

## Beauty Reigns at Rites Held Here Saturday

To the casual observer witnessing the 25th semi-annual open installation ceremonies of the Order of Job's Daughters, Bethel No. 50, Saturday night in the Masonic Temple, it would seem that Torrance had more than its share of "the fairest of ten thousand." Biblical motto of the order. For everywhere were lovely young women, some were dressed in the charming white robes of the order, others were rustling about in their swishing taffetas, shimmering silk and more subdued satin evening gowns and still others were wearing the regal robes of the Masonic order typifying stations to which they were elevated and installed.

Especially was this true for Miss Marjorie Page, charming retiring Honored Queen of the local chapter, as she presided in a true queenly manner, over the solemn ritualistic ceremonies and vested Miss Virginia Traller, incoming Queen, with the beautiful royal purple trained robe and sparkling gold crown, designating the highest office in the order.

Probably the most touching and impressive part of the whole ceremonial came in the closing moments of the rites when Miss Traller joined her officers in kneeling before the altar to form a human cross, and then, following the singing of the order's closing hymn, "Nearer My God To Thee," silently arose from her place, crossed to the opposite side of the altar where Miss Page was standing, and placed around the retiring Queen's neck a beautiful rose lei while Mrs. Kathryn Buffington, installing musician, softly played strains of "Aloha." As a final tribute to Miss Page, Mrs. Irma Carstens sang two verses of "Carrie Jacobs Bond's," "A Perfect Day."

**Grand Deputy Presides**  
Other elective officers elevated to their new offices included Norma Patterson, Senior Princess; Vivian Wertalla, Junior Princess; Shirley Gutfenfelder, Guide, and Lois Jayne Allen, Marshal.

Replacing Thomas Elson who was to act as master of ceremonies for the event but was unable to attend because of illness, was Mrs. Edna Gastrich of Compton, grand deputy of District 37. She also gave the address of welcome to the more than 200 persons assembled in the temple.

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## Virginia Traller Becomes Queen of Job's Daughters



**BEGIN NEW YEAR . . .** Shown above are members of the Order of Job's Daughters, Bethel No. 50, installed into office at the impressive ritualistic ceremony held Saturday night in the Masonic Temple at Torrance. Reading from left to right they are:

**BACK ROW:** Frank Steinhilber, Edith Wertalla, Lillian Prince, Patsy Whitney, Doris May Martin, Marion Wannberg and

Bible by Miss Patty Post and of the colors by Miss Doris Kresse, Miss Shirley Johnson, installing recorder, read the special dispensation from the supreme grand office of California permitting change of installation dates for Torrance chapter from December to January. Regular order of installation ceremonies fall each June and December. Regular installation ceremonies followed with special music by Norma Patterson, pianist, and by Ray White, tenor.

**New Officers Named**  
Honor guests at the event included, in addition to Mrs. Gastrich, Miss Dorothy H. Martin of Los Angeles, charter member of the Grand Guardian Council of California who for the first three consecutive years was grand librarian of the council; Mrs. Leon Larson of Wilmington, past grand deputy of the Wilmington chapter, Job's Daughters; Leon Larson, associate guardian of the Wilmington chapter, Job's Daughters; Mrs. Teresa Hill, worthy matron of the Order of Eastern Star, Torrance chapter. Frank Brown

associate patron of the Order of Eastern Star, Torrance chapter, and others.

Installing officers included Marion Spehger, guide; Doris Kresse, marshal; Patty Post, chaplain; Shirley Johnson, recorder; Mary Ann Bradford, senior custodian; Olive Bell Schroeder, junior custodian, and Mrs. Buffington, musician.

Appointive officers were Margaret Mort, chaplain; Lillian Prince, recorder; Arlys Fossum, treasurer; Marilyn Moyer, musician; Velma Stegelmeyer, librarian; Mary Walls, senior custodian; Beverly Whitney, junior custodian; Virginia Hill, inner guard; Lois Hudson, outer guard; Patty Doan, first messenger; Enid Weis, second messenger; Anne McNally, third messenger; Leah Bratton, fourth messenger, and Margaret Schultz, fifth messenger.

Ushers for the event were members of the local DeMolay lodge.

