



HOSPITAL STARTED . . . The Rev. Mother Genevieve, Provincial for the Little Company of Mary Hospital, turns the first spadeful of earth on the site of the facilities at Torrance Blvd. and Earl Ave. Earl symbolizing the start of construction on the modern hospital. Msgr. Thomas J. O'Dwyer, head of health and hospitals for the Archdiocese, offered the prayer and blessings at the solemn ceremony. Advisory Board Chairman Robert I. Plomert Jr., presided.

Ground Broken for Catholic Hospital

Construction on the Little Company of Mary Hospital at Torrance Blvd. and Earl Ave. is scheduled to start on Jan. 2, it was announced this week at formal groundbreaking ceremonies for the \$3 million facility.

Contract for construction has been tentatively awarded to Steed Brothers of Alhambra on their bid of \$2,728,000, it was announced by Msgr. Thomas J. O'Dwyer at the advisory board luncheon preceding the groundbreaking ceremony.

At the same time, Advisory Board Chairman Robert I. Plomert Jr., announced a campaign to raise an additional \$90,000 to finance addition of 21 beds to the projected 125-bed hospital.

"We can build the additional facilities now for thousands of dollars less than it would cost us to add them on at a later date," Plomert told the assembled community leaders.

Election of Glenn Koger of Rome Cable as vice chairman of the advisory board and George Post of California Bank as treasurer also was approved at the board meeting prior to the ceremony.

Approval of the contract to Steed Brothers is pending in Sacramento and is expected sometime during the coming week. Approval would permit construction to start on the proposed Jan. 2 date. It will take about 12 months to complete the project, hospital officials said.

On hand for the starting ceremony at the site were Monsignor O'Dwyer, Mother Genevieve, provincial of the Little Company of Mary Hospital here from Chicago, the Rev. Mothers Lucy and Magdalene, who will supervise the hospital project for the Little Company of Mary, and other hospital, church, construction, and civic officials.

It was revealed at the ceremony that Frank B. Trefethen, member of the pioneer San Pedro and Lomita family, would be field engineer for Steed Brothers on the project.

The Christmas portion of Handel's "The Messiah" will be sung today at 4 p.m. in St. Francis Episcopal Church, Palos Verdes Estates.

The 34 voice chorus, under the direction of Dr. Richard F. McClure, is the largest ever assembled in Palos Verdes. Members of church choirs in the South Bay Area will participate. Soloists are Mrs. Marilyn Niska, Mrs. Dorothy Mue- ters, George Bailey and John Hertert. The pipe organ has recently been renovated.

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'Bethlehem Star vs. Moscow Satellite' is Sunday Topic

"Bethlehem's Star versus Moscow's Satellite" will be the subject of the Rev. H. Earl Kuester at the Calvary Baptist Church, 2618 Manhattan Beach Blvd., for the duplicate services 8:30 and 11 a.m.

In the evening at 7:30 a musical dramatization will be presented. The music committee, Mrs. Helen Rials, chairman has had charge of the program with Mrs. Clyde Mitchell as coordinator and director. The presentation will be given in two scenes, the first at the city of Bethlehem and the second within the stable.

Choir Told
The adult choir under the direction of Ted Bishop with Mrs. Helen Rees, accompanist, will furnish the musical background for the tableaux and sing one special number. A junior choir under the direction of Miss Laura Dunagan, a primary choir under the direction of Mrs. Frances Kimber with Miss Pamela Bareford directing, a junior verse choir under the direction of Mrs. Velma Clements will be a part of the program.

The part of Mary will be taken by Mrs. Claire MacAllister. Joseph will be played by Paul MacAllister, the announcing angel will be Dorn Jean Christ, the three wise men, Bob Bareford, L. J. Fires and Clyde Mitchell; the shepherds, Thomas Mohn, Donald Bain and Irvin Kimber.

The soloists will be Sarah Fandy, Kay Bareford and the Wise men. The women's trio, Helen Rials, Kay Bareford and Barbara Koots will sing. The scenery is being made by Bob Bareford, Laura Dunagan, Mary Sims and Paul MacAllister; the costumes by Mrs. Frances Kimber and Mr. Frank Fitzgerald will do the electrical work and lighting effects.

Program Set
Tonight at 7:30 the Woman's

Lutherans to Hold Sunday School Rites

The festival of Christmas will be introduced at the Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd at 10:45 a.m. today, when the Sunday school will present its Christmas service, entitled "God's Christmas Gift."

The program will be presented at the new congregation's temporary place of worship in the Anza School, 21400 Ellinwood Dr. The Sunday school will meet for rehearsal at 9:30.

At 10:45 a.m., Wednesday, the Lutheran church of the Good Shepherd will have its first Christmas festival service at the South Bay Community Church of the Brethren, 2671 W. 190th St. "Christmas Is for You" will be the theme of the sermon by the Rev. Gerald W. Garlid, pastor, who also will have a brief message especially for children.

