

# Women

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MME. SITKI BILGIN

—Press Photo

## Mme. Bilgin Tells Role of Woman in Native Land

The male animal throughout the world may contemplate the problems of statehood and atomic industrialization, but a woman's world is much the same here or abroad.

Mme. Sitki Bilgin, wife of Konya's mayor, said of her trip to Disneyland Thursday, "How much I wish my children could see all this too."

A charming brunette, perhaps a bit shy in a foreign country, but with a simple sophistication we have yet to attain, she became instantly animated when queried about her family of two—Ali, a boy of nine months, and Fusun, meaning One Who Captures the Heart, her six-year-old daughter.

Mme. Bilgin was born in

Konya and graduated from the Girl's Institute. How does the institute compare to our high schools?

"They are very much alike, but in Turkey we place more emphasis of the feminine arts of cooking, flower arrangements, sewing, and fashion designing," she said.

She added that there is a very active PTA in Konya, which she plans to join when Fusun starts school next year.

What are her impressions of Americans and Americana?

"Americans are so tall," she laughed, "and so friendly. Everyone seems happy here."

Mme. Bilgin also expressed appreciation of the

American woman's kitchen, which she hopes will become part of Turkish standard equipment before long.

Parts of Americana that had invaded Turkish culture she noted were rock and roll, and blue jeans.

U.S. books and magazines also are readily available in Konya, and many of our plays have been translated for Turkish theater.

"When asked about the role of women in Turkey, Mrs. Bilgin was quick to explain that the status of Turkish women is very similar to that in the United States.

"We vote, attend coed schools and colleges, and work as you do," she said. However she drew the line when asked if Turkish men

## TWO ARTISTS SLATED HERE IN MARCH

The British comedienne Joyce Grenfell, and the American contralto Marian Anderson, will be featured here in March by Moss and Hayman Attractions.

Joyce Grenfell returns for two performances of her new one-woman production of songs and commentary on the droller aspects of human misbehavior at the Wilshire Ebell Theatre March 6.

Marian Anderson, will appear at Santa Monica Civic Auditorium March 17 and at Philharmonic Auditorium March 19.

Tickets are available at the auditorium box offices, Southern California Music Co., 737 S. Hill St., mutual agencies.

## PTA News

### Memory Skit Viewed at Meadow Park

"Sixty-Three Years of Memories" was the title of the skit presented by the Meadow Park School PTA at the February meeting in the school cafeteria.

Mrs. W. B. Marshall, program chairman, directed the production. Actors were Mrs. Don Morgan, Mrs. Palmer Renning, Mrs. Louis Sodaro, Mrs. D. E. McCarthy, Mrs. Glen Child, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Ponsford, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sciaratta, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall, and Ralph Carretta.

Following the program an honorary life membership was awarded to Mrs. Marshall. Carnation corsages were given by Mrs. Leon Maxey, president; to Mrs. William Poser, past president 1954-56; Mrs. R. C. Williams, past president 1958-59; and Joy Bell, 1959 recipient of the honorary life membership award.

Meadow Park's new school song was sung for the first time by the school glee club under the direction of Robert Norman. Founders-Day cake and coffee were served by fourth-grade mothers. Color guard was the Webelos Den from Cub Scout Pack 966.

### Founders' Day Noted by Gateway Council

Mrs. L. B. Robertson, charter education chairman for Gateway Council PTA, opened the council's Founders' Day celebration at Peary Junior High School, Gardena.

Mrs. C. L. Wilson, Founders' Day chairman, adapted the TV show "It Could Be You" to the presentation of past presidents. Past events were recalled as former presidents were introduced. Mrs. Walter Schroeder served from 1941 to 1943; and Mmes. Herbert Johnston, 1947-49; H. W. Nansal, 1949-51; Eric Heinemann, 1951-53; D. W. Ten Eyck, 1954-56; and A. C. Akerson, 1956-58. The 10th district health center loan-reduction fund was given \$100 in honor of past presidents.

