



ACCEPTING THEIR DUTIES . . . as officers of the Torrance Y-Wives are, from left, Mrs. Lorna Rogers, secretary; Mrs. R. M. Stewart, president; Mrs. Anita Ransom, vice president; Back row, Mrs. Peggy Randall, executive counselor; Mrs. Janice Young, publicity, and Mrs. Barbara

Burkey, refreshment chairman. Officers not pictured are Mrs. Lee Pleick, treasurer and Mrs. Carl Swanson, historian, Mrs. Arnold Ekstrum, district president, installed the new officers last Tuesday morning.

### Y-Wives Install New Officers At a Coffee Tuesday Morning

Mrs. Arnold Ecklund, district president of the YWCA of San Pedro conducted an impressive ceremony last Tuesday morning at the Torrance YWCA when she installed the new officers of the local Y-Wives. For the occasion the Y was decorated with Christmas arrangements and pyraeanthe berries.

New officers installed were: Mrs. R. M. Stewart, president; Mrs. M. E. Ransom, vice president; Mrs. Lorna Rogers, secretary; Mrs. Peggy Randall, executive counselor; Mrs. Janice Young, publicity chairman and Mrs. Barbara Burkey, refreshment chairman.

This panel of new officers succeeds Mrs. Warren Randall, outgoing president; Mrs. R. M. Stewart, vice president, and Mrs. Robert Tan, secretary. Following the installation Mrs. Elsa J. Morris, San Pedro, executive director of the YWCA

### Gala Annual Christmas Party Held By Catholic Daughters

Everything from a lighted tree to individual favors created a festive air in Nativity Parish Hall when Court St. Catherine, Catholic Daughters of America, held the annual Christmas party Monday evening. Expressing a true spirit of the season, a Nativity scene was arranged on the stage.

A crystal epergne, holding frosted white tapers, holly leaves and berries graced the center of the tea table. Mrs. Frank Forester and Mrs. J. J. McDonald presided at the silver service. Each of the ten tables where guests were seated, held arrangements of large sequined candles, angel hair and bangles.

Santa, with a voice resembling Frank Gately, put in an appearance and distributed gifts to all. Mrs. John V. Murray provided Christmas music and accompanied the singing of Christmas carols. Each guest brought a can of food for a Christmas box for the needy.

The January meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Jewell Wardwell, 21121 South Denker.

### AT DEATH VALLEY

Mrs. and Mrs. W. A. Clinkscale, 1451 El Prado, accompanied by their nephew, Eugene Perkins, who arrived by plane from Denver on Sunday, spent Tuesday and Wednesday at Furnace Creek Inn at Death Valley.

Mrs. Jack N. Dabbs and Mrs. Gerald Loew, co-chairmen, were responsible for the lovely party, assisted by Mmes. R. T. Alfred, Bernard Dougan, Laura Felker, J. R. O'Brien and Leonard Young.

Mrs. William Hardesty, grand regent, presided at a short business meeting preceding the party. A two-year subscription to Catholic Digest for the chaplain at Folsom prison was voted as well as a monthly donation for the Feed-a-Family program under Catholic Relief Services.

Mrs. Michael McMahon, social welfare chairman, reported on the Thanksgiving party staged for the children's ward at Harbor General Hospital and told of plans for the Christmas party on Dec. 22. The candy-filled favors for the children have been made by the members of Junior Catholic Daughters.

Mrs. Patricia Bench, Sue Hald, Shirley Richards and Joan Birchler, messengers.

Others were Sue Chapman, assistant musician; Laila Willson, assistant recorder; Audrian Rozand, electrician; Marcia Chamberlain, page; Carol Matthews, obligation; Jennifer Bowen, and Diane Kennedy, big sisters.

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The guardian council is composed of Mrs. Pearl Washburn, guardian; Alvin Crawford, associate guardian; Mrs. Edna Thomas, hospitality; Mrs. Jo Boderman, epochs; Serving as hostess, were Lois Laird and Lavona Conner; Jennifer Bowen was in charge of the guest book and ushers were Leroy Griffith and Steve Saracco.

