

Women's Activities

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Christmas Tea Is Benefit For Woman's Club

One of the prettiest parties of the week was a Christmas silver tea arranged Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Chris Jones, at 2118 Martina ave. The affair was a benefit for Torrance Woman's Club.

Highlighting the decorations was a beautiful mantel arrangement centered with a snowman and flanked with red and green tapers in candelabrum. Cotton-rose berries, evergreens and a replica of Santa Claus, all contributed to the effective decorative theme.

A handsome collection of antique and modern teacups, arranged on a Welch dresser, was the background for the silver service where Mrs. J. J. MacDonald and Mrs. E. B. Rademaker poured.

Mrs. Jones also was assisted by Mrs. R. R. Smith, Woman's Club president and Miss Esther Maxwell, who received the guests and Mmes. W. L. Laughon, E. A. Miles and L. Ahrens.

The presentation of novelty gifts to Mmes. W. H. Haslam and W. I. Laughon was a surprise feature of the party.

HOUSEWARMING PARTY
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bollen of 2415 Border ave., were entertained at a housewarming party Friday evening when Torrance and out-of-town friends arrived bearing gifts and refreshments.



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L. B. Buckley Home Is Party Setting Sunday Afternoon

Members of the 1944 Matrons Association of the 72nd District, O. E. S., and their husbands were delightfully entertained at a dinner party Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Loton B. Buckley, of 1221 Portola ave.

Holly, silver tipped pine cones and silver bows flanked with lighted candles created a beautiful Christmas centerpiece for the table where covers were set for Ethel Gray, 1944 O. E. S. district deputy and her husband; Messrs. and Mmes. Paul Thompson, Wilmingon; George Hartley, San Pedro and James Dunn, of Long Beach.

Beautiful gifts, banked at the base of festive Christmas trees, were then exchanged. A social hour featuring reminiscences of the ladies' official terms concluded the festivities.

BETSY ROSS CLUB OUTLINES PROGRAM

A Christmas motif was followed for table decorations and menu when members of the Betsy Ross Star club met Tuesday afternoon for luncheon at Masonic Temple. Arrangements were completed by Mrs. Rolive Bever and her committee.

In the absence of Mrs. Mildred Edwards, president, Mrs. Inez Allen, first vice-president, conducted a brief business session.

Plans were outlined for bi-monthly card parties to be held on the second and fourth Saturday evenings beginning on Saturday, Jan. 12, the names of the chairmen to be announced later.

Mrs. Naomi Deardorff will serve as chairman for the next luncheon meeting Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 15.

V.F.W. AUXILIARY, POST, AT YULE PARTY

In a festive setting at Civic auditorium Monday evening, members of VFW Auxiliary of Post No. 3251 entertained at a gala Christmas party. About 150 were present including members of the auxiliary, Post No. 3251 and their families.

Following a pot-luck supper, a brief business session was conducted by President Clara Conner. A Christmas party featuring appropriate games furnished diversion and later gifts were distributed by Santa Claus.

A check for \$50 was disbursed by the auxiliary treasurer to be added to a Christmas fund for the veterans at Sawtelle hospital.

President Clara Conner and C. Earl Conner, Commander of Post No. 3251, extend their heartiest Christmas greetings to all.

Rowlands-Mangold Exchange Vows In Home Setting Here

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Mangold, of Vassar, Kan., announced the marriage of their daughter, Betty, to Master Sgt. William Rowlands.

The double-ring ceremony took place before an improvised altar of white chrysanthemums and white gladioli in the home of the bride's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Albert McNeese, of 1540 W. 215th st., Saturday evening, Dec. 8. Rev. H. W. Roloff, of the Central Evangelical church officiated.

The bride was very lovely in an Alice blue suit with British tan accessories, with an orchid and bouquet corsage. Mrs. Helen Karth, sister of the bride, as matron of honor, was dressed in old rose with navy blue accessories. Her corsage was a white gardenia surrounded by violets. Mr. William Karth was the bridegroom's attendant.

Mrs. Paul Findley played the wedding march and the accompaniment for Mrs. Lyle Sage who sang, "Because" and "I Love You Truly."

