

## Harbor's First Class Back in Uniform

# Nurses Re-Capped To Meet Urgent Need



They Heard the Call

With a statewide shortage of nurses, Harbor General Hospital inaugurated a program of refresher courses to entice registered nurses, who had retired from the profession, back into service. This week the first class of nurses completed the course and were "re-capped." Audrey Fitzgerald of Torrance, left, is being "re-capped" by Mrs. Nona Sawyer, on the hospital's teaching staff, as Louise Letherer of Harbor City, also "back in uniform" looks on.

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Twelve nurses who have been "voluntarily out of service" were "re-capped" at Harbor General Hospital Thursday at 1 p.m. in ceremonies reminiscent of those which gave them their original nursing degrees.

They constitute the Hospital's first daytime class in the "Nursing Refresher Course" to graduate since the statewide program to induce licensed or license-eligible nurses back into uniform to meet the still impelling need for nurses. California has nearly 20,000 who are inactive at a time when Government hospitals are understaffed.

The re-capping ceremonies, accompanied by diplomas certifying completion of the ten week course were witnessed by Stanley Schwartz and Robert Lambert, re-training specialists from the California State Department of Employment, sponsors of the Refresher Course in conjunction with Schools of Nursing and other hospitals. They presented the diplomas.

New caps were placed on the nurses by Mrs. Nona Sawyer, RN, Harbor College Department of Nursing Instructor, in the hospital's eighth floor classroom.

Seven of the "re-caps" have applied for assignment at Harbor General. The Refresher Course is geared to acquaint nurses, out-of-service for extensive periods, with new techniques, duties, and equipment required in modern hospital practices. It includes lectures, actual surgery and ward training and even the room clean-up procedures—work some of these nurses were required to do when they were employed, but is now that of custodial and house keeping departments.

Most of the returning nurses quit practicing to raise families, or because their husband's incomes did not require "that added paycheck." Reasons for their returning were generally given as "I've raised my family and want something to do," "well, if the need for nurses is so great, I may as well help," and, "let's face it, the cost of living has changed the one income family requirements."

The "re-caps" and their communities are: Amelia Hanten, Elena Paxton, Florence Schaefer, San Pedro; Audrey Fitzgerald, Bessie Harris, Torrance; Maida Carson, Dorothy Champ, Los Angeles; Hazel Cohen, Gardena; Nancy Williams, West Hollywood; Mary Kambe, Rolling Hills; Louise Letherer, Harbor City; and Mary Burnham, Inglewood.

## Blount-Richeson Nuptials



MRS. W. KENT RICHESON  
(Portrait by Seeman)

Mr. and Mrs. Willys B. Blount, 1444 El Prado, announce the marriage of their daughter, Mary Margaret, to Walter Kent Richeson, on Thursday evening, Aug. 26, at the Trinity Episcopal Church in Redlands. Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Walter Richeson of Indianapolis, Ind., who came to California for the wedding.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a street-length brocade gown with chiffon overskirt. Her short veil was held by a floral petal headpiece and she carried white rosebuds and stephanotis.

Her only attendant was Miss Lynette Milberg, wearing a pink gown and carrying pink carnations.

Kim Richeson of Indianapolis served as his brother's best man. Rev. Philip H. Robb officiated at the marriage as Ian Johnstone played the nuptial music.

A wedding dinner for the family followed in Redlands after which the newlyweds left for San Diego for a honeymoon.

On Sunday Aug. 29, Mr. and Mrs. Blount entertained a large number of friends at a reception at their home honoring their daughter and her husband. Miss Mardell Clayton registered the guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Richeson left Wednesday by car for Indiana where Mr. Richeson will work on his MA degree at Purdue having received his BS degree there in 1963.

The bride, a graduate of Torrance High School and Redlands University, recently returned from a two-year duty in Turkey with the Peace Corps. She is a past honored queen of the Torrance Bethel Job's Daughters.

Among the out-of-town guests here at the wedding was the bride's aunt, Mrs. Ben Harwit, Midland, Texas.

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## Organizations Make Bid For New Members

### American Assn. of University Women

"A Search for Understanding" is the 1965-66 general membership program theme of the Manhattan Beach Branch of the American Association of University Women.

The search will delve into current association topics: The Law and the Citizen; Science—A Creative Discipline; Education—An Antidote to Poverty; Revolution in Modern China. In charge of the program is Mrs. George Brewster, vice president.

Meetings are scheduled monthly and are titled: Today's Courts and Today's Justice (September), Improving Human Relations (October), Human Values (November), Holiday Cheer (December), The War on Poverty in Los Angeles (January), Justice and the Individual (February), Man Explores Space (March), and Revolution in Modern China (April). The program for May will be the installation of 1966-67 officers.

Women are eligible for membership if they have graduated from an AAUW accredited college or university. They are invited to attend the first meeting of the year, Sept. 13, Monday evening, at 8 p.m.

Raymond Choate, president of the South Bay Bar Association, will be the featured speaker at the September meeting. The title of his talk will be "Today's Courts and Today's Justice."

Mr. Choate, a resident of Manhattan Beach, has a private practice in the South Bay and Harbor areas.

He is a member of the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Advisory Staff; a member of the Board of Directors of the Harbor Area Welfare Planning Council; and is a former Deputy Public Defender of Los Angeles.

The meeting will be held at the Manhattan Beach Community Church, 303 South Peck Ave., Manhattan Beach. Coffee will be served at 7:30 p.m.

For further information Mrs. Daniel S. McDonald may be contacted.

### Southview Chapter, B'nai B'rith Women

B'nai B'rith Women, Southview Chapter, has slated an evening of gaiety for members and guests on Wednesday, Sept. 15, at 8 p.m. at the New Horizons Clubhouse, 22727 Maple St., Torrance.

Regular monthly meeting will be followed by an original musical comedy entitled, "The Unhinnable Molly Bromberg." Mrs. Seymour Lampel, membership chairman, and her committee, Mrs. Joseph Bishop and Mrs. Arnold Savader, are credited with writing the skit. Chapter members participating in the skit will be Mmes. Leo Brodsky, Robert Feldman, Harry Goldfen, Harry Herz, Sheldon Kaplan, Ben Kerman, Jules Rensen, Lester Sacks,

T. Savader, and Robert Waldman. Mrs. Aaron Lipton will be the piano accompanist.

Favors will be given to everyone as they enter the clubhouse in keeping with the theme of the skit of Molly Bromberg's trip around the world. The tables also will be appropriately decorated. Bagels and lox will be served by Mrs. Alvin Fliegman, hospitality chairman, and her hostesses, Mmes. David Cargan, June Lindley, and George Marx.

Invitations are being sent out to the general membership and many guests. The meeting is open to the public. Anyone wishing further information may contact Mrs. Seymour Lampel.



Books Lead Way in Search

Launching their year's program "A Search for Understanding" these AAUW chairmen, from left, Mmes. George Brewster, program, Roland Cordill assistant implementation, and Robert Scholtz, implementation, do research in preparation for their program "Courts and Justice" set for Monday evening. Raymond Choate, member of the South Bay Bar Assn. will be the speaker.

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Molly Brown Satire

"Unhinnable Molly Bromberg" played here by Mrs. Harry Goldfen, who holds the globe in planning her round-the-world trip aided by other cast members, from left, Mmes. Arnold Savader, Lester Sacks, as Keystone cop, and Robert Feldman, Italian waiter, is satire written and produced by members of the Southview Chapter B'nai Brith. The special program will be given Sept. 15 at the group's membership event.

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