Coffee Break

By Adeline Daley

I might as well concede that as summer reading fare (or winter, too, for that matter), "The Easy Home Repair Manual" is not one of my husband's favorite books; no matter how often I place it beside him and suggest he brwse through it before retiring.

Admittedly, most of the chapters aren't exactly of Hemingway calibre or describable as "once you start reading it, you won't be able to put it down." For I noticed that most of the time he was able to put the book down shortly after reading nothing more than the title. Particularly, "What Every Man Should Know About Septic Tanks" and "You, Too, Can Lay a Cement Block Patio If You Try." (Do you want to bet?)

Knowing my husband's limitations as a handyman, I looked for such chapters as "How To Re-Wire Your Home—As Told By Warden E. Lawes."

I've almost given up, however, trying to convert my husband into a handyman. I was equally unsuccessful the time I bought him a pair of work overalls with appropriate straps to hang pliers, hammers, wrenches, ct. He thought that I had purchased them for myself.

But you can't blame me, can you, for hoping to save a few dollars on repair bills? Especially since "Plumb-A-Care" hasn't gone into effect.

However, the trouble with most home repair books which advise you "to be your own carpener, plumber, paperhanger or electrican" is that it helps if you are one to begin with. For instance, one of the chapters explains that the only difficult part in repairing a non-functioning electrical appliance is in locatin gthe trouble.

"Once that's spotted, all you need do is either clean or lubricate the trouble spot," to quote from the book.

So when the dishwasher (what else?) konked out again last week I told my husband that he ought to "check on the commutator to see if it was darkened, badly pitted or dirty."

He obliged by crawling underneath the meter but then asked, "What's a commutator?"

Most home repair books also assume that every apprentice handyman has thousands of dollars worth of tools at his disposal. (See Chapter, "They Laughed When I Sat Down At My Power Saw But They Stopped When I Started To Drill.") Believe me, most of our repairs are done with the point of a table knife because the screwdriver is missing.

The type of book I'm looking for would be the "Beginning Beginner's Guide to Home Re-pairs," which would contain illustrations of such basics as a nail, a screw, a fuse box, and a fuse. So easy, in fact, that even I could understand it. In the meanwhile, will you hand me my Stillson wrench; I want to adjust the drainpipe fitting.

Preceptor Alpha Betas Outline Year's Agenda

Members of Preceptor Alpha Beta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi will meet Monday, Aug. 8, at 8 p.m., at the home of Mrs. Raymond Millhouse, 14903 Yukon Ave., Hawthorne.

Ideas for the coming year's program will be completed and the first meeting of the new year will be held Sept. 12 at the home of Mrs. Louis Below and Fran Nickelson, Palos Verdes.

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Miss Martha Oehlerking, Mays and means chairman, has announced a Kard Kaper Party to be given for members and their friends, Saturday evening, Sept. 24, in the home of Mrs. Andrew Foster, 16222 Daphne Ave., Gardena.

Attending next Monday's business meeting will be Mrs. Blanche McCallum and Miss Martha Oehlerking.

TOPS Group

Meets Locally

The Dayliters Group of TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meets each Tuesday morning at 10:15 at the St. A nd re w's Episcopal Church, 1432 Engracia Ave.

Group therapy is the method used in taking off pounds by this group of women. Anyone with a weight problem is invited to participate in the program. For more information, Millored Martin, Dayliters leader, may be called.



It's cleanup time at the overnight camp for young girls being staged at the Torrance YWCA. Cindy Hirlder 7, sweeps out the tent as Julie Patten 9, shakes and rolls up her sleeping bag. This series of overnight camps, held in the outdoor facilities of the YWCA on Carson St., are designed for boys and girls too young to go away to camp. Interested parents may call the Y for more information.

