

Solemnity of Lent Breaks Social Calendar; Many Observe 40-Day Fast Period

Musicians to Give Concert Here Friday

A concert-recital by the Young Musicians' club of this city is scheduled for Friday evening at the Christian church beginning at 8 o'clock. George N. Mershon is instructor of the club and the concert will be free to the public. The following program will be given:

"Emerald Waltz" by the orchestra; "The Song of the Canoe," waltz, by Marjorie Dunham; "The Manikins," a characteristic march, by the orchestra; "Student's Concertina, No. 14" and "Waltz, Op. 123, No. 2" by Dancel Wagner's "Berceuse" is the next orchestra number, followed by "Song to the Evening Star" by Jim Prime.

"Reverie" by Englemann is another orchestral number and Betty Mae Weaver, violinist with the Torrance Symphony, will play "Concertino." Helen Ericson is to present "Hawaiian Fandango" and Instructor Mershon will play "Rubinstein's First Movement from Sonata for Piano and Violoncello. The orchestra will close the program with "Flag of Truce" march.

Betsy Hunt to Edit Narbonne Paper; Staff Announced

Betsy Ann Hunt has been chosen to edit Narbonne high school's paper, the Green and Gold, succeeding June Erickson, last term's editor-in-chief. The new editor was girls' sports reporter on the paper last semester and is also girls' sport editor of the yearbook. She also served as president of the Scholarship society, and has been active in the G. A. A.

By vote of the staff and reporters, Dorothy Hall was chosen assistant editor. She had previous experience in journalism as a club reporter and also the calendar editor of El Eco, Mitsuo Maruyama and Iwao Nishikawa, both in their second term of journalism, will act as co-sports editors. Kiyoto Nakakoa and June Lindgren will serve as business and circulation managers respectively.

The staff will be assisted by 12 students in beginning journalism who will write for the Green and Gold. Thirteen others will have charge of publicity for the outside papers.

Moose Lodge Dinner and Card Party

At the dinner to be served in the Moose hall 1951 Carson street, Friday evening (tonight), at 6:30 p. m., the menu will include baked ham or baked fish. Dinner will be served promptly from 6:00 to 8:00 p. m. to be followed by a card party. Prizes will be offered for high scores in bridge, pinochle and 500. There will also be a special prize.

Tickets for the dinner may be purchased from ladies or men of the Moose or at the door. Anyone wishing to come for the card play only may purchase tickets at the door for half price. Card play at 8 p. m.

Ladies to Visit Spanish Institute

Ladies of First Methodist church gathered Tuesday for their semi-monthly Aid Society meeting in the church parlors. After a short devotional service conducted by Mrs. Van Vorhis of Gardena, Mrs. L. C. Burgess held a business session and Mrs. O. E. Hall spoke on "The Life of Lincoln."

A group of ladies of the aid plan to attend the Lincoln Day celebration at the Spanish Institute in Gardena, Friday. They will take with them donations of soap and canned milk.

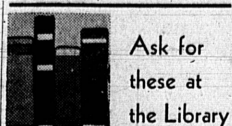
ADULTS PLAN CLASS TO STUDY ESPERANTO

Mrs. Marcus Edwards urges all interested in opening a class in Esperanto in Torrance to enroll at the office of Guy M. Mowry, principal of Torrance evening high school at their earliest convenience. As soon as the required number have enrolled the class will be opened.

Interest in the study of Esperanto was aroused in Torrance by Mrs. Louise Kilbright, who recently spoke before the Elementary School Parent Teachers' Association.

PLAN CARD PARTY

The Lomita Catholic Brotherhood will hold a card party Feb. 25 at the V. F. W. hall.



Ask for these at the Library

This England by Mary Ellen Chase (author of the charming "Mary Peters" and equally popular "Silas Crockett") is a travelogue of new and distinctive charm. Miss Chase records the impressions of a year spent in England in a series of pictures of England and the English, done in humorous yet deeply human vein. Though her descriptions of people and places are colored with wit and candor, a warm sincerity and understanding prevails throughout all the book. It is well worth reading.

Rich Land, Poor Land by Stuart Chase. This is a clearly written, easily read book about the natural resources of the United States. Chase writes dramatically as he always does, and he pictures for the layman a history of the waste of our physical resources and the disaster threatened thereby to the economic and cultural life of the United States. The book is illustrated and shows some remarkable photographs and charts. William Allen White rates this as "a book which should be made compulsory reading in every high school and college in this land."

President's Ball Fund Increased

A late check up on the proceeds of the President's Birthday Ball, held Jan. 30, at the Hollywood Riviera clubhouse, shows that the returns are better than reported last week. Approximately \$255 was collected from ticket sales over the necessary expenses. Seventy percent of that sum will remain here for the care and treatment of infantile paralysis sufferers. The fund will be administered by a local committee of physicians and civic leaders, headed by Mrs. Harry U. Higgins.

Lomita Clears \$136 The Lomita Birthday Ball committee made this report last night. Tickets sold, \$128.20, including refreshments and check room; expenses, \$55.89; total cleared, \$126.31. Sent to Washington (30 percent), \$37.89; retained for local infantile paralysis relief (70 percent), \$88.42. Thanks of the committee is expressed to all who assisted in any way with making Lomita's first Birthday Ball the outstanding success it was.