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### 'It Is Better To Give'

Bringing happiness to the unfortunate, the true spirit of Christmas tide, is being exercised by clubs and organizations as well as individuals in this area. Mrs. H. J. Osborne, philanthropy chairman for the Torrance Woman's Club, working through the welfare office called on the Torrance Lions Club and the Lionesses for aid in supplying help for three families. Generously, in a combined effort, one family with eight children will have a happy holiday. The clubs are providing a complete turkey dinner for Christmas, an array of toys, clothing and a huge supply of groceries.

The other family consists of a mother and four children whose day will be made bright by the local clubs. For this family there will be a Christmas tree with all the trimming, a turkey dinner, toys, used and new, and a box of groceries.

The third work of charity was the supplying of a layette for a new-born baby.

### Porter Home Is Scene of Unit Party

Theta Nu Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met Wednesday evening at the home of Miss Verna Porter, 1006 Sartori, for a Christmas party and Ritual of Jewels. The home was beautifully decorated in the Christmas motif and Miss Porter presided at the candlelight ritual for Mrs. Audrey Wood. Assisting were Mrs. Joan Davis, president and Miss Jan Nincevic, vice president.

Making their sorority pledge were Margaret Baker, Irene Selby, Tallulah Speck, Clare Bennington and Carol Piazza.

After the ceremonies, a gift exchange was held followed by refreshments. The group presented Miss Porter their sponsor with a lovely Christmas gift.

Tomorrow evening, as a chapter philanthropy, the group will visit and take gifts to the patients in the elderly women's ward at Harbor General Hospital.

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### Bridal Party Entertained At Buffet

Mr. and Mrs. George Crabtree entertained at a buffet supper Friday evening at their home, 1753 Gramercy for the members of the bridal party of their daughter, Miss Janice Crabtree, whose wedding to Allen Johnson took place Saturday evening at the First Methodist Church.

Red and white carnations flanked with white candles decorated the table. The bride and the bridegroom presented gifts to their attendants.

Present at the party were: Messrs. and Mmes. Erwin Whitcomb, Dale Fox, Robert Vigil, L. A. Gray, Russell Johnson; Rev. and Mrs. John Taylor, Rev. Don Selby, Mmes. Smith Campbell, Ernest Maloy, and Roy Reimer, Carol Maloy, Leonard Babcock, Don Carter, Jim Spivey, and Sandra Crabtree.

### TO KANSAS

Mrs. Marguerite Kelsey, 817 Madrid, left by plane Friday for Wichita, Kans., where she will spend Christmas with relatives and friends.

### Woman's Club Yule Party

Torrance Woman's Club will hold its pot luck luncheon and Christmas party at the club house, 1422 Engracia, Wednesday. Members of the board will provide the meat dishes. After the luncheon, there will be a gift exchange and the singing of Christmas carols.



MRS. LISLE B. CLEVELAND  
December Bride

### Nelson-Cleveland Rites Read In Candlelight Ceremony

In the Chimes Wedding Chapel in Long Beach on Saturday evening, Dec. 10, Miss Christina Nelson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Nelson, 24315 Eshelman, became the bride of Lisle B. Cleveland, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lisle Cleveland, 2442 Pacific Coast Hwy. The Rev. Russell B. Braugher officiated at the double ring candlelight ceremony.

For her wedding the bride wore a gown of white nylon chiffon and net over taffeta. Her fingertip veil was held by a pearl tiara and she carried a bouquet of white orchids.

Mrs. Hilton Nelson served as the matron of honor. She wore a gown of aqua taffeta and carried pink carnations. Warren Cleveland served as best man and the 75 wedding guests were seated by Hilton Nelson. Miss Jessie Hill was in charge of the guest book.

A reception followed at the home of the bride's parents. The newlyweds are now at home at 24630 Eshelman Ave., Lomita. The bride was graduated from Narbonne High School and attended Harbor Junior College.

She is also a member of the Torrance Rebekah Lodge 347, and the Theta Rho Girls Club. The bridegroom is a graduate of Phelps High School in New York. He served with the United States Army and at the time of his discharge, was a sergeant. He is now employed by a local firm.

### Fireladies Hold Gala Yule Party

Members of the Torrance Fireladies gathered in the huge rumpus room at the home of Mrs. Robert E. Moffitt, 2724 Arlington Ave., on Monday evening for their annual Christmas party.

