

### PARTY ENJOYS FINE TRIP TO TROPICAL ISLE

C. P. Roberts, A. B. Davis and A. McDonald Are Enthusiastic

Covering a distance of over two thousand miles to the interior of Mexico, the party of twelve who left Los Angeles two weeks ago for the tropical island off the west coast returned Thursday morning, all very enthusiastic over the trip. The journey was made over the Southern Pacific to Mazatlan and Escanapa, where automobiles were in waiting to transport the crowd through coconut groves and fields of pineapples, bananas, sugar cane, cotton and corn.

The beautiful and historic castles and drives of Mazatlan proved interesting, and everyone experienced a thrill as the drives were made over the island with its peculiar and prolific growths. Wild game of every description scampers about as the autos traversed the winding roads. The waters were teeming with fish, oysters, crocodiles and huge turtles. The warm waters of the Pacific proved a tempting pastime to bathers, both night and morning, yet few had time to swim. The party was in charge of Mrs. Ena M. Harper and W. H. O'Bryan. Lodgings were arranged in the cannery on the island, as the clubhouse has not been built but it is planned to stage the formal opening about Thanksgiving next. The natives supplied the kitchen with venison at \$1 per head. Turtle steaks were cut from monsters weighing over 100 pounds, and oysters from three inches to ten inches in length were brought in from the deep waters by expert divers. No one went hungry, and for over a week lived on pure, wholesome food minus all pastries. All

tropical fruits, such as bananas, cherries, grapefruit, limes, oranges and coconuts were found in abundance. The crowd was cordially received by Gov. Reyes of Sinaloa, and in fact the Mexican people were considerate for the comfort of all. The leading newspaper at Mazatlan invited the party to inspect their plant and offices, took pictures, published a two-column writeup, which is being translated into English. This will appear in succeeding issues.

### Chief Issues Warning After Two Fatalities

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dangerous injuries. Both men were taken to the Redondo hospital, where Rechtenwald expired and where Tyner is said to have a chance for recovery.

"We do not wish to be unreasonable, but we believe that it is not unreasonable to protect human life. If motorists and truck drivers do not wish to be arrested, they must obey the traffic laws."

Chief of Police Anderson, in an interview today, said: "These two fatal accidents should serve as a warning to all motorists."

"The Torrance police have been working day and night on a campaign against reckless driving. So many accidents have occurred in the oil fields during the past six months that the men have been ordered to arrest all flagrant offenders of traffic laws."

"These orders were not issued for the purpose of making a police record, but to protect human life. During the month of April fines aggregating more than \$2000 were assessed in Torrance, mostly against violators of traffic laws."

"The accidents of last week-end serve to prove that the precautions taken by the police department are necessary."

"We intend to go on enforcing the law against traffic violations to the best of our ability."

"Many of the oil companies have objected because Torrance police have arrested so many truck drivers. It is true that we have 'booked' many drivers of commercial vehicles. But the department is convinced that every arrest was made in the interests of safety. A huge truck, loaded with heavy material and traveling without lights at night, or exceeding the speed limit, is a hazard that we cannot and will not allow on Torrance streets or highways."

### P.-T.A. BOX SOCIAL

The Parent-Teacher association will hold a box social Friday night, May 9, in the music auditorium of the high school.

There will be music and games from 7:30 to 9:30 p. m., when the boxes will be auctioned off. One dollar will be the limit.

Come and have a merry time.

Mr. and Mrs. Lorrie of American avenue, Long Beach, were dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Hedge, 252d street, Friday night, after which they all attended the picture of the water, power and light bureau that was shown at the Fireman hall.

Richard Carpenter, a student of San Pedro high school, residing on 254th street, Harbor City, somehow got tangled up in the barbed wire on the track field Friday and received two nasty cuts on his leg above the knee. After receiving first aid treatment he came home, but appeared at his desk on Monday.

### BLACK AND WHITE MARABOU MAKES EFFECTIVE TRIM



The black and white combination does not seem to lose any of its popularity in spite of being much worn. The attractive costume shown is fashioned of heavy brocaded black and white satin crepe and is trimmed with marabou of the same colors. The scarf is long and straight with the marabou finishing the ends.

### BUSINESS MEN PRACTICE FOR COMING SHOW

The Torrance business men's minstrel show, to be given in the new high school auditorium next month, held its first rehearsal Monday night and two of the new song hits were whipped into shape. On next Friday night other songs will be rehearsed and the end men will be given their instructions and songs to be learned. It is very essential that all of the business men attend the rehearsal, as the directors alone cannot put over the show. Come on, fellows, turn out as you said you would; be at the high school next Friday night at 8 o'clock.

### TRUSTEES

Residents of Martina street presented a petition asking that the thoroughfare between 220th street and Plaza del Amo be improved with crushed rock. City Engineer J. J. Jessup pointed out that the residents of the street would be able to reduce the cost of this work by letting the contract privately. The petition was referred to him with instructions that he consult the property owners.

A request that the board assist citizens in securing new industries for Torrance by agreeing to rebate taxes on industrial improvements for three years was referred to the finance committee.

The board will meet again next Monday night for an adjourned session.

An emergency ordinance establishing boulevard stops at the intersections of Plaza del Amo with Arlington and Carson streets was passed by the board, at the request of City Marshal Anderson.

### John Ortman, Aged 79, Taken By Death

John Ortman, aged 79, passed away Monday, May 5, at his home, the Colonial hotel, Cabrillo avenue, after an illness of three weeks. Mr. Ortman was born in Franklin county, Indiana, and came to Torrance with his family three years ago. He was a life-long member of the Catholic church.

Mr. Ortman is survived by the widow, Mrs. Mary Ortman; three daughters, Mrs. Anna Vonderahe and the Misses Rose and Kate Ortman, of Torrance; five sons, Henry, Edward, William, John and Frank, all of Indiana; and two grandsons, Charles and Paul Vonderahe, of Torrance.

The body, accompanied by members of the family, was taken to Kokomo, Ind., for burial.

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