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Tom Quaglin, Torrance High grad who has been studying in Germany, spoke to members of the Kiwanis Club here Monday.

Father Percy to Attend Service For UCLA Prexy
 Father Hugh R. Percy, rector of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, will attend the inauguration service at UCLA for Dr. Clark Kerr, new president of the University of California and all its branches. The service is scheduled for 10:30 a.m. tomorrow. Father Percy is designated official representative of the University of Manitoba, his alma mater.

Happy Ending Recorded by Offutt Family, Recent Victims of Fire
 By JOSEPH PIATT

Moore Lodge Civic Affairs Chairman
 There is a happy ending to this chapter in the life of Mr. and Mrs. Robert "Gene" Offutt and their three children—Charles, David and Sue Ann. Tonight, Sue Ann will go to sleep cuddling a new doll, and, perhaps, her dreams will be of toys and goodies, instead of the night a fire destroyed her home.

An estimated 100 people, attending a linen and kitchenware shower last Friday night, helped write the happy ending by contributing an estimated \$250 worth of much needed linens and other items to the destitute Offutt family.

The linen shower climaxed a benefit program initiated by the Torrance Moose Lodge within an hour after a fire gutted the Offutt home at 944 W. Milton St. on the night of Wednesday, Sept. 2nd. The fire was the third reverse suffered by Gene and Rita Offutt within the past two years. Since the fire the fraternal organization, under the direction of James McCune, lodge governor, and Mrs. Thomas Jenkins, senior regent of the Women of the Moose, has collected several truck loads of furniture, clothing and food, donated by people throughout the South Bay area.

noted by Mr. and Mrs. Fred Keeler of Lomita, a beautiful hand-made quilt by Mrs. Lulu Solomon of Torrance, the bunk-bed set from the Kruger family of Wilmington, the refrigerator from the Ross family of Torrance, and the washing machine from an anonymous couple in Rindondo.

A Torrance Moose committee composed of Carter Dow, Henry Grab, Joseph Piatt, Mrs. Edward Peacock, Mrs. Stanley Heiman and Mrs. Joseph Piatt coordinated the benefit program, and many hours of unsolicited service were donated by a number of Moose members and residents of the South Bay area. Mr. and Mrs. Offutt and their three children will leave on a week following the tragic fire by Mr. and Mrs. Carter Dow of Torrance.

A NUMBER of people who donated duplicate items to the Offutt family suggested that a rummage sale be held, and that proceeds from the rummage sale be used to furnish other household requirements.

ORGANIZATION gifts have been received from the Bert S. Crossland American Legion Post in Torrance, Ladies of the Elks, Torrance; the Compton, San Pedro and Manhattan Beach Moose Lodges, and from the "Idols," a teenage car club of Wilmington. The members of the car club also collected several boxes of clothing and food. J. Rome Gately, commander of the Torrance American Legion Post, has announced that his organization will assist the Moose lodge members rebuild the Offutt home.

"The people of Torrance and the South Bay area opened their hearts," said Governor McCune of the Moose lodge, "to the Offutt family. Hundreds of helping hands were offered to lift this unfortunate family from the depths of despair. We of the Moose fraternity, believers in the principle of the brotherhood of man," concluded the Moose leader, "are proud to be a part of a community where people, many miles apart, are true neighbors."

INDIVIDUAL donations were made by many residents of the South Bay area, and numerous gifts continue to be received by the Offutt family at their temporary home in Avalon Village. Typical of the many gifts received were the complete set of dishes and silverware donated by Mr. and Mrs. Carter Dow of Torrance.

Three-year-old Sue Ann Offutt, youngest member of the family, is cuddling a new doll, one replacing her other doll lost in the fire, when she goes to bed at night.



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