

3000 BBLs. ADDED TO FIELD'S TOTAL

Fortuna Gusher Roars in on Acacia Street

C. C. M. O. GETS TWO Eleven New Rigs Go Up Along Carson Street

Three new wells boosted production in the Torrance field this week by 3000 barrels. The Fortuna Oil company's Phenix No. 1 roared in down in Lomita to the tune of 3000 barrels a day and is now producing 1700 barrels through a half-inch nipple.

The C. C. M. O. brought in Torrance No. 7, on Carson street, at 1100 barrels, and brought in Del Amo No. 7 at 113 barrels on the pump.

The Fortuna well came in with a roar. Twice the crew last Friday was forced to use a "Christmas tree" to keep the well under control. Each time the swab came up oil spurted high into the air. The last time it roared high over the crown block, amid the most intense excitement.

The crowd around the well cheered loudly and took up a substantial collection for the crew. The Fortuna well proved up a wide area, making things lovely for the flock of wells between Acacia street and the old Redondo road. The well was drilled to 3727 feet.

Production and development along Carson street went forward this week—production being boosted by the Chanslor-Canfield's Torrance No. 7, which came in last Saturday at 1500 barrels—and development being evidenced by the erection of 11 new derricks.

The new C. C. M. O. producer is flowing 1100 barrels. Tests show 26 gravity. The well was placed on production from the 3700-foot level.

The U. S. Royalties has erected a derrick just east of its 1800-barrel producer at Carson and Ivy streets. Foster's rig is up to the north, and George F. Getty has two under construction across Ivy street—with two more to come. The Petroleum Midway company has two new derricks up in the vicinity, and the C. C. M. O. has completed its derrick south of Carson, offsetting the Petroleum Midway.

Further east, the Star Petroleum corporation is building a rig several hundred yards east of the Superior's Shedd No. 1. This will be the well nearest the Torrance residence district. Across Carson street Chanslor-Canfield has staked off an offset to the Star and will construct a derrick, a once. This well will be Torrance No. 26.

Superior's Shedd No. 1 Wednesday was down almost 3900 feet and still drilling. A production test on this well will be made probably late this week.

Equally determined to get big production from the deep levels explored by the U. S. Royalties, Chanslor-Canfield is drilling ahead on Torrance No. 10, across the street from the Shedd well, and Wednesday was down more than 3800 feet. Each of these wells is expected to make around 2000 barrels.

In tract 4070 the Southern Midway well is standing cemented. Chanslor-Canfield last Friday placed Del Amo No. 7, on the Del Amo lease, on production. The well is making 113 barrels under the pump. Gravity is 17 Baume.

C. P. ROBERTS ENTERS REAL ESTATE FIELD

C. P. Roberts, former publisher of the Torrance Herald and Lomita News Letter, is now utilizing his wide knowledge of local conditions and values as a real estate dealer, with splendid listings of business, dwelling and oil properties in both Lomita and Torrance.

Mr. Roberts is making his headquarters at 1113 Narbonne avenue, Lomita. He is offering service in realty and insurance.

With a wide acquaintance in Southern California and a host of friends in Torrance and Lomita, Mr. Roberts ought to make a splendid success in his new venture.

OUT ON BAIL

Jane Doe Leonard, charged by Jack Brock with disturbing the peace, was released Wednesday morning by Judge L. J. Hunter under \$100 bail. Mrs. Leonard will be given a hearing Friday at 2 p. m. The parties concerned live at an auto camp on South Main street, near the Keystone district.

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TWO ELECTION DAYS NAMED FOR BOND VOTING

Trustees Name Nov. 26 for Water System Voting

BALLOT NEXT DAY Citizens Will Pass on Paving and Light- ing Nov. 27

Two special elections—one a day after the other—will be held in Torrance next month for the purpose of voting on the proposed \$275,000 bond issues for the purchase of the water system, the installation of city lights, and the paving of Western avenue.

This was assured Tuesday night when the board of trustees passed through first reading ordinances calling for the special elections.

