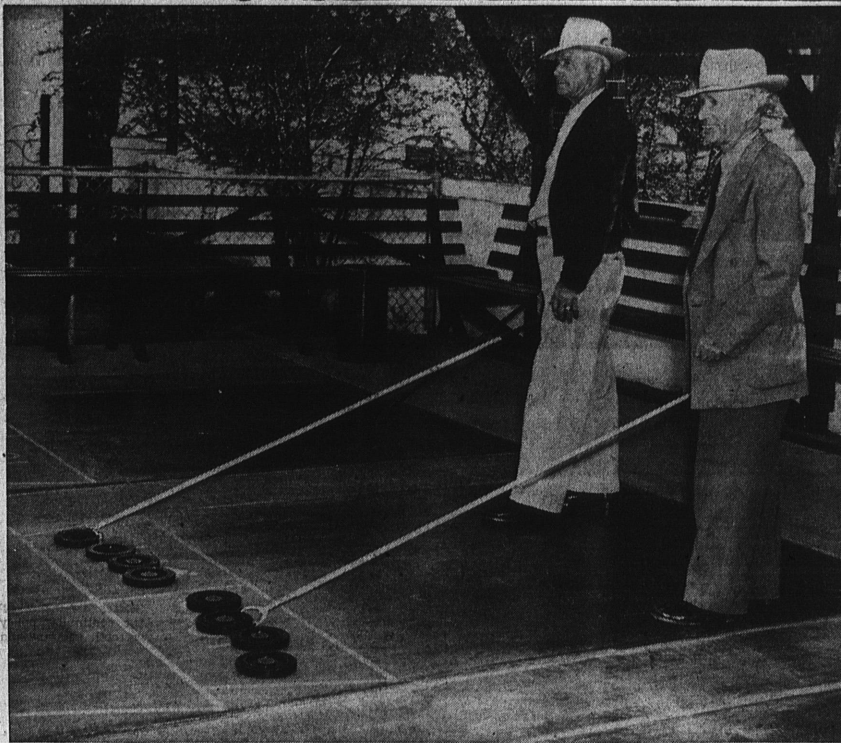




FUN IN THE AFTERNOON . . . It isn't often that men are included in society-page art, but this week we're doing a turnabout and focusing on the male side of Torrance activities. As Friday was a holiday in most businesses, many men gathered for the afternoon at the Adult Recreation Center for well-earned relaxation. In the above photo, J. H. Raynor, 1213 Cota Ave., front, joins a few cronies for a card game in the cheery Recreation Hall, decorated appropriately for the Yule season.

J. D. UKENS HOLD HOLIDAY GATHERING

Among Torrance families hosting Christmas Day gatherings were Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Uken, 1617 Beech Ave. Joining the festivities at their home were Messrs. and Meses. Earl Prentice of Big Bear Lake; C. A. Smith of Springfield, S. D.; Charles Provanda of Spearfish, S. D.; Jack Sunderlin of Compton, and James McKnight and family of El Monte.



(Herald Photo)

Concentrating on their hands are, left to right, Joe Haslett, 20935 Halldale Ave.; his guest from Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., Armour Taylor; and C. B. Morton, 1527 Marcelina Ave. In the photo at the right, Frank Jarratt, 1634 Arlington Ave., left, and Albert Cox, 1315 Madrid Ave., take advantage of the sunshine to try their hand at shuffleboard.

Lorna Isen To Be Bride

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Isen, 1504 Engracia Ave., are announcing the engagement of their daughter, Lorna, to Melvin L. Rubin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Rubin of San Francisco.

The bride-elect was graduated from Torrance High School as salutatorian of the class of June, 1949. She attended the University of California at Los Angeles, where she was affiliated with Sigma Delta Tau sorority, for two years, and is currently majoring in psychology at the University of California at Berkeley.

The future groom is an honor student at the University of California and is president of the class of 1953, School of Optometry. He has just been accepted into the School of Medicine and will enter in the fall.

Both Miss Isen and her fiancé will graduate from the University of California in June, 1953. They plan to be married June 21.



(Photo Arts Photo)

JUNE BRIDE . . . Miss Lorna Isen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Isen, 1504 Engracia Ave., will exchange vows with Melvin L. Rubin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Rubin of San Francisco, next June 21. Both the bride-to-be and the future groom will graduate from the University of California in June.

News of the betrothal was told to a gathering of some 30 relatives and friends at a birthday party for the benedict-elect, held at the Wilmington home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Harrison. The bride-to-be's father made the announcement.

Miss Crenshaw is now a sophomore at Torrance High School.

B. Crenshaw To Wed Long Beach Man

Wedding bells will ring next summer for Betty Crenshaw, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Crenshaw, 18537 Amie Ave., and Robert Leidner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Milton H. Leidner of Long Beach.



