

YW Clears Building Debt; Hears of Need for Prayer

First lap in the current capital funds race of the YWCA is won, and the Carson St. building now stands free of debt. While about 125 watched, Neil Colburn, branch chairman, and Sam Levy, one of the principals on the drive committee, burned the note, wiping out the balance of \$1870 owed on the building, when the YW staged a dinner Thursday evening.

Cited for special service in the drive, in addition to Levy, were Mesdames Clara A. Conner, H. J. Osborne, Mary Pargac, and Warren Hamilton. Others introduced were Mrs. John Halfpenny, president of the Harbor District YWCA; Floyd White, Harbor representative of the Welfare Federation of Los Angeles; Mrs. Elsa Morris, executive director of the Harbor YW, and Mrs. Minnie Solomon, vice-chairman of the Torrance branch.

The drive will continue through Mar. 1 with a goal of \$3000, or \$1118 more to purchase needed equipment for the building. Warmest personal regards and wishes for success in the campaign were sent via telegram from Congressman Cecil R. King, and additional support came through a letter from Mayor Meritt M. Schwab, who was unable to attend the dinner.

"The YWCA represents the ideals of personal and social living which we desire for our community," he said.

"I would be discouraged with the kind of world we live in if I could not see the workings of God in history and his patterns moving," Miss Elsie Farris, prominent Long Beach attorney, told guests in an after-dinner address, "New Horizons in Brotherhood."

Miss Farris has made 10 trips to Mexico in the last 10 years, has traveled around the world several times.

GARDENERS TO VISIT DESCANSO

Members of Torrance Terrace Garden Club will motor to Descanso Gardens, La Canada, for their Feb. 24 meeting, Mrs. Carl Hood, publicity chairman, announced this week.

The Gardens, she said, are 160 acres of beauty recently acquired by the County of Los Angeles. There are 48,000 blooming camellia plants in 900 varieties plus thousands of azaleas and rose bushes in full bloom.

Mrs. J. L. Duroy was hostess for last Wednesday's meeting, when the club welcomed Mrs. S. Campbell as a new member and had Mrs. P. Wycoff as the guest. Rose culture and propagation was the topic of the afternoon program.

On Mar. 10, Mrs. W. R. Hickox, 2417 Torrance Blvd., will hostess the meeting.

RNA Slates Drill Practice

A short business meeting, degree staff, and drill practice are on the Tuesday, Feb. 23 slate for Torrance Camp, Royal Neighbors of America, Mrs. Verdie Grimm, publicity chairman, said this week.

Session will begin at 7:30 p.m. at the usual site, the Woman's Clubhouse at 1422 Engracia Ave.

Highlighting this week's club calendar was a stork shower at the 1635 W. 214th St. home of Mrs. Lou Johnson for Mesdames Pat Conner and Della Elchorn. Attending were the hostess, the honorees; and Mesdames Deloris McVicar, Ruth Robinson, Patt Geyer, Ruby La Rocque, Ethel Lisk, Marie Koshak, Velma Scanlon, Grimm, Stella Norris, Mary Baker, Sophia Duncan, Opal Hoy, Dorothy Maloy, Angie Disario, Helma Mallin, Carolyn Duncan, Mae Fritz, and Lucille Myer.



LET 'ER BURN . . . say Sam Levy, one of the principals on the fund-raising committee, and Miss Nell Colburn, chairman of the Torrance YWCA, as they set fire to a note showing the balance of the building debt. The Y cleared the debt with its capital funds dinner at its Carson St. headquarters Thursday night. (Herald photo)

Hold Showers for New Baby

Stuffed animals carried out the new baby motif and a green and white crepe paper umbrella told the shower story when women of the Friendship Group gathered at the First Baptist Church bungalow to honor Mrs. Pat Scott of Evelyn St. and her five-month-old daughter, Jan. Hostessing the event were Mesdames Bert Scott, sister-in-law of the honoree; John Schmidt, William Waterman, Richard Long, and Warren Naslund. About 47 attended.

Another event honoring little miss Jan and her mother was hosted by Mrs. Marshall Chamberlain, secretary to the city manager, at her 1330 Engracia Ave. home Tuesday evening. Guests at the affair were about 80 women who work with Mrs. Scott at the City Hall.



LEAD NEW CLUB . . . Mrs. H. J. Milson, secretary, gets ready to record names of other new leaders of the "Seaside Hi-Lighters" in the minutes of the first meeting of the new group, held Tuesday night at 5245 Bindewald Rd., home of Mrs. Frank W. Callahan. Pictured left to right are Mesdames H. H. Patterson, treasurer and one of the principals on the organization committee; Robert Ledwidge, president; and Peter Juristich, vice-president. (Herald Photo)

WCTU TO SPONSOR SPEECH CONTEST

Seven young people of junior high school age will tell stories to acquaint youth with the evils of alcohol when they participate in a WCTU-sponsored speech contest at the First Methodist Church Tuesday evening, Feb. 23.

