

Local Clubwomen Hear Address on Problem of American Home Yesterday

TO STUDY DIETETICS IN UTAH

Arlington avenue, left Feb. 25 for Salt Lake City, Utah, to spend a year in post graduate study of dietetics.

P. T. A. Council Meeting In Torrance

Lomita-San Pedro Council Parent Teachers Association met for their regular business session in the elementary school auditorium Thursday with Fern avenue and elementary Parent Teachers Associations as hostesses.

Mrs. E. V. Hopkins presided at the meeting. The mothers chorus sang a group of three numbers—"Cradle Song", "Lift Thine Eyes" and "The Breeze". Past presidents of the council were introduced and short talks were given by Mrs. R. B. Waldo and Mrs. Alfred Jorgenson.

In observance of Founders Day, Mrs. Frank Schaeffer, past president of Tenth District spoke on "How Councils of Tenth District Came Into Being". She told of how they are divided geographically and what their work entails. A live oak tree was planted in the school grounds. Luncheon was served at noon.

BIRTHDAY DINNER HONORS FOUR

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kelton of the Castle apartments, attended a birthday dinner at the Nagle home in North Torrance recently.

The affair celebrated the birthdays of four persons, namely: Mrs. Charles Kelton of Torrance, Mrs. L. D. Daniels of Lawndale, Mrs. Walter Goss of Redondo Beach and the hostess, Mrs. Florence Nagle. After the dinner 500 furnished diversion, with prizes for high scores captured by Mrs. Kelton and Walter Goss.

CELEBRATES HER THIRTEENTH BIRTHDAY

Miss Margaret Shawger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Shawger, celebrated her 13th birthday with a dinner party in the family home, 1521 Acacia avenue, Saturday evening.

Table decorations were yellow and white. Covers were placed for Lillian Prince, Marion Wilson, Norma Hindman, Chas. Rippy, Ernest Banks, Conrad Christensen, Lawrence Prince and Margaret.

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Dan Cupid Sets Record With Darts - 60,197 Wed During 1936

Heartbeats hit an all-time high in California during 1936, when more couples were married than in any other year since the state decided to require licenses and collect two dollars from each prospective bridegroom.

Dr. Walter M. Dickie, director of the state department of public health, reported a total of 60,197 licenses were issued during the year, exceeding 1935 matrimonial business by 3,643. In fact, Dickie said, the only year which even approached this record was 1926 when 56,984 couples were wed.

Los Angeles county followed the romantic trend with 22,401 weddings in 1936 against 20,474 in 1935.

In Better Finances There are a number of significant facts behind this huge number of weddings, Dickie believes. First of all, he interprets the reports of California's 58 county clerks as indicating that economic conditions are on the up-trend. Many matrimonial-minded lovers, previously prevented from marrying because of the depression, found themselves better off financially and made a delayed dash to the altar.

Supporting this theory is the factual evidence that to obtain the licenses alone, prospective bridegrooms had to dig up the sum of \$120,394. In addition to this financial outlay, of course, there was the expense of a ring, the preacher or justice of the peace, the honeymoon and numerous other costs.

June Holds Attraction Dickie's figures also indicated that during 1936 the city boy in love came nearer to getting an even break with his country cousin than for some years past.

"During the years of the depression," he said, "the numbers of marriages increased in those counties whose population is typically rural, while there was a marked falling off of these events in the metropolitan areas. Exactly the opposite is recorded for 1936, for the most conspicuous gains have occurred in San Francisco, Los Angeles and Alameda counties."

The traditional June bride continued to remain the popular choice, with 7,263 marriages solemnized during the month, establishing another all-time record, approached only by the 6,765 June weddings of 1926.

Long Beach Contralto Heard During Luncheon Program; Report Given on Ball Contest

Going back to the first American homes and depicting the many chores thrust upon women in that day and age, Mrs. Arthur L. Shelhorn, district chairman of American homes division, Los Angeles County Federation of Women's Clubs, touched on the many problems that confront the modern woman in her efforts to preserve the home.

