

# Torrance Herald

NINTH YEAR

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NO. 25

## Gov. Stevens Will Speak Here

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**\$150,000 WORTH OF LOTS SOLD HERE THIS MONTH**  
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### Del Amo Well No. 1 Continues Steady Flow of High Gravity Oil

**\$150,000 Is Sales Record of Dominguez Land Corporation For First Twenty Days in June**

The greatest enthusiasm prevails over the continued flow of high grade oil at the Del Amo Well No. 1 just west of Torrance city limits, and many believe that were the pressure relieved that is holding the flow of oil back it would be possible for the well to do three times as much as reported—900 barrels. It is pointed out that the well is throttled down to five-eighths inch pipe at the surface, besides having the hole filled with thousands of pounds of mud to hold it down.

Inquiries from the outside are coming in by the hundreds and many oil men are on the ground daily inspecting the different wells and looking for leases. Never in the history of this whole valley were people so confident of the future, for growth, prosperity, and development at a rapid pace.

The Dominguez Land Corporation have already sold the past twenty days of this month land in excess of \$150,000 and before the month of June is passed the greatest sales record in the history of the company will have been made

### Governor Stephens Commencement To Visit Torrance Week Program

Announcement comes from the Chamber of Commerce that Secretary H. D. Pottenger has secured the promise of Governor Stephens to deliver an address in Torrance at the next meeting of the Forum to be held here about July 10. This is just one of the many creditable feats that are being accomplished by Mr. Pottenger. Further details of the meeting will be announced in the Herald and "Whistle".

### Paving Company Start Street Work

There isn't any doubt about it. The council meetings are growing in importance with every session. The City Dads thought they were taking a position and find they have tackled a man's size job. The rapid growth of the city keeps piling up the work.

The task of letting contracts for street paving has just been completed and now comes a mad scramble of the public service corporations to get a few miles of pipe under ground ahead of the pavement. Side streets are clamoring for improvements and oil companies are knocking for admittance to the city.

In fact, life down at the city hall is just one thing after another, keeping the city dads in a continual round of pleasure. They are on the job more than half the night now and it looks like another year will find them in the position of the man that don't go home at all.

There is a movement on foot now to get the Los Angeles city engineering department to resurface East Carson street and add another well paved entrance to our city. This would be a splendid improvement for Torrance Park and would be appreciated by the residents of Keystone.

The Los Angeles Paving company is beginning to get material on the ground and another week will see our paving job well started.

"Hardware" Reeve—Firecrackers.

The Senior play, "A Case of Suspicion," will be presented at the American Legion Hall tonight, June 23. Members of the cast are Virginia Watson, Helen Neill, Helen Tiffany, college girls, Carl Von Hagen, Clifford Simpson, Gerard Fisher, (undergraduates of a nearby college; George Hanan and Kathryn Burmaster, members of the faculty; Bertha Fix and Ralph Beall, servants.

It is hoped that there will be a large attendance. The price of admission is fifteen and twenty-five cents.

**THE BANQUET**  
 On Tuesday evening the Junior class and the faculty entertained the Senior class at a delightful banquet. This introduced a new precedent in the Torrance High School, and every one had such a delightful time that all hoped that this would not be the end of such delightful occasions. At the completion of the report, Miss Marie Patton acted as toast mistress, calling on the following people for toasts.

A.T.H.S. Dream—Mr. Barnett.  
 A.T.H.S. Memory—Kathryn Burmaster.  
 Our team conquered, but unconquerable—Frank Higgins.  
 Our faculty, the guiders of our footsteps—Loretta Condeley.  
 The Seniors—Karl Von Hagen.  
**BACCALAUREATTE**  
 The Senior class in a body will attend the Evangelical church on Sunday evening, June 25, when the Rev. Francis A. Zeller will deliver the Baccalaureate address.

**THE ANNUAL**  
 This week the students are putting out the annual number of the school paper. This edition will carry a special number, but will carry a summary of the doings of the entire year. Those who do not ordinarily receive the "T.N.T." will wish this number.

