

Former Resident Is Complimented At Luncheon Party

Complimenting her house guest, Mrs. Edith Kasper of Midland, Texas, and formerly of this city, Mrs. Billie Kerber entertained at luncheon at her home, 2412 Cabrillo ave., Tuesday afternoon.

An arrangement of iris and pink carnations centered the luncheon table set for the honor guest and her granddaughter,

AGRICULTURAL STATION

The first agricultural experiment station in the United States was established at Wesleyan university, Middletown, Connecticut, in 1878.

Sharon, and Mmes. Lillian Shriner, Gwendolyn Knudsen, Estelle Graham, Lola Mae Tomkins, Helen Miller, Lillian Dye, Edna Weis, Lorene Ulrich, Florence Evans and Hazel Fossum.

Panel Discussion Enjoyable Feature Of P.T.A. Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of Torrance elementary P.T.A. was called to order in the school auditorium Thursday at 2:00 o'clock by the association president, Mrs. Don Wolf.

Mrs. L. Hardin, kindergarten class teacher, led the group in the pledge of allegiance and sang two songs. Mrs. L. G. Powell, membership chairman, presented B. J. Strand, school principal, with a life membership in the association.

A very interesting panel discussion on "Parent-Teacher Understandings," was presented by Mrs. Mary J. Millard, treasurer of 10th District P.T.A., Mrs. John Garner, president of Lomita-San Pedro P.T.A. council, Miss May Willard Haslam, office teacher and Mrs. Millie Machin, school nurse. B. J. Strand served as chairman. Monologues by Howard Harper, student of the Three Arts Studio, "Daddy and Son" and "Going to School," proved very entertaining. Tea was served by First grade mothers.

The fifth in a series of 10th District P.T.A.-sponsored radio listening programs following the theme "Psychology for Moderns," was held the previous day in the home of Mrs. E. G. Spratt, 1572 W. 215th st.

Attending were Mmes. J. E. Popovich, Edith Smith, Charles Emery, Coy Barton, G. C. Vandeventer, Elmer Moon, Charles Curtis, Kenny Russell, Robert Lenten, Mrs. Don Wolf, president and Mrs. George Baer.

An executive board meeting followed the broadcast, with a discussion on child welfare features. Tentative plans were made for a paper drive in the near future to raise money for the child welfare fund.

Refreshments were served by the hostess.

YOUNG MATRON IS SHOWER HONOREE

Mrs. Gordon Clark, the former Frances Bryant, was complimented when Miss Evelyn Bryant entertained with a shower in her honor at the home of Mrs. C. D. Adams, 2027 Abalone ave.

Those present were the honoree and her mother, Mrs. Dan Bryant, of Long Beach, and Mmes. Evelyn Colombe, McElfresh, Jo Rugraff, George Clark, Ruth Byrd, Louise Stapelfield, Nettie Richardson, Irma Richardson, Rose Schmidt and Miss Bernice Cline, all of this city. Other guests were from San Pedro, Long Beach, Compton and Arcadia.

Pink and white sweet peas decorated the rooms and the buffet refreshment table. Mrs. Clark's many gifts were arranged at the base of a large stork figurine.

IDAH0 MINERALS

The state of Idaho exports gold, lead, silver and other mineral products, besides lumber, wool, beef and hides.

Methodist Women Report Interesting Afternoon Meeting

The Women's Society of Christian Service met at the Methodist church at 1 o'clock Thursday afternoon for a business meeting conducted by the president, Mrs. Alice Palmer. Mrs. Clyde Ruckman led the devotions. Mrs. Grover Vandeventer, program chairman, introduced Superintendent and Mrs. Creek of the David and Margaret Home for Children at La Verne, who brought colored moving pictures showing the home and its activities. The home has 90 children from three to 12 years of age, has its own bus to take children to school or for recreation to beach, mountains, camps or parks.

David and Margaret school, owned and directed by the Women's Society of Christian Service, is one of the 18 homes and projects in Southern California supported by the society. The Methodist hospital in Los Angeles also is owned and directed by the W.S.C.S.

At the close of the interesting program tea was poured by Mrs. Vandeventer and Mrs. Palmer. The table was decorated with pelargoniums, sweet peas and camellias. Members of Circle 1 served on the refreshment committee.

Scout Reporters, Committee Members In Tour Of Herald

Representing their respective troops was a group of Girl Scout and Brownie reporters, assistant reporters and committee members who Friday afternoon participated in a tour of Torrance Herald plant.

After hearing of the news preparation requirements of the newspaper from Mrs. Mary Vandeventer, woman's page editor of the Herald, the group toured the Torrance Herald mechanical department to study the problems of composition and printing of a newspaper. On this phase of the tour Robert L. Lewellen Sr., mechanical superintendent, acted as guide.

The group witnessed the various phases in the preparation of a newspaper from the time the news was submitted to the editorial office until it was printed and ready for sale as a completed newspaper.

Included in the group were Betty Donnel and Donna Pat Wolf, and Mrs. C. A. Donnel of Troop 510, sponsored by Torrance Elementary P.T.A.; Marian McDonald, JoAnn Spodgrass and Mrs. Howard E. McDonald, Troop 472, Central Evangelical church; Jane Fischer, Charlene St. Martin, Mrs. Fred Fischer and Mrs. Alicia St. Martin, Troop 416, St. Andrew's Episcopal church; Marca Wright, Troop 184, First Christian church; Susan Deaton and Mrs. T. D. Deaton, Brownie Troop 406, First Christian church and Billy McDonald.

