

Torrance Housewife Joins Husband In Interesting Amateur Radio Hobby

By VONDA CARLTON

A pert Torrance housewife, mother of two children has discovered there's not only truth but a lot of fun in the old adage "If you can't fight 'em, join 'em."

Mrs. Dolph D. Tuggle, 1121 Hickory Ave., decided that rather than become a ham radio widow, she'd join her husband in his hobby.

Operating a ham radio set-up is not as simple as it seems — Mrs. Tuggle found herself back in school. This time she was learning the Morse code and the technical theory of radio.

Starting out as a novice, she now has attained the rank of technician and is working on a general license.

As a technician, she has the call letters K6RLC and operates on a six-meter band. This allows her to contact other hams with an area of approximately 50 miles.

"This prohibits relative amateurs from cluttering up wave lengths on which around-the-world contacts are being made," the vivacious brunette declared.

According to Mrs. Tuggle, more and more women are becoming ham operators. It's an all-absorbing hobby which affords women an opportunity to make new friends from all walks of life, she says.

The Tuggles have their "ham shack" in their back yard. Atop the building is a huge rotary beam antenna, which her husband puts to good use in making contact with hams in far parts of the world.

Inside the shack, radio and television equipment fills the little room. Receivers, microphones, generators, and head sets crowd the area. Along one side of the wall are posted cards, bearing the call letters of friends they've never met from Africa, New Zealand, Canada, Alaska, Mexico, Spain and other countries.

Mrs. Tuggle's husband, who is with the Los Angeles School Board Radio department, at 16 was one of the youngest commercial licensees in the world. He had his amateur license when he was 13.

And the Tuggles' daughter,

Susan, already is learning the Morse code at the ripe old age of 12.

Operating your own radio station has some definite rewards, relates Mrs. Tuggle.

For instance, there was the Christmas when her husband made contact with another operator in Hawaii. The man had a daughter attending UCLA and he had not seen her in two years. The Tuggles got in touch with the girl so she could talk directly to her father.

There is a great need for more women to become radio operators in case of disasters or emergencies, she said.

"Women can best be utilized to send and receive messages during the day-time when men normally are at work."

For those who care to own their own equipment prices start at \$3.95 and range as far as \$4000 and even more.

And while Mrs. Tuggle has joined 'em as far as learning to be a ham operator and work all the equipment in the

Allison-Gregerson Vows Read at Lutheran Church

Approximately 250 wedding guests assembled last Saturday afternoon, June 15, at 3 o'clock at the First Lutheran Church to witness the marriage ceremony uniting Miss Sharon Juanelle Allison and Eugene Dale Gregerson. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Allison, 2443 Andree, and Mr. and Mrs. Morris Gregerson of Santa Clara are parents of the bridegroom.

Mrs. Paul Wenske at the organ accompanied Miss Diane Powers who sang "Hand in Hand", "Because" and the "Lord's Prayer".

Miss Helen Jon Sands served as the honor attendant. She wore a hie green chiffon gown and carried a nosegay of yellow roses.

The bride came to the altar on the arm of her father. Two tiers of white tulle over white satin formed the skirt of her gown. The fitted bodice was of lace and detailed with a mandarin collar and long lily point sleeves. The shoulder length veil was held by a pearl tiara and she carried white roses encircling white orchids.

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(Herald photo)

EXCHANGING LEADERSHIP... these new officers of the Junior Woman's club pictured here with the retiring president took over the direction of the club for the 1957-58 year at an installation last Wednesday evening. From left, front row, they are Mrs. John Schwartz, president, Mrs. James K. Lees, retiring president; back row, Mrs. Lee Allen, second vice president and Mrs. William Rogers, first vice president.

Members of PTAs Set to Attend Meet

An invitation has been extended to all 23 PTA Units in Torrance, to attend a Parent Teacher Information course, according to the president of Flavian PTA, Mrs. Kenneth Edwins.

