

Woman's Club Lists Philanthropies, Cultural Interests, Social Activities

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play, "The Campbells Are Coming," at the clubhouse as a ways and means project.
On March 31 at 8 p.m., "Fashion-a-tions," a style show sponsored jointly with the Junior club, will be held at the clubhouse. Spring fashions will be presented by Levy's Department Store.

Millinery Show Slated
Another Headress Fantasy will be held at the clubhouse May 4 for members.

In addition to large events held this year, there were many smaller projects such as candy sales, serving luncheons for the Marina District meetings held at the clubhouse, magazine subscriptions and decorations made by the garden committee for tea and luncheon tables. Each project, large or small, added to the financial success of the year.

At the beginning of each year philanthropic work is planned and budgeted by the membership.

Twenty-four departments under appointed Federation chairmen work on a range of activities aiding our community and club.

Mrs. Don B. Wolfe is chairman of the American citizenship and civil defense department and works with the many organizations to give information in these fields.

American home and safety is a vital subject important to the well-being of every home in our community. Mrs. John C. Warnock Jr. heads this department.

A first has been scored by our art group under Mrs. H. R. Altermatt, chairman, working with the Junior Woman's Club. It has raised money for an art scholarship. The sidewalk art show, fulfilled two additional achievements; it promoted a public cultural interest in art and gave talented artists of our community a chance to display their work.

Each meeting of the Torrance Woman's Club has an inspirational moment for thought and appreciation given by our Bible and spiritual chairman, Mrs. A. E. Palmer.

California Past Noted
A group is working on California history and landmarks. Under the chairmanship of Mrs. J. E. Stavert, trips for mem-

bers to tour and visit the Arboretum at San Gabriel, the San Gabriel Mission and Olvera Street were made. A reading list was furnished to those interested in reading about our state history. Mrs. Stavert also works with the district and state Federation in their projects to preserve our historical sites and to promote general interest in California's fascinating past.

Child welfare work is handled by Mrs. H. Wood, who devotes many hours in working for Torrance child welfare agencies.

Community improvement and civic awards chairman Mrs. E. G. Laughney investigates areas where the club can be of use. Members gave financial support and helped in decorating the Torrance float at the Rose Parade. Many members work directly with local organizations in promoting our community. One member is on the American Cancer Society's advisory board for the city of Torrance. Another member, Mrs. M. A. Wright, recently was awarded a life membership award by the National PTA Congress.

Schools Important
Education always has been an important field of endeavor in the Torrance Woman's Club. Our education chairman, Mrs. W. Norman, attends the regular monthly TEAC luncheons on activities of the school board, schools and students.

Mrs. Norman also serves on our scholarship committees. She has introduced to the club a reading list supplied by the state library on American heritage. When a member completes the requirements for this program she is awarded an Epsilon Sigma Omicron pin.

The garden and city beautiful group, with Mrs. Victor Benstead Jr., chairman, has been very active. The group meets every two weeks to study different and unusual aspects of floral arrangements and gardening.

Members discuss ways and means of beautifying our city and started work this year on a project to have oleanders planted along Redondo Beach Blvd. The group was awarded first-place trophies at the June Hermosa Beach Garden Club's flower show in September and at the Marina district flower show.

Advancement of our philanthropic program is not the only duty of our health, public welfare and philanthropic chairman, Mrs. Peter Boonstra. This year she organized a group of members to go to the Harbor County Hospital every Friday to add to the comfort of patients and aid the staff. She also is on call by welfare agencies to obtain volunteer work for them.

The club historian, Mrs. Casius E. Ackley Jr., keeps all records of the year's activities and achievements of its members. She is working on a complete history of the club from its inception, March 18, 1921, up to 1960.

Magazines Sent Abroad
Chairman of international hostess and affairs department is Mrs. John Melville. She has arranged for American magazines to be sent to foreign countries and works with the Marina district in obtaining money for philanthropic work abroad.

The public goes through periods of awareness and forgetfulness of the plight of American Indians. Mrs. R. S. Russell, Indian affairs chairman, is in touch with the public agencies working in this field.

This year money went to the Los Angeles Indian Center to supply postage for drugs donated by doctors. Money has been given to the center to aid its program of supplying Indians with arts and crafts materials so they may become more self-supporting.

For our members interested in reading for culture, entertainment and education, a literature section was reestablished this year by Mrs. D. J. Quinlan, chairman. They meet once a month, give book reviews and have discussions on current literature.

Mrs. H. Altermatt has organized a golf section that meets regularly for instruction, practice and good sport.

Music is an important part of our lives and a talented group of members provides us with music at every meeting. Mrs. J. Burchett is chairman. Publicity is necessary to inform the public of our activities, to solicit public support for ways and means projects, and to make club activities known to prospective members.

Publicity chairman Mrs. Godfrey Nelson has done an excellent job. Her work and compiling of it in the press book by Mrs. E. G. Laughney, the press book chairman, may very well receive special recognition at the Marina district convention. The scholarship committees, under chairmanship of Mrs. M. A. Wright, have had added responsibilities arising this year from the increase in scholarships. One scholarship will be given in music, one in art and two in education.