Program will begin at 7:30 o'clock and musical selections by Sharon Byers and a quartet from the Youth Temperance Council will round out the entertainment.

Seaside Heights Women Organize Social Club

Mrs. Robert Ledwidge, well-known in Hampton Players' circles, will lead a new club of Seaside Heights women which got its official start last Tuesday night.

About 40 Heights women gathered at the 5245 Bindewald Rd. home of Mrs. Frank W. Callahan for the session, planned by Mesdames Callahan, Frank Burk, H. H. Patterson, and W. L. Ainsley. Choosing the name

"Seaside Hi-Lighters," the women named Mrs. H. Patterson, treasurer; Mrs. H. J. Milson, secretary; and Mrs. Peter Juristich, vice-president, to serve with Mrs. Ledwidge.

The club will meet the first and third Tuesday of each month at Seaside Elementary School with "purely social" aims for the time being. In the future, however, according to Mrs. Callahan, the group plans to engage in some philanthropic work.

"We hope to outline some service projects at our next meeting on Mar. 2," she said. A touch of humor opened the organizational session, with Warren Lavender, director of the Hampton Players' workshop, presenting an amusing nursery rhyme.

Parents Learn 'Affianced Pair' Already Mr. and Mrs.

Surprise still is the keynote in the 1631 Cota Ave. household of Mr. and Mrs. James Mathews and the Waltera home of Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Martin, for the two couples learned this week that they are in-laws much sooner than expected.

Jimmie Pauline, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mathews, and Robert Lee Yoes, son of the Martins, bowed their parents, bride wore a white suit trimmed with navy blue.

Now that the secret is out, the new Mr. and Mrs. are seeking a Torrance home. Already the bride has received many useful household gifts from sister employees at Torrance National Bank, who honored her with a shower at the bank this week. Hostess at the post-nuptial event was Mrs. Jack Rambo.

The new Mrs. Yoes and her husband both are graduates of Torrance High School. He also attended Arizona State and El Camino colleges, and currently is employed at Northrop Aircraft.

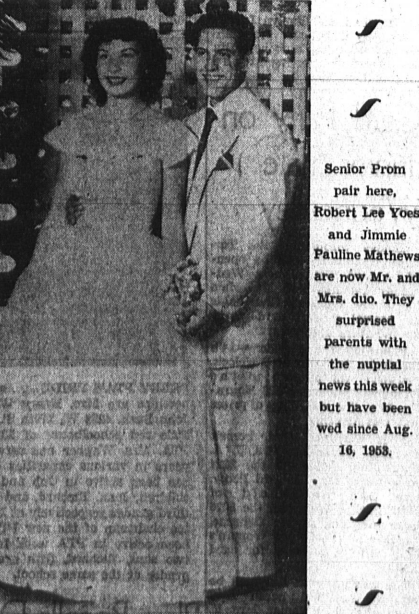
Leaving their families with the idea that they were going to Big Bear, the pair eloped soon after their engagement was announced, reciting wedding vows on Aug. 16 at Quartzsite, Ariz., before Judge J. Hagley, who is employed at Northrop Aircraft.

RELATIVES VISIT MRS. VERTIE GRIMM

Mrs. Vertie Grimm, 1021 Cravens Ave., has had her home filled with guests during the past two weeks.

Visiting first were her two nieces, Misses Rosie Fair and Margaret Turley of Oklahoma City, Okla. Next to arrive were the Chester Turners, cousins from Sileon Springs, Ark. and Les Anderson, a nephew of Van Nuys.

During their stay here, the Turners and Andersons also visited Mrs. Grimm's daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Don Wolf, 21804 Halldale Ave.



Tots Visit Lomita Park

Children of the Torrance Cooperative Nursery School took a field trip to Lomita Park Thursday, Mrs. George Ackerman, press chairman, revealed this week.

At last Monday night's parent education class session, held at the high school cafeteria, Mrs. Virginia Foyle, nursery school director, gave a talk on pre-school vocabulary, emphasizing the importance of using positive language with pre-schoolers rather than the continuous negative.

Methods of presenting music to the pre-school child were discussed by Mrs. Ralph Schmidt, education chairman. Information regarding enrollment in the nursery school and adult class may be obtained by calling Mrs. Bud Dahlen at FAIR-fax 8-5570.

Reflections

By J. HUGH SHERFEE, JR.

"First in war, first in peace and first in the hearts of his countrymen," is a salute to the Father of his Country.

George Washington hated war, as all great soldiers do, loved the tranquility of Mt. Vernon, the broad sweep of lawn, stately trees and fertile acres but was not one to let his love of home, friends and family blind him to the necessity of defending them. He rallied his neighbors, led them through bitter struggle, never forgetting that through their efforts, sacrifice and devotion to country — only then could they live in peace.

He wrote to Marquis de la Bourbie: "I never expect to draw my sword again," yet he died a soldier, a soldier that knew the horror of war and fought to avoid it, to give men peace and tranquility.

George Washington was a practical idealist. Open your hearts to a patriot; he gave us the country we love and cherish.

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