Harriett Hostess at 2nd. Birthday Party

One hundred fifty persons visited the Harriett Leech Flowers shop Tuesday to sup tea in an attractive setting that boasted all white decorations, and to congratulate Mrs. Leech on the second anniversary of the establishment.

St. Cecelia Guild of St. Andrew's church served the dainty sandwiches and cake. Tea was poured by Mrs. J. W. Post and Mrs. Fred Harder.

Talisman or rapture rose buds were presented to all visiting the store.

M. E. LADIES PLAN TURKEY DINNER

Ladies of First Methodist church invite the public to join them at their annual turkey dinner, which will be served in the church parlors Wednesday, Dec. 8, from 5:30 to 7:00 p. m.

An apron sale will be held in conjunction with the dinner.

SHOP TALK

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this week bestows a congratulatory pat-on-the-back for the clever and different manner in which she has decorated the two tiny windows of the Torrance Investment Co. office. One doesn't expect to see much Yulery about a real estate office, and to my knowledge Mrs. Adams' display, which in part is composed of religious characters, is the only TRUE Christmas display in Torrance.

McGUIRES HOSTS AT DINNER PARTY

Mr. and Mrs. Tom McGuire, 1411 Beech avenue, had as their dinner guests Thursday, Mr. and Mrs. John T. Scott of Inglewood, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. French of Glendale, and Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Chase of Los Angeles.

Attend District P.T.A. Meeting Today

Tenth District California Congress of Parents and Teachers met this morning in the auditorium of Hollywood high school.

Mrs. W. R. Goddard, presiding was assisted by Mrs. W. E. Sheppard, sixth vice president and Mrs. R. W. Gesser, seventh vice president. Hostess Associations were Hollywood and San Fernando.

"Why The Chimes Rang" a Christmas play extolling humility, self sacrifice and love was presented by Bret Harte, Junior high school drama and music classes.

Boys' and girls' glee clubs accompanied by Bret Harte orchestra furnished music for the play.

The theme for today's program was "The Spiritual Family." Local associations were represented by Mmes. Harold Smith, W. H. Tolson, Chas Woodcock, R. S. Sleeth, W. J. Bowers, Harold McAvoy and Wm. Jolley.

Classic of Stage Now Talkie, Will Show at Church

"The Passing of the Third Floor Back," an all-talking motion picture, starring Conrad Veidt, will be shown at the First Methodist church, El Prado and Manuel avenue, Tuesday, Dec. 7, at 7:30 p. m. The public is invited and a free will offering will be taken.

This play has become a classic of the English speaking stage. Written by Jerome K. Jerome, it was originally produced in London in 1908. The story is of a group of people—loving, hating, struggling—for existence under one roof, that of a London boarding house. Each individual typifies in one form or another, the frailty of human nature. In short, the house of the story is the world in which we live. Its characters are ourselves. And into this troubled world comes a Stranger who tarries awhile and then passes on to another destination, leaving the boarders with a picture of their better selves that only the Stranger had ever seen.

EDDIE CANTOR OUT-ALIS ALI IN COMEDY

Fun-making Eddie Cantor and hit-making Twentieth Century-Fox have combined their talents for the first time and really go to town as the comedy king of screen and radio stars in the most hi-de-hilarious, extravaglorious entertainment either has ever made, "Ali Baba Goes to Town," featuring Tony Martin, Roland Young, June Lang, Louise Hovick and a tremendous cast, which opens Sunday at the Torrance theatre.

"Ali Baba Goes to Town," is the most magnificent combination of colorful-extravaganza, side-splitting comedy, song hits, beautiful girls, exotic dances, brilliant dialogue and lavish sets in the history of fun.

Equally as important is a revolutionary new three-tone tinted process utilizing sepia and copper as the basic effects. A combination of blue and orange, mixed with copper is used for the night sequences, while sepia, amber and copper provide the special effect for the daytime episodes.

The new, surpriseful Cantornado of laughter becomes a grab-Bagdad of fun as Eddie turns Bagdad into Gag-dad when he snaps it up to date with a head-tax on harems, a tail-tax on camels, a harem-reduction program, slips carpet tacks under the sit-down strikers, and snaps the Sultan into step with the march of time.

Holly Picking Banned; But Mistletoe Is Not

Red clusters of Photinia arbutifolia, otherwise known as California holly, Christmas berry, or Toyon are now adding their dash of color to the County's wooded areas.

This fact today brought a reminder from Spence D. Turner, county forester, that the picking of this shrub, except with written permission of the owner, is prohibited by state law and is punishable by a maximum fine of $500.

