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AND HARBOR MAIL

Leads 230 Volunteers At South Bay Hospital

Another group of energetic women, the South Bay Hospital Auxiliary, whose purpose is to raise funds for the hospital and provide personal services to the patients, is under the direction of Mrs. Thomas Whitlow.



MRS. THOMAS
WHITLOW

When Mrs. Whitlow was installed as president of this group in January, she brought to its leadership years of experience in volunteer work. The new president had served as a Director of Volunteers for the

Mrs. Moffitt Plays Lead Role Here

Another Torrance woman who has left her mark working for the betterment of her community, especially for the youth, is Mrs. R. E. Moffitt, who realized the needs of youth, when she married her scoutmaster husband in 1927. As a scoutmaster's wife, naturally she became involved and continued through the years to lend her support where youth needed it.

The mother of two sons, John and Robin, who were born 15 years apart, kept her in PTA work for many years. The family moved from Culver City to Lomita in 1939 and Mrs. Moffitt held many offices in the Lomita and Narbonne High PTAs. Coming to Torrance in 1947, she went to work with the Torrance Elementary PTA and in 1959 and 1960 served as president of the Torrance High PTA.

As far as community advancement, Mrs. Moffitt thinks the Torrance Woman's Club does a terrific job. "If I had not felt this way I surely would not have served as president for two terms, 1957-58 and again 1967-68."

Much of this club's philanthropy is directed to youth and during Mrs. Moffitt's terms as president, the club aided the YMCA, YWCA, American Field Service, Girls State, Educational Scholarships, Nurses Scholarship, and the Southwest Association for Retarded Children.

Mrs. Moffitt is also active with the Auxiliary to the Fire Department, the Torrance Eastern Star, the Arts and Crafts Club, and belongs to three bridge clubs.

Gray Ladies in Italy, secretary to the PTA in Virginia; and served again with the Gray Ladies in Key West, Florida.

She has been with the South Bay Hospital Auxiliary for seven years, serving as day chairman for four years and as second vice president for two years.

These 230 women give freely of their time, chalking up an average of 30,000 service hours per year.

One of their goals is to provide four nursing scholarships to student nurses each year, and two scholarships in the field of health services, always awarded deserving teen age Candy Strippers at the hospital.

Seeing a need, they raise funds for the purchase of special equipment among which have been a pacemaker and a defibrillator used in the cardiac unit at the hospital.

Torrance Hospital Her Hobby

Her one love besides a housewife and mother, is the Torrance Memorial Hospital Auxiliary, of which she has been a member for the past five years.

During this five years, Mrs. Melvin J. Wells has served in



MRS. MELVIN J. WELLS

many chairmanships and turned in numerous volunteer hours. She served as the 1968-69 president and will be installed for a second term at the group's annual installation soon.

This auxiliary is composed of 134 members who last year

alone turned in 9,611 service hours, aiding patients and their families.

This group is also busy working on its \$100,000 pledge to the new hospital now under construction. To date they have donated \$8,500 on the pledge.

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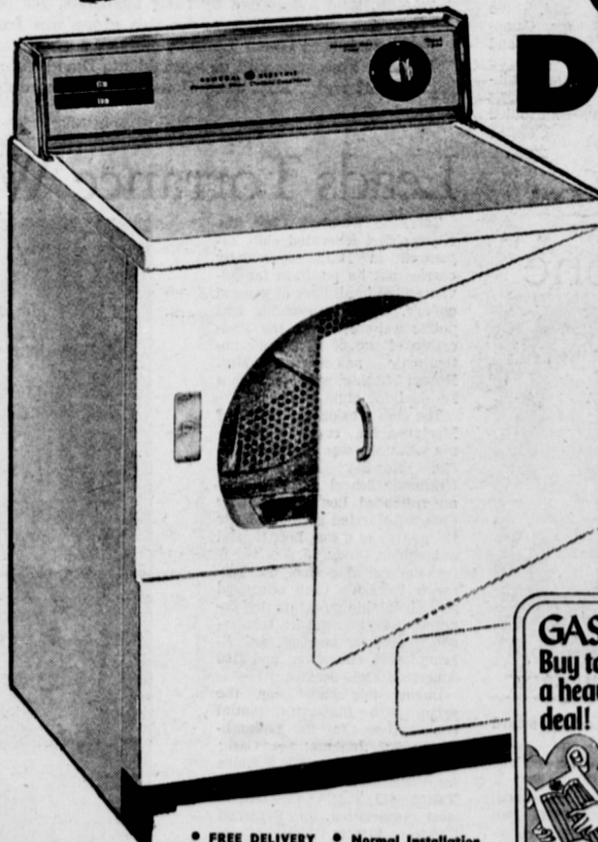
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