Those attending the ceremony and reception were: Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Miller, of Los Angeles; Mrs. Edith Colebaugh, Mrs. Anabel Coast, Mrs. Hattie McNeese, Mr. Robert McNeese, Karen Sue Karth, Kenneth and Charlie McNeese, all of Torrance.

Mrs. Rowlands attended Lynn, Kan., high school and Dods School of Business in Topeka, Kan., and is a member of Beta Delta chapter of Beta Sigma Phi. For the past two and one-half years she has been employed by Hq. I Staging Command, formerly the 21st Bombardment Wing, which was recently transferred from Topeka to Merced, Calif.

Sgt. Rowlands, son of Mrs. W. E. Rowlands, of Lancaster, Ohio, attended Bethany College, W. Va. and is a member of Beta Theta Pi fraternity. Before entering the service he was employed as an industrial engineer for the Republic Steel Corporation in Canton, Ohio.

Following a honeymoon in Hollywood, the couple will return to Merced where Sgt. Rowlands will receive his discharge.

REPRESENT JUNIOR CLUB AT L. A. DISTRICT MEETING

Torrance Junior Woman's Club was represented at the Los Angeles district Christmas party by Mrs. J. H. Moore, advisor, Mrs. H. L. Wagner, Jr., president of Torrance Juniors and Mrs. Helen Coast, first vice-president and program chairman.

Mrs. Clyde Crosser, of Glendale Tuesday Afternoon Club Juniors and Mrs. H. L. Wagner, Jr., of Torrance, presented a program of Christmas music and readings.

Honored guests of the Los Angeles District Juniors were Mrs. Mary Warner, president California Federation of Woman's Clubs and director of General Federation of Woman's Clubs, Mrs. R. N. Stryker, president of L. A. district C. F. W. C. and Mrs. Thomas Pender, president of L. A. District C. F. W. C. Junior Membership. Mrs. Albert Launer, state advisor of Juniors and the advisors of all of the 45 Junior Woman's Clubs in Los Angeles district.

P.T.A. REPRESENTATIVES AT DISTRICT MEETING

Mrs. J. J. Millard, 10th district service chairman, and Mrs. John R. Garner, president of Lomita-San Pedro P.T.A. Council, attended a 10th District executive board meeting held at the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce, Bldg., yesterday. The ladies also were entertained at a Christmas tea following the business session.

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Fern Ave. PTA Christmas Party Well Attended

The annual Christmas program was presented to 215 members and friends of Fern Avenue P.T.A. at the school Wednesday evening, Dec. 12.

Participating in two plays were 135 Fern Avenue students from the primary and junior grades. Two groups of students sang Christmas carols during the portrayal of Nativity scenes.

Preceding the program Mrs. Herbert T. Markham, president, introduced Miss Mary Charlotte Waddell, principal, who gave a brief welcoming address. Rev. Paul Moore Wheeler was introduced by W. E. Walton, program chairman. The guest speaker discussed, "Recreation for Better Living," stressing the needs for recreation as an aid for physical well being.

Following the program refreshments were served by room mothers, Mmes. Wheat, Wagner, Hof, Rhone, Humphries and McCart.

Teachers who assisted in directing the plays were Misses Hurst, Thomas, Barnett and Mmes. Robbe, Laudeman and Boring.

KEYSTONE CLUBWOMEN REPORT GALA MEET

Christmas greens and red berries decorated the clubhouse when the Women's Club of Keystone met for their regular session last Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Edward Sexton presided and served as chairman of arrangements for an enjoyable Christmas party which featured a program and an exchange of gifts.

"The Story of the First Christmas," read by Mrs. L. H. Hudson, Bible chairman and carols by Mrs. Ada Boynton and Mrs. Frank Olson, soloists, accompanied by Mrs. S. O. Pribble and Mrs. Lucille Meyer, were highlights of the program and preceded a festive tea served at a beautifully appointed table where Mrs. Charles Christiansen, served as hostess.

Mrs. Selma Christiansen was presented as a new member and club guests were her daughter, Mrs. W. E. Schlick and Mrs. A. Lancaster, president of Carson Street P.T.A. and Mrs. R. Wysocki.