The school regrets very much the departure this week of one of the most popular pupils in the high school, Miss Marie Patton, who

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### Baptists Worship On New Location

The Sunday morning service will be held by the Baptists on their new location, corner Carson and Martina, near the school at 11 o'clock.

Building operations on the first section of their new plant, the educational unit, are in full swing. A splendid plan has been worked out by N. E. Marsh, one of Los Angeles' leading architects, consisting of an auditorium or assembly room to seat over 200, class rooms, large basement, kitchen, Baracca hall, baptis

Two splendid lots in the center of the city were dedicated free of debt, in large measure owing to the generosity of the Dom. Land Corporation, some time ago. The money for the first section has been fully pledged, in fact over-pledged, and the major portion is in cash in the bank.

The program of the Baptists in Torrance is thoroughly evangelistic; they believe in the inspired Bible, the virgin birth of Christ, that Jesus Christ is the Son of God, that he shed his blood and died on the cross to save sinners, a regenerated church membership, a vigorous missionary program and the Holy Spirit as teacher, guide and administrator of the church. They also believe that Jesus Christ will return personally to the earth to set up His kingdom and rule righteously over the nations.

"But these are written that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through His name"—John 20:31.  
 You are welcome to all services.

### Triple City Lodges Go To Long Beach

The Rebekah Lodge next Sunday afternoon, June 25th, will join the Triple City Lodge and go in a body to Long Beach, where they will attend the ceremonies of the laying of the corner stone of the new Odd Fellows' Temple. The lodges will meet at the Lomita postoffice at 1:30 o'clock and will wear full regalia. Please be prompt.

### MANY JOIN ATHLETIC CLUB FORMED LAST MONDAY NIGHT IN LEGION HALL HERE

At the second meeting, called to form the Torrance Athletic Association, held in Legion Hall last Monday evening, the constitution and by-laws were approved and Messrs. Gilbert, Nash and Bennett elected trustees for the balance of the first year.

The committee appointed to investigate costs of equipment reported that \$250 to \$300 would be necessary for the original installation of apparatus and from reports of the membership committee we can count on at least seventy-five members, which at \$5 per head assures ample working capital.

Until July 4, dues were fixed at \$5 for 6 months, but after that

### Stones Following Biggest On Stage

A story rich in romance, bristling with adventure and sparkling with humor, "The Duke of Chimney Butte" gives Fred Stone just the sort of screen vehicle for which his talents are best suited. It is scheduled for screening at the Torrance Theatre on Wednesday, June 28.

The Duke of Chimney Butte is the delightfully humorous manner

### Methodists To Erect Church

Approximately \$10,000 was raised by the First M. E. church of Torrance last Sunday morning. When the minister and the officials and members and friends started to church Sunday morning little did any of them realize that before they went home that such an amount of money would be pledged for the new building. In fact they did not know that any money was to be raised at that service.

The story of how it happened is an interesting one. The Rev. Gordon Arthur Riegler, pastor of the church, announced that three pledges of \$300 each had been received. He also announced \$2000 from the Board of Church Extension. Mr. Riegler then stated he hoped to be able to announce \$2100 in additional pledges by the following Sunday evening.

But it didn't rest there. Mr. Hugh Whitney asked for a pledge card, and announced that he would give \$500, of which amount he paid \$100 at once. Several petitioned Mr. Riegler to omit his regular sermon and raise the \$2100 at that service. He acceded to the request, sent Mr. E. G. Stranahan for more pledge cards, requested Mr. Guy Mowry and Mr. Harley Haynes to come forward and act as secretaries. In approximately twenty minutes 10,000 was subscribed.

Surely the love of God and his work on earth ruled this meeting.

In the very near future Dr. Rollin S. Tuttle, who has drawn plans for the new church, will visit Torrance at which time he will show pictures on the screen of the proposed structure. The recreational experts of the University of Southern California and the Young Men's Christian association, and the Young Women's Christian association are being requested to formulate an ideal recreational program. This program will be broad in its application and every citizen of Torrance will be welcome to use the equipment of the recreational unit regardless of race or creed.