By the terms of the ordinances the first election will be held on Monday, Nov. 26, for the purpose of voting on the \$140,000 bonding proposal for the purchase of the water system—\$130,000 for the purchase and \$10,000 for maintenance and extensions.

The election on the lighting and paving bond proposals will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 27—the day after the first special balloting.

GET AUDITORIUM BALCONY

There will be a balcony constructed in the high school auditorium. This was assured when James Fitzhugh received a letter from the board of education declaring that the contractor had been instructed to erect the balcony. When it was learned that the balcony would be left out, Harry Gadeky and Mr. Fitzhugh made a hurried trip to Los Angeles. Their representations brought the board's promise to construct the balcony.

DEATH TAKES NOBLE MOTHER OF 12 THOROUGHbred PUPS IN SAD TORRANCE TRAGEDY

Nine little police dog puppies are whining softly. That nice warm something next to which they instinctively cuddled is not there any more. And their puppy instinct is puzzled. Something has gone awry. Something that puppy nature tells them should be there has departed. And the soft whines of the motherless week-old little pups bring tears to the eyes of the Wallace Post family in Torrance.

Here is a tale of dog heroism and tragedy that has brought honest mourning to scores of men, women and children in Torrance.

For the brave mother of a large family is dead, leaving her young to the tender but unnatural care of human beings.

A week ago friends of the Post family were delighted with the news that Duchess, a fine female police dog, had become the proud mother of twelve warm, soft little puppies. And there was no prouder mother dog in all the world than Duchess.

But twelve little mouths were almost too many for Duchess to nourish, and three of the little pups died. True to that noble mother instinct that is shared by all mothers in the whole world, Duchess vainly tried to bring them back to life. She cried softly and sadly, seeking to warm their cold little bodies by lapping them vigorously.

Here ends the first chapter in the sad story.

No mother ever cared more tenderly for her young than Duchess cared for her remaining pups. For Duchess was a thoroughbred in every sense of the word. More than that, she was a mother.

But tragedy severed her from her young. Duchess met her death under a passing truck.

And nine puppies missed the warm body and the nourishing breast—and whined softly.

Poor Duchess! If there is a heaven for dogs she is there—there in the heaven reserved exclusively for dog mothers.

And in memory of her the Post family is caring tenderly for the little pups she left behind.

Nine little pups will grow to be dogs. After the law of nature they will forget that warm mother body they knew for so short a time.

But the Post family will never forget.

For Duchess was a thoroughbred—and more than that—a mother.

LONG BEACH EDITOR SEES BIG FUTURE GROWTH FOR TORRANCE

Complimenting Torrance on the brilliancy of the city's future and upon the foresight of the city in preparing for future growth by prohibiting oil drilling in the restricted district, Miss Belle McCord Roberts, editor of the Long Beach Telegram, delivered an inspiring address at the Open Forum meeting Monday night.

"Torrance is fortunate in being the center of a rapidly developing oil field," said the Long Beach publisher, "and you are especially wise in controlling it. The oil industry is an asset when it is controlled. But allowed to encroach it becomes a detriment.

"You have here a city blessed with natural location and climate, but you have even more than most cities in Southern California. Your industries provide the foundation for a large city. And it is an inspiration to see that you are preparing for that certain growth."

Mrs. Roberts then complimented the city for proposing bond issues for city lighting, the paving of Western avenue, and purchase of the water plant.

"Somebody planned for the future

Postal Receipts For Third Quarter 30 Pct. Over 1922

Torrance postoffice receipts for the third quarter of 1923 were 30 per cent larger than for the corresponding period last year. Receipts for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1923, totaled \$3,694.99, as against \$2,829.19 for the same period in 1922. The gain was \$865.80. Postmaster Alfred Gourdier announces.

HALF MILLION IN BUILDINGS FOR TORRANCE

C. C. M. O. to Build Houses and Shops on Carson Street

Half a million dollars will be expended by the Chanslor-Canfield Midway Oil company in construction of a camp, dwelling houses and complete machine and forging plant on Carson street opposite the Standard Oil company's community lease.

