness' of brown with white.

California's spring dresses are strictly for the feminine sex... and that means soft, curved and mobile.

The fashion world often seems a land of sky-rockets and revolution but, in fact, its existence depends on a more gradual ac-

ceptance and innovation. Consider the hemline, for instance. A season ago savants conceded that knees were nice but newer "midi" lengths heralded a return to 1947.

Not quite true! Skirts are SHORT. Of course personal choice controls the extent they are worn above mid-knee point, but this is the point beyond which they do NOT descend.

And, having "grown accustomed to her knee," the approach adjusted to creating the most flattering silhouette for the short skirt. The answer lies in softness. No longer severe and straight, skirts are pleated, gathered, completely mobile. It's fun to twirl again.

Belts are so important that, as one California couturier put it, "belts have necessarily changed the whole structure of the silhouette, and it is not possible to design the same body and fit as in previous seasons."

The proposal is a romantic one. Clothes that are (unabashed) 'pretty,' gentle, soft... by far the most feminine look in years. Clothes that flatter and move... a quiet excitement.

The silhouette is close to the body from the rib cage up. The waist is defined and the skirt always fuller at the bottom... sometimes full from the waist in a cascade, great pleats or softly gathered. Jackets crop short of the waist or go below, shaped to show the waist. Vests, dickeys,

double-breasted closures and belts delineate the return to a curved silhouette.

Collars frill about the throat or are cut boldly square and softened with a collar that's set back and rounded.

White and black pole the color spectrum. Creamed yellows—honeysuckle, almond—and pinks and peaches, chalky blues and bud green... vernal hues restate basic femininity.

Fabrics are a focal point. Moureaux linen, matelasse, point d'esprit, chiffon, Fibranne in both solids, patterns and prints; sheer wools, French cotton lace, pastel fleeces and wool crepes in whisper-weights.

It's a love of a mood. It's from California.

Rebekah Lodge

Sets Installation Jan. 24



MRS. CLARA CONNER
... Noble Grand

Meet Tuesday
Torrance Ladies of the Elks will hold their first business meeting of the new year on Tuesday, Jan. 9, at 8 p.m. at the Elks lodge on Abalone Avenue.
Mrs. Ed Ward, president, invites the wives of all Elk members to attend.

Torrance Rebekah Lodge will install its new officers in ceremonies, open to the public, on Jan. 24 at 8 p.m. at the Torrance Masonic Temple.

Mrs. Clara Conner will be installed as Noble Grand.

Others to be installed with Mrs. Conner will be Mmes. Martha Oden, vice-grand; Grace Powers, recording secretary; Thelma Thorpe, financial secretary; and Glada Yost, treasurer.

Mrs. Lucille Taute is the Junior Past Noble Grand.

District Deputy President Patricia Lambert and her staff will conduct the installation.

Dinner Party For Visitor

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Triplitt entertained at dinner at their home, 3236 Eldorado last Wednesday honoring Mrs. Triplitt's aunt, Mrs. Ralph Morse of Wichita, Kansas, who was celebrating a birthday.

Others present for the dinner were Mrs. Morse's sister, Mrs. Sara Hogue, Mr. Morse, and Mr. and Mrs. Ron Drew of Huntington Harbor.

Rho Epsilon To Meet Monday

Members of Rho Epsilon chapter of Beta Sigma Phi will meet tomorrow evening at 8 at 1600 Hickory Ave., Torrance.
Highlighting the business meeting will be discussion and planning for spring rushing. Following the meeting, there will be a program on "Literature" given by Miss Terry Palmer.
Hostess for the meeting is Mrs. John Denson.

Stanford Club To Hear Talk At Meeting

Members and husbands of the Stanford Women's Club of Palos Verdes will meet Tuesday, Jan. 9, 7:45 p.m., at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Alden, 6744 Crest Rd. W., Palos Verdes Peninsula, to hear Joseph Ruetz speak on "Stanford, Today and Tomorrow."

Mr. Ruetz attended Stanford during the early 50s and is now charged with all fund-raising projects, staff direction of building programs and other vital needs of the university and has one of the best overall views of Stanford today. A question and answer period will be followed by refreshments.

For further information, interested persons may contact Mrs. R. B. Rhoades.

On Snow Trip

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tolson and four children and Ernest Starkey spent last Saturday enjoying snow sports at Holiday Hill at Wrightwood.

Sleeth Family Gathers for The Holidays

Spending the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sleeth, Jr., at their home, 24251 Los Codona, Waveria, were their son, Mark, who is in his second year at Stanislaus State College, and his friend, Miss Valeria Snyder.

For Christmas dinner, the Sleeths and their son Jeff, and Mark and Valerie were joined by Mr. Sleeth's mother, Mrs. R. S. Sleeth of Torrance and Mrs. Sleeth's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Moritz of San Pedro.





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