

Civic Symphony to Give 'I Pagliacci'

"I Pagliacci" will be heard this afternoon at 3 o'clock at the RUHS Auditorium. On the stage will be the 80-piece Civic Symphony, Elyse Aehle conducting, which will form a background for the action of the five soloists who will be in costume.

Enrico Porta, who made such an impressive success both in acting and singing in the Civic Symphony production of

"Aida" last year, will sing the role of Tonio in I Pagliacci. In this role he can give full rein to his talent for characterization and comedy as well as to his magnificent voice. Although he is a nationally known specialist in orthodontic design and has invented and improved many braces, etc., to relieve the injured and lame, his hobby is opera and he has sung leading parts in nine operas many of them repeated, always receiving the greatest praise from the critics for his outstanding performances.

THE OTHER equally proficient soloists are Ann Bethel as Nedda, Mario Leonetti as Canio, Paul Ashton as Silvio, and Raymond Kagan as Peppe.

The orchestra has been fortunate this season in the acquisition of a number of new musicians who are former members of such great orchestras as the Royal Philharmonic of London and the New York Metropolitan Opera. These have encouraged and inspired all the players. New members are always welcome, no matter what their musical background, if they wish to play unsimplified symphony music.

THE CIVIC Symphony Orchestra receives help and encouragement from the Performance Funds of the Recording Industries through President John Tranchitella of Local 47 A. F. of M., and from the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors through Supervisor Burton W. Chace and the Los Angeles County Music Commission. These are great aids to the Civic Symphony Orchestra's own very proficient board.

Admission to the opera is free. For reserved seats call FR 4-1010, 379-0785, or FR 5-2744.



MARIO LEONETTI



PAUL ASHTON



DISCUSS PROGRAM . . . Making final decisions on presentation of "I Pagliacci" this afternoon are (from left) Jan Darien, president; Elyse Aehle, director; and Charles Wortham, vice president, all of the sponsoring Torrance-South Bay Civic Symphony Orchestra.



ANN BETHEL

Missionary to Lebanon To Speak Here Tonight

Rev. Elias Malki, newly assigned Foursquare missionary to Lebanon and other countries of the Middle East, and his Texas-born wife will be in the Torrance Foursquare Church, 2150 W. Sepulveda St., at 7:15 p.m., today to conduct a missionary rally, announces the Rev. James Lowen, pastor.

Lebanese by birth, Mr. Malki originally came to the United States in 1951, specifically to attend a Bible college. Pastor Lowen says. Less than 10 years later he completed a course and graduated from LIFE Bible College, Los Angeles, Foursquare Bible training center, became a citizen of the United States, and, by 1959, was on his way, with his family, to Lebanon where he established independently a church in Beirut, the Capitol of that land north of Israel, said to be approximately the size of the State of Connecticut.

DURING HIS recent stay in the States, he has had a native worker ministering in his Lebanon church. Prior to going to the Holy Land, after graduation from Bible college Mr. Malki, father of four children, pastored a church in Southern California and engaged in evangelistic work.

Mr. Lowen revealed further that the missionary, who speaks both Arabic and Hebrew as well as English, plans

to show color slides portraying the life of Christ, which will include scenes of Biblical significance taken in Jordan and other Middle East countries, and display an array of artifacts from those lands.

GRANDSON OF a Presbyterian minister who was killed in 1914 during a massacre between Moslems and Christians, Malki and his family are scheduled to return in late summer to Lebanon, a country referred to as "The Switzerland of the Middle East." The local minister says the public is invited to the missionary service. A great deal of enthusiasm is being shown in a six week Sunday School contest which will close the Sunday after Easter according to Rev. Fae Vom Steeg, Director of Christian Education in the local church. Competition is between the two Southern California Foursquare Districts involving 199 churches of the movement.

Using a "Freedom" theme, every member has been commended as a "Minute Man" to reach new children, youth and adults for the Bible-centered Sunday School classes offered in the Foursquare Church. According to the local minister, the contest includes prizes to be awarded winners in the various departments of the Sunday School as well as the winning church and pastor of the District on a per capita basis.

Easter Revival Series Opening Here Tonight

The Rev. Gene May, pastor of Evangel Temple Assembly of God, Cypress and Sepulveda Boulevard, recently returned from a successful revival meeting in Ventura, and is planning an Easter Revival in his own pulpit beginning today 7 p.m. and continuing nightly, except Monday and Saturday, at 7:30 p.m., through Easter Sunday.

According to the Rev. Mr. May, the tremendous response to the revival meeting in Ventura with near capacity crowds in every service and an all time record Sunday School attendance, has caused congregational members and friends to urge this Easter revival. Much prayer has preceded this meeting and expectation among the congregation is high. Also highlighting these meetings will be special music presented by members and friends of Evangel Temple, the Pastor said.

Navy Tests Given Daily In Torrance

Regular Navy qualifying tests are being given daily at the local Navy recruiting office throughout the month of April. This announcement came from Chief H. J. Piech, local Navy recruiter. This procedure is in support of unrestricted quotas assigned for April.

Men qualifying through local testing may enlist on Navy School contracts; three-, four-, and six-year enlistments are continued. Those who do not desire to participate in the school programs will be assigned to sail ships of the fleet after nine weeks of indoctrination at San Diego.

Testing is available from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 12 noon on Saturday. Men 17 through 31 years of age are eligible for testing.

For information or appointment contact Chief Piech at 1520 Cravens Ave., or phone FA 0-3141.

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Pre-Easter Revival Services Open Today

Revival meetings are starting at the Pentecostal Light-house church, 1741 Border Ave., today to continue for two weeks or longer. The church is located two blocks north of Motor Vehicle Dept.

Services every night at 7:45 p.m. Bearice Fradette of South Gate, will be the evangelist.

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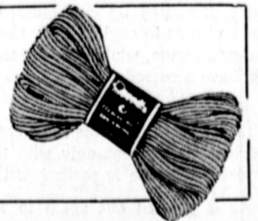
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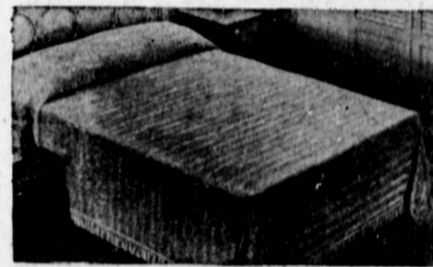
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