



OF DAYS GONE BY . . . Fun of their high school days and what's happened since then took the spotlight last Saturday evening when members of the Narbonne High winter class of 1935 gathered for a dinner reunion at the Palms restaurant. Even their teacher was there, Miss H. Marie Stiff who had taught them from the 6th grade through high school. Miss Stiff resigned in 1958 after teaching in Lomita since 1923. Pictured at the table

with their teacher are from left, front row, Edith O'Neill, Marie Kennedy Nondus Sillo, Julia Brown, Miss Stiff, Jane Nourse, Geneva Aspen, Joyce Robinson, Merrill Jansen and Helen Stiles. Back row, Joe Ramirez, Louie Parker, B. J. Cannistraci, Alfong Bergstrom, Joe Haslam, Helen Higgs, Norvel Vorhis, Dorothy Schmidt, Norman Robinson, W. J. Barnett and Ed Poole. (Stanford Photo)

First Western Deposits Top Billion Mark

First Western Bank and Trust Co.'s June 30 Statement of Condition released by President Mont E. McMillen yesterday showed deposits in excess of \$1,000,000,000. The new deposit total is \$1,007,251,869., up \$85,751,364. from last June's figure of \$921,500,505. At the same time, total assets reached \$1,095,662,823., an increase of \$89,773,381. over last June's \$1,005,889,442.

U. S. Government securities showed a gain of \$17,323,334 from \$296,914,812 in June 1958 to \$314,238,146. in June 1959. Loans and discounts also showed substantial increases, rising from \$472,963,170. to \$537,150,013.

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DR. JONES TO DELIVER 'FREEDOM' SERMON

Dr. R. Murray Jones will deliver a sermon entitled "Freedom" at services to be conducted Sunday at 1957 Redondo Beach Blvd. by the First Presbyterian Church of Gardena.

Vacation church school will take place at the church school building, 1842 Gardena Blvd. for two weeks beginning Monday. Registration will be this Sunday and Monday.

Industrialist Named To Board for S.I.A.

George S. Wing, general manager of the Hi-Shear Rivet Tool Co. of Torrance, has been named to the board of directors of the Strategic Industries Assn. at the group's annual meeting in Ojai.

Players Set Casting for 'Dear Ruth'

Casting for the play "Dear Ruth," the first production of the Footlight Players of North Torrance, will take place Monday, July 6, and Monday, July 13, at 8 p.m. at the Edison School, according to Herman Bookman, director.

Al Sturmer is production manager for the theatrical group's first enterprise. The Footlight Players are sponsored by the North Torrance Civic Improvement Assn.

Persons desiring additional information are asked to contact Mrs. Geer, secretary, at DA 7-9486.

LOCAL PTA ACTIVITIES

Greenwood

At the last association meeting of the Fern-Greenwood PTA, Joe Wilcox, secretary of the YMCA, gave an informative talk on recreational facilities near and far, entitled "Where to Go and What to Do." Sparked with his delightful sense of humor, he reminded the group of the many entertaining things they could enjoy as a family in their backyard, in their town, and within a few hours drive of Torrance.

An event that all of Fern-Greenwood looks forward to is a play presented by Herman Bookman's 6th grade class. The play this year was of oriental theme easily recognized by all in attendance as one of much fame. An excellent job was done by all the children from stage hands to star.

A tribute to all mothers in the form of an original skit by Sally Mason, Torrance High student, was presented. Miss Lena Redfern, teacher, portrayed the mother, with Julia Lougee, Naomi Morgan and Donna Stark, members of the Fern-Greenwood Mothersingers, singing "Mother," with Opal Herrmann at the piano.

Installation of the officers for the 1959-1960 year was held at the end of the business meeting. Mrs. Francis Stoeckle, past president of the Torrance Council PTA, was the installing officer for the following: Mrs. G. W. Ackerman, president; Mrs. Bert Lynn, first vice president; Mrs. Jack Waters, second vice president; J. S. McGee, third vice president; Mrs. G. E. Northington, recording secretary; Mrs. S. F. Albright, corresponding secretary; Mrs. D. D. Watkins, treasurer; Mrs. A. E. McVicar, historian; William Hamblon, auditor; Mrs. A. L. Campbell, parliamentarian.