The next meeting will be held Wednesday, Jan. 9, at the home of Mrs. A. C. Stamps, 20706 Shearer ave. and will be a birthday dinner.

ARTS AND SKILLS COURSE TO BEGIN

To supply a full time Arts and Skills program at Torrance Station hospital requested by the commanding officer, Torrance volunteer Red Cross workers are requested to register at once for a course of instruction to be instituted after Jan. 1.

Workers interested in cord craft, knotting, weaving and skills are needed. Women's clubs and church groups should supply excellent material, it is felt.

Interested persons are requested to call Torrance Branch Red Cross Headquarters, Torrance 1524, for further information.

JUNIOR CLUBWOMEN'S PHILANTHROPIC PROGRAM

Torrance Junior Woman's Club held its annual Christmas dinner Friday evening at which time gifts were collected for the children in Tuberculosis Ward 600 at Los Angeles General Hospital. On Christmas morning 35 tubercular children ranging in age from 6 months to 13 years will receive individual gifts of \$1.00 value and a Christmas stocking filled with candy, gum, fruit and nuts.

The Torrance Juniors remembered the servicemen overseas when they gave 24 boxes to the Red Cross for Christmas distribution. Veterans of World War I, at Sawtelle, were remembered when a Christmas gift of \$10 when Torrance Juniors was added to the fund to be distributed by The Los Angeles Federation of Woman's Clubs Junior Membership.

A special prize at the annual dinner was won by Mrs. C. M. Crook.

DINNER PARTY AT L. D. BABCOCK HOME

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Babcock entertained at a pre-Christmas dinner party Tuesday evening at their home, 1344 Portola ave. At an attractively appointed table places were arranged for Mr. and Mrs. Paul Allen and Rebecca Ann, Mrs. Louise Allen, all of Jericho, Ky.; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Allen and Mrs. Sterling Allen, and sons Robert and Richard, all of Los Angeles.

Yuletide Parties Are Arranged By Catholic Women

A beautifully decorated Christmas tree was the center of attraction at Nativity Parish Hall last week when members of Court St. Catherine enjoyed their first annual yuletide party. Following a brief business session conducted by Mrs. Clare Farrell, grand regent, guests were welcomed and after numerous games were played, members and guests present took their places at the party table, festive with cotton-rose berries and lighted tapers. Appropriate refreshments were served and gifts were exchanged. Mrs. Lydia Sullivan, accompanied by Mrs. Theresa Murray, presented a program of vocal selections and Mrs. Marie Winkler led the group singing of Christmas carols which completed a delightful evening.

The next scheduled meeting of Court St. Catherine is the business session to be held Monday evening, Jan. 14 at 8 p.m.

Gifts, Christmas carols, entertainment and refreshments as well as a visit from Santa Claus were on the program Sunday afternoon Dec. 16 when children of Nativity parish were treated to a party by Court St. Catherine.

An inspiring tableau of the first Christmas was presented by the children under the direction of the Missionary catechists. The young groups comprised of tiny tots 5 to 7 years, sang a medley of Christmas songs. Patty Dummer, accompanied by her mother, danced several numbers. Father McGuire was presented with a gift from the children after which he distributed prizes with help from Santa Claus, and thanked all who had worked to make the party possible. To the strains of "Jingle Bells" the children left, after each had received a box of Christmas candy from good old Santa.

NEWS OF WOMEN OF THE MOOSE

At the regular meeting, Dec. 12, Isobel Hollar, graduate associate regent, and Florence M. Hohman, Compton, senior regent, were honored guests.

Arrangements were made for a card party to be held on the evening of Jan. 2, at Moose Hall, 1951 W. Carson st. Door prizes will be given and games of Bridge, Pinochle, 500, and Bunco will be played. Refreshments will be served. Everyone is invited.

The home of Mrs. Freda Evans was a setting for an enjoyable Christmas party last Friday.

Party arrangements were completed by Mmes. Ionia Steele, Lottie Phillips, and Freda Evans. Roast turkey and all the fixings were enjoyed by about 26 members. An exchange of gifts followed.

