

Fiesta Daily Edition

# Torrance Herald

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## Monster Parade 4:30-----Stores Close 3:30



### Queen Ileen of Torrance



Maid-In-Waiting—Virginia Watson



Maid-In-Waiting—Mary Roberts



LORD HIGH CHANCELLOR TRAEGER, WHO CROWNED QUEEN



Maid-In-Waiting—Dot Coker

Amid scenes of splendor and beauty the huge tent at the Free Fair last evening were plunged into dazzling brilliance during the early hours and while the band played the crowd surged around the platform and held their places for the coronation ceremonies. The clusters of electric lights with their brilliant rays touching the thousands of flags, bunting, and balloons, only added to the brilliancy of the occasion.

Promptly at nine Queen Ileen with her attendants appeared, with Sheriff Traeger following. Mayor Fitzhugh stepped to the front of the stage and introduced the Sheriff and paid him a glowing tribute.

After a short address, complimenting Torrance upon her wonderful showing and success in staging a fair of this sort, Mr. Traeger said Torrance was indeed fortunate in having a bevy of such pretty and good girls as sat before him. Miss Straub came forward and the Queen's Crown was placed on her forehead, as the master of ceremonies repeated these words: "Queen Ileen, I crown you Queen of Torrance."

Queen Ileen looked very pretty, and with a flush of excitement gave her cheek a glow that added to her beauty and amid the wild cheers of the audience she smiled and bowed her appreciation for what Torrance had done for her.

Little, if any, of the splendor detracted from the other three girls, the Misses Virginia Watson, Mary Roberts, and Dot Coker, who were the center of attraction after their queen had been crowned, as each one stepped forward and were in-

duced as they received their presents. All were charming, indeed, and received many compliments.

After the ceremonies Queen Ileen and her court ruled the Fiesta grounds and visited the different booths and concessions where in each instance her authority was duly recognized. Over ten thousand people were in attendance to witness the events of the evening.

Miss Ileen Straub was presented with a diamond ring. Miss Virginia Watson, likewise got a diamond ring. Miss Mary Roberts was given a lavallier, and Miss Dot Coker a pearl necklace.

Queen Ileen, nee Miss Ileen Straub, will make her regal appearance nightly, that all her subjects from far and wide may see and meet Her Majesty. Dressed in her royal robes of state she will be escorted with pomp and ceremony to the stand in the center of the main tent and there receive the homage due her.

This afternoon at four o'clock Her Majesty, surrounded by her courtiers and maids-in-waiting, will be the guests of honor in the monster parade and it is expected that her appearance on the streets of her home city will be the signal for the greatest noise fest that Torrance has ever experienced. It is also said that the Queen has been requested to enjoy (?) a ride in the airplanes that are hovering over the fair grounds, and if Her Majesty consents, it will be the first time in the world's history that a Queen "went up in the air."