Christmas anthems will be sung by the church choir, directed by Mrs. Harold Townsend, and the children's choir, directed by Mrs. A. C. Uglum. Child care will be provided during the service.

Christmas festivities of the congregation will continue on Sunday, Dec. 29, when the Sunday school will have a special Christmas session for children, young people, and adults at the Anza School at 9:30.

The special program will feature pictures taken in the Holy Land by Elmer Hendrickson, a member of the congregation. At the morning worship hour at 10:45, the congregation will have its Christmas Holy Communion, and there will be a reception of new members.

The Wesley Fellowship, comprised of college and working youth, will present the play, "No Room in the Hotel." Set in the lobby of a small mid-western hotel, the story presents the message of Christmas in modern-day situations. Appearing in the cast are Sally Speck, Tom Sanders, Claudia King, Ramon Davis, and Oren Horst. Also appearing are Betty Hope, Rev. Don Shelby, and Janice Nichols. The play is under the direction of Jane Moffatt.

Society will hold their Christmas program. Fred Berger from the Los Angeles Baptist City Mission Society will show films of the Holy Land. Refreshments will be served by the May Hill and Margaret Hall circles. Anna Varga and Margaret Casaky, the Hungarian escapees sponsored by the church since last January will be special guests. They will bring Hungarian cookies which will be served at refreshment and fellowship time.

On Monday evening the Youth of Calvary will go caroling in the church school bus. The sick and the older folk of the church will be visited.

Methodist Choir Will Sing Carols

Christmaseve services in the First Methodist Church, 1551 El Prado, will be held on Tuesday, beginning at 10:30 p.m.

A ceremony of carols by the chancel choir of the church will be followed by the rite of Holy Communion. The sanctuary of the church will be lighted by candles held by a candelabra whose design comes from a cathedral in Germany where they are used on Christmas Eve.

The ceremony of carols will feature music of many lands and peoples. Included in the service is a Cornish carol, "Righteous Joseph," a Catalonian marching song, "Fum, Fum, Fum," a carol from the Sioux Indians, "Stars Lead Us Ever On"; and a 14th century English carol, "The Virgin's Plaint."

A French carol, "Come Marie Elizabeth" will be sung by the Carolers, a special group from the children's choirs. Other numbers to be sung are "Christmas Day," "Gloria in Excelsis Deo," and the Negro spiritual, "Oh Po' Little Jesus Boy."

ST. JAMES CHRISTMAS RITES SET

Solemn High Mass at St. James Catholic Church, Redondo Beach, will be held at 6 a.m. Christmas morning, with the St. James Parish adult choir furnishing the music.

Low Masses will be at 7:15, 8, 9, 10, 10:45, and 11:30 and Missa Cantat at 12:15. There will be a solemn benediction after the last Mass. At the 8 o'clock service, children will sing hymns and carols.

Tuesday, Christmas Eve, will be a day of fast and abstinence, with no meat allowed.

Confessions will be heard Sunday during all Masses and on Tuesday from 9 to 11 a.m., 2:30 to 5:30 p.m., and 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Children to Give Program This Evening

The primary through intermediate departments of the Sunday school will present a Christmas program and pageant tonight at 7 p.m. at the first Lutheran church, Carson and Flower.

The senior and junior high choirs also will sing.

On Christmas Eve, the senior choir will present a Christmas cantata, "The Echo of Christmas," at 7:30 under the direction of Elmer Winter. A film strip will be shown simultaneously with the singing.

A divine worship service will be held at 10 a.m. on Christmas morning, with Pastor Paul Wenske preaching on "Jesus Is Come."

BIG, LITTLE BRAVES ON EXCURSION

The Shoshone tribe of the Torrance YMCA Indian Guide went on a week end outing last Saturday, taking a ride on a streamliner from Union Station to Glendale.

At the journey's end, transportation was provided by two station wagons driven by big Horton Jones to Traveltown at Griffith Park. Both big and little braves enjoyed the display of old locomotives and other modes of outdated transportation immensely and highly recommended to other tribes looking for real enjoyment.

The next stop was the Griffith Park Observatory just in time for the Planetarium show. Big and little braves making the outing were Hernan and Duke Cortez, Frank and Lee Anderson, Horton and Mike Jones, Herb and Lewis Perkins, and Ed and Jim Bramlett.

Cantata Set This Evening

A Christmas cantata, "A Star in the Sky" by Bruce Carl-ton, will be presented this evening at 7 p.m. by the choir of the First Baptist Church of Welteria, Park and Newton Sts.

Norman Goodrich will direct the music, which will be accompanied by colored slides of Nativity scenes. Soloists are Mrs. J. Richard, soprano; Mrs. R. Furlong, contralto; Nelson Harvey, tenor; and Charles Vesper, bass. Mrs. Larry Ward will be pianist.

