

### Toloha Club Has Annual Yule Party

The regular Christmas and birthday party of the Toloha Club was held Friday evening at the home of Mrs. A. F. Buth, 2339 W. 239th street.

Highlight of the evening was opening the exchange gifts and revealing the names of secret friends after which new names were drawn for another year.

Each member received a personal gift from the retiring president, Mrs. Margaret Pullman. Games were played with Inez Ambill winning first prize and Sally Jenkins, consolation. Marie Anderson, Margaret Jones, Daisy Smith and Margaret Pullman, whose birthdays occurred during the past three months, received special gifts. Inez Ambill also won first prize in bunco.

A decorated sheet cake in Christmas colors, ice cream, coffee and tea were served at the close of the evening. Others attending were Ann Hight, Marjorie Lovell, Loella Elder, Oca Brown, Kathryn Flynn, Olive Phillips, Polly Myerscough, Edith Marriott, Mary Towler, Ruth Buth, Mabel Slover, Merle Osborne and Bernice Thomas.



LEGION AUXILIARY OFFICERS CHAT DURING LUNCHEON—Members of 19th District American Legion Auxiliary, representing 33 units in Southern California were entertained by Harbor City Auxiliary, Post No. 382, Thursday at the Legion hall, 253rd at Belle Porte avenue. Featured on the all-day program were reports from Mrs. Louise Bassett, department representative at Veterans' Administration (left) and Mrs. Peggy Weitz, department chairman of hospitality and patients' welfare (right). Seated in the center is 19th District President Mrs. Louise Comfort of Los Angeles, who conducted the meeting. Standing is Mrs. Grace Gibson, Harbor City unit president, who welcomed the district members to Harbor City. (Lomita News Photo by Arthur Willey).

## Women's Activities ...

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### ACTIVITIES OF ELEMENTARY PTA ARE REPORTED

Mrs. Bernard Lee's home at 1918 Martina ave. was the setting for an enjoyable luncheon when members of the executive board of Torrance Elementary PTA entertained about 50 members of the faculty of the school.

Mrs. W. H. Wood, hospitality chairman, and her assistants, served the delicious spaghetti luncheon. At the board meeting following Mrs. K. C. Beight presided. Plans were made for a green salvage drive set for Jan. 12, 13 and 14, to be held in the school auditorium. The grease will be checked each morning by Mrs. Emmett Ingram, ways and means chairman, and her assistants.

First and second prizes will be awarded the pupils bringing in the largest quantity of grease.

### YOUNG MATRON IS HONOREE AT STORK SHOWER

Honoring her daughter, Mrs. Billy Wright (Pat Marie; Quigley) of 21725 Halldale ave., Mrs. Feary Quigley and her mother, Mrs. Harold Buck, entertained with a stork shower last Thursday evening at the home of the latter, 1606 Gramerey ave.

Games appropriate for the occasion were enjoyed, with prizes for score holders. Following the presentation of lovely gifts for the heir to be, dainty refreshments of ice cream pastries were served.

Present were the honoree and Mrs. Evelyn Warning, Lou McFarland, Gertrude Wright, Mary Wright, Annetta Gully, Floy Cook, and Miss Dorothy Warning.

### Miss Molly Marshall Repeats Vows With Louis Mathiesen

First Methodist church was the setting for the wedding of Miss Molly Marshall, daughter of William Marshall, of 1318 W. 218th Street and Louis Mathiesen of Alturas, son of Jens Mathiesen of Altadena. The Sunday afternoon ceremony was attended by immediate relatives of the principals. Rev. Clyde E. Ruckman officiated.

Given away by her father, the bride was attractively attired in a toast-colored suit with brown accessories complemented by a corsage of yellow roses centered with a detachable gardenia corsage.

### CHRISTMAS TEA IS GIVEN BY JUNIOR WOMAN'S CLUB

One of the prettiest and most enjoyable social affairs of the calendar year for members of Torrance Junior Woman's Club was the Christmas tea Sunday afternoon at the home of Club President Mrs. E. E. Clayton, 1020 Crenshaw boulevard, when the executive board entertained the district board, club members and prospective members.



