

Coffee Break

By Adeline Daley

For someone who's never won as much as a \$2 merchandise order in most contests, I certainly do all right in others. In fact, I became disillusioned years ago when I counted 19,879 dots in a puzzle in order to win a Shetland pony. I "won" all right—but was told by the company it qualified me to compete in another contest in which I was to go out and sell, 19,879 jars of ointment.

Now I can't even lose when I try.

I am referring to those telephone questionnaires in which you win a free dance lesson for answering a "stickler," such as: "The name of the president of the U.S. during the Civil War." I tried to avoid answering the last time by replying, "Rutherford B. Hayes," but was told jubilantly:

"That's close enough!" When I tried to dissuade them that my winning "wasn't fair," they finally agreed, but insisted I accept the free dance lesson as a consolation prize for "being such a good sport about it."

I have no idea what we've won in the latest telephoning quiz, in which I was given an award for knowing the brand name of our refrigerator. (I guess they're not taking any chances.) In order to claim our prize, however, my husband and I must appear at a designated address at an appointed time. They didn't say, but I assume they'd appreciate if we brought our checkbook with us as well.

Even easier to "win" are the free figure analyses offered by health clubs. I've begged off by telling them I'd pay them "cash money" for keeping quiet about my figure, but to no avail. I still get phone calls. Besides, I know about some of the free offers. It sort of reminds me of the spider imitating the fly into the parlor.

We've also been deluged with opportunities to have our transportation paid for and a "free barbecue" while inspecting Fantastic Land Values in the middle of Gobi Desert, or something.

All of these are most tempting, but I'm afraid to accept any of them. That's because I'm the type who hates to take a free vegetable brush from the Fuller Brush Man without feeling obligated to buy \$15 worth of mop-heads and wax I don't need.

It's the same when you accept a free catalogue from a mail order house and neglect to purchase anything. I had letters from the sales manager himself who said that he had stuck his neck out, in sending me the free catalogue and now "I had let him down." I ended up by purchasing a couple of galvanized milk pails so that the poor chap could keep his job.

Every insurance policy we own started out by a free calendar or a blotter.

District Officers in Visit to Trio Lodge

District Deputy Helen Wilson and her marshal, Mary B. Smith, of District 84, both past noble grands of Trio Lodge, made their official visit to Trio Rebekah Lodge 240 at the recent meeting.

The District Deputy gave her instructions and installed Tillie Van Driel as treasurer, a post left vacant by Mae Van Wie, who took the office of outside guardian.

Others serving are Elizabeth Yerton, chaplain; Vena Johnson, musician; Ann Long, secretary.

Lodge chairmen named by the Noble Grand Bertha Fern, are Margie Russell, state of the order; Elizabeth Yerton, public relations; Tillie Van Driel, Goodfellowship; Gertrude Kastrup, United Nations; Ann Long, Heart Drive; and Vena Johnson, press.

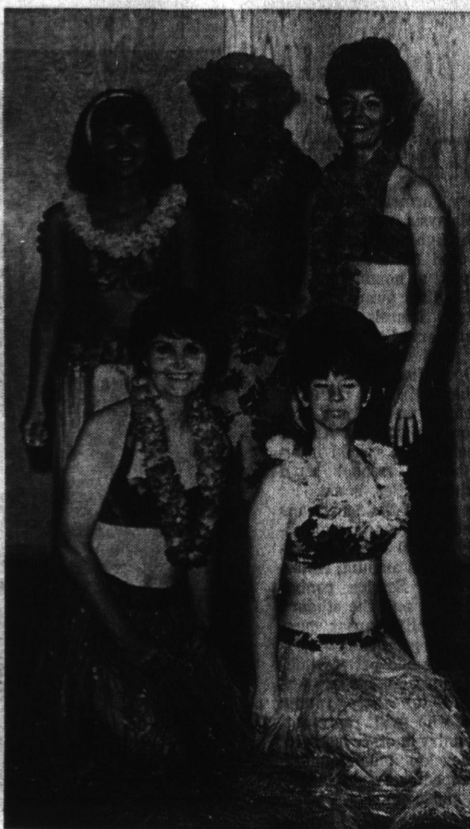
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SOUTH SEA ISLAND FROLIC

The "Legend of King Komma-Komma" will highlight the entertainment planned by the Gardena Emblem Club for its annual Luau Saturday evening at the Gardena Elks Hall. Rehearsing for the show are, from left, front row, Mmes. Gary Underwood and Donald McDonald; second row, from left, Mrs. Hubert Hunter, Gardena Past Exalted Ruler Clark (Bud) Clark, and Mrs. Alex Leon.

