



**THE WINNERS . . .** First Grade class of the Torrance Elementary school pictured here with their teacher, Mrs. Venus Knoll won the recent PTA membership drive staged at the school. This class now has a 294 percent enrollment. Mrs. E. McGovern served as their

membership drive chairman. Other membership drive winners announced recently are the class of Miss Gilliland with 184 percent membership, Mrs. Malone with 158 percent membership, Mrs. Sorenson with 137 percent, Mrs. Tudah, 127 percent and Mr. Falone, with 103 percent.

**232nd Place Casimir**

The December meeting of 232nd Place PTA will be held in the school Auditorium at 2320 Archibald st. on Dec. 9 at 7:30 p.m.

The appropriate title for the meeting is "The Tragedy of Dope" and its free Joke is the theme of the program. A student speaker from Banning High school will discuss the Bill of Rights.

As a reminder that the Yuletide season is near, children from the school will give a Christmas presentation.

Hostesses for the social hour will be second grade mothers.

**Alumnae Will Meet Dec. 13**

South Bay Kappa O.I.I.s Alumnae Assn. will hold its December meeting at the Jump 'n Jack restaurant. A Christmas luncheon will be served at 12:30 on Dec. 13. Reservations which must be in by Dec. 11, are being taken by Mrs. Larry Burns.

Last month members of the group made stuffed animal toys. Along with these each member will bring a wrapped toy. The Salvation Army has been selected as the group's local charity.

All gifts collected at the meeting will be presented to the Salvation Army by Miss Helen Ernie, president.

The Tragedy of Dope was the program topic of the November meeting of the Casimir Elementary PTA. Sgt. Rothwisch of the Narcotics Bureau gave a frank presentation of the nationwide problem. He stated that the police departments alone cannot alleviate or prevent this problem, that the community must help.

"Through the schools and various organizations, the bureau is reaching the parents and children, educating them on all aspects of narcotics addiction. This education is the main hope of prevention at the present time. An emotionally healthy person seldom becomes involved in narcotics," Sgt. Rothwisch stated.

"From a good close relationship with your children and observe them closely during the critical age period during the 14th and 16th year," he urged. The regular business meeting was conducted by Mrs. Barton O. Peter, president, with Mrs. Norman Boy as program chairman. Mrs. Robert Hobbs reported on the "Magazines for Friendship" project. A committee directed by C. E. Sowell will investigate the various means of collecting and distributing these magazines to the foreign countries.

The first parent education meeting was held Thurs. Nov.

13, at the home of Mrs. L. G. Graham, chairman. Gross discussion was centered on the topic, "Should a Child Have An Allowance?" All parents are invited to attend these informal meetings to discuss child behavior problems. Meeting dates will be announced in the Newsrite and at PTA meetings.

The next association meeting will be held Dec. 10th at 7:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria and will feature a Christmas program by the students.

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**Seaside**

The past month has kept the Seaside Parent Teachers Association very busy.

A successful carnival was enjoyed by all who attended. The eighth grade held a pre-Thanksgiving Dance last Friday night with the complete co-operation of room mothers, teachers and PTA representatives who jointly sponsored the affair. Currently a drive is being conducted to collect clean useable children's clothing with boxes conveniently located on the school premises. The annual collection of canned goods is scheduled for the last school day before the Christ-

Another plan for the future is the sponsorship of a party every Saturday evening at a minimum charge. The time chosen to be as soon as it can be arranged.

The November meeting of this unit was held Tuesday evening, Nov. 25, with Mrs. Harry Harter, unit president introducing the Mothersingers for the first time. The organization of this particular group was aided by Mrs. William Parker, music chairman, who succeeded in getting Mrs. Gordon Maughan to direct the group. The audience was thrilled with the blending of the voices.

The remainder of the meeting was given over to the education of the parents on matters pertaining to student government. Randy Newell, school president, chairmanned a mock meeting of the Student Council during which the youngsters carried on a parliamentary discussion of school business designed to enlighten the older students as to how their children govern themselves under their own constitution. Dan Butler, program chairman, and William Zecker, student council advisor, are to be commended for the development of the children's share of the program.

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