NICE SMILES, THESE! . . . Little Virginia Weidler and Ann Sothern are featured in the thrilling film-drama, "Gold Rush Maisie," which opens tonight at the Grand theatre with "Sailor's Lady" on the same program.

A. & P. Store One of 15 Winners In Recent Campaign

Manager Arnold Berg of the A & P store here received some welcome news this week. Executives of the company informed him that the Torrance store was one of 15 in Southern California to win the summer sales campaign conducted during the past two months.

For their good work, Manager Berg and his staff will be guests of the company at a gala dinner-entertainment at a well-known Los Angeles night spot.

Townsend Club Activities

By Vernon F. Glidden

Little Pauline Davis was a welcome entertainer at our club meeting last Friday evening. Her songs and readings were well rendered and she responded to several encores. Visitors were present from Los Angeles, Graham, Gardena and San Pedro. Interesting talks were made by Mrs. Knepper, Mr. Cooper, Mr. Hardy, Mrs. French and George Geiger. Reports of encouraging results regarding The Townsend Bill now before Congress were given. Mrs. Carol Brown brought good reports from Lennox Club No. 4.

Arrangements are going forward for our participation in the Torrance Factory Frolic. Several of our members attended a pot-luck dinner given by the Gardena club last Monday evening. A fine crowd was present and enjoyed the musical numbers presented by a vocal trio from the Compton club.

Friday evening, Sept. 13, we will meet at 6:30 p. m. for a pot-luck dinner to which all are invited. A good program will feature the activities of the evening.

Gardena Buys 2 Buses for Municipal Line

With the purchase of two large buses late last week, the city of Gardena entered the transportation business on a somewhat larger scale than formerly. The equipment was purchased from A. T. Porterfield and will be put in service within a month.

Gardena opposed the Asbury Rapid Transit System's endeavors to give the people of Torrance, Lomita and Walteria a thru bus service to Los Angeles as a private carrier. The Asbury line is leasing buses to the city of Torrance for a municipal bus service.

REPORTS CAR STOLEN

Frank Dias of the El Prado apartments reported to police Monday that his car was stolen Sunday night from where he had parked it in front of the apartments.

SOCIETY and Club

RED CROSS BENEFIT AT LOS ANGELES HOME

The spacious home and grounds of the Frank H. Browns at 1946 West 83rd street, Los Angeles, will provide the setting for a Red Cross benefit this afternoon and evening, to be held under the auspices of the ways and means committee of Torrance Chapter, O. E. S.

Tables of auction bridge and pinochle will be in play. Prizes will be awarded and refreshments will be served at the conclusion of the games which will begin promptly at 12:30 p. m. and 8 p. m.

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CATHOLIC PARTY THIS EVENING

Mrs. J. V. Murray and her committee, including Mmes. Melville, Adams, Brennan, Hunt and J. N. Anderson, will be hostesses at the weekly card party sponsored by the Catholic Ladies' Altar Society to be held this evening at Nativity Hall. The public is invited.

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NEWS OF O.E.S. GRAND CHAPTER

The 23rd triennial assembly of General Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star will begin next Friday and continue thru Wednesday of the following week in San Francisco. A number of Torrance members are attending.

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MATRON IS STORK SHOWER HONOREE

Mrs. Gerald Alter was honored when Mrs. Leslie Alter and Mrs. Ralph Wieland of Willowbrook surprised her last Thursday with a stork shower at her home on Cabrillo on the occasion of her birthday. Many beautiful gifts were presented and contests furnished the afternoon diversion. Present were the honoree and Mesdames Josephine Hertneck, Inez Patchin, Lorraine Bullard, Norma Smith, Margie Patchin, the Misses Idabell Ehst, Fannie Patchin, Lenore Gray, Ida Jones, Gladys Ross, Doris Bristow and the hostesses.