Paris Styles

PARIS (U.P.)—Striped evening gowns are being shown at every big dress house this season. The stripes, which are multi-colored, usually run vertically, which means that only thin women can wear them. This is in direct opposition to the new silhouette which is more feminine, fuller and shows more curves than have been seen for several years.

Rodier and other big fabric houses have made Roman stripes in a light weight silk that shows eight or ten different colors separated by narrow black stripes. The colors include a range of pinks and blues separated by green, yellows and mauves. In these rainbow striped materials there is shell pink, robin's egg blue, turquoise, periwinkle, royal blue, chartreuse, almond and bright green as well as blends of yellow shading from lime to a deep mustard. The purples range from pale mauve thru the pearly tones to deep royal purple.

This gamut of colors combined and set off by narrow black stripes make up the most unusual evening gowns seen for several years.

With such a gaudy print pattern, couturiers, of necessity, are using simple designs. The general pattern is to use the stripes running horizontally on the bodice and vertically on the full, flared skirt. One certain color is chosen to band the top of the bodice, form the shoulder straps and band the hem. The rainbow of colors is often repeated in a broad belt of sequin stripes and quite often the vertically striped skirt is edged with a band of horizontal stripes.

TODAY'S FASHION TIP

Rainbow stripes are used for spring evening gowns.

BIRTHDAY PARTY TUESDAY EVENING

The 15th birthday of Phyllis Sears, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dean L. Sears furnished the incentive for a party at the family home, 2372 boulevard, Tuesday evening.

Those who attended the affair were Euphrasia Taylor, Lucille Acree, Phyllis Jean Schultz, Helen Floyd, Thelma Hogburg, Ramona Carlin, Evalyne Vincent, Annabell McNeils, Ruth Taylor, Norma Patterson, Pauline Austin, Virginia Traller, Elizabeth Anthony, Marjorie Falge, Muriel Alverson, Jeanne Sears, Marion Sears and Phyllis.

Your rent money will buy a home.

Speaking on woman as the spender of 87 percent of the family income, Mrs. Shelhorn advised that all should take a course in consumer education. It is appalling, she said, how many articles we carry in our homes that are worthless. The speaker urged the group to study the state's legislative program, learn what makes taxes that exceed 21 percent of the family income. Touching on home building, child-training and immigration, Mrs. Shelhorn found it impossible to crowd all the problems of the American home into the hour allotted her.

Mrs. Eugene Tineher, past president of Long Beach Ebell club, well known thru-out Southern California for her lovely contralto voice and sparkling personality, sang a group of numbers in keeping with the event. She sang "Do You Know My Garden?" by Heidenburg; "Morning" by Spooks; "Spring Tide" by Becker, and closed with "Home is Not Four Bar Walls" and "Home Sweet Home."

Reports on Dance

Naomi Riley, the only member of the local club to appear on the program, gave a reading "What Makes a Home?" Mrs. Riley, art chairman, made lovely cards that marked places for presidents from the various clubs of the Harbor District, listed among whom were Redondo Beach, Inglewood, San Pedro, Gardena and South Ebell club of Los Angeles. Mrs. Beale, club president, presided at the afternoon session. Mrs. James H. Crumrine presented the program.

A total of 787 Torrance hospital ball tickets have been accounted for by Mrs. Henry C. Barrington and Mrs. Willis M. Brooks, competing captains of the ducaet selling teams of Women's club members for the Feb. 22 event. About nine books of tickets are still outstanding and until these are reported, the winning team will not be known.

Mrs. Brooks' group have accounted for 378 while Mrs. Barrington's aides checked in 364. The proceeds from the dance are expected to net the hospital about \$600. The winning ticket-selling team will be entertained by the losing side at a gala luncheon to be held March 24, Mrs. Barrington said yesterday.

