

CLUB WOMEN TO SPONSOR BENEFIT

Torrance Junior Woman's Club members will be hostess at a benefit card party to be held at Woman's Clubhouse Wednesday evening, Sept. 22. Everyone is cordially invited. Proceeds will be used to purchase incidental equipment for the new Army hospital here.

Contract and auction bridge, pinochle and rummy will be played and refreshments will be served.

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Announcement has been made that Miss Dorothy Jean Craig, serving as a lieutenant with the



Jean Craig

WAC at Youngstown, Ohio, became the bride of Lieut. Robert E. Schmal on July 22. Lieut. Craig, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Craig of Van Nuys and formerly of this city, was graduated from Torrance High school, attended Compton Junior college and Redlands university. She is now a recruiting officer at Youngstown. Her husband, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schmal of Lowell, Ind., was graduated from Indiana university and is now serving with the U.S. Infantry. The newlyweds are at home at 277 Park ave., Youngstown, Ohio. Mrs. Schmal's father has recently enlisted in the Navy where he is an electrician's mate.

They chose her parents' 26th wedding anniversary as their wedding date.

The oldest Baptist church in America, founded in 1775, stands on Main st. in Providence, R.I.

SOCIETY and Club

WILLIAMS-STRAUTMAN NUPPIALS ARE READ

In a candlelight ceremony performed last Thursday evening at a Long Beach chapel, Miss Marilyn Strautman became the bride of Lynn Williams, aviation machinist in the U.S. Navy. The bride, attired in a beige suit with green accessories and wearing a corsage of gardenias and orange blossoms, was attended by Miss Agnes Sophinky in a tan ensemble with contrasting accessories. The bridegroom's attendant was Bob Wright and ushers were Bob Goss, U.S.N., and Edmund Welton of this city.

A reception for 40 guests followed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Welton, 2414 Sonoma ave. A decorated wedding cake and other refreshments were served by the hostess assisted by the Misses Anne Savant and Nancy Welton. Mr. and Mrs. Williams left for a brief honeymoon.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Strautman and her husband is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Williams of Lomita.

Ensign Fierce Wins Commission, Takes Bride All on Same Day



MRS. VERNON R. FIERCE, NEE INA NEWKIRK

Vernon Ralph Fierce, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. V. R. Fierce, Sr., of 2363 El Dorado ave., was graduated Saturday from the Naval Air Training Center, Corpus Christi and was commissioned an ensign in the U.S. Naval Reserve. In a simple ceremony immediately following his graduation exercises he exchanged wedding vows with Miss Ina Newkirk of Long Beach. Attending the ceremony were his parents who had accompanied Miss Newkirk to Texas for the rites.

Later the group left for Houston where a family reunion was held at the home of the bridegroom's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Mcintosh. Also present were his grandmother, Mrs. Laura Boyles of Drumright, Okla., and an aunt, Miss Clarabelle Crawford of Houston. Fierce, a graduate of Leuzinger high school, received his pre-flight training at the St. Mary's pre-flight school in northern California. Accompanied by his bride, he left for Jacksonville, Fla., for further instruction.

Following the class business meeting a handsome group gift was presented; refreshments supplied by class members, were served and a social hour followed.

JOE'S DAUGHTERS OUTLINE PLANS
Torrance Bethel, No. 50, Job's Daughters, met at Mason Temple Tuesday evening for its first meeting following the dark months. Enid Weis, honored queen, conducted the meeting at which plans for the ensuing term were outlined. At the conclusion of the evening refreshments were served in the banquet room.

CLUB LUNCHEON IS MUCH ENJOYED
Mrs. H. E. Massie was a delightful hostess when she entertained at luncheon at her home on Egracia ave. last Thursday afternoon. Covers were arranged for eight guests at a table centered with an arrangement of colorful asters. Prizes for high scores at contract were presented to Misses L. C. Burger and R. J. Rogers.

STORKatorials

Births reported at Torrance Memorial hospital during the past week:

Sept. 4—To Mr. and Mrs. Gus H. Sudmeier, 1823 Cabrillo, a boy, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Holland, Torrance, a daughter, born at Seaside hospital, Long Beach.
Sept. 5—To Mr. and Mrs. Andrew J. Baker, 2411 Border ave., Torrance, a girl.
Sept. 8—To Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hawley, 3821 Court Drive, Torrance, a boy.
Sept. 8—Mr. and Mrs. William Henley, 531 Harbor Hills, Lomita, a girl.
Born at Torrance hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Thompson, 1328 West Carson, a girl, Sept. 12.