MISS HELES STINE

### Gully-Stine Reveal Troth

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Stine, of 2224 248th street, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Helen Dolores to Mr. Gilbert Daniel Gully, son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Gully of Wilmington.

The young couple have tentatively set their wedding date for next March. The bride-elect is a sophomore at Narbonne High School. Her fiancé, who is employed in Wilmington, received his high school diploma from Banning High School and has been an active member of the Blue Tide Football Squad, San Pedro.

Miss Olive Marshall was her sister's maid of honor in an aqua suit with navy accessories and a camellia corsage. William Smith of Long Beach attended the bridegroom as best man. A dinner party at Iron's Cottage-by-the-Sea immediately followed the church ceremony and later, Mr. and Mrs. Mathiesen left for a honeymoon trip to San Francisco. The bride was graduated from Whitewater State Teachers' College, Whitewater, Wis. For the past year she has been teaching in Torrance schools.

### Mrs. Brooks' Home Lovely Setting for Holiday Party

One of the most delightful of pre-holiday parties was the beautiful Christmas tea enjoyed Sunday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Willis M. Brooks, 1328 Portola avenue, when 35 members of the Hobby Nobbyers were her guests. Co-hostess with Mrs. Brooks was Mrs. Luise Bradshaw of Hollywood.

Limericks presented by the membership and French carols sung by Mrs. Edward d'Bugnia to lute accompaniment by Mrs. Sarah (Vada) Bickford of Hollywood, noted lute player, provided entertainment. Center of attraction were the lovely tea pots which have been added to Mrs. Brooks' unique collection since the club group

### Trudy Blair Is Welcomed

Trudy Lynn, their second child, was welcomed Dec. 15 by Captain William E. Blair, AAF, and Mrs. Blair (Ruth Barnard). The little girl was born at Army Hospital, Spokane, Wash., where her daddy is attached to the Army Air Force base, Randy, the popular couple's four-year-old son, and his little sister, are the grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Barnard, 2553 Sonoma ave. After Jan. 1, Capt. and Mrs. Blair and the children will arrive at the Barnard home, where he will remain until Jan. 7, enroute to Panama City, Fla. Mrs. Blair will remain in Torrance for an indefinite visit.

### Gold Star Mothers in Activities

Torrance Memorial Chapter of Gold Star Mothers report a visit to Brentwood Hospital, where they staged a Christmas party for patients of the psychopathic ward.

Dancing highlighted the party and Christmas cookies, ice cream and punch were served by the ladies. Punch for the party was made by Mrs. Persia Fess.

Others attending were Mmes. Leota Smith, Martha Evans, Cleo Barnett, Lucy Vigil, Helen Wilson, Anna Held, and Cecil McKinley.

Other activities of the group included a recent rummage sale in Gardena and a food sale at the entrance to Levy's. Nine new members were initiated during the month.

### 'Y' COMMITTEE WOMEN CHOSEN AS DELEGATES

Mrs. A. E. Palmer and Miss Elaine Allsbrook, chairman and program director of the Torrance YWCA, were selected as delegates to the YWCA National Convention in San Francisco next March by the Torrance YWCA Committee at its regular December meeting held at the home of Mrs. E. E. Clayton.

Committee members discussed plans to raise money for convention expenses and to gain new members for the YWCA. Mrs. J. P. Montague will chair a committee to arrange a membership meeting and enrollment campaign. Assisting her will be Mrs. Clayton and Miss Allsbrook.

Mrs. Montague presented the budget request, being made by the Torrance YWCA to the Community Chest for operational expenses for the year beginning March 1, 1949. The net request being made by the Torrance YWCA is about \$4000. In addition to this, the local YWCA requests administrative services through the San Pedro YWCA and office space and secretarial services through the First District Welfare Center. YWCA staff and volunteers will cooperate in staffing headquarters and soliciting during the emergency Community Chest campaign Jan. 10, 11, 12 and 13.

The YWCA Committee voted to support and send representatives to the Torrance Church Council which is being reorganized. Reports also were given from Torrance Educational Advisory Committee, First District Welfare Council and San Pedro YWCA Board meetings, with all of which the Torrance YWCA cooperates.

