

SOCIETY

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Editor

Local Dentist Speaks at Meet

Dr. Arthur Berke, Torrance dentist, will discuss the dental needs of Torrance school children Thursday, January 10th, at 7:30 p. m. in the school auditorium during the regular monthly meeting of the Waleria P-TA.

Colored film of the Halloween Costume parade, taken by Mr. Donald Dumeshausen, 3rd grade parent, will be shown. Mothers of 3rd grade pupils will be hostesses for refreshments.

Child care will be provided in the kindergarten building under the direction of mothers and girls of Senior Girl Scout Troop No. 37, according to Mrs. Evar Jansson, press chairman.

Nutritionist to Conduct Class

Torrance Council's sponsored nutrition class begins this morning from 9:30 to 11:30, Mrs. Ott Fagnano, Parent Education chairman, disclosed.

This class will be held at the Fern Ave. School, 1314 Fern Ave. and will continue for four consecutive weeks including today's session. The program will be conducted by Miss Adelle Davis, an authority on nutrition.

Drive for Papers Gets Underway

NORTH TORRANCE—A paper and rag drive is scheduled for next Wednesday at North Torrance Elementary P-TA.

Other activities include participation in the "March of Mothers" to be conducted Jan. 31 from seven to nine in the evening and the signing up of block mothers in the Civil Defense program.

Members present at the last board meeting included Mesdames Coats, Odell, Ross, Blumfield, Van Bellehem, Fagnano, Goodfellow, Davidson, Jackson, Babb, Sale, McBee, and principal Donald Robison.

Star Mothers to Install Officers

The Torrance Memorial Chapter of American Gold Star Mothers will hold its annual installation of officers, at 8:00 p. m. next Tuesday in the American Legion Hall, Redondo Beach.

Mrs. Walter H. Boyd, of Long Beach, National President of the organization, will head the Long Beach group who form the installation team.

The new officers for the chapter, for 1952, are Edith Erbe of Gardena, who has been re-elected president; Lillie Streicher of Torrance, first vice president; Opal Andrews of Gardena, second vice president; Phyllis Hamilton of Lomita, secretary; Jeannette King of Torrance, treasurer; Orpha Wilson of Redondo Beach, chaplain.

Other officers include Cleo Barnett of Torrance, color guard, and Gertrude Lawrence of Redondo Beach, sergeant-at-arms.

Helen Smith and Regina Cunningham, of Torrance, were re-appointed Color bearers and Beatrice Neigh of Gardena, musician. Phyllis Hamilton has been secretary of the chapter since its inception and Orpha Wilson has been chaplain for the same period. Installation ceremonies will be open to the public.

Sweet are the uses of adversity. Which, like the toad, ugly and venomous, wears yet a precious jewel in his head.—William Shakespeare.

Bronze Award Honor Given to Korea Soldier

Pfc. Robert L. Wyatt of 931 Sartori was recently awarded the Bronze Star Medal with "V" device for heroic achievement while fighting with the 2nd Infantry Division in Korea.

Wyatt, a member of the 15th Field Artillery Battalion, distinguished himself last August 28 in the vicinity of Tumil-li, Korea. With his unit surrounded by a numerically superior enemy, he realized that the forward observer, in an advanced position, was in need of a radio.

Wyatt voluntarily left his position of comparative safety to deliver the radio to this officer. As a result of his action U. N. artillery fire was directed upon the enemy and his unit was able to continue action.

Parents Make Daughter Visit

Mr. and Mrs. Harold H. Moon, 1024 Arlington Ave., have just returned from a two-week visit to Albuquerque where they visited their daughter, Mrs. Cecil Robinson and their three grandchildren. Two of the grandchildren, Barbara and Emmett, spent the last summer with their grandparents in Torrance.

Read the classified ads for real bargains.

Church Growth Announced Here

"Our Responsibility for the New Year" will be the sermon theme of Rev. Clarence E. Miller on Sunday morning at The First Methodist Church. The morning service of The Methodist Church begins with the organ prelude at 10:50 o'clock. Nursery care is provided for infants and young children for the convenience of young adults who wish to attend.

According to Rev. Miller there has been a steady increase in church attendance which is now crowding the capacity of the church auditorium. Evidence of an increasing interest in church activities is seen in all departments. The Sunday School which meets at 9:30 a. m. under the direction of M. R. Ransom has made a substantial growth.

Departments and classes for all ages of children, youth and adults are provided. Plans are under way for the expanding of facilities which will make room for an ever growing church to match the needs of our growing community.

Post Recovers after Checkup

George W. Post entered Torrance Memorial Hospital, last Friday, after he complained of a "real sore back," according to his wife. After a thorough checkup, he was released from the hospital on Saturday. He reported for duty at the bank, this Monday, his wife informed the Press.

