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ACALANES UNION HIGH SCHOOL

Dedication ceremonies for the Acalanes Union High School will be held on the evening of November 4. Plans for this occasion are being formed by the Parents' Club of the High School. These plans include a general inspection of the plant.

Construction on the original contract is virtually completed. Painters are lining courts on the gymnasium floor preparatory to the application of the final two coats of finish. When this is completed, folding bleachers will be installed and the gymnasium will be available for full use.

William Penn Mott, Jr., of Orinda, is working on landscaping plans. Extension of the current W. P. A. project for site development is now pending, and is essential to complete the program of beautification planned.

CHURCH BUILDING

At a meeting of the Church membership, the Trustees of the Orinda Community Church were authorized to have plans, specifications and estimates of cost prepared for a Church Center Building to be constructed on the newly acquired site on the Orinda side of the school grounds. The trustees were also instructed to organize a campaign to raise funds for this building.

The unit to be built first is the Sunday School plant, but will be well adapted for use as a Church and for related Church and Community service.

MORAGA VALLEY IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

The Moraga Valley Improvement Association studied its fire protection system at the regular monthly meeting Friday night, October 25, in the Orinda Union School.

Fire Commissioner Warren Harrold presented a map showing the location of fire hydrants in the district, and outlined the steps that have been taken for fire prevention and protection.

Invitations were sent to Supervisor H. L. Cummings, of Crockett, and to State Senator T. H. DeLapp, to attend the meeting and speak on problems of the district.

NOVEMBER MEETING

The next meeting of the Orinda Improvement Association will be held Friday evening, November 1, at 8:15 p. m., in the auditorium of the Orinda Union School. At this meeting Mr. Edward Sibbett will present the report of the By-Laws Committee.

At the close of the business meeting the Boy Scouts' Court of Honor will be held.

ORINDA EXPRESS SERVICE

The Merchants Express Corporation has been granted the right to serve Orinda, Bryant, Upton, Glorietta, and Santa Rita Acres by Decision No. 33549 of the California Railroad Commission. The effective date of the order was October 21, 1940.

This will be good news to the many shippers in the Bay area as well as the merchants and residents of the Orinda area, as this community has been without any freight transportation whatsoever.

Mr. F. M. Mott, General Manager of the Merchants Express Corporation, stated as follows, regarding this decision: "We are very happy to be able to extend this service to the many shippers in this area who have been so helpful in making it possible to secure a favorable decision from the Railroad Commission. While the amount of freight moving into this territory is at the present time very limited, the service symbolizes our policy of pioneering such communities in an effort to assist in making them attractive areas for settlement, which in turn aids all of us in growth.

"We will commence service on a twice weekly basis, sending our truck to Orinda by way of the Tunnel Road, Grizzly Peak Boulevard, Fish Ranch Road, and travel along the San Pablo Dam Highway into Richmond, and serving all residents, business establishments, or farmers located within a mile of any of those highways. We also will serve Moraga Woodlands and Glorietta."

RED CROSS WORK ROOM

The Red Cross Work Room in the Orinda Union School has been closed for two weeks, due to the lack of materials.

This material is expected within the week, and all Orinda residents are urged to again support this project of the Orinda Unit.

BUS LINE DEVELOPMENT

Mr. Rhodes, of Rhodes Stages, Incorporated, is pleased to announce that the Tunnel Road Line is meeting with far more success now than when the line was first installed, two months ago. Development of a new bus line and its subsequent growth is naturally slow, but Mr. Rhodes wishes to state that with increased use of the buses he can afford better service.

One small difficulty which he hopes to eliminate shortly is that of turning the bus here at Orinda in front of the store. At the present time the buses are forced to back up, but another plan of turning around is desirable, so that the buses will not be forced to reverse.

Mr. Rhodes now has a petition before the Berkeley City Council, which, if passed, will allow the buses to swing around in front of the Domingo Avenue Key Route Station, thus adding to the convenience of the passengers.

RED CROSS ROLL CALL

Mr. J. E. McDermond, Roll Call Chairman of the Walnut Creek Chapter of the American Red Cross, announces that the annual roll call will be held, as usual, between November 11 (Armistice Day) and November 30.

Mr. J. Harrison Heckman, National Director of Roll Call, says — "Roll Call workers have opportunity this fall to serve their Red Cross and their country in a great crisis. This task will not be complete until everyone has been given a personal invitation to become a member. Every American should answer 'PRESENT' when the roll is called in November."

