



NEW MEMBERS—Initiation for Catholic Daughters of America was held recently. Welcomed were (left) Mmes. Larry Caprio and Robert Snudden by (right) Mmes. Joseph Cemore, vice grand regent; and Robert Lewellen, Jr., extension chairman. Eleven new members were received into the Court of St. Catharine. Mrs. Donald Bryant presided at the local rites.

### "Divergent Youth" Problem Studied by Women's Club

California Federation's 70,000 members are concerned with the increasing number of "divergent" youth in secondary schools, and asks the Legislature to provide for a comprehensive study to determine needs and characteristics of these "who do not perform satisfactorily in a reasonably realistic and comprehensive high school program," through a resolution adopted at the executive board of the California Federation of Women's Clubs in San Francisco.

Canoga Park, and The Verdugo District Board Alumnae. The 1962 Convention will be May 1-5 at the El Cortez Hotel in San Diego. The Crockett Womans Club Clubhouse has been made "States Historical Monument."

### Beverly Ordway Studies Dental Hygiene Course

Beverly Ordway, daughter of Mrs. Beatrice Ordway, 2007 Plaza Del Amo, Torrance, is one of 10 students enrolled in a dental hygiene course at the College of Medical Evangelists.



MRS. GEORGE R. HOFFMAN ... nee Charlotte Gross Photo by Franklins

### Initiation Held for CDA Eleven New Members

Initiation for eleven new members into the Court of St. Catherine, Catholic Daughters of America was held recently at reception ceremonies conducted by the local court last week and at a neighboring court last Thursday evening.

Mrs. Donald W. Bryant, grand regent, presided at the local rites, held at Nativity parish hall, assisted by Mrs. H. Lee Burks, new district deputy. Mrs. Richard Ban of Torrance, newly appointed district deputy for several Southland courts, likewise shared honors with the grand regent of Court Madonna, Lynwood, Thursday evening, when two new members, Mrs. Patrick McManus and Mrs. John Binder, were received into Court St. Catherine.

Initiated at the earlier ceremonies were Mesdames John Barth, Gordon E. Cady, Lawrence Caprio, James J. Cemore, N. A. Duren, Bernard T. Karoski, Thomas McCormack, Robert Rodins and Robert Snudden.

The Rt. Rev. Msgr. Thomas J. McCarthy, chaplain of the local court, spoke to the group and welcomed the new members. Guests were present from several neighboring courts, St. Michael of Westchester, Our Lady of Providence, Hawthorne; Madonna of Lynwood, Sacred Heart of Inglewood, Mattheis of Huntington Park, San Fernando Mission, San Fernando; and St. Anne of Long Beach. Miss Mary Bruns, president of Camp Teresita Pines, was a visitor from South Pasadena.

#### HEEL TRAP

To avoid wide spacing on wood deck patios which could catch milady's narrow heels, some builders use a metal washer for uniform spacing of deck boards.

Donald, James Carlin, Frank Weston and Michael McMahon. A large delegation from the local court drove to Lynwood Thursday evening to greet new members and to be present for Mrs. Ban's first official function as district deputy. The Rev. Patrick J. McGuinness, formerly of Torrance, is chaplain of the Lynwood court.

### Mildred Cordell Pledges Vows to Roger Wright

Miss Mildred Jane Cordell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eursell S. Cordell of Lancaster, California, pledged her vows to Roger E. Wright when the Reverend Gerald W. Squires officiated at the marriage ceremony November 19 at the First Baptist Church of Palos Verdes.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Wright, 1727 Fern, Torrance, are parents of the groom. The bride chose a gown of white pure silk organza with Alencon and Chantilly laces, studded with baby seed pearls over white satin. The gown was fashioned with a fitted bodice, long pointed sleeves, and the hemline was tucked in front with a chapel train. Her imported English silk illusion fingertip length veil was held by a Chantilly lace double crown surrounded by pearls. She carried a cascade of white roses and miniature bouvardia.

Miss Cordell was given in marriage by her father at the double-ring afternoon ceremony performed by the minister from the Southern Baptist Church in Lancaster. Maid of honor was Miss Fran Parman, cousin of the groom. She wore a street length taffeta dress with a bouffant pale pink chiffon overskirt. She wore a matching half hat with short veil and carried a bouquet of white carnations and pink roses.

