

Over 100 Present at District Legion Auxiliary Luncheon Here Yesterday

Torrance Unit Entertains in Honor of District President

Long tables attractively arranged and decorated in blue and gold, low bowls of bachelor buttons and marigolds placed at graceful intervals, attractive place cards marking September as educational month and a delicious luncheon started the year for the 19th district American Legion Auxiliary Wednesday.

The luncheon was served in the Legion hall on Carson street with more than 100 women in attendance.

Torrance Bert S. Crossland Unit 170 played hostess and at the same time honored its first district president, Lucille Lewellen, by presenting her with a lovely gift. After the luncheon a musical program was presented, which included selections by Torrance Unit glee club and vocal solos by Bee Shawyer.

Hold Business Meeting

Mrs. Lewellen presided at the business session, where the group voted to raise the price of president-secretary luncheons to 50 cents per plate. Luncheons formerly cost 35 cents.

Among distinguished guests at the affair were Beatrice Trumbull of Maywood, state poppy chairman, who left last night for New York City to attend the National convention; Helen Lechner of Inglewood, state radio chairman, who announced a broadcast from the national convention over KECA Monday, Sept. 20, from 11:30 a. m. to 12:30 p. m.

Mary Starkey, junior past president of the Los Angeles County Council and district membership chairman, assigned membership quotas to each of the 23 units represented at the afternoon session and urged that all get their quotas in time to qualify for citations.

Redondo Beach Auxiliary immediately on receiving its quota assignment challenged the Torrance unit to a membership race. This was accepted by Audie Modglin, local president. Bess Myers served as chairman in presenting the luncheon and Alice Thompson was dining room chairman. Some 20 other members of the Torrance Unit assisted.

Former Kansan to Teach Piano Here

A new music instructor was making plans to open a studio here. She is Mrs. Cora Salmons Hatfield, who recently arrived from Wichita, Kansas. A teacher of classical and popular piano music, Mrs. Hatfield is a graduate of DePauw University School of Music and also of the Christenson School of Popular Music in Chicago. She is a sister-in-law of Tom Hatfield, local resident. Mrs. Hatfield plans to announce her studio location shortly.

Child Finds Old Coins

SCITUATE, Mass. (U.P.)—Five-year-old Betty Martin unearthed a treasure trove—right in her own back yard. While digging at play, she turned up a large number of coins dating from 1700.

Party at Allens

HOME WALNUT PARK

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Jay Allen of Walnut Park, furnished setting for a delightful party Saturday evening, when Torrance friends gathered for a potluck dinner in their attractive gardens.

Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Al Stegmeyer, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Graham, Mr. and Mrs. John Fess, Mr. and Mrs. Archer Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Kendrick, Mrs. Elizabeth Brod, Mrs. Esther Dennis and Miss Eva McCormick.

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Shidler-York Rites Held Saturday in Whittier Church

Julia York, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Victor York of Whittier, became the bride of James G. Shidler, son of Dr. and Mrs. G. P. Shidler Saturday evening in St. Matthias Episcopal church at Whittier. Rev. Thomas R. Marshall of St. Andrew's Episcopal church, Torrance, read the marriage service in the presence of some 350 guests.

Miss York, lovely in gown of hand-made Irish lace and white satin, her bridal veil of tulle held in place with cap of Irish point lace and carrying a white prayer book on which rested two white orchids, was given in marriage by her father. Miss Alice Ruth York, maid of honor for her sister, was gowned in sailing blue taffeta with silver accessories and carried an arm bouquet of tulleman roses.

Miss Maribel Frantz and Miss Virginia Bailey, bridesmaids, were gowned in royal blue taffeta with silver accessories and carried bouquets of Briar Cliff roses.

Live In Whittier

Dr. Frederick Shidler served as his brother's best man and Bruce Martin and Kenneth McNeil were ushers. James Howe of Torrance played the wedding march and accompanied Frank Purcell, of Whittier college, who sang.