Official Visit Of OES Deputy Is Year's Highlight

Torrance Chapter No. 380, Order of the Eastern Star, will observe members courtesy night this evening in Masonic Temple.

Members of the 1947 hostess committee, with Rose Schmidt as chairman, will have charge of arrangements.

The last regular chapter meeting marked the official visit of deputy grand matron of 76th O.E.S. district, Minnie Smith of San Pedro. Estelle Graham, chairman, was assisted by Nana Brown as co-hostess.

Among those attending the meeting, which featured the exemplification of the ritualistic work and the induction of a large class of initiates, were 48 past matrons and patrons of the district and their trailers.

Especially honored by the official visitor were members of Torrance chapter who had served as deputies, including Persia K. Fess, Edith Kasper, of Midland, Texas, and formerly of Torrance, and Lillian Shriner.

At the conclusion of the chapter meeting guests and members were escorted to the banquet room where buffet supper tables were beautifully decorated to depict "The Spirit of '76." Boat models and sea shells, used as centerpieces, followed this theme and tiny sailboats were favors.

Arrangements of jonquils, acacia blossoms and fern enhanced the setting.

Mmes. Persia Fess and Frances Buckley served as dining room chairmen and Mabel Babcock, as general refreshment chairman, was assisted by Gladys Mothersell, Lois Babcock, Audrey Bacon and others.

L.O.O.M. Observes 23rd Anniversary At Gala Banquet

The celebration of the 23rd anniversary of the founding of Loyal Order of Moose was a gala occasion Wednesday evening at Moose Hall when members of the Moose lodge, Women of the Moose and their friends gathered for a banquet.

At tables beautifully decorated with blue and white, colors of Loyal Order of Moose, places were marked for 150 members and guests. Arrangements of blue and white stock centered the tables and a decorated cake carrying the same colors was presented to James H. Johnston, governor of L.O.O.M. by Senior Regent of Women of the Moose, Ardeth Packard.

Bettie Thomas and her Accordionettes provided a fine program and dancing to the music of Archie Hansen's orchestra concluded the evening's festivities.

Mrs. Packard wishes to thank Mmes. Cordie White, Mary West, Fattie Smith, Carrie Franson, Rose Shepherd, Jessie McCormick and Ila Mae Ambach for their loyal cooperation in making the occasion such an outstanding success. She also extends her appreciation to John Welch and Johnny Hutchison for their assistance with dinner preparations. (Vera Stokoe, publicity chairman)

SCOUT MOTHERS AT WATSON HOME

Members of the Mothers club of Boy Scout troop 241 were entertained on March 19 at the home of Mrs. L. P. Watson, 1533 West 220th street. During the meeting the ladies sewed for a bazaar. Following the business meeting Mrs. Watson served delicious refreshments.

LUTHERAN MEETINGS

The Rebekah Circle will meet at the home of Mrs. C. Preisler, 1639 204th st., on Friday evening March 21, at 7:30 o'clock.

The Victory Circle will meet at the home of Mrs. S. Jenkins, 917 Acacia ave., on Tuesday, March 25, at 7:30 p.m.

VFW Auxiliary Honors President At Informal Party

Mrs. Mable Weigand, recently reelected to serve as president of V.F.W. Auxiliary, was delightfully surprised last Thursday by her staff of officers and committee chairmen. Gathered at what was purported to be a regular meeting of the organization's sewing club in the home of Mrs. Velma Kent, the group presented her with a handsome guest book and a gavel.

A delicious pot luck luncheon was enjoyed and the ladies spent the afternoon sewing for an Auxiliary-sponsored bazaar.

Those present were the honoree and Ann Hight, Lucila Elmer, Sally Jenkins, Ruth Butth, Ruby Backstrom, Betty Sullivan, Pearl Jones, Jackie Disario, Frankie Brown, Ann Warburton, Hilma Malin, Gertrude Cook, Dony's Ablard, Florence Martin, Alice Melanie, Clarence Darling, Esther Cook, Anna Bay, Mae Richardson, Bernice Currier, Eunice Crabtree, Nellie Sutton, Carl Ramsey, Mary Towler and the hostess.

Members will note that beginning with the next meeting, Monday evening, March 24, meetings are to be held on the second and fourth Monday of each month at C.I.O. Hall, 1316 Border ave.

The next meeting of the Sewing Club will be held at Carol Ramsey's home, 1011 W. 223rd st.

BIRTHDAY DINNER FOR MRS. WHITE

A dinner party for 18 marked the birthday celebration of Mrs. A. L. White of 2026 236th st. Sunday. Guests were from Torrance, Los Angeles and Long Beach. A decorated, candlelight birthday cake was cut and many lovely gifts were presented. Games and cards followed.

CHICAGO UNIVERSITIES

The city of Chicago is the home of ten major and a number of minor universities.

Local Students In Shakespeare Festival

Torrance high school is to be represented in the annual Shakespearean Festival to be held at Occidental college this year, on Saturday April 26.

All senior and junior high schools in Southern California compete in the festival, and over five hundred are expected to attend.

A preliminary contest will be held at Torrance High March 24 and 25 to determine the entrants from Torrance. Some forty pupils are entered.

The festival is conducted under the auspices of the Southern California Speech Teachers' association, the local contest being sponsored by Mrs. Rodna Wisham, Torrance High speech and dramatics teacher.

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- SUNDAY, MARCH 23
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- MONDAY, MARCH 24
Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Jessome, 1727 Gramercy Ave.
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