Ten members of the organization were entertained recently at the home of Mrs. Cora Hill. A pot-luck luncheon and sewing were the features of the afternoon.

Torrance Chapter members extend their appreciation to co-worker Fay Palmatier for her gift of a five dollar check to help defray expenses for the Dec. 14 Christmas party.

Co-worker Marie Bankston has been reported seriously ill. A handsome blanket was presented recently to Donnie Evans of 2008 Andrea ave.

The next meeting will be held at Moose Hall, Wednesday, Dec. 26.

ON IDAHO VISIT

Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Penner left today for two weeks' visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. D. Good, of Nampa, Idaho.

Observe Anniversary Of Wedding Date At Gala Reception

Mr. and Mrs. John T. Scott, of 429 N. Osage ave., Inglewood, parents of Mrs. Tom F. McGuire, of this city, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary last Sunday afternoon when a reception for 175 guests was held at the Morningside Park home of their granddaughter, Mrs. David Ordean Chase.

Mrs. Scott, wearing pastel blue crepe and a hat of curled ostrich feathers with tulle veiling, was assisted by Mrs. McGuire, who wore a black gown with pearl studded detail and another daughter, Mrs. R. T. French, of Glendale, whose gown was blue crepe with black sequins. Mrs. Chase was gowned in black crepe with matching sequin trim.

Arrangements of orchids were used throughout the rooms and white chrysanthemums and red roses enhanced the setting. A decorated, tiered cake and lighted tapers centered the table where Mmes. McGuire and French poured.

Attending from Torrance, in addition to Mr. and Mrs. McGuire, were Messrs. and Mmes. C. T. Rippey, C. C. Schultz, L. B. Kelsey, Gaston Arcq and Jerry, Mrs. Anna Smith and others.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott were married at Greenville, Ind., in 1885. Before coming to California 23 years ago, Scott was postmaster of Valparaiso, Ind. Until his retirement several years ago, he operated markets in Inglewood and in Glendale.

Messages and flowers were received by the couple from far distant points, including one from their grandson, Lt. Harold G. French, Army Air Force, who is stationed at Mitsugi Airfield, Tokyo.

Richard Clutter Exchanges Vows In Home Rites

In simple rites performed Wednesday evening, Dec. 12, at the home of his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Clutter, 812 Acacia ave., Richard Clark Clutter exchanged wedding vows with Miss Dona Christiansen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Christiansen of Mayfield, Utah. Rev. B. H. Lingens officiated in the presence of family members of the principals. Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Clutter attended the couple.

A son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Clutter of 2327 Lucille ave., Lodi, the bridegroom had recently returned from four years Pacific duty and had received his honorable discharge in October. The young veteran was aboard the USS West Virginia in Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941.

W. B. A. YULE PARTY PLANNED FOR DEC. 28

The home of Mrs. C. L. Chea, die, at 816 Crenshaw blvd., will be the meeting place for members of the Woman's Benefit Association at 7:30 o'clock, Friday, Dec. 28. Refreshments will be served and an exchange of Christmas gifts will be featured.

Members will note a change in the regular meeting date from Jan. 1 to Jan. 8. At that time Mrs. Ralph Howe will entertain at her home, 1308 Amapola and Julia Gimm Foley, State Regional field director will be an honored guest.

Marriage Licenses

Henry G. McInnis, 1830 Stanley ave., Long Beach; Yvonne P. Swaney, 20530 New Hampshire, Torrance.

Harold C. White, 1738 Abalone, Torrance; Margaret D. Murphy, 2460 Abalone, Torrance.
Norman M. Cedarburg, 5016 Nelson, Chicago, Ill.; Doris M. Martin, 1304 Date, Torrance.

RECENT HOUSEGUESTS

Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Wheat, of 2468 Sonoma ave., have been entertaining as their house guests Mrs. Dorothy Newman and Brenda, Lt. and Mrs. Ralph Gardner, all of Salt Lake City.

FROM CHICAGO

William L. Loftus arrived Thursday from his home in Chicago for an indefinite visit at the home of his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. F. Uibright, 1434 El Prado.

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