Orinda Roll Call workers include: Mesdames Warren Harrold, Lowell Berry, Fred Allen, Ross Mack, E. I. de Laveaga, G. Robbins, J. E. Sullivan, C. B. Chantler, G. M. Heinrici, J. F. Lax, Ralph Wilson, Charles Malone, K. Gelwix, E. H. Sibbett, J. T. Cotton, J. P. Ratcliff, S. K. Rosenthal, H. L. Martin, Lynn Bell, and A. W. Elkinton.

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REAL ESTATE NEWS

The following building permits have been issued during the last thirty days:

- Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Hunn,
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- Mr. and Mrs. James Burke, Lot 3, El Toyonal
- Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Elvidge, Remodeling
- Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Johnson,
Lot 601, Las Vegas

HIGHWAY TREES

The many young European Sycamores which this community planted along the Orinda Highway in 1937, have been having a struggle for existence.

The road construction work made it necessary for many of the trees to be moved to temporary locations, and some of them were left completely out of line by the new alignment, others succumbed to wear and tear. However, our County Engineer, Mr. Barclay and his able assistant, Sid Smith, have assured us that they plan to do the necessary work of surveying and moving to reset the trees in their proper places.

Last year our Supervisor, Jack Cummings, made it possible for the trees to be periodically watered, and we believe he plans to continue that good work until the trees are again well established.

In any event, all those generous Orindans who contributed their \$1.20 per tree, will be glad to see their saplings once more on the road to bigger and better shade.

HARRISON L. KETCHAM.

RED CROSS LUNCHEON

An annual Red Cross roll call luncheon will be held at the Diablo Country Club, on Thursday, November 7, 1940, at 12:30 p. m. The general admission will be 87 cents.

All American Red Cross volunteers and Red Cross members are cordially invited to attend this meeting.

This luncheon is one of the many given each year right before the Annual Roll Call which will begin on November 11 of this year.

ORINDA NEWS HISTORY

During Warren Harrold's term as President of the Orinda Improvement Association, he appointed Harrison L. Ketcham as Chairman of the Publicity Committee, with specific instructions to organize and edit a community paper. This paper was to report the activities of the Association, and any additional news of community interest. It was to be published monthly and distributed free to all members of the Association and residents of the Orinda School District.

Members of the Association selected to assist Mr. Ketcham were R. M. Cross, J. J. McMillan, Mrs. George Pitt, and Miss Maurine Donaldson. Mr. McMillan being in the linotype business, did the type setting and most of the preparation of copy for that first issue. Mr. Cross did the addressing and mailing. Mrs. Pitt took over the advertising after the first issue. Miss Maurine Donaldson was the star reporter, and Mr. Ketcham acted as editor.

The cost of printing and distribution of that first ORINDA NEWS was financed by Warren Harrold from his own funds and partly reimbursed by local friends who purchased advertising space from him. Some of these loyal friends have carried their advertisements in the ORINDA NEWS up to the present time.

Policies established by Mr. Ketcham during that first year have been maintained by each succeeding Publicity Chairman. No sides have been taken on political issues, no partiality has been shown for any local group and the news has always been entirely free from any insinuations or innuendos. Each year as new officers are elected to the Improvement Association, a new Publicity Chairman is appointed and he is allowed to select his staff for the ORINDA NEWS.

Martyn Warner succeeded Mr. Ketcham as Publicity Chairman, and selected as his staff, J. J. McMillan, R. M. Cross, Mrs. Harry Holt, Mrs. Lucia deL. Ward, Miss Mildred Hickok, and Miss Maurine Donaldson. Mr. McMillan again set up the type and Mr. Cross continued with the mailing and distribution. Mr. Warner acted as editor and advertising manager. During this year the mailing list had increased to such an extent, an addressograph was purchased to save the work of hand addressing. The paper still had to be folded by hand and inserted in envelopes.

The following year Mrs. Malcolm Lamb was appointed Publicity Chairman, and selected Mrs. Harold Symes, Associate Editor; Martyn Warner, Advertising Manager; Richard Cross, Circulation; Publisher, Jesse J. McMillan; Staff, Mrs. George Hickok, Miss Margaret Fratzke, Mrs. Lonnie Bee, Mrs. Miles F. York, Mrs. Stuart Campbell, Mrs. Sheldon Duncan, and Mrs. Carl Zamlock. This committee profiting from the trials of the past Editors made great mechanical progress. Folding was done by machine and the addressograph was replaced by permit mail-

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OCTOBER MEETING

On Friday evening, October 4, the monthly meeting of the Orinda Improvement Association was held in the Orinda Union School. At this meeting the formation of a roads district was discussed and a complete report of progress made was given by the roads committee.