Six-Year-Old Injured

A six-year-old Torrance boy was injured in an accident Wednesday in front of 668 Calle Miramar.

The lad, Robert Decker, 329 Avenida Atezado, was a passenger in a car driven by Margaret Underwood, 69, of Los Angeles.

The Underwood car, police said, crossed over the street and hit a parked car registered to Charles E. Hollister of Arcadia.

Final Rites Held in Chico for George Bradford, Early Resident

Funeral services for George H. Bradford, 67, a resident of Torrance from 1919 until 1945, were held at Chico Friday. Mr. Bradford, who had lived at 1530 Forest Service Rd., Paradise, Calif., since moving from Torrance, died in Chico Thursday morning. He had been a patient at the Enloe Hospital in Chico for several days, and had suffered a lengthy illness.

Attending services from Torrance were his son, George A. Bradford, and Mrs. Bradford of 1323 Beech Ave.

The late Mr. Bradford was a charter member and former Governor of the Redondo Moose Lodge and was a member of the Redondo Beach Elks Lodge 1378 and the May Bill Post 2039, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Prior to his retirement in 1945, Mr. Bradford was employed at Bethlehem Ship Yards in San Pedro where he spent 20 years. After his retirement from Bethlehem, he was employed by the Butte County road department for seven years, retiring two years ago.

During his long life in Torrance, Mr. Bradford was active in a number of fraternal organizations, and was a past commander of the VFW, former Scoutmaster of Boy Scout Troop 219, and had been active in the Boy Scouts for many years.

Rosary was recited at 7:30

CHILD HURT IN CRASH

A car carrying five youngsters was involved in an accident Friday night at Sepulveda Blvd., near Ocean Ave.

One of the youngsters, Shirley Vaughn, 6, of Hawthorne, received a bump on the head and was taken to a family doctor by her parents.

Drivers of the cars were Noyce Allen Vaughn, 34, of Hawthorne, and Barbara Gillman, 19, of Lomita.

Vaughn was cited by local police for driving to the left of a double white line.

Canine Warns Of Burglar

A dog is not only Alex Abrahamson's best friend, but he's also his best burglar alarm. Abrahamson, 45, of 3627 W. 171st St., credited his dog with the discovery of a burglary suspect who was hiding in the closet of the family home.

He told police that when he arrived home from work, the dog was acting strange and led him to the bedroom.

The victim said when he opened the door to the closet a man lunged out, yelling: "I'll kill you."

The burglar ran past Abrahamson and left the house. Canine heroine was "Sheba," an eight-year-old cocker spaniel.

Knowland

Breeze, seated at the speakers' table were mayors of the beach cities and their wives and Assemblyman Charles Chapel. Mayor Le Roy Center of Redondo Beach expressed his gratitude for the community and presented the honored guest with a yachtman's cap and a certificate making him "Honorary Chairman of the Harbor Commission."

The senator, now a candidate for governor, was accompanied to the reception and dinner by Mrs. Knowland, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Shattuck and Paul Manolis, his secretary.

Crash Hurts Two Children

Two youngsters were injured when two cars collided Thursday in front of 4020 Pacific Coast Hwy.

Taken to a private physician was Corrine and Charlene Shideler, daughters of one of the drivers, Charles Woodford Shideler, 26, of Manhattan Beach.

The other driver, Robert Emmett Blair, 40, of 2608 Carson St., was cited by local police for making a left turn from the wrong lane. Blair's car was hit from the rear by the Shideler auto.

Robert F. Pickle

Funeral services for Robert Frank Pickle, 78, of 3919 W. 187th St., will be held at Stone and Myers Mortuary Chapel here at 10 a.m. Thursday, with Rev. J. J. Penner officiating.

Mr. Pickle died yesterday at Hondo, Calif.

He is survived by three sons, Lloyd, of Torrance; R. F. Pickle, Modesto; and J. T. Pickle, U. S. Navy; and two stepdaughters, Mrs. Mae White, Earl-mart, Calif., and Mrs. Nelson Buby of San Diego. Ten grandchildren also survive him.

Interment will be in Green Hills Memorial Park.

Andrew Jaunsem

Death this week claimed Andrew Jaunsem, 73, a veteran National Supply Co. employe who had lived in Torrance for 37 years.

A resident of 2276 Eldorado, Mr. Jaunsem was employed by the National Supply Co. for 35 years. He died here Friday.

No services are planned, but the body may be viewed from 2 p.m. until 5 p.m. today at Stone and Myers Mortuary. Private final arrangements are being planned by the family.

Mr. Jaunsem is survived by his widow, Malvina; a son, Alfred A., of 2278 Eldorado; a daughter, Olga E. Noble, of Tujunga; and two grandchildren.

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