

# Supers To Consider Carson St. Plan

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### Nab 40 In Road Raid

#### County Officials Herd Young Girls With Drunken Men

Lurid Midnight Scene at Torrance Jail, Commanded by Sheriff's Men, Revolting to Eyewitnesses

#### BLOCK EFFORT TO TAKE GIRLS HOME

Clean-Up Staged on Long Beach-Redondo Road in Lomita Lands Gun-Toters in Net of Officers

Forty persons, six of them women, two of them high school girls 17 years old, and eight of them sailors from the Pacific fleet, were arrested Saturday night and early Sunday morning when members of the sheriff's dry squad, headed by Deputy Sheriff Patton, staged a wholesale auto-searching campaign on Long Beach-Redondo boulevard in Lomita.

Taken into custody on charges that varied from vagrancy to carrying concealed weapons, the men and

women were brought to the Torrance jail and later driven to Los Angeles in a big bus. The bus load consisted of intoxicated men, young girls and women.

The scene at the Torrance jail, as described by eyewitnesses, was one of the most revolting ever seen in this district.

Prisoners were brought from the scene of the searching brigade's activities to the jail at intervals between 9:15 Saturday night and 2 o'clock Sunday morning.

Intoxicated men, women, sailors and two girls in their teens were crowded into the narrow confines of the police station, to wait for the officers to continue their searching.

Held Young Girls  
The two young girls were taken into custody with two older men. Police charge that one of the girls concealed a bottle of wine under her dress when arrested.

An attempt on the part of a Long Beach citizen to take the young girls out of the crowded police station to their homes failed.

The citizen's request met with the abrupt announcement from Motorcycle Officer Clark that "we are holding them as material witnesses."

The citizen's promise to see that the girls appeared when wanted was of no avail.

During the stay of the prisoners in the station one woman who had been arrested made loud and lewd remarks to officers, and a drunken man swore loudly.

The raid was ordered by county officers, and at their orders the Torrance police station was commandeered as the "herding place" for the prisoners.

"It is too bad that we have no juvenile tank for these young girls," a Torrance officer remarked.

Two men were arrested by Abbott Saturday afternoon when he found them asleep, "half in Torrance and half in Lomita," according to Abbott, who says they were snoozing on the ground. "Their heads were in Torrance and their feet in Lomita," said the officer.

The Saturday night boulevard searching campaign in Lomita was one of many held throughout the county. Compton deputies and Motorcycle Officer Clark of Torrance and Constable Taber assisted Deputy Patton.

Scores of automobiles were stopped and searched during the night.

Many of those arrested Saturday night were arraigned before Justice of the Peace Hunter in Lomita Monday.

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### Observations

Crabs, Cocoanuts and Home Environment; Jingoism Versus Jesus — Hughes' Poor Record — Should Corsets Return?

By W. HAROLD KINGSLEY

ON one of the South Sea islands where cocoanut trees abound, scientists ten years ago introduced a species of large crab. An interesting development followed. The crabs soon learned that cocoanuts falling from the trees sometimes break, furnishing a nourishing meal of white cocoanut meat. But insufficient cocoanuts fell to provide the rapidly growing crab colony with food. So the crabs, after two or three years, learned to break the cocoanuts themselves. Remember that cocoanuts were new in the life of the crabs. Yet now after ten years young crabs instinctively climb the trees after cocoanuts. AND NATURE HAS PROVIDED THE CRABS WITH ONE LARGE, HEAVY CLAW WITH WHICH THE CREATURES BREAK OPEN THE COCOANUTS.

This is the adaptability of animals to new environment emphasized, the lesson of inherited tendencies brought home.

Two high school girls, aged seventeen, were taken in a dry raid by officials in Lomita Saturday night. When the officers stopped the car one of the girls, it is alleged, concealed a bottle of wine under her dress.

Somebody besides that young girl is to blame for what waywardness may be here. Wrong environment, careless parents or inherited moral laxity, or all three, are at fault.

It is too bad that the girl is under arrest and the parents at liberty. It is not a far cry from the crabs' inherited tendencies and their ready response to environment to the inherited tendencies and response to environment of these two unfortunate high school girls.

In putting the crabs on the island where cocoanuts grow the scientists provided a new environment for the creatures, but one to which the crabs readily adapted themselves.

It is the first duty of parents to create the proper environment for their children, whose adaptability is even more responsive than that of lower forms of life.