At the close of the business meeting, Mrs. C. R. Leech, member of the Board of the Walnut Creek Chapter, told of the work of the Red Cross throughout the country.

ROADS COMMITTEE

The Roads Committee is still working out the details for the formation of a roads district as outlined at the last meeting of the Association. They are conferring with attorneys to see if the bonds are saleable.

Petitions are being made which will be circulated in this community.

NOTICE

Will the lady who left a bowl at the Guild party, held at the home of Mrs. Jacobus, please call Mrs. Ralph Sisson, and the bowl will be returned.

Church Notices

ORINDA COMMUNITY CHURCH

Sunday Services at Casa Verano, El Toyonal and Orinda Highway — Sunday School at 9:30 a. m., Church worship at 11:00 a. m. Dr. Miles B. Fisher, pastor. Christian Endeavor for 'teen age young people at 7 p. m. New residents and visitors in the community cordially welcome.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

The Christian Science Society of Orinda holds regular Sunday services at 11:00 a. m., and one evening meeting on the first Wednesday of the month at 8:00 p. m. Sunday School meets at 9:30 a. m. Pupils up to 20 years are admitted. Reading room open every Wednesday from 2:00 to 4:00 o'clock. Everyone welcome.

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Sunday Morning Masses the 1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays at 10 o'clock, and the 2nd and 4th Sundays at 8 o'clock.

The next meeting of the Santa Maria Church Association will be held on Friday evening, November 8, 1940, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Pitt, on Don Miguel.

P. T. A.

At the last meeting of the Orinda Parent-Teachers' Association, the focal point of discussion was the possibility of having a Playground Director for several afternoons a week. Nothing has been decided definitely as yet, except the fact that the association is going to have someone supervise the play of the children after school. The problem is now in the hands of a special committee and further details will be available when that report is made public.

It was also arranged to serve hot lunches one day a week to the children, and on October 25, the first attempt on this new program was made.

The next meeting of the Parent-Teachers' Association will be held on November 19, at 1:30 sharp, and Mrs. C. B. Chantler, President, urges all members to make a particular effort to arrive on time.

ORINDA HOME DEPARTMENT

The Orinda Home Department of the Farm Bureau, met at their usual place, the Orinda School, on the afternoon of October 14, at 1:30. The subject of the afternoon discussion was "Soups and Chowders," and it was demonstrated by Mrs. Wayne Littlejohn and Mrs. Bernard Ginsberg, who were the Project Leaders for the day.

The next meeting will be held on Friday, November 15, instead of the usual Monday, due to the fact that the regular meeting day falls on a holiday. The subject of the November meeting will be "Kitchen Gadgets," and the discussion will be led by Miss Helen Burling, County Demonstrator.

Great interest has been shown in the possibility of making a study of slipper chair coverings, and it is likely that a date will be set for this demonstration.

ORINDA NEWS HISTORY

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ing. The ORINDA NEWS title head, made from an artistic drawing done by Lonnie Bec, improved the appearance of the front page.

The printing being done in San Francisco made the dead line for news during some months as early as the 15th. The increased news interest in the community for the size of the paper made it necessary to severely cut some articles submitted for publication. Despite these handicaps, last year's ORINDA NEWS was in every way most successful.

This year's committee consists of R. M. Cross, Publicity Chairman; Mrs. R. D. Harrison, Editor; Associates, Mr. Dave C. Jones, Mr. Warren Harrold, Mrs. Marshall Shapiro, and Mrs. Walter Wood. The printing and linotype and mailing is now centralized in one office at Berkeley. This change has made it possible to move the dead-line as late as the 25th of the month. The lack of space has partly been overcome by increasing the size of the ORINDA NEWS to six pages. It has been necessary to sell more advertisements to offset the increased cost of the added pages. The response received from our many advertisers is most encouraging as is the response to the NEWS from the Orinda people.

BOY SCOUT NEWS

The Orinda Boy Scout Troop will hold its first Court of Honor of the present season at the Orinda Improvement Club meeting as part of the Improvement Club program on November 1, 1940.

The following boys have joined the Troop in the past few weeks: Steve York, Mike Dills, Jim Brownell, Dick Chapman, Alan Bodenhamer.