Fifteen dwelling houses will be built at once. A large dormitory for single men will also be built. The shops will include all machinery necessary for the intensive oil drilling program of the company on its large leases in the field. These will include completely equipped machine shops, drop-forges, and welding units. When the buildings are constructed and machinery installed the majority of the workers on Santa Fe wells will live at the camp, and the company will do all of its own machine work on oil well equipment.

The C. C. M. O. is now drilling 18 wells. Several more will be spudded in as soon as rigs are up. The payroll of the company in the local field is now close to \$100,000 a month. When more wells are spudded in and the shops of the company start operation the payroll will be approximately \$175,000 a month.

OLD REDONDO ROAD RACE FOR LAND CLOSE

Several Wells Ready to Cement in This District

NEW RIGS GOING UP Fortuna Co. Producer Speeds Construction on Lomita Land

Several wells were approaching the production stage in the race for the sands now being tapped exclusively by the Midway Northern and the Chanslor-Canfield along the old Redondo road.

Superior's well, offsetting Torrance No. 8, the Santa Fe's producer, is ready to pour cement. So is Torrance No. 1 of the Petroleum Securities corporation, and the Empire Drilling company's well on Cedar and Pennsylvania streets. The Midway Northern's No. 2 will drill through cement this week.

Production on Acacia street spurred rig building in the district. Fortuna has lumber on the ground for a new derrick just east of its producer and will erect another on its lease across Acacia street.

Cunningham and the Huntington-Signal company have a location on lot 113 on Palm street.

The Leonard Drilling company is building a rig on lot 110 on Palm street. The Universal Consolidated Oil company is putting a new rig on lot 81, offsetting the U. S. Royalties well on Pepper street.

Superior is ready to construct a derrick on Pine street, just south of the Fortuna producer.

C. C. Julian is drilling the old Torrance-Lomita Royalties with characteristic Julian dispatch. The hole is now more than 1000 feet deep.

TRUSTEES PUT FOOT DOWN ON CARD BETTING

Tell Chief to Prohibit Playing in Pool Halls

Informed by Chief of Police Anderson that the stakes behind "checks" in Torrance pool room card games are getting high, the board of trustees Tuesday night instructed the chief to stop all card games in local pool halls.

"Tell them that they will lose their licenses if they play cards any more," was the tenor of the trustees' message to the chief.

Application for another pool hall in Torrance was refused. There are at present two pool rooms operating in the city. Permit for a third was recently granted. Three is enough, think the trustees. So the application for a permit to open such a business in the former home of Bartlett's Sweet Shop was refused.

BOARD STICKS TO ZONE LAW IN TORRANCE

Refuses Permit for Machinery Platform in Business District

Adhering to its policy of maintaining a slightly appearance in the business district, Torrance trustees Tuesday night refused the application of the C. H. Williams company of Taft to construct a platform for heavy machinery adjacent to the building formerly occupied by Reeve store for an oil supply store company has rented the former Reeve store of an oil supply store and desired a large platform on which to stand heavy machines.

Trustee Fitzhugh objected on the grounds that the proposed platform is prohibited by the zoning ordinance and that its erection and use would be objectionable to business houses in the vicinity. In this contention he was upheld by Sam Rappaport, who objected to the granting of the permit. The board voted unanimously to refuse the permit.

PLEASE NOTE CORRECTION

Owing to rush of business this week, real roast is priced at 10 cents per pound in the J. M. Roberts meat market advertisement in this issue. It should have read 15 cents per pound.

Plans Complete for 4th District Meet At Keystone Hall

Plans are complete for the meeting of the Fourth District Chambers of Commerce to be held at the Keystone Chamber of Commerce hall Thursday night, Oct. 11. A banquet will be served at 6:30.

The Keystone Boosters' club will hold a dance Saturday night, Oct. 13.