Songdusters to Give Program

The Songdusters, formerly Orange St. P-TA Mothersingers, are busy practicing up for a very full schedule of appearances, according to Mrs. Iris Hultz, publicity chairman for the group.

Their first scheduled performance is an appearance before the Long Beach Amaranth on January 17. They plan to put on their well-known and well-liked Western song and dance program.

On February 21, the Songdusters will provide the entertainment for the 10th District Founder's Day program, at Narbonne High School. The show they will present on this occasion will have a world nations theme. Authentic dances of five nations will be shown, accompanied by national music, stated Mrs. Hultz.

Charity Drive Helpers Sought

At a recent board meeting of the Waleria P-TA, Mrs. Glen Hardcastle, president, asked for volunteers to participate in the "March of Mothers" to help the March of Dimes drive. Anyone wishing to do so may call her at FRontier 5-4557.

At the meeting Mrs. W. Allen, child welfare chairman, reported that baskets of food, Christmas trees, and usable clothing were distributed to several families at Christmas time. Gifts and candy were also taken to Harbor General Hospital.

BOLLING MOTORING

Rev. and Mrs. Edwis Bolling are motoring down from San Jose and will arrive here about January 10th. Rev. Bolling will assume the duties of the Waleria Community Church and preach his first sermon January 13th.

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Rickabaugh

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sent to the public. After thinking it over for several days, Mrs. Rickabaugh consented to let the local newspaper hear her story. The Press interviewed Mrs. Rickabaugh in her home. Here is what she had to say:

Enters Hospital
"My husband entered the Los Angeles County General Hospital Nov. 3 and died 12 days later, Nov. 15.

"Charles was unconscious for two days, then appeared to be getting better. Then encephalitis set in. I didn't know it at the time, but I've looked it up in a medical book since and discovered it is an inflammation of the brain, and one rarely recovers from it.

"My husband came home at two o'clock in the morning Halloween Day. He was to go to work on the swingshift at Northrup that evening. He complained that he wasn't feeling well, so I suggested that he should lie down for a few hours. I called him later during the afternoon and asked him if he wanted to go to work. He replied 'No.' That was certainly unusual for him, and I knew something was wrong.

Polio Examination
"Thursday morning the doctor examined him for polio. My husband had complained of a stiff neck. The physician could find no signs of the disease. The following day, on Friday, he couldn't walk. He had contracted two types of polio, Saturday morning, Nov. 3, he was sent to the hospital.

"I am convinced that the Los Angeles County General Hospital did everything in its power to help him. However, not too much is known about this dreaded disease. I'll take lots of money to conduct the needed research. If it hadn't been for the March of Dimes, I don't know what would have happened to us."

Mrs. Rickabaugh explained that it cost 32 dollars a day to keep her husband in an iron lung at the hospital. She also reported that while he was in the lung, he contracted pneumonia, kidney trouble, encephalitis, and other diseases which took special medicine. All of this was taken care of by the March of Dimes.

Northrup Job
Mrs. Rickabaugh said that she has been offered a job at Northrup as a trainee and that she plans to go to work after her

Waleria School Has Rag Drive

The Waleria P-TA will conduct a paper and rag drive at the Waleria School on Wednesday, January 16th. According to Mrs. Evar Jansson, press chairman, papers may be left at the side of the auditorium from 8:30 a. m. to 7:30 p. m. on that day.

String and bags are available at the school office. Papers and magazines should be tied. Any type rags or old clothing is acceptable.

Prizes will be awarded in both upper grade and primary divisions of classes.

Mr. Cletus Nestlerod's 8th grade class will assist the ways and means chairman, Mrs. Bruce Howey and Mr. Glen Hardcastle in weighing and measuring for crediting points to each class.

For any further information call the school office, Lomita 3034.

81-Year Lomita Developer Dies

LOMITA—Joseph L. Luck, 81, pioneer developer, who resided here for 43 years, died last week.

He came to Lomita in 1907 from the San Joaquin Valley to settle on what was then called the Lomita Tract. Rev. C. M. Northrup of the Torrance Baptist Church officiated at the last rites.

He is survived by his widow, Nora; a son, L. C. Luck of Gardena, and a sister, Mrs. Mock Fielder of Missouri.

youngest child is six months old. "I haven't had much work experience," Mrs. Rickabaugh said. "You know, my husband and I were married while we were still attending Washington High school. I did take a teletype course at Frank Wiggins."

Today, Mrs. Conner reported that she had received a \$50 check for the March of Dimes campaign through the mail from Mrs. Charles Rickabaugh.

"Why, I don't know what to say," Mrs. Conner said as her voice choked up during a talk with a member of the Torrance Press. "If people in Mrs. Rickabaugh's financial condition can contribute, it leaves a lump in your throat and should make people in Torrance realize the value of the March of Dimes."



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