The Fox Patrol attended the Camporal at Santa Rosa, October 5th, and all had a fine time. The Junior officers were all present but had no official duties to perform. They were helpful to the Patrol in getting the equipment located at their campsite.

RED CROSS CONFERENCE

On Monday, October 21st, a Regional Conference of the American Red Cross was held at the Marin Golf and Country Club at San Rafael, California.

The speakers for the morning session included Mr. Douglas H. Moore, director, Pacific Area; Mrs. Ralph Hoyt, Vice-Chairman of Roll Call in Berkeley; and Mr. Frederick J. Perry of Palo Alto.

During the luncheon session Mr. A. L. Schaeffer, Manager of the Pacific Area, spoke, and also Mr. James T. Nicholson, Assistant to the Chairman, Mr. Norman Davis of National Headquarters, Washington, D. C.

The afternoon session was given over to study groups led by Miss Irene Ehrich and Mr. James T. Nicholson.

Those delegates representing the Orinda Unit were Mrs. A. W. Elkinton, Mrs. R. D. Harrison, and Mrs. George Pitt.

WOMEN'S GUILD

The regular monthly meeting of the Women's Guild of the Orinda Community Church has been postponed until Friday, November 8, at 12:30 p. m., at the home of Mrs. Alex Hayward, 50 La Espiral. Mrs. Uriel Smith and Mrs. Lynn Bell will be co-hostesses.

A program of music has been arranged for the afternoon to be followed by the business meeting. Miss Jessie Moore, pianist of Berkeley, will render "Davidsbundlertanze" by Schuman. Reverend Maurice Kidder, pastor of the LaFayette Community Church will be presented in a group of baritone solos.

As a Guild project, it was voted at the last meeting that all members set aside the fourth Thursday of each month to go to the Red Cross Work Room in the Orinda School and sew.

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**ORINDA
GRAMMAR SCHOOL NEWS**

The Orinda P.-T. A. served a warm luncheon to the grammar school pupils on Friday, October 25. The lunch was an experiment by the organization to see if such a service would be feasible. Parents of the pupils are being asked to contribute extra spoons as the P.-T. A. supply has been greatly depleted.

It is now possible, according to Miss Doris Parks, principal, for the primary grade to have a daily rest period, due to the generosity of Mrs. J. A. Herzog, who has donated six new cots for the rest room. These new cots supplement the several which have been loaned to the school, and the six which have been supplied by the County Health Department.

Under Mrs. Grimsley's direction, the new benches for the playground have been completed by the members of the seventh and eighth grades. The boys of the two classes attended to the finishing of the benches while the girls applied the stencils.

In the physical education department a game schedule has been set up for the pupils of the upper grades by Mrs. Isabel Wayne. A boys' league and a girls' league have been formed with four teams in each, and the games are played off in a round robin fashion. The players select their own captain and the name of their team. They also referee their own games with teacher supervision. The games played are baseball, basketball, kickball, and netball. One schedule has already been played through. It was won in the boys' league by the "Aces", and in the girls' league by the "Bugs". These team names have been placed upon a pennant, and will remain there throughout the next schedule. The pennant is on display at the school.

**P. W. A.
PLAY SCHOOL**

Word has come that there is a possibility that Orinda is to have a P. W. A. Play School, and the location which has been chosen is Orinda Park.

Although the P. W. A. is sponsoring the school and paying the salary of the leader, the mothers of children enrolled will play an active part. They will be responsible for payment of the rent of the playground, for transportation of the leader to and from town, and for transportation of children and equipment. As it will be necessary for the leader to have some assistance if the enrollment is large, the mothers will plan to spend considerable time at the play center.

Orinda Park authorities cannot confirm the arrangement as yet, since the new lease has not been signed for the coming year, but it is understood that they will rent the park to the P. W. A. for the play center. This would make an ideal location for youngsters, for the surroundings are in every way desirable, especially so since the buildings on the property will be available during wintry days.

All children between the ages of 2½ and 5 years are invited to join, and should any problems of transportation arise, mothers are requested to get in touch with Mrs. E. M. Armstrong or Mrs. W. A. Littlejohn.

Officers of the organization are: President, Mrs. George Vurek; Vice-President, Mrs. Robert A. Galbraith; Secretary, Mrs. William Farquar; Treasurer, Mrs. J. N. Gardener; Ways and Means, Mrs. Sidney B. Epstein and Mrs. Leonard Harris; Transportation, Mrs. E. M. Armstrong and Mrs. W. A. Littlejohn; Constitution, Mrs. John Pedder; Publicity, Mrs. Carl W. Kley.

