



YOUNG FASHIONS . . . Members of Girl Scout Troop 1299 gather around as Mardell Clayton in skirt and blouse and Joyce Cannon in pedal pushers models fashions from

Ten Girls Honored in Scout Rites

Girl Scout Troop 1299, sponsored by Fern Ave.-Greenwood PTA, entertained their parents Monday night at a pot luck supper held in the Fern Avenue Cafeteria, Donna Arrasmith, Marsha Hunt, Mary Ellen Jack, Leo Spall, and Terry Tucker celebrated their birthdays by serving cake and they were serenaded by the entire group.

A fashion show was presented by The Sport Shop and Neta's Tots and Teens with many lovely Girl Scouts modeling many love-spring outfits.

Ten girls in the troop, Paula Bischoff, Joyce Cannon, Sharon Carter, Mardell Clayton, Sharon Giles, Susan Higdon, Barbara Krauszer, Virginia Sandstrom, Carol Shinoda, and Terry Tucker received five-year pins for completing five years of Girl Scout.

The five-year pins were presented by Mrs. Carol Humphreys and Mrs. Edith Rowe, who were their Brownie leaders in Troop 631, which is also sponsored by Fern Ave.-Greenwood PTA.

The party was planned by the girls with the help of their leaders, Mrs. A. Krauszer, P. Bischoff and G. Arrasmith, assisted by a group of mothers.

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Sacramento Report



By CHARLES CHAPEL

The Harbor at Playa del Rey

The proposed small-boat harbor at Playa del Rey, as I have reported before in this family journal, is located in the 61st Assembly District, which is represented by Assemblyman Lester A. McMillan. He and I have been working very hard to get money for the construction of the harbor and have had the active help of Assemblyman G. Delbert Morris, of the 63rd Assembly District; Assemblyman Kenneth A. Ross Jr., of the 66th Assembly District; Assemblyman Clayton A. Dills, of the 67th Assembly District; and Assemblyman Vincent Thomas, of the 68th Assembly District.

The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors very kindly have passed resolutions praising the Playa del Rey harbor plan, but the money must come primarily from the State of California and not from Los Angeles County. When the money from tidal-land oil revenues is placed in the State Treasury, it is believed that part of it will be spent for beaches and parks, giving high priority to Playa del Rey.

Liquor Legislation The bills introduced by Caspar W. Weinberger, Member of the Assembly from the 21st Assembly District (San Francisco), have been well received. Fortunately, public opinion all over California is aroused and letters have poured into Sacramento, all supporting the Weinberger program for stricter liquor control.

As I have said many times, Members of the Legislature are always responsive to letters from constituents.

A successful merchant writes to me that he thinks it is hard for the business of a community to have a state college within its boundaries. He complains that a state college usually includes a restaurant, book store, stationery store, soda fountain, athletic supply shop, and a cleaning and pressing establishment. Also, it may have a motion-picture theater and of course it provides an athletic program and various so-called cultural events which compete with outside entertainment businesses.

The merchant also complains that the students run wild, tear up property, steal light bulbs, and generally cause more trouble than they create business. He may be right, but I am anxious to hear from people on both sides of the question. Do you think that the state colleges hurt neighboring business?

School Trustees About two years ago I made a speech in Santa Monica before a meeting of school trustees from all over Los Angeles County. I told them they should be more active in influencing legislation, city, county, state, and national. Much to my surprise, they passed this comment on to the state organization and they hired a legislative representative on a full time basis. Out of all this has come a more active interest in legislation on the part of all school trustees.

Budget Trimmed The 1954 budget has been closely trimmed to avoid spending money for anything not absolutely necessary. Naturally, some people are disappointed that their pet projects do not receive as much money as they would like, but on a whole there have been few complaints about the economy program this year.

Students Welcomed We always welcome college and high school students in Sacramento. They are escorted to various buildings, introduced to the Governor, Lieutenant Governor,

Secretary of State, State Treasurer, and other officials, and they are able to watch the Legislature in session. The only stipulation is that we like to know when they are coming so that we can arrange for their reception. I believe that this is an important phase of their education in government.

