

# Broker Watches City Grow

## Church Presents Spirit Synonym

The Lesson-Sermon on "Spirit," Christian Science subject Aug. 7, continues the current series which brings out the nature, essence, and wholeness of God.

The Golden Text is from I Corinthians (2:12), "Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God."

The Scriptural account of the imprisonment and deliverance of Paul and Silas, as related in The Acts (Ch. 16), includes the following citations, "And at midnight Paul and Silas prayed, and sang praises unto God: and the prisoners heard them. And suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened, and every one's bands were loosed" (16:25, 26).

"Discerning the rights of man, we cannot fail to foresee the doom of all oppression," declares Mary Baker Eddy in "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures." She continues, "Slavery is not the legitimate state of man. God made man free. Paul said, 'I was free born.' All men should be free. 'Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.' Love and Truth make free, but evil and error lead into captivity" (p. 227).

## Local Lodge Sends Man to Canada

Representing Ula brand Lodge of the Sons of Norway of San Pedro at the 36th biennial international convention of the organization at Vancouver, B.C., Canada, Aug. 11, Herbert O. Moen, 2901 W. 182nd St., Torrance, will be an official delegate for the sixth district lodge serving on the resolutions committee.

Sons of Norway, the largest organization of men, women, and children of Norwegian birth, descent, or affiliation in the world, has its home office in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Its 250 lodges with a membership of approximately 40,000 are located in 20 states, three Canadian provinces, and the District of Columbia. Participating in the Convention at Vancouver will be approximately 100 delegates and hundreds of visitors. Presiding during the sessions will be Irving Highland, Chicago, Illinois, president of the Supreme Lodge.

This is the second time the society has held a convention in Canada, the only previous Canadian meeting being in Winnipeg, Manitoba, in 1932.

In addition to its portfolio of fraternal life and hospital insurance, Sons of Norway carries a fraternal and cultural program including scholarships to the International Summer School at the University of Oslo, Norway, and student training exchange, whereby a number of young Norwegian farmers are brought to the United States each year for 18 months of practical farm experience and university study.

## Seaside Church Presents Guest Speaker Sunday

Guest preacher today at Seaside Community Church, 230th and Ocean Ave., Torrance, will be the Rev. Clark Harshfield, in the absence of the Rev. William K. Schatz, who is attending a conference in LaForet, Colorado Springs, Colo.

Harshfield is director of Capital Funds Mission and member of the staff of the Congregational Christian Conference of California and the Southwest. Seaside Community Church represents the Evangelical Christian Churches. These two denominations are in the process of uniting under the new name "United Church of Christ."

Harshfield's topic for this morning is "The Wings of the Morning," based on Psalm 129. Irvin Pauling will be liturgist.

Sunday School starts at 9:20 a.m. and church service at 9:30 a.m., during the summer.

"It's all in having faith in yourself, don't let anyone think you don't have faith in yourself," such were the words of Stella Mae Freligh, one of the first three real estate brokers in Torrance.

Mrs. Freligh came to Torrance 20 years ago when there was a population of 7000 here and "Only two factories, Colombia Steel and National Supply," she explained.

The energetic 87 year old was head of her own brokerage until 1958, when "they wouldn't let me drive any more because of my age—imagine, 25 years of driving, never a ticket or never an accident. Better get all the driving in you can while you are young," she smiled.

When Mrs. Freligh, now residing at 2165 236th St., first came to Torrance, "I got a job as a broker to support my two sons."

Since that time, "I have sold so much land and so many houses, that I couldn't even guess how many." In the days when local lots were selling for \$200 ("one worth \$10,000 now," she added) this distaff broker sold 30 lots to one woman.

"My biggest sale was a Torrance hotel for \$40,000; I made \$2000 on one sale," she added. Mrs. Freligh continued, describing her first Torrance home, a little place on the outskirts of town. "It was located at 1622 Crenshaw

Blvd.—now it's right in the heart of everything."

During her last day on the job, the busy woman sold five houses, a busy good bye.

The Torranceite is the mother of Earl Robinet, who deals in oil wells and real estate in the area, and Stanley Robinet, who buys and sells farms in Modesto.

"Either you have it or you don't," is the philosophy of the youthful woman who continues, "you don't have to have money to get anyplace, just confidence in yourself."

In conclusion, she smiled that giving up her brokerage duties isn't too much a strain on her because "I am comfortable living off my trust deeds and nice roomers."

## Women's Auxiliary Presents Opening of Bay Hospital

Reading the South Bay Hospital for its opening, members of the auxiliary, formed in 1959, have spent the past few weeks preparing for the dedication today at 2 p.m.

The organization, with Mrs. Walter Devore as charter president, has 200 members. Heading the program are Mrs. Devore, dedication chairman, with the assistance of Mrs. Charles Myers.

Head of refreshments is Mrs. Robert Collins; Mrs. Jack Horn, usher chairman; and Mrs. S. L. Seentz, lobby hostess chairman.