The Rev. John J. Penner, Protestant chaplain of the Harbor General Hospital, was the recipient of an honorary life membership.

Special guests were Mmes. S. T. Olafson, president of the Los Angeles Tenth District CCPT, Inc.; Mrs. Francis Anania, president of Lomita-San Pedro Council; and Mrs. C. N. Peterson, harbor regional director, special recognition.



PIED PIPER—Mrs. Benjamin Arden of the Peninsula Committee for the Philharmonic, entertains Pamela Stirewalt, 5, Christy Burns, 9, and Teresa Stirewalt, 3, with preview of

March 5 production of "Tommy Turnabout's Circus," sponsored by group for children in area. Showings are at 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., Dana Junior High, San Pedro. —Press Photo



MISS PHYLLIS KAPPEN

## Phyllis Kappen Awarded Art Grant by Clubwomen

The annual art award of the Torrance Woman's Club and the Torrance Junior's was given to Miss Phyllis Kappen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James D. Kappen of 3123 W. 180th Pl.

Miss Kappen, a senior at North High School, is studying under Bernard Hoefel, well known artist. She also has attended the Art Center School and plans a career in commercial art.

An exhibit of her work and that of Hoefel will be on display in the Torrance Woman's Club during March.

## Woman's Club Plans Silver Tea

Reciprocity and Federation Day will be observed by the Torrance Woman's Club, District 18, CFWC, at a silver tea Wednesday at the clubhouse.

Guests of honor will be district executive officers. Mrs. Sid Gans, Torrance member, will entertain in a variety program featuring show tunes, folk ballads, and novelty numbers.

## It's A Wise Parent

A Common Sense Approach to Your Child

By Janice Coe

Dear Miss Coe,

I can't figure out my mother-in-law . . . but she is making me so mad I'd like to keep our son away from her completely.

When he was little she spoiled him rotten. Everytime he went to her house she'd stuff him with every kind of treat she made just for him.

Now that he's 13 she keeps criticizing him, picking on his manners, and never makes him anything special the way she used to. He's getting a very strong feeling that his grandma doesn't love him.

What can I do to make her see the light?

Mrs. Z. P.

Dear Mrs. Z. P.

Let your son start treating Grandma instead of the other way round.

It will do him good to think in terms of bringing her something special when he visits. She may be getting to the age when she needs evidence of love from her family, and, like a child, she picks or quarrels to get attention.

Teach your son to understand the processes of growing old. It's something we should all know. People live much longer now than they used to . . . but the science of geriatrics (care and treatment of the aged) is still in its infancy.

Explain to your son that he's a big boy now, and if Grandma were still stuffing him he'd probably be too big.

But . . . protect him from picking by telling your mother-in-law, as you have every right to, that you and his father will be glad to correct any faults he may have . . . if she will tell you about them, not the boy!

## College Wives Host Faculty

The newly organized Harbor College Faculty Wives Club entertained members of the college administration and faculty Friday evening at the University Club of Long Beach.

The event honored new instructors and provided an opportunity for faculty members and their families to become better acquainted.

A shaggyboard dinner was followed by dancing. Special feature of the program was the appearance of Long Beach State College coed Lois Wright, who danced selections from "Kismet." Arrangements for the event were handled by Mrs. Stuart Friedman, president, assisted by Mrs. Edward R. Robbins, secretary and Mrs. Robert W. Dunn, treasurer.



MARDI GRAS FETE—Enjoying the St. Catherine Labourer Council's Mardi Gras dance are Mr. and Mrs. George Neeland, Mr. and

Mrs. Charles Settle and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Held. Event took place Friday at Club Alondra. G. G. Gardner orchestra played.

### Fun and Fund Club Plan Pot-Luck Luncheon

The Fun and Fund Club of Torrance Rebekah Lodge will hold a pot-luck luncheon Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the Masonic Temple, 2326 Cabrillo Ave.

Mary Weddel will preside. Friends of the lodge are being invited to attend.

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