Bridesmaids were Misses Dora Johnson and Gail Carter of Lancaster. They wore identical American beauty taffeta sheaths with chiffon short sleeves. The dresses



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### Bar Mitzvah for David Himelson

David Himelson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Himelson, 26812 Shorewood, Rolling Hills, will become Bar Mitzvah (Son of the Commandments) Friday, Nov. 25, at 8:30 p.m. at Temple Menorah of Redondo Beach, 112 N. Catalina Ave., Redondo Beach.

David will be required to conduct the Sabbath service and to read a selection from the Book of Genesis in Hebrew and English. He will also speak briefly on the meaning of the Biblical passage.

Mrs. Himelson will begin the Sabbath service by reciting the ritual over the candles which are lit every Sabbath evening to welcome this special holy day.

During the service Himelson will hand his son the sacred Torah, the traditional scroll form of the Five Books of Moses, to symbolize the Jewish tradition which he has handed down to his son.

While David is holding the Torah Scroll, Rabbi Henri E. Front, spiritual leader of Temple Menorah of Redondo Beach, will bless him with the traditional "May the Lord Bless Thee and Keep Thee."

Musical portions of the Friday evening service will be sung by Harry Newman, Cantor. Temple Menorah Choir will be under the direction of Fay Newman, organist.

Following the ceremony, which is open to the public, an Oneg Shabbat, reception, will be given by Mr. and Mrs. Himelson in honor of their son.

panied soloist Ed Siudmak. At the reception held at the Palms Restaurant Mrs. Nancy Bradshaw of Flagstaff, Arizona registered guests. Following a honeymoon in San Francisco Mr. and Mrs. Roger Wright will be at home at 2212 W. 229th St., Torrance.

Mrs. Wright is a graduate of Northwestern State College, Alva, Oklahoma. She will return to teach at Flavin Elementary School, Wright graduated from Torrance High School; attended El Camino College, and now owns Wright Anserfone in Torrance.



MR. AND MRS. ROGER E. WRIGHT ... formerly Mildred Cordell Photo by Franklins

### Las Dumas Social Affair Festival of Fall Color

Social function of the season for Las Damas de Lasuen was held recently at Mary Star of the Sea Auditorium in San Pedro. Using a fall harvest theme, Mrs. James Meagher transformed the auditorium into a beautiful fall festival of color. Colorful Indian corn and vividly hued gourds teamed with eucalyptus leaves and papyrus flowers sprayed in autumn tones of orange, copper, yellow and gold along with yellow candles formed the centerpiece on the buffet table and individual tables.

A huge tree of gold, bronze and orange with twinkling lights set off the stage, on which the Bel-Aires sent forth danceable music. Among the many couples seen dancing were Messrs. and Mmes. Phil Ganman, Wilmington; Leo Foley Jr., San Pedro; Richard Haggood, Lomita; and Paul Sturdivant, Rolling Hills. Social hour preceding the dinner was especially enjoyable to the members, parents and guests of Las Damas de Lasuen as the principal, Father Joseph Pekarcik, was able to visit with the group, stated Mrs. John Perini, publicity chairman. Greeting latecomers were Mrs. Jackson Pearson in a purple sheath with matching shoes and crystal jewelry and

### Hi Neighbors Plan Christmas Party

Plans for the annual Christmas Party to be held December 13 at the home of Mrs. Robert Dean were discussed by the Hi Neighbor Club members at their recent meeting at the home of Mrs. Sander Olsen, 2019 W. 180th St. Mrs. Henry J. Smith in beautiful mocha brown crepe with topaz jewelry complementing her costume. Lovely in black was Mrs. Nicholas Maricich, reservation chairman. Wearing the new brilliant shade of green, Mrs. Dominic Comparisi was seen taking care of the refreshments. Mrs. Andrew Svornich, awards chairman, chose a touch of black fox to compliment her black sheath. The buffet dinner and dance was a large success and will benefit the Las Damas de Lasuen project, the school library at the new Catholic all boys High School, Fermin Lasuen.