### SILVER WEDDING ANNIVERSARY IS PARTY INCENTIVE

The silver wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Richina, 1735 Pacific Coast highway, last Tuesday was the incentive for a surprise party held at the Richina home with Mrs. Mary Henry of Frampton ave. acting as hostess.

A group of well-planned games offered amusement throughout the evening and after the honored couple had been presented with a number of lovely gifts for the occasion, a three-tiered cake was cut and served with ice cream.

Attending were Messrs. and Mmes. Milton Voisinet, Marco DeNicola, Joe Beebe, David King, Percy Kemble, Joe Torino, Mrs. Henry, daughter Pollyanna, and Arthur King.

### Lioness Club at Enjoyable Yule Dinner

Lioness Club members were delighted with the colorful tree which highlighted the decorations used at their Christmas party Tuesday evening at 1617 Cravens avenue.

Tall candlesticks and a beautiful centerpiece dominated the table where a sumptuous buffet dinner was served. Climax of the meal came as lights were dimmed and a burning plum pudding was brought in by Mrs. Daisy Gilmore. Pouring were Mesdames Mavis Cook and Kay Jakubowski.

Following an exchange of gifts games were enjoyed. Chairman for games, refreshments and decorations was Mrs. Bernice Moshos, who was assisted by Mesdames Cook, Gilmore, Jakubowski and Tessa Berkowitz.

### Christmas Dinner for Club, Guests

The rumpus room at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Buth, 2339 W. 239th street was the setting for the annual Christmas dinner for members of the Toloha Club, their husbands and guests.

The gaily decorated living room was enhanced by a red and silver lighted Christmas tree and two 12-foot tables were covered with Christmas tablecloths and centered with red tapers, holly berries and cookie Christmas trees.

A holiday dinner with plenty of turkey, ham and all the trimmings was topped off with pumpkin and mince pies.

Attending were Messrs. and Mmes. Guy Hight, John Lovell, John Myerscough, Clarence Brown, Lyle Phillips, Harry Slover, Hollis Towler, Albert Elder, Wesley Ambill, C. W. Jenkins, William Osborne, A. Buth, Mmes. Margaret Pullman, Daisy Smith, Kathryn Flynn, Margaret Jones, Edith Marriott, Marie Anderson, Margaret Anderson, and Miss Loella Epps.

### HOLIDAY PARTY, HIGHLIGHTS GUILD MEETING

The San Pedro Writers' Guild held its annual Christmas party the evening of Dec. 14 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Newhard, 2319 248th place, Lomita.

In honor of the occasion the guild canceled its customary program, devoting the time to the exchange of gifts and singing of carols. Original verse accompanied each gift. The prize for the best gift poem went to Cleo Cooper.

Fred W. Wood, who has served as the guild's Santa for the past ten years, again filled that post. Hostesses for the occasion were Mrs. J. Roy Gardner of San Pedro, and Mrs. Newhard.

The next regular meeting of the San Pedro Writers' Guild will be held at 7:30 Dec. 28 at 359 Seventh street in San Pedro. Guild meetings are open to all local writers.

### SCOUT MOTHERS MAKE COSTUMES AT LEADER'S HOME

Mrs. Keith Jones was a gracious hostess to members of the Scout Mothers of Troop 810 Wednesday evening, when she opened her home on Torrance boulevard for an informal meeting.

Busily plying their needles the women spent the evening completing costumes which the girls wore Sunday in the tableau "The Nativity," presented in the parish hall.

Mrs. Jones' guests, who were served delicious refreshments at the close of the evening, were Mesdames Albert Elder, LeRoy Armstrong, Leona Thurston, Belle Phillips, Samuel Webb, Carl Gramling, John Lovell, Frances Gately, Schwittek, Howard Schott, James Donald and Walter Zuver.

### FRIDAY STUDY CLUB HEARS THE YULETIDE STORY

Rev. Oscar Nurse, pastor of St. Peter's Episcopal Church, San Pedro, gave the Christmas message and prayer at the Friday Morning Study Club's yuletide meeting Friday morning.

Children of the lower grades at Chadwick School in Rolling Hills presented a group of Christmas carols and a short Christmas play titled "The Little Shepherd." According to the annual custom, members took non-perishable food to the meeting for distribution to needy families by the San Pedro District Welfare Council.

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