Mrs. Shidler, mother of the groom, was gowned in shell pink with white accessories and carried a corsage of pink roses and bouvardia. The bride's mother was gowned in royal blue with matching accessories and wore a corsage of tulleman roses.

After the wedding a reception at the York home was attended by 150 including many Torrance people. The bride and groom, both students at Whittier college have established a home at the Victoria apartments in Whittier.

Parent Education Class to Form at Narbonne

A Parent Education class, open to all residents of Lomita, will be formed next Tuesday morning, Sept. 21, in the Narbonne high school auditorium, according to Miss Clementina de Forest Griffin, principal. Mrs. Wright will be the instructor and the class will meet for two hours, from 9 to 11, each Tuesday morning.

The Narbonne P. T. A. executive will meet for the first time this term Friday afternoon and a general P. T. A. meeting has been called for next Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

POSTPONE CARD PARTY FOR TWO WEEKS

The attention of those who have purchased tickets for the card party, sponsored by St. Andrew's Episcopal Guild, Friday, Sept. 17, in the American Legion hall is called to the change in date for this event. The card party will be held two weeks later, Oct. 1, at the same place and at 8 p. m.

Bulb Does Trick Fall

CLEVELAND (U.P.)—On the front porch of Mrs. W. Voloshon's home an electric bulb with a sharp glass point at the bottom fell 7 feet from the ceiling and pierced the porch floor. The bulb did not even crack.

Kathryne Buffington Opens Interesting Piano Courses

With the opening of the fall season of 1937-38 Kathryne Buffington, pianist and teacher has completed 14 years of successful teaching, half of it in Torrance. Graduating from Washington State College in 1925 with a B.A. degree in music, she came to Los Angeles for further advanced study in piano, climaxed her study for the past four years with the distinguished pianist and teacher Richard Buhlig of Berlin and Los Angeles. Every summer Mrs. Buffington has attended the various classes given by the outstanding normal training teachers of the United States and she is ever alert in her search for the latest and best in music education.

Since 1929 Mrs. Buffington has been an accredited teacher with the State Board of Education, which entitles high school students studying with her to receive high school credit and grades for piano study. Piano students whose instruction is not based on a plan recognized as authoritative are taking lessons to no purpose and they gradually lose interest. It is a well-known fact that the average child who takes piano lessons stops at the end of the first year, or at the most the second year. This is a serious waste of energy because of his choice.

The work of the studio has been recognized throughout the neighboring cities and there are students enrolled from Wilmington, Waltham and Lomita. For years Mrs. Buffington has held monthly studio recitals here.

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N. B. P. W. Holds Farewell Party For Mrs. Haggard

National Business and Professional Women of Torrance gathered at the home of Lola Hoover, 1423 Acacia avenue, Monday evening to honor Ruth Haggard, charter member of the club, who leaves shortly on an extended visit to her old home in Missouri.

Mrs. Haggard was the recipient of many lovely handkerchiefs. Each was accompanied with a card bearing best wishes for a happy time.

Games furnished entertainment with prizes captured by Caroline Strohn and Cora Ellwood.

LONG BEACH WOMAN GUEST SPEAKER

Pearl Morse of Long Beach (chapter 506 Women of the Moose) will be guest speaker at the regular meeting of Torrance chapter Women of the Moose, when they gather at their hall on Cravens avenue, Friday evening, Moose Pals will be special guests.

CARD PARTY OCTOBER 6

The next party in the series of card parties arranged by Women of the Moose will be held in their hall on Cravens avenue, Wednesday, October 6. Save the date and plan to attend. Dessert served at 1:00 p. m. Proceeds benefit drill team.

Club Surprises Departing Member

At a dinner-meeting of the Kosmos club of Lomita last Saturday evening at the home of Mrs. Jewell Frederick, Miss Fanny Pirner, who left yesterday for a visit at her old home in Lexington, Mo., was delightfully surprised by the presentation of a number of gifts which were given her to make her journey more comfortable. Miss Pirner will visit in Kansas and Missouri for some weeks before returning to Lomita.

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