WILKES HOSTS AT EVENING PARTY

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Wilkes, 1931 Gramercy avenue, were hosts when they entertained at bridge and a midnight supper in their home Saturday evening. Their guests included Messrs. and Mrs. Harry U. Higgins, Harry Jacobs, R. L. Lewellen, Herbert Robinson, Micheal Strasser, Jess M. Shippe and R. S. Sleeth. Prizes for high scores were awarded to Mr. and Mrs. Shippe.

NEWS CARTOON ORIGINALS ON EXHIBIT

Original drawings of contemporary cartoons, as handed to editors by the artists, are being shown in the newest special exhibition at the Huntington Library. All of the cartoons have appeared recently in American newspapers and directly touch upon vital issues of the day. The exhibited originals are grouped under four headings: political, social, international and comic.

In the political section is a drawing by conservative J. N. Darling ("Ding"), dean of American cartoonists, and one by liberal C. D. Batteffer, incorporating his familiar character, "Old Deal." The comics are exhibited not only for humor's sake but because of their significance on the American scene.

As historical background for the contemporary drawings, a group of American cartoons of earlier periods is shown. Benjamin Franklin is represented by his famous snake cartoon, which appeared weekly in the "Pennsylvania Gazette." It was a wood block showing the snake cut into eight pieces—there were then eight colonies—with the motto, "Unite or Die." Several examples from the hand of Thomas Nast, greatest of all American cartoonists, are shown. Nast's most effective work was done in connection with the breakup of the notorious Tweed Ring of New York City in 1871. It was Nast, also, who first used the donkey and the elephant as symbols of the two great American political parties.

Aviation Lecture and Famed Flight Movies Announced

The Palos Verdes Community Arts Association will present Zeno Klinker in a lecture on "Man's Conquest of the Air", Friday, March 5, at 8:15 p. m., at the Palos Verdes Art Gallery. The lecture will be accompanied by a five-reel motion picture. Klinker has the most complete collection of authentic historical aviation films in existence, which he collected over a period of 13 years, and many of the flights and fliers shown were photographed by Klinker himself.

Klinker begins with a brief picturization of man's desire to fly and this is followed by authentic motion pictures of such history making flights as those of the Wright Brothers and other pioneer aviators. He has pictures of war aviation films and also first Atlantic flights; Polar flights, including those by Amundson, Ellsworth, Byrd and Wilkins, the Atlantic flights of Lindbergh, Chamberlin and Byrd; coast to coast flights; the China Clipper, and others too numerous to mention. The public is invited to attend. A small admission will be charged.

WILMINGTON LADY MOOSE SPEAKER

Helen Campbell, secretary of the Wilmington Co-ordinating Council gave a talk at the meeting of Loyal Order of Moose and Women of the Moose in their hall, 1951 Carson street, Friday evening. She spoke on the fundamentals of the council pointing with pride to the reduction in juvenile delinquency since this organization came into being. Mrs. Irene Wilkes, president of Torrance Co-ordinating Council introduced the speaker.

A new member, Adeline Smith was voted into the order. She will be initiated at the meeting, March 5.

Moose ladies plan a bake sale to be held at the entrance to the Levy store, Saturday, March 13.

TURKEY DINNER MARCH 16

Ladies of St. Andrew's Episcopal church will hold a turkey dinner in their guild hall Tuesday, March 16, from 8:30 to 7:30 p. m. The public is cordially invited to attend and may secure tickets from Mrs. Emma Evans, president of the group or at the door.

FOLKS DANCE AT PALOMAR

Dancing at the Palomar in Los Angeles, Friday evening, were Messrs. and Mrs. Chas. Schultz, C. T. Rippy, Dean L. Sears, R. J. Deininger, Tom McGuire and R. T. French of Glendale.

HOSPITAL PATIENT

Fred Ralston, 1667 Gramercy avenue, entered the Good Samaritan hospital Wednesday and will undergo an operation there early next week.

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