Serving on the floors are Mrs. E. J. Armend, first; Mrs. Jerome Whittels, second; Mrs. Frank Diederichs, fourth; and Mrs. Richard Friend, lower level. Mrs. John Roethlisberger will serve in the volunteer recovery room.



WELCOME TEA—Members of the Torrance Junior and Senior Women's Clubs welcome prospective members to the organization at an open tea Wednesday at 2 p.m. Members on the reception committee are (left to right), Mrs. R. J. Apsey, of the senior organization; Mrs. Lee Clotworthy, junior; and Mrs. Taylor Whitney, senior.

## Women Politicians Install President

Holding the first executive board meeting of her term, Mrs. George Holmes, newly elected president of Women for Good Government, presided over the group at the Rolling Hills home of Mrs. R. F. Cook recently.

Officers, installed at the June Luncheon of the organization, and committee chairmen, chosen by the president to serve during the ensuing term, attended at the initial meeting.

These new officers are Mrs. Gladys Soule, secretary; R. F. Beck, vice president and program chairman; Mrs. Robert Rosevear, treasurer; and Mrs. LeRoy Davis and Oscar DeJerk legislative committee chairmen.

The board's first official business was the drafting of a resolution to be forwarded to the State Board of Education commending its action of placing more stress on the subjects of history, geography, and civics in the public schools of California. Incorporated in the resolution was the group's desire to have these subjects taught under specialized titles rather than lumped into one subject under the misleading, general title of "social studies."

## Girl Scouts Plan Evening Cookout

Girl Scout Troop 614 of South Torrance is planning a cookout at Torrance Park on the evening of August 4. In order to complete their badge requirement in cooking out-of-doors, the scouts are preparing a one-dish meal of chicken and dumplings.

The troop, under the leadership of Mrs. Richard Peterson and Mrs. Guy Cooper, recently held a Court of Awards in the Meadow Park School Cafeteria. Parents of the members were invited to view the awarding of Second Class and Proficiency badges.

As part of their continuing summer program, the troop went on a hike and picnic in the Walteria hills. It is meeting throughout the summer to work on Adventure, Outdoor Cook, and Backyard Camper badges. Plans are being made for an overnight program at Lomita Park, now scheduled for the end of August.

## PTA Officers Attend Class

Mrs. Leo Bereda, president of the Riviera PTA, with board members Mrs. Charles Merlian and Mrs. Eugene Laxton, has been attending the Parent Information course sponsored by Torrance Council PTA at Madrona School.

Mrs. C. A. Wiggins, communications director, 33rd District, spoke on PTA policy and organization. The duty of local membership to serve the welfare of its neighborhood and promote parent education is a challenge emphasized by Mrs. Wiggins in lectures throughout Los Angeles county.

## Club Prexy Takes Gavel

Mrs. Dan McLayne, newly elected president of North Torrance Lioness, presided over her first business meeting, which was held at the Alondra Club, July 11th.

Calendar for the year was discussed and voted upon. The president created a new chairman for the purpose of keeping stock of club property, which will be called Mane-tainer. Chairman for this office will be announced at a later date.

Chairmen for the coming term are Mrs. Charles Thomas, publicity; Mrs. Charles Comstock, sunshine; and Mrs. Donald Wilson, membership. Also, Mrs. Nelson Cullum was appointed co-ordinator on the scrapbook.

## PTA Council to Grow with Two New Schools

"Coordination and counseling is the purpose of our organization," Mrs. Vernon Terry, president of the PTA Council, explained about the functions of the group, which has a representative of each of the 32 Torrance schools in its membership.

The group will grow to a 34 membership with the opening of Towers and Madison schools in the fall. She continued that the organization brings information from the national body of the PTA to local branches.

Another project is the scholarship fund, whereby the council sponsors three graduates, one from each of the Torrance high schools. The combined PTA's in the city have a total membership of 17,275, however, the president expects approximately 18,500 next year with the opening of the two new schools.

## Another Busy Year

Anticipating falltime activities, members of the Torrance PTA Council, Mrs. Vernon Terry and Mrs. Kenneth Edwins, prepare for the oncoming term.

In conclusion, Mrs. Terry emphasized that the Torrance Council is a member of the 33rd district, the largest PTA district in the world, and the council is the fourth largest council in the district.

Council officers are Mrs. Robert Hagenbaugh, first vice president; Mrs. R. R. Bardick, second; Mrs. F. A. Geisel, third; Mrs. W. H. Bayliff, fourth; Mrs. Seth Warden, fifth; Mrs. John McFadden, sixth; Mrs. William Poser, seventh; and Mrs. Paul Crossman, eighth.

Recording secretary for the organization is Mrs. J. A. Prince, with Mrs. Lee Polick as corresponding secretary and Mrs. James Anagnost, financial secretary.

Treasurer is Mrs. J. W. Black, with Mrs. Wendell Morgan as auditor, Mrs. O. L. Winn as historian, Mrs. Kenneth McVey as Parliamentarian, and Mrs. J. K. Edwins, publicity chairman.