The room was effectively decorated with the appropriate Christmas decor. A number of games were played after which there was a gift exchange. Refreshments were then served.

Attending the party were Mmes. John Agapito, J. J. Benner, Gordon T. Clark, Leonard V. Christian, T. N. Drake, Ed. Robert E. Ward, James C. Wass, Walter R. West, and Harlan Whitacre.

The Fireladies' January meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Walter West.

### Mother's Club Installs New Officers

In a Christmas setting at a restaurant on Figueroa Street, the Torrance Job's Daughters Bethel 50 Mothers' Club held its Christmas party and installation last Monday evening. After the dinner which was served at beautifully decorated tables Mrs. Ralph Allen conducted the installation ceremony.

Installed were Mrs. John Wright, president; Mrs. D. N. Smith, vice president; Mrs. J. P. Rowe, recording secretary; Mrs. Roy McCue, corresponding secretary; and Mrs. William Blount, treasurer. Each officer was presented with a Christmas corsage.

Appointive officers taking over their duties, were Mrs. F. E. Smith, sunshine; Mrs. S. E. Van Wagner, inspirational; and Mrs. W. L. Harvey, publicity.

Mrs. Allen was presented with the past president's pin. A gift exchange followed the ceremony.

The club will hold its January meeting at the home of Mrs. J. P. Rowe.

### Lodge Party Wednesday

Tri-Odd Fellow Lodge 495 and Torrance Rebekah Lodge 347, will hold a family Christmas party Wednesday evening, Dec. 21, at the Torrance Masonic Temple, 1321 Sartori. A pot luck supper will be served at 8:30 p.m. Members are asked to bring their own table service. A program for the children will follow the dinner and Santa Claus will distribute gifts and candy. There will also be a gift exchange for the adults and the singing of Christmas carols.

### Jobies Meet

Instruction night and the first meeting of the new term for the Torrance Bethel of Job's Daughters was held Dec. 6. Mrs. Edna Babcock, deputy grand guardian of District 8 gave the girls instruction in their new rituals.

### Junior Club Stages First Holiday Dance at Hacienda

Sequined balloons and giant red and white bells suspended from the ceiling and a floor to ceiling brilliantly decorated Christmas tree made festive the Hacienda Hotel on Saturday evening for the first Christmas dance to be given by the Torrance Junior Woman's Club. Candy canes and pine cones were used as table decorations.

Frankie James and orchestra furnished the dance music. The door prize, a blue mink clutch cape was awarded to Mrs. Kenneth Miller, member of the club. Conducting this phase of the program, were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Creeger, special guests. Mr. Creeger is president of the

board of directors at the Torrance Hospital. Other door prizes went to William Rogers, Mrs. Robert Mowry and Mrs. Henry Creeger, who was also presented a pink rose corsage.

Parties given prior to the dance were held at the homes of Dr. and Mrs. Joe Bay, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rippey Jr., Mr. and Mrs. James Van Dyke, and Mr. and Mrs. Sid Gans. A group of friends enjoyed dinner at the Hacienda.

The dance committee consisted of Mrs. John Agapito, chairman, Mrs. R. J. Setting, decorations, Mrs. Jack Dean, door prizes and Mrs. D. G. Paul.

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### Lomita Job's Daughters Install New Officers in Colorful Ceremony Dec. 10

In an impressive ceremony in which the honored queen's theme, "Silver Bells," was highlighted, the new officers of the Job's Daughters Bethel 137 of Lomita, were installed on Dec. 10 at the Lomita Masonic Temple. Serving as master of ceremonies was Dale Howard, Master Councilor of the Lomita DeMolay chapter.

Installed were Shirley Washburn, honored queen; Nancy Maxwell, senior princess; Carmen Gonzalez, junior princess; Maurette Shaw, guide; and Gloria Grubbs, marshal. Appointive officers installed were: Polly Bazile, senior custodian; Carol Lewis, junior custodian; Carol Allen, inner

guard; Carol Matthews, outer guard; Carol Matthews, recorder; Gloria Thorpe, treasurer; Doyleen Williams, chaplain; Gwen Smith, musician; Judy Jacobelly, librarian; Merrill

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