For a comparatively small community, Orinda is indeed fortunate to have such adequate facilities for young children. Now, besides the Nursery and Kindergarten School, with the educational training it offers, there comes the new play school, and mothers already interested are sure of its success.

NOVEMBER GARDENS

November is the last month to put in bulbs. It is also the best month for transplanting and setting out shrubs. Use manure in the soil to keep it from freezing. Clean up all broken twigs and leaves.

November is a good time to spray. The best all-around spray is Red Arrow or Garden Volck.

If the leaves are off the roses, have them pruned to get better flowers next year.

Flowers that should be planted now are: Stock, Scabiosa, Delphinium, Foxgloves, Sweet Williams, Physastegia, Larkspur, Violets, Wall-flowers, Columbine, Agapanthus, Pansies, and Violets. The soil should have plenty of manure.

CARL D. WOLTERS.

**ACALANES HIGH SCHOOL
FOOTBALL SCHEDULE**

Acalanes Varsity Schedule

Date	Opponent	Place
Sept. 14	Hayward	Hayward
Sept. 20	Brentwood	Acalanes
Sept. 27	Livermore	Livermore
Oct. 4	Crockett	Acalanes
Oct. 14	Diablo	Diablo
Oct. 18	Martinez	Martinez
Oct. 25 (night)	Antioch	Antioch
Oct. 29	Diablo	Acalanes

Acalanes Junior Varsity Tentative Schedule

Sept. 14	Hayward JV	Hayward
Sept. 20	Brentwood JV	Acalanes
Oct. 8	Brentwood JV	Brentwood
Oct. 16	Martinez JV	Acalanes
Nov. 8	Crockett JV	Crockett

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Personals

Mme. Camille Feher de Vernet, heroine of Bertita Harding's new romantic biography, "Hungarian Rhapsody," was guest of honor at an out-door dinner given on Sunday, October 20, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney K. Rosenthal.

Mme. Feher was the outstanding musical-comedy star of continental Europe at the time when Sarah Bernhardt and Eleanore Duse were engaged in their famous war of technique, and recalls an age of glamor that is now a thing of the past.

Mme. Feher is the god-mother of Bertita Harding, the internationally famous author whose "Phantom Crown" was recently filmed under the name of "Jaurez."

Mr. and Mrs. W. Ellis Smith purchased a home at 9 Las Vegas.

Mr. and Mrs. Burton R. Thomas are occupying the Edward Miller home on Madrone Place.

Mr. King Wilkin, of El Toyonal, has recently returned from a six weeks' business trip to Seattle.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Lueck of Minerinda are visiting the William Wellsleys, who own a large ranch near Reno.

Mrs. Wallace A. Ballinger of Minerinda traveled on the Streamliner to Chicago, on October 14. Mr. Ballinger left the following Saturday to join her there. They intend to spend a month touring through Canada.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Binkeley are new residents on Via Hermosa, and are residing in the house formerly occupied by Guthrie Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. Guthrie Clark have leased a new home on the corner of Claremont Avenue and Stanton, one block off the Orinda Highway.

A Cocker Spaniel, Duke II Del Orinda, owned by Mr. Glen C. Holtwick, 10 Las Polomas, won first in his class in the show at Sacramento. This was his third first-class ribbon, having won others at Stockton and Oakland.

ORINDA LION'S CLUB

An interesting group of speakers during the past month has contributed toward making the weekly meetings of the Lion's Club most enjoyable and instructive. Those who have attended the meetings as guest speakers are: Brother Edward, of St. Mary's College; Sheriff Miller, of Contra Costa County; Captain George Belon, State Highway Patrol; Mr. Reinke, Oakland Optometrist; and Captain A. W. Stainback, of the United Airlines.

Although the Lion's Club still meets regularly on Wednesday evenings, their place of meeting has been changed to the Orinda Country Club. An event of importance will be the Ladies' Night, which the club expects to hold within the coming month.

Mr. Arthur Burke, residing at 226 La Espiral, was recently accepted into the club as a new member.

SCHOOL NOTES

The following article, submitted to the Orinda News, is a paper, written by a student in the Acalanes Union High School, for a required paper in the English course. We are pleased to submit this thought from a young Orindan.