District leader, Mrs. Edward G. Kemp of Hermosa Beach will conduct the six week course, which will begin July 2 through August 6. The group will meet each Tuesday from 1 to 3:30 p.m., at the Flavian Cafeteria.

Some of the seven general topics to be discussed are, Parliamentary Procedures, Leadership, Committee's purpose and duties.

This course is highly recommended to those interested in PTA work, or just in the work, aims and functions of our California Congress of Parent Teachers Association, on every level.

Those persons interested should phone their president or call Mrs. Fred Griffiths.

Junior Woman's Club Installs New Officer Panel

Green and yellow, the club colors, were effectively used in decorating the Woman's clubhouse last Wednesday evening when the Torrance Junior Woman's club installed its new officers for the year. The head table was decorated with an arrangement of yellow carnations in the silver cup won by the Torrance Junior Choral group "The Pipers". Attached to the arrangement were green and yellow music notes and the theatre masks.

Other tables were decorated with the district and state awards won by the club. They were Penny Arts, Civil Defense and Americanism, most babies, press, Junior and Senior coordination awards.

Mrs. C. J. Troost, president of the CWFC junior membership installed the new officers using a "Star" theme. Installed were Mrs. John Schwartz,

president; Mrs. William Rogers, vice president; Mrs. Lee E. Allen, second vice president; Mrs. Earle Peterson, recording secretary; Mrs. Russell M. Clawson, corresponding secretary; Mrs. William Montgomery, treasurer; Mrs. Donald W. Mansfield, auditor; and Mrs. Lee Clotworthy, publicity chairman.

Other new officers are Mrs. J. G. Louvier, parliamentarian; Mrs. Barton A. Tatum, philanthropy; Mrs. James Van Dyck, Junior-senior aide; and Mrs. K. M. Boulter, federation.

Coordinators are Mmes A.F. R. Ewalt, W. O. Clausing and L. A. McCoy.

The state award winning Pipers presented a program. Members of the choral group are Mmes Allen Hofferber, Richard T. Brundin, James Van Dyck, Charles Briner, Sid

Gans and Earle Peterson.

Past president were also honored on this occasion. They are Mmes Ralph Ruffraff, Earl Clayton, J. P. Montague, H. P. Jensen, R. C. Morton, C. E. Wallace, Douglas Baldwin, C. Albert Smith and Robert L. Mowry. Mrs. Russell Clawson welcomed the past presidents and the response was made by Mrs. Douglas Baldwin.

Mrs. James K. Lees, retiring president, was presented with a gift from the club by Mrs. Hofferber. She was also given a gavel by the new president, Mrs. Schwartz. Mrs. Lees' past president's pin was presented by Mrs. Schwartz.

Mrs. Lees then presented Mrs. Schwartz with her president's pin and gave advisors' pins to Mmes John Melville, Delbert Thomsen, Lee McCoy and W. O. Clausing.

Special guests at the meeting were the new president's mother, Mrs. James Daniel of Monrovia, her sisters, Mrs. E. A. Schwartz of Torrance and Mrs. Robert Smith of Covina. Others were Mrs. B. D. Reece, president of the Marina district CWFC junior membership, Mrs. R. E. Moffit, president of the Torrance Woman's club, Mmes. A.F.R. Ewalt, D. J. Thomsen and John Melville, coordinators; and Mrs. Ray O. Ceder of San Pedro.

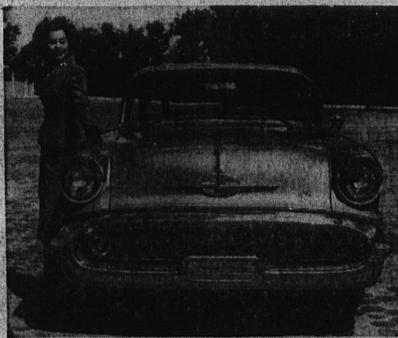
Sepulveda

Formation of a Sepulveda School PTA mothersingers group next fall has been announced by PTA president, Mrs. Ben Holden.

The announcement was made following a luncheon meeting of the past and incoming executive boards of the organization, held at the Fish Shanty.

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