SPRY AS PIE—Mrs. Mae Freligh, 87, smiles at the growth of Torrance since her first sight of the city 20 years ago as she came here to enter the real estate brokerage field.

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## Erickson, Ribarich Plan Wedding Bells

Wedding vows are anticipated by Miss Hazel Beverly Erickson of Torrance, whose engagement to John Joseph Ribarich Jr., is being announced today by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold W. Murray of Garden Grove.

The future bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Ribarich Sr., of Deluth, Minnesota. Miss Erickson, 1958 graduate of Torrance High School and 1959 graduate of John Robert Power's School of Modeling, plans a November wedding.

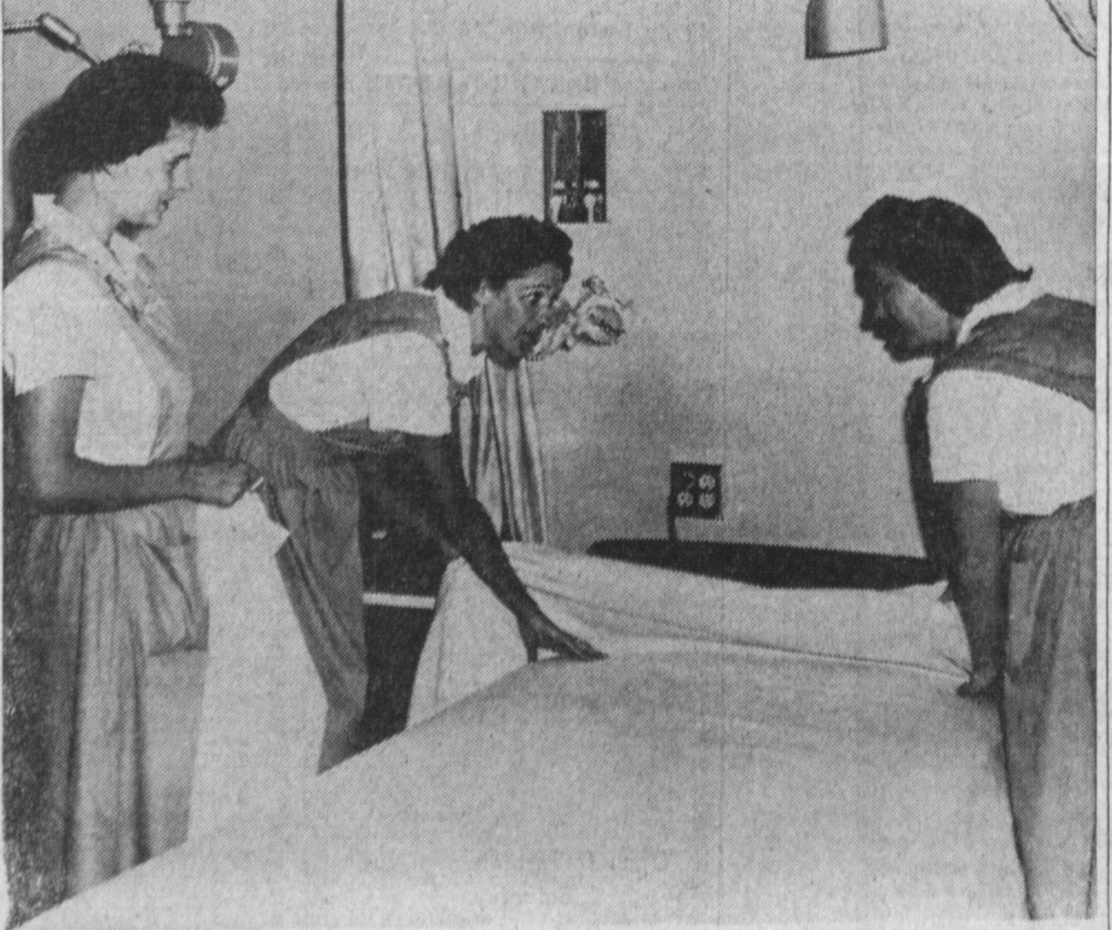
The prospective bride is an employee at the Torrance Press. Erickson is a graduate of the University of Minnesota.

## Pianist Presents Musical Program

Unitarian member Lwndes Maury, recording pianist at the 20th Century Fox Studios and publisher of the Musicians Union paper, "The Overture," will present a piano recital Aug. 28 for the congregation of the Torrance Unitarian.

The recital is planned to raise money to augment the choir director's salary, finance purchase of choir music for the coming year and contribute to the general church fund.

The event, presented by the Music Committee, will be held at Malaga Cove School, Palos Verdes Estates, for a \$1.50 donation by adults and a 90 cent donation by grade and high school students. Tickets are available.



AVAILABLE—Members of the South Bay Hospital Women's Auxiliary ready the facilities for its opening and dedication today at 2 p.m. Preparing a bed are (left to right), Virginia Devore, dedication, chairman; and Marge Myers, financial secretary.