Mistletoe is not protected by law, so it is permissible to pick it if proper owners do not object. Mistletoe is an undesirable plant, as it is a parasite which attaches itself to poplar, oak and other trees and saps their vitality.

Chinese Consul to Address Rotary

T. K. Chang, Los Angeles consul for the Republic of China, will address members of the Torrance Rotary club at a dinner-meeting tonight, giving the Chinese interpretation of the Sino-Japanese war. He was educated in an American university and was recently assigned to the Los Angeles office by New York superiors in view of the increased demands on the consular post in this area. The Rotary club is planning to have a representative Japanese speaker in the near future to give Nippon's side of the conflict.

Becker to Address Lomita P.T.A. Meet

President Roy Becker of the Los Angeles city board of education will be the principal speaker at the Fathers' Night program to be given by the Lomita Elementary school P.T.A. next Wednesday, Dec. 8. All friends of the Lomita school are cordially invited to attend.

BETTE DAVIS, CANTOR STAR ON PROGRAM

Again given a photoplay that has plenty of scope for her unique emotional talents, Bette Davis comes to the Plaza theatre in Hawthorne Saturday in "That Certain Woman," Warner Bros. melodrama.

Adventure — romantic love — martyrdom—mother-love—are all portrayed by blonde Bette in the course of this exciting drama, which was both written and directed by the celebrated Edmund Goulding.

"That Certain Woman" is a story about the widow of a slain gangster, who despite the scorn of the world and the persecution of enemies, wins her way to business success and to the affections of a worthwhile man.

Henry Fonda carries the male romantic interest, while others in the cast include Ian Hunter, Anita Louise, Donald Crisp, Hugh O'Connell, Mary Phillips and Herbert Rawlinson.

Locales of the action include Monte Carlo, with some very striking sets, London, Paris and various other Old World capitals, as well as New York City.

Today's greatest fun-maker, Eddie Cantor, and the greatest musical hit-makers, Twentieth Century-Fox, combined talents and resources to produce the famous comedian's greatest starring mirth-musical spectacle, "Ali Baba Goes to Town," which also opens Saturday at the Plaza theatre. Tony Martin, Roland Young, June Lang and Louise Hovick head the important supporting cast.

DETOUR

Col'm Under Construction
By BETSY BYRNES

"There's beauty all around our paths, if but our watchful eyes
Can trace it 'midst familiar things, and through their lowly guise."
—Felicia D. Hemans.

Of course there is! There's beauty in every little blade of grass.

QUESTIONS

Grass makes us think of grasshoppers. Can grasshoppers hear?

Who invented the sandwich? Last week our artist friend Alice asked that question, and believe it or not, the only one in a group of six who knew the answer was an interior decorator. Do you know the answer?

How do you pronounce the words arctic, salmon and verbatim?

TODAY'S PROVERB

"Steep regions cannot be surmounted except with winding paths."
—Goethe

ANSWERS

Yes, grasshoppers can hear. Some of them have auditory organs on their legs, others have them on their abdomens. Male grasshoppers are the only ones who can make a sound. And they do it by rubbing their forelegs on their front wings.

John Montagu Sandwich, fourth Earl of Sandwich, is supposed to have invented the sandwich. It is interesting to note that the man who named the Sandwich islands for him was Captain Cook.

We hope you pronounce arctic as it is spelled, arc-tic. Never ar-tic, omitting the sound of the first C. Salmon, however, is properly pronounced SAM-un, not SAL-mon, for the L is silent. Verbatim is ver-BAY-tim, not ver-BAT-im. You had them all correct?. Fine!

ADIOS

"Errors like straws upon the surface flow,
He who would search for pearls must dive below."
—Dryden.

COY CANTOR WITH CUTIES

Eddie Cantor's lavish production of "Ali Baba Goes to Town," which starts Saturday at the Plaza theatre in Hawthorne, features June Lang (left) and Louise Hovick (right) amid other merry-making entertainers.

A CANTORNADO OF LAUGHS

Among the hi-de-highlights in "Ali Baba Goes to Town," most unusual and extrava-glorious mirth-musical ever made by Eddie Cantor are hundreds of lush things like these. The film opens Sunday at the Torrance theatre.

P. E. AUXILIARY AT RUPPLE HOME

The W. E. Rupple home, 938 Arlington avenue, will furnish the setting for the Pacific Electric Auxiliary Christmas party Friday, December 3, at 8:00 p.m.

New officers of the group will serve as hostesses.

The regular business session will precede the party.

GUESTS AT KRESSE HOME

Holiday and week-end visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Kresse, 1443 El Prado, included the latter's brothers Mr. Fred Minaker and family and Mr. George Minaker and family, both of Portersville, and Miss Ida May Berkshire, who is in charge of the State Traveling Clinic.