Seaside

The last two weeks of the school year were busy ones for the Seaside PTA. The May meeting sponsored a fashion show featuring the handwork of the Eighth Grade girls with each seamstress modeling her own creation. Mrs. Harry Harter, the outgoing president, reviewed the accomplishments of the year, with expressions of gratitude to those who had helped make the year a success.

Jim Miller, the incoming president, reported to the meeting on the State Convention held in May in Los Angeles. He then introduced Mrs. Robert Hagenbaugh, Torrance Council first vice president, and outgoing president of the Madrona Elementary School, who installed the incoming officers. Those installed with Mr. Miller were Mrs. W. L. Eden, first vice president; Mrs. John Hanly, second vice president; Mrs. Jack Walters, third vice president; Mrs. Harley Lynch, fourth vice president; Mrs. Edward Aiken, recording secretary; Mrs. Nicholas Glass, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Kenneth Daniels, treasurer; Mrs. John Mallory, historian; Mrs. Harry Harter, parliamentarian.

Following the graduation exercises, the PTA sponsored a dance for the Eighth Grade. Mrs. Floyd Newell and Mrs. James Miller, room mothers, were assisted by Mmes. J. W. Black, Joe Hoover and Clyde Miller. The decorations took the form of cameos of boys and girls in gowns and mortarboards, black on white, with each graduate's name on the white background.

The next day the same committee was aided by Mrs. Warren Boggs in honoring the graduates with an all-day picnic at Sea-Aire Park. Mrs. Kella Olsen and William Zecher, eighth grade teachers, supervised the activities.

White

Stephen M. White PTA executive board held a short business session Tuesday, June 9. Mr. Cartwright gave his thanks to Mrs. Oscar Smith and the board for the year's cooperation, and invited the board to the graduation.

The board presented Mrs. Smith a gift of appreciation. After the meeting board members were guests of Mrs. Glen Mullin, new president, at her home. Honored guest was Clara Virona, girls' vice-principal. Mrs. Smith presented a gift in the name of the board to Mrs. Mullin for hospitality.

Those attending were Mmes. Smith, Mullin, Virona, Ralph Grebe, E. N. Reese, Herman Isehbiss, E. R. Alves, C. W. Wittenburg, Oliver Tyson, C. E. Johnson, Jack Spence, Richard McMahon and Mrs. H. T. Runge.

Father-Son night was held May 21, in the auditorium. Several selections were presented by the Stephen M. White Orchestra and Glee Club. Gymnastics were presented by the Banning gym team.

Guest speaker for the evening was John Wooden, head basketball coach at UCLA. The Rams football film was shown. Awards given for sportsmanship went to Charles Dome, Bruce Smith, and Ben Mue. Industrial arts awards winners were: Arthur deVos, Conrad Dogil, Nolan Dane, Eugene Schmitt, Edwin Skorupski, Jim Hight and John Eckard.

In Whitehall there was also an industrial arts exhibit. Refreshments were served at this event by PTA mothers, Mmes. Oscar Smith, Glen Mullin, Richard McMahon, Jack Spence, and Student Helpers Glen Myers and Randy Gilbert.

Council

First meeting of Torrance Council PTA's new board took place at the YWCA building Friday, June 5, at 10 a.m. Mrs. William Poser presided.

The Council voted to co-sponsor the Dr. Barney Katz series "You can have a better marriage" in October with the Adult Education Dept.

Budget, finance and by-laws committees were appointed to meet during the summer.

Two Torrance Council members holding district chairmanships were introduced: Mrs. V. B. Terry, extension chairman, and Mrs. R. R. Bardick, television publicity chairman.