Gardena Emblem Club's Luau Set Saturday

Gardena Emblem Club 257, will hold its annual Luau on Saturday, June 22, at the Gardena Elks Hall, 1735 W. 162nd St., Gardena. Dinner will be served at 7:30 p.m. with showtime set for 9 p.m.

Co-chairmen Thomas Satterlee Jr. and Wayne E. Brickey, have planned an entirely new type of show entitled "The Legend of King Komma-Komma." Past Exalted Ruler of Gardena Elks, Clark "Bud" Sanders has the starring role of King Komma-Komma. He is accompanied by Mrs. John Farrell as the Fire Goddess Pele. The remainder of the cast includes Mmes. Hubert Hunter, Alex Leon, Donald McDonald, Gary Underwood, Frank Secan, Thomas Satterlee Jr. and Wayne Brickey.

Scenery and set decorations are by Mrs. Donald Simmons, with help from

Dianas Present Scholarship

Mrs. William Tolliffe, immediate past president of the Redondo Beach Dianas, presented the Daisy Odom Geary Scholarship of \$200 to Miss Eugenia Shuster, a graduating senior at Redondo Union High School. The presentation was made during the annual Awards Program.

Mmes. Ray Niles, Joseph Fazio and Frank Summo. Catering is Gardena Elk, Phil Guiffreda. There will be dancing until 1 a.m. to the music of the Southlanders.

Fuchsia Unit Will View Show Slides

The public is invited to attend the meeting of the Palos Verdes Fuchsia Club at the Waveria Recreation Center Monday, June 24, at 7:30 p.m.

Slides of last week's garden displays at the California National Fuchsia and Shade Plant Show will be presented by Myrtle Bell.

Patio ideas and summer care of shade plants will be helpful along with the club's display of trophies won at the show.

Engagement Revealed at Open House

At an Open House given by Mr. and Mrs. Maurice W. Collins, 23508 Susana Ave., on Sunday afternoon, June 9, approximately 45 relatives and close friends were told of the engagement of their daughter, Mary Jane, to Barry Murray.

Yellow rosebuds, tied with yellow ribbons on which the names "Mary Jane and Barry" were inscribed, disclosed the romantic news.

No date has been set for the wedding.

The bride attended school in Europe for two years and spent three years at California State College at Long Beach. She is assistant buyer for Buftums, Long Beach.

Mr. Murray, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Murray, 13 Reservation Point, Terminal Island, attended Brigham Young University. He is presently serving with the United States Army in Georgia.

Xi Upsilon Meeting at Pope Home

Mrs. Andrew Pope of Rolling Hills will hostess the regular meeting of Xi Nu Upsilon this evening at 8 p.m. and will also present the program, "Learning, Friendship and Good Life" for the members and guests.

Mmes. Raymond Young, Irving Kurman and David Sowers will report on final plans for an old fashioned Box Supper at the home of Mr. and Mrs. David Sowers of San Pedro on Saturday evening, June 22.

The men will bid for the pretty boxes with the menu printed on the outside, and will eat with the lovely lady who prepared the box. Harry Vannatta will be in charge of the bidding. A vote will be taken and the best box will get a gift. The couples attending the party will dress in Western style.

Shower for Bride-elect

Miss Carol Temple, who became the bride of Jim W. Jones of Torrance on Sunday June 16 at 3 p.m. at the St. Cornelius Catholic Church in Long Beach, was guest of honor at a bridal shower given by Mrs. Stan Shaw and Mrs. L. E. Weeks at the Shaw home, 2514 W. 177th St.

Arrangements of fresh gardenias decorated the

serving table. Games were played followed by the opening of gifts. The hostesses served refreshments.

Shower guests were Mmes. Lee Joseph, Bernard Clayton, Gordon Gmur, R. Erickson, M. E. Weeks, George Spindler, Frank Olot, Evelyn Oliver, L. E. Weeks and Stan Shaw.

Also, Misses Patricia Temple and Lea Jones.

Classes in Cheerleading Open

Torrance YWCA is offering a class in songleading and cheerleading to begin June 24 from 3-4 p.m. The class will be open to pre-teens and teenage girls.

Miss Donna Sinclair, presently a student at El Camino College, will instruct the class. Miss Sinclair has had drill team and songleading experience in high school.

Fundamental songleading routines will be taught, as well as the basic steps. A portion of the class session will also be devoted to pom-pom construction.

The class is designed to help train girls who are interested in trying out for their school pep teams, or for girls who would like to learn the routines for their own pleasure.

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