

Mrs. Carl Gregory Named Harbor City PTA President

The president's gavel of Harbor City PTA will be in the hands of Mrs. Carl Gregory during 1954-55.

Elected at last Thursday's meeting, held at the school auditorium, Mrs. Gregory has served the Association for the past eight years, holding the offices of secretary and Founders Day chairman during the past year.

Assisting her during her term of office will be Mesdames D. G. Cheek, first vice-president; James Alexander, second vice-president; Leland Van Buren, secretary; Richard Bessental, treasurer; Glenn Allen, auditor; and Charles Riggs, historian.

Cub Scouts of Den 3, Pack 743-C, with Martin Van Buren leading, opened the session with the flag salute. Miss Gwynne Diffeo of Girl Scout Troop 649 read the inspirational message, "The Children's Lobby."

"The dire need for more parents to take leadership training for school youth groups was brought out by Mrs. Avis Giesch, school principal, and an equal need for support of the various PTA ways and means projects to increase the child welfare fund was stressed by Mrs. Crar-

Reveal Fall Wedding Plans

Announcing the engagement of their daughter, Virginia, to Wayne Hollins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hollins, 21131 Brighton Ave., are Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow W. Buchanan, 1507 W. 215th St.

The young couple, both members of the First Methodist Church here, plan to be married before entering Baker University in Kansas next fall. At the University, Hollins will study for the ministry, while his bride will major in religious education.

Miss Buchanan currently is attending the University of California at Los Angeles. Her fiancé is employed at North American Aviation.



MISS VIRGINIA BUCHANAN ... Promises to Wed

WALTERIANS SET KIDNAP BREAKFAST

Walteria PTA board members made plans for a kidnap breakfast, to be held this week at the kindergarten room of the school, when they held a St. Patrick's Day meeting at the 24603 Madison St. home of Mrs. Fred White. Mrs. C. W. Johnson is chairman of the event.

Other board business included the naming of Mrs. Henry Fink as a delegate to the Co-ordinating Council of Torrance on March 30 and the acceptance of Mrs. Joseph Fene's resignation as historian and membership chairman. At the conclusion of the meeting, her sister officers surprised her with a farewell gift of jewelry.

A note from Miss Virginia Stallings, seventh grade teacher, thanked the Association for making the blood bank available to her during a recent illness. She is now recuperating at home.

Harbor YW Names Official Delegates to Regional Meet

"Members Together" will be the theme of the Western Regional Conference of the Young Women's Christian Association as it convenes at Astoria, Pacific Grove, on Apr. 3 through 7.

Officially representing the Harbor Area Association at the session will be Mesdames Louise Larson and D. R. C. Grow.

Members and electors of the community and student associations in the eleven western states and the Territory of Hawaii will be represented. Honored guests will be Mrs. Lawrence Rockefeller, member of the National Board and General Chairman of the Centennial Observance and Celebration; Mrs. Arthur Forrest Anderson, past president of the National Association and chairman of the Centennial Community Organization Committee; and Mrs. Savilla Simons, general secretary of the National Association.

The Conference will open with dinner followed by an informal reception in Merrill Hall. In the days following, delegates will be working together on convention actions, the Centennial Celebration, national support, public affairs, and religious emphasis.

In addition, there will be special optional sessions on interpretation and publicity, community chest relationships, finance, world fellowship, personnel, membership in the National Association, national support and programming.

Mrs. Heinlein New President of City PTA

Torrance Elementary PTA elected Mrs. H. F. Heinlein as president for 1954-55 following a potluck supper and fathers' night program at the school auditorium last Thursday night.

Named to serve with the new leader were Mrs. James Schilder, first vice-president; D. Boone Kirks, second vice-president; Mesdames J. D. Dutton, fourth vice-president; D. Boone Kirks, recording secretary; Ed Ludwig, corresponding secretary; William Coburn, treasurer; W. Gresson, historian; and George Crabtree, auditor.

The new president will represent the Association at the State convention to be held in San Francisco next month. She also will be a delegate to the First District Convention in Long Beach on Apr. 8.

Eleven other women, Mesdames Paul Crossman, I. L. Eckersley, U. G. Tidmarsh, Lee Pollock, Al Devenish, H. E. Carr, Leo Christian, Lloyd Davis, Coburn, Ludwig, and R. E. Moffitt, will serve as delegates to the District meet.

After a community sing led by Hank Heinlein with Charles Mullen at the piano, four of the fathers, Heinlein, Kirks, Lee Pollock, and Grant Tidmarsh, presented a shadow skit. James Schilder, Richard Hubert, Tidmarsh, and I. L. Eckersley were chosen from the audience to form a quartet singing "My Wild Irish Rose."

Mary Turner, Gordon Baird Recite Vows

Quiet ceremonies at Las Vegas, Nev., united Miss Mary Turner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Phillips, 1530 W. 218th St., and Gordon Baird in marriage last Saturday.

For the rites, the bride chose a white suit accented with navy blue accessories and a bouquet of pink carnations. Her only attendant, Miss Alice Grigsby, selected a brown suit with harmonizing gold accessories and a bouquet of red carnations. Edward Wright attended as the groom's best man.

The new Mrs. Baird will continue to make her home with her parents until her husband is discharged from the U. S. Navy this September. A Navy man for the past four years, he is now an Airman First Class stationed at Monterey.

Burton Duo Celebrates Natal Days

A sister and a brother, Louise Margaret, and Gordon Burton, celebrated natal days last Saturday with a gala party held at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Burton, 2223 Edward Wright attended as the groom's best man.

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State PTA Asks Legislature To Consider School Bonds

The State PTA is on record requesting that the school bond measure, which would most nearly meet the need for schools and classrooms based on enrollment figures, be considered at the special session of the Legislature, according to word received by Mrs. H. E. Carr, Torrance Council PTA president.

"We know the need is great because we have too many children on double and even quadruple sessions," Mrs. Russell Scott, education director, said at a recent meeting of the CCTA Board of Managers which Mrs. Carr attended.

The bonds would continue to provide loans to school districts which are unable to finance and build schools and classrooms

and responsible to the governor, Mrs. Carr said.

The state organization would support legislation which would give more consideration to local community opinion in the granting of licenses as well as setting up more stringent qualifications to obtain and retain licenses, Mrs. Carr continued.

In order to eliminate the sale of harmful and undesirable comics an equally strenuous effort must be made to provide children with wholesome and worthwhile substitutes, Mrs. Carr reported, quoting from a talk made by Mrs. W. B. Peterson, chairman of the comic book committee.

"The 'Battle of the Comics' will never be won until all fathers and mothers accept their personal obligations in this regard," Mrs. Peterson said.

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