



**WOMAN'S CLUB OF TORRANCE NOTES**

A very interesting session of the Woman's Club was held in Catholic Hall Monday afternoon. After the minutes of the last meeting and the executive board were read and approved a report from the ways and means committee was read, showing that the card party given on the 12th of February was a success socially and financially.

Mrs. Garner, Federation secretary, gave a report on the Federation secretaries' conference held in Los Angeles February 15, at which time Mrs. J. B. Lorbeer, chairman of conservation of natural resources, was the speaker.

Mrs. L. J. Smith reported that the committee had purchased seven dozen plates and seven dozen cups.

Mrs. Brooks stated that Mr. Douglas would hold a class in parliamentary law on the alternate Mondays from club day. Those members wishing to join should give their names to Mrs. Sammons.

Mrs. Sammons states that Mr. Gourdi had asked the ladies to remove the first number from the number on their houses, leaving only the four last numbers, in view of the fact that Torrance is soon to have free delivery of mail.

The club voted to plant a carob tree in the school grounds on Arbor Day, March 5.

Mrs. Henderson gave a very interesting paper on books and reviewing, some of the fiction, non-fiction and drama of 1922. It is the consensus of opinion that a public library is the storehouse of all that is best in books. Nothing is so dead on library shelves as dead fiction.

In a library having 2500 or 3000 books, as the Torrance library has, fiction must be divided between standards of the old and new. Those wishing to obtain the best sellers should join one of those public libraries, of which there are several in Los Angeles, where by paying a small sum they may obtain copies of the best sellers.

Today is the day of the realistic novel. If one has a message to deliver, a theory to expound, or a sermon to preach, he uses the novel to do it.

Mrs. Henderson spoke of some of the old fiction writers, and comparing the works of the modern writers with them, showed that in novel writing, as in everything else, there is nothing new.

She then reviewed some of the 1922 fiction, non-fiction, and drama and closed with a plea that there be not less reading of fiction, but reading with more discrimination.

**TO ORGANIZE A J. C. E.**

Next Sunday evening at 6:30 Mrs. Zeller and Miss Burkhalter will be glad to meet all the children of Torrance who are under fourteen years of age for the purpose of organizing a Junior Christian Endeavor society. The meeting will be held in Central church. For some time the need of such an organization has been recognized, and many requests have come from the parents that such a work be started, but up to the present time circumstances prevented. Now the way is clear to organize. All children of the town are welcome to attend the meetings. Next Sunday evening a suitable time for future meetings will be decided upon.

Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Burnett of Redondo boulevard and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Emerson motored to Bellflower on Sunday.

Mrs. Edward Storts of Long Beach was a Sunday guest of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Meyers, of Narbonne avenue.

Mrs. Rose Bell of Los Angeles was a week-end guest of her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Acree of Grammercy Ave.

Mrs. Hyatt of Los Angeles is a house guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Young of Carson street this week.

Mrs. A. Street and son of South Grammercy have purchased a lot on Martina Ave., and are contemplating building a home.

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**KEYSTONE NEWS**

Mr. Mosley, the "Used Car Man" has added a touch of high life to the boulevard by painting his buildings with the Shell colors. He will handle the Shell Oil Co. products in the future.

Try to arrange to give at least one-half of Sunday on the Hall. Everything will be laid out so that speed-up work may be accomplished. The hall must be up and all completed in a short time.

The oil activity has held up to the very highest expectations. An extra good lease is being signed on the east side of the boulevard and will insure quick development.

Chas. LeBoeuff has completed another brooder on his ranch. Chas. is getting well stocked with equipment and poultry but what will he do when we get the oil.

Mr. Nahmens adds another room to his home.

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the sale of accessories as well as supplying the residents of this city with a complete line of the interestingly popular car, the Chevrolet, the sale of which in California as well as in the east is mounting by leaps and bounds.

Unusual attention will be given the repair of all makes of cars with specialists who thoroughly understand the peculiarities of every automobile.

**New Manager For Local Tel. Office**

The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company is now under the management of Mrs. M. Saunders, an employee of the telephone company for the past twenty years. Mrs. Saunders took charge February 1 following the resignation of G. F. Christopher, who had served with the company for the past nine years with only two weeks off during that time. Mr. Christopher will enjoy a long vacation which is justly due him. Mrs. Christopher, who has been of valuable assistance in the office will continue with Mrs. Saunders and assist in the many duties confronting a new manager.

Mrs. Saunders was employed in New York city with the telephone company, and has had charge of offices all the way west over the continent. Her varied experience will be valuable here as the telephone business is growing rapidly, like everything else around this city.

"It will be my plan to perfect the service so far as I can by the aid of suggestions that come from the people," said Mrs. Saunders. "Of course, there are some things that

we cannot do, but on the other hand there are many instances where telephone service can be greatly improved if we only knew of the shortcomings. It will be our utmost desire to please our patrons in Torrance."

Mr. and Mrs. James L. King and Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Leslie were visitors at the San Bernardino Orange Show Sunday.

**PARKING SPACES PAINTED**

Under the direction of the superintendent of streets parking spaces along Cabrillo from Carson to Wells street are being painted white and the parking zones on El Prado are being repainted while the buttons in all sections of the town are being given a fresh white coat.

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