

# for and about Women

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SECRETARY NOMINATED—Mrs. Gordon Goodwin, this week's winning candidate for the Torrance Woman of the Year Award, was photographed hard at work with boss Frank L. Smith, Western district sales manager of the West Virginia Pulp and Paper Company in Torrance.

## Mrs. Goodwin Third Nominee for Woman of the Year Award

By Janice Coe

"I have no children, so I think they should all be spoiled," laughs Mrs. Gordon Goodwin, third weekly winner of the Torrance Press Woman of the Year Award.

Her handsome face and large hazel eyes by turns thoughtful and merry, Mrs. Goodwin, who is secretary to the Western District Sales Manager of the West Virginia Pulp and Paper Company, talks with intensity about the youth of today. She takes their welfare to heart and translates her concern into active help for the young.

"I am intense about secretarial education," she states. "I'm thrilled to be a member of the committee which is planning the secretarial curriculum at Harbor Junior College. And best of all, I'm on the scholarship committees of the South Bay Chapter of the National Secretaries Association.

"There are so many young girls with ability who are in need of the help we can give. Our chapter has been in existence only three and a half years, and we've already given six scholarships," she says proudly.

Again the ready smile comes as she adds, "We women who founded the local chapter of the Secretaries Association are delighted to help the girls. There's a crying need for secretaries, and we want to encourage them so we can all retire.

"Seriously, while I don't believe every woman should necessarily work, I do think every young girl should know how to take care of herself. Being a secretary is one of the nicest ways a woman can do this. You remember the old saying, 'You attend to the details and let me do the work?' Well, women secretaries are fitted for just that."

Mrs. Goodwin's enthusiasm for life extends to her husband, her

home and her cooking. "I even bake my own bread," she says. Her husband's prowess as accountant and patio builder par excellence come in for their share of her praise. . . . as do her neighbors. She refuses to say what she does for them, insists only that, "I couldn't live without my neighbors. They all take care of me and spoil me."

It's obvious that one of her great joys is watching the children of her friends develop and grow, especially the girls as they turn from little "Alices in Wonderland into glamour girls."

Mrs. Goodwin looks like a sophisticated New Yorker, was born in a mining camp in Arizona and educated in Bakersfield. She and her husband came to Torrance 14 years ago, "to stay for a few months," and have never left. She speaks so glowingly about our town that her employees introduce her as a member of the Chamber of Commerce.

Formerly secretary to the Planning Commission of the City she says, "You couldn't work for the city as long as I did and not be thoroughly imbued with the spirit here. It's a friendly town. When you go downtown it's a good feeling to know all the merchants and realize that they really know you."

Bernice Goodwin seems a thoroughly happy woman whose energies easily and gracefully encompass her work, her beloved Secretaries Association, nieces, nephews, neighborhood children, listening to good music with her husband and reading. Her strongest words are in support of young people. . . . "They're good," she says, "far better than all the sensational stories you hear about them these days."

One final word from a woman who is successful both as a person and a careerist. "No matter where you work you should learn more about what your company does. It would be pretty drab if this company meant only paper bags to me. Learning is the road to advancement, and, most of all, to contentment."

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Those attending were Florence Wells, Bernice and Joyce Byrd, Louise Wiese, Lavina, Peggy, Edna, and Margie O'Neill, Sheila and Mary Ventura, Madge Muller, Millie Toney, Sharon Meneghion, Margaret Wild, and Sterleean Fanning.

Also Karen Collins, Gladys Evans, Diane Jensen, Alice Backstrom, Joan Keidser, Sondra James, Ruth Mounger, Peggy Franklin, Jeanne Narthey, and Milanie Mounger.

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MRS. THOMAS EMIL DEFOURI —Photo by Stanford

## Sandra Marie Stevens Bride of T. E. Defouri

Sandra Marie Stevens became the bride of Thomas Emil Defouri in a holiday service Dec. 19 at the Lutheran Church of the Resurrection, Hollywood Riviera. The Rev. Marvin Rygh officiated at the double-ring ceremony.

The new Mrs. Defouri is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Stevens Jr., 209 Via Colorin, Palos Verdes Estates. Her husband's parents are Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Defouri of 517 S. Camino Real, Redondo Beach.

The church was decorated throughout with Norwegian spruce offset by a large bouquet of chrysanthemums and gypsy on the altar.

The bride-elect, given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of white lace and peau de sole with lace inserts flowing into her train. A pearl crown secured her fingertip veil. She carried white orchids and stephanotis on a white Bible.

Jane Randall was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Jessie McDonald and Mrs. J. C. Kring, sister of the bridegroom. All were attired in blue satin and carried pink nosegays.

Mrs. Stevens, mother of the bride, wore a beige satin and lace ensemble with pink accessories. The bridegroom's mother was in a blue jersey sheath with black accessories.