After all, morality, like charity, should begin at home.

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JAPANESE jingoism cry for war with the United States. There are a proportionate number of American jingoists who will shout back "Let's go!" And here is one more example of what heredity does. It is too much to hope that human beings, descended from ancestors who have fought and killed one another for ages and ages should suddenly cast off deep-rooted belligerent tendencies and the lust for blood.

The world cannot, in one generation, stamp out war for all time. But each generation can help.

Nationally this country can do its part by enacting legislation and promulgating treaties which make war more difficult to start. The best method so far advanced is the plan for the drafting of industry and property as well as men in times of national emergency.

The individual can help by injecting into the minds of children something of hatred for martial conflict.

Advocates of universal military training will say that education of the young against war will make us a country of mollycoddles.

Then by all means let us have more mollycoddles—approaching as near as possible to the type exemplified by Him who is known throughout the world as Jesus Christ.

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WHEN Secretary Hughes completed negotiations at the disarmament conference, held under President Harding's administration, the country was given to understand that the American navy would be on a par with that of Great Britain and more powerful than that of Japan. The ratio was to be 5-5-3; the United States and Britain rating 5 and Japan rating 3.

Now comes Secretary Wilbur and Assistant Secretary Theodore Roosevelt with the official declaration that the ratio actually is 5-4-3; Britain 5, the United States 4, and Japan 3.

It is discovered that under the agreement the United States cannot raise the elevation of naval guns to give them a range equal to that of Britain's best. In other words, Secretary Hughes, either wittingly or unwittingly, pledged us to an agreement under which British ships would be able to outrange our naval guns by a considerable distance.

This provides one more example of the deplorably poor representation we had at the conference. With Hughes our official agent at that international meeting Britain shoved over the Singapore project and hoodwinked Hughes into acceptance of a 5-4-3 ratio by making it look like a 5-5-3 proposition.

Hughes' record as secretary of state has been anything but commendable. He made a mess of the disarmament conference, where he proved to be more valuable as a promoter of British interests than he was of our own.

Since then he has repeatedly kept the administration in more or less trouble. His insistence on striking out the Japanese exclusion provision in the immigration bill widened the breach between the President and Congress. Hughes contended that exclusion should be arranged by the "gentlemen's agreement," that negotiations for exclusion by treaty be left to him.

Fortunately Congress couldn't see it that way. Perhaps representatives and senators were fed up on the results of the secretary's "arrangements." Perhaps they feared he would do for Japan what he did for Great Britain.

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PARISIAN designers are making a determined effort to reintroduce corsets into general use. For the sake of manufacturers they seek again to encase the women of the world in stays as strong as the hoops of an expert cooper's finest product.

Now there are many phases of the emancipation of women on which society may offer differences of opinion. But feminine freedom from confining stays is not one of them. Health and comfort dictate that women should never again lace themselves up like an intercollegiate football. Modesty perhaps requires that certain apparatus is necessary, but women should rise up in united wrath against the reintroduction of those old ironsheds that once held them in viselike grip. They should adopt the slogan, "stay the stays."

#### Carnival Opens To Great Throng

The street fair of the building association of Triple City Lodge No. 333, I. O. O. F., opened with a bang last evening at Lomita, a large crowd of local and visiting amusement seekers turning out. Although the weather was adverse on account of the cold wind and heavy fog, everybody seemed to have a good time.

#### Eastern Outpost Becomes Pumper

Plugged back to 3800 feet after having made water when completed at 3820 feet, Torrance No. 20 of the Superior Oil company, offsetting the Consolidated Mutual's Oakley No. 1, eastern outpost producer, went on production on the pump Sunday and is making 160 barrels of 16 gravity oil.

### McClellan Assures Morris Action Will Be Taken Directly

Advises Keystone Man to Consult With Road Commissioner as to Specifications of Proposed Pavement

#### WOULD IMPROVE ROAD TO L. B. BLVD.

Petitions Will Be Ready to Circulate as Soon as Advice of County Road Department Is Secured

Supervisor McClellan Saturday morning assured Paul Morris of the Keystone Chamber of Commerce that the board of supervisors will lend all possible assistance in the proposed plans for paving Carson street through to Long Beach boulevard.

Although Mr. McClellan did not promise that the county would pay any particular share of the cost, he informed Mr. Morris and a representative of The Torrance Herald that definite information regarding the stand the board will take will be forthcoming within "a couple of weeks."

