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Dance and Stay Young, Advice of Octogenarian

Dance and stay young, this is the advice of Mark G. Bunce, who despite his 83 years trips the light fantastic every Wednesday and Saturday nights at the Townsend club in Los Angeles. He is the father of Mrs. Frank Daniels, wife of the genial chief clerk of the War Price and Station Board in Torrance.

Mrs. Daniels gave a birthday party for her father Monday evening at the Daniels home, 1512 Acacia ave. She served his favorite dish, chicken and dumplings, and a cake appropriately decorated.

Mr. Bunce has four brothers and a twin sister. The youngest brother is 75 and the oldest 89.

Mrs. Fredrickson Hostess to Group

Mrs. H. E. Fredrickson, 254th st., was hostess Thursday evening to a group of friends. The evening was one of sociability and card playing with the serving of refreshments including tea and home made cake by the hostess to Mrs. V. E. Hopkins, Ella Scott, Hunter McConnell of San Pedro; E. W. Quimby of Torrance; J. Marriott, Wm. Peighal and H. Wickstrom of Lomita.

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Girls' League Members See New Styles

By MARY SCHULZ

The Girls' League of Torrance high school recently was honored in having Miss Burdette, Stylist, present to the girls the fashions of the coming summer. These were Simplicity and Du Barry patterns modeled by some of Torrance high girls.

The girls modeling were Elsa Stanley wearing a short-sleeved coat, Shirley Thompson modeled a two-piece sun suit of white and trimmed in red, and Julia Villanueva modeled a skirt of blue with a white blouse and jacket of cocoa brown and plaid front.

Doris Sage wore a cape suit of navy blue with blouse and cape lined. The bolero was of navy with white checks. Mary Miller modeled a sailor dress of kelly green with beige on collar.

Barbara Fuller wore a red jumper with jersey blouse matching and jacket trimmed in white around outside.

The charming evening dress, modeled by Ruth Seaborn was made of beautiful turquoise taffeta. This had a low neck and by putting net over the skirt we had two styles. The other evening dress was modeled by Virginia Moore. Virginia also modeled a black blouse with print skirt.

Nadine Paour modeled the print blouse and black skirt. This would make a lovely piece in any girl's wardrobe.

Jane Ritchie came out in an easy-to-make dress of blue taffeta with lime bands.

Dorothy Whiting modeled a cocoa brown jumper and blouse of white with green and brown stripes. Dorothy Ream wore a button down - the front red checked dress with ruffled trim.

The teen agers' dream skirt with large pockets was modeled by Betty Foster.

Dolores Hanks modeled a simple date dress of black rayon crepe with lovely neckline having alternate poplin, making possible a change by wearing a white eyelet pique jacket.

American Bemberg certified rayon of red and green print with low neck and pockets on sides was worn by Betty Fiesel.

Betty Border modeled a colorful date dress of turquoise as the main color and bands of lime and raspberry.

Gail Abramson wore a flattering sun backed dress done in yellow and black palm tree print with bows of same print and matching jacket.

Madeline Ban wore a print blouse with shorts and jumper skirt kelly green made of cotton material.

L. N. Peronto, Wounded, Back At the Front

Pfc. Lawrence N. Peronto, son of Mrs. Elizabeth Peronto, 20414 N. Florence Drive, this week was listed as wounded in action. The wound was not serious, he said in a letter to his mother, "only a hole in my leg." Peronto was in action in the Luxembourg area, driving a heavy truck, at the time of receiving the wound. At the time of this writing, Peronto notified his mother he has recovered sufficiently to be re-assigned to active duty, in the infantry.

He is buying a war bond every month and sending them to his mother.

NEEDY COSTS
The California Taxpayers Association has announced the payment of \$3,963,840 for needy relief in January, with the major part coming from the state funds. The state contributed \$1,784,294, the Federal Government \$1,472,864, and the county \$706,881.

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What To Plant?
The final answer to this question will be determined by what the family likes and will eat. Select your list from those vegetables which will produce the greatest vitamin and food value, particularly if the garden area is small. Here they are: beets, broccoli, carrots, chard, lettuce, string beans, mustard greens, summer squash, turnips, and tomatoes.

These can be divided into several groups: — salad vegetables include lettuce and carrots; cooking greens include beets, broccoli, chard, mustard greens, and the turnip tops — a wide variety and perhaps too much duplication; cooked vegetables include beets, carrots, string beans, turnips, and summer squash. The last, but not the least, and in a class by themselves are tomatoes.

This list includes the highest vitamin carrying vegetables and fortunately most of them are easy to grow. Some are cold weather crops. Some are warm weather crops. Some you plant once a year. Some you plant many times. There could be a whole book written about them. We haven't time to write a book and you wouldn't read it if we did! So here are a few brief suggestions.

Early Planting
Beets, broccoli, carrots, chard, lettuce, turnips, and mustard greens will stand cold weather and will start now while soil is cold. Buy broccoli plants and set them out as soon as you get the ground ready. The others will all come from seed and while they will grow a little slower now than later — get them coming.

Summer squash and beans will not stand frost, so wait until the middle or latter part of April for the first plantings. It will be ten to twelve weeks to harvest of the early plantings, ten weeks later in the season.

Tomatoes
Tomatoes deserve a paragraph all to themselves because they are about the most important vegetable you can grow in your garden — at least in the writer's estimation — but they are tricky and complete failure is altogether too common.

The main reason for failure is too early planting. If we could only get Congress to pass another law making it an international crime to sell tomato plants before the 1st of May much of the difficulty the backyard gardener experiences would be eliminated.

There are two very good reasons why late planting is desirable. First, late-planted tomatoes are much more likely to escape one of several diseases, the most common of which is Spotted Wilts. This virus disease is spread by tiny insects — thrips — which live on weeds and ornamental plants and shrubs and over 200 of these also suffer from this virus. When spring growth begins to mature and harden late in the spring, the thrips migrate, and when they migrate they may go to your tomato plants. These thrips carry the spotted wilt virus in their plumbing system and will infect any plant struck! So don't get in a hurry unless you are a skillful gardener and know that you have thrips under control!

The second reason is that tomato blossoms will not set fruit until night temperatures average about 60 degrees. Therefore, what's the use of planting early only to have the plants stand there where thrips can find 'em, setting no fruit until about the end of July when normally the nights become warm? Planted any time during May they will have blossoms on them as soon as the nights are warm enough!

Getting Started
You should by this time have the essentials of your garden plan in mind, should have arranged for some fertilizer, may be already scattered it, and are ready to do a little spading and preparation of the soil. You don't need many tools, actually four are plenty — spading fork, shovel, rake, and hoe. A trowel will be found convenient but is not essential. They are all available on the market.

Next week we will discuss methods of making seedbeds, planting small seed, keeping them moist, sterilizing them, etc.

Woman Dies in Army Hospital From Injuries

Dorothy Buford, 22, of 1144 Naomi ave., died in Torrance Army hospital after a collapse following three weeks hospitalization for injuries received in an automobile crash.

She was injured Feb. 15 when the car in which she was riding collided with a vehicle driven by Herman Sells, 337 E. Eighth st.

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2. To eliminate radio tinkers and backyard mechanics, and those shops that are operating unscrupulous business, without regard to the public.

3. To give each radio man a voice in the post-war radio and parts distribution. To give all, regardless of size or location, color or creed, an equal chance to make an honest and good living.

4. To regulate prices, charges and wages, so as to maintain a normal standard of living.

5. To promote good will and fair competition between the shops. To cooperate with one another so that will be possible to make a fair and just profit on this highly technical and controversial work.

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