Vets Aided
Veterans' affairs chairman Mrs. J. Muhleck sees that the club is made aware of veterans' needs as they arise. This year a contribution to the TV fund for veterans at Sawtelle Hospital was made.

In narcotics, members are informed of current problems by Mrs. J. K. Clutter, youth conservation and narcotics chairman.

As sponsors of the Junior Woman's Club, members work with them on many philanthropic projects. The Junior advisers, Mrs. A. F. R. Ewalt and Mrs. R. E. Shaw, work as a liaison between the clubs.

As a club, the Torrance Woman's Club functions primarily in Torrance, and most work is concerned with needs of this community.

Our services as individuals are best used locally but members also work with the Marina District Federation of Women's Clubs, the California Federation of Women's Clubs and the General Federation of Women's Clubs.

The Marina district maintains many workshops to inform our chairmen of ways to give better service to our club and to the federations. The district councils plan large-scale projects and through strength of clubs represented we are able to accomplish many things impossible to do on a local level. Some of our members hold offices in the district federation. Extension, Mrs. L. McCoy; executive board, Mrs. J. Thuss; president's aide, Mrs. H. L. Mitchell; and garden section, Mrs. J. Thuss.

The members take advantage of participating in district affairs and functions along with our chairmen and officers. This year delegates go to the Marina district convention in Santa Monica April 7 and 8, and to the California Federation of Women's Clubs convention in Los Angeles May 9-12. All work and no play makes Jill a dull girl, but it can't happen at the Torrance Woman's Club. A great deal of effort goes into each year's programming for the benefit of club members and many services are offered to make belonging a fulfilling experience. Mrs. H. F. Heinlein, program

chairman, planned a versatile and interesting program for the meetings this year. It is divided into many categories to express the club purpose, "The advancement in all lines of general welfare for civic betterment and social service."

Early in the year, three American Field Service students spoke on their experiences in Europe this past summer. The club has contributed financially to this project for several years and is pleased with the students and reports of their activities.

Speakers
Other speakers and their subjects were Nancy Holm, "A Woman's World," a Woman's Way; Lynn Moore, Marina district speech consultant, "Listen to Me Think"; Robert Lyon, "The Mystery Guest in Russia"; and in April, three international students representing Italy, Switzerland and Indonesia.

Mrs. R. Rudina, violinist, and her piano accompanist presented a program of classical music blended with folk tunes and parodies mixed with humor and dramatics.

The El Camino College Madrigal Ensemble entertained at the Christmas meeting with their amusing and skillfully presented program, "The Free Loader Four" sang engaging barbershop harmony at the annual family-night dinner. An interesting and amusing afternoon was presented by Virginia Scott, singing and explaining old Southern folk songs. Another musical program is planned for May 18 with Bill Cosby, accordionist.

Professional speakers and artists play only a part of the year's programs. Several get-acquainted days were planned for members to give us an opportunity to enjoy each other's company by playing cards, making handicrafts or just plain visiting.

Club members have devised a variety of ways to become better acquainted. Each meeting has either had a catered lunch, potluck luncheon or tea. Annually husbands and families are invited to share a dinner. This year an Italian dinner was enjoyed. The reservations committee under chairmanship of Mrs. R. E. Moffitt has planned menus, selected the women to serve and taken reservations.

Additional aids to members are the publishing and distribution of a year book that contains all necessary information for the club year, and a bulletin is published monthly on special events and projects.

A new service initiated this year was the establishment of a baby-sitting service during the meetings.

Chairman Mrs. J. Burchett sees that cards are sent to the ill and visits are made to shut-ins.

Directing the over-all activities of the club this year is the executive board. Officers are elected for a one-year term. The president, Mrs. John Thuss, presides at all meetings during the year.

