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## Womens Activities

### Turkey Dinners, Reunions Highlight Thanksgiving

By NADA L. SKIDMORE

Thanksgiving was greeted in Torrance last week with all the traditional observances: morning church services, turkey dinners with all the fixings and reunions

for members of families from near and far.

Among those entertaining at home were Mr. and Mrs. Herbert C. Allen, 1447 Post ave., whose guests were Dr. and Mrs. Forest B. Brown, Mrs. Lottie Lou Owings and Herbert Burnett, all of Fresno, Mrs. Ann Merten of Fullerton, Mrs. Ray Kluseman of Los Angeles, Mrs. Alta Kepingler of Long Beach, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Allen and Bobby Allen, and the host and hostess' daughter, Lois Jayne, from Los Angeles Children's hospital, where she is a U.C.L.A. student of physical therapy.



Mr. and Mrs. Luke Nickol, 1417 1/2 Cota ave., had several guests for dinner: Mrs. Nickol's sister and brother-in-law, and Mrs. C. H. Lannon of Ontario, Calif., and their daughter Joann, Mrs. Hannah Goldstein of Long Beach and Mrs. Kathryn Buffington of Torrance.

Many Torrance residents spent Thanksgiving with friends or relatives in other cities. Among them were Dr. and Mrs. Howard Wood, 1517 El Prado, who visited Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Jeffrey in Long Beach, and Mr. and Mrs. Von M. Bergen, 2467 Sonoma ave., who joined Mr. and Mrs. Bart Christensen and family, of Beverly Hills, for the holiday meal.

Selections from Victor Herbert, Strauss, and gypsy numbers will make up the special overture.

Plot of the fantasy concerns a king of an enchanted land who asks that contentment and happiness be taught during his absence at war. The queen fulfills his wish by having children from his land and foreign lands to the palace for a Christmas festival.

Dances from China, Scotland, Holland, Russia, Mexico, Cuba, Argentina, Hawaii, the South, and gypsy caravans will be seen during the program.

Tickets are on sale now at the Three Arts Studio.

Mrs. Von Bergen Surprised With Birthday Party

Mrs. Von M. Bergen, 2467 Sonoma ave., was surprised with a birthday luncheon at her home Friday, Nov. 21.

The room was decorated with green vines and arrangements were made by Mrs. Bergen's sisters, Mrs. Melba Grov of South Gate, and Mrs. Velma Stringham of Lynwood.

Mrs. Torres, 2522 Alcazar ave., Los Angeles and Josephine M. Torres, Rt. 1, Box 264-A, Torrance.

Howard L. Weber, 1903 Andree ave., Torrance and Jeanna W. Kite, 24329 Narbonne ave., Lomita.

Final plans are being drawn up for a Christmas party to be held Wednesday Dec. 17, with time and place to be announced later.

Proceeds from the party will be used to buy robes for the girls, who are planning a Christmas program. The Junior High P. T. A. will cooperate in giving the affair.

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SCREEN TEST... Paramount Studio is screen testing Joseph Bennett, local amateur actor, for motion picture work. Bennett, an employee of Carson Mart, has been associated with the Three Arts Studio, the Long Beach Community Players, and is currently rehearsing for "Three's a Family," comedy to be presented in Redondo Beach this January.

### C.D.A. TO SPONSOR CHRISTMAS PARTIES FOR TWO GROUPS

An executive board meeting of the Catholic Daughters of America was held Monday at the home of the Misses Rose and Katie Orman, where Mrs. Frank Forester presided.

Two Christmas parties were planned at the meeting. The first will be held Monday Dec. 8 at the parish hall after a regular business meeting for all the members. A gift exchange, Christmas tree and carols, by Miss Ehyllis Yergen will be presented.

In charge of the affair is Mrs. Lillian Schott, who will be assisted by the Meses. Theresa Finlayson, Clara Goodson, Margaret Misitz, Agnes Sexton and Mildred Probert.

A party for children will be presented Friday Dec. 19 at 7 p.m. in the parish hall, where Mrs. Santa Claus will make a personal appearance. A program by Girl Scouts, gifts and movies will be scheduled.

Methodist Circle 1 Meets Tuesday At Church, 1:30 P.M.

Circle No. 1 of the Methodist church will meet on Tuesday Dec. 9 at the church at 1:30 p.m. Devotions will be in charge of Mrs. Harold Hutchison, and Mrs. Margaret Ritchie will continue her review of "The Fine Art of Using."

