



The Story of the Shillelagh

The Irish shillelagh, brought by Eddie Martin when he returned recently from a trip to Ireland is getting the attention of the Martin family as the "head of the household" tells the story of the shillelagh. It gets its name from Shillelagh, Ireland, famous for its oaks, from which it is made. Blackthorn is

also a popular wood used in making the shillelagh, or cudgel. Listening to the story are from left, Paul 5, John 7, Mr. Martin and his wife, Kathleen. The family, all natives of Dublin, came to Torrance in November 1965.

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## Newcomb Alumnae Gather

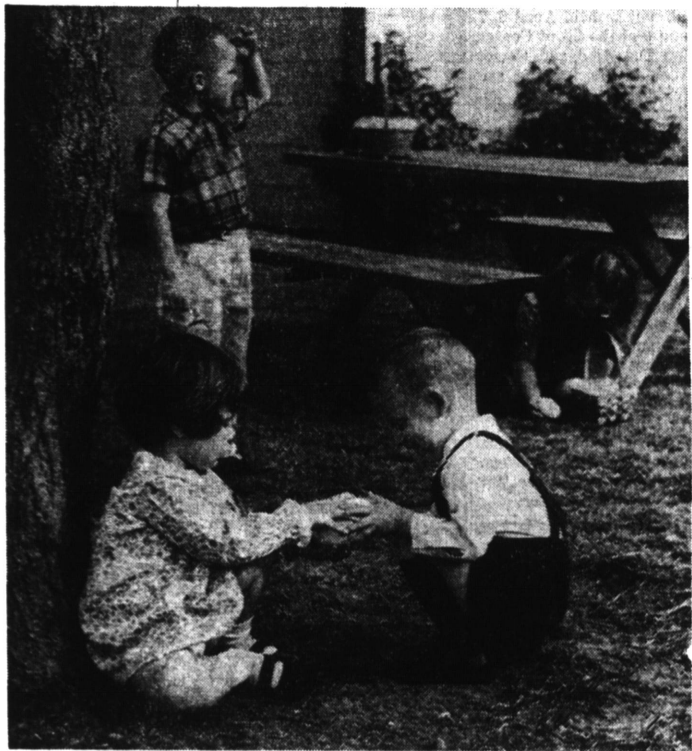
Friends and alumnae of Newcomb College, girls school associated with Tulane University in Louisiana, living in the Los Angeles area were entertained recently at the home of Mrs. Warren Bachman, 17043 Cerise Ave., Torrance.

Mrs. Jeanne Seidner, teacher of French at Jordan High School, gave a talk on modern New Orleans and closed with a lesson in French using amusing cartoon illustration and concluding with a demonstration in flower making. The lesson was given entirely in French.

Priscilla Hagen sang "Summertime" and "One Love", accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Bachman.

In keeping with theme for the evening, a French dinner was served including Creole gumbo, Creole cole slaw, and French pastries.

Attending were Meses. Margaret Bachman, Helen Dike, Shirley Beattie, Ellen J. Erchul, Frances French, Marian Hammond and daughters, Janet and Barbara; Priscilla Hagen, Leesa Stoner, Louise Parrish, Martha Osterback, Jeanne Seidner, Dale Brent Sexton and Mauryne Wells.



EASTER BUNNY CAME EARLY

Children of the members of the Auxiliary to the Torrance Fire Department were paid an early visit by Peter Cottontail, who hid eggs at the Bruce Smith home at 2560 Eldorado Friday evening. Pictured as the Egg Hunt was on Saturday morning are, in foreground, Tina Blain and Kevin Andersen, who just found colored egg; behind them Gregg Blain, searching, and in the background, under a picnic table, Sherry Smith, discovering more eggs hidden by the bunny.

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## Future Bride



PATRICIA HAYWARD  
(Seeman Portrait)

### Hayward-Thompson

Mr. and Mrs. Noel G. Hayward, 1229 Date Ave., announce the engagement of their daughter, Patricia Anne, to Albert R. Thompson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond W. Thompson of Cleveland, Ohio.

An August wedding is being planned. The bride-elect is a graduate of Bishop Montgomery High School and UCLA's Dental Assistants Program. She is employed by Robert C. Jackson, DDS.

Her fiancé, a graduate of the John Marshall High school in Cleveland, is employed as an electronics technician with Pacific Telephone Co. He recently completed a four year tour of duty with the United States Marine Corps, serving ten months in Vietnam.

## Junior Woman's Club Assists

### Pueblo Head Start Program

Children of the Pueblo community of Torrance will have an exciting new piece of free form play equipment to enjoy in their local recreation area, as a result of a fund raising project of the Torrance Junior Woman's Club.

The play equipment will be installed at the municipal neighborhood park in Pueblo. The Juniors raised \$500 at a recent fashion show, with the funds allocated to the park project.

The park, located adjacent to St. Joseph's Mission, 2314 Del Amo Blvd., is being improved by the City of Torrance. Cooperating with the city in the park development are the Torrance Rotary Club and the Torrance Juniors.

In addition to pouring forms for curbing to contain the sand in the play equipment area, the Rotarians have planted a large tree at the park site. Future plans of the club call for the development of a picnic area, with tables and barbecue pits.

Representatives of the Torrance Recreation Department are working

with the community clubs to coordinate the park projects.