Miss Belva Kennedy wore ivory satin last Sunday when she became the bride of Alvin Thompson at ceremonies in the Baptist Church. The young couple now are living with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Kennedy, 2030 W. 237th St., until they establish their own home here. (Harian Studio photo).

Belva Kennedy, Thompson Exchange Wedding Vows

Soft shades of yellow and turquoise contrasted with bridal ivory to make an effective color scheme at the Baptist Church last Sunday when Miss Belva Kennedy and Alvin Thompson were united in marriage.

The bride, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Kennedy, 2030 W. 237th St., chose an ivory satin gown which featured rhinestone trim on the snug bodice. A satin and lace crown held her white veil in place, and she carried white gardenias tied with matching satin streamers.

Miss Charlotte Ford attended as maid of honor in a yellow silk gown set off by a bouquet of turquoise carnations. Bridesmaids Della Fowler and Diane McCluer carried out the color motif with turquoise gowns and yellow carnations on bouquet. Monty Cloward served as best man, while Roy McCown and Jimmy Turner seated guests.

Following the ceremony, about 75 relatives and friends gathered at the YWCA building to congratulate the new bride and groom, both of whom attended Torrance High School.

The groom, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Thompson, 2029 Border Ave., was discharged from the Air Force last May following 18 months service in Japan and Korea.

The young couple, who later plan to establish their home in this city, are at present residing with the bride's parents.

MRS. M. BECKWITH RETURNS FROM TRIP, ENTERTAINS GUESTS

Mrs. Melvina Beckwith, 1322 Engracia Ave., returned from a two-and-a-half month vacation in Texas just in time to entertain her children and some friends over the Christmas holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen J. Wells and children, Richard and Carolyn, arrived at the Beckwith home Christmas Eve and will return to their Richmond home today. Other guests at Christmas Day dinner were Joe Hardin and Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Cook.

The group visited Mrs. Ruth Hardin, who entered Torrance Memorial Hospital for surgery Dec. 20, during the day.

Mrs. Beckwith's first stop on her recent trip to Texas was at the San Angelo home of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Florence Williams. She then went on to Saint Jo, her hometown, to visit her brother, Richard Williams.

Her last stop was at San Antonio, where she visited a niece and nephew, Mrs. Frances Yarbrough and Anthony Nixon. During her stay, her hosts took her on several sightseeing trips.

'Stork Story' FROM TORRANCE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

It's a boy now for Mr. and Mrs. Elwin G. Williams, 21919 Moneta Ave., who have one daughter, Patsy. The new arrival, 6 lb. 8 oz. Tommy Elwin, was born Dec. 21 at 6:34 a.m. Father is employed by Shell Oil Co.; Messrs. and Mesdames V. H. Williams of Gardena and Fred L. Baker of Bois D'Arc, Mo., are grandparents.

Eight lb. 11 oz. Michael Joseph has joined John Curtis, 48 mos., and Cynthia Jean, 4, to complete the 2842 Onrado St. household of Mr. and Mrs. John Taveira. The new son arrived Dec. 18 at 6:51 p.m. Father is a salesman at Topy Chemical Co.; grandparents are Messrs. and Mesdames Curtis Physps, 3420 Emerald St., and John J. Taveira, San Francisco.

Also born Dec. 18 was the second child of Carpenter Robert Womack and his wife, who live at 2405 S. Harvard Blvd. The new baby, named Robert Edward Jr., weighed in at 6 lbs. 13 oz. at the birth hour, 7:27 p.m. Included on the welcoming committee are sister Laura Christine, 2½; and grandparents Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Wilson of Flagstaff, Ariz.; Thomas Womack of Waleria, and Ollie Womack of Peach Springs, Ariz.

Two more male infants were born at Torrance Memorial on Dec. 22 and 23 respectively. Raymond Walter II was born on the 22nd to Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Lougee, 2114 La Salle Ave., while Steven Edward was born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Linn, 22200 Grace St., on the 23rd.

The Lougee baby, who weighed 6 lbs. 9 oz., has three sisters, Linda and Nancy, three-year-old twins; and Carol, 1. Father is employed as a mechanic at Hamblin Nerney Ford Agency; paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Lougee, 2860 Sepulveda Blvd.

Steven Edward is the third child of the Linn's, joining Barbara, 8, and Charles, 5. Born at 9:50 p.m., the boy weighed 7 lb. 4 oz. Father is a local jeweler and watchmaker; Mrs. Betty Miller of Los Angeles and Mr. and Mrs. A. Heinz of San Pedro are grandparents.

WARNERS VISIT SON

Mr. and Mrs. Carl S. Warner, 1452 El Prado, drove to Parks Air Force Base, near San Francisco, Christmas Day to visit their son, Robert, who is completing basic training there.

Holiday at Palm Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Clink scale, 1451 El Prado, left this week to spend the Christmas and New Year holidays in Palm Springs. They will return to Torrance Jan. 2.

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