LOCAL REALTY MEN WILL GO TO STATE MEET

Large Delegation Will Leave for Stockton Next Tuesday

Torrance will be well represented at the state convention of the California State Realty board, to be held at Stockton next week.

A large party of realtors will leave here next Tuesday, Oct. 9, at 5 o'clock, decked out with silk badges on which a gushing oil well is prominently linked up with the name of Torrance.

It is anticipated that the following will be included in the party: W. A. Renn, president of the Torrance district board; Mrs. Renn, Vice President M. L. May, Mrs. May, Secretary H. A. Treadwell, Mrs. Treadwell, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hansen, Mr. and Mrs. Austin, Mr. and Mrs. Evans and son, Mrs. E. P. Young, Mrs. R. G. Stanton Jr., Mr. and Mrs. G. A. R. Steiner, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Crowell, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Jones.

The Torrance District Realty board was organized on June 6 with 14 members. There are now 29 active members. On August 2 the board adopted the multiple listing system. To date more than 25 per cent of the listings have been sold under this system.

Mr. Treadwell and Mr. Steiner will represent Torrance Thursday night at Long Beach, when the president of the National Realty board will address the Long Beach board at the Hotel Virginia.

MONEY ROLLS IN

City Recorder James King collected \$880 in fines during September.

FINED \$100

Ed Apperson and H. H. Graham were arrested Monday, charged with assault and battery by Martin Donnelly. Apperson pleaded guilty and was fined \$100.

Graham was released under \$100 bail and will appear for trial Friday morning.

STANDARD IS IN OIL BEARING SAND AT 3400 FT.

Excellent Showing in Eastern Part of Field

SHELL CO. SPUDS IN Keystone Well Near Boulevard Looks Fine, Too

The Standard Oil company this week struck oil east of Torrance. The company's Dominguez No. 1 on Ocean avenue Tuesday located a sand at around 3400 feet, according to field representatives of the company. Just how deep the structure is, the company representatives would not make public.

This news, coupled with the indications at Keystone No. 1, east of Harbor boulevard in Keystone, attracted new interest this week. The Keystone well has located several non-commercial formations at various depths, but showings during the past few days have been of such a nature that experts are looking for a commercial producer there.

Standard is reaming Dominguez No. 1 preparatory to landing 10-inch casing at 3400 feet. Eight-and-a-quarter-inch casing will be used below 3400 feet. Whether the formation which the drill entered this week is commercial has not yet been demonstrated.

The Shell company spudded in its well between the Standard lease and the Keystone well Sunday and is drilling ahead rapidly.

Standard has staked out a new location on its lease east of the Kettler ranch, where the C. C. M. O. is rigging up.

THE "BEACON" LIGHT OF SERVICE

By THE COWBOY



The Beacon Drug Store company, with headquarters at San Pedro and establishments throughout the country, has reached a definite degree of excellence and serviceable customs in the perfect and magnificent scheme it has attained in the Torrance milestone—Beacon Drug Store No. 7.

Without a peer in decorative beauty and efficient service, this fine home of pure drugs and those things generally allied with the druggist's sphere of activity is one of the foremost additions to the ever-increasing mercantile district of this remarkable town. Opened in June, new and neat with its splendid wares, the Beacon Drug Store, under the capable guidance of A. E. Finster, has won public favor from the beginning. Nothing has been overlooked in the inclusion and arrangement of stocks; the pre-

scription department is of the highest degree of efficiency; many lines of sundries are available; here is the Eastman agency, the Waterman pen headquarters, the local agency for Owl preparations and also for the popular Red Feather toilet preparations.

Mr. Finster is a native son, having been born at Santa Ana. He has been in the drug trade since he came out of the University of Southern California back in 1910. Over seven years with the Beacon institutions, this young man has a wide acquaintance throughout this part of the state. Finster is one of those affable and sincere gentlemen that one fondly hopes to find behind every counter where one is wont to take their trade. A man of high intelligence, Mr. Finster is most eager to please all those who enter his door.