### International Tea World Fellowship Project of YWCA

Torrance YWCA recently presented their International Tea as their World Fellowship project. The guests were entertained by Mrs. Nadine Nichols, vocalist and the slides of Europe shown by Reverend Milton Sipple. Tables representing Mexico were decorated by Mrs. Parke Montague; England by Mrs. Max Fuller; China by Mrs. Belva Brase; Japan by Mrs. James Deems; Turkey by Mrs. Kenneth McVey, and Hawaii by Mrs. Minnie Henderson. The American table was presented to the Torrance YWCA by the Torrance Woman's Club. It was decorated by Mrs. Dean Sears, and presided over by Mrs. Roy Apsey, president of the Torrance Woman's Club. It was carried out in a Thanksgiving motif. The silver offering will be used for the World's YWCA work in foreign countries.

### A Nebraska Wedding Trip For the George Hoffmans

In a double-ring ceremony performed November 12, at Nativity Catholic Church, Miss Charlotte Gross became the bride of George R. Hoffman. Officiating at the 3 o'clock nuptials was the Reverend Thomas Glynn.

The bride, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Gross, 5025 Jacques Ave., wore a gown of Chantilly lace and tulle fashioned with a scalloped neckline edged with mother of pearl sequins and with long pointed sleeves. A tiny pleated tulle crown caught her fingertip veil of English silk illusion and she carried a bouquet of white orchids encircled by carnations. Miss Gross was given in marriage by her father.

Miss Diane Gross, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. She wore an emerald green gown of taffeta with matching velvet head band and

green satin slippers. She carried a bouquet of mint green carnations. Identical gowns of brocaded silk emerald green with matching accessories, were worn by the bridesmaids, Mrs. Robert Kelton and Miss Joan Grogan. Attending his brother as best man was John B. Hoffman, Jr. John Gross, brother of the bride, and Fred Saari, Jr. were ushers. At the reception in the Knights of Columbus Hall, Redondo, serving the five tiered wedding cake she baked was Mrs. Jack Laisure. Miss Mary Gross, cousin of the bride, registered the guests. At the punch bowl were Mmes. Fred Saari, Jr. and Walter Lee. Mr. and Mrs. John W. Gross, grandparents of the bride, traveled from Lincoln, Nebraska for the wedding.

When Mrs. Gross greeted guests at her daughter's wedding, she wore a brocade dress in champagne tone accented with brown accessories. The bridegroom's mother was attired in a royal blue wool dress and she wore a flowered royal blue hat to complete her ensemble. Following the reception, the newlyweds left for a honeymoon trip to Nebraska. The bride graduated from South High School, Torrance. Her husband, a graduate of Torrance High School, is now employed by B & B Electronics, Gardena.

### Red, White Decorations Make Festive Fireladies' Installation

Mrs. George Blahnik was installed as president of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Torrance Fire Department at a luncheon held last Saturday at the Jump'N' Jack restaurant. Mrs. Ronald Power, outgoing president, conducted the ceremonies. Other new officers installed were: Mmes Richard Sprout first vice president; Walter West, second vice president; Sam Martin, secretary; and John Ferraiolo, treasurer.

Table decorations featured centerpieces of tall red tapers mounted in a base of frothy red net and white chrysanthemums. Red and white candy cups serving as place cards added a festive splash of color. Members of the decorating committee were Mmes Richard Sprout, George Blahnik and John Ferraiolo. Mrs. John Millard was in charge of door prizes. As a special attraction of the day the "Fireladies" were privileged to view a highly informative and exceptionally interesting Fire Prevention, "table top demonstration," conducted by special guests Battalion Chief Gordon Northington and his assistant Inspector Lee Palumbo. State officers here representing the Ladies' Auxiliary of the California State Firemen's Assn. were Mmes. Har-



OFFICERS SLATE—For the new year for the Fireladies, Ladies' Auxiliary of the Fire Department, are (left to right) Mrs. Richard Sprout, first vice president, who watches Mrs. Ronald Power, out-going president, give the gavel to Mrs. George Blahnik, newly elected president. Looking on are Mrs. Walter West, second vice president (standing in back of Mrs. Power) and (far right) Mrs. John Ferraiolo, treasurer. Mrs. Sam Martin, secretary, was unable to be present for the picture.