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India to be Study Theme at Meeting of Church Women

"Mystery Enshrouded India" will be the interesting study theme of the Woman's Missionary Society of the First Christian church when they join with members of the Ladies' Council of the church for the regular monthly combined pot-luck luncheon and missionary session in the church parlors next Tuesday morning and afternoon. The council meeting has been called for 11 o'clock, and the missionary society will take over the program afterwards. Special business will be brought before the council when Mrs. William Gascoigne, president, presents a plan to foster interest in the group and augment the treasury by dividing the council into sections, according to residence districts of the members. She will propose electing officers for the smaller groups and naming times and places of individual meetings. Mrs. Sally Rowell, missionary society president, will intro-

MOTHERS' CLUB TO ELECT OFFICERS

Election of officers will feature the Dec. 4 meeting of the Job's Daughters' Mothers' Club at the home of Mrs. Fred Spehger, 1307 Portola, at 2 o'clock. Presiding over a short business session preceding election formalities, will be Mrs. Rufus Page, president. Following the election, she will present the gavel to the incoming president. Members of the Guardian Council are requested to be present at Mrs. Spehger's home at 1 o'clock for the special meeting.

BURGLAR VICTIM

An auto burglar at Cabrillo Beach pried open a car window last Thursday night and took a purse containing \$2, the property of Mrs. L. R. Quinn of 805 West 220th street, according to San Pedro police reports.

duce hostesses for the day and members taking part in the closing current study session for this month on "India and Her Relation to the World in the Light of Present World Happenings."

Spinsters Benefit Dance Draws Colorful Costumes

**Dress Creations Cover Span of
Many Years; Nearly 200 Present**

Grandma and grandpa, with their plain and fancy bustles, stovepipe hats, stiff collars, dusters and bicycles built for two, couldn't have had a more "rip snortin' good time" than was enjoyed by nearly 200 persons last Saturday night at the benefit dance of the Spinsters club in the Civic Auditorium.

The event, while characterized as an "old-timers' party" with costumes optional, drew nearly 100 costumed persons, ranging in periods from those of George Washington's era to those of the more recent "Gay Nineties" period.

According to Miss Jean Smith, dance chairman, the event was a success in every respect. Proceeds were turned over to the Torrance Community Service association. Probably the most outstanding couple, from the standpoint of appropriate costuming, was Mr. and Mrs. Herman Mitchell who appeared all decked out ready to take a "spin" in "one of them thar horseless carriages." Their outfits were complete in every detail from

dusters to goggles, gloves, caps, and Mrs. Mitchell, with a typical "sailor" of the good old days fastened jauntily about her head and under her chin with a georgette veil, completed the picture.

Score with Garb

Next in line for costume honors was Miss Esther Maxwell whose outfit expressed the beauty and charm of the George Washington era. A powder blue wig completed her outfit.

Others deserving of honorable mention in the costumed group included Mrs. R. R. Smith with her delightfully old-fashioned orchid, ankle-length dinner gown complete with dolman cape, an heirloom belonging to Mrs. George Shidler's grandmother; Mrs. Charles Schultz with her tight-fitting basque style black beaded creation and matching ostrich-plumed bonnet; Charles Schultz with his black deacon's coat and shiny opera hat; Mrs. Harold Appenzeller with her fringe tasseled balls, the sensation of a generation ago, and her almost-white lace gown and graceful old-fashioned puff sleeves; Don Findley with his "imported" outfit consisting of genuine tails, top hat, white gloves, cane, snuff box and all the other "trimmings" that all true Londoners used to wear for "dress up"; Mrs. Nick Cuel with her full-skirted floor length white gown and her husband, with his formal attire of a few years back; Mrs. George Peckham with her tulle-trimmed formal frock, light basque, with ankle length overalls trimmed with satin and her two-tiered cream lace net undershirt; John Shidler with his high celluloid collar and stove pipe hat; and the Spinsters themselves, all dressed alike in their Gay Nineties period costumes of black satin full skirts, tight basques and white shirts which the young women made for the occasion.

Novel Decorations

Room decorations were in keeping with the "old-timers" theme with a boy of corn-stalks and scarecrows carrying out the motif. Furnishing the music for the event were the Beverly Hill Billies.

Assisting Miss Smith with arrangements, and acting as hostesses for the evening were the Misses Mary Peckham, Dorothy McMillan, Helen Smith, Shirley Johnson, Pat and Korina Carlin, Marian and Jean Sears, Joy Fossum, Betty Jane Rous, Jean Kresse, Jeannette Mikelson and Dorothy Jensen.

Dr. Minnie Proctor and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Rappaport and daughter, Norma, of Los Angeles, were also present.

Dance Recital and Christmas Fete to Feature Club Meet

Exhibition, ballet and character dance routines will be reviewed for members of the Torrance Woman's Club at the luncheon meeting to be held at 12:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 6, in the clubhouse.

Mrs. W. J. Neelands, program chairman, has turned over the entertainment to Mrs. Mae Murray who will present her dance students in a special exhibition recital at 2:30 o'clock.

In addition to the entertainment program, Mrs. A. H. Sillico, club president, is to preside over the club's annual Christmas table, when gifts costing not more than 25 cents, will be exchanged. Community group singing of Christmas carols will conclude the holiday festivities.

Hospitality committee for the day includes Mrs. J. W. Post, Mrs. Harry Massie and Mrs. Mae Sidebotham. December hostesses are Mrs. John Keefe, chairman, and Mesdames Albert Isen, E. M. Johnston, C. M. Johnson, O. A. Johnson, Guy Kelley, O. A. Kresse, John Kemp, J. S. Lancaster, B. H. Lingenfelter, S. R. Ludlow, Robert Lessing, H. G. Locke and Sam Levy.

MRS. CAREY TO BE HONORED TONIGHT

Miss Marion Sears will be hostess tonight at her home to a farewell dinner and handkerchief shower card party complimenting Mrs. James Carey who plans to leave her Torrance residence Saturday and establish her future home in San Diego with her husband who is connected with the U. S. Naval office there.

Bidden to the event are Mrs. Francis Laven, Mrs. John Ritchie, Mrs. Marguerite Chalky and the Misses Daphne Landreth, Etta Floyd, Jean Sears and Marjorie Haefeli.

The table, carried out in Mrs. Huth's favorite color scheme, was refreshingly treated in yellow, with yellow tapers, yellow napkins, harmonizing floral decorations and a beautifully decorated cake completing the motif.

In addition to the honoree, places were laid for Mrs. Warburton's brothers, George and Edward Huth also of Culver City; Frank Thompson and son, Richard, of Torrance; and the hostess' daughter, Elsie Gove, and husband, George Warburton.

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IN PALO ALTO**
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cook and family, of 2317 Torrance boulevard, motored to Palo Alto last week to be the house and Thanksgiving Day guests of friends there. After witnessing the Stanford-U. C. game they returned to Torrance by way of Fresno where they visited with friends. Douglas Crawford motored with them.

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