

Inspirational Presidents' Reports Spark PTA Council's Annual Meeting Friday

Women's Activities

JUNE 7, 1951

Fifteen



CLUB OFFICERS ARE SEATED . . . Installed yesterday afternoon in a beautiful floral setting in the clubhouse were the officers who will serve Torrance Woman's Club next year. In the foreground, seated, left to right are, Mrs. Leo A. McCoy, special events chairman; Mrs. B. W. Roberts, president; Mrs. S. V. Rauss, past president, installing officer; Mrs. B. T. Whitney, retiring president, parliamentarian; Mrs. C. L. Snodgrass, ways and means chairman, first row; Mrs.

C. P. Olson, federation secretary; Mrs. J. E. Stavert, auditor; Mrs. M. N. Felker, recording secretary; Mrs. W. I. Laughon, past president; Mrs. Raymond Rogers, treasurer; Mrs. H. W. Irwin, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Frances Hunn, year book; last row, Mrs. A. F. R. Ewalt, second vice-president; Mrs. Gilbert J. Derouin, first vice-president; Mrs. D. J. Thomson, reservations chairman. (Herald photo).

MISS PLOEHN TO JOIN RANKS OF JUNE BRIDES

Miss Betty Ploehn, who resides with her guardians, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Anderson at 3235 W. 187th street, announces her engagement and approaching marriage to Mr. Verlin Redman of this city and formerly of Independence, Kansas. The bride-elect is a daughter of Mr. Robert Ploehn of Medford, Oregon, a veteran of World War I who is hospitalized at Camp White in that city. She received her early education in Seattle schools.



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Her fiancé, an employee of Silclair Manufacturing Company, was educated in eastern schools. The couple will recite their wedding vows June 24 in Las Vegas, Nevada and return to establish their home in Torrance.

Blount Home Is Setting For Luncheon

Mrs. Willis G. Blount was a gracious hostess when she entertained at an attractively appointed buffet luncheon Thursday in her home, 17036 Wilkie avenue. Roses and gladioli from her garden created an effective party background and places were arranged for Mesdames Bob L. Haggard, George Stevens, Harvey B. Spelman, Paul Roetger, James M. Hall, Ed Karlow, Kenneth Odel, Harry Schindele, F. Fagnanon all of Torrance; John Morrison, L. Peterson, Hawthorne; and Warren Godeke, of Los Angeles.

VFW Member New District Officer

VFW Auxiliary to Post 3251 will meet Tuesday, June 12 at 8 p.m. Mrs. Carl Ramsey will open her home at 2262 W. 231st street today at 10 a.m. for Sewing Club members. Election of two County Council delegates will be held at this meeting. Representing the unit at the district meeting June 3 at South Gate were Beatrice Vaca, Mabel Moore, and Mary Towler. Phyllis Withee of Long Beach was re-elected as Fourth District president and Torrance was honored by the election of Mabel Moore as senior vice-president of the district.

KESSON-WHALEN NAMES LINKED IN BETHROTHAL

Miss Margaret Jean Whalen of Santa Barbara will become the bride of Mr. Kenneth Allan Kesson of this city in a ceremony to be performed June 30 in First Methodist Church of Santa Barbara. Miss Whalen is the daughter of Mr. H. G. Whalen of Santa Barbara and Mrs. W. R. Dugan of Ventura. Her fiancé's parents are Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Kesson of 1815 W. 482nd street. The bride-elect received her early education in Santa Barbara schools and on August 31 will graduate from Knapp College of Nursing. Mr. Kesson, Torrance High School graduate, is a student at University of California at Santa Barbara. They plan to live in the northern city.



Mari Jo Lee's Troth Revealed in Las Vegas

A betrothal just revealed in Las Vegas is of wide interest to this community. Mr. and Mrs. Hillman R. Lee, former Torrance residents, have formally announced the engagement of their daughter Mari Jo to Mr. Richard Terence Arbenz, whose parents are Mr. and Mrs. George Arbenz of Bellflower. Miss Lee received her early education in Torrance schools and is in her junior year at Chapman College, Los Angeles, where she is an education major. She is a member of Cardinal Keys and the Sponsors, honor societies for sophomore and junior women, and is dormitory president this year. Her bridegroom-to-be was graduated from high school in Bellflower and attended Fullerton Junior College and at Chapman is majoring in business administration. He is affiliated with Phi Alpha Chi. Wedding plans are being made for next winter following Mari Jo's graduation from Chapman.