Local chairmen were ratified as follows: publicity, Mrs. Lee M. Polick; record book, Mrs. Bert M. Richardson; finance and budget, Mrs. Ben A. Holden; extension, Mrs. Eldon M. Morgan; international relations, Mrs. Jack Erving; hospitality, Mrs. Evar Jansson; courtesy, Mrs. J. Begando; registrar, Mrs. Thomas N. Greene; room representative, Mrs. Marvin Richards; magazines and publications, Mrs. M. D. Scoles; program, Mrs. O. L. Winn, Jr.; honorary life membership, Mrs. J. Kenneth Edwins; membership, Mrs. William M. McDade; music, Mrs. Zygmond Giza; student welfare, Mrs. Orville E. Robinson and Mrs. William B. Forrest; dental health, Mrs. William Cassida; legislation, Mrs. M. Sparks; safety and civilian protection, Mrs. Mark Wright; recreation, Mrs. Robert Nielsen; juvenile protection, Mrs. Joseph Stuart; mental health, Mrs. Ralph M. Wood, Jr.; parent information, Mrs. Clint Chapman; radio and television, Mrs. Charles Swan; school education, Mrs. C. W. Strahm; citizenship, Mrs. Doyle P. Henderson; home reading and library service, Mrs. Alex Rosin; special education, Mrs. N. S. Goodrich; scholarship, Mrs. Otto E. Willett; and parent teacher information, Mrs. Francis J. Stutler.

Flavian

Rev. and Mrs. J. Kenneth Edwins were hosts recently at a barbecue in the backyard of their Torrance home to outgoing members of the Flavian PTA Executive Board. Mrs. Edwins is the outgoing president.

Those attending were Messrs. and Mmes. J. Russell, Chester Black, Charles Petersen, John Schriver, Thomas Myers, William Deuel, John Black, Bud Masterson, Thomas Meehan, Jack Febles, Jack Young, Don Gregor, Olaf Simengaard, James Kocis, Abbott Hatch, Fred Carroll, Bert Ferris, and Ralph Reese.

Carson

Program plans are well under way for the Carson Street PTA, it was announced by the chairman, Mrs. Abert Lam. At a recent meeting with Mrs. M. Q. Wallace, principal and new president, Mrs. Paul M. Nelson, plans were made for a full and informative year.

As her first official act, Mrs. Nelson presented the school a new 49 star flag for the classrooms.

Ways and means projects are in the making including monthly pop corn sales, paper drives, rummage sale, and movies for the children. The usual Halloween and May Day festivals will be enlarged, with surprising spectaculars highlighting each event.

With summer vacation in full swing, and school playgrounds crowded with busy youngsters, the ladies of the Carson St. PTA continue to work with children by aiding the playground directress in any way they can. Judging was done on the roller skating, one of the many activities offered.

Magruder

Monthly meeting of Magruder PTA was held at the home of Mrs. Clifford Morrow, on June 4 at 8 p.m.

Inspiration was given and Mrs. Emer Ecker, president, called the meeting to order.

New chairmen ratified were: Emblem and magazine, Mrs. LeRoy Mattocks; room representative, Mrs. William Freed; safety, Edwin Brown, principal; and youth organizations, Ira Hon.

A membership drive was planned for October and it was decided to sponsor movies every Saturday morning throughout the summer months to raise PTA funds.

The following board members were present: Mrs. Elmer Ecker, president; Mrs. Herman Redmerski, second vice president; Mrs. Amos Chadwick, parliamentarian; Mrs. Alvin Anderson, courtesy; Mrs. Walter Miller, publicity and record book; Mrs. Maurice Wisdom, Newsette; Mrs. Steve Goral, inspiration; Mrs. Donald Hoff, magazine and emblem; Mrs. Elroy Whittrock, corresponding secretary; Edwin Brown, principal; Ira Hon, youth; Roscoe Colclasure, art and auditor; and Mrs. Clifford Murrow, recording secretary. A social hour followed.

VIOLIN TEACHER BACK FROM TOUR

Spiro Stamos, Violin teacher of 1200 Ardmore, Manhattan Beach, has resumed teaching violin to area pupils after returning from an extended tour with the Boston "Pops" Orchestra.