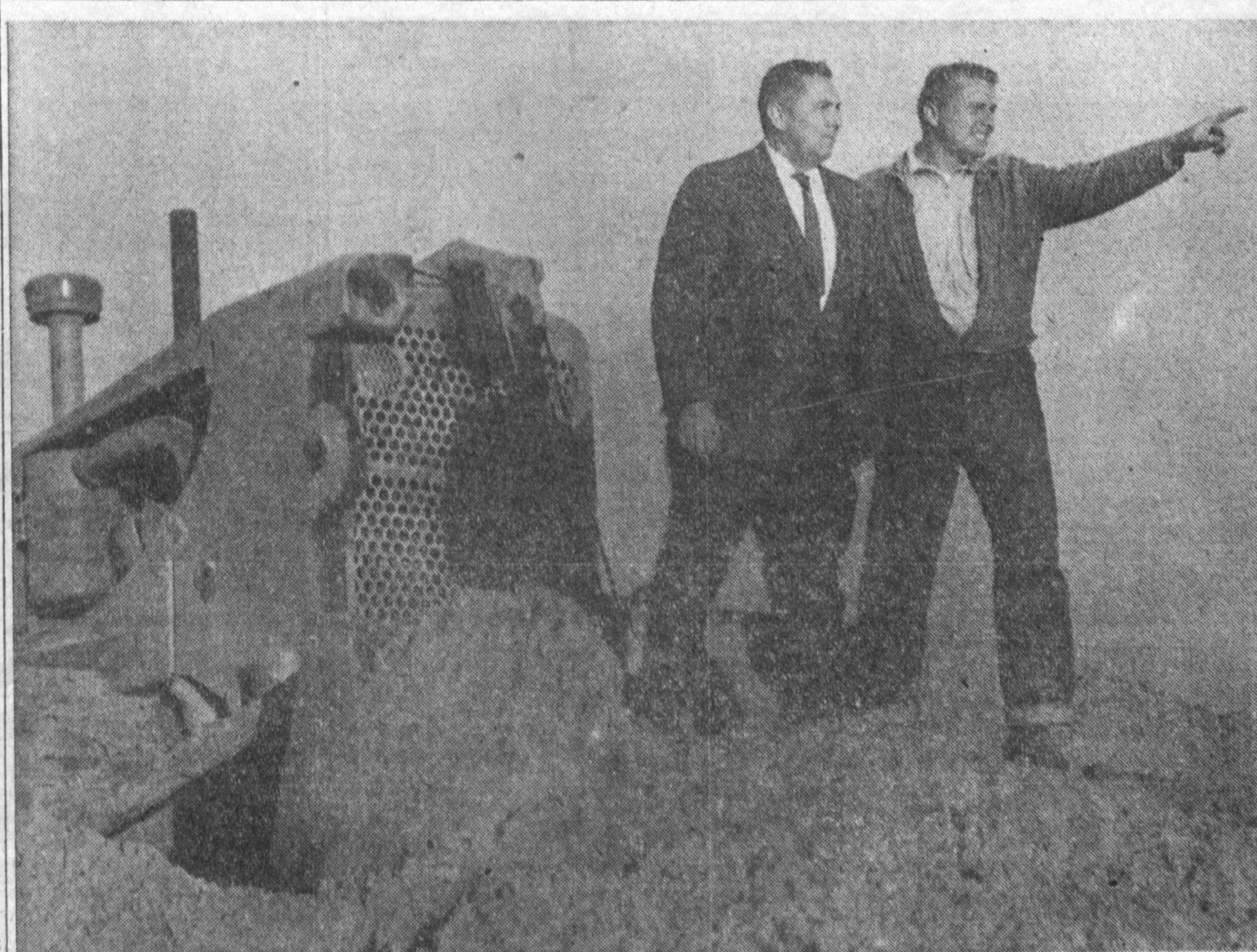
Mrs. J. P. Bay, first vice-president, also is Federation secretary and represents the club at Federation meetings.

Membership chairman Mrs. Sid Gans, second vice-president, is official sponsor of new members.

Third vice-president Mrs. Leonard Stamps acts as house chairman and is responsible for rentals, inventory of furnishings and general supervision of the clubhouse.

Other members of the board are Alma C. Smith, recording secretary; Mrs. Ervin Moudy, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Rufus Sandstrom, treasurer; Mrs. Roy Apsey, auditor; Mrs. A. Acampora, ways and means; Mrs. R. E. Moffitt, reservations; Mrs. H. F. Heinlein, program chairman; Mrs. Alan S. Moore, yearbook, and Mrs. D. J. Thomson, parliamentarian.

The foregoing is a resume of the Torrance Woman's Club's purpose and activities and how they are accomplished.



EASTER PREPARATIONS—Dean and Chuck Shepard of the site being leveled for the club's Easter sunrise service. Area Walteria Businessmen's Club and Don Crane on bulldozer later will be used for Little League ball park.



MENTAL HEALTH—Dr. David Dingillian, guidance counselor at Harbor Junior College, talks with Mmes. Max Sais, music chairman of Halldale PTA and Judson Bowers, president, following lecture on mental health and clinical psychology given before group.

AAUW to Discuss Jewish Culture

Jewish culture will be the topic of book-section members of the American Association of University Women when they meet tomorrow, 9:30 a.m., at the home of Mrs. Robert M. Brown, 2708 Via Anita, Palos Verdes Estates.

Mrs. Deann C. Dunlavy is chairman. On Thursday the association will hold its St. Patrick's Day dinner at the Palos Verdes Country Club. Guests will meet for cocktails at 6:30 p.m.; dinner will be served at 7 p.m.

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Pot-Luck Lunch Set Wednesday by Woman's Club

Members of the Torrance Woman's Club, District 18, CFWC, will meet Wednesday for a get-acquainted pot-luck luncheon at 12:30 p.m. at the clubhouse.
Mmes. C. L. Porter and R. V. Russell will be hostesses.
During the business session, presided over by Mrs. John B. Thuss, president, Mrs. Ervin Moudy, chairman of the nominating committee, will announce the slate of officers for the coming election.

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City of Hope Elections

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