Studio Valentine Party at Studio

Kathryn Buffington, pianist and teacher will present a group of junior students in a costume valentine recital in her studio home, 1533 Marcelina avenue, Saturday, Feb. 13, at 2:30 p. m.

BEGINNERS' CLASS February 23, Mrs. Buffington will begin a six week's course for children aged four to six. A class of six and seven year olds. For further information phone 368.

BID TO DINNER A cordial invitation to all city officials and residents of Torrance to attend a chicken dinner with all proceeds going to mid-continent flood sufferers that will be held by the Redondo Townsend club, tonight at the Elks clubhouse, was received by the city council Tuesday night.

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Pre-Easter Preparation Halts Festivities as Old Church Custom Prevails Here

Yesterday (Ash Wednesday) ushered in the Lenten season which is observed by many of the churches in this community. Fasting will be an important topic until Easter Sunday, Mar. 28. Parties promise to be few until after this date, when mildy will burst forth in her gayest summer frock and bonnet for, mind you, the jolly prints that boast everything from blossoms to cabins and worn with large hats are most effective.

Many Talents



This is Harriet Colard, University of Southern California co-ed who, in addition to being a dancer, vocalist, pianist and actress, is a scholar as well. She was elected to Phi Beta Kappa, national scholastic honorary society, this week.

Townsend Club Activities As Reported By Beth Paige

We still have to bow to Old Flend Flu but those who are well enough are at the auditorium every Thursday evening. A group will be there tonight.

Our president gave a fine report of the Congressional mass-meeting of the 17th District held Jan. 29, where a lot of work was accomplished. We also heard in regard to the McGroarty bill which will make a fine "pork-barrel" for those who get administrative offices, so it is rumored, and will thereby leave mighty little for the aged to receive.

DR. MELNICK OPENS OFFICE AND LABORATORY

Bringing an experience of 18 years' general practice and surgery to Torrance, Dr. Louis I. Melnick, formerly of Los Angeles, has opened offices at 1509 Cabrillo avenue. He has installed complete laboratory facilities and plans to move here as soon as he can obtain living quarters.

Dr. Melnick, who specializes in diagnosis, practiced 15 years in Los Angeles after his studies. He graduated from the University of Vermont and took post-graduate medical work at Harvard and University of California, serving his internship at the San Francisco County hospital. For three years he was examining surgeon at the Los Angeles County Farm.

STOWAWAY



When Miss Billie Davis, above, lost her purse in Los Angeles recently she snatched aboard a transport plane and rode to San Francisco—first known instance of a hitch-hiker on the skyways.

Mrs. McKinley Is Hostess At Bridge

Mrs. May McKinley, 1407 Cota avenue, entertained at a dessert bridge in her home Thursday. Covers were placed for Mrs. O. W. Hudson, J. Shaw, Harry McManus, Ralph Hatton, F. C. Shields, Fred Knudsen, J. E. Haggard, Tom Kendrick, Bert Dye, F. W. Mineck, J. O. Moore and the hostess.

Prizes were captured by Mrs. McManus, Kendrick, Knudsen and Mineck.

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Kindergarten Class In Music Announced

Parents who have children a little too young to enter kindergarten this semester in the public schools, and who want some constructive activity for their children will be interested in the six weeks' course in musical training to be given by Kathryn Buffington at her studio, 1533 Marcelina, starting Feb. 23. Students of the same age are grouped four to a class.

The child need not have a piano at home to benefit greatly from this short course as the training is largely rhythmic, Mrs. Buffington says. Through the rhythm orchestra and the magic board, together with creative rhythms the student is taught the first fundamentals of music. The foundation is most important in any study, and these class lessons permit children to have a competent teacher when it is most necessary.

JACK MCVICAR CONVALESCING The many friends of Jack McVicar, who has been seriously ill at his home on Gramercy avenue for the past two weeks, will be happy to know that he is steadily improving.

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Dance Limit Law Adopted; Powell Explains "No" Vote

Ordinance 291, banning Sunday dancing and dances after 2 a. m., on week days was adopted by the city council on its second reading Tuesday night. Councilman George V. Powell explained his negative vote on the measure at his first reading, stating that "the reason I voted no on this was because I don't approve of interfering with home parties."

City Attorney C. T. Pippy explained that the ordinance said nothing about private functions, that it only regulated public dances. Powell joined the other councilmen then in adopting the law.

LUNCHEON GUESTS WEDNESDAY

Mrs. Viola Tyerrill of Orange, with her mother, Mrs. Emma Wood of Long Beach, were luncheon guests Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Carrie Parks, 1003 Portola avenue.

VALENTINE PARTY TO AID PROGRAM FUND

All is in readiness for the Valentine dessert bridge, which will be held at the home of Mrs. Carrie Parks, 1003 Portola avenue, Tuesday, Feb. 16, at 1:00 p. m.

The ten tables available have been sold. Proceeds from the party will be used to furnish entertainers for club programs. Assisting Mrs. Parks in entertaining will be Mrs. Jas. H. Crumrine and Mrs. J. Riley.

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