A member of the Beach Citizens Symphony Orchestra, Stamos hails from Montreal and studied in Vienna under a Fullbright scholarship before setting up a violin studio in this area.



NEW TORRANCE HOSPITAL . . . Finishing touches now are being put on the 150-bed, \$3,500,000 Little Company of Mary Hospital at Torrance Blvd. and Earl St., which is scheduled for completion in September. Steed Bros. is the general contractor, and Verge & Clatsworthy, AIA, the architects. In

the foreground is Mother M. Lucy (left) and sister M. Carmelita of the Little Company of Mary, a nursing sisterhood founded in England 72 years ago, who will operate the hospital.

Trowbridge Installed By Lions Club

Douglas H. Trowbridge was installed as president of the South Torrance Lions Club at a dinner held at the Fish Shanty recently. The Hollywood Riviera attorney received his law training at Stanford University and served as an Army lieutenant during the Korean conflict. Before entering private practice, he was affiliated with the First Liberty Mutual Insurance Co.

Also installed by the North Torrance Lions were: John Wallace, Brian Hanzel, and George Jordan, vice-presidents; Myrl Rupel, secretary; Floyd Lee, treasurer; Dick Vendelan, bulletin editor; Rev. Tom Dillard, lion tamer; and Tony Di Mattio, tail twister.

Guests at the dinner-dance included: Mr. and Mrs. Sam Van Wagner, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Paker, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Weaver, and Dr. and Mrs. Arthur Wingard. Dr. Wingard, new deputy district governor, was installing officer.

To Pave Crenshaw Crest Rd. Portion

Work has been started on the paving of a two-lane roadway on Crenshaw Blvd. from Crest Rd. to approximately 2100 feet south, Supervisor Burton W. Chace announced today.

Pointing out that this improvement will materially improve the access to Rolling Hills-Palos Verdes area, Chace said that this portion of Crenshaw is a secondary highway on the County master plan of highways.

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Postal Clerk Gets Bonus For an Idea

Proving that it pays to have ideas when employed by the United States Post Office, James Conlon, who is a clerk at the Torrance Annex, this week is \$25 richer, less withholding tax, of course.

Conlon, in the Torrance postal department for the past six years, developed a method of express collection of mail. The plan of his idea calls for a truck to meet existing trucks that pick up mail from corner boxes in cities. This enables half of the mail picked up to be returned for sorting and not delivered until the routes have been fully covered.

Along with the government check was a citation of commendation signed by Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield and also by regional Director Vernet Scroggin.

Torrance Postmaster Clara Conner said the idea is a definite service improvement for both the general public and to business establishments as well.

When Mrs. Conner presented Conlon with the award he said the extra money would come in handy as he and his wife had recently adopted a two-year old boy "named James Jr., of course."

Registration Opens For Air, Dash Entrants

Entries are being taken for the second annual Airport Day handicap trophy dash to be conducted from Torrance Municipal Airport to Ramona Sept. 12, according to airport manager Jack Egan.

Entrants are advised to register with the Exchange Club of South Bay, Aviation Committee Chairman, P. O. Box 140 Redondo Beach.



IDEA PAYS . . . James Conlon, Torrance Annex postal clerk, receives a check for \$25 and a citation from Mrs. Clara Conner, Torrance postmaster. The award was for submitting an idea of expedite mail pickup from drops. (Herald photo)

To Present Talent Show

Two Yukon Elementary School classes will hold a talent show for parents at 11:30 a.m. Friday, July 10.

Students in the classes of Miss Marjorie Ann Painter and H. Allen Robertson have slated the talent show. Participants will be Bill Krodel and Susan Bradley, pianists; John Remlinger and Linda Curp, accordionists; Bill Whitow, ukelele player; Donna Powell and Pat Spence, pantomimists; Barbara Lind, vocalist; Steve Sorenson, drummer; and Bob Wiesner, trombonist.

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