(Press-Herald Photo)

Overnight Camps for Younger Set At YWCA

R. E. Sprout Family Here For Reunion

All roads led to home this summer for the married daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph E. Sprout, 1327 Beech, who planned to spend their vacations together and at home with their parents. Arriving by train from Cedar Rapids, Iowa, were Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Malard (Sally Sprout) and their daughters, Rebecca, Gwendolyn and Jennifer. Arriving on the same day from Hayward, were Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Olivier (Pegy Sprout).

park facilities right in the center of Torrance. These one-night camps are intended to give the boys and girls that are too young to go away to camp, an opportunity to have a real out-of-doors camp experience.

The group will sleep in tents and cook out-of-doors. The camp is supervised by experienced adults and includes games, crafts, cooking etc.

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Each camp session is limited to 20 children. The cost includes the two meals, dinner and breakfast. The camp is from 4 p.m. on Friday through 11 a.m. on Saturday, The sessions for girls to 9 years, are Friday and Saturday, Aug. 11-12; and Friday and Saturday, Aug. 11-12; and Friday and Saturday, Aug. 19 and supervised by experienced men, will be held Friday and Saturday, Aug. 19 and 20.

Moose Picnic st Scheduled On Sunday

Torrance Loyal Order of Moose Lodge 785 and Women of the Moose Chapter 44 will hold their annual family pienic at Banning Park in Wilmington on Sunday, Aug. 7, starting at 10 a.m.

They will again, as in previous years, join with the San Pedro Lodge for this event.

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Co-chairmen for the affair are Mrs. Karl Gustafsson, Women's Order of Moose, and Arthur Galinsky, men's chairman, Loyal Order of Moose.

Officers for 1966-67 Installed by Council

Arriving on the same day from Hayward, were Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Olivier (Peggy Sprout).

On hand to welcome them, with their parents, were Mr. and Mrs. David Beard (Jeannie Sprout) of Lomita.

To begin a round of activities, an Open House was held at the Sprout home and was attended by 100 close friends and relatives, who enjoyed a buffet supper.

On Sunday July 3, the Sprout family attended a reunion of the Pinafore Clubheld at the Torrance Park.

Since the Sprout and their daughters all have summer wedding anniversaries, a celebration was held at the Indian Village. The senior Sprouts were married 32 years on July 15; the Clayton Mallards, 10 years on Aug. 5; the Arthur Oliviers, two years on July 12; and the David Beards celebrate their third anniversary on Aug. 25.

The couples and their children spent a day at Catalina and a day at Marineland.

Mr. and Mrs. Mallard were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mallard of South Gate and Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Smith of Arcadia.

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Club Makes Puppets

Holds 46th Installation

"May Peace and Harmony Prevail" was the theme of the 46th installation of the Lomita Bethel 137, International Order of Job's Daughters, held recently at the Masonic Temple.

Decorations carrying out the theme were white doves and coral and silver harps.

Elected officers installed were Christy Hanson, honored queen; Terri Cook, senjoir princess; Cheryl Orseth, junior princess; Chryl Orseth, junior princess; Cynthia Jarrett, messengers; Debbie marshallation was the honored queen's 86-year-old great

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Fashioning puppets and bean bags from-multi-colored pieces of felt is the summer undertaking of members, prospective members and provisionals of the Torrance Junior Woman's Club. The puppets, in the shape of bears, cats and monkeys, will be given to the children in an Operation Headstart at St. Josseph's Catholic Church in the pueblo area. The women copleted the remainder of the 40 puppets during a work session Friday, at the home of Mrs. Robert Vroman, philanthropy chairman. They also made four bean bags in the shape of a dog's head with floppy ears. Participating in the project are Mmes. James Burger: Michael Riley, Leon Taylor, Gerald Glass, J. D. Hedde and David Wade, club members: Archie Kozak, Sarke Tatian, William D. Ritchie, Joe Piccini and Jodie Holick, prospective members, and Lowell Costello and Larry Smith, provisionals. The Torrance Junior Women and St. Club is affiliated with Marina. Pilefrict Cellfornia does it really help to prav?

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