Dale Defouri served as best man. Ushers were Greg Alexander and William Baty.

Following the ceremony, the couple welcomed guests at a reception in the bride's home. Highlight of the event was the bridal cake decorated with the same bride and bridegroom images used on Mr. and Mrs. Stevens' wedding cake in 1938.

Guests were also shown a letter from President and Mrs. Eisenhower congratulating the new couple.

Out of town visitors attending the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Werenskiold of Oakland, maternal grandparents of the bride; Mrs. K. C. Cook, Walnut Creek; and Mr. and Mrs. Russell Carlton, also of Oakland.

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MRS. ROBERT LOUIS DAY —Photo by Nylander Studio

## Gaylene S. Mallard, Robert Day Wed in Double-Ring Ceremony

Gaylene Sue Mallard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy C. Mallard, 4552 W. 161 St., Lawndale, changed wedding vows with Robert Louis Day Saturday in a double ring ceremony at Pentecostal Holiness Church. The Rev. V. L. Martin officiated.

Mr. Day is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stahl of 2611 Grand Summit Rd.

The bride-elect, given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of chantilly lace over taffeta featuring a sabrina neckline and fitted bodice. A crown of pearls and sequins held her fingertip veil. She carried white orchids on a white Bible.

Mrs. Bryan Smith was her sister's matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Teresa Wilhite and Gela Martin. All were attired in white organdy and carried carnations.

Debra Gay Smith, dressed in

pink organdy, was flower girl. Mrs. Mallard, mother of the bride, wore blue lace and a gray stole with beige accessories. The bridegroom's mother was in blue jersey with a corsage of white carnations.

Bill Fuller served as best man. Ushers were Vern Begley, Tim Day, and David Mallard.

Following the service, the new couple welcomed guests to a reception in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Reinhardt.

Mr. Day, a graduate of Leuzinger High School, is employed by Pacific Semiconductor's Lawndale.

Her husband was graduated from Culver City High School and is now with Nortronic's in Torrance.

After a wedding trip to Big Bear, Mr. and Mrs. Day will reside in Torrance.

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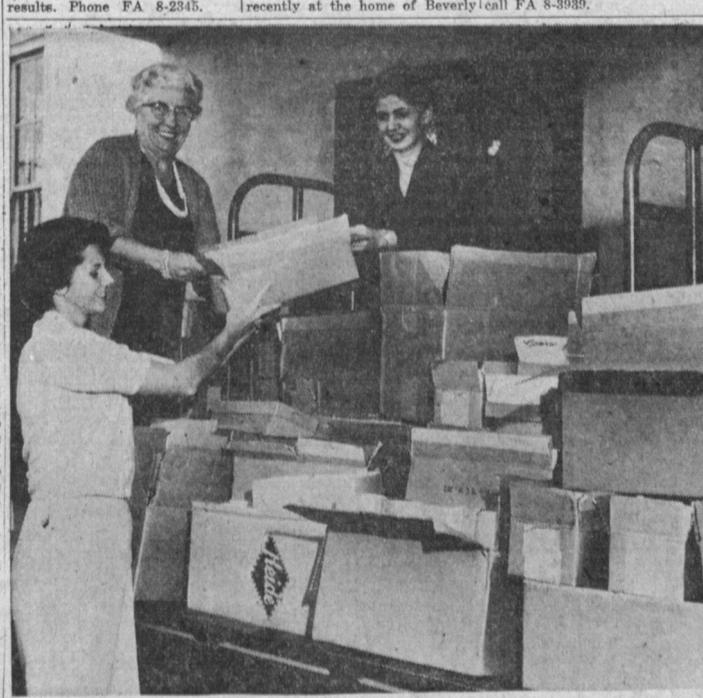
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ENVELOPES FOR POLIO—Mmes. Allen Hofferber (left) and Charles Briner (right) members of the Junior Woman's Club, and Postmistress Clara Connors, chairman of the Torrance March of Dimes 1960 campaign, keynote the drive as they unloaded boxes of donor letters at the Post Office.

## Tip to Toe

By Sylvia Miller  
Fashion Editor

The prettiest thing you can wear for the new year is . . . your heart on your sleeve!

The face of a woman, or a man or a child, who cares deeply about someone is a beautiful face. An empty heart can only be reflected in an empty face . . . and an empty face is ugly no matter how well the features are arranged or make-up applied.

No amount of mascara can cover the glitter of greed, no amount of rouge can camouflage the paleness of hate. Serenity of spirit comes in no cellophane wrapped packages, can be bought at no price.

So . . . though we deal in fashion . . . we wish you a happy, healthy, peaceful and loving New Year . . . so you may be truly pretty from tip to toe!