National Guard The National Guard of California is in an excellent condition as far as morale, organization plans, and equipment plans are concerned, but it needs recruits and weapons. Unfortunately, the regular services are more glamorous and get most of the publicity, but the taxpayers should know that their money is carefully spent by the National Guard. A new armory will be erected soon in Inglewood after months of careful planning. The title to the land went into escrow recently and bids will be received soon from contractors

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Dated March 26, 1954. DALE C. MILLER, Administrator with the Will of the Estate of the said decedent.

ARMSTRONG, NEWBORN & HITCHCOCK, Attorneys-at-Law, 2211 Torrance Boulevard, Torrance, California. FA-8-3472 T-April 1-8-15-22, 1954.

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City, which latter office is the place of business of the undersigned in all matters pertaining to said estate. Such claims with the necessary vouchers must be filed or presented as aforesaid within six months after the first publication of this notice.

Dated March 29, 1954. ADRIAN LEROY THORNBERY, also known as ADRIAN L. THORNBERY, Executor of the will of said decedent.

W. E. Kalbfleisch, Attorney-at-Law, 1308 Bartlett Avenue, Torrance, California. Palfrax-8-3547 T-April 1-4-15-22, 1954.

University Women Plan New Branch

The American Association of University Women is permitting the organization of a branch in this area, to be called the Manhattan Beach Branch. It was reported this week. Meetings will be held regularly on the fourth Monday evening of each month. Anyone interested in affiliating is cordially invited to attend the next meeting, April 26 at the Manhattan Beach Property Owners' Hall, 1560 Manhattan Beach Blvd., Manhattan Beach, at 8 p.m. Those joining at the April meeting will be included on the list of charter members sent to national headquarters.

Information regarding qualifications and dues can be obtained from Mrs. M. E. Graves at FRontier 4-5823.

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German Measles Hits Unborn Child Hardest

By ROY O. GILBERT, M.D., L. A. County Health Officer

Seasonal in occurrence, the number of cases of German measles is greatest from late winter to the end of spring and, although probably existing for centuries, received little attention from doctors or patients prior to 1941. At that time, however, medical scientists discovered that the disorder had serious effects on unborn infants when expectant mothers contracted the disease during the first three months of pregnancy.

There are some physicians who advise abortion, so seriously is German measles considered for the unborn infant during early pregnancy. Others recommend that girls be exposed to the disease at an early age and so perhaps avoid so crucial a decision later in life. One attack of the disease usually, but not always, confers immunity.

The name of the disease is misleading. It is in no way related to true measles and is generally not as serious as measles nor is it as contagious. An attack of one disease gives no immunity against the other.

Essentially a disease of childhood, the illness caused by German measles is most always mild. This is also true in the case of adults. One study revealed that out of 66 adults who had the disease, only two felt sick enough to go to bed. After the age of 40, occurrence of the disease is rare.

Symptoms Told Symptoms usually appear in from 10 to 20 days after the exposure of susceptible persons to the infection. A slight sore throat, mild headache, and loss of appetite is followed within 12 to 36 hours by a blotchy rash which undoubtedly is the most prominent symptom in German measles. It makes a sudden appearance on the face and spreads to the rest of the body and usually fades within three days. The rash, which sometimes appears without any warning whatsoever, looks something like one that occurs in measles but more closely resembles that of scarlet fever.

During the period when the rash is evident, a slight fever may be present and the glands behind the ears swollen and tender. In rare instances complications such as arthritis and neuritis occur but, when they do, are seen more often in adults than in children.

The disease is transmitted by the nose and throat discharges of infected persons and may also be spread by means of articles recently soiled. The period of contagion extends from three to four days before the skin eruption appears and lasts until it fades. The sick person should avoid contact with others during this period and take precautions to prevent the spread of infection.

Affects Children According to American studies completed in 1947, more than 50 per cent of the children born of mothers who had German measles early in pregnancy had either congenital cataracts, deafness, heart lesions or some other tragic defect. After the first three months of pregnancy, such damage to the infant is rare.

German measles is something of a problem to public health officials since it is difficult to control. It is not easily recognized, is generally of short duration and so mild—unless at the end of an epidemic when it tends to become violent, that it is frequently treated at home without medical assistance.

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