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**BARBARA CARSTENS, CENTER ROW:** Marilyn Moyer, Patty Jean Doan, Leah Bratton, Velma Stegelmeyer, Enid Weis, Marjorie Page, Beverly Whitney, Margaret Mort, Arlys Fossum, Margaret Schultz and Mary Walls. **FRONT ROW:** Lois Jane Allen, Virginia Hill, Norma Patterson, Virginia Traller, Vivian Wertalla and Shirley Gutfenfelder.

—Photo courtesy Russ Erwin.

### CHAIRMAN NAMES TWO ON COMMITTEE

Miss Esther Maxwell, chairman of the 10th anniversary dinner of the Torrance chapter, National Business and Professional Women, has named Mrs. Orda Peltzke and Maude McNeil on her assisting committee. The event, to be held in the American Legion hall, will honor past presidents of the club. American Legion Auxiliary members are to assist in serving.

### ALDA HUDSON HEADS MOTHERS' CLUB

Mrs. Alda Hudson was elected 1940 president of the DeMolay Mothers' club at the annual election of officers held Tuesday night in the Masonic Temple at Torrance. Other new officers who will serve with Mrs. Hudson include Mrs. Anne Anderson, vice president; Mrs. Lecl Kerber, secretary; Mrs. Harriet Quinn, treasurer, and Mrs. Frances Buckley, publicity chairman.

Following election and regular DeMolay lodge meeting, Mrs. Helen Miller, assisted by her committee, served refreshments to the boys and their mothers.

### Keystone Women Discuss New Club On 11th Anniversary

Building of a clubhouse to house activities of the Women's club and other Keystone groups, was discussed last night at the club's January session held in the home of Mrs. Z. W. Jennings, 22100 Dolores street. A clubhouse site has been offered to the club without cost, according to Mrs. Alex Matheson, press chairman.

Building committee is comprised of Mesdames J. E. Sullivan, chairman, George Nahmens, Charles Porrett, A. L. Hudson and John Hilpert. Following the session, a covered dish luncheon was served with entree and dessert courses being provided by the club.

Entertainment included monologue readings by Mrs. E. G. Rowell, drama chairman, and songs by Mrs. Guy Dickson. At the same event the 11th anniversary of the club's founding was celebrated, with past presidents being the guests of honor. Past presidents honored were Mesdames E. H. Poole, Charles LeBoeuf, George Nahmens, J. H. Crumrine, A. T. Cowan, E. G. Harshman, E. G. Rowell, S. G. Sault and J. E. Sullivan.

### PEGGY ANNS WILL HAVE 'GUEST WEEK'

The week of Jan. 14 has been designated as "Guest Week" for the Peggy Anns, social group of young local matrons, and as such, will be featured by election of officers and entertainment of outside guests. Mrs. R. T. Watson is to be hostess at her home for the day.

The club has just concluded an active holiday calendar. It included a Christmas party Dec. 13 at the home of Mrs. J. Tidland, preceded by a festive breakfast at Mrs. Watson's the same morning, and a gala 500 party and business meeting Dec. 27 at the home of Mrs. R. Rogers.

Participating in the varied round of events were Members Watson, C. McLean, T. Tappin, Tidland, L. Teyman, C. Willets, W. Coburn and Rogers.

### PASTOR TO SPEAK AT W. C. T. U. MEET

Rev. Mrs. Nellie Osman of Long Beach will be special guest speaker at the regular monthly session of the Torrance chapter, W. C. T. U., to be held at 1:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon in the Methodist church parlors. Mrs. Frank Cook, union president, is to preside and introduce the speaker. An entertainment program has also been planned.

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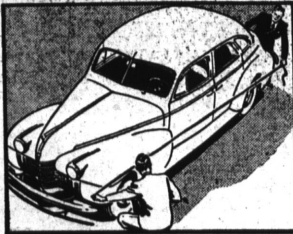
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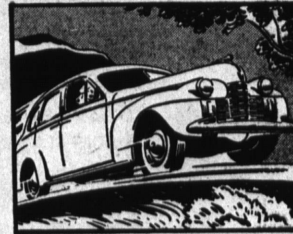


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