He asserted that the board favors no particular kind of paving and advised Mr. Morris to consult with the

county road commissioners as to specifications for the proposed pavement.

"It is the policy of the board to give the people what they want," said the supervisor. "However, we want to know what they want and believe that circulators of petitions should consider suggestions from the road commissioner, before recommending any particular specifications."

Mr. Morris will consult with the road commissioners. He is prepared to circulate petitions on behalf of the Keystone Chamber of Commerce as soon as specifications for the proposed pavement are agreed upon.

Mr. Morris has been promised the complete co-operation of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce.

### REAL CLEANERS AND DYERS

By THE MYSTERIOUS COWBOY

THE TWO PRINCIPAL REASONS WHY CLEANING IS AN ART



The Torrance Cleaners and Dyers, an established concern doing a splendid business, has recently been purchased by two energetic and experienced young men who already have made a number of improvements and promise still greater things. Every growing city needs just such a service as Messrs. Sharon and McCormack are rendering. Torrance is fortunate in having such a team.

Bert M. Sharon is a native of Mason City, Iowa. He is a trained business man and an expert in his line, having been for fifteen years connected with Marshall and Company of Mason City. Mr. and Mrs. Sharon and the two kiddies are new to California, but they already are enthusiastic in their praise of the state and of the city of Torrance.

F. P. McCormack is a Long Beach man. But he, like Sharon, is a native of the good old state of Iowa. He has had business experience and knows how to treat the trade. His

work will be outside taking care of new and old customers, while Sharon will take care of the inside work. Both are young men of pleasing personalities and good qualities and are sure to make a marked success in their laudable undertaking.

The Torrance Cleaners and Dyers concern has headquarters in the Vanderhede block near the corner of Carson and Cabrillo streets. All kinds of repairing and cleaning will be done. Fancy work requiring special attention will be a feature. Men's and women's garments will be cared for, as well as household articles generally handled by modern dry cleaning and dyeing establishments. Special attention will be given to seeing that all service is very prompt and that all work is done in a most satisfactory manner.

Messrs. Sharon and McCormack are the sort of young men a live and growing city like Torrance always welcomes.

#### MRS. BLACKLOCK ENTERTAINS

Mrs. E. W. Blacklock of Gramercy avenue entertained a number of young folks at her home Friday evening. Most of the guests were members of the hostess' Sunday school class.

Those who enjoyed the evening included Ruth and Helen Clark, Martha and Ruth Lingerfelter, Marceline Bilbro, Glenn and Leonard Babcock, Grace Allway, Marion Wright, Horace Clark, and Mrs. Charles H. Clark.

#### BIRTHDAY DINNER

Mrs. C. W. Morrow of 1740 Andreo avenue entertained at dinner Saturday evening in honor of Mr. Morrow's birthday.

Places were marked for the honoree and Mr. and Mrs. William Westbury, Okmulgee, Okla.; Mr. and Mrs. Ed Chisholm, Hermosa Beach; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Oxley, Mr. and Mrs. Will Oxley, of Huntington Park, and the hostess.

### FOUR GOOD WELLS BROUGHT IN

C.-C. M. O., Superior, Standard and E. J. Miley Get Production in 1000-Barrel Class and Over

Four first class wells were brought in over the week-end, one by the Chanslor-Canfield Midway Oil company, one by the Standard, one by the Superior, and one by E. J. Miley.

Superior's Torrance No. 31 headed the list with an initial production of 7200 barrels. Located well out in the east side of the field, on the Joughlin lease south of the Redondo road, No. 31 was completed at 3846 feet. The unusually large flush production at this point was somewhat of a surprise to operators. It makes the Standard Oil company's 100 acres, leased from the Sentinel Oil company, look especially good. The Standard

lease, on which seven wells are being drilled, is just east of the property on which No. 31 is located.

The Chanslor-Canfield Midway Oil company's Torrance No. 56, offsetting the Fullerton Oil company's Cotton-See No. 1, was brought in Sunday night for a yield of 1085 barrels. The oil tests 26 degrees. No. 56 was completed at 3680 feet, fifteen feet deeper than Fullerton drilled Cotton-See No. 1.

E. J. Miley brought in his sixth well on his Joughlin lease Saturday when No. 5 was completed at 3827 feet for a flush production of 850 barrels.