Bethel Mothers Set Plans

Mrs. Robert Lenton will open her home at 1447 W. 220th street Wednesday, June 13 for a meeting of Bethel 50, Job's Daughters Mothers Club. Mrs. Earl Wells will assist as co-hostess. On the agenda will be a discussion of plans for summer camp at Crestline. There is no poverty where there is virtue, no riches where virtue is not. Chinese proverb.

MARK ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Jones and daughter Mary of Martina street enjoyed Memorial Day at Knott's Berry Farm. The occasion marked the popular couple's 39th wedding anniversary. They also were guests last Sunday at dinner in the home of their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Jones again marking this event. Let none falter who thinks he is right. —LINCOLN

PTA Council Closes Year

"Roads to the Future" was the theme for the fourth annual breakfast of Torrance Council PTA held Friday in Woman's clubhouse. Mrs. A. C. Turner opened the meeting and following the pledge of allegiance led by Mrs. Grover C. VanDeventer, Rev. Arthur Bello, rector of St. Andrew's Church, offered the invocation. Mayor Bob L. Haggard and other special guests were introduced by Mrs. Turner before she requested the reading of the presidents' inspirational annual reports. Mrs. J. J. Popovich's historian's report of the Council also was enthusiastically received. Program features included duo piano numbers by Mickey VanDeventer and Judy Yeltema, pupils of Kathryn F. Buffington; a humorous vocal trio by Miss Doris Kent, Misses H. Hardesty and Lavona McKelvey, all of North Torrance PTA. A skit by Perry Association and vocal solos by Mrs. Irene Roberts of Seaside unit completed the enjoyable entertainment. Mrs. A. B. Cowie and her staff, who will serve the Council next year, were installed by Mrs. C. F. Rees, vice-president of First District PTA. In tribute to Mrs. Turner for her splendid leadership during the past two years, the Council presented her with a handsome gift of matched luggage.



TORRANCE COUNCIL PTA . . . in a beautiful ceremony Friday installed the officers who will serve during the ensuing year. Left to right are Mrs. A. B. Cowie, president; Mrs. A. C. Turner, past president and Mrs. C. F. Rees, First District vice president, installing officer. (Herald photo).

Guild Enjoys Evening Fete

Members of St. Cecilia's Guild of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church recently enjoyed a fish fry in the lovely garden of Mrs. Willis M. Brooks' home on Portola avenue. Mrs. Brooks and Mrs. Ralph Davis were hostesses for the evening, assisted by Mrs. William Montgomery and Mrs. Jackson S. Moore. Guests reluctantly broke up the pleasant combination of delicious food, the conversation of old friends, a merry fire in the fireplace and frogs piping in the lily pond to play bridge and canasta indoors. Winner at bridge was Sterline Fanning and Addie Roberts at canasta.

RED CROSS NEEDS MORE BED QUILTS

Mrs. Ruth Rutlan, production chairman of Torrance Branch American Red Cross, reports that various groups are working on quilts needed for stockpiling, in case of disaster. Groups or individuals are urged to phone her at Lomita 90-J evenings only if they are anxious to participate in this program. Not only is Mrs. Rutlan active in this work, but during the day is employed under the County Civilian Defense program as a First Aid instructor at Harbor General Hospital. This program is in conjunction with the Los Angeles Chapter Red Cross whose personnel instructs all county employees in First Aid. At Harbor General Hospital alone, 800 employees are being trained.

C. E. Guild to Meet for Luncheon

Members of Central Evangelical Guild will enjoy a pot luck luncheon at 12:30 June 13 in Guild Hall, Marcelina at Arlington avenue. Mrs. N. D. Smith, who has been re-elected to serve next year, and her staff, as hostesses, will serve the dessert course. A business meeting will follow. FINNISH PICNIC SET 10th Fourth annual picnic of the Finnish Minnesota Club will be held Sunday, June 10 beginning at 10 a.m. Coffee will be served. Everyone is requested to supply his own table service in addition to a contribution to the pot luck luncheon, according to the chairman, Mrs. Martha Lappi.



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