Particular use of the new play equipment will be made by the two Head Start classes operated at St. Joseph's Mission by the Council of Mexican-American Affairs.

Under the leadership of Mrs. Robert Vroman, club vice president, the Juniors have adopted the Head Start program at St. Joseph's as a project for the year.

The Juniors volunteer in the classroom several times each week, serving as teacher aides. They also contribute to various projects undertaken by Head Start personnel.

A puppet show was recently staged for the Head Start children by the local clubwomen. At the conclusion of the show, the Juniors donated their puppet theater to the Head Start center and gave each child a hand puppet, made by the club members.

The Juniors presented Christmas and Valentine's Day parties for the children and are currently making plans for an Easter party to be given on Friday.



CHECK FOR PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

Harry Van Bellehem, director of the Torrance Recreation Dept., accepts a check for \$500 from Mrs. Robert Long, chairman of the benefit Fashion Show staged by the Torrance Junior Woman's Club recently. The check is to be used to purchase playground equipment for the Pueblo Head Start children. The equipment to be purchased is similar to that being enjoyed by Leslie and Gary Long, watched by Mrs. Robert Vroman, first vice president of the Junior Club.

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## New Residents from the Emerald Isle Recall

# St. Pat's Day in Ireland

Had Eddie and Kathleen Martin still been residents of Dublin, Ireland last Friday, they would have done as all the Irish do on St. Patrick's Day.

The couple and their two sons, John and Paul, would have attended Mass, since St. Patrick's Day in Ireland is a Holy Day of Obligation. At the Mass, they would have seen the blessing of the Shamrocks.

After the services they would have attended a parade made up of floats depicting Irish life, history and folklore. They would have also seen the leprechauns or "little people" as they are known in Ireland.

Following the parade, the family would have joined the other 90,000 Irishmen of Dublin to attend the major sports events, Gaelic football and hurling.

In the evening of the "Great Day for the Irish," they would have participated in the traditional Ceildie dances, where the young folks, to fiddle and accordion music, dance the Irish "Hornpipe," "Jig," "Siege of Ennis" and "The Walls of Limerick." The Ceildie is held throughout the countryside at the village crossroads and after the dance the bonfires are lighted and the Irish dancing and singing continues into the night.

But the Martins were spending their second St. Patrick's Day in the United States at their new home at 15903 Prairie Ave. The four Martins, all born in Dublin, came here in November 1965. Mr. Martin is employed by American Airlines and is attending El Camino for data processing and computer programming. He was educated at St. Loue's Convent and later at Westland Row, CBS and the commercial college in Dublin.

Mrs. Martin attended the Convent of the Sisters of Charity and later a business college in Dublin. Their older son, John, was attending the Santa Maria College in Temploque Co., Dublin when the family decided to come to America.

Most obvious differences between Ireland and their new home were pointed out by Mr. Martin. They are: the weather, Ireland is an island with no part more than 80 miles from the sea; cars, bigger and travel faster here; in Ireland, busses are a great means of travel, not everybody has a car and there are not too many two-car families; houses: here they are made of timber with central heating, in Ireland most are two story, made of brick with fireplace for the burning of turf (peat).

The new resident said that in this country there are so many more opportunities for advancement in one's job. In Ireland, most men stay in the one firm all their lives and very few housewives work. With more household aids, the American women has more time to participate in activities outside the home. The Irish

woman's social life evolves around the parish church and the country women's clubs. Another difference, the Irish woman does not shop for an entire week, the normal procedure is to buy from day-to-day.

And with this, Mrs. Martin was asked for some of her most popular Irish recipes which she shares with local readers.

### IRISH STEW

1 lb. lean pork chops Pepper and salt  
1 lb. carrots Corn flour or  
1 lb. potatoes corn starch

Method: Wash chops, carrots and onions, potatoes in cold water. Bring to a boil simmer for 1 1/2 hours. Thicken soup with corn starch.

### SPONGE CAKE

6 eggs 1 cup sugar 1 cup flour  
Method: Place eggs and sugar in a bowl, beat for 20 minutes until really stiff and light colored. Stir in the flour beating as little as is required until a light cream is obtained. Turn gently into a tin, greased and floured. Bake for 45 minutes in a moderate oven 375 degrees. This is very popular for an afternoon tea cake.

### IRISH SCONES

3/4 cup flour 6 tbsp. fat  
2 tbsp. sugar 1/2 lb. currants  
Method: Rub 6 tbsp. of fat into flour. Add currants, sugar. Roll 1/2 inch thick, cut in rounds. Brush with milk and bake for 20 minutes in hot oven 450 degrees. Very nice when split and buttered and served hot with tea.

### IRISH DINNER

Corn beef Turnips  
Cabbage Mashed potatoes  
Boil corn beef and then cook cabbage in the corn beef water. Follow the dinner with apple cake and custard and finish with tea and homemade scones.

### ANOTHER IRISH DINNER

Limerick Ham Carrots  
(boiled) Peas  
Chicken Mashed potatoes  
(stuffed)

With this serve Triple as the dessert. Triple: Place sponge cake in bowl, cover with jello, fruit, wine. Place in freezer until jello sets. Cover with whipped cream.

### A Grand Finale

Gaelic Coffee  
1/4 cup whiskey 1/4 cup coffee  
Top with whipped cream.

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