Keystone Woman's Club Sells Bonds

The Woman's Club of Keystone area conducted a War Bond campaign last week resulting in sales aggregating \$3463. The sale was conducted by Mrs. John Sullivan, member of the club, and an authorized bond salesman. The club will continue the drive at its regular meetings to sell bonds and stamps with Mrs. Sullivan and Mrs. E. J. Johnson, war service chairman, as salesmen.

Mrs. Dorothy Jamieson, Torrance librarian, was presented by Mrs. Charles Forrest, program chairman, as the speaker of the day. She reviewed five recently issued books.

BOB TOLSON'S LEAVE IS PARTY INCENTIVE

Honoring their son, Robert H. Tolson, an ensign in Naval Air Service, on leave from his base at Beville, Texas, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Tolson entertained at dinner at their home Sunday evening for Kenneth Perkin, Johnnie McDonald, Hans Sommers, all serving with the armed forces; Charles Schultz, serving in communications work at Camp Young, near Indio, and Earl Lock.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Lock were hosts to the same group at their home the previous evening. A highlight of Tolson's leave was an official visit at Vega Aircraft plant at Burbank where he was accompanied by Earl Lock employed there as a junior parts designer.

GASCOIGNE'S ENTERTAIN AT BARBECUE PARTY
The home of Mr. and Mrs. William Gascoigne was the scene of a family reunion when they entertained at a barbecue supper Sunday evening. The party served at a birthday courtesy for her sister, Mrs. William Cooper and a welcome home party for Robert Crawford on 30-days leave from Army service in North Africa and his brothers, Menlo, a Marine, and Charles in the Army, also on leave; the boys' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Crawford of Santa Monica, and Messrs. and Mrs. Harold Clemmer and sons, Monty and Johnny; Francis Fetherolf and Donnie; Charles Mothersole, William Cooper, all of Torrance; Clarence Maier and daughters and Fred Maier, all of Monrovia.

ELEMENTARY P.T.A. GROUP ATTENDS MEET
The children of today are the leaders of tomorrow," Mrs. Edward T. Walker, 10th District P.T.A. president, told delegates who attended the annual school of instruction at Wilmington Friday morning.

Using the district's theme, "Allegiance to America through Service to Youth," Mrs. Walker stressed the importance of P.T.A. work at this time.

Mrs. W. E. Bowen, president of Torrance Elementary and members of her executive board, Mrs. Ralph R. Perry, Mrs. George E. Baer, Mrs. W. J. Vernon, Mrs. E. F. Goff, Mrs. Don Wolf, Mrs. J. H. Moore and Mrs. John Spiller attended the school.

CATHOLIC PARTY THIS EVENING
Hostesses for tonight's Catholic Ladies card party are Mrs. Emory and her committee, Mrs. McIntier, Morin, Kitto, Bair, Elder, Landerville, Fredericks and Spangler. Everyone is cordially invited. The first door prize will be given away promptly at 8 o'clock and card play will follow immediately. Refreshments will be served.

Peekham-Staton Rites are Read Saturday Evening

In a double-ring ceremony performed at Las Vegas Army air field chapel, Las Vegas, Nev., last Saturday evening, Miss Diane Staton became the bride of Corp. George J. Peekham, Jr.

The bride was beautifully attired in a powder blue dressmaker suit with contrasting accessories, complemented with an orchid corsage. Attending the ceremony were his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Peekham of 1518 Post ave., and their daughter, Mrs. H. H. Cowan of this city.

A dinner party followed at El Rancho Vegas. Mrs. Peekham, who is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth H. Day of 1415 West 225th st., will make her home with them for the duration. A graduate of Torrance high school, she is a secretary at Los Angeles Port of Embarkation, Wilmington.

Her husband, who was graduated from Torrance high school and attended Long Beach Junior college, will remain at Las Vegas for a course in aerial gunnery.

O.E.S. OFFICERS' NATAL PARTY TONIGHT
The regular meeting of Torrance Chapter, No. 380, Order of the Eastern Star, will be held at Masonic Temple this evening. On this occasion the birthdays of Mrs. Billie Kerber, worthy matron and Hillman R. Lee, worthy patron, will be noted. The program is in charge of Mrs. Frances Buckley. The chapter is planning a rummage sale to be held Sept. 23, 24 and 25.

ENGAGEMENT IS ANNOUNCED
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph E. Briggs of 1643 215th st., announce the engagement of their daughter, Relda, to Fred Hicks, U.S. Navy. Sunday, Sept. 19, has been set as the wedding date.

MRS. C. D. LOWEN IS CLUB HOSTESS

Bridge club members were entertained at an attractively appointed luncheon last Thursday when Mrs. C. D. Lowen entertained at her home, 904 Beech ave. Arrangements of garden flowers created an effective background for the table set for eight. Prize winners were Mrs. L. M. Fernley and Al Moore of Redondo Beach.

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