Herbert Hay's Vocal Pupils Give Recital at Mountain Camp

Pupils of Herbert A. Hay, vocal instructor at Redondo Beach, motored Monday afternoon to the Will Rogers' Memorial "Mountain Craig Camp" on the outskirts of Calabasas on Ventura boulevard and were the invited guests at dinner. Among the number were several young people from Torrance who are making splendid progress under Hay's tuition.

Mountain Craig camp is beautifully situated and possesses a most intriguing stage, while a huge bonfire at night lends an added charm. This past week at the camp has been devoted to musical training and it was with a great deal of pleasure that Hay, in response to an invitation, presented his pupils in an interesting program.

Hay expects to open a branch studio in Torrance in the near future.

Smith Moves Bike Shop to L. A.

Leon M. Smith has removed his Thrifty Key and Bicycle Shop from 1303 Post avenue to 2169 West Florence avenue in Los Angeles and has placed his son, Paul L. Smith, in charge of the business. Mr. and Mrs. Smith will continue to live at 1823 Arlington avenue. Paul Smith is a graduate of Torrance high school.

Cash income of United States farmers from marketing of products in 1939 is estimated at $7,711,000,000.

SHE'S THE FAVORITE . . . in "My Favorite Wife," opening tonight at the Lomita theatre. She is Irene Dunne, who is co-starred with Cary Grant in one of the most amusing, romantic films of the year. On the same program is Mischa Auer and Baby Sandy in "Sandy is a Lady."

LOVE IN THE SOUTH SEAS . . . Jon Hall and Olympe Bradna find love and romance on their native island in the South Seas after many exciting episodes which highlight "South of Pago Pago," thrilling drama of the tropics now showing at the Plaza theatre in Hawthorne.

Friday, 13th Should Be Lucky Day to Verdi Dress Shop's Owner

Tomorrow—Friday, the 13th—may be considered a day of ill omen by some but to William Kempen it's his lucky day. Kempen is opening his new Verdi Dress Shop at 1312 Sartori avenue on Friday the 13th and here's why:

There's 13 letters in his name; 13 letters in Sartori avenue; he's in the 13 hundred block; there's a 13 in his street address; he was the 13th to vote in his precinct in the recent primary election and he is in his 13th year in the women's ready-to-wear business!

If that doesn't qualify his opening for success then Kempen will import 13 black cats to "picket" his door. But he believes that won't be necessary because the Verdi Dress Shop, spanking new from end to end and stocked with the latest in women's wear, should be a magnet for all ladies of this community.

Miss Mabell Carson is manager of the shop. She is well-qualified to serve women here, having had years' of experience in this line. Kempen comes from Inglewood where he operated a similar shop for many years. All merchandise is from Los Angeles and Hollywood style centers and the Verdi carries a complete stock of sizes from nine to 52, junior and misses dresses, smart sweaters, latest shades of nationally-advertised hosiery, lingerie, maternity garments and handbags.

There will be free rosebud corsages to all women calling at the Verdi Dress Shop tomorrow and Saturday.

Port Officer's Gun Recovered from Three Lomita Youths in P. V.

Three Lomita youths who early Sunday were apprehended when acting suspiciously while driving in the Palos Verdes hills were found to have a revolver in their possession, according to Los Angeles police. The gun, brought to headquarters in San Pedro by officers who halted the suspects, was identified as the property of a Los Angeles detective, Roscoe Sowell.

Sowell said the revolver was taken from his automobile which had been parked near his home at 359 Sepulveda, San Pedro, and that the car had been pried into. The arresting officers reported that one of the trio threw the gun from the car as it was brought to a halt. The young Lomitans were held as theft suspects.

BULL IN WELL

ANNISTON, Ala. — (U.P.) — Lewis A. Hutchinson's prize bull wandered off and fell into an abandoned well. It took a wrecker to extricate the animal.

Last Call to Fair

This is one of the last calls for the fair. Marie Cubitt, pretty and shapely, takes a hold on this giant phone to make one last bid for you to visit Treasure Island before it closes September 20.