Work will be begun in the very near future on the new structure which will be located at the corner of El Prado and Manuel streets.

### Watts vs. Torrance In Boxing Contests

A real genuine athletic contest has been arranged for Friday evening, June 30, at 8:00 o'clock in Legion hall, between amateur teams from Watts and Torrance. There will be boxing and wrestling and music. You can't go wrong by saving this date for Legion Night as this organization always gives you your money's worth.

### Baccalaureate Service June 25

The annual Baccalaureate service for graduating class of Torrance high school will be held next Sunday evening, June 25 at 7:30 o'clock in Central Evangelical church. Because of this service there will be no preaching services in the other churches of Torrance that evening but all will unite in making this service one of inspiration and helpfulness to the entire community and especially to the graduating class of the high school. The class consists of Katherine Burmaster, Virginia Watson, Virgil Pratt, Helen Neill, Carl Von Hagen, Ralph Beall and Dewey Quigley.

Music for the occasion will be furnished by a large chorus composed of the several church choirs of the town and will be under the directorship of Mr. Chester H. Van Hellen.

The following is the program that has been arranged for the evening:  
 Hymn—Battle Hymn of the Republic—Congregation.

"Hardware" Reeve—Firecrackers.  
 Torrance Fiesta, August 15-19

### Seven Stalwart Youths Will Receive Diplomas From Local High School

**Class of 1922 To Receive Passports to All Points On the Globe Where World Conquerors Are In Demand.**

On Wednesday evening at Legion hall in Torrance the members of the Class of 1922—the graduates of the Torrance High School—will receive their diplomas, representing the successful culmination of the preliminary course of their training for the battles of life.

All of Torrance is proud of these noble young people whose grit and moral stamina have carried them triumphantly to the second epoch of the Great Experience.

A very interesting program has been planned, at which a former Chautauqua speaker will deliver the Commencement address.

All friends of the class and of the school are cordially invited to attend.

Those who compose the Roll of Honor are: Katherine Burmaster, Virginia Watson, Virgil Pratt, Helen Neill, Carl Von Hagen, Ralph Beall and Dewey Quigley.

The Torrance Herald wishes to be counted in the front ranks of the admiring friends and well wishers of this class of noble young men and women.

Miss Jessie York, a member of the Los Angeles School Board, will be present and distribute the diplomas to the graduates.

### Patriotic Dance Best Ever Given

The American Legion and Auxiliary have about completed their plans for the "Patriotic Dance," to be given on Thursday evening, June 29, in Legion Hall. This organization has discontinued its weekly dances in favor of a big dance about once a month which we believe will suit our community better. This dance promises to be the best ever given and that is saying a great deal. There will be special features, refreshments, favors, good music and a good time.

### Castle Apartment News

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. D. Parr motored to Topanga Canyon Sunday in their new Velle.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mahon entertained Mrs. Mahon's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Inge, son and daughter from Independence, Kas., over the week-end. They all enjoyed the surf at Long Beach, Sunday.

B. C. Hubbard and son Robert Cotom, Mr. and Mrs. St Rappaport, A. W. Meizer and children, Mr. Chambers, were the guests of Mr. Hubbard's daughter, Mrs. C. A. Sugg at Yucaipa, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Truesdale with relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Truesdale and R. H. Porter of Los Angeles motored to Santa Maria and Santa Cruz the end of last week remaining over Sunday at Plaza del Rey. They visited the old Missions and other interesting places on their trip.

Scripture Lesson—Rev. Gordon A. Riegler.  
 Anthem—The Sun Shall Be No More Thy Light—Choir.  
 Prayer—Rev. Stanley P. Thorpe.  
 Solo—That Sweet Story of Old—Miss Betsy Byrnes.

Announcements.  
 Anthem—The Heavens are Declaring—Bethoven, Choir.  
 Baccalaureate Sermon—Rev. F. A. Zeller.  
 Hymn—If You Cannot On The Ocean—Congregation.

"Hardware" Reeve—Firecrackers.