Instead of the usual gift exchange for the Christmas meeting, members are asked to bring a "white elephant" and to put 50 cents into a fund to go to the Youth Group who are sending a package to CARE for European relief.

### W.S.C.S. TO GIVE BAZAAR, TURKEY DINNER FRIDAY

The Women's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist church will hold its annual bazaar on Friday starting at 11:30 a.m. in the beginners' room of the church at Manuel and El Prado.

Needlework of all kinds will be featured, including pillowcases, tablecloths, aprons, tea towels, sequin jewelry.

A turkey dinner will be served in the church parlors beginning at 5:30 p.m. Tickets, available from W.S.C.S. members, are \$1.25 for adults and 85 cents for children.

SNOWY WEEKEND Miss Helen Lockwood, director of the YWCA young adult program for this area, was the guest of Mrs. Margaret Massie for the weekend at the Massies' cabin at Big Bear Lake. A snow storm followed the weekend's part way home, they reported.

SAN FRANCISCO TRIP Mr. and Mrs. John Melville and Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Deroun returned last week from a week-long visit in San Francisco with friends and relatives.

NEW RESIDENTS Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Zurschmitt, 1830 Torrance Blvd., and their son Franklin, have recently moved to this city from Massillon, Ohio.

## LARGE CROWD ATTENDS O.E.S. INSTALLATION

The 26th installation of officers was held by Torrance Chapter No. 380 of the Order of the Eastern Star Saturday evening, Nov. 22, when a large crowd gathered to witness the ceremonies in the Masonic Temple.

Colbaugh will act as Bible bearer; Ray Lougee, flag bearer; Archer Lewis, electrician, and Kathleen Ritko, prompter.

Carrying a large heart-shaped bouquet centered with an orchid, Mrs. Edna Babcock, the new worthy matron, symbolized the theme for the evening, love. Color scheme was aqua and rose, and women officers carried bouquets with gardenias forming the heart.

Other officers installed were Vincent Vienneau, worthy patron; Mrs. Mildred Edwards, associate matron; Leonard Babcock, associate patron; Mrs. Rosearnold Winters, secretary; Mrs. Estelle Graham, treasurer; Mrs. Gladys Mothersell, conductress; Mrs. Vivian Cook, associate conductress; Mrs. Ila Gilbert, chaplain; Mrs. Julia Vienneau, marshal; Mrs. Lois Lougee, organist; Mrs. Violet Locke, warder; Harold Ritko, sentinel; Mrs. Esther Swigart, Adah; Mrs. Eileen Pulliam, Ruth; Mrs. Mildred Mittan, Esther; Mrs. Hazel Sanders, Martha, and Mrs. Irma Harrington, Eileta.

Hostesses for the year will be Meses. Lois Babcock, Margaret Raymond, Leda Harshbarger, Mabelle Babcock, Alice Ruppel, Annette Babcock, Nellie Haynes.

Musicians for the evening were Miss Patricia Clere, installing organist; Miss Naomi Edwards, who sang several numbers, and Mrs. Jewell Kincaid from Los Angeles, who sang and played the accordion and guitar.

### EXHIBITION OF WATER COLORS AT PALOS VERDES

An exhibition of water colors by Caesar Hernandez, art teacher at Redondo Union high school, is being shown at the Palos Verdes public library under the auspices of the Community Arts Association.

A reception was held in the banquet room after the installation with Mrs. Persia Fess as chairman, assisted by Mrs. Bettina Miller, Mrs. Ellen Sach, and past matrons and hostesses.

Approximately 30 of Hernandez' paintings, mostly of nature by scenes done since his discharge from the army, will be on display until Saturday, Dec. 13.

Other projects planned by the association include classes for adults in art and home decoration. Mrs. Harold Lee Snow will teach interior decorating, landscaping and architecture in the home decoration class, which will meet in the library gallery.

The art class, taught by Mrs. Wallace Lebkicher, will meet at the Palos Verdes school at Malaga Cove.

Sunday afternoon tea is served from 3 to 5 o'clock in the library gallery for patrons visiting the exhibit.

### O.E.S. Hostesses Entertained At Tuesday Meeting

Mrs. H. Glen Babcock, 2368 Maricopa place, entertained hostesses of the Order of the Eastern Star at her home Tuesday evening.

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Light refreshments were served after a discussion of plans for the coming season.

### RUMMAGE SALE

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