MY THOUGHTS

As I sit here thinking of what I can write about, I find thoughts of what I would like to be doing, and where I would like to be, running through my mind. Thoughts of a road and hills, deep shady oak trees and tall whispering bays. Of how I would like to be walking down a mountain road, with the wind blowing and a creek rushing and bubbling by, to watch the small sticks and leaves float crazily down the current, only to be caught in a network of other small objects piled in a narrow hollow. To feel the coolness of the water on my face and the damp softness of the earth as I kneel down to recover a sparkling pebble from the bottom.

Maple leaves in soft greens and yellows, almost ready for Fall, remind me of people and how their lives must often be most beautiful just before the autumn.

I've often felt that these were the only things one could always have, they are like a candystick saved for a child until after his nap. A place where one can always go to think when everything seems mixed up and wrong. And back, when one must go back, form a memory to give you strength and courage, the belief that there is something always fresh and clear and clean in a world of uncertainty and disbelief.

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Mrs. George Pitt is chairman of the party, and is being assisted by Mrs. George Bennett and Mrs. James Anderson.

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ORINDA GIRL SCOUT NEWS

Looking into the fairy pool for the last time before flying up to become Girl Scouts, Joan Jacobus, Nancy Chantler, Diana Ludlow, and Jacqueline Gardner, left a good wish for all members of the Brownie Pack, and then received their wings from Mrs. Alan Young, their leader, on October 16.

It was, indeed, a very impressive ceremony to see thirty odd little Brownies march in, followed by the Orinda Girl Scout Troop, carrying their American and Troop flags, singing "America The Beautiful," accompanied by Mrs. Guthrie Clark. After the posting of colors, each Brownie was introduced by Betty Mae Pfeiffer, Troop Scribe, to Mrs. John Ratcliff, Girl Scout Leader, who welcomed them into the Troop. Mothers of the Brownies flying up were guests of honor.

ORINDA GIRL SCOUTS

Orinda Senior Girl Scouts, Troop 38, have held two meetings this fall and have many plans for the coming year.

New officers of the Troop were chosen as follows: President, Barbara Jackson; Vice-President, Nancy Garrouette; Secretary-Treasurer, Connie Pearson; Song Leader, Barbara Mattes.

A Hallowe'en party is being planned for the evening of November 2, at the home of Mrs. A. W. Elkinton.

The group decided on a sewing project, and will first make a layette for the Berkeley Day Nursery. Some of the girls are going to knit.

Other plans include a cook-out and overnight, a fashion show, Dads' and Daughters' Banquet, and a Christmas Party.

The Troop is in need of another leader to help with the many activities planned, so if there is someone interested in the Senior Scout program, please communicate with Mrs. A. W. Elkinton, Orinda 3161.

**GIRL SCOUT
NEWS**

The Brownie Scouts will hold a "Hallowe'en" party on October 30, 1940, in honor of the new Brownies who are joining the Troop, the Brownie Troop Committee and mothers of the children. New members are Joan McLeod, Camilla Burke, Ann Summers, Marzette Oliver, Carola Court-right, Joyce Williams, Janet Chantler, Dorothy Thunen, Betty Jack, Margaret Connell, Carol Le Masney, and Janet Farrar.

The Orinda Girl Scout Troop held their October 16th meeting at the home of Mrs. Melvin Jacobus. After making plans for their Hallowe'en party the girls enjoyed a swim. Mrs. R. J. Minton is the new Scout assistant.

With the opening of National Girl Scout Week on Sunday, October 27, Orinda Girl Scouts and Brownies will attend services at the Orinda Community Church. Mrs. C. C. Klitgaard and Mrs. Sheldon Duncan will have charge of the Brownies, and Mrs. John Ratcliff the Girl Scouts. A special service is being prepared by Dr. Miles B. Fisher in observance of Girl Scout Sunday.

12:15 CLUB

The 12:15 Club held their annual party, honoring the husbands of members, on October 6th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Pitt.

After enjoying the barbecue supper, served on the lower terrace of the Pitt gardens, the guests enjoyed games which were directed by Mr. Walter Thomas.

The chairmen of the affair were Mrs. Ross Mack, Mrs. A. R. Elkinton, and Mrs. James Sullivan.

ACALANES HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Acalanes Union High School has reached the end of its sixth week of instruction. Shop classes, under the direction of Elmo Heard, are building tables for Shop and Mechanical Drawing, effecting a substantial saving to the district as well as providing valuable production experience to the pupils.

Notices are being sent out at this time to the parents of children whose work is not satisfactory according to